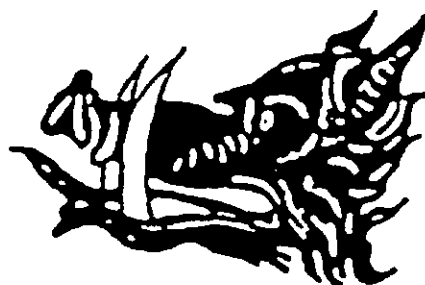


THE N/NEWS

NO. 94 January 2010

NEWSLETTER OF THE
NESBITT/NISBET SOCIETY
AUSTRALIA



STARTING POINT

I wish all members a happy New Year – and isn't it flying by – already into February. Well at least I'm almost back on schedule with the N/News.

As you will read further in the newsletter, we welcome Lachlan Ames Russell to the clan and congratulate the proud grandparents, Heather and Alan Ames.

However it is with sadness that we learn of the death of Isabel Paterson – a society member for many years.

Now that our summer holiday period has drawn to an end it is time to once again look at those accounts for payment – amongst them is most likely your annual subscription fee to the Nesbitt/Nisbet Society which you received with N/News 93. Please ensure that you continue to receive the N/News and other benefits of membership of the Society by promptly renewing your subscription.

I trust that you enjoy reading this edition of the N/News and welcome any comments, articles or snippets for future editions.

Chairman & Editor



CONTENTS THE N/NEWS

No. 94 January 2010

STARTING POINT	1
NOTICE BOARD	1
MEM-BOAR-SHIP	2
OBITUARY	2
Isabel Paterson (Nesbit) – (Nisbet)	2
(NES)-BITS & PIECES	2
Norman John Nisbet – identified	2
Lloyd's Captains Registers	2
Margaret Thelma Nisbet	2
N/N's - Scottish Parish Registers	3
NETWORKED N/N's	3
N/N Society on Facebook.com	3
SOCIETY NEWS	3
North America N/N Gathering 2010	3
NN's IN THE NEWS	4
Kate Nesbitt – Military Cross	4
NIB Pier to Pub – N/N swimmers	5
PRC Honour Roll – N/N readers	5
Alistair Nisbet – prosecutor	5
Heather & Alan Ames - grandparents	5
60 th Wedding Anniversary	5
Renovating	6
WANTED	6
Thomas Huggins Nesbitt – web enquiry	6
Alice Cleghorn (nee Nisbet) b. 1871	6
James Nisbet – gardener to the Earl of Selkirk	6
SUCCESS	6
Graham Nisbet – Australian connection (?)	7
STOP PRESS	7
NISBET - & proud of it!	7
Family History State Conference	7
Northumberland – challenge to title	7
Elizabeth Nesbitt	7
NESBITT/NISBET SOCIETY CONTACTS	8

NOTICE BOAR-D

(Upcoming events in the Local and Overseas Calendar)

Apr	N/NEWS # 95
July	N/NEWS # 96

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

MEM-BOAR-SHIP

We have pleasure in welcoming the following new members to the Society:
Christine McIntyre of Ashgrove, Qld,
Andrew Nisbet of Camberwell, Vic
& we have also noted a change of address for Betty & John Nisbet from Colac to Warrnambool.

Please remember to advise of any changes to your e-mail, postal address or contact details.



OBITUARY

It is with sadness that I advise members of the passing of Sarah "Isabel" Paterson (nee Nisbet), late of Charlton on Jan 12th, 2010 aged 89. Our condolences to her family.

Isabel is a relative of a number of N/N members – of my line and attended several of our country gatherings many years ago.

Isabel Paterson (Nesbit) – (Nisbet)

PATERSON (Nesbit). - Isabel. 21.12.1920 - 12.01.2010 Formerly of Korong Vale, Buckrabanyule, Wedderburn and Charlton. Loved wife of Watson (dec.). Loving mother of Jennifer, James, Suzanne and Janine. Happy Memories Loved daughter of Alex and Elizabeth (both dec.), sister of Bert, Ivy, Betty, Dawn and Robbie (all dec.). Loved mother of Jennifer (de Araugo), adored (Sarah) to Graeme. Dear Nana to Nicole and Iain, Nan Nan to Ella, Tavish and Amy. Nana to Tone and Sam, Nan Nan to Marlee and Tahj. Memories of all the good times to cherish. Loved and caring mother to James. To a much loved mother, Nana and Nan Nan. Always generous and kind. An intelligent, strong and elegant lady who will be greatly missed. - Sue and Ray; Craig and Cherie, Chloe, Georgia, Jasper and Velvet; Hayley and Adam, Patrick, Angus, Isabel and Ethan; Raquel and Chris. Now at Rest Loving mother of Janine (Caine), mother-in-law of Garry. Nana of Christy and Evonne, Brooke and Stephen, Grant and Fiona, Shelley and Kelvin. Great Nan of Bree and Luke, Harry, Joe, Ava and Eliza, Lily and Sidney, and Pete. Sleep Peacefully Forever In Our Hearts For Funeral arrangements, please see a later paper.

