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Ancestry.com
Now Available at VPL!

One of the most popular subscription databases for genealogy is now available for free at the Vancouver Public Library.

Ancestry.com, or, as it is known in public library settings, **Ancestry Library Edition**, contains thousands of useful resources for genealogists. Highlights include:

- 1871-1901 U.K. census images and indexes (complete indexes for 1881 and 1891; partial indexes for 1871 and 1901)
- 1790-1930 U.S. census images and indexes (complete indexes for all years except 1901 – partial only)
- Pallot's Baptism Index, 1780-1837 and Pallot's Marriage Index, 1780-1837 – parish records of baptisms and marriages in the Greater London area

Unlike most Vancouver Public Library databases, **Ancestry** cannot be used from home. It is available, however, during opening hours at any of the 22 branches in the VPL system. For locations and hours, see www.vpl.ca/general/hours.html

Recent Additions to the Collection

*Items listed below without a **Ref.** designation may be borrowed. Call 604-331-3603 to request a book, or place your request through the online catalogue (iPAC) at ipac2.vpl.ca*

***Ref.** items must be used in the library.*



General Interest

Adventures in Genealogy: Case Studies in the Unusual

by Norman Edgar Wright, 1994
929.1 W952a

Christian Names in Local and Family History

by George Redmonds, 2004
929.4 R31c

***Creating a Family Web Site Can be Fun & Easy*, 2nd ed.**

by Marian Press, 2003
929.10285 P93c

The Family Historian's Pocket Dictionary

compiled by Stuart A. Raymond, 2003
929.341 R27f

Finding Your Famous (& Infamous) Ancestors

by Rhonda R. McClure, 2003
929.1 M47f

Genealogical Research on the Web

by Diane K. Kovacs, 2002
929.10285 K88g

***Genealogy on the Internet*, 2nd ed.**

by Sherri Pettit, 2003
929.10285 P51g

The Genes in Your Genealogy

by Sherilyn Bell, 2001
929.1 B43g

Let's Get Organized!: A Practical Guide for All Aspects of Family History Research

by Penelope Janet Christensen, 2000
929.1 C55L

More Psychic Roots: Further Adventures in Serendipity & Intuition in Genealogy

by Henry Z. Jones, 1997
929.1 J77pa

Names in Genealogy: Their Origin & Meaning

by Penelope Janet Christensen, 2002
929.4 C55n

Online Roots: How to Discover Your Family's History and Heritage with the Power of the Internet

by Pamela Boyer Porter, 2003
929.10285 P84o

Organization for the Professional Genealogists

by Penelope Janet Christensen, 2000
929.1 C55o

Psychic Roots: Serendipity & Intuition in Genealogy

by Henry Z. Jones, 2002
929.1 J77p

Plugging Into Your Past: How to Find Real Family History Records Online

by Rick Crume, 2004
929.10285 C956p

Protect Your Precious Documents

by Louise J. St. Denis, 2002
929.1 S77p

Tracing Your Family History

by Anthony Adolph, 2004
929.1 A23t



Canada - General

The C.E.F. Roll of Honour

compiled and edited by Edward H. Wigney, 1996
Ref. 940.546 W66c

Finding Your Canadian Ancestors

by Doris B. Bourrie, 2003
929.371 B77f

Migration Patterns in Canada

by Dr. Edward Smith, 2003
929.371 S64m

Researching Canadian Newspaper Records

by Ryan Taylor, 2002
929.371 T24rn

Prairie Provinces

Births, Marriages and Deaths from Calgary, Alberta Newspapers: 1890-1899

Alberta Family Histories Society, 1993
Ref. 929.37123 A333ba

Index to the 1901 Census: District of Assiniboia East (no.203)

