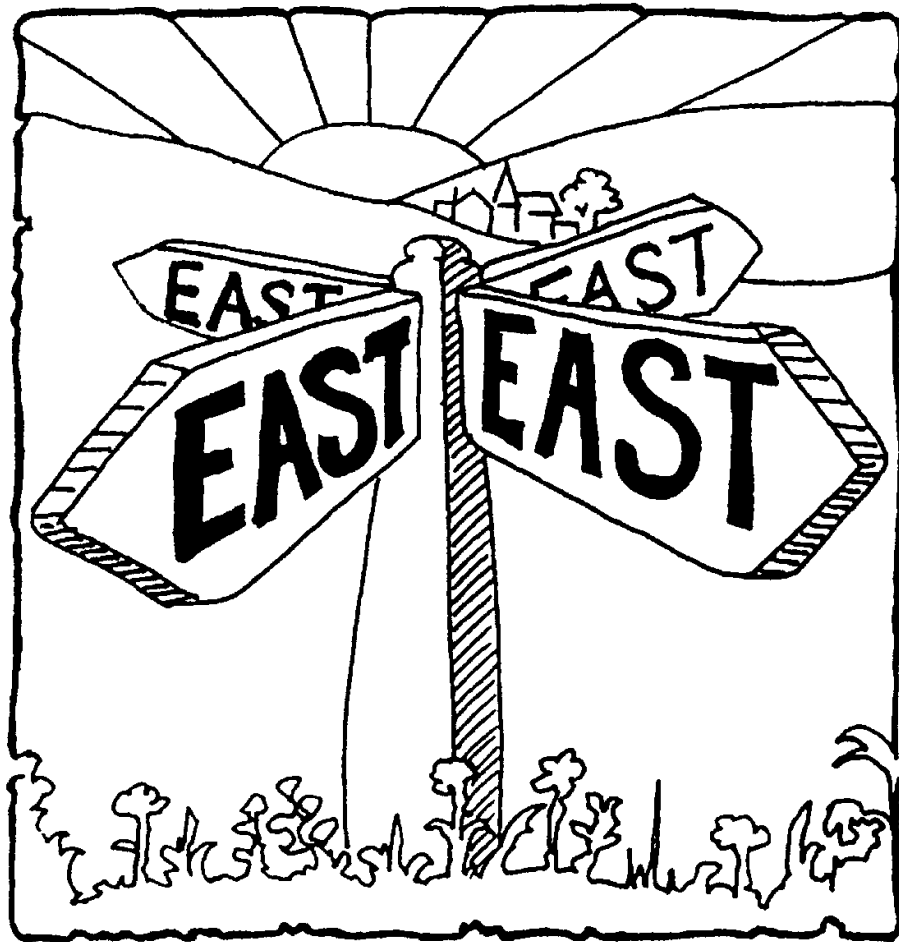


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Editorial

A huge thank you to committee members for spurring me on to complete this Issue. Information about the upcoming AGM (18th October) is contained within, plus articles supplied by our research manager, Angela, a link from Dorothy, a CWGC listing extracted by husband Paul and an article from Larry Duke on Easts in the US.

Life continues to be busy as usual, and unfortunately, I have a clash of activities on the AGM weekend – I will be at the AGM but am unable to stay for lunch as I'll be singing with my choir in St Albans shortly afterwards!

Paul and I joined a free Ancestry Zoom presentation back in July, entitled 'Finding Military Ancestors'. I learnt quite a lot of tips for searching the Ancestry database and also other places to find military historical information.

I hope that you enjoy reading this issue of Points East. See you at the AGM.

Best Regards. Amanda ♦

Chairman's Message

Welcome to this edition of Points East! We have recently enjoyed two different kinds of events: Angela Waterfall's 'Rambles' and an interesting online talk from Jessica Feinstein, a professional genealogist who will also give the talk at our Forthcoming AGM.

The Rambles I have been unable to attend myself, owing to work commitments, but they sound wonderful! Angela knows so much about the Easts in various different areas and the walks are enhanced by fabulous pub lunches. I am so envious!

We have begun to notice the two sides of Society membership. On the one hand we have the lovely events, including the AGM, which is always a lot of fun. On the other, we have the day to day running of the Society, which involves a lot of work, meetings, accounting, putting the Journal together, maintaining the research and preparing documents, without anyone in the secretary's position. So, there are plans afoot to include more of the former and less of some of the latter! You will discover these when you read the schedule for the AGM later in this issue.

Preparations for the AGM are well underway. Please do consider whether you might be willing to take on any roles. This could make a big difference. We really do look forward to seeing you as this is best opportunity to meet friends who might even be related to you!

Angela East ♦

Annual General Meeting 2025

The 2025 get-together and AGM will be held at Bishopshalt School, Royal Lane, Hillingdon UB8 3RF on Saturday 18th October, from 10am to 4 pm.

Coffee & tea will be served in the Mansion Hall from 10am to 12 noon.

A box for donations to help towards the hire of the school will be placed near the coffee and tea table. We will be very grateful for any amount.

The AGM will start at 12 noon & a talk by Jessica Feinstein will be given after lunch, in the Mansion. Jessica is a qualified professional genealogist and genealogy teacher. She particularly enjoys solving family mysteries, breaking down brick walls, and helping people discover and share their family stories. Her website is at: www.rosereootsresearch.co.uk

Lunch will be provided in the Main Hall of the school but must be pre-booked.

