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SCOTTISH ONLINE RESOURCES FOR GENEALOGISTS

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There are many local, national and international initiatives underway which aim to improve archival resources available on the internet. The following are some of the major online websites.

National Records of Scotland

<http://www.nas.gov.uk/nras/default.asp>

The National Archives of Scotland and the General Register Office for Scotland merged in 2011 to form the National Records of Scotland. The National Archives web site is still available and provides access to the NAS catalogue, the National Register of Archives for Scotland (NRAS) the Scottish Archive Network (SCAN) online catalogue and indexes, which include the Scottish wills and testaments, Highland Emigration Society and the High Court of Justiciary records index

Scotland's Places

<http://www.scotlandsplaces.gov.uk/>

Scotlands Places is a partnership between the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Scotland, the National Library of Scotland and the National Library of Scotland. It provides access to digitised resources from all three collections, including Ordnance Survey name books, servant tax, hearth tax and horse tax records, Medical Officer of Health reports and maps and plans.

National Library of Scotland

<http://www.nls.uk/>

A large part of their substantial collection is available online, including the Scottish Post Office Directories and the first and second Statistical Accounts of Scotland at (<http://edina.ac.uk/statacc/>)

Scottish Archive Network (SCAN)

<http://www.scan.org.uk/>

A similar resource to the Archives Hub but covering the majority of repositories in Scotland. The Scottish Archive Network was established to create an electronic network linking the catalogues of nearly 50 Scottish archives. The site also includes a useful Knowledge Base covering aspects of Scottish history and types of archives.

Scottish Cultural Resources Access Network (SCRAN)

<http://www.scran.ac.uk/>

SCRAN is a resource base of Scottish material culture and human history. Funded by the Millennium Commission, SCRAN works with project partners such as

museums, galleries, archives and universities to digitise selected parts of their collections. There are over 200 projects underway and material is added to the resource base.

National Register of Archives (NRA)

<http://www.hmc.gov.uk/nra/nra2.htm>

The National Register of Archives is the central point for collecting and disseminating information about the location and contents of archival sources in Britain. The indexes to the NRA, available online, contain references to papers of c.150,000 corporate bodies, persons and families, with a further 300,000 connected records.

The National Archives

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/>

Searches the online catalogues of The National Archives in London

ARCHON

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/archon/>

ARCHON lists, with full contact details, archive repositories in the United Kingdom.

Access to Archives

<http://www.a2a.pro.gov.uk>

A2A is another virtual archives catalogue, bringing together the catalogues of archives offices in England. The descriptions of records are to item level. A feasibility study is presently underway to establish the best way of undertaking a similar project in Scotland.

Archives Hub

<http://www.archiveshub.ac.uk/>

The Archives Hub provides a single point of access to descriptions of archives held in UK universities and colleges. At present these are primarily at collection-level, although where possible they are linked to complete catalogue descriptions. The Archives Hub forms one part of the UK's National Archives Network, alongside related networking projects.

Parliamentary papers online

<http://parlipapers.chadwyck.co.uk/home.do>

Other related web sites:

Scottish Council on Archives

<http://www.scoarch.org.uk/home>

Scottish Records Association

<http://www.scottishrecordsassociation.org/>

Local repositories

Glasgow:

Glasgow City Archives

http://www.glasgow.gov.uk/en/Residents/Library_Services/The_Mitchell/Archives/

Mitchell Library: Virtual Mitchell
<http://www.mitchelllibrary.org/virtualmitchell/>

Family History Centre, Mitchell Library
http://www.glasgow.gov.uk/en/Residents/Library_Services/Family_Local_History/Family_History/

University of Glasgow Archive Services
<http://www.gla.ac.uk/services/archives/>

University of Strathclyde Archives and Special Collections
<http://www.strath.ac.uk/archives/>

Glasgow Caledonian University Archives
<http://www.gcu.ac.uk/archives/index.html>

Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board Archive
<http://www.archives.gla.ac.uk/gghb/>

The Glasgow & West of Scotland Family History Society
<http://www.gwsfhs.org.uk/>

Dundee and Tayside:

Dundee Roots – Angus and Dundee Genealogical Information
<http://www.dundeeroots.com/> "[Dundee Roots](http://www.dundeeroots.com/)" - [Angus and Dundee Genealogical Information](http://www.dundeeroots.com/)

