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# The Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies

## *The School of Family History*

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### IHGS NEWS

#### **Treasure Hunt - The results**

We are delighted to announce that Kelly Rowe has successfully uncovered the hidden treasure, her winning answer and wonderful artwork can be found at the end of this newsletter.

#### **Diamond Essay Competition**

The submission deadline has now passed and we are very pleased to have received so many essays. They will make fascinating reading. The winner will be judged by expert Nick Barrett and will be announced at our Diamond Jubilee celebrations 31st July 2021, and also in our August newsletter.



#### **Higher Certificate Exam Workshop with Les Mitchinson.**

This workshop is ideal for those students who are considering registering for the 2022 June or November examinations. Les will offer tips on how to prepare for the exam and explain the revision plan that is available to students. The workshop is repeated at 4pm on the same day and is FREE to attend. Contact the Registrar - registrar@ihgs.ac.uk to reserve a place.

#### **Who Do You Think You Are? Magazine – Research tips**

Look out for our Tutors and their expert research tips in the September issue of the magazine.

#### **The August newsletter**

August's newsletter will be published slightly later than usual as it will be a special Diamond Jubilee Celebration edition. It will include news from the day and also our examination results for the first half of 2021.

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# IHGS DIAMOND CELEBRATIONS

## **Diamond Jubilee Celebrations and Awards Day**

We are looking forward to seeing old friends and new at our celebration in the grounds of Canterbury Cathedral on the 31st July. The day will mark our 60th year and also the achievements of our staff, graduates and students. We will have the pleasure of presenting certificates to successful examination candidates from the 2020 and 2021 intakes. News and photographs from the day will be posted on our website and in the newsletter, alongside the examination results for 2021.

## **October IHGS Diamond Event**

Eleven exciting talks presented by IHGS tutors, graduates and current students. Bookings are on the increase so book now to reserve your place. The event is sponsored by **The Genealogist** and one lucky attendee will receive a one-year's Diamond Subscription to the Genealogist, [www.thegenealogist.co.uk](http://www.thegenealogist.co.uk).

This month we will focus on our Director of Education, Les Mitchinson.

Les' talk, together with all other Diamond Event talks, are available to book on the IHGS Shop.

Go to the link: <https://shop.ihgs.ac.uk/courses>.



Les has been our Director of Education since January 2017 and a course tutor since 2010. He served a full career in the Royal Navy before turning his attention to family history. He gained the IHGS Higher Certificate in 2008 and the Diploma in Genealogy in 2009. He finds all aspects of Family History engaging but would have to single out military records as his favoured area of research. Living on the outskirts of Portsmouth, close to the Naval Dockyard, the Royal Marines Museum at Eastney and a short drive from Aldershot does have its advantages!

**Trafalgar** by Director of Education, Les Mitchinson, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 5pm.

Les' talk is given on the anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar; Lord Nelson's finest hour, and he will bring the battle to life through the records. All aspects will be covered: the officers, the men, the boys, the ships and the consequences of such an epic confrontation.

**Diamond Zoom Talk – Sponsored by Pen and Sword Books Tracking Down your Railway Ancestors** with Chris Broom Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 10am.

A copy of 'Tracing Your Railway Ancestors' by Pen and Sword Publications will be presented to one lucky attendee.



All Diamond events and talks may be booked through IHGS shop <https://shop.ihgs.ac.uk/courses>.

## **July Guest Speaker**

Our guest speaker this month is Caroline Adams. Caroline is based in West Sussex and has excellent palaeographic skills and is often found in the archives poring over heavily abbreviated Latin documents. Caroline lists courses on reading old handwriting, the use of Latin and manorial records

among a wide-range of topics. Caroline will present the following:

**14<sup>th</sup> July at 10am: Advanced Palaeography.** Caroline will show you the different styles of early handwriting, using examples taken from manorial, ecclesiastical and chancery records. These Zoom tutorials follow on from the basic tutorial given by Les Mitchinson on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Diploma 2021 students may also find this Advanced tutorial valuable as preparation for the November library assessment.