See the separate form sent to members with this Issue of Points East.

Please feel free to bring a packed lunch if you prefer, but a charge of £10 will be made to cover tea, coffee and tableware.

Cheques (in advance) to be made out to Mrs P.M.Pearce.

Tracing your medieval ancestors

A talk to be given by Jessica Feinstein

If your ancestors lived in England in the Middle Ages, who were they, and what were their lives like? More importantly, how can we trace them?

This talk will introduce you to some key resources for the period and help you to picture your medieval ancestors, whether they were rural families living in a small village and working on the land, or merchants or servants living in a city such as London or Norwich. Perhaps you descend from Anglo-Saxons or people with Scandinavian roots, or maybe one of the soldiers who came to England in 1066 with William the Conqueror? Possibly an ancestor was Scottish, Welsh or Irish, or one of the thousands of registered “aliens” who came from Europe to live in English towns and cities in the 1400s.

We’ll look at the records that are available, and some strategies, databases and new tools that can help us go beyond the early parish registers and more familiar records. We’ll also include some ideas for working together and collaborating with other experts and project groups so that everyone can benefit from shared knowledge and skills, creating resources that will help family historians now and in the future.

I hope the talk will encourage you to explore further and give you some new ways to think about your ancestors and the context of their lives.



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Directions and map to Bishopshalt school (within London Low Emission Zone) are in the members area of the website, along with previous minutes, AGM agenda and other useful documents. The committee's reports for the AGM will be added to the website shortly.

AGM 2024 Minutes - Corrections and Addendum

Minutes of the East FHS AGM 2024 were as per the Spring 2025 issue of Points East. However, it was noted by Pam that she was not listed in the Election of Officers. In **Section 13**, the **Election of Officers** section should read:

Nobody raised any objections, and the following were duly elected.

COMMITTEE

Chairperson - Angela East

Treasurer - John East

Membership and Research Manager - Angela Waterfall

General Secretary - Vacancy

Journal and Website Manager - Amanda Gostelow

Social Secretary – Pam Pearce

Committee member – Gillian McCorry

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Also Dorothy noted that **Section 10, Amendments to constitution**, should have included the details of the changes made. The full updated East FHS Constitution is available via the members area of the website, but section 10 has been rewritten here for completeness:

Angela E read everything out and asked for comments on the proposed amendments before voting:

4b. The committee shall comprise at least the posts of Chairperson, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer.

CHANGE to

4b. The committee shall comprise at least the posts of Chairperson, General Secretary, Membership Secretary and Treasurer, all of whom are unpaid.

Proposed by Angela East, Seconded by Gillian McCorry

Carried unanimously

4e. The committee shall have the power to co-opt additional persons for specific purposes and/or expert advice. Such persons shall serve on the committee as supernumeraries but shall not be entitled to vote unless they are also members of the Society.

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Proposed by Angela East, Seconded by Gillian McCorry

Carried unanimously

ADD 5d. Committee members who wish to resign their posts should do so at the AGM, having given at least one month's notice to the Chair. Resignation at any other time should be for unavoidable reasons only.

Proposed by Angela East, Seconded by Gillian McCorry

Carried

❖ *Dorothy abstained*

❖ *6 votes for*

❖ *None against.*

9b. Notice convening an EGM shall be posted to all current members of the Society at their addresses recorded in the Society's register not less than fourteen days before the date of the EGM. This notice must give full reasons for the holding of such a meeting. Failure of any member to receive such notice shall not invalidate the calling of the EGM.

CHANGE to

9b. Notice convening an EGM shall be posted to all current members of the Society at their online addresses recorded in the Society's register not less than fourteen days before the date of the EGM. This notice must give full reasons for the holding of such a meeting. Failure of any member to receive such notice shall not invalidate the calling of the EGM.

Proposed by Angela East, Seconded by Gillian McCorry

Carried

❖ *Dorothy abstained*

❖ *5 votes for*

❖ *None against.*

The East Family History Society Constitution

In advance of the upcoming AGM and as a reminder, please note the following excerpts from the Constitution. The full updated East FHS Constitution is available via the members area of the website.

Section 3:

c. Any member who does not renew their annual subscription by the end of each AGM shall be deemed to have resigned. Nevertheless, such lapsed membership may be reinstated by the payment of the outstanding amount.

And also the following paragraphs from Sections 4, 5, 8 and 10:

a. The affairs of the Society shall be managed by a committee comprising not less than three nor more than ten persons, all of whom must be members of the Society.

b. The committee shall comprise at least the posts of Chairperson, General Secretary, Membership Secretary and Treasurer, all of whom are unpaid.

c. A quorum of the committee shall be three members.

a. Committee members may serve for a period not exceeding five years, at the end of which they must stand down. However, they are eligible to stand again for immediate re-election.

b. Written nominations for committee posts must be received by the General Secretary not less than fourteen days before the AGM. They must be proposed and seconded by members of the Society and must be endorsed with the signature of the candidate confirming willingness to serve if elected.

c. Verbal nominations may be made directly from the floor at the AGM. If the nominee is not present at the meeting the proposer must provide written confirmation of the nominee's willingness to serve if elected.

d. Committee members who wish to resign their posts should do so at the AGM, having given at least one month's notice to the Chair. Resignation at any other time should be for unavoidable reasons only.

c. A quorum at the Annual General Meeting shall be ten members.

a. At any Society meeting voting shall be by a show of hands.

b. At any Society meeting every member present is entitled to one vote in respect to every motion, counter-motion or amendment.

c. Any member unable to attend an AGM or an EGM may appoint another member to act as proxy. The Chairperson must receive notification of this in writing and signed by the absent member.

d. Motions are passed by a simple majority (but see sections 12 and 13). The result of all votes shall be declared by the Chairperson who, in the event of a tie, has a casting vote.

