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Research Facility to Close?

The Society's Archive and Research Centre at the Carlisle Pier in Dún Laoghaire is set to close on February 14th 2017 following receipt of a 'Notice to Quit' from the Dún Laoghaire Harbour Company, owners of the premises.

The Harbour Company requires the premises for commercial letting along with the other unused buildings in the Dún Laoghaire Harbour Company's estate, including the old ferry terminal building.

The Society has operated from this premises since July 2010 when the Harbour Company very kindly offered the Society the use of the premises following the move from 111, Lower George's Street, Dún Laoghaire, when the lease expired. The facility was officially opened in November 2010 by the then Minister for Tourism, Culture & Sport, Ms. Mary Hanafin, TD, at a reception hosted by the Harbour Company at its headquarters, Harbour Lodge.

Over the past six years or so, the Harbour Company has been a very attentive landlord—always on hand to assist the Society and its Board. The Society is extremely grateful to the Chief Executive, Mr. Gerry Dunne, and his excellent staff.

When news of the 'Notice to Quit' became public, the Society was inundated with calls from its Members, politicians and the general public. All in total disbelief that the County, and the Dublin region, could lose such a unique heritage, cultural and educational facility.

On December 5th 2016, the Dún Laoghaire Area Committee of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council unanimously adopted the following Motion proposed by Cllr. Shane O'Brien

(Sinn Féin) and seconded by Cllr. Patricia Stewart (Fine Gael).

“That, this Area Committee requests the Chief Executive to convene an early meeting with the Board of the Genealogical Society of Ireland to discuss the recent decision by the Dún Laoghaire Harbour Company to acquire the premises used to house the Society's unique Archive and Research Centre, An Daonchartlann, at the Carlisle Pier in Dún Laoghaire and to explore what assistance the Council could provide to keep this valuable cultural and educational facility in Dún Laoghaire and especially, as it provides vitally important services for active retirement pursuits within our Age Friendly County Strategy.”

Councillors from Fine Gael, Fianna Fáil, AAA-PBPA, Sinn Féin, Labour, Green Party and the Independents all spoke in favour of the Motion and stressed the absolute imperative that this facility cannot be allowed to close or move out of the County.

The County Council's executive undertook to meet with the Society and to explore options as a matter of urgency.

Members of the Society contacted public representatives at national level seeking the intervention of the Minister for Transport, Tourism & Sport, Mr. Shane Ross, TD, to address this situation in the light of the proposed transfer of the Harbour to the County Council.

The Minister should seek an interim agreement between the Chief Executives of the County Council and the Harbour Company, in advance of the transfer of the Harbour to the Council, which could easily resolve this situation and save this important facility for the public.

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GSI Volunteers

The Society's Director of the Outreach Programme, Eddie Gahan, wishes to sincerely thank all the volunteers who helped out at the event in Nenagh, Co. Tipperary on Sunday December 11th 2016.

The “Outreach Programme” goes northward again in 2017 for ‘The Belfast Telegraph Holiday World Show’ at the Titanic Exhibition Centre, Belfast, between January 20th and 22nd 2017.

Eddie will be looking for volunteers for the event to service the GSI Stand. Please contact him by email at eddie_gahan_snr@hotmail.com

Nollaig

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OPEN MEETINGS

Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute

Cumberland Street, Dún Laoghaire

Tuesday 13 December—20.00hrs

Tuesday 10 January—20.00hrs

Royal Marine Hotel

Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire

Wednesday 25 January—10.30hrs

Wednesday 22 February —10.30hrs

Contribution €3.00 p.p.

(including Tea/Coffee at the Morning Meeting)

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YOUR FAMILY HISTORY?

If you are thinking of starting your family history research and just don't know where to start, don't despair as Eddie and his team are on hand to show you the ropes.

Whilst the Society does not undertake commercial research assignments, it does provide research advice to enable you to take a D.I.Y. approach to your research.

See page 4 of this newsletter for the times of opening of the Society's Archive and Research Centre. Also, please note that the Eddie and his team travel around the country promoting the study of genealogy.



