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STARTING POINT

Well, as promised, here it is - almost! N/NEWS No. 56, in Y2K format. The editorial staff sincerely hope that you like it. Either way please let us know - comments, criticisms, articles, "snippets" and family news all welcomed.

I should like to thank Karen Nisbet for the effort in drafting a mock up for N/NEWS No. 55 we shall continue to develop the format.

Speaking of varied formats, Karen was instrumental in the recent inaugural issue of the 'nn-enews' which was e-mailed to N/N's on the Society's electronic address list. A hardcopy is included with this issue as a separate sheet, and could equally be items in various sections of this newsletter. If you would like to receive further issues please contact the Society and register your e-mail address.

NOTICE BOAR-D

(Upcoming events in the Local and Overseas Calendar for 2000)

Oct	N/NEWS No. 57
Oct 22	AGM - Devonshire Tea, 3:00-4:30 pm, 26 Walnut Rd, Balwyn North
Nov	Picnic, Kings Park, Perth
Dec 9	Christmas Gathering, 8:00 pm, 26 Walnut Rd, Balwyn North
Jan 2001	N/NEWS No. 58

Note: the social calendar can be viewed on the homepage.

Boars!

The very dangerous Boar, viewed as symbolising a warrior's skill and prowess. Why? The boar represented fertility, wealth, courage and strength. To warriors, boars are strong, dangerous, and very hard to kill. Just what every warrior wanted to be. The boar was a common image used on Torcs.

Boars were also noted for appearing in dreams or visions. Usually meaning death or greatness, depending on the context of the dream. There are many tales of this, in the mythology that has been handed down to us.

One of the most important parts of a boar was its bristles. This part alone could kill a person, Fion was killed by stepping on the bristles of a boar after an 'illeagle' hunt. So important were the boar's bristles that even in King Arthur's day, great boars had bristles of gold or silver.

From <http://home.rmci.net/starchild/>

PROBATE LISTS UK 1852-1920

Held in City of Cardiff, Wales, Council Chambers Reference Library.

Ref. calendar of grants of probate and letters of administration made in the Principal Registry in the several District Registries of Her Majesty's Court of Probate, London, England. Printed by George Edward Eyre and William Spottyswood, London.

NESBIT, JOHN, late of 48 Finchley Rd., Lorimor Square, Wallford in the County of Surrey, who d. 12 March 1858 was proven with Codicil at the Principal Registry, City of Bath, by the oath of Sarah Elizabeth Stinge, wife of Joseph Stinge of 48 Finchley Rd., Wallford. Effects under £ 450.

NISBETT, GEORGE, of Debdale Loch House in the Parish of Wolverly, in the Co. of Worcester, Lock Keeper, who died 28th Jan. 1858 was proved by the oath of **Ralph Nisbett** of Kinfare in the Co. of Stafford, Cordwainer and **William Nisbett** of Cookley, son of Joseph Williams of Cornsill, miller, the Exec. Effects Under £800.

NESBITT, MARY, Widow, late of Durham, who died 25th March 1859 at Bishop Wearmouth, was proven by the oath of **William Wilkinson** of Ryder Co., Isle of Wight, England, **William Dixon** Bishop Wearn, ship owner, and **Thomas Dixon** of Sunderland, Exec. Effects Under £2,000.

NISBET, GEORGE RICHARDSON, late of 11 Jermyn St. in the parish of St James Westmon, Middlesex: wine and beer merchant, who died 23 March 1860 was proved by the oath of **Mary Nisbet** relict and Exec. Effects Under £800.

NESBITT, ANN, late of 7 Francis Place, Kingsland Road in the county of Middlesex, who died 28th Jan. 1860 was proved by the oath of **Caroline Burton** (wife of **Thomas Burton**) of 5 Clarence Road, Windsor. Effects Under £300.

NESBITT, JOHN, late of Duddu(i)ngton, Co. Lincoln, farmer, who died 27 April 1860 was proved by the oath of **Joseph Nesbitt** in the City of Lincoln, merchant, the son and relict. Effects Under £6,000

NEESBITT (otherwise **NESBIT**). **JOSEPH RAYMOND**, late of 26 High St., Camden Town in the Co. of Middlesex who died 4th Sept. 1861 was proved by the oath of **Joshua Butler**, gentleman, the sole Exec. Effects Under £100.

NISBET, ELIZABETH, late of South Broom House in the parish of St. James, in the Co. of Wiltshire (wife of **Robert Parry Nisbet Esq.**), who died 25th February 1861 was proved by oath of **Robert P. Nisbet**, one of the Exec. Probate of same Will being granted with certain limitations. Effects Under £800.