~ Annual Subscription Renewal Reminder ~

Payment was due 1st May 2025 – if anyone has not yet paid for 2025/2026 then please do so prior to or at the AGM 2025.

Please see the Inside Back Cover for details of payment due.

Obituaries

These two obituaries of former EFHS members were only recently discovered and were extracted from www.legacy.com/uk/obituaries/yorkshirepost-uk

Alan George East of Ilkley (1925-2020)

Peacefully after a short illness at Airedale General Hospital
on 26th April, aged 95 years.

Beloved husband of the late Lynda,
a much loved father of Susannah, Richard, the late Catherine,
and a loving grandad.

A private funeral service will take place at Tarn Moor Burial Ground
with a Thanksgiving Service to be arranged at a future date.

Published by Yorkshire Post on May 9, 2020.

Lynda (nee Brindley) East

Peacefully at home on June 14, aged 94. Lynda dearly loved wife of Alan and
mother of Catherine (deceased), Richard and Susannah. A friend to many and a
beloved grandma to eight grandchildren.

Funeral will take place on Monday June 27, with interment at Tarn Moor
Memorial Woodlands at 11.30am followed by Service of Thanksgiving at
Christchurch, Ilkley at 12.30pm. Family flowers only please.

If desired, donations may be made to Amnesty International or the Methodist
Peace Fellowship for which provision will be made at the Church.

Published by Wakefield Express on Jun. 23, 2016.

(Editor: The above members sadly died in past years without any notification to the East FHS. Alan last contacted the society in 2019.)

The following obituary of friend and EFHS life member was again only recently discovered via Ancestry records despite much searching over the last few years since her last communication to me in October 2020. An article was compiled in Points East Issue 54 (Autumn 2020) to celebrate her 100th birthday. An extract is included here but please visit the website for the original Issue and article.

Jean Lillian (nee East) Lloyd

1st October 1920 – 4th February 2023

In Issue 47 of Points East, the family tree of Samuel East (1827-1899) and Ann Foster (1834-1897) was featured, showing four generations, including member Jean Lloyd ('Jean Lillian East 1920-'). In recognition of her 100th birthday, the committee awarded Jean an Honorary Life Membership of the East FHS.

Jean Lillian East was born on 1st October 1920 to parents Charles and Eliza East.

Charles and Eliza were married at the Parish Church of All Saints in South Lambeth, London, England on 16th March 1919. Jean was born the following year, actually named Eliza; the eldest child with later six siblings (one sister and five brothers). She was baptised in All Saints church on the 17th October 1920.

Jean's mother Eliza East was born on 22nd September 1898 to Henry East of Lambeth and Ellen/Helen (O')Leary. Her father Charles was born on 8th April 1887 to Charles East (senior) of Southwark and Caroline Foster of Clapham, London. Charles (junior) was baptised at All Saints church on 29th April 1887.

Jean married Cyril V Lloyd on the 31st August 1946 in Worcester Park, Surrey. Husband Cyril was born on 17th May 1919 and died on 9th June 1963. They had 3 sons. Jean lived independently in South London for many years until at least her 100th year. Sadly that was the year of Covid so visiting was not possible. Her last communication to me in October 2020 said that on her 100th birthday some friends from an over 60s club that she belonged to went to visit but obviously had to remain outside her house to talk to her. That seems to have been the extent of her birthday fun. She had been hoping to move from her council house in Beddington to another shared with her son. I don't know whether the move happened or not, but her address at her death was Sutton, Surrey. My last communication from her local council was in September 2022.

John Douglas East *by Angela Waterfall*

Pam Pearce sent me a copy of the Bucks Family History Society magazine, Winter Edition 2024. In it was a story about an RAF wireless operator, Norman Rusher, who was buried in Burnham churchyard, Bucks.

Norman had been in a Halifax Bomber that crashed on a training flight on November 20th 1944. The bomber took off from Lindholme in Yorkshire but crashed almost immediately after take-off because the flaps had been raised too early. A Canadian Flying Officer, John Douglas East, was also killed in the crash.

Pam's question to me was whether John Douglas was on our database.

Indeed he was. However, there is no source information to help me to ascertain which EFHS member supplied the information.

Here is what we have from our archives:

John's grandfather, Alfred Edwin East, was born in Surrey in 1868 to Frederick William East and his wife, Sarah.

In 1901, Alfred and his family were living in Northamptonshire where Alfred was the manager of a brickworks. The family first went to Canada in 1893 and the eldest son, Jack Haddon East (1894-1963), was born in Canada. The family must have left Canada before 1900 because his daughter, Rachel Patricia (1900-), is recorded on the 1901 Census as being born in Ireland.

In 1906, the family, Alfred, Ellen and 5 children leave Liverpool for New Brunswick, Canada. On the 1911 Census, Alfred is registered as a market gardener.

Alfred's wife, Ellen, died in 1917 and he married his second wife, Blanche in 1920. He died in 1956.