Eddie Gahan and his Team ready to discuss your Family History Research

The Ha'penny Bridge, Dublin

Looking for the ideal gift for the lover of Dublin in your life? Well, a recently published work on one of Dublin's most iconic structures would delight the heart of any true Dub. *'The Ha'penny Bridge, Dublin'* by Michael English and published by Four Courts Press (ISBN: 978-1-907002-29-8 October 2016. 276pp; large format, full colour.

Web Price: €22.45) is a fascinating account of the history and cultural narrative of this symbol of our capital city. This foot-bridge was opened on May 18th 1816 and named for the Dublin-born victor of the Battle of Waterloo (1815), Field Marshal Arthur Wellesley, 1st Duke of Wellington (1769-1852).

Structurally it was the first iron bridge in Ireland and the first foot-bridge over the River Liffey replacing a ferry service which charged passengers a halfpenny, from which, the bridge derives its colloquial name. It was also the amount charged to cross the bridge until the charge was abolished on March 25th 1919 after many years of complaints by the citizens of Dublin.

So it's very fitting to mark the bicentenary year of the construction of this bridge with a beautifully illustrated and well researched work. This volume is divided into eight

chapters dealing with aspects of the history and, more importantly, the culture surrounding this bridge which is so loved by all Dubliners. Opening with Michael Phillips who gives us the engineer's perspective on the construction of this type of bridge and the challenges posed by such structures. David de Haan follows by putting the construction of such iron bridges into the context of the English industrial revolution and in particular, to an area 56kms northwest of Birmingham once known as Coalbrookdale in Shropshire. Gerard Smyth explores the history of the bridge, while Logan Sisley follows with a fascinating account of a proposal to replace the bridge with an art gallery.

Michael English looks at another associated icon of Dublin, Guinness, and the shipping of the 'black stuff' from St. James's Gate brewery by barges under the Ha'penny Bridge down to the docks and out across the world to connoisseurs of stout everywhere. Annette Black views the bridge in its context as part of Dublin's "cultural quarter" and indeed, as a much photographed and painted structure, it is often depicted as having life of its own, a soul, almost. The book is lavishly illustrated throughout with photographs, drawings and paintings of the bridge which amply emphasises the significance of its iconography.

Michael B. Barry outlines the often misunderstood fragility of these structures and the need for careful maintenance following extensive renovations of the structure. He describes the bridge as "a single elliptical arch structure with a span of 42.8 metres. At the crown, it rises 3.35 metres above high water. The width is 3.6 metres." Sean Harrington explores how bridges across the Liffey have become markers in time as he compares the new Millennium Bridge with its neighbour further downstream the Ha'penny Bridge. Finally, Michael English takes us through "Night into Day" with stunning images of the bridge "capturing the climatic variations". This is a very interesting and exceptionally illustrated work - highly recommended.

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An Foram Oidhreachta

This year marks the twentieth anniversary of the meetings held by An Foram Oidhreachta (The Heritage Forum), an initiative established by this Society in 1996. The report of the forum was published by the Society in January 1997.

At the meeting of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council held on Monday 12th December 2016, Cllr. Michael Merrigan tabled the following question for written reply.

Question: "To ask the Chief Executive whether the twentieth anniversary of the publication and formal presentation to An Cathaoirleach in January 1997 of *'Towards a County Heritage Policy'* by An Foram Oidhreachta (Dún Laoghaire Rathdown Heritage Forum), the first in Ireland to propose the formulation and implementation of local heritage plans and the employment of County Heritage Officers, later to be adopted as national policy by Minister Sile de Valera, TD, could be marked in an appropriate manner by this Council during the first quarter of 2017?"