Published in Herald Sun on January 14, 2010

(NES)-BITS & PIECES

Norman John Nisbet – identified

In N/News 88 there was an article regarding Matthew Flinders' Marine Chronometer – once owned by Norman John Nisbet and I had asked for information regarding Norman and/or the chronometer. James Nisbet of Bathurst advises that Norman John Nisbet is of his family tree and that some details are available.

Lloyd's Captains Registers

Was your Nesbitt/Nisbet ancestor a merchant ship's captain or mate?

You might want to check out the Indexes to Lloyd's Captains Registers at:

<http://www.history.ac.uk/gh/capintro.htm>

where you will find at least 31 N/N entries.

The indexes show the name, date and place of birth, their certificate number and where it was issued. The years covered are approximately 1869 to 1911, with some information from earlier years if they were still sailing in 1869. More information may be found in the records themselves, but they are available only in person at the Guildhall Library in London. For a complete explanation of what might be found on the indexes and the records you can read all about it at

<http://www.history.ac.uk/gh/capreg.htm>

Taken from IBydelTimes Issue 50 – the newsletter of the N/N Society – North America.

Margaret Thelma Nisbet

The following obituary was found in the Herald Sun, January 12, 2010.

NISBET. - Margaret Thelma. " Tess " Passed away Jan. 8, 2010 At Caboolture, Qld Aged 91 years A kind and gentle mother to Sue, Andrea and Marlene. Much loved Nanna and Great Nanna. Greatly missed by all her family and friends Forever In Our Hearts

N/N's - Scottish Parish Registers

The following N/N entries were found when searching records held at the AIGS books and records, being the Death Records (Old Parish Registers) as compiled by the Lanarkshire Family History Society.

GOVAN (Parish No 646)

NESBIT(T) – nil entries

Name	Death Year	Burial Year	Age	Extra Information
NISBET, James		19 Aug 1854	10	wounds
NISBET, Margaret		02 Feb 1848	65	infirm: o. age, Glasgow
NISBETT, ----	13 Jan 1817		24	accident, farmer's servant, Govan

The first, James age 10, I believe is part of my family tree but I, m a bit concerned about "wounds"- Ed.

RUTHERGLEN (Parish No 645)

NESBIT(T) – nil entries

Name	Death Year	Burial Year	Age	Extra Information
NISBET, ----	24 Oct 1787			a child of James Nisbet
NISBET, ----	30 Jun 1789			a child of John Nisbet

GLASSFORD (Parish No 645)

NESBIT(T)/NISBET(T)/NESBET(T)/NISBIT(T) – nil entries

CULTER (Parish No 637)

a) Mortcloths

Name	Date	Information
NISBIT	01 Oct 1707	For the Mortcloth to John Bartram and the Lady NISBIT

b) Deaths & Burials

Name	Abode	Death Year	Burial Year	Age	Extra Information
NISBET, Agness	-	19 Aug 1746			child
NISBET, John	Causeyend	20 Jul 1787			
NISBET, Isobel		11 Dec 1789			died at Thripland
NISBET, Grizzel	Lamington	12 Mar 1814			

NETWORKED N/N's

N/N Society on Facebook.com

Nesbitt/Nisbet Society on Facebook.com has created a lot of interest off the internet. The fan page created for the Society went live last July shortly after the gathering in Peterborough, Ontario, Canada.

What makes it nice about being a member of Facebook? You can chat live with other members of the Society providing you have allowed them to be a friend on you personal page. You do have to create a profile about yourself and allows others to become your friend. If you don't know someone that asks permission to be your friend, you do not have to grant them permission and they will not be apart of your personal Facebook page.

This has been a great way to meet other members of the Society. So please take the time and create your profile on Facebook. What is really nice about this site is that it costs nothing and is spam free.

Extract from IBydelTimes Issue 50 – the newsletter of the N/N Society – North America.

SOCIETY NEWS

North America N/N Gathering 2010

Nesbitt/Nisbet Society North America 2010 Clan Gathering & AGM at Oakbrook Terrace, IL on JUNE 17 – 19, 2010.