John Douglas East

John was the younger son of Jack Haddon East, and his brother, Michael George King East was also killed in the Second World War. He was a pilot, whose plane was shot down by a night fighter off the Dutch Coast. A further tragedy was to strike the family. John's uncle, Richard Godfrey, was killed in August 1944. He was in the Royal Canadian Navy and assigned to HMCS Regina, which was providing escorts to convoys in the English Channel. The ship was torpedoed and sunk off Trevoze Head in Cornwall.

A Ramble Around Shoreditch **~ HOW OUR ANCESTORS WERE INVOLVED IN THE** **FURNITURE INDUSTRY ~**

by Angela Waterfall, Research Manager

(This article gives further historical details to the article 'East Ramblings' in the previous edition of Points East, Issue 63)

EFHS Rambling 2 - March 28th 2025

These rambles are a new venture for the East Family History Society, aimed at providing opportunities for members to meet informally and to encourage more people to join the Society.

This ramble was centred on the Hoxton / Shoreditch area of London, just outside the city walls to the north-east. Some of our members have ancestors there and many of these ancestors worked in the furniture industry. Using both Ancestry and FindMyPast websites, I was able to ascertain where individuals and families with the surname East lived and extract information about occupations. With a list of people employed in the furniture trade, I was able to see whether we had those people on our Big Tree and add more detail to it.



**The House of William James East,
Hoxton Square**

The challenge for me was to make a walking route through an area that I had never visited. Fortunately, the Hackney Society had published a self-guided walk on the Shoreditch and Hoxton area; I adapted this to make a walk that would go past some of the areas where East families had lived, taking in some of the churches where East families may have worshipped.

Thus it was that 4 people met at Liverpool Street Station on the morning of March 28th. A fifth member was unable to join us for the walk but joined us later at the Museum of the Home (formerly Geffrye Museum). The weather forecast predicted rain during the morning but fortunately it proved to be a warm and sunny day.

The area around Hoxton and South Shoreditch is one of the best-preserved examples of the Victorian manufacturing industries and, because it is within a conservation area, many of the more modern buildings have been designed to complement the existing Victorian buildings. Many of the furniture showrooms and the workshops survived the bombing raids of WW1 and WW2. We found a

furniture showroom in Curtain Street, which would have been similar to the ones employing members of the East family; unfortunately, we were unable to gain access.

We were pleased to find the house of William James East, Gillian McCorry's ancestor, in Hoxton Square. This is featured at the beginning of this article. Also in one corner of Hoxton Square we found the house where Dr. Parkinson, who categorized the symptoms of Parkinson's disease, lived.



Furniture Showroom, Curtain Rd, Hoxton



Some of the group had come to look at the churches in the area. We were overjoyed to find St. Monica's Church in Hoxton Square. This Catholic Church, designed by E.W. Pugin, was completed in 1866. It is a rare example of Pugin using wood and is known as the furniture makers' church. The stained-glass windows were damaged during WW2 and replaced in 1951. However, it was a restoration project in 2013 that discovered Victorian frescos on the walls and ceiling. It really is a beautiful church.

We also visited Shoreditch St. Leonard's Church, but the church itself was no longer open. This is the church made famous by the nursery rhyme, 'Oranges and Lemons'. The graves in the churchyard have been moved, and the area is now a community space where we watched a couple playing chess.

From there we walked along Kingsland Road to the museum, set in the grounds of the Geffrye Almshouses. The museum is now renamed 'The Museum of the Home'. Not only does it show features of homes through the ages, but some exhibits challenged one's thinking about what makes a home by showing information from residents of the area.

It was a short bus ride back to Liverpool Street and a train ride on the Elizabeth Line back home.

East Families and the furniture industry in South Shoreditch

It was the advent of the railway and the move towards ready-made furniture that promoted the furniture industry in Shoreditch, and the trade flourished from 1860 to 1945. Until 1860, bespoke furniture was made within the City of London but cheaper rents and access to railway lines meant that it was more cost effective to move the trade to the East End.

Most workshops employed fewer than eight workers and many domestic houses, like the one shown at the front of this article, were converted to workshops.

CABINET MAKERS used various woodworking skills to make cabinets. They were responsible for the conception and production of the piece of furniture. The Arts and Crafts movement in the mid nineteenth century fostered a market for bespoke pieces of furniture.

Name	Known to EFHS	Lived in	Other Family Members
William James (1830 -	Ancestor of Gillian McCorry	1861 King Street 1871 Hoxton Square 1901 Hows Street	Jane (1835-) William John (1853) Arthur James (1856) Minnie J (1859) Maryann (1861) Albert W (1864) Alfred G (1869)
Albert W	Son of William James	1921 Herbert St	
Alfred George (1869-	Son of William James	1901 Hows Street	Annie (1869) Edward (1892) Florence (1897) Minnie (1899) William (1904) Alfred G (1906)
Frederick (1866-1943)	Son of William James	1901 Hows Street 1911 Mansfield Street	Rose (1867) Arthur F (1893) Ada (1896) Elsie (1898) Edith Rose (1902) Amy C (1905)
William John (1877- 1917)	Son of William James	1921 Broke Road	Susannah (1876) William J (1902) Harold E (1905) Susannah D (1906)
Benjamin (1788-1868)	Ancestor of David East	1841 Pearson Street 1851 Bowling Green Lane 1868 Ipswich Road	Mary (1801) James (1816) William (1821) Mary (1826) Emma (1831) Ellen (1839)
John (1821)	Linked to David East	1851 Queen Street	Harriet (1825) John (1850)
John (1850)	Son of John (1821) Linked to David East	1881 Ipswich Rd	Jessie (1848) Ernest J (1874) Albert (1877) Maud (1881)
John (1827)	No	1861 Dunston St	Eliza Wright (1810)
William (1853)	No	1881 Crondall St	Amelia (1855) William (1877) Minnie (1879) Arthur (1881)

FRENCH POLISHING was developed in the nineteenth century for use on mahogany and other fine woods. Shellac dissolved in alcohol was applied to the furniture in layers using a soft pad.