Alberta Genealogical Society, 2004
Ref. 929.37124 A84138 1901

***Tracing Your Saskatchewan Ancestors: A Guide to the Records and How to Use Them*, 2nd ed.**

edited by Laura M. Hanowski, 2003
929.37124 T75h1

Ontario

1828 Census, Welland County

Ontario Genealogical Society, 1992
Ref. 929.3713 W44O59c

1842 Census, Canada West, Carleton County

by J. M. Robinson, 2000
Ref. 929.3713 C28R66c

1851 Census of Carleton County, Ontario, 4 vol.

By Norman K. Crowder, 1999
Ref. 929.3713 C28C95c

1901 Canadian Census, Ontario, Essex South

compiled by Canadian Heritage & Genealogy Enterprises, 2001
Ref. 929.3713 E78C21n 1901

Elgin County Marriage Register, 1858-1869

compiled by James L. McCallum, 1999
Ref. 929.3713 E41M12ma

Family Research in Wellington County, Ontario, Canada

compiled by Karen L. Wagner, 2002
929.3713 W45W13f

Grey County Births, pre 1869-1874: Index to Ontario Vital Statistics

transcribed by Ken Young, 1995
Ref. 929.3713 G84Y73bp

Grey County Births, 1880-1884: Index to Ontario Vital Statistics

transcribed by Ken Young, 2002
Ref. 929.3713 G84Y73b

Grey County Deaths, pre 1869-1879: Index to Ontario Vital Statistics

transcribed by Ken Young, 1995
Ref. 929.3713 G84Y73dp

Grey County Marriages, 1873-1879: Index to Ontario Vital Statistics

transcribed by Ken Young, 1996
Ref. 929.3713 G84Y73m

Grey County Marriages, 1885-1889: Index to Ontario Vital Statistics

transcribed by Ken Young, 2001
Ref. 929.3713 G84Y73mb

Index to the 1851 Census of Canada West (Ontario): Wentworth County & Hamilton

compiled and edited by Renie A. Rumpel, 2003
Ref. 929.3713 H21I38 1851



Kent County Marriages, 1857-1869, 2 vol.

Ontario Genealogical Society, 1993
Ref. 929.3713 K37O59m

Kingston, Frontenac, Lennox & Addington Ancestors: A Guide to Family Research

by Barbara B. Aitken, 2000
Ref. 929.3713 F93A31k

Toronto Township Cemetery no.32a: Canadian Korea War Memorial, Meadowvale Cemetery, section 1, Toronto Township, Peel County, Ontario

Korean Veterans' Association of Canada, 1998
Ref. 929.371 K84t

Tracing Your Ancestors in Norfolk County

by Heather Ibbotson, 1992
Ref. 929.3713 N83I12t

Tracing Your Family in Kent County, revised & updated

Ontario Genealogical Society, 1994
Ref. 929.3713 K37H49t

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal Register: Durham County, 1826-1899

Ontario Genealogical Society, 2001
Ref. 929.3713 D96W51o

Wesleyan Methodist Baptismal Register: Ontario County, 1841-1905

Ontario Genealogical Society, 2001
Ref. 929.3713 O59W51o

Wills & Probates in Elgin County Land Registry Office Records

by James L. McCallum, 2000
Ref. 929.3713 E41M12w

Quebec

Guide to Quebec Catholic Parishes and Published Parish Marriage Records

by Jeanne Sauve White, 1993
929.3714 W58g

Atlantic Provinces

Genealogist's Handbook for Upper Saint John Valley Research

by George L. Findlen, 2003
929.37155 F49g

Index of Jews Resident in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island According to the 1861 to 1901 Censuses of Canada

by Glen Eker, 2004
Ref. 929.3715 E36i



British Isles

Ancestral Trails: The Complete Guide to British Genealogy and Family History, rev. ed.

by Mark D. Herber, 2004
929.341 H53a1

Civil Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages in Ireland: A Practical Approach

by Catherine Blumsom, 1998
929.3415 B65c

Family and Local History Handbook, 7th ed.

