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GSI Annual Journal 2022 Published

Paula Jones, MGSI, Deputy General Secretary and Chair of the JGSI 2022 Select Committee, delivered the report on the production of the Annual Journal, now in its thirtieth year, to the Board at its meeting on Thursday October 6th 2022.

The Board was hugely impressed by the work of the Select Committee (Paula Jones, Laura Price, Aideen Feerick and Gerard Corcoran) and very warmly congratulated the Chair and Members of the Select Committee for the production of such a high quality GSI Annual Journal for 2022.



A total of eleven Zoom meetings were held between May and September to firstly, set out the criteria for the articles and then to source articles and finally, to consider each for publication. The standard of the articles submitted was consistently high and they covered a wide range of topics.

In her report, Paula Jones recommended that the

Select Committee approach to the production of the Journal be continued for next year.

The Select Committee Report urged the Society's own Members to make greater use of the publication facility to record their family history or the findings of their own research areas.

In the introduction to this edition, Paula Jones, outlines some of the articles in this 100 page Journal

including one by Laura Price who made a wonderful discovery in the minute books of the Directors General of Inland Navigation, 1805.

Mary Rose O'Shea gives provides a masterclass in investigative genealogy researching those named on a postcard found in a relative's collection.

Joe Mooney in his article on the Military Service Pensions Collection shows how research in the Irish Military Archives uncovered unknown facts that impacted two families in the East Wall area of Dublin city at the time of the Civil War, 1922.

Charles Egan in his article on the origins of the MacEgan family demonstrates the genealogical importance of letters from our ancestors in detailing family lines. South African genealogist, Matthew Bode shares his research of his Houston roots in Monaghan, using DNA to corroborate his detective work.

Dr. Noel Cox reflects on the legal validity of grants of arms by the Chief Herald of Ireland and the urgent need to amend the *National Cultural Institutions Act, 1997*. A position accepted by government since 2007.

From a social history point of view, Paula's own articles examine ethnographic studies that took place in the west of Ireland in the late 19th century and the value they offer from a genealogical perspective as well the emigrant experience compared to those who stayed behind during the Forgotten Famine of 1879.

The GSI Annual Journal 2022 will be despatched electronically to all fully paid-up Members in Ireland and around the world.

Copies will be sent to Copyright Libraries in Ireland and the UK and, of course, to those overseas societies participating in the 'Journal Exchange Programme'. Copies will be on sale on the GSI website.

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DATA PROTECTION

The European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into force on May 25th 2018. The Board, under Res: 18/05/1380, advises Members that the Society holds the following records on its Members (1) Name; (2) Address; (3) Telephone Number; (4) Email Address and (5) the name of the Associate Member, if applicable, and that such records are **only used** for the purpose of contacting Members on Society matters and for the dispatch of the Monthly Newsletter and the Annual Journal and furthermore, that these records are **only held** by the Director of Membership Services and are **inaccessible to all other persons** and that, the Society does not share this information with any other individual or organisation. Records are also held for contractual necessity to deliver paid services.

ARCHIVE DAYS

Gerard Corcoran, MGSI, Director of Archival Services & Education, and his team reopened *An Daonchartlann* on Wednesdays to Members and the public. If volunteers are secured for other days, we will expand opening times. See page 4.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY—DID YOU KNOW?

- ✿ Did you know that Membership of this Society is open to all with an interest in family history, heraldry, vexillology (study of flags and emblems) and related subjects?
- ✿ Did you know that Membership is open to anyone living in Ireland or overseas and with Irish ancestry or with ancestors from anywhere in the world? All are most welcome.
- ✿ Did you know that Student Membership is also available at 50% off the subscription?
- ✿ Please checkout: www.familyhistoty.ie ✿ Email: membership@familyhistory.ie

GSI ON YOUTUBE

The Society's lectures and some informational short videos were uploaded to our YouTube Channel.

To view the videos and hopefully, to 'Like' and 'Share' them, and to 'Subscribe' to our YouTube channel—please checkout:

www.YouTube.com/c/GenealogicalSocietyOfIrelandGSI

ON INSTAGRAM

The Society has been expanding its presence across all social media platforms and we're on Instagram!