Name	Known to EFHS	Lived in	Other family members
Arthur Frederick (1881-1960)	William James' grandson	1911 Sellansfield St 1921 20 Loanda St 1939 20 Loanda St	Rose Maud (1882) Arthur F (1906) Arthur C (1908) George E (1910) Amelia (1912) Winifred (1916)
Alfred	Son of William James	1851 Leonard St	
Henry (1858)	Ancestor of Robin East 133	1871 West Street 1881 Long Street 1891 Coronet St 1901 Louisa St	Rosannah (1861) Ann (1879) Henry (1882) Agnes (1884) Alice (1888) Ellen (1900)
Henry (1860)	Yes	1881 Falkirk St	
James (1825)	No	1851 Mary Ann Place	Jane (1827) James G (1850)
Joseph (1822)	No	Workhouse	
Samuel (1828)	No	1861 Cumberland St	Margaret (1820)
William (1816)	No	1851 Leonard St	
William (1817)	No	1851 Marshes Court	Martha (1823) William (1842) George (1846) Ellen (1850)

OTHER FURNITURE RELATED TRADES

Name	Trade	Known to EFHS	Lived in	Other family members
William (1845)	Sawyer	No		Eliza (1834) Anne R (1875)
William (1845)	Chairmaker	No	Berniles Buildings	Charlotte (1846) Elizabeth (1867) William (1870) Henry (1873)
Francis (1812-1887)	Carpenter	Ancestor of Pam Pearce	1851 Elizabeth Place 1865 125 Kingsland Road 1871 131 Kingsland Road 1881 Gillevue Road	Susannah (1816) Sophia (1840) Susannah (1842) Harriet (1845) Francis (1848)
John (1811)	Timber Merchant	Maybe - on David East's tree as John (1821)	1871 Pownall Road	Sarah (1823) John (1851) Alice (1863)
Henry (1858)	Carpenter	No	1891 Buttesland St 1911 Herbert St 1921 Bookham St	Agnes A (1865)

There are many East families yet to be discovered. If you have links to any of the above families, please let me know. Meanwhile, please consider joining us for our next ramble around Monks Risborough (date yet to be agreed). There is no obligation to do the walk but do join us for lunch or tea!

Contact from the Family History Federation website

You have received an enquiry via the Family History Federation website:

Full name: Peter Cocker

Email: fmy098@gmail.com

Message

'I would be pleased to hear from anybody in your organisation that has an interest in the Cocker family or associated families as I am collating a family history and any information they can provide would be greatly appreciated.

I should therefore be most grateful if you would kindly mention this to all your members at any appropriate moment.

I am always happy to correspond with relatives however distant in a mutual understanding of the family history and how we have spread ourselves within Britain and across the globe.

At present I am aware of an Elizabeth East marrying Edward Cocker in 1680 and that they had at least 4 children but where they originated, or either of their parents and what happened is still a mystery and hopefully your local knowledge may be able to assist me.

Kind regards

Peter Cocker'

A Casualty Search of the CWGC

Here is a partial list of East casualties of the Second World War, extracted from a Casualty Search of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC). This spreadsheet covers names, Rank, Honours, Death dates and age at death, regiments/units served in, country served, place of burial, cemetery and grave details and additional family info. All Surnames of the individuals below are 'EAST'. Due to space limitations in this Issue I have only included a partial listing; the full listing is contained in a new area of the members page of the website, for military history.

Id	Forename	Init	Age At Death	Date Of Death	Rank	Regiments	Unit	Country Of Service	Service Number	Burial	Cemetery	Grave Ref	Additional Info
232713	MICHAEL GEORGE KING	M G K		26/05/1943	Warrant Officer Class II	Royal Canadian Air Force	90 Sqdn.	Canadian	'R/11828 6'	United Kingdom	RUNNYMEDE MEMORIAL	Panel 180.	
232714	WALTER RAYMOND	W R	21	03/05/1943	Sergeant	Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve	41 Sqdn.	United Kingdom	'1330277'	United Kingdom	RUNNYMEDE MEMORIAL	Panel 148.	Son of Philip Walter and Dorothy Rose East, of Lewisham London.
2623569	JOHN DOUGLAS ALFRED	J D A	20	20/11/1944	Flying Officer	Royal Canadian Air Force		Canadian	'J/36618'	United Kingdom	HARROGATE (STONEFALL) CEMETERY	Sec.H. Row C. Grave 5.	Son of Jack Haddon East and Mona Macdonald East, of Keremeos, British Columbia, Canada.
2558058	RICHARD GODFREY	R G	20	08/08/1944	Able Seaman	Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve	H.M.C.S . Regina.	Canadian	'V/36333'	Canada	HALIFAX MEMORIAL	Panel 11.	Son of Alfred Edwin and Blanche East, of Keremeos, British Columbia.
2409506	RONALD CLARK	R C	21	22/07/1943	Flying Officer	Royal Canadian Air Force	420 Sqdn.	Canadian	'J/8202'	Italy	CASSINO WAR CEMETERY	Coll. grave XVII. D. 1- 10.	Son of Thomas Harold and Dorothy Margaret East, of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