Robert Blanchford, 2003
Ref. 929.341 G32

Finding Your Irish Ancestors: Unique Aspects of Irish Genealogy

by Brian Mitchell, 2001
929.3415 M68f



Londoners' Occupations: A Genealogical Guide, 2nd ed.

by Stuart A. Raymond, 2001
929.341 R27L

The Parish Chest: A Study of the Records of Parochial Administration in England, 3rd ed.

by William Edward Tate, 1983
Ref. 929.342 T21p

The Parishes, Registers & Registrars of Scotland

Scottish Association of Family History Societies, 1995
Ref. 929.3411 S43p

Pocket Guide to Irish Genealogy, 2nd ed.

by Brian Mitchell, 2002
929.3415 M68p1

Researching Irish Census Records: Including Census Substitute Records

by Brian W. Hutchison, 2001
929.3415 H97re

Researching Irish Civil Registration Records

by Brian W. Hutchison, 2002
929.3415 H97r

A Scottish Historian's Glossary

by Lawrence R. Burness, 1997
929.3411 B96s

Scottish Surnames

by David Dorward, 2003
929.4 D72s

Surnames in Ireland, 2 vol.

by Sir Robert E. Matheson, 1988
Ref. 929.3415 M42s

Tracing Your Ancestors in Northern Ireland
by Ian Maxwell, 1997
929.3416 M46t

Your English Ancestry: A Guide for North Americans, rev. ed.
by Sherry Irvine, 1998
929.341 I72y



United States

Genealogies in the Library of Congress: A Bibliography. Second Supplement, 1976-1986

Marion J. Kaminkow, 1987
Ref. 929.1X L69g Suppl.2

The Genealogist's Companion and Sourcebook, 2nd ed.

by Emily Anne Croom, 2003
929.1 C94g1

They Became Americans: Finding Naturalization Records and Ethnic Origins

by Loretto Dennis Szucs, 1998
Ref. 929.373 S99t

Australia

Tracing Your Family History in Australia: A National Guide to Sources, 3rd ed.

by Nick Vine Hall, 2002
929.394 V78t1

Miscellaneous

Avotaynu Guide to Jewish Genealogy

edited by Sallyann Amdur Sack, 2004
929.1 A96a

Finding Your Polish Ancestors, updated ed.

by Kathleen Ann LaBudie-Szakall, 2003
929.3438 L12f

In Their Words: A Genealogist's Translation Guide to Polish, German, Latin, and Russian Documents. Volume One, Polish

by Jonathan D. Shea, 2000
Ref. 929.34 S53i v.1

In Their Words: A Genealogist's Translation Guide to Polish, German, Latin, and Russian Documents. Volume Two, Russian

by Jonathan D. Shea, 2002
Ref. 929.34 S53i v.2

Free Genealogy Programs at the Vancouver Public Library

Regular genealogy programs have been temporarily suspended. However, the History & Government Division will be presenting the following program jointly with the Special Collections Department:

Canadian Census for Genealogists
Saturday, January 15, 2005
9:30-11:30 a.m.

- An in-depth, hands-on look at historical Canadian census records. Find out about the history and scope of census-taking in Canada. Learn about the wide range of filmed and printed census materials available at the Vancouver Public Library. Discover some great census websites.

Other Vancouver Public Library Programs of Interest

All programs are free!

The following workshops are aimed at the general library user, but genealogists are welcome. Learn important library skills and concepts that will help you get the most out of the resources available at the Vancouver Public Library.



Computer, Internet and E-mail Basics

For beginning computer users, VPL will be offering the following free series of programs throughout the Winter & Spring. For dates and times or to register, please call 604-331-3603 or register in person at the Central Library information desk, Level 2.

- www.vpl.ca/events/hotnews/inettrain.html

Computer Basics (90 minutes)

Get comfortable with using a computer during this 90-minute, hands-on course. Learn to use the mouse and the computer keyboard, and get an overview of basic computer functions. No previous experience required.