Taken from IBydelTimes Issue 50 – the newsletter of the N/N Society – North America.

N/N's IN THE NEWS

Kate Nesbitt – Military Cross

J & S Nesbitt of Queensland supplied this cutting from The Sunday Mail November 29, 2009, page 47. Our congratulations to Kate Nesbitt, well done! As was so quaintly phrased the note to me "A story about a brave little Nesbitt".

Brave Navy medic answers the call



FEARLESS. Kate Nesbitt (right) is pictured with blood on her face from the incident. She received the Military Cross from the Prince of Wales (above).

Modest hero in military honour

Paul Harris
IN LONDON

SHE stands just a shade over 150cm in her shoes and her smile is disarmingly sweet.

Kate Nesbitt doesn't immediately fit the image of fearless military hero, but there are probably few people a critically injured soldier would rather meet in the chaos of a desert gunfight than this 21-year-old blonde in full flight.

The sight of her sprinting through an Afghan war zone under heavy machine gun fire was certainly one that Lance



Corporal John List will remember for the rest of a life he now owes to her display of courage.

Ms Nesbitt, a medical assistant serving with the Royal Navy, raced 70m to the stricken soldier's side as he nearly choked to death from a gunshot wound to the mouth. She cut open a temporary airway and treated him for 45 minutes as rockets and bullets whizzed around her.

Last week her "inspirational" bravery was rewarded at Buckingham Palace, when she became the Navy's first woman to be honoured

with the Military Cross. Then, with a few modest words, she underlined the remarkable spirit of loyalty that bonds servicemen and women on the front line. "I promised my friends and comrades I'd be their medic," she said. "I promised I'd be there if they ever needed me. They needed me that day - so when the call came, that's just what I did."

Ms Nesbitt, from Plymouth, is the second woman in history to be awarded the MC, one of Britain's highest gallantry awards. Presenting her medal, the Prince of Wales bowed to

what he called her "extraordinary" heroism.

Ms Nesbitt, who works at Derriford Hospital in Plymouth, was attached as a medic to 1st Battalion The Rifles on duty in the Marjah district of Helmand when her unit came under fire from a Taliban ambush.

"I heard 'man down, man down' on the radio and I knew I was needed," she said.

"When I first saw him, I didn't think he was going to make it. A round had gone through his top lip, ruptured his jaw and come out of his

neck. He was struggling to breathe and choking.

"Bullets were whizzing around my head and shoulders and hitting the ground all around us.

Lance Corporal List, who is also 21, was airlifted to hospital.

Back in Britain and having made a good recovery, Lance Corporal List said of the incident: "I felt the impact go through my jaw, and the next thing I knew I was on my back. I thought that was it. Then Kate appeared from nowhere, reassuring me everything would be OK."

NIB Pier to Pub – N/N swimmers

The sole N/N listed in the “2010 NIB Pier to Pub” swim was:
S Nesbitt of Brunswick who came in at 208 in the Senior Female event with a time of 20:03.

*Well done! The listing was published in the **Herald Sun**, Sunday January 10, 2010 p.20.*

PRC Honour Roll – N/N readers

The N/N’s listed in the Victorian Premier’s Reading Challenge 2009 – Achievers Honour Roll are:

Year 1	Darcy Nesbitt
Year 3	Jessica Nisbet
Year 6	Bailee Nisbett

*Well done! The listing was published as a supplement to the **The Age**, Sunday November 15, 2009.*

Alistair Nisbet – prosecutor

*The following is an excerpt from an AAP report entitled “**Dead man named as barmaid’s sex murderer**” on the hearing of a case concerning a dead suspect, David Lace, after DNA test showed him to be a complete match with samples found at the crime scene – that of the rape and murder of Teresa De Simone in Southampton in 1979. Sean Hodgson was convicted partly on a match of common blood types in 1982 – DNA testing did not appear until 1986 in British court trials. Hodgson was cleared in 2009 having served 27 years, aged 57. Police said that Lace had made admissions to the murder in 1983.*

The Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) said they had agreed to look at the case, even though it concerned a dead suspect, because of its exceptional circumstances.

"The CPS has advised Hampshire Constabulary that the evidence would have been sufficient to prosecute David Lace, if he were alive, with the offences of the rape and murder of Teresa De Simone," said prosecutor Alastair Nisbet.

*From **The Sydney Morning Herald** of September 18, 2009*



FAMILY SN/NIPPETS

Heather & Alan Ames - grandparents

Camille (Ames) and Andrew Russell welcomed Lachlan Ames Russell into the world on the 19th August, 2009.

