

June 2013 Family History News by Rosie Rowley

YOUR GROUP NEEDS YOU!

We need volunteers to help run the group. Several small jobs are available: even making the tea and washing up afterwards now and then would be a tremendous help – possibly the most important job! If you think you could help, please email macclesfield@fhsc.org.uk, phone 01625 501240, or chat with me at a meeting. Thank you.

New TV programme: Secrets of the Workhouse

www.itv.com/presscentre/ep1week26/secrets-workhouse

A two-part programme about the lives of celebrities' ancestors in the workhouse, showing on ITV at 9pm on Tues 25th June and Tues 2nd July.

Genes Reunited Free Introduction to Family History E-Book

<http://www.genesreunited.co.uk/ebook/EBook>

A useful introduction to family history. You have to register (free) with Genes Reunited to download it.

Lincolnshire Parish records now online

Search for a church marriage in the Parish Registers - the complete marriage certificate can be seen so there is no need to pay £9.25 for a copy from the GRO.

www.lincstothepast.com/home

Lincs to the Past contains hundreds of thousands of records of items held in Lincolnshire's Archives, Libraries, etc., including images of parish registers with the ability to add a transcription for each page.

www.findmypast.co.uk/search/life-events-bmds/lincolnshire/browse-images/

FindMyPast also has Lincolnshire Parish Register images covering 1538-1911. Use the above link to see which parishes are included.

Find My Past: Newspapers

www.findmypast.co.uk/content/news/paperupdate

31 new titles have been added to the British Newspaper Archive available on FindMyPast, including the Chester Courant 1794-1824 and many London and Scottish local newspapers.

Find My Past: Free access to Irish Records this weekend

www.findmypast.com/articles/irish-records-office-destruction

On June 30 1922, during the Irish Civil War, the Public Records Office of Ireland, in Dublin, was severely damaged by fire resulting in the loss of a huge number of records. Findmypast.ie is giving free access to its Irish BMD records from 00.00 Thursday 27 June until 23.59 Sunday 30 June (Irish time). You will need to register with FindMyPast.ie even if you are already registered with FindMyPast.co.uk.

Family Deeds

www.familydeeds.org

The Family Deeds Project provides a large amount of free online information taken from old documents, some of which are for sale.

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What Was There?

www.whatwasthere.com

A similar site to Historypin, "What Was There" merges old photographs with Google Street View so you can see the difference between "what was there" and how it looks now.

British History Online

www.british-history.ac.uk

Old maps, Victoria County Histories, and many other historical books can be searched and viewed on this website.