

# Your Place Workshops

Gather some friends or colleagues together for a Your Place Workshop and we'll come to... Your Place.



## Your Place : Family History Workshop

It's a perfect way to get started, to kick start your research or just to have some research time with friends

Our expert will come to your place. There will be time for some updates on what is new in the family history world and even some teaching.

Then it's time to make a plan and start researching with some expert one on one time during the workshop.



## Your Place : DNA Workshop

The focus of this workshop is understanding your DNA results and learning how to use the results for your family history research.

We'll also look at the other tools that are available for expanding on your research and what is new in the DNA world.



## Your Place : Photo Organise Workshop

We rate our photos as one of our most precious possessions and what we'd grab in an emergency, but are we making sure that we're keeping them safe?

A hands on workshop to get you started on sorting your photos both physical and digital.



## Your Place : Memories Workshop

We're great at travelling back in time to investigate our ancestors and find out about their lives. So what happens if we travel forward in time? What are our descendants going to find out about us?

Come prepared to record some of your stories and memories and we'll look at ways of keeping and sharing these.

Remember Yesterdays Moment's become Tomorrows Memories.

Currently available in Christchurch, New Zealand, but talk to us if you are interested in a workshop elsewhere. Minimum three hour workshop. To make a booking and for more details and pricing contact us.

# Family History Workshops

These practical, interactive workshops are available as a day course or over four weeks. Computer and internet access is required. These sessions are also available as individual one hour presentations.



## Family History 101

This four session (1.5-2hrs per session) workshop covers:

- **First Things First**  
If you're just starting out it's tempting to rush in and get carried away with internet searches and purchases. Press pause and think about what do you know and what you might already have around your home.
- **Strong Roots**  
Having a strong basis to how you research and organise what you discover means that you are set up for your future research. This presentation covers the research process and a basic organisation process.
- **The Bones**  
How to search for a Birth, Death or Marriage in New Zealand's civil registration records and some tips and tricks to make it easier. Also available for Australia and the United Kingdom.
- **Death & Dying**  
The passing on a family member creates a number of records that can be of use to a family historian. Focusing on cemetery records and probates, but also considering what other records may have been created. Also available for the United Kingdom.

## Family History 102

This four session (1.5-2hrs per session) workshop covers:

- **The Bones Part 2 – Parish Registers**  
Instead of Birth and Death, think Baptism and Burial with the addition of Marriages. Parish Registers are another source for family history information in New Zealand. Also available for the United Kingdom.
- **Finding Families**  
We don't have any major collections of census records in New Zealand, so how else can you find families in New Zealand. Looking at the use of electoral rolls and school records to add to your family history.
- **Extra, Extra, Read All About It**  
Newspapers all around the world are going digital. How can you use them to add to your family history?
- **Getting Here**  
Our families all got to New Zealand somehow. This presentation covers the use of 19th and 20th century immigration records to add to your family story.



# Photograph & Digital Scrapbooking Workshops

These workshops require computers or laptops with Photoshop Elements / Photoshop installed. Students can use their own laptops and download a 30 day free trial of Photoshop Elements from the Adobe website to use in class. Workshop includes a student handout and a selection of digital scrapbooking materials.



## Restore Your Photos

You've inherited the family photos, but some of them need some love. They may have tattered edges, marks and colour casts.

This three hour workshop covers the tools available in Photoshop Elements to restore photographs.

Bring some of your photos to work on.

## Digital Scrapbook 101

Learn how to preserve your photos and share your stories through digital scrapbooking.

In this three hour workshop you'll create a mini album with the supplied materials and your own photos.

Suitable for all levels of Photoshop users including beginners.



## Digital Scrapbook 102

Digital Scrapbooking has the advantage over traditional scrapbooking that you don't have to cut anything up or get sticky with glue. This means you can "cut" the papers, resize and use the kit items multiple times and still create a unique page. Once created a page can be printed, collated into a book and shared multiple times.

This three hour workshop is suitable for those that have had an introduction to the use of layers in Photoshop (Digital Scrapbook 101).

## Digital Scrapbook 201 – 4 session course

Building on what is covered in the Digital Scrapbooking 101 and 102 workshops, here we cover the creation of digitally scrapbooked pages in Photoshop or Photoshop Elements.

Learn how to lay out your page and use more advanced photoshop techniques including blends and masks.

This four session (1.5-2hrs per session) workshop can be run over a weekend or four weeks.



# Presentations

Tailored for a 1 hour presentation slot with questions (unless otherwise indicated), these presentations are supported with handouts or supporting material where appropriate. Full descriptions are available on request.

## Family History Focus

### Starting Your Family History

Do you have an interest in your family history? Covering the basics of ancestry charts, family group sheets and civil registration, this is the perfect presentation for those wanting to start their family history.

### Flesh and Bones

Especially for the budding junior genealogist (8yrs and up), helping them to start tracing their family history. Covering charts, oral history, civil registration and introducing some internet sources. This presentation has been given to school classes studying their family history.

### Freenealogy – the researching of your genealogy for free.

There are a lot of freely available sources (or nearly free sources) for researching your family history, both online and physical. Are you making the most of these in your research?

