



Adult Learning Within Reach

Member Lecture – 10 February 2022

Family history: what's it all about?

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Questions answered post-lecture

Q2 I have a grandfather who was in the Met Police – are there other types of records specifically for this?

Yes, go to [The National Archives A-Z index](#) and select the letter 'P' and you will see there is a specific guide for London Metropolitan Police. Some records are online via [Ancestry.co.uk](#).

Useful links and resources

My History – Genealogy student 10% discount code – MNS273

Family History Books Online – Genealogy student 10% Discount code GROUPJ10

First Information Record sheet - BBC Family History

Pedigree Chart - BBC Family History

See overleaf for family history websites recommended by Jackie.

Forthcoming WEA courses by Jackie Depelle

Family History Online – The Benefactors (C3680118) – Starts 3rd March, 2.15pm

Births, Marriages and Deaths Indexes

www.ukbmd.org.uk

** Click on Local BMD

Free site listing local Registrar's indexes
Limited number of districts, results by name

www.freebmd.org.uk

** Ignore the advert

Free voluntary site, 1837-1998 not complete
Excellent into 1980s, 1990s developing fast

www.findmypast.co.uk

£ 1837 : B 2006, M 2005, D 2007 + Scottish
Free access through some Libraries

www.ancestry.co.uk

£ 1837 : B 2007, M 1915+2005, D 1915+2007
Free access through most Library services

www.irishgenealogy.ie/en/

Free index & images – see site for coverage

www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk

Free searches then charges apply

Census

www.freecen.org.uk

Free Cover varies inc. Ireland & Scotland + filters

www.findmypast.co.uk

Free Libraries?

£ 1841 – 1921 (+pre 1841)
Scottish transcripts 1841 – 1901

www.ancestry.co.uk

Free Libraries?

£ 1841–1911, Scottish transcripts 1841-1901
^ always check index & transcript to original

www.census.nationalarchives.ie/ **Free** Irish 1901, 1911, fragments 1821-51

www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk

£ Pay-per-view Images 1841-1911 1921 mid-2022

Parish Registers + original images + indexes. Subject to change

www.findmypast.co.uk

£ Borthwick (York), Canterbury, Cheshire, Devon, Doncaster, Durham BTs, East Riding, Hampshire, Hertfordshire, Kent, Leicestershire & Rutland, Lancashire, Lincolnshire, Manchester, Norfolk, North Yorkshire, Sheffield, Nottinghamshire, Plymouth, Shropshire, Staffordshire, Surrey, Teesside, Wales, Warwickshire, West Devon, Family History Societies including major Scottish collection : growing Catholic collection

www.ancestry.co.uk

£ London Borough Bexley, Birmingham, Bristol, Dorset, Derbyshire, Jersey, Gloucestershire, {Hampshire (parts)}, Lancashire (parts), London(LMA), Liverpool, Manchester, Norfolk, North-amptonshire, London Borough of Sutton, Oxfordshire, Somerset, [Suffolk], Surrey, Warwickshire, Wales, Westminster, West Yorkshire, Wigan Archives & Council, Wiltshire

<https://familysearch.org/search> Research by Location or Filter Collection
Create **free** account Check **free** index/ £ image Ancestry/findmypast

www.freereg.org.uk **Free** Cover varies inc Ireland & Scotland *filters*

www.ukbmd.org.uk OPC – online Parish Clerks, **free** transcripts

www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk £ Comprehensive collection including Catholic

<https://churchrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/> **Free** online images

www.durhamrecordsonline.com/ £ includes Northumberland

www.essexarchivesonline.co.uk/ParishRegisters £

www.genuki.org.uk **Free** Many voluntary projects – search by place

Probate

www.gov.uk/search-will-probate **Free** + £ Ancestry/findmypast from 1858

1939 Register

FindMyPast monthly update, Ancestry annual. The Genealogist, My Heritage – index only.