[Full up-to-date list of Zoom Tutorials](#)

## **ZOOM TUTORIALS**

### TO BOOK

Our Zoom programme consists of tutorials presented by IHGS Tutors, talks by guest speakers, a series of Diamond Talks and the October Diamond Event. The programme is open to everyone, not just IHGS students.

#### **Zoom Talks for July**

**Basic Palaeography** with Les Mitchinson. A gentle introduction to the art of palaeography. Les will point out unique letter forms, abbreviations and document formatting and how to transcribe, as well as plenty of audience participation.

Tutorial Date: 7th July 2021, 10am

**Tracing Forwards from 1911**, with Les Mitchinson. Les will describe a number of records that can help you move forwards from the 1911 census. The talk will also consider the impact that the 1921 census will have on research.

Tutorial Date: 8th July 2012, 10am

#### **Heraldry Tutorials with Ann Ballard**

The series of Heraldry Tutorials are presented by Tutor Ann Ballard as a rolling programme. Details and contents are shown below for the tutorials scheduled for July 2021 together with some of those already arranged for September 2021. All heraldry Tutorials have practical exercises throughout.



#### **(NEW) Heraldic Journey 2 “Crests and Fairbairn et al”**

The second tutorial in this new series of case studies will focus on identification using the work of James Fairbairn, and other similar sources. It will continue to bring together basic heraldic knowledge and identifying individuals and family connections from heraldic achievements, memorials, and printed sources. It provides a opportunity to extend knowledge and heraldic vocabulary. It is suggested that participants have a knowledge of heraldry or have attended the previous heraldic workshops 1 - 3.

Tutorial Date: 21st July 2021 10am

#### **REPEAT (NEW) Heraldic Research: Unlocking the Clues (1) - Blazoning and Papworth**

This first tutorial in a new series will focus on the importance of correct blazoning and using Papworth’s “An Ordinary of British Armorial”. Opportunity to extend knowledge, expertise and heraldic vocabulary. It is recommended that participants have an introductory knowledge of heraldry or have attended the previous heraldic workshops 1 and 2.

Tutorial Date: 26th July 2021 5pm

Look out for other new Heraldry Tutorials being planned for the autumn, and the restart of the rolling programme of tutorials, Heraldry 1 – 3 in September as follows:

Tuesday 7th Sept. Heraldry 1: An Introduction to Heraldry

Monday 13th Sept. Heraldry 2: Blazoning

Monday 20th Sept. Heraldry 3: Marshalling, Cadency, and Hatchments

### **Zoom Feedback**

*'The session was great and Just what I needed for revision. Lively, cheerful and informative.'*

*'Tutorial packed with facts interestingly presented and lots of very helpful hints.'*

Introduction to Palaeography

“Thank you @ann9genie1 @IHGS for another excellent tutorial this afternoon! This time the wonders of the heraldic bible that is "Papworth's". We shall all now be buried deep within its pages practicing and honing our blazoning skills!”

“Brilliant tutorial! Thoroughly enjoyed it; always learn so much and reinforce my heraldry knowledge when listening to @ann9genie1. Thank you #hookedonheraldry #IHGS #Education”

Ann's Heraldry Tutorials

[To Book Zoom Tutorials](#)

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### **A focus on Awaken Your Ancestors**

The Awaken Your Ancestors Elementary Family History Course is suitable for those who are new to family history, those who have already started but need guidance and to those who are looking for inspiration on

how to break down that brick wall. The course guides you through key sources: civil registration, census returns, parish registers and other parish records, together with research techniques, online searching and pedigree construction. For those who wish to take their studies further *Broadening Your Family Tree* will take your knowledge to the next level.