Please checkout this link:

www.instagram.com/GenSocIreland

MONTHLY MEETINGS

EVENING OPEN MEETING

(via Zoom)

Tuesday 11 October —20.00hrs

Tuesday 8 November —20.00hrs

MORNING OPEN MEETING

(via Zoom)

Wednesday 26 October 2022 —11.00hrs

Wednesday 23 November 2022 —11.00hrs

Contribution €5.00 p.p.

(Donations via www.familyhistory.ie)

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YOUNG GENEALOGISTS

Real Asociación de Hidalgos de España (Royal Association of Gentry of Spain) is currently organising the *1st International Congress of Young Genealogists*.

It will take place in the wonderful city of Madrid on 17 and 18 February 2023.

The event is hosted in collaboration with the International Confederation of Genealogy and Heraldry, the International Academy of Genealogy, the International Institute of Genealogy and Heraldry and the International Institute of Genealogy and Family History.

The theme of the congress will be "*Retrospective, actuality and future of a historiographic science*".

For further information, including the submission of congress papers (wonderful opportunity), please see <https://www.congresojovenesgenealogistas2023.es/>

"ARCHIVE DROP-INS"

The weekly "Drop-Ins" hosted by Eddie Gahan, FGSJ, Director of the Outreach Programme, are hugely popular with our Members around the world.

These informal weekly "Drop-Ins" are only for fully paid up Members and are designed to allow you to join the Zoom meeting at any time between 11.00hrs and 12.00hrs on Wednesdays.

The "Drop-In" on the 4th Wednesday is a publicly accessible 'Drop-In' for Members and visitors alike. Visitors can email membership@familyhistory.ie for the link to this Zoom meeting on the 4th Wednesday.

Members receive an email from the Director of Membership Services each week with access details.

Members can send in their research query in advance to Archivist@familyhistory.ie

DEANSGRANGE CEMETERY

This Society has taken a special interest in Deansgrange Cemetery since our foundation in 1990. We recorded and published the memorial inscriptions in many sections of this very big cemetery in Blackrock, Co. Dublin.

The cemetery was opened in January 1865 following the order to close the sprawling Kill O' The Grange Cemetery which had served the local community for centuries. Only a remnant of that century exists within the walls surrounding St. Fintan's Church, however, it covered a much larger area. The Proclamation signed by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland closing the cemetery, in accordance with the *Burial Grounds (Ireland) Act, 1856*, directed that a new cemetery be provided at Deansgrange. Interestingly the 1856 Act stipulated that each burial ground be sufficiently fenced etc.

Concern has been expressed by some Members regarding plans by Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council to provide a cycle-way through Deansgrange Cemetery and thus, for the first time in its history, have the cemetery publicly accessible 24/7 where previously it was locked at night.

Here is an extract from the Council's invitation to participate in a public consultation process which closes on October 20th 2022.

The Council's main aim of the active school travel scheme is to provide students and parents with safe, direct, and comfortable walking and cycling routes to schools. The project aims to also provide an alternative for families who do not or cannot drive, may not be able to avail of public transport or wish to travel to school on foot or by bike. The plan can help avoid traffic congestion at school entrances, as well as encourage a shift away from the use of the private car, particularly for short journeys up to approximately 4 km in length.

Three routes have been proposed, however, only the one through Deansgrange Cemetery is highlighted here for the others see the Council's website.

Park to Park: "will link north to south across the county. Starting at the coast at Blackrock Dart Station and then joining the existing pathways in Rockfield Park. From there it will continue south along Deansgrange Road linking to the Loughinstown to Deansgrange Greenway and ending by linking south to the coast."

OBJECTIVES OF THE SCHEME

- Improve the pedestrian and cycling environment within Deansgrange and provide a key connection link that will cater for school and commuting travel demand as well as recreational demand use;
- Provide a safer environment for all road users;
- Promote sustainable transport;
- The scheme proposes to deliver a high-quality, safe walking and cycling route that will meet the current demand within the Deansgrange area.
- This scheme provides a key connection between the "Park to Park" Route and the "Mountains to Metals" Route proposed as part of the overall Active School Travel Project.

• A new pedestrian crossing at the entrance to the park is proposed. Along Deansgrange Road segregated cycle facilities, new pedestrian crossing facilities and indented parking is proposed. A section of the route enters Deansgrange Cemetery via a new entrance and continues along existing paths.

