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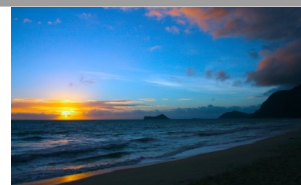
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Anglo Scottish Family History Society

Welcome: to the June edition of the newsletter. I begin with an apology because this edition of the newsletter is going to be extremely truncated being put together in a few days that I have between holidays. I can hear you all weep for me so thanks!! For the next few weeks my wife and I hope to be touring around the Dordogne and I want to rush out these few pages before we go. It is after all the holiday season - in this neck of the woods at least, - so to all of our readers who also hope to get away for a few days, enjoy, most of all, peace.



Finding your Scottish Ancestors in Canada.

A Presentation by Christine Woodcock



Christine Woodcock is a genealogist who lives in Canada and has a specialised knowledge of Scottish family history research. However the topic we gave to Christine required that she look in the other direction as it were and to speak to us about Scottish immigration into Canada. Since Christine lives in Canada, for obvious reasons her presentation was via the Zoom link. I wasn't able to attend this Branch presentation but thankfully Christine generously agreed to the presentation being recorded, albeit, for a limited period, and only for Society members. To view the recording follow the usual route;

Log in as a member // choose the Anglo Scottish Branch // on that page in the box headed "Research" choose "Speakers notes and videos" // scroll down to Anglo-Scottish Meeting Videos (Members Only) // click on "See the Videos" and you will find it there. **Please note** that in view of the requirements placed on us, this presentation will only remain available to view until the **4th July**, so please make the most of this opportunity.

Christine also made available some relevant notes and handouts to help with your research. These are now available, again in the member only area, in the section headed "Anglo-Scottish Meeting Reports (Members Only)" These handouts will remain available indefinitely for you to consult

By all accounts the presentation was well received and promises to be worth looking at. Thanks to Christine and to all those involved in organising this event and making it possible. It is no doubt one of the advantages of Zoom

National Library of Scotland: in their Newsletter this month alert us to yet further developments in their exquisite map collection. They have made available the William Roy military maps created between 1747 and 1755 ([Click here](#)) that give a great illustration of the geography of Scotland at that time. Have a look. It is great fun as well as informative.



Lothian FHS: inform us that the latest edition of their newsletter has been issued. It can be viewed, along with many other FH Society newsletters on the Society "Exchange Journal" site. Always worth a look.

Volunteers Required!!

The Society is always looking for volunteers not only to provide a service at our Help Desk but also helping with transcription work for our many and varied projects.

Our Help Desk. The free service that the Society provides in Manchester Central Library is an important feature of the Library but also great for promoting family history. It is available Monday to Friday, 10.30 until 3.30 and is manned by volunteer members of the Society who are prepared to share their experience of family history research. Owing to a change of circumstances for some of the current volunteers we are now looking for more volunteers to join us. It is great fun and very interesting to share the search of others. There is loads of support from fellow volunteers so you are never on your own. So, if helping other MLFHS members and library visitors with their family history is something that interests you and you have some experience of family history research then please email Leslie Turner our help desk co-ordinator at: helpdesk@mlfhs.org.uk for more information



Project/Transcribing Volunteers: the Society is also always looking for help with transcription work for our many and varied projects. We have all benefited from the contents of the vast database on the Society website and this only exists because of the time that volunteers have given to transcribing the information. The skills required fall mainly into the admin category with typing and copying at the forefront. There is a projects team that oversees, allocates and supports tasks and much of the transcribing can be done at home in your own time. So if you think you can help out in any of these areas, please get in touch with the projects team by e-mailing office@mlfhs.org.uk.

Please don't disregard this plea for project volunteers if you live outside of the Greater Manchester area and think it cannot apply to you. The web makes this a small world and we can usually accommodate you, so do think about it.

Branch Events: even though it may be the holiday period for some, it does not inhibit our intrepid Branches from continuing to offer meetings and talks;

Bolton: in a few days time, on Wednesday, 16th June at 19.15 hrs GMT, they are hosting a Zoom presentation by Jackie Depelle on "Researching House History". Now there's an opportunity to get your house deeds out and find out a bit more of the bricks and mortar you inhabit.

Oldham: on Saturday, 11th June at 1400 hours GMT Oldham Branch have apprehended the Greater Manchester Police Museum and coaxed them into giving a presentation on their archives, what they collect and why. Now I have heard of Scotland Yard's black museum. Will this match or be a bit more grey. Only one way to find out. It was hoped to make this a hybrid presentation but sadly the Zoom element has had to be cancelled so, if you want to know if you are known to the police, you will have to hand yourself in at the Performance Space at Oldham Library.

Anglo Scottish Branch Meeting

Saturday 2nd July 2022

Traditionally our July gathering involves a trip out together to spend time somewhere of interest, and this year is no different, albeit still a little uncertain. Our hope is to have a visit to the newly refurbished Jewish Museum in Cheetham Hill. If you would like to join us on this interesting trip then keep your eyes open for developments. Our chairman will soon be sending out an email to members confirming arrangements. The museum imposes a limit on numbers, so once you have the details, confirm your interest in the usual way, via [Eventbrite](#).