Internet Basics (2 hours)

Learn about what's available on the Internet and how to find it. We'll talk about browsers, navigation, and effective searching during this 2-hour, hands-on course.

Pre-requisite: Computer Basics or equivalent experience

E-Mail Basics (90 minutes)

Set up your own web-based e-mail account and explore the basics of sending and receiving e-mail in this 90-minute hands-on program.

Pre-requisite: Computer Basics & Internet Basics or equivalent experience



Research @ Your Library – Winter & Spring 2005

Saturdays & Wednesdays

Spend a few hours learning how to do research @ your library. Whether you're a student, professional, or simply want to find something for your own interest, this 2-hour hands-on course is for you! Basic computer skills required.

February - 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

5th – Renfrew Branch

12th – South Hill Branch

19th – Oakridge Branch

26th – Kitsilano Branch

- To register for February classes, call or drop by the host branch.

April – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

6th – Central Library, Level 5 Lab

13th – Central Library, Level 5 Lab

20th – Central Library, Level 5 Lab

27th – Central Library, Level 5 Lab

- To register for April classes, call 604-331-3603 or drop by the Level 5 Information Desk at the Central Library.



Programs Elsewhere in the Lower Mainland

Start Searching Your Family History – A Beginners' Workshop in 5 Lessons

5 biweekly Saturday afternoon sessions

(January 15, January 29, February 5, February 26, March 12)

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Cloverdale Library, 5642-176A Street, Surrey

Instructor: Brenda Smith

Charge: \$85.00

Please pre-register by calling 604-576-1384 (local 303 or 304)

- This series of classes addresses each beginning family history researcher's needs. Working with their own materials and supporting each other, learners will set goals for their research, organize and evaluate their data, and plan the first stage of individual programs. **Participants must be able to commit to attending all 5 sessions in the series.**

Lesson 1: Probe the Past – From the Known to the Unknown
Saturday, January 15, 2005

- Discover your personal motivation for compiling a family history, formulate goals for research, and draft a family tree diagram.

Lesson 2: Organize – The Second Prime Directive
Saturday, January 29, 2005

- Explore organizational approaches, basic data collection and storage techniques, organize your workbook, and create a family group sheet.

Lesson 3: Can You Prove That? Verify Your Finding
Saturday, February 5, 2005

- Process documents, discuss evidence and apply standards of proof.

Lesson 4: Right Forest, Wrong Tree: Interpret Your Findings
Saturday, February 26, 2005

- Build context for your research, & develop techniques for critical analysis of family history data.

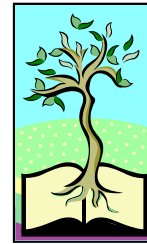
Lesson 5: Plan the Next Research Step
Saturday, March 12, 2004



Scandinavian Research – Advanced Level
Saturday, February 19, 2005
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Cloverdale Library, 5642-176A Street, Surrey

Instructor: John Herl
Charge: \$10.00
Please pre-register by calling 604-576-1384 (local 303 or 304)

Experienced researchers can learn new techniques and problem solving tips for research in the Scandinavian countries.



Transferring Records/Photos Onto CD or DVD

Saturday, March 5, 2005
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Cloverdale Library, 5642-176A Street, Surrey
Instructor: Bill Overy
Charge: \$10.00
Please pre-register by calling 604-576-1384 (local 303 or 304)

- Learn how to store documents and photographs on CD or DVD so they can be viewed on a computer or TV. Especially useful for sharing heritage photos.

Also Noted...