- Public lighting and other upgrade works are proposed within the cemetery in addition to altering the existing entrances.
- It is also proposed to alter the boundary wall of the cemetery.

The Council is seeking views from the public to help inform the scheme design via its Public Consultation Hub—see <http://www.dlrcco.ie>

Observations should be clearly marked 'Deansgrange Cycle Route Scheme'

The closing date for the receipt of submissions on this proposal is **Thursday 20th October 2022**.

NEXT YEAR'S JOURNAL

Members and readers wishing to submit items for publication in the 2023 issue of the GSI Annual Journal are advised to make contact with the Select Committee.

The Select Committee will advise on the word count, format and the procedures regarding any images accompanying the article.

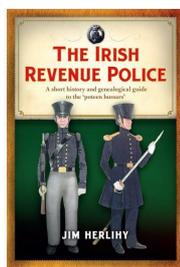
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We'll All Stay Connected Each Week via Zoom

Ancestors in the "Poteen Hussars"?

We just noticed that one of the books on Irish policing by Jim Herlihy, FGSJ (Fellow of the Society), is now available at a special sale price and, as always, books by our own Members deserve a special plug for time to time. Jim is the recognised authority on the history of policing in Ireland.

'*The Irish Revenue Police – A short history and genealogical guide to the 'Poteen Hussars'* by Jim Herlihy and published by Four Courts Press in April 2018. ISBN: 978-1-84682-702-0 : 260pp : P/bk : ills : Catalogue price: €9.95 : Sale Price: €8.95.



In the period 1832 to 1857, some 4,000 men served in the Irish Revenue Police, working to suppress illicit distillation. In this book, Jim Herlihy shows how to find information on them, providing an excellent resource for those interested in the history of the force, and of the period.

A chapter on the history and origin of the Irish Revenue Police and its predecessor forces engaged in 'still-hunting' is followed by one describing what a career in the Revenue Police might have been like, another on tracing your ancestors in the IRP, and a short memoir by Lieutenant Matthew Power (1820–84).

All this is followed by an extensive series of appendices filled with detailed information on the Irish Revenue Police and those who served in it, from the force's rank structure, to the distribution across Ireland of its divisions, stations and parties. The centrepiece of this is a complete list of every man who served

in the IRP from 1830 to 1857.

There is also information on what happened to the Irish Revenue Police after the force was disbanded in 1857, including the gratuities many were given, and lists of those who went on to join the Royal Irish Constabulary, the Dublin Metropolitan Police and the Londonderry Borough Police.

Jim Herlihy, a retired member of the Garda Síochána, and a co-founder of the Garda Síochána Historical Society and a Fellow of the Genealogical Society of Ireland, has worked on these sources for many years. His many publications include *The Royal Irish Constabulary: a short history and genealogical guide* (2016) and *Royal Irish Constabulary officers: a biographical dictionary and genealogical guide, 1816–1922* (2005).

Editor: As advised last month, it is always worth regularly checking out the websites of the various academic publishers in Ireland, especially Four Courts Press, for offers and information on re-prints. As these are specialist publications with sometimes limited print-runs, it is important to keep an eye out for the ones of particular interest to the genealogist and local historians. Remember the title of the work may not always adequately indicate its content or the geographic locations concerned. A look through the listings on the website is always a rewarding experience and better still with a sale price.

FOUR COURTS PRESS

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GSI BOARD NEWS

The Board of Directors held its monthly meeting on **Thursday October 6th 2022** at 11.00hrs via Zoom.

The General Secretary advised the Board on the *College of Fellows* and that the review by Barry O'Connor of the *Fellows Electoral Roll* is almost complete. When complete the election of the Board's five nominees to the *College of Fellows* agreed under *Res: 22/09/1686* will proceed, hopefully, this year.

Lua Ó Scolaí advised the Board that our banking facilities will be moved from Ulster Bank to Allied Irish Bank before the end of this year.

Lua Ó Scolaí, Paula Jones and Gerard Corcoran will nominate three Members to be Trustees of *An Daonchartlann Foundation (ADF)* and will present these nominations in November for approval.

Paula Jones, presented the report of the *Journal Select Committee* to the Board and circulated copies of the *JGSI 2022*. The Board was hugely impressed by the quality of the publication and the high standard of the articles received from Ireland and overseas.