Alan and Heather are overjoyed in becoming grandparents.

This caps off a busy year for the Ames’ family in 2009, with Holly Ames and Bob Windle being married on the 22nd February at St Georges Church, Malvern and baby Lachlan arriving in August.

Our congratulations to Camille & Andrew and welcome to Lachlan. Congratulations to the proud grandparents also.

60th Wedding Anniversary

Joan & Vinnie Nisbet of Wedderburn recently celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary. *Our congratulations on this milestone achievement.*

Renovating

Betty & John Nisbet now of Warrnambool moved from Colac after spending the past 8 months extending and renovating the home which John and Robert's parents (Jeremiah & Lorna Nisbet) built in Warrnambool back in the 1930's and have now taken up residence there, enjoying the change of scenery.



WANTED

Alice Cleghorn (nee Nisbet) b. 1871

Ian M Nisbet was contacted regarding Alice Cleghorn (nee Nisbet) born January 8th 1781 at Dunfermline, Fife and responded with the detail below:

It seems that you are suffering from a common complaint - an elusive John on the top of you tree!

I have located an entry in an extract from Old Parish Records pre 1855. Index to Marriages.

The relevant entry is:

John Nisbet/Catharine Joyce

ALICE c 1781 Jan 8, Dunfermline, Fife

Then, as a wild card I tried England and found a marriage:

John Nisbett M. 03 Jun 1770 All Saints, Newcastle Upon Tyne, Northumberland, England

To which Simon's response was:

My source for Catharine Joyce DOB was via Ancestry.com this came from another member - hard to trust the accuracy.

I hold a copy of the Birth Record of Alice Nisbet in 1781, Limekilns, Dunfermline, Scotland and her Death Record in 1864 both listing her parents as Catharine Joyce & John Nisbet.

I'd appreciate if you could post to your members and see if anyone is connected with Alice Cleghorn (nee Nisbet) and would be interested to know her Nisbet ancestry.

Simon Chard

If you are interested and are of this family tree please contact our secretary who will arrange to put you in contact with Simon.

James Nisbet – gardener to the Earl of Selkirk

Our new member, Christine McIntyre submitted the following details of her N/N connections – down several lines of her family tree/s. Should you recognise any of the names, places, etc. I am sure that Christine would be keen to hear from you. Christine wrote:

I have the following Nisbet/Nesbet ancestry from Scotland on my father's side (1796 to 1853). 16 Sept 1796 James Nisbet, gardener to the Earl of Selkirk married Helen Nicol at Abbotshall, Fife. Their son, James Nesbet was christened on 29 April 1798 at Lochgoilhead and Kilmorich, Argyle. He became a stone mason and he married Elizabeth McNeilage on 15 Jan 1819, (spelling of the surname was Nisbett). Their daughter Elizabeth Nisbet was born on 23 Feb 1831 at Glassary, Argyll. She married Donald Morison, a stonemason, from the Isle of Lewis, at Barony, Lanark, Glasgow, on 13 Nov 1853. Then on my father's side I also have some Irish Nisbitts from Aughamore, I think. One of their descendants was a Church of Ireland minister called John Augustus Nisbitt McEvoy. He left Dublin and went across to England and married Mary Phillips on 1 June 1800 at St Martin's church in Birmingham.

Ian M has assisted Christine with further information especially regarding the Reverend Augustus Nesbitt McEvoy and his sons.

Thomas Huggins Nesbitt – web enquiry

Date: Sat, 5 Sep 2009

Subject: Thomas Huggins Nesbitt

Hi, I have no family Nesbitt connections but am researching people associated with the Isle of Man, British Isles, who travelled the world. Thomas Huggins Nesbitt was Town Clerk of Douglas, the capital of the Isle of Man for a reputed seventeen years prior to moving, when he was about 45, to Sydney, Australia. I notice on one of your Internet sites you give the year of his emigration to Sydney as being 1902 yet The Mercury newspaper in Hobart reported his appointment as Town Clerk in Sydney on 26 August 1901.

Nesbitt was reputedly a controversial Town Clerk, noted for being rather long-winded in his reports. This led, I believe, to an Australian expression 'Nesbittian.'

Regards, Robert Kelly, Isle of Man

Taken from IBydeItTimes Issue 50 – the newsletter of the N/N Society – North America.

SUCCESS

Graham Nisbet – Australian connection (?)

Graham Nisbet is the UK Society's newsletter editor and has advised the following potential success – we wish Graham and Laura every success in their research and look forward to reports of their findings.