Dundee City Archives
<http://www.dundeecity.gov.uk/archive/>

Perth and Kinross Council Archive
<http://www.pkc.gov.uk/Education+and+learning/Libraries+archives+and+learning+centres/Archives/Perth+and+Kinross+Council+Archive.htm>

University of St Andrews Library Special Collections
<http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/library/specialcollections/>

Fife Council Archives
<http://www.fifedirect.org.uk/topics/index.cfm?fuseaction=service.display&p2sid=867078A9-80E1-4A70-BD5B-968A3B80B52E&themeid=98A56687-9A34-4494-A43C-68E07CCAE64E>

Dundee City Council's Family History Centre
<http://www.dundeecity.gov.uk/supportservs/genealogyunit/>

GENUKI – Angus Genealogical Information
<http://www.genuki.org.uk/big/sct/ANS/index.html>

Tay Valley Family History Society
<http://www.tayvalleyfhs.org.uk/>

Edinburgh and the Borders

Edinburgh City Archives
<http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/cityarchives>

Edinburgh University Archives

<http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/information-services/services/library-museum-gallery/crc/collections/special-collections/eua>

Lothian Health Services Archive

<http://www.lhsa.lib.ed.ac.uk/>

Heriot-Watt University Heritage and Information Compliance

<http://www.hw.ac.uk/archive/>

The Lothians Family History Society

<http://www.lothiansfhs.org/index.php>

The Scottish Genealogy Centre

<http://www.scotsgenealogy.com/>

The Heritage Hub: Scottish Borders Archive and Local History Centre

<http://www.heartofhawick.co.uk/heritagehub/>

Aberdeen

Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire Archives

http://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/education_learning/local_history/archives/loc_archiveshomepage.asp

University of Aberdeen Special Libraries and Archives

<http://www.abdn.ac.uk/historic/Intro.shtml>

NHS Grampian Archives

http://www.nhsgrampian.org/nhsgrampian/gra_display_info.jsp;jsessionid=B02D134298386A8E538D23C20EDA0C6A?pContentID=5420&p_applic=CCC&p_service=Content.show&

Robert Gordon University Art and Heritage Collections

<http://www.rgu.ac.uk/about/art-and-heritage-collections>

Aberdeen and North-East Scotland Family History Society

<http://www.anesfhs.org.uk/>

Highlands and Islands

Highland Archive Service

<http://www.highlandarchives.org.uk/harc.asp>

Tasglann nan Eilean Siar (Hebridean Archives)

<http://www.cne-siar.gov.uk/archives/>

Highland Family History Society

<http://www.highlandfamilyhistorysociety.org/>

Central Scotland

Stirling Council Archives

<http://www.stirling.gov.uk/archives>

University of Stirling Archives

<http://www.calmview.eu/stirling/CalmView/Default.aspx?>

Falkirk Archives

<http://www.falkirkcommunitytrust.org/heritage/archives/>

Dumfries and Galloway

Dumfries and Galloway Council Archives

<http://www.dumgal.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=2300>

Dumfries and Galloway Family History Society

<http://www.dgfhs.org.uk/>

International

UNESCO: http://www.unesco.org/webworld/portal_archives/

An international gateway to information for archivists and users.

Library of Congress: <http://www.loc.gov/index.html>

NARA: <http://www.archives.gov/>

The American National Archives.

Commonwealth War Graves Commission

<http://www.cwgc.org>

The National Archives of Australia: <http://www.naa.gov.au/>

Repositories listing

<http://www.uidaho.edu/special-collections/Other.Repositories.html>

A US listing of over 5250 websites describing holdings of manuscripts, archives, rare books, historical photographs, and other primary sources for the research scholar.

Project Web Sites

<http://www.gashe.ac.uk> Gateway to the archives of Scottish Higher Education.

<http://www.nahste.ac.uk> Navigational Aids for the History of Science, Technology & the Environment.

<http://www.visual-evidence.ac.uk> Photographic collections of St Andrews, Dundee and Aberdeen universities.

<http://www.clinicalnotes.ac.uk> Scottish historical medical records online.

<http://www.chartingthenation.lib.ed.ac.uk/> Scottish maps online from 1550 to c1740.

<http://www.mundus.ac.uk> A project to facilitate and improve access to missionary collections in the UK .

<http://www.genesis.ac.uk> A project to develop access to women's history sources in the British Isles with a database of descriptions of relevant collections in libraries, archives and museums.

<http://library.kent.ac.uk/cartoons/>

CartoonHub: Online access to political newspaper cartoons, 1904-date (registration required).