Now in its thirtieth year of production, the Society's Annual Journal is one of the cornerstones of our endeavours to promote an awareness, appreciation and knowledge of our genealogical, heraldic and vexillological heritages.

Gerard Corcoran and Laura Price advised the

Board on the ongoing work to have all of the Society's journals digitised and made freely available to our Members in a special area of the Society's website. They also outlined the plans to digitise the "*Laois Papers*" and the challenges posed by such an enormous project.

Eddie Gahan advised the Board of his ongoing cooperation with the *Active Retirement Groups* and plans to recommence the attendance at shows and events throughout Ireland which were suspended due to Covid-19.

Laura Price and Shane Wilson gave updates on the ongoing preparatory work required to facilitate the launch and operation of the '*National Heraldic Survey*' project. This project will be the first of its kind in Ireland and aims to provide data on the use of heraldry and its significance throughout the island of Ireland.

The following matters were deferred: (1) Whether to resume the *in-person Open Meetings* each month from January 2023 now that Covid-19 restrictions have been lifted; and (2) Opening days and times for *An Daonchartlann* from January 2023. It decided to place these matters on the Agenda for the Board meeting on November 3rd 2022 and consider these items under the Annual Review of the *Membership Package*.

The next Board Meeting will be held on **Thursday November 3rd 2022** at 11.00hrs via Zoom.

General Secretary

In Brief....

GSI MEMBERSHIP

Join 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.

GSI OPEN MEETINGS

Society's Monthly Open Meetings are held via ZOOM to allow the fullest access by Members from Ireland and overseas.

Tuesday October 11th —Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - 'National Archives of Ireland' - Zoe Reid

Wednesday October 22nd—Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

Tuesday November 8th—Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - 'Connemara Irish: Despair in the Heartland of Minnesota' - Jane Kennedy

Wednesday November 23rd—Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

Tuesday December 13th —Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) -

Wednesday December 28th —Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

Tuesday January 10th —Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - TBA

Wednesday January 25th —Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

Talks will be posted on YouTube.

ZOOM MEETINGS

Membership Director, **Barry O'Connor**, FGSi, will email Members to log in to Zoom for the two Open Meetings.

The lectures are open to the public and the access details are available on request by email from Membership@Familyhistory.ie

Suggestions on the Monthly Lecture Programme to: DepGenSec@familyhistory.ie

Members may send their research queries in advance for the Morning Open Meeting by email to Archivist@familyhistory.ie

The Lecture Programme is recorded for the GSI YouTube Channel as a free, publicly accessible educational resource.

We endeavour to have each lecture up as soon as possible after the event.

IRISH DNA ATLAS

Checkout the short video and the lectures on the *Irish DNA Atlas* project on **YouTube Channel**—www.youtube.com/c/GenealogicalSocietyOfIrelandGSI



www.eneclann.ie



Some of the Archival Collections in An Daonchartlann, Loughlinstown. (Photo: Tom Conlon)

James Scannell Reports...

LORD MAYOR'S CERTIFICATE IN ORAL HISTORY 2022-2023

The Lord Mayor's Certificate in Oral History is offered by Dublin City Council as part of its commitment to life-long learning and this course will equip participants with skills in the preparation and conduct of oral history projects, including best practice in the collection and archiving of oral history projects. It will examine the wealth of recorded oral narrative sources in Ireland in both oral history and folklore.

Commencing in November this year the course will be taught in the Conference Room, Pearse Street Library, Dublin 2, on Monday nights from 17.30hrs to 20.00hrs from November 7th 2022 to April 17th 2023 and will consist of 50 hours of online or class-based tuition and 20 hours of field trips, practice, and reflection sessions.

All meetings/visits will be conducted according to public health guidelines. Course tutor will be Dr. Mary Muldowney, Dublin City Council Historian in Residence, Dublin Central area. The closing date for applications is 17.00hrs Friday October 22nd. Applications can be submitted on the official form or by email - see <https://dcpla.ie/oral-studies-2022>.

THE OLD DUBLIN SOCIETY

Max Cannon will present '*Thomas Early, manufacturer of ecclesiastical furniture and stained-glass windows, Upper Camden Street, Dublin*' at 18.00hrs on Wednesday 12 October in The Conference Room, Dublin City Library & Archive, 144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2.