NISBET, JOHN COLLIS, late of 38 Lower Kennington Lane, Co. Surrey, gentleman, who died 30th March 1862 at Elm Bank House, Barnes, was proved by the oath of **Sarah Nesbit**, the relict and Exec. Effects Under £9,000

NESBITT, JOSEPH, Will with Administration with double probate passed at Lincoln, June 1870. Effects Under £14,000

NESBITT, JOSEPH, City of Lincoln, merchant who died 17th April 1870 at the city aforesaid in the parish of Lincoln was proved by the oath of **Martha Chambers** the relict, and **John Gubb** of Swinethorp in the Co. of Lincoln, farmer, and **William Ashley** of Lincoln, wine merchant, and **Thomas Pears** of Hackthorne, farmer, four of the Exec. Effects as above.

NESBIT, JOHN, Administration of the effects of the late **John Nesbit** who died in the Civil Service of the Republic of Paraguay on or since 24th December 1869, was granted at the Principal Registry to **Rhonda Nesbit** of 300 Portabello Rd, Notting Hill, Middlesex, to the widow. Effects Under £600.

NESBITT, GEORGE, late of 60 Lawrence St., Bishop Wearmouth, Co. Durham, saltmaker, who died 2nd November 1871 at 22 Henry St. East Bishop Wearmouth, was proved by **Thomas Nesbitt** of 28 Henry St. East, shipright, the brother, sole Exec. Effects Under £100.

NESBIT, SUSAN, late of 25 South-Front, Bandaling Place in the Borough of Nut, spinster, who died 13th March, was proven by **William Nesbit** of Gracechurch St. in the City of London, draper, and **John Nesbit** of Pilgrim St, Nut, grocer, the nephew and Exec. Personal Effect Under £4000

NISBET, SIR ALEXANDER, Knt. MD. The Will, with two Codicils, of Sir Alexander Nisbet formerly of Haslon Hospital near Gosport in the Co. of Southampton but late of Arley Lodge in the Co. of Kent, Knight Inspector of General Hospitals and Fleets in His Majesty's Navy, MD, who died 22nd June 1874 at Arley Lodge was proved at Principal Probate by Lucy Susannah Nisbet, widow the relict and Jane Findlater, spinster, the sister, both of Arley Lodge, and John F. Corsenden Esq. of 24 Holland Park in the Co. of Middlesex, the Exec. Effects Under £6,000.

Interesting!

NESBITT, ROBERT, Late of Alexander Rd., Gateshead in the Co. of Durham, Check Clerk, who died 29th May 1875 at Penrith in the Co. of Cumberland was proved at Durham by George Storey of Salt Meadows, Gateshead, Chemical Works Manager, and Martin Clark of Lich-field St., Gateshead, builder and Exec. Effects Under £300.

NESBITT, ELIZABETH, Late of 6 Victoria-Villas Mortlake Place, Richmond in the Co. of Surrey, Widow, who died Nov. 4, 1873 at Victoria-Villas was proved at Principal Probate by Richard Cumins of 149 Malpas Road, Newcross, in the Co. of Kent, Mariner, the brother and one of the next of kin. Administration 6th Dec. 1873. Effects Under £87,000.

NESBITT, MARTIN, Late of 35 Birfield Road, Stuckwell in the Co. of Surrey, gentleman, who died 23rd March 1873 at 35 Birfield Rd., was proved by Susan Augusta Nesbitt of 35 Birfield Rd., Stuckwell, widow and Relict. Administration 7 May 1873. Effects Under £2,000.

NISBET, AGNES, Late of South Elms, Silverdale Road, Eastbourne, spinster, who died 26th Nov. 1918 was proved at London on January 8, 1919 by Laura Elizabeth Nisbet and Harry Bruce Nisbet, solicitor. Effects Under £7,647.3.6p.

NISBET, THE REV. JAMES, of the Vicarage, Gildersome, York St., Private RAMC who died 29th Oct. 1918 at Adelaide St. Military Hospital, Blackpool. Administration at London, 26 June to Flora Musgrave Nisbet, widow. Effects Under £157.18.9p.

NISBET, MARY ULRICH, Late of Woodfield, Nuthursh St. near Horsham, Sussex, widow, who died 24th Oct. 1919 at College St., Brighton. Administration with Will at London, 20 Dec. to Herbi(er)t Chaplin Nisbet, Captain HM Army. Effects Under £281.19.1p.

NISBET, REV. MATHEW ALEXANDER, of St. Mathews House, Canterbury, clerk, Honorary Cannon at Canterbury Cathedral who died 3 Sept. 1919. The Will was probated at Canterbury, 10 Nov. by Louisa Janet Nisbet, widow and Anne Mary Nisbet, spinster. Effects under £25,565.6.11p.

