

# CFHS Meetings 2008

## City Branch

**Friday 14 March** - Sources for Research in London-Wendy Anderson

**Friday 11 April** - A Guide to Graphology- Barbara Weaver

## Girton Glebe Computer Club

**Saturday 8 March** - An Overview of Family History Software

**Saturday 12 April** - Back to Basics Visiting Record Offices- Caroline Norton

## Girton Glebe Afternoons

**\*Saturday 8 March** -The Industrial Revolution- Rev Wm Zwalf \* **Followed by :**

**The Annual General Meeting of the Cambridgeshire Family History Society at 3p.m**

**Saturday 12 April** -Digital Sources for Cambridgeshire History- Mike Petty

# INFORMATION

## Family History Surgeries Research days at your local library

Members of the Cambridgeshire Family History Society are available to help with your family history research at local libraries :

Every Tuesday at **March** Library 10am - 12.45pm, 2.15pm to 5pm.

Every Wednesday at **Ely** Library 10am - 12.45pm, 2.15pm to 5pm

Every third Thursday of the month at **Bar Hill** Library.10am - 1pm, 2pm - 5pm

Every second Friday of the month **Arbury Court** Library (Cambridge) 10am-1pm, 2pm-5pm

# BOOKSTALL

## New CD Releases

CD 030	Abington Great PRs 1599-1950 Abington Little PRs 1599-1950 & Hildersham PRs1560-1950	£12.00	100g
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CD 031	Orwell PRs 1560-1950 & Whadden PRs 1599-1950	£12.00	100g

## New PR Releases

Kennett PRs 1567-1950	£3.75	15g
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## Updated Parish Records

Balsham PRs 1558-1950	£11.25	45g
Haddenham PRs 1570-1950	£20.00	80g
Hatley, East PRs 1580- 1950	£3.75	15g
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## City Branch

**St Laurence's Church Hall Milton Rd. Cambridge**

**Friday 8 February 7.15-9pm**

**Rogues and Vagabonds Need not apply- Ian Waller**

During the First World War hundreds and thousands of men and women contributed to the war effort. Because of the hype that everyone thought this would be a short war thousands volunteered in the early years many never returning. Conscription meant that virtually every eligible male was involved as time went on. Although the war officially ended on 11 November 1918 skirmishes still continued and a military presence was still evident in 1919 impacting upon many families already suffering devastation from losses in the preceding years.

This also had a significant impact, economically and politically, upon the post war years and this talk provides an overview of and looks at the records, particularly what is available beyond "ordinary service records" - many of which were destroyed as far as the army was concerned, and also gives pointers about where your ancestors may have been, why they enlisted in military and naval divisions not associated with their home area and how they re-adjusted to civilian life in the aftermath of the war.

## Girton Glebe School

**Cambridge Rd. Girton**

**Saturday 9 February 2008**

**Computer Club 11am -1 pm**

**[www.old-maps.co.uk](http://www.old-maps.co.uk) & CFHS Data CDs**

**Lunch break. 1pm-2pm**

**Caroline Norton : How to begin**

Caroline will introduce you to Your Family History **OR** Take the opportunity to use [Ancestry.co.uk](http://Ancestry.co.uk) (free of charge) to trace any of your ancestors with the help of our knowledgeable volunteers.

**Afternoon Meeting 2pm**

**Finding your way around a Record Office Part 2-Gill Shapland**

Gill will continue on from her first lecture, in January last year, giving further useful sources for family historians. Her report of this lecture appeared in the August 1987 Journal for anyone who would like to look again at what was covered.

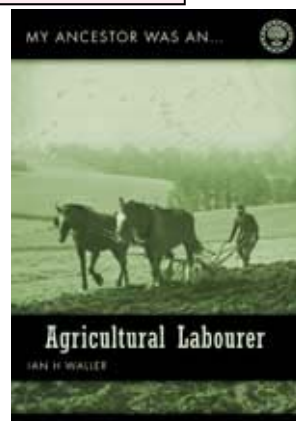
## SPEAKER PROFILES

### City Branch

#### Ian Waller

Ian Waller is a professional genealogist, a member of AGRA and has been involved in English family history research for 30 years. He currently serves on the Board of Trustees of the Society of Genealogists where he is chairman of the Education Committee. He teaches family and local history at various adult education centres and has lectured widely to family history societies.

His interests include building scale models of horse drawn vehicles, country music, digital and video photography and British steam locomotives. His new book, pictured above, has just been published and will be available at the lecture priced £6.75



### Girton Glebe Afternoon

#### Gill Shapland

Gill Shapland is an archives assistant at the Cambridgeshire Record Office. She is a familiar figure to all who visit the Record Office.



Shire Hall Cambridge

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## NEWS

**GENfair – The online Family History Fair [www.GENfair.co.uk](http://www.GENfair.co.uk)**



S & N Genealogy Supplies are pleased to announce that they have won the bid to run GENfair on behalf of the Federation of Family History Societies.

GENfair is the online equivalent of a family history fair giving access to products from over 120 different societies and suppliers selling over 20,000 products.

It's a great place to find specialist products provided by a host of societies and companies.

The GENfair site is now hosted using the latest database technology allowing extensive new features to be developed.

This enables customers to search on multiple criteria or list and search a specific supplier's items. The search highlights the matching products.

The new site went live on the 12th December 2007 and welcomes both old and new customers alike.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

#### Closure of Cambridge Record Office for refurbishment

The County Record Office, Cambridge, will close for four weeks from Monday 11th February, for much-needed refurbishment work. Work will include the removal of a wall to create a more open, spacious and welcoming space, redecoration, re-carpeting, a new layout, and new furniture. As well as creating a brighter, more comfortable and modern environment for researchers, the new layout will provide some additional seating to accommodate more readers.

Staff will be taking this opportunity to carry out essential stocktaking and to focus their efforts on listing and repackaging work for the move into a new building in due course.

**The Record Office will re-open on Tuesday 11th March.**

Source: <http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/leisure/archives/>

#### The National Archives will be closed from 21 to 27 January

The National Archives at Kew will be closed to the public from Monday 21 to Sunday 27 January 2008 inclusive.

We will reopen at 09:00 on Monday 28 January 2008

This is to enable us to carry out building works as part of the improvement programme we are implementing at Kew

#### Changes to original document services

There will be reduced seating capacity in the document reading rooms from 17 December 2007 until the end of the ongoing improvement programme. Unfortunately this means that we will have to temporarily withdraw the facility for visitors to order original documents in advance of their visit to Kew, from **Friday 30 November 2007 until the end of March 2008**