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**RINGMER
FAMILY HISTORY
GROUP
October 2021
Newsletter**

Next meeting Tuesday 26 October in the Scout Hut.

Guests welcome. Please arrive by 2 pm.

MAPS ONLINE

Peter Christian

Maps are important resources for genealogists but are often difficult to find. The web, however, has transformed this situation, offering free access to thousands of high quality digitised maps, both current and historical. Peter's talk will discuss the range of material available and how best to locate relevant maps online, as well as taking a brief look at some of the most useful sites.

Peter has been researching his own genealogy for over 40 years and has lectured on Internet resources for 25. He is a past editor of the Society of Genealogists (of which he is a Fellow) computer journal 'Computers in Genealogy' and was responsible for setting up their first web-site. For many years he was a regular columnist for 'Ancestors' magazine and is the author of many books most notably 'The Genealogist's Internet'.

He is journeying from London to talk to us and his talk should be the highlight of 2021.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Our meeting in September, after a break of eighteen months, had 65% attendance and got us off to a flying start. The planning group members introduced themselves and explained their roles, Bob outlined the group's approach to family history and Alan and Sue gave us their stories.

Bob reminded members of his previous five challenges and threw out his sixth and final one. For ease, and to help those who weren't present and new members, they are set out overleaf.

Details of the duty rota are given elsewhere. Please make sure that you add your name for future meetings. If all members do this then we'd be covered for 18 months.

Please also complete and return the form given to you by Alan the sooner he has the information the sooner mentors/mentees can be arranged. Many thanks Bob.

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BOB'S CHALLENGES

1. Obtain birth, death and marriage certificates for your parents, grandparents and great grandparents.
2. Create a biography for each with a minimum of 10 pieces of information. Include photographs, postcards, newspaper cuttings etc. Use FTM or similar and/or a manual folder.
3. Obtain birth, death and marriage certificates for all other ancestors post 1837.
4. Pull together all your family photographs and with any other family members identify as many relatives/ancestors as possible. Write the information IN PENCIL on the reverse. Add to your family tree and folders.
5. Set the profiles in challenge 2 within a historical context. How did events impinge on your ancestors' lives, if at all?
6. Write your own life history using the previous 5 challenges as a framework. Include information you wish you'd known about your ancestors. Add all the necessary documents and create a folder and put it where it will be found.

ALL FAMILY HISTORY MUST BEGIN WITH YOURSELF

ADMIN ROTA

October 26th

Desk Hazel Haywood

Refreshments

Linda Grange

A N Other - please

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November 30th

Desk Peter Hatch

Refreshments

Jenny Polwart

Tim Polwart