Reply by Tim Carey, County Heritage Officer: The Document *'Towards a County Heritage Policy'* by An Foram Oidhreachta was a

progressive and far reaching document that acted as a precursor to other local and national heritage initiatives in the country. Although published as an interim report *'Towards a County Heritage Policy'* helped set the parameters of future heritage policies by bringing together the local authority, central government, voluntary, community and business organisations as well as key individuals. It also called for the formulation of a County Heritage Policy for Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. This interim report was presented to the Council in January 1997. Two years later, in 1999, the first County Heritage Officer was appointed and in 2002 the *National Heritage Plan* was published which incorporated many of the concepts that had been produced in *'Towards a County Heritage Policy'*. In 2003 the Council appointed its first Heritage Officer and in 2004 the Council's first *Heritage Plan* was published. Undoubtedly *'Towards a County Heritage Policy'* greatly influenced the early development of Heritage policy and structures in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown. While, the Council acknowledges this fact unfortunately given the current work priorities there are no proposals to mark the publication of *'Towards a County Heritage Policy'*

Birmingham, UK

Stan Zamyatin, once again, represented the Society abroad, this time at the annual Winter Meeting of The Flag Institute in Birmingham, England, on November 19th 2016. The Flag Institute is a British charity that is one of the leading flag research and documentation centres for flags in the world.

Since the Conference in the Republic of Georgia in September 2016, Stan has carried out further research on the "history of the harp in Irish iconography".

While in England, he presented his new findings in a paper that was very well received and he hopes to publish. In addition, other presentations were given that included, Graham Bartram (Chief Vexillologist of FI) on the new flag and emblem of The Flag Institute, Philip Tibbets (Community Vexillologist) on his work in 2016 on *'Community Flags around Britain'* and Tim Marshall (Former Sky News journalist) on his latest book *'Worth Dying For: The Power and Politics of Flags'*.

We were saddened to hear on November 17th about the passing of the great Whitney Smith, the father of "vexillology", who coined the term back in 1957. He helped to establish many vexillological organizations including in 1965 the International Congress of Vexillology (ICV), which we hope to bring to Ireland in 2021.

In honour of Whitney, a minute silence was held during the Winter Meeting and a toast was raised to him at the President's Dinner in the evening.

The invaluable assistance received from Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council for the campaign to have the prestigious international conference come here in 2021 is gratefully acknowledged.

Stan will give a lecture on the *'Evolution of the Irish harp emblem'* at Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute on Tuesday Dec. 13th 2016. All welcome to attend.

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA

The Society as a founding member of the Holyhead Dún Laoghaire Link Association warmly welcomes the adoption of the new 'Mission Statement' by the delegates at the Plenary Meeting held in Holyhead on November 23rd 2016. The new vision sees the organisation's objectives focusing on the twinning of the two towns and their communities. The meeting also discussed the possibility of obtaining a copy of the Parish Registers of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Holyhead for the National Library of Ireland and the Society.

It is believed that some of the early nineteenth century parish registers of Holyhead may be held in Dublin

and it is hoped to have these copied for deposit in Holyhead's Public Library. A framed copy of the 1916 *Proclamation* was presented to the Mayor and Councillors of Holyhead by the Dún Laoghaire delegation which included, Breasal Ó Caollaí, Noel Vaughan, Richard Cruise and Councillors Michael Merrigan and Shane O'Brien. A signed copy of Tom Conlon's *'Victorian Dún Laoghaire'* was presented to the Mayor of Holyhead, Cllr. Ann Kennedy.



In Brief....

GSI MEMBERSHIP

Join this Society on-line at www.familyhistory.ie Please note that GSI Membership is open to all interested in genealogy and related subjects. Discounted membership rates available for under 25s and students at recognised genealogy courses.

PARKING AT DFEI

Car-parking facilities at the **Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute**. The best option is to use public transport. Dublin Bus nos. 7, 7A, 46A and 75 all serve the college or streets adjacent to the college—Lower George's Street, York Road, Clarence Street. The DART (suburban rail) services to Salthill & Monkstown. On street car-parking is usually available in the area also. Members are asked to consider 'car pooling' for each month's open meeting. For details on the Institute and its courses please checkout www.dfei.ie

DISCOUNTS

Exclusive discounts for the Members of the Society are available for online genealogical services and publications, including, **Findmypast**, **Irish Newspaper Archives**, **Forces War Records** and from **Flatcapsandbonnets.com**. To avail of any of these Member discounts, please contact **Barry O'Connor**, FGSI, by email at membership@familyhistory.ie

CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS

Genealogists and local historians are relatively easy souls to please at Christmas—books! Some ideas for your Christmas shopping. Books by our Members. Much of the research for these books was undertaken at the Society's Archive & Research Centre—*An Daonchartlann*.