Material supplied by Lorna O'Brien

BERWICK RIOTS OVER CORPSES

From Belford Parish Records:

4 August 1792

Riots at Berwick for some days past on account of several surgeons and others stealing several dead bodies out of the church yard. One of the surgeons was imprisoned, a second gave bail and a third ran off.

Their names were Nesbitt, Miller and Yellowly. Several dead bodies were found in Nesbitt's House.

Found in the Northumberland & Durham F. H. (F? Historical) Society Journal, Spring 2000, Vol. 25 No 1 and submitted by Ian Clarke.

Lt Col W. F. Nesbitt, UK Newsletter Editor, supplied a little more information on Major-General F. G. "Paddy" Beaumont-Nesbitt (N/NEWS No. 54 page 3), stating "I have found out a bit more about him. In the Army I met his son, Lt. Col. Beaumont-Nesbitt) in Malaya, Cyprus and again in the Far East, but I did not know the latter well. I shall let you have more later."

As noted in N/NEWS No. 55, Marie Foley was recognised for her efforts in co-researching and collating a "Horsham In Focus 1849-1999" for the Horsham Historical Society. The book features over 200 pages of approximately 500 photographs of "now & then" over the past 150 years. The cutting at right is from the Wimmera Mail Times, Horsham, 1/10/99.

The Herald Sun of 22 July 2000, page 20 reported a case being heard by a West Australian District Court Judge Peter Nisbet. The article was entitled "Family rapped on mail arrest" and was about an errant citizen's arrest of a suspected letterbox vandaliser.

The Herald Sun of 3 August 2000, page 2 ran an article on the US synchronised swimming team entitled "Rare man makes a splash". The "rare man" was not in fact an N/N, however the team's coach is one Sue Nesbitt who was quoted in the article which is about a 21 year old male synchronised swimming champion who is training with the US team, but unfortunately cannot compete in Sydney as the olympic event is strictly women-only.

SOCIETY NEWS

Victoria

On the evening of May 20th some 9 members gathered at Adrian's Restaurant and enjoyed a delightful meal and company. It was reported that the souffles "*were to die for*".

On the evening of July 22nd some 30+ members attended a fellowship night at Balwyn North for an informative talk on the "Policing in Schools" program, by one of the current operatives, "Policeman George", a relatively recent and very welcome member of our Society. The evening was polished off with a sumptuous supper and abundant social discourse.



TIMES GONE BY: Noelene Jenkinson and Marie Foley.

High demand for Horsham history

HORSHAM Historical Society is considering a reprint of its latest publication *Horsham In Focus 1849-1999* due to high demand and dwindling stocks.

Society president Bob McIlvena said the organisation had published about 500 copies of the book on its first print run but was quickly selling out.

"We're having great success at the moment and are considering a reprint," Mr McIlvena said.

"It's the first illustrated historical publication of Horsham since 1920 and because it concentrates more on the pictorial aspect than the text it is a very convenient book for people to read."

Mr McIlvena said the book was a 'now and then' look at Horsham's history from 1849 to the present day.

"People can actually view the changes through photographs," he said.

"For example in the top block of town there used to be a three-storey mansion called Lowestoft which was built in the 1880s. That was wrecked in the 1960s and now the Goodyear tyre company is on that site."

Mr McIlvena said society members Noelene Jenkinson and Marie Foley researched and collated the information and past photos included in the book.

He said it took them about 12 months and 1000 hours to assemble the information from the historical society's archives. Rod Jenkinson took the updated photographs.

Interested buyers can call Mr McIlvena on 5382 2383 for further details. Cost is \$30 per copy plus postage and handling. Copies of archival material are available upon request.

NETWORKED N/N's

The N/N Society - NA Branch web site www.ibydeit.com recently clocked up its 10,000th visitor during May with the months figures in the order of 1400 visits. People are obviously interested in us N/N's!

At <http://www.gmat.unsw.edu.au/highschool> an entry for Kim Nisbet can be found under the Graduate Profiles. Kim is a past graduate of the University of New South Wales School of Geomatic Engineering (a cadastral surveyor with DENR, SA).

At <http://www.arts.monash.edu.au/ncas/multimedia/gazetteer/> you can find "Open Learning Australian Places Gazetteer" which is A Gazetteer of Australian Cities, Towns and Suburbs. It is well worth a look for those places one might not have come across before, or for further detail of those well known places. Described as the first online guide to more than 6000 inhabited Australian cities, towns and suburbs.