Gene-O-Rama 2005
April 8-9, 2005, Ottawa

Ontario Genealogical Society, Ottawa Branch
▪ www.ogsottawa.on.ca/geneorama/

Alberta Genealogical Society Annual Conference

April 23-24, 2005, Edmonton

Alberta Genealogical Society

- <http://abgensoc.ca/conference.html>

Seminar 2005

May 27-29, 2005, Windsor

Ontario Genealogical Society

- www.ogsseminar.org/index.html

Red River Descendants Reunion

August 13-21, 2005

Lower Fort Garry Volunteer Association

- www.redriverdescendantsreunion.org/



British Resources on the Web

DocumentsOnline

www.documentsonline.nationalarchives.gov.uk

A service at Britain's National Archives now provides online access to a large collection of digitized public records, including family history sources. The index can be searched for free, while it costs £ 3.50 to download a digital image. Collection highlights include more than 5 million First World War Medal index cards for the British Army and Royal Flying Corps; records of over 100,000 World War II medal claimed and issued to Merchant Seamen from 1946-2000; and a complete collection of over 1 million wills of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, covering the period from 1384-1858

UKBMD

www.ukbmd.org

A useful complement to GENUKI (the premier U.K. genealogical research site), UKBMD offers links to many websites that provide online transcriptions of U.K. birth marriage and death records. The transcriptions are based on a variety of sources, including parish registers, burial records, and civil registration. Census information is also included.



Spotlight On: Understanding Relationships

Genealogists are collectors of ancestors and relatives. As research progresses and more family branches are identified, the number of known ancestors increases. Meanwhile, the use of the Internet for the exchange of genealogical information often brings genealogists quickly and directly into contact with contemporary though distant family members. But whether past or present, it's sometimes difficult to determine the exact nature of the connection between yourself and a relative. What about the person who e-mailed you from Tennessee, whose great-grandfather is your great-great grandfather? Is she your third, fourth, or fifth cousin? Or is she "removed"?

Most people don't have trouble with the idea of "first cousins". The children of brothers and sisters are first cousins to each other. The children of first cousins are second cousins to each other, the children of second cousins are third cousins to each other, and so it continues. Thus, if John and Mary are first cousins, and they have children, their children are second cousins. The children's children (John and Mary's grandchildren) are third cousins.

When it comes to the relationship of John's children to Mary herself, as John's first cousin, they are her "first cousins once removed". Similarly, Mary's children are John's "first cousins once removed". The crucial point to understand is that unlike first, second, and third cousins, "removed" cousins are of a different generation. Thus, since Mary is John's first cousin, his children are "removed" from her by one generation. This is what makes them her "first cousins once removed".

The easiest way to determine distant relationships is to refer to the chart at the end of this newsletter.

- Begin by identifying the common ancestor of the two individuals concerned. For example, if your great-aunt (your grandfather's sister) has a son, then the son's grandfather and your great-grandfather are the same person – your common ancestor. (It might help to draw a diagram of the relationships on a piece of paper).
- Now establish the relationship of each individual to the common ancestor. In the example, one is the grandson and the other (you) is the great-grandson.
- Find these relationships on the opposing sides of the chart, and follow the lines to where they intersect. This will tell you the relationship between the two individuals (in this case, first cousins once removed).

Now you try it!

1. At a family reunion, you meet three other people who all have the same great-grandmother as you. What is your relationship?
2. Your mother had a great-aunt whose daughter has just become a grandmother. How are you related to the baby?
3. A genealogist contacts you after finding out that his great-grandfather and your great-great-grandfather are one and the same. How are you related?

Super-challenge

4. Over the Internet, you meet a relative who is the great-great-grandson of your grandmother's cousin. How are you related?

Answers:

2 nd cousin
3 rd cousin
2 nd cousin, once removed
3 rd cousin, twice removed

Find It Now@VPL 

Can't remember if VPL has Canadian census microfilms or not? Wondering about access to materials from the Hudson's Bay Company Archives? Curious to know if the latest updates to the Ontario birth, marriage and death indexes have arrived? For answers to these and other questions, VPL's **Find It Now** chat reference service is ready to help, Monday-Friday from 4-10 p.m. Simply log on to www.vpl.ca/finditnow/ and click on the magnifying glass to connect with library information staff in real-time. If your question can't be answered immediately, it will be forwarded to the History & Government Division for a prompt reply.



