

Welcome to the 1 July 2021 email newsletter.



Sisters Frances Eva **QUESTED** born 1896 and Marjorie **AMOS** nee Quested, born 1899, Cheriton, Kent; the daughters of Charles Robert Quested and Alice nee **MORTON**. Photographed together in 1970s. They are shown in the 1901 census at Cheriton, Kent. Marjorie died in 1975 and Francis Eva in 1989.

This photo is one of many on the Society's Flickr pages. There are others of this family in the Flickr Album **Amos Family of Devon and Kent**. <https://www.flickr.com/photos/nwkf/albums/72157663373028558/with/38064009034/>

ZOOM Talks

Zoom Talks are free and open to all. They cannot be booked but please log on via the link in good time.

All times given are UK time.

(NWKFHS members who missed a talk, perhaps because you are not in our timezone, note that **some** speakers have allowed their talks to be recorded

- <https://nwkfhs.org.uk/resources/all-other/zoom-talk-videos> note this link only works for paid up members logged into the website).

It's personally very frustrating to me that Donna Rutherford's DNA Talks are still not available on our website, especially as so few were able to watch them live. But here is the link she gave us for her

slides: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1QSJWIKXvawkRbYtlCbLMZjcizIST52tH/view>

We are still without a webmaster. If you could take on that role please do contact Chairman@nwkfhs.org.uk This is a really bad time to be without a webmaster given that everything is being done online.

If you know how to edit mpa4 files and could join the volunteers trying to perform the webmaster duties between them please contact president@nwkfhs.org.uk

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Thursday 8 July 7pm for 7.30- 9pm - John Hanson "One Name, One Place"

John has been researching family history for nearly 40 years and is a member of the Guild of One-Name studies. A former trustee of the Society of Genealogists for 14 years and has served on many other family history committees.

Has lectured on and taught family history for nearly 20 years including at Who Do You Think You Are.

This lecture will explore the reasons behind why we start one name or one place studies, their benefits and also their pitfalls.

(I, Stella, have just taken the plunge and registered a derivative of my maiden name GRADWICK as a One Name Study with the Guild of One Name Studies. <https://one-name.org/>)

Saturday 17 July 10am for 10.30 Janet Few "Sons of the soil researching agricultural labourers"

This session covers a range of sources, many of them under-used, which help to shed light on the working lives of our rural British ancestors.

<https://thehistoryinterpreter.wordpress.com/>

Thursday 12 August 7pm for 7.30 Natalie Bodle *My ancestors were Irish or were they?*

Natalie is a full-time professional genealogist, educator and tour guide and am a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists (APG). A native of County Antrim, her company Roots Revealed is based in Ballymena, County Antrim, Northern Ireland.

The talk examines the history and origins of Irish surnames. If you don't know where in Ireland your ancestors originated, there will be tips to help you to narrow down the location. First names often followed a traditional naming pattern and this can help to build your family tree. There are some naming traditions that were used in particular by the Ulster

Scots that again can help to expand your family tree and Latin names sometimes used in Roman Catholic records.

The Zoom code for these and other talks further ahead will be published on the website nearer the date.

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ZOOM Workshops

Zoom Workshops (including Discussion Groups and Writing Groups) have a maximum number to allow all attendees to participate, and are restricted to paid up North West Kent FHS members only. Workshops last for 2 hours.

If any Society members missed a workshop which they would have liked to attend, or it filled up, see here for videos of some past workshops: <https://www.nwkhfs.org.uk/events/workshops/past-zoom-workshop-videos>

Note the above link will only work for Society members logged into the website.

Workshops - for Society members only, and must be booked; numbers are limited to allow all attendees to participate

7 July Discussion Group 10am **Local street names and how do they link to our local history?** Leader Carolyn Barclay

14 July Workshop 10.30am **Germans in WW1 in London and their experiences.** Leader Zoe Brooks

21 July Discussion Group 2.30pm **Bring an Ancestor with you -** Bring an ancestor with you to this discussion group and tell us what is special about them. Was it about the life they led, their career, their family or maybe where they lived??? Everyone will have a chance to tell us their story.