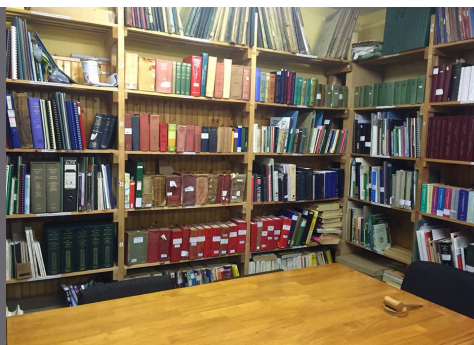
'Victorian Dún Laoghaire' by Tom Conlon—excellent local history of the town and the first to deal extensively with the poor and "the courts" where they lived. Price: €20.00

'Labour in Kingstown, 1890-1920' by Charlie Callan—explores a much neglected subject—the working class of Kingstown (now Dún Laoghaire) and the development of organised labour and its political representation. Price: €10.00 (published privately contact: chascallan@gmail.com)

'Twice Built—The Construction of St. Patrick's Church, Monkstown, Co. Dublin, 1861-66' by Tom Conlon. An intriguing story of "church politics" surrounding the building of a parish church in Dublin. Price €12.00



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Inside the Society's Archive & Research Centre in Dún Laoghaire

JAMES SCANNELL REPORTS...

RATHMICHAEL HIST. SOCIETY

At the Wednesday 7 December of the Rathmichael Historical Society in Rathmichael National School, Stonebridge Road, Shankill, Rob Goodbody spoke on, and launched, a new publication *'Stone Bridges of the Dublin Area: History and Heritage'*, written by Peter O'Keeffe and Tom Simington and revised by Rob. The AGM of the Society will take place at 20.00hrs on Wednesday 04 January 2017 in Rathmichael National School, Shankill, and will conclude with a talk on *'The History of Airfield'* by John Lennon.

THE OLD DUBLIN SOCIETY

There are no meetings of the Society during December and January. A Gift membership is €35 and includes the Spring and Autumn issues of the Dublin Historical Record, and comes with a special presentation certificate. Available from the Old Dublin Society, 5 Dollymount Avenue, Clontarf, Dublin D03 Y3 04.

VICTORIAN MALAHIDE

At 20.00hrs on Wednesday 14 December Mary McNamara will present *'Victorian Malahide'* with a background of music and old images, reading excerpts from the memoirs of Win McLeod (nee Wilson) about life in Malahide 100 years ago as remembered by a teenage girl living in St. James's Terrace, Malahide, to the Malahide Historical Society in the Presbyterian Church Hall, Malahide, Co. Dublin. All welcome – admission €4. Free parking available across the road in the Bridge Field public car park.

'THE LITTLE BOOK OF BRAY & ENNISKERRY'

On Thursday 01 December Cllr. Steven Matthews, Cathaoirleach Bray Municipal Council, launched *'The Little Book of Bray & Enniskerry'* by Bray local historian Brian White, also Chairman of the Bray Cualann Historical Society, the local history society for Bray and North Wicklow, at a reception in DuBray Book, Main Street, Bray. The latest addition to the 'The Little Book of' series of books published by The History Press Ireland, this 144-page contains a fascinating and engrossing collection of strange, obscure, and entertaining facts about Bray and Enniskerry, covering famous faces, buildings and their

streets, sporting heritage, myths and legends, in addition to a history timeline of the principal events in Bray and Enniskerry. Most of the items featured in the book have been unearthed by Brian during his historical researches down through the years and decided to record them in book form so that this information would be available to future generations This is the second book dealing with aspects of County Wicklow's history published by The History Press Ireland in their *'The Little Book of...'* series of books as two years ago it published *'The Little Book of Wicklow'* by West Wicklow based local historian Chris Lawlor, who subsequently wrote *'The Little Book of Kildare.'*

TOWNSHIPS OF SOUTH DUBLIN

At 20.00hrs on 5 January 2017 Séamas Ó Maitiú will present his lecture *'Townships of South Dublin'* to the Mount Merrion Historical Society in The Community Centre, North Avenue, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin. All welcome – admission €4 / Students €2.