Support the Genealogy Collection

The History & Government Division welcomes financial donations in support of the genealogical collection. Donations can be made by cash, money order, cheque (payable to the Vancouver Public Library Foundation) or credit card (MasterCard, VISA, American Express).

You can make a donation at your local branch, by telephone, or by mail. Please note that credit card donations can only be made by telephone or at the Central Library. Be sure to specify that you would like your donation to be used to purchase genealogical materials.

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Relationship Chart

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Common Ancestor	Son or Daughter	Grandson or Daughter	Great-Grandson or Daughter	2x Great-Grandson or Daughter	3x Great-Grandson or Daughter	4x Great-Grandson or Daughter	5x Great-Grandson or Daughter	6x Great-Grandson or Daughter	7x Great-Grandson or Daughter
2	Son or Daughter	Brother or Sister	Niece or Nephew	Grand Niece or Nephew	Great-Grand Niece or Nephew	2x Great-Grand Niece or Nephew	3x Great-Grand Niece or Nephew	4x Great-Grand Niece or Nephew	5x Great-Grand Niece or Nephew	6x Great-Grand Niece or Nephew
3	Grandson or Daughter	Niece or Nephew	First Cousin	First Cousin Once Removed	First Cousin Twice Removed	First Cousin Three Times Removed	First Cousin Four Times Removed	First Cousin Five Times Removed	First Cousin Six Times Removed	First Cousin Seven Times Removed
4	Great-Grandson or Daughter	Grand Niece or Nephew	First Cousin Once Removed	Second Cousin	Second Cousin Once Removed	Second Cousin Twice Removed	Second Cousin Three Times Removed	Second Cousin Four Times Removed	Second Cousin Five Times Removed	Second Cousin Six Times Removed
5	2x Great-Grandson or Daughter	Great-Grand Niece or Nephew	First Cousin Twice Removed	Second Cousin Once Removed	Third Cousin	Third Cousin Once Removed	Third Cousin Twice Removed	Third Cousin Three Times Removed	Third Cousin Four Times Removed	Second Cousin Five Times Removed
6	3x Great-Grandson or Daughter	2x Great-Grand Niece or Nephew	First Cousin Three Times Removed	Second Cousin Twice Removed	Third Cousin Once Removed	Fourth Cousin	Fourth Cousin Once Removed	Fourth Cousin Twice Removed	Fourth Cousin Three Times Removed	Fourth Cousin Four Times Removed
7	4x Great-Grandson or Daughter	3x Great-Grand Niece or Nephew	First Cousin Four Times Removed	Second Cousin Three Times Removed	Third Cousin Twice Removed	Fourth Cousin Once Removed	Fifth Cousin	Fifth Cousin Once Removed	Fifth Cousin Twice Removed	Fifth Cousin Three Times Removed
8	5x Great-Grandson or Daughter	4x Great-Grand Niece or Nephew	First Cousin Five Times Removed	Second Cousin Four Times Removed	Third Cousin Three Times Removed	Fourth Cousin Twice Removed	Fifth Cousin Once Removed	Sixth Cousin	Sixth Cousin Once Removed	Sixth Cousin Twice Removed
9	6x Great-Grandson or Daughter	5x Great-Grand Niece or Nephew	First Cousin Six Times Removed	Second Cousin Five Times Removed	Third Cousin Four Times Removed	Fourth Cousin Three Times Removed	Fifth Cousin Twice Removed	Sixth Cousin Once Removed	Seventh Cousin	Seventh Cousin Once Removed
10	7x Great-Grandson or Daughter	6x Great-Grand Niece or Nephew	First Cousin Seven Times Removed	Second Cousin Six Times Removed	Third Cousin Five Times Removed	Fourth Cousin Four Times Removed	Fifth Cousin Three Times Removed	Sixth Cousin Twice Removed	Seventh Cousin Once Removed	Eighth Cousin

The chart may be extended in either direction for identifying more distant relationships.