28 July Discussion Group 10.30am **DNA Family History Research** Leader Victor Nutt

4 August Discussion Group 10.00am **Passed but not forgotten.** Leader Carolyn Barclay

11 August Workshop 2.30pm **Mapping Family distributions and movements**
A workshop exploring how your research data can be used to create a map of the counties and parishes where your ancestors have lived and worked.

By producing a distribution map, you will have a visual image of their movements, which may help you solving some research queries.

The workshop will use timelines, spreadsheets and/or databases to create the information that

can be used by hand or software i.e. GENMAP to create the map. Hand drawn maps can use any map as background by marking locations and years of the event.

Leader David Cufley

18 August Writing Group 10.30am Leader Pauline Heathcote

25 August Discussion Group 10.30am **DNA Family History Research** Leader Victor Nutt

Many, many thanks to workshop coordinator Pam Goddard for arranging this exciting programme of workshops and to the workshop leaders.

Society members please email Pam for the link / code to enable you to attend any of the above Workshops and Discussion Groups. workshop.booking@nwkfhs.org.uk

Pam would like to hear from you if you have topic requests for workshops or want to suggest different dates or times.

See <https://nwkfhs.org.uk/events-list> for topics and dates / times of Workshops and Talks further ahead.

The NWKFHS library and research centre at Joyden's Wood remains closed. I will let you know, and it will be on the website, when it can re-open.

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The Family History Federation Really Useful Show 12 and 13 November 2021

<https://www.fhf-reallyuseful.com/>

This online only show runs from 6pm - 10pm on Friday 12 November and 10am til 6pm on 13 November (Greenwich Mean Time.)

At the last show in April, North West Kent FHS volunteers were online all through the show to answer queries relating to our area. Between us we 'spoke' to over 100 online visitors from all over the world and we all enjoyed the time spent. We ran a Zoom meeting concurrently for the volunteers to talk to each other and that was great as we never felt isolated if we got a question we were unsure about.

We would love it if any members anywhere in the world would join our rota and offer to be online for a couple of hours during the opening hours for the next show. The FHF provides online training nearer the time.

It honestly isn't scary. I was nervous I might not know the answers and was prepared for a fallback position whereby I took visitors' email addresses to get back to them; but there was always another volunteer online who could help if I couldn't (usually at least three of us on at any one time).

You can be anywhere in the world so long as your timezone is convenient for the time you volunteer for.

Please let Chairman@nwkfhs.org.uk know if you would be willing to offer a couple of hours to help during showtime.

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I (Stella Eames) welcome photos of people or places (specially historical or family history) in the North West Kent area with a story about them as I like to start each newsletter with a photo and story. Please email me at enews@nwkfhs.org.uk. with your contributions. Any photos must be your own copyright.

Click on our other links [Blog](#) [Facebook](#) [Flickr](#)

I am a volunteer creating this e-newsletter in my 'spare time' but, if you do notice any errors, please tell me, so that they are not carried forward to the next emailinfo.

I often get asked to publicise family history fairs, new books on genealogy and small genealogy businesses. I use my discretion in including ones which are local to our area or which I think may interest readers. It does not mean that I or NWKFHS has any personal knowledge, or makes any recommendation, about the event or business.

If there is anything else I should be aware of, to give you maximum benefit from this emailinfoservice, please let me know. I do receive many suggestions and requests for external events to be included, but there is only room for so much and I am conscious that the longer this email is, the less likely it is to be read. Some external events I publish on our Facebook page instead. But I'd welcome your opinions on the length and content and whether there is anything additional you'd like included.

Please mention it to others and encourage them to sign up so that we can keep society members and anyone interested in family history informed of NWKFHS activities.

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