### Four Sources for Tracing your New Zealand Family

Beyond Births, Deaths and Marriages, this talk looks at four sources for tracing your New Zealand family. Covering: Cemetery Research, Probates & Wills, Shipping to New Zealand and Newspapers

### Encounters – Our Immigrant Ancestors

2019 marks 250 years since Captain Cook left the England to explore the South Pacific. Like Cook our ancestors made the journey to New Zealand as well. Concentrating on 19th and 20th century immigrants this presentation will look at the resources available for finding our ancestors arrival in New Zealand.

### Across the Ditch

It's easy to think that our ancestors once settled somewhere then didn't go far, but in fact the gap between Australia and New Zealand was closer than we sometimes think. Trans-Tasman migration whether permanent, temporary or just to go shopping was part of our ancestor's lives.

### Getting the Vote

It's election day... are you standing for election; supporting someone who is standing or voting? Elections produce sources for our family history research and it's important to know whether or not your ancestor will or can be in them.

### HerStory - Researching Women's History

2018 marked the 125th Anniversary of Women's Suffrage in New Zealand. Starting from a page in the Suffrage Petition this presentation covers sources to trace the history of one of the signatories, Kate Eliza Turvey, to allow us to write her story.

### House History

The genealogists perspective on researching the history of a house.

### Exploring the UK Census

Unlike New Zealand the United Kingdom has major collections of census records available from 1841-1911. Tips and tricks on how to use these records to reconstruct your families.



# Presentations (cont.)

## The 1939 Register for Family Historians

Following on from the declaration of War, on September 29th 1939, the details of the population of Great Britain and Northern Ireland were recorded and identity cards were issued. Findmypast have now published the registers for England and Wales. This talk will look at searching the 1939 Register and what to do with the information you find.

## Findmypast – Seek & Find

Explore the use of the Findmypast website for researching your family. Covering the available methods for searching the Findmypast website.

## Slow Down - Planning Your Research

It's so exciting! You've just received a new certificate and have new family names. There's so much new research to do and before you know it it's 2am and somehow you missed dinner. Finding new family can be exciting, but sometimes it pays to slow down and plan your research.

## Exciting Discoveries

Family History is like a jigsaw puzzle, but sometimes it's hard to get all the pieces back into the box. This talk looks at how you can organise your research, both physical and on the computer so that you can always find the edge pieces.

## Going Online

The Why's, Where's and How's of putting your family tree online. Covers Ancestry.com, Findmypast, Family Search and many more.

## DNA Focus

### The Magic of DNA

It's a shuffle of the cards as to the DNA we inherit from our ancestors. For researchers, the DNA hand we are dealt can lead us back to where our family came from long before written records and also to closer generations. It's all in the luck of the draw. This presentation is an overview of DNA and its use by family historians and will cover the Why, How and What of DNA. Why you would do a DNA test; How DNA works for family history; What you can expect from your results and what to do next.

### DNA Explorer

You've received your DNA test results, so now what? What is Raw DNA? What websites can you transfer your DNA to? What if you have other family members test, what happens with their results?

### Quick and Dirty DNA

You've done your DNA and there are pages of matches. How do you work out if how you're related? Creating "Quick & Dirty" family trees for your matches may solve your problem. We'll look at different ways of doing this with some hints and tips on the way.

### The DNA Toolkit

There are a range of different tools that are available to learn more from your DNA results. In this session we'll look at how you access the tool, what do you have to do to use the tool and what do you end up with.

### Breaking Down Brickwalls with DNA

Can DNA help you break through your family tree brick walls? The story of some 19th century ancestors and how DNA reconnected them with their families. **[New in August 2020]**



# Presentations (cont.)

## Memory Keeping & Photo Focus

### The Time Travelling Genealogist

As family historians we are great at travelling back in time to investigate our ancestors and find out about their lives. So what happens if we travel forward in time? What are our descendants going to find out about us?

### Are you the CMO of your Family?

Looking at the digital world we are living in with a focus on digital images. How do you keep them organized and accessible? Come along to find out what a CMO is.

### Restore Your Photos

Do you have photos that haven't worn well, tattered edges and colour casts. This demonstration covers the basic tools available in Photoshop Elements to restore family photographs.

### From Bookshelf to Coffee Table - Creating a Captivating Family History

Take your research and create a captivating family history to share with your family. Find out how digital scrapbooking can provide you with the tools to go from words and dates to pictures and stories. **[New in 2020]**

### Preserving the Past and the Present for the Future

We all plan to write our family history, but until then how else can we share and preserve our family history both past and present? This presentation is illustrated with digital scrapbooking examples.

# Presentations Under Development

- Four More Sources for Tracing your New Zealand Family
- Another Four Sources for Tracing your New Zealand Family
- Mind the Gap
- Genealogist on Tour
- Quick Tips for Genealogists - Documents
- Quick Tips for Genealogists - Spreadsheets

# Looking for something else?

If you need a presentation or workshop on a different topic contact us.

# Research Weekend

Have you considered a research weekend? Based in Christchurch, Fiona is available to travel and any requests would be considered. Depending on travel requirements up to eight presentations can be covered in a weekend. Mix and match workshops and presentations. Contact us to discuss.