Id	Forename	Inits	Age At Death	Date Of Death	Rank	Regiments	Unit	Country Of Service	Service Number	Burial	Cemetery	Grave Ref	Additional Info
2204313	WILLIAM JOHN	W J	32	23/12/1943	Private	Loyal Edmonton Regiment, R.C.I.C.		Canadian	'M/16699'	Italy	MORO RIVER CANADIAN WAR CEMETERY	IV. G. 6.	Son of Thomas Smeltzer East and Anna Jane East.
2270733	DAVID JOHN	D J	25	25/04/1942	Sergeant	Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve	15 Sqdn.	United Kingdom	'1311318'	Denmark	AABENRAA CEMETERY	Allied Mil. Plot. Row 1. Coll. grave 11.	Son of David John and Harriet East, of Minsterworth, Gloucestershire.
2681879		Q R	0	02/08/1945	Lieutenant	South African Air Force		South African	'54259SV'	South Africa	DURBAN (STELLAWOOD) CEMETERY	Block Z. Grave 597.	
2669222	FREDERIC K	F	21	18/02/1944	Stoker 1st Class	Royal Navy	H.M.S. Penelope	United Kingdom	'P/KX 146776'	United Kingdom	PORTSMOUTH NAVAL MEMORIAL	Panel 85, Column 3.	Son of Frank Oliver and Elsie Minnie East; husband of Elsie May East, of Alum Rock, Birmingham.
2421930	ROBERT WILLIAM	R W	24	15/05/1944	Private	Dorsetshire Regiment		United Kingdom	'5730900'	United Kingdom	STANTON ST. JOHN (ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST) CHURCHYARD		Son of Harry and Alice Eliza May East, of Stanton St. John.
2669220	ALFRED THOMAS	A T	17	25/11/1941	Ordinary Seaman	Royal Navy	H.M.S. Barham	United Kingdom	'P/JX 161500'	United Kingdom	PORTSMOUTH NAVAL MEMORIAL	Panel 50, Column 2.	Son of Thomas James and Ethel May East, of Ludgershall, Wiltshire.

Id	Forename	Inits	Age At Death	Date Of Death	Rank	Regiments	Unit	Country Of Service	Service Number	Burial	Cemetery	Grave Ref	Additional Info
2949088	LOUIS FRANK	L F		11/10/1940	Pilot Officer ¹	Royal Air Force		United Kingdom	'44631'	United Kingdom	TOWNSHEND METHODIST CHAPELYARD	Row W. Grave 4.	Son of Louis and Beatrice Lilian East; Husband of Lucy East, of Townshend.
2706324	ERIC DEAN	E D		03/07/1942	Leading Aircraftman	Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve		United Kingdom	'1324334'	United Kingdom	CHESHAM BURIAL GROUND	Sec.D. Uncons. Grave 162.	Son of Kate East, of Chesham.
2706323	DENNIS W.	D W	29	06/05/1943	Warrant Officer Class I	Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry	2nd Bucks. Bn.	United Kingdom	'5380248'	United Kingdom	CHESHAM BURIAL GROUND	Sec. C. Cons. Grave 615.	Son of Walter and Laura Ann East, of Chesham; husband of Mary East, of Chesham.
2710345	HENRY JAMES EDMUND	H J E		18/06/1943	Lieutenant	Royal Engineers		United Kingdom	'246958'	United Kingdom	TIDWORTH MILITARY CEMETERY	Sec. E. (Office rs). Grave 173.	
3104920	MABEL	M	45	26/02/1941	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	EAST HAM, COUNTY BOROUGH		of 79 Hollington Road. Daughter of Alfred A. Bone, of 101 Elizabeth Road; wife of Sydney Herbert East. Died at 79 Hollington Road.
3104921	STANLEY HERBERT	S H	15	26/02/1941	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	EAST HAM, COUNTY BOROUGH		of 79 Hollington Road. Son of Sydney Herbert and Mabel East. Died at 79 Hollington Road.

¹ Honour: Distinguished Flying Medal

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3104922	SYDNEY HERBERT	S H	47	26/02/1941	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	EAST HAM, COUNTY BOROUGH		of 79 Hollington Road. Son of James East, of 46 Mortimer Road, husband of Mabel East. Died at 79 Hollington Road.
3104923	WINNIE FLORENCE	W F	20	26/02/1941	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	EAST HAM, COUNTY BOROUGH		of 79 Hollington Road. Daughter of Sydney Herbert and Mabel East. Died at 79 Hollington Road.
3109049	FREDERIC K JOHN	F J	51	16/08/1944	Civilian ²	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	WALTHAMSTOW, MUNICIPAL BOROUGH		Son of William Charles East, of 80 Acacia Road; husband of Elizabeth Ann East, of 13 Holmes Avenue. Died at Hoe Street.
3109894	FREDERIC K EDWARD	F E	28	25/09/1940	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	BRISTOL, COUNTY BOROUGH		Son of William and Edith East, of 10 Monks Park Avenue, Horfield; husband of Lillian May East, of 104 Eastfield Road, Westbury. Injured at Bristol Aeroplane Works, Filton; died same day at Southmead Hospital.