In the Newsletter I said I was going to get back on the trail of my own ancestors, which I have started and already have made some interesting finds. I hope to meet up with one of your new members (Laura Russell) when she visits Scotland later this year. We feel confident we have a connection in Richhill Co Armagh N Ireland and also Partick, Glasgow Scotland, the connection I believe goes back to my GGG Grandfather but we need the documented birth certificates around 1790-1830 approx. from Ireland to finally prove this.



STOP PRESS

NISBET - & proud of it!

The following picture was "snapped" by a non-N/N member whilst touring in South Australia and forwarded to the editor. May you enjoy many years of happy & safe driving.



Family History State Conference

The 7th Victorian Family History State Conference entitled "THE BORDER AND BEYOND" is scheduled for 28-30 May 2010 at Club Mulwala, Yarrawonga, Vic.

If interested and need more details these can be sought at:
mullum36@bigpond.com

Northumberland – challenge to title

BRITAIN

Claim on Hogwarts castle



LONDON. The Duke of Northumberland, whose ancestral seat, Alnwick Castle, is the setting for Hogwarts school in the Harry Potter films (above), is facing a challenge to his title.

Kevin Percy, a New Zealander, insists he is the rightful heir to the estate. He has written to the Queen seeking her support to exhume the 5th Earl of Northumberland, who died in 1560, to see if the remains match his DNA.

Ralph Percy, the 12th Duke of Northumberland, is confident he will see off the challenge to his 50,000-hectare estate.

Kevin Percy, 74, believes his family was cheated out of the title.

Published in the Herald Sun, Nov/Dec 2009 – date not noted.

Elizabeth Nesbitt

A potential new member has advised that her paternal grandmother was Elizabeth Nesbitt, and that she holds a deal of information about her "very interesting family" and is willing to share it. So if you have an Elizabeth Nesbitt in your tree you should leave a message on the N/N Society homepage or alternatively contact our secretary so that we can put you in touch with the holder of the information.

Hopefully we will receive a few more details along with an application for membership in time for the next N/News.



NESBITT/NISBET SOCIETY CONTACTS

GENERAL COMMITTEE:

PRESIDENT: Ian M Nisbet, 26 Walnut Rd, North Balwyn, Vic 3104, Aust.
CHAIRMAN & EDITOR: Gary Nisbet, 37 Neuparth Rd, Croydon North, Vic 3136, Aust.
SECRETARY & TREASURER: Ian G Nisbet, 1 St Johns Pde, Kew 3101, Aust.
ASSISTANT TREASURER: Heather Ames, 7 Plant St, Malvern, Vic 3144, Aust.
ARCHIVIST: Vacant
BOARD: Effie Todd, Gavin Nisbet, Lyndell Nisbet, Karen Nisbet.

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE:

Gary Nisbet, Ian G Nisbet, Karen Nisbet, Glen Hollebhone.

PUBLICATION OFFICER:

Vacant

EDUCATION AND INFORMATION COMMITTEE:

Ian G Nisbet, Gavin Nisbet.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

Joy Nisbet, Heather Ames, Lyndell Nisbet, Merryn Nisbet, Lesley Nisbet, Elyse Classon
Jan Nisbet, Barbara Leslie, Helen Nesbit, Michie Jensen, Heather Clarke, Helen Hamilton.

NSW REGIONAL GROUP:

SECRETARY: Glen Hollebhone, 28 Derna Road, Wattle Grove, NSW 2173, Aust.
CORRESPONDENTS: Mary & Keith Nisbet, 4/125 Cardinal Ave, West Pennant Hills, NSW 2125, Aust.
COMMITTEE: Frank Nesbit.
GENEALOGY CONSULTANT: James E Nisbet.

ACT REGIONAL OFFICER:

Brian S Nesbitt, 14 Davitt Cl, Isaacs, ACT 2607, Aust.

WA REGIONAL OFFICER:

Pippa Letch, 40 Honeymyrtle Turn, Stirling, WA 6021, Aust.

NZ REGIONAL OFFICER:

John Nesbit, 64a Somerfield Street, Christchurch 2, NZ.

OVERSEAS CONTACTS:

North America: Nick Nesbitt, 154 New Hanby Avenue, Westerville, OH 43801, USA.
UK: Angus Nisbet, 7 Trent Avenue, London, W5 4TL, UK.

The Nesbitt/Nisbet Society Australia is a member of the Council of Clans

The Nesbitt/Nisbet Society is a Worldwide Clan Society

INTERNET SITE:

<http://www.nnsoc.asn.au>