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## Genealogical News

### Findmypast

- British Armed Forces, First World War Soldiers' Medical Records
- Dumfries and Galloway Census & Population Lists 1792-1821
- Ireland, Court of Chancery Bill Books 1627-1884
- Ireland, Court of Exchequer Bill Books 1627-1884
- England Roman Catholic Parish Registers update
- Scottish Roman Catholic Collection update
- Prison records:-

Pentonville (prison registers, minute books)

Gibraltar Prison (visitor's book, journal of proceedings)

Chatham Prison, Kent (Register of Prisons)

Portsmouth Prison (Index of working parties)

Wormwood (Index of working parties, register of prisoners under separate confinement)

Wormwood Scrubs (index of working parties)

Millbank Prison (book of questions)

Newgate (list of prisoners; chaplain, surgeons and sheriff visits)

Bedford Gaol (governor's journal)

Lindsey Gaol (Visiting committee)

Liverpool Gaol (calendar of trials and quarter sessions)

Reading Gaol (entry book of pardons of prisoners, visiting justices)

Lancaster Gaol (Register of Debtors and Plaintiffs)

Oxford Gail (Gaoler's journal)

### Ancestry

- Westminster, London, Cemetery Registers, 1855-1990
- Worcestershire, Electoral Registers, 1837-1974
- Dundee, Poor Law Indexes, 1854-1878;
- UK and Allied Countries, Index of International Bomber Command Losses, 1936-1966
- Ireland, Jameson Distillery Staff Wage and Employment Books, 1862-1969
- Ireland, Casey Collection Indexes, 1545-1960
- Australia, Wyong, New South Wales, Headstone Images, 1800-2020; in
- U.S., Confederate Army Payrolls for Enslaved Labor, 1840-1883
- U.S., Missouri, Cole County, Circuit Court Case Files, 1820-1927
- U.S., New Hampshire, Prison Records, 1812-1968
- U.S., Montana, Military Records, 1904-1918
- U.S., Pennsylvania, Veterans Card Files, 1775-1916

### FamilySearch

- Surrey Marriages Bonds and Licenses, 1536-1992
- Argentina, Cemetery Records, 1882-2019
- Finland, Passport Registers, 1900-1920

- U.S., Missouri, Civil Marriages, 1820-1874
- Zimbabwe, Voter Registration, 1938-1973

### **MyHeritage**

- Austria-Hungary, Roman Catholic Indexes, 1612–1966
- Austria, Vienna Catholic Church Records Index, 1585–1918
- Poland, Gravestones, 1800-2020
- U.S., Louisiana Death Index, 1819-1960

[www.corkarchives.ie/explore\\_collections/online\\_digital\\_collections/](http://www.corkarchives.ie/explore_collections/online_digital_collections/)

- Cork Cemetery burial registers Rathcooney 1896-61 and Curraghkippane 1896-1962

<https://wexfordcountyarchive.com/our-collections/digital-collections/county-wexford-grand-jury-collection/>

- Wexford Grand Jury Presentment Presentments from the Summer Assizes of 1817 to the Spring Assizes of 1823, Famine era Presentments spanning 1847-1850 and Presentments for 1859.

### **FIBIS**

- Dinapore Cemetery, Patna, Bihar Cemeteries & MIs
- Danapur Cemetery 3, Bihar Cemeteries & MIs >Bengal Pres) – 618 entries.
- Patna City Cemetery, Patna, Bihar Cemeteries & MIs

## **IHGS DIAMOND TREASURE HUNT** **The Winning Entry**

Below is the winning entry submitted by Kelly Rowe with her original artwork. Many congratulations to Kelly.

Q1 DUROVERNUM (Cantiacorum) = Roman name for... CANTERBURY

Q2 BISHOPRIC

Q3 DEAN CHAPTER

Q4 INSTITUTE

COMMON LINK: They each have a coat of arms.



1

Above: **The arms of CANTERBURY**  
Blazon: Argent, three Cornish choughs proper two and one, on a chief Gules a lion passant guardant Or.  
Motto: Ave Mater Angliae  
(Hail Mother England)



2

Above: **The arms of the (Bishopric) ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY**  
Blazon: Azure, on an archiepiscopal staff in pale Or, surmounted of a pall Argent fringed of the second and charged with four crosses patee fitchee Sable.



3

Above: **The arms of the CATHEDRAL CHAPTER of CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL**  
Blazon: Azure, on a cross Argent the letters / x Sable.



4

Above: **The arms of IHGS**  
Blazon: Azure, a cross patonce within an orle of eight acorns cups inwards Or.  
Motto: Tentaverunt Me Patres Vestra  
(Your Fathers Put Me To The Test)



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