² Honour: Distinguished Conduct Medal

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4018501	EDGAR JAMES	E J	34	02/05/1945	Gunner	Royal Artillery	242 Bty., 48 Lt. A.A. Regt.	United Kingdom	'1718393'	Singapore	SINGAPORE MEMORIAL	Column 17.	
4018502	FREDERIC K GEORGE	F G		12/09/1944	Lance Bombardier	Straits Settlements Volunteer Force	Singapore Royal Artillery	United Kingdom	'13012'	Singapore	SINGAPORE MEMORIAL	Column 393.	
4018503	HAROLD	H	28	12/09/1944	Private	Sherwood Foresters (Notts and Derby Regiment)	1/5th Bn.	United Kingdom	'4620568'	Singapore	SINGAPORE MEMORIAL	Column 71.	Son of Arthur Harold and Annie Frances East, of Kensal Rise, Middlesex.
4018504	HAROLD HENRY	H H	25	12/02/1942	Warrant Officer Class II	Royal Artillery	7 Coast Regt.	United Kingdom	'847403'	Singapore	SINGAPORE MEMORIAL	Column 4.	Son of Henry Baker Peet East, and of Eleanor East, of Nottingham.
4018505	LEONARD	L	20	26/01/1942	Sapper	Royal Engineers	287 Field Coy.	United Kingdom	'2072258'	Singapore	SINGAPORE MEMORIAL	Column 40.	Son of Amos and Elizabeth East, of Cherry Hinton, Cambridge.
3116084	HERBERT HENRY	H H	24	16/08/1940	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	NORTHFLEET, URBAN DISTRICT		of 30 Preston Road. Son of Sarah Elizabeth East, of 12 Hamerton Road, and of the late Joseph Abraham East; husband of Nellie May East. Died at 30 Preston Road.

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3132956	ALICE ADA	A A	35	17/04/1941	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	LAMBETH, METROPOLITAN BOROUGH		of 59B Dante Road. Wife of Rfn. Thomas East, The Rifle Brigade. Died at Dante Road Shelter.
3132957	VERONICA ALICE	V A		17/04/1941	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	LAMBETH, METROPOLITAN BOROUGH		Aged 17 months; of 59B Dante Road. Daughter of Rfn. Thomas East, The Rifle Brigade, and of Alice Ada East. Died at Dante Road Shelter.
3137824	JOSEPH	J	62	09/09/1940	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	SHOREDITCH, METROPOLITAN BOROUGH		of 6 Merchant House, Phillip Street. Died at St. Leonard's Hospital.
3135320	EDWARD BERNARD	E B	30	10/05/1941	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	PADDINGTON, METROPOLITAN BOROUGH		Fireman; A.F.S; of 20 Kennet Road. Son of Mrs. M. E. East, of 10 Henry Street, Western Road, Tring, Hertfordshire. Died at Clifton Gardens.

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3137046	LESLIE CHARLES BASIL	L C B	38	12/05/1941	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	ST. PANCRAS, METROPOLITAN BOROUGH		Air Raid Warden; Street Fire Guard; of 9 Mackworth Street. Husband of Gladys Mary East. Injured 11 May 1941, at Mackworth Street; died at University College Hospital.
3138478	EMILY	E	70	19/06/1944	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	SOUTHWARK, METROPOLITAN BOROUGH		of 2C Peabody Buildings, Southwark Street. Wife of John Eustace East. Died at King Henry VIII, Union Street.
3138479	JOHN EUSTACE	J E	69	19/06/1944	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	SOUTHWARK, METROPOLITAN BOROUGH		of 2c Peabody Buildings, Southwark Street. Husband of Emily East. Died at King Henry VIII, Union Street.
1292035	STANLEY	S	20	26/03/1944	Trooper	Reconnaissance Corps, R.A.C.	45th Regt.	United Kingdom	'1430719 4'	Myanmar	RANGOON MEMORIAL	Face 1.	Son of A. A. and Florence East, of Kilburn. Middlesex.
3125956	JOHN JOSEPH	J J	69	30/12/1940	Civilian	Civilian War Dead		United Kingdom	"	Civilian War Dead	CAMBERWELL, METROPOLITAN BOROUGH		of 34 Loncroft Road. Injured 29 December 1940, at 34 Loncroft Road; died at Dulwich Hospital.

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2919547	JOHN	J	49	31/01/1946	Private	New Zealand Military Forces		New Zealand	'68749'	New Zealand	AUCKLAND (WAIKUMETE) CEMETERY	Prot. Soldiers Area G, Row 11, Grave 31.	
2762546	CLARENCE PERCY	C P	27	20/08/1942	Private	Essex Scottish Regiment, R.C.I.C.		Canadian	'A/22369'	United Kingdom	BROOKWOOD MILITARY CEMETERY	38. G. 9.	Son of Edward Percy and Ida Maud East; husband of Verna Fredericka East, of Bornholm, Ontario, Canada.
2768205	GEORGE REGINALD	G R	29	08/06/1942	Driver	Royal Engineers	7 Field Sqn.	United Kingdom	'2018678'	Egypt	ALAMEIN MEMORIAL	Column 52.	Son of Charles and Frances Mary East, of Gosberton, Lincolnshire.
2785913	EDWARD FRANK	E F	56	11/03/1943	Chief Refrigerator Engineer	Merchant Navy	S.S. Empire Lakeland (South Shields)	United Kingdom	"	United Kingdom	TOWER HILL MEMORIAL	Panel 43.	Husband of K.L.R. East, of Bournemouth, Hampshire.
2644589	WILLIAM ALBERT	W A	21	10/05/1945	Private	Gloucestershire Regiment	2nd Bn.	United Kingdom	'4929094'	Netherlands	ARNHEM OOSTERBEEK WAR CEMETERY	13. C. 3.	Son of Ernest George and Lily East, of Tyseley, Birmingham.
2253065	OLIVER RAYMOND	O R		16/04/1942	Sergeant	Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve	156 Sqdn.	United Kingdom	'1180424'	Belgium	VLISSEGEM CHURCHYARD	Joint grave 4.	
2466976	FRANK EDWARD	F E	21	11/03/1943	Stoker 1st Class	Royal Navy	H.M.S. Harvester	United Kingdom	'C/KX 99625'	United Kingdom	CHATHAM NAVAL MEMORIAL	72, 1.	Son of Albert John and Jane Catherine East, of Highbury, London.