Professor Cormac Ó Gráda will present '*The Famine in Dublin*' at 18.00hrs on Wednesday 26 October in the same venue - all are welcome - admission is free to these lectures.

DUN LAOGHAIRE BORO HIST SOCIETY

Cormac Lowth will present '*A History of Dublin Port*' at 20.00hrs on Wednesday 12 October in the Royal Marine Hotel, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire. All welcome - admission €5.00.

KILMACUD-STILLORGAN LOCAL HIST.

James Scannell* will present '*John Hinde and his Picture Postcards on South County Dublin*' at 20.00hrs on Thursday 13 October in The Function Room, Glenalbyn, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin. All are welcome - admission €3.00

WESTERN FRONT ASSOCIATION (DUBLIN BRANCH)

James Scannell* will present '*RMS Lusitania: War Crime or Legitimate Target?*' at 14.00hrs on Saturday 15 October in The Conference Room, Dublin City Library & Archive, 144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2. All are welcome.

FOXROCK LOCAL HISTORY CLUB

Deirdre Rafferty will present '*The Big Houses in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown as Religious Institutions*' at 20.00hrs on Tuesday 18 October in Foxrock Parish Pastoral Centre, Foxrock, Co. Dublin and on Zoom. Admission is €5.00.

BRAY CUALANN HIST. SOCIETY

Dr. Séamas Ó Maitiu will present '*Mapping Rathmines for the Irish Historic Towns Atlas*' at 20.00hrs on Thursday 20 October in The Royal Hotel, Main Street, Bray, Co. Wicklow. All welcome - admission €5.00.

WICKLOW COUNTY LIBRARY

James Scannell* will present '*John Hinde and his Postcards of County Wicklow*' at 19.00hrs on Thursday 27 October in Wicklow Library, The Mall, Main Street, Wicklow Town. All welcome - admission is free.

RATHMICHAEL HIST. SOCIETY

Pól Ó Duibhir will present '*The French are on the Sea*' at 20.00hrs on Wednesday 2 November in Rathmichael School, Stonebridge Road, Shankill, Co. Dublin, and simultaneously on Zoom. Admission is €5.00 tea and coffee included.

MOUNT MERRION HIST. SOCIETY

Karen Poff and June Bow will present '*Big Houses and Occupants in South Dublin*' at 20.00hrs on Thursday 3 November in The Fitzwilliam Rooms, Mount Merrion Community Centre, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin. Admission €4.00/Students €2.00

MEDAL SOCIETY OF IRELAND

A '*Medals, Militaria and Collectibles Fair*' will take place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday November 5th in the Knox Memorial Hall, Monkstown Village, Co. Dublin. All welcome.

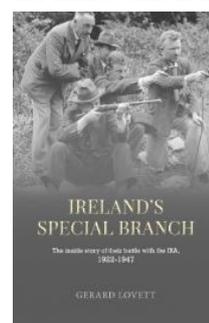
TALKS BY JAMES SCANNELL

[*] These talks by James Scannell are available for presentation to community groups/organisations - email: scannell253@gmail.com to arrange same.

REVIEWS

'Ireland's Special Branch - The inside story of their battle with the IRA and other groups 1922-1947' by Gerard Lovett, published by Wordwell Books, ISBN: 978-1-913934-29-3.

'A gang of police thugs' and 'Renegades and perverted types' were two of the many ways in which the men and women of the Garda Special Branch were described by their enemies within the anti-Treaty IRA and what follows



in this work is the gripping narrative of the often brutal and violent struggle for supremacy that took place between these two sides. This book explores the foundation and the inner workings of a squad of detectives, initially called the Criminal Investigation Department (CID), based in Oriel House, Dublin, in August 1922 and their transition into what became known as the Special Branch. It further details the history of the turbulent decades which followed, and the regular confrontations with the IRA in which many of their officers would make the ultimate sacrifice.

Author Gerard Lovett is a retired member of An Garda Síochána who retired as a detective inspector in the Garda Special Branch in 2004. Since then, he was general secretary of the Garda Síochána Retired Members' Association for seven years and was editor of their quarterly magazine *Síocháin*. He has written numerous articles on police history and has regularly given lectures to historical societies on both garda and RIC history, as well as famous historical murder cases.