The County Down Surname List can be found at: <http://www.amitar.com.au> and is a list of surnames currently being researched in the County of Down, Northern Ireland. Surnames are listed with their researcher's e-mail or postal addresses for making contact. Some (old) example entries are:

NESBITT. 1900 to present. Belfast. County Down. Posted 9th Feb 1999.....William John Nesbitt 18 Moorlands Road Bradford BD11 2BS

NISBET/NESBIT. Hugh of Killyleagh. County Down. fled Ayrshire, Scotland 1680-85 (father John, the Martyr hung 1685) Possibly met with cousins already established there Posted 9th Nov 1998.....Dorothy Nesbitt

Our homepage has, in recent times, been re-registered with many of the major search engines and in early tests is indicating good results for "nisbet nesbitt" searches.

FOUND

N/N Australia President Ian M Nisbet recently responded to an e-mail he received from a Bill Hughes requesting assistance in trying to trace details of a painter "Nisbet". After several informal exchanges it became apparent to Ian that Bill Hughes of Victoria actually hailed from Victoria BC (British Columbia, Canada) and was not the N/N Australia member, Major William E Hughes, a resident of Queensland. The web really does render distance ineffectual.

Anyway, Bill Hughes cited a print/painting spotted at an auction entitled "The Little Midshipman" signed "Nisbet 1919" which depicts a young, blonde lad in the uniform of midshipman, seated with a Midshipman's Dirk in his lap. Bill has found details of a painter called Robert H Nisbet 1879-1961, but is unable to connect him to this piece of art. Is anybody able to supply more detail?

When compiling this Newsletter I noted the following entry from Robert H Nisbet's great nephew in the Nesbitt/Nisbet Guest Book:

Date: March 9, 2000 Time: 1:38 am

Name: John H. Nisbet, II Email Address: oberlingerusa@msn.com

Subject: Pipe Organs

I would be very happy to hear from any Nisbets (or Nesbitts) interested in the Pipe Organ, or the painter Robert H. Nisbet, N.A.(1879-1961), my great uncle. I am an organist, pianist, and representative of Gebr. Oberlinger Orgelbau in America. Gebr. Oberlinger is one of the largest and oldest mechanical-action pipe organ builders in Germany, handcrafting instruments in the Middle-Rhine tradition, traditionally blending the best of the German and French organbuilding traditions. Please visit our website: <http://www.oberlinger.com/usa>

Best wishes, John H. Nisbet, II

OBITUARY

It is with regret that we advise of the death of, Mary Nesbit, an N/N member from Milton, Qld who passed away on 28th April, 2000.

FAMILY SNIPPETS

- N/N gardeners note entry at right!
- Place it in your diary now!

STOP PRESS

nn-enews launched

The latest initiative of the N/N Society in Australia was launched in July with the e-mailing of the **nn-enews** to all members who are registered in our e-mailing address book.

The purpose of the **nn-enews** is to provide members who have an internet facility to be advised of useful and interesting sites related to Nesbitt/Nisbet around the world. The first edition included:

- A reference to Nisbet Cottage in New Zealand with a wide ranging entry to home pages both of a Nisbet and geographical interest. Nisbet Cottage is in the surrounds of Dunedin and pictures of the area were quite spectacular.
- A remarkable character, Brian Nisbet, who is connected with the Dublin University. Again the home page sites attached to the main page covered a wide range of Irish history and tourist information.
- An Irish Biographical Dictionary compiled by Professor Stanley Nesbitt a well known genealogist within the Society, covering some 1740 names. Professor Nesbitt paid specific tribute to the Australian Biographical Dictionary compiled by John Barth. Many of the names in the Australian Biographical Dictionary are included in the Irish Dictionary.

NB Any members who have not advised their e-mail address and would like to receive future editions of the **nn-enews** should advise Ian M Nisbet at imnisbet@teksupport.net.au.

The Council of Clans advise of the following events:

	Beechworth & North East Celtic Festival
22 Oct	Seminar of Scottish Organisations, to be held in North Melbourne
19 Nov	St. Andrews Day Remembrance Service at the Shrine
2 Dec	Daylesford Highland Gathering

Like to see your name in print?

I would be most appreciative of any material, search requests, family snippets etc. for future publication. - Ed

MONT ALBERT

611 *The Enchanted Garden*

In the early evening, soft lighting endows this garden with an enchanting quality. Screened from the street by deep borders of perennials and roses, generous plantings of David Austin's 'Mary Rose' feature with lavender, foxgloves and delphiniums around a weeping cherry. Lyndell's aim has been to create a garden of different rooms with an emphasis on scented plants. A cool fernery is shaded by a large pin oak, another area features a pink colour scheme, and a collection of terracotta fairies is a delightful surprise.

OWNER Lyndell Nisbet-Watson & Peter Watson, 30 Mitchell Rd, Mont Albert North. DIRECTIONS Melway 47:A5. SIZE 17 x 37 m. No coaches please. Unsuitable for p/l/w. OPEN 28-29 Oct 2000. 4pm-9pm. \$4.20.

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