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2785912		A	33	31/08/1940	Able Seaman	Merchant Navy	S.S. Severn Leigh (Bristol)	United Kingdom	"	United Kingdom	TOWER HILL MEMORIAL	Panel 95.	
2785914	JOSEPH LAURENTZ	J L	59	25/10/1940	Mate	Fishing Fleet	Fishing Vessel Carlton (Grimsby)	United Kingdom	"	United Kingdom	TOWER HILL MEMORIAL	Panel 124.	
2225177	VICTOR	V	21	21/12/1941	Private	New Zealand Infantry	18th Bn.	New Zealand	'25128'	Libya	TOBRUK WAR CEMETERY	8. R. 6.	Son of Arthur John and Myrcle East, of Cambridge, Auckland, New Zealand.
2372892	ALBERT EDWARD	A E	21	04/06/1944	Trooper	Reconnaissance Corps, R.A.C.	5th (3rd Bn. The Tower Hamlets Rifles) Regt.	United Kingdom	'1450353 3'	Italy	BEACH HEAD WAR CEMETERY, ANZIO	XXII. F. 7.	Son of William and Elizabeth East, of East Acton, London.
2207911	WILLIAM GODWIN	W G	34	27/01/1943	Serjeant	Royal Artillery	95 Bty., 48 Lt. A.A. Regt.	United Kingdom	'1479642'	Japan	YOKOHAMA WAR CEMETERY	Brit. Sec. K. D. 4.	Son of William Rustell East and Edith May East; husband of Iris Mildred East, of Clacton-on-Sea, Essex.
2218658	STANLEY WILLIAM	S W	20	30/07/1944	Lance Corporal	Hampshire Regiment	1st Bn.	United Kingdom	'1457091 0'	France	TILLY-SUR-SEULLES WAR CEMETERY	II. A. 4.	Son of William John and Annie Winifred East, of Highbury, London.

Tony East, Motorbike Enthusiast and collector

Permission from Bonhams.com was requested but no response received. I have thus only included the personal details for Tony rather than the full article and have added some Ancestry and Google-sourced details also.

Dorothy Morgan was watching part of 'Country File' on television and noticed the name 'Tony' (Anthony) East talking to John Craven about his motorbike collection. She googled Tony's name and found an item on the Bonhams.com website, so sent in a link to it. It might be of interest to the EFHS, particularly older members!

Anthony R East was born in Peterborough, Cambridgeshire in July quarter 1940 and became fascinated by motorcycles while a teenager. He married Patricia Oliver in Jan 1962 in Huntingdonshire, Cambridgeshire and had two children, Tracie L East, born Jan 1963 and Andrew Robert East, born Jan 1966, both in Surrey.

He enjoyed a successful career in the automotive parts supply business, eventually founding his own company, A.R.E. Limited. He collected motorcycles via contacts in the trade. He attended Stafford Classic Bike Shows regularly selling components and hydraulic lifts for motorcycles.

He was an active member of both the Vintage Motor Cycle Club and Friends of the TT Riders' Association, president of the IoM section of the VMCC, organising and hosting many of their events at his Kirk Michael Museum on the Isle of Man. Tony was the owner of one of the best collections of restored Triumph motorcycles in private ownership in the UK. He moved to the Isle of Man with his late partner Pat when he retired in 2002. The museum was the home of over 100 machines & countless other motorcycling memorabilia.

Tony died in February 2022 leaving his son Andrew, daughter Tracie, his grandchildren & all of his many friends.



Larry D. Duke, 'Estes Trails'

I have again received the latest issues of the newsletter of the Estes family called 'Estes Trails', via email, for June '25 and Sept '25. It is usual for us to exchange electronic (pdf) copies of our respective journals with the Estes Family Society in America. It is usually published 4 times a year, though is suffering a similar issue to us in that no new material is forthcoming!

The June issue, as would be expected, contains articles and obituaries of Estes family members in the US. It also contains a long article by Larry on the Black Death and pandemic plagues that affected England and the Continent in the 14th and 15th centuries.

The September issue also contains lots of Estes and Eastes family names plus a short article on oddities in family names and an introductory article celebrating 45 years of Estes Trails and its original author, Mary Estes Shelby Beckham, who founded the newsletter in 1980. Larry took over editing the newsletter in April 1995 after her untimely death.

In June of this year, Larry also sent me a separate email with an article for Points East! He introduced his article with these kind words –

'Points East has always been so kind and cooperative with family research, always encouraging your members to look for the Estes family name but I feel our members never reciprocate. Therefore, recently I had some time and decided to look into the East family in America or the early colonies. The first thing I noticed was