James Scannell

TRACING YOUR IRISH ANCESTORS

by John Grenham, MA, MAGI, 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 *FIFTH* edition of '*Tracing Your Irish Ancestors*'. Please checkout the website www.gillmacmillan.com Price €24.99 [RRP].

PRÉCIS OF THE SEPTEMBER LECTURE

Gerard O'Meara joined us on the 13th September 2022 to talk to us about the research he conducted while writing his book, *'Lorrha People in the Great War'*.

Providing background to Lorrha, Tipperary, Gerard's talk featured the background of those from Lorrha who fought in the Great War including Lt. Cecil Kenny Kilcarron and Lt. Cornelius 'Con' Deane MC as well as the homecoming of Private Martin O'Meara's Victoria Cross on 13th August last. Private O'Meara was a native of Lissernane, Lorrha and emigrated to Australia in 1911. Of note was the story of Mary 'Molly' O'Connell Bianconi who was in the Ambulance Corps in France and was awarded the Military Medal for bravery.

Despite having a reputation as a Republican parish, Gerard was surprised at the numbers of Lorrha men who fought in the Great War and his research highlighted the connections between some of the families. He went on to describe how he came across a headstone for the Byrne family that led him to find out about George Johnston Byrne who, having emigrated to New Zealand, fought as part of the Auckland Regiment and was killed in action in September 1918, leaving his three young sons as orphans. This research led to another connection to Francis DeGroot who infamously declared open the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Gerard also provided us with background to the Corcoran family including Sir John Arthur Corcoran, the Assistant Undersecretary of State for War as well as how DNA connections were established between his family and the Society's own Gerard Corcoran.

From meetings with relatives of the soldiers, visits to local libraries and engaging professional researchers, Gerard outlined how using a variety of sources provided him with a wealth of information that enabled him to write his book.

Checkout the full lecture on the Society's YouTube Channel (see bottom of page 1).

Paula Jones, MGSI

YOUR RESEARCH PAPERS & FILES

The Society's Archive & Research Centre—*An Daonchartlann*—based at the DLR Leisure Centre in Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin, Ireland, is an important resource for the study of genealogy, social and local history and diasporan studies.

The facility contains a genealogical library, manuscript collections, overseas journals collection, special collections and, of course, access to electronic publications and web-based resources. The Archivist receives additions to our collections each week from around the world and, especially, from our Members who deposit copies of their own family history research with *An Daonchartlann*.

Depositing copies of your research ensures they'll be available to future generations. Make provision for your research papers after you've gone, contact the Archivist on: archivist@familyhistory.ie

Appointment System Gradually Relaxed

An Daonchartlann - Archive & Research Centre operates under the following arrangements.

- (1) All visits to the archive, for members and non-members, are normally by appointment only to Archivist@familyhistory.ie
- (2) However, this appointment system has been gradually relaxed lately and visitors are, once again, welcome to visit the facility.
- (3) Maximum time for each visit, is 1 hour for non-members and 2 hours for paid-up members.
- (4) Gloves supplied in the archive, must always be used while in the archive.

- (5) Face mask/covering must always be worn while in the archive. You will be refused admission to the archive without a face mask/covering.
- (6) A name and contact phone number will be required from each person visiting.
- (7) All visitors, members and non-members must leave the archive as soon as their allocated time has finished.

Please do not visit the archive, if you are feeling unwell or have been in contact with someone, who has been confirmed as having Covid-19 or are waiting for test results.

Gerard Corcoran, MGSI

Checkout the Society's website www.familyhistory.ie

Our Society is a Registered Charity

During the disruption caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, many charities in Ireland and overseas are finding it difficult with reduced funding streams. This Society is funded largely by its Membership Fees and the kind donations received from Members and friends at home and overseas, without which, it simply couldn't exist.

The Society is a Registered Charity in Ireland and always considers options for fund raising and grant applications. The possibility of crowdfunding for specific projects is being considered. However, in the meantime it was decided to appeal to our Members,

friends and social media followers around the world.

Donations can be made via the Society's website or by cheque to the *Genealogical Society of Ireland* and forwarded to the General Secretary: 11, Desmond Avenue, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, Ireland, A96 AD76.

If you have already donated—Many Thanks!



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"HALL'S INDEX"

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