MEDIEVAL BUILDING TRADE

At 19.30hrs on Thursday 15 December Dr. Rachel Moss will present her lecture *'The building trade in late medieval Ireland'* to the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland in the Helen Roe Theatre, Society House, 63 Merrion Square South, Dublin 2.

CHRISTMAS 1916 IN BRAY

At 11.30hrs on Friday 16 December James Scannell will present his lecture *'Christmas 1916 in Bray, Co. Wicklow'* in Bray Library, Eglinton Road, Bray, Co. Wicklow. All welcome – admission free.

GSI LECTURE PROGRAMME

Tuesday 13 December 2016 *'The evolution of the Irish harp emblem'* by Stanislav Zamyatin The Board is currently organising the speakers for the coming year. The full list will be available on the GSI website www.familyhistory.ie Forward any suggestions you may have for topics or speakers by email to Tony O'Hara, Director of the Society's Lecture Programme at toharadsl@gmail.com

TRACING YOUR IRISH ANCESTORS

by John Grenham, MA, MAPGI, FIGRS, FGSI
The Society strongly recommends to anyone embarking on their family history quest that one essential piece of kit must be, without doubt, a copy of the latest edition of *'Tracing Your Irish Ancestors'*. Please checkout the website www.gillmacmillan.com Price €22.99 [RRP].

The Society Serving the Community

The Society was established in Dún Laoghaire in October 1990 to promote the study of genealogy and related subjects as an educational leisure activity available to all in the community and amongst our diaspora overseas. It is now a nationally and internationally renowned organisation with links with around 200 similar bodies around the world. It has been a registered charity since 1993 and it is currently fully compliant with the *Charities Act 2009*. It was incorporated in 2000 as a Company Limited by Guarantee and it is currently fully compliant with the *Companies Act, 2014*

The Society has worked extremely well with Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council over the years, and its focus is very well aligned with that of the Council. Indeed, the provision of a Genealogical Archive and Diaspora Centre is contained in the County Development Plan and the Local Economic & Community Plan.

The Society has participated fully in every one of the festivals organised by the Council and has greatly assisted the Public Library Service in the provision of its own outreach programme. The Society was allocated the Martello Tower at Seapoint in March 1997 by Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council as "a permanent base for the base of operation" of the Society. It raised funds internationally for the restoration of the then derelict Martello Tower – restoration completed, it officially opened in 2004. However, the environmental conditions were impossible to control – despite all the experts advising otherwise. The Martello Tower was returned to the County Council in 2008.

In 2009 the Society was invited to make a submission on the possible allocation of space in the proposed new Library (dlr Lexicon) – a reply was received in 2011 – no space available. Following the expiry of the lease on a premises on Lower George's Street, the Society moved to its current premises Carlisle Pier in July 2010 courtesy of Dún Laoghaire Harbour Company.

The Society, a Registered Charity since 1993, formally applied to use the vacated Carnegie Library in November 2013 with a detailed submission to the County Council. The submission was followed up with a meeting with the Acting County Manager. The detailed proposal was for the establishment of an 'Irish Institute of Genealogical and Heraldic Studies incorporating a Centre for Migration and Diaspora Studies' which would be a very significant addition to the County's heritage, cultural and educational assets. It would be entirely in keeping with the ethos of the Carnegie Trust as a place of knowledge and education. Although, no decision has yet been made by the Council on its future use, other than it must remain a community facility, a proposal to effectively "commercialise" this public building was recently launched by a company established in May 2016.

The Society's membership is mainly drawn from the senior age groups, although, it is open to all age groups. The Society's Archive and Research Centre provides the opportunity to pursue their interests in genealogy, to conduct research, to educate others and to provide voluntary services.

The pursuit of genealogy is increasingly based on advanced technology, and the Society has encouraged and assisted members to advance their technological skills. The Society provides lectures and public meetings every month in Dún Laoghaire, a monthly publication, an annual journal, and a large range of online services. The Society provides the general public with free genealogical "clinics" on researching family history and also provides open access to all meetings and lectures. As part of its "Outreach Programme" other community organisations in the Dublin region and beyond are provided with speakers for meetings. Such organisations include the ICA, golf clubs, senior citizens groups as well as local libraries. The Society has also collaborated with the local colleges and third level institutions, the National Rehabilitation Institute and other social agencies to assist students and others.

