



July 2022

Greetings to all our members and friends, this issue will be a bit short this month, because I have spent too much time outside and holidays have interfered with 'real work'. I hope everyone is having a good summer – I never complain about the heat, but it does slow you down a lot!!



## Society News

- **Meetings** - Members can see the schedule of meetings for next session on the website, but we don't start talks until September, you can register there, but I will remind you of the upcoming talk in the next eNews.

In July we had a kind offer from Colin Campbell to give tours of the High Kirk BG to local members, and he guided two groups of interested members for a fascinating few hours showing how some of the families in residence influenced and were involved in the history of the city and country.

**In August** we have no formal zoom talk arranged, however we are arranging a couple in informal sessions to look at 'brick walls' and Canadian research with some ideas, suggesting and demonstrating resources you can use to tackle them.

**First** on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August we plan a zoom at 7:30 UK time. We hope that some members will, in advance, send in some brief enquiries with a 'brick wall' example, then we can do a bit of advance research and present results/methods at the informal meeting. Register for zoom at:- [Click here to register](#)

**Second** on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August trying to focus on geographical areas – starting with Canada, not particularly 'brick walls', but to give and get guidance on researching to or from Canada. Once again send some questions in advance.

Please send your advance questions for brick walls in Scotland to [research@gwsfhs.org.uk](mailto:research@gwsfhs.org.uk), and for researching in Canada, send your enquiry to [events@gwsfhs.org.uk](mailto:events@gwsfhs.org.uk).

- **Opening Hours**

Volunteers are working hard to help researchers on Thursday and Saturday from 2-4pm. It is not necessary to book by Telephoning 0141 339 8303, during opening times, but a good idea to book ahead if you are travelling a distance. Check out the flash screen on the website for conditions, and at :-

<https://www.gwsfhs.org.uk/2022/02/14/research-centre-open-19th-feb-22/>

Even if you don't have a specific enquiry, it is a good idea to call in, if you are in the area, to see the resources we have; if you get on with the team, you might even like to volunteer to help others.

## ● Journal

Members should all have received journal 124 by this time, or had a chance to look at it online at the website. Karen has done a great job of collecting a good variety of articles. Remember that the theme of the journal is only to suggest the subject of articles and not mandatory, the editor is pleased to receive any submission big or small. Often just a short submission can be triggered by something you find in your researches, or a story that is triggered by an artefact that explains a family mystery.

## ● Library

In the journal the librarian has selected a few items relating to the theme. Why not look at the online catalogue, local members can come and browse, but even if you are further away you could drop a line to [research@gwsfhs.org.uk](mailto:research@gwsfhs.org.uk) and ask the research team to do a quick look at an index to tell you if there is reference to the names you search.

## ● Datasets

You will see on the website that David Hart has uploaded two new sets of Monumental Inscriptions for Dunoon and Rhu burying grounds. You can search for names online and see the full transcription of text on any matches.



## News from elsewhere

### ● Ancestry

New items in the Card Catalogue contain a few Scottish items which may be of interest

Scotland, National War Memorial Index 1914-1945

Scotland, High Court Criminal Indexes, 1790-1919

Edinburgh, Scotland, Cemetery Registers, 1771-1935

Find these quickly by selecting Search\Card Catalogue from Ancestry Home page

### ● Findmypast

Their Friday updates mention a few unusual items

Pennsylvania, List of British Prisoners of the War or Revolution - lists British and German prisoners captured from ship and land.

Britain, Campaign, Gallantry and Long Service Medals and Awards - additions bringing total to an immense 6.3 Million records.

Scotland, Monumental Inscriptions has added 13,000 new MIs from Angus and Fife.

### ● ScottishIndexes

Look forward to their 17th Zoom Conference on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022, as before, another packed day of interesting talks, repeated twice to allow the whole world to hear.

Register at their website <https://www.scottishindexes.com/>.

- As ever, Chris Paton's blogspot at <https://scottishgenes.blogspot.com> always has useful news for Scottish and Irish researchers.



## Ramblings

Not so many ideas this month. Nights are too short to browse around the internet!! Any suggestions for items that may interest our readers gratefully received.

- **Doric**

If you are interested to see how old Scots dialect looks and sounds you could look at a site found by Brian Watson - <https://eemisstane.com> . It has poetry and essays in old Scots language - it's not Gaelic or English, but dialect sometimes also called Lallans. You'll most commonly see it written down in Burns poetry, even if you are brought up in the lowlands of Scotland you probably need help with this old form of language!!

- **Thomas Sulman View of the City in 1864**

Thanks to Glasgow University Library site you can view the complete panorama of the City of Glasgow in 1864, created by artist and surveyor Thomas Sulman. It allows you to zoom into any area of the image to view in detail areas such as Glasgow Cross below. Start at the link below:



[https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/library/files/maps/galleries/glasgow/Viewer/Birds\\_Eye\\_Sulman\\_1864.html](https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/library/files/maps/galleries/glasgow/Viewer/Birds_Eye_Sulman_1864.html)

Selecting Glasgow in the Maps header presents many other early maps of the City.

Where anyone has comments or corrections, don't be shy, and send a note to [enews@gwsfhs.org.uk](mailto:enews@gwsfhs.org.uk), thoughts can be included next month. Also let us know of any other suggestions for less obvious resources which may be of use to other members.

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