

# WELCOME TO BIFHSGO's MAY MEETING





**BIFHSGO's vision:  
To connect, educate, share  
and inspire**

# COMING UP IN 2023



## **SATURDAY, 10 June (hybrid meeting)**

9:00 a.m. Annual General Meeting

10:00 a.m. Great Moments in Genealogy (Paul Cripwell, Jane Simpson, Susan Smart, Carol Annett)

## **SATURDAY, 9 September (hybrid meeting)**

9:00 a.m. Back to Basics: England & Wales (Ken McKinlay)

10:00 a.m. Locations and Occupations: Using Census Analysis to Explore Family Dispersion (Paul Cripwell)

**Don't miss the chance to have your say...**

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**Annual General Meeting is on 10 June ...  
(hybrid meeting)**

- ❖ **Election of new Board members**
  - ❖ **Review of directors' reports and financial statements**
  - ❖ **Announcement of member recognition awards**
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**... Documents and bios of Board candidates will  
be on website on 16 May**

# Special BIFHSGO Feature for 2023/24

Back to basics

**Ken McKinlay will present a “Back to Basics” series as Education Talks**



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| September | England & Wales                             |
| October   | Ireland                                     |
| November  | Military Service                            |
| January   | Scotland                                    |
| February  | Census Records                              |
| March     | Civil Birth, Marriage & Death Registrations |
| April     | Church Records                              |
| May       | Immigration & Emigration                    |

**Looking for speakers for the  
November meeting...**

**Do you have a story to tell about a  
family soldier?**

**Consider preparing a  
5-10 minute story**



**Contact [programs@bifhsgo.ca](mailto:programs@bifhsgo.ca)**

# SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

**DNA**

**Saturday,  
3 June  
9:30 to 11:30 a.m.  
Online**

**London**

**Wednesday,  
14 June  
2 – 3:30 p.m.  
Online**

**Irish Research**

**Monday, 23 May  
7 – 9 p.m.  
McNabb Community  
Centre**

**British Colonial America**

**Wednesday,  
24 May  
7 – 9 p.m.  
Online**

**Writing**

**Friday, 26 May  
1 – 3 p.m.  
Online**





**Could you help your society?**

**Board still requires 2  
members-at-large**



- **Outreach**
- **Assistant to program director**

**Contact Duncan Monkhouse [pastpresident@bifhsgo.ca](mailto:pastpresident@bifhsgo.ca)**





# **Leaving Their Scottish Homes: What Were They Thinking?**

**BIFHSGO's Virtual Annual Conference  
Saturday/Sunday 28-29 October 2023**

**Expert speakers / Conference Connect session  
with Scottish regions / Social time**



# Speakers / presentations

**Marjory Harper**

***Two Centuries of Adventure and Exile: Voices from Scottish emigration***

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**Christopher Fleet**

***Getting the Best out of the NLS Maps Website***

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**Michelle Leonard**

***Combining DNA and Traditional Research: Scottish case studies***

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**Kirsty F. Wilkinson**

***Sources in Scotland for Tracing Scottish Emigrants***

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**Chris Paton**

***Tracing Irish Ancestors in Scotland***

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# **Leaving Their Scottish Homes: What Were They Thinking?**

**Members \$30 / Non-members \$40**

**Presentation videos available to registrants until 30 November**

**To see details and purchase a conference pass:  
[www.bifhsgo.ca/2023-conference](http://www.bifhsgo.ca/2023-conference)**

## Behind the News Page

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# In May ... information on the website about BIFHSGO Special Interest Groups





Your time to choose

✓ **Best Talk by a BIFHSGO member**  
(Feature Talks and Education Talks)

Watch for an email and check the Members' area for the link to vote for best talks in second half of 2022/23

**Deadline Wednesday, 7 June**

If you have questions, contact [secretary@bifhsgo.ca](mailto:secretary@bifhsgo.ca)

# Resources at the Ottawa Branch OGS library

**The library is open,  
no appointment needed**

- **Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.**
- **Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

- ❖ **Reference Room volunteers are back. Some shifts available; if interested, email [ottawalibrary@ogs.on.ca](mailto:ottawalibrary@ogs.on.ca)**
- ❖ **Lots of resources for Eastern Ontario/West Quebec, British Isles & British Colonial America**

## **Ottawa Branch**

**Saturday, 13 May 2023**

**1 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. (virtual only)**

**Discover the Digital Collections of the National Library of Scotland (Christine Woodcock)**

**Saturday, 17 June 2023**

**1 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. (hybrid)**

**Indigenous Enfranchisement Records 1880- 1970 in Canadian Orders in Council (Joanna Crandell)**

**OGS is offering some hybrid meetings—City of Ottawa Archives, 100 Tallwood Drive and Zoom**

**<https://ottawa.ogs.on.ca/events>**



# Stay in touch with BIFHSGO

## BIFHSGO Facebook



Website [www.bifhsgo.ca](http://www.bifhsgo.ca)  
Send message to “Queries”

## BIFHSGO Twitter



## BIFHSGO members on BIFHSGO Facebook Discussion Group

Email – link in “Contact”  
on web site

British Isles Family History  
Society of Greater Ottawa



# DID YOU MISS SOME ANNOUNCEMENTS?



They are available in “News” on  
**BIFHSGO** website after the meeting