The Society has represented Ireland and promoted Dún Laoghaire Rathdown at conferences in the UK, USA, Italy, Netherlands, Czech Republic, Poland, Canada, Russia, Republic of Georgia and Australia. It is active in collaborative projects with universities and research professionals internationally. The 'Irish DNA Atlas Project' is currently at an advanced stage with the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. This ground-breaking academic research project that commenced in 2011 and is due to report finally in January 2017. It is eagerly awaited by many academic disciplines.

The loss of the facility at the Carlisle Pier will deprive hundreds of retirees, students and others of an important and unique resource. This would represent a huge blow to County's reputation as a cultural and heritage destination and an 'Age Friendly County'.

Tom Conlon, MGS

Checkout the Society's website www.familyhistory.ie

Précis of the November Lecture

The November lecture was delivered by **Jim Herlihy**, FGSI, and entitled "Tracing Irish Police Ancestors". Jim, who has previously spoken to the society drew a large attendance at the Dun Laoghaire Further Education Institute. Jim displayed an encyclopaedic knowledge of his subject matter drawing on that knowledge spoke about both the Dublin Metropolitan Police (DMP) and the Royal Irish Constabulary (RIC). Jim, who is a former Garda himself is an authority of police records. He has written several notable books on the subject that contain highly detailed information on the lives of the members and what happened after disbandment of the forces. Jim also told us that the RIC was considered the best police force in the world for its time and that its membership was eighty per cent Catholic. It was an extremely dangerous profession especially during the period from 1916 to 1922. The records show that between the periods 1814 to 1922 eighty-five thousand men served with the Royal Irish Constabulary. He also spoke about the (DMP) Dublin Metropolitan Police which existed between 1836 and 1925, when it was amalgamated into An Garda Síochána. The DMP were involved in many historically controversial incidents like the 1913 lockout, 1916 uprising and the War of independence. Throughout all of this they were unarmed and it was believed that in order to become a member of this force one had to be six foot tall and well able to handle

oneself. Jim also showed many examples of memorabilia he has accumulated over the years, including original uniforms, medals and insignia and displayed deep knowledge of the meaning of these objects. He is continuously unearthing new material on his favourite subject matter and more books are expected in the future. A large attendance was rewarded with a very interesting and educational talk. A lively Q&A followed this very interesting lecture.

Tony O'Hara, MGS

IRISH DNA ATLAS

The Irish DNA Atlas is collaborative academic project undertaken by Prof. Gianpiero Cavalleri and Edmund Gilbert, PhD student, of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, and Séamus O'Reilly, Michael Merrigan, Dr. Darren McGettigan from the Genealogical Society of Ireland.

The main objectives of the project are 1) to further our understanding of the population history of Ireland, and 2) to help us understand how genes influence disease within Ireland.

Contact **Séamus O'Reilly, FGSI** by e-mail on Irish.dna@familyhistory.ie Please checkout the project newsletter on the GSI website.

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FREE RESEARCH ADVICE

An Daonchartlann, the Society's Archive and Research Centre at the historic Carlisle Pier in Dún Laoghaire is open, as per the Society's **autumn/winter schedule**, for two days a week as follows: each **Wednesday** from 10.30hrs to 16.30hrs and each **Saturday** from 14.00hrs to 17.00hrs.

With around **twelve hours of archival time** available each week new volunteers are always needed and very welcome. Our Members are on hand to provide **free family history research advice**.

The use of our extensive archival resources is reserved for fully paid-up GSI members, however, day research membership is available for €5.00 and payable on-line at the GSI website.

Resources freely available to Members include a number of excellent pay-for-view websites including Ancestry.com, Findmypast, Forces War Records, Newspapers.com, British Newspaper Archives and Irish Newspaper Archives.

Travelling to the facility is best by public transport as both Dublin Bus (nos. 7, 7A, 8, 46A and 75) and the DART (suburban rail) are nearby.

Please note: **Pay-and-Display Parking** is available at the Harbour. See: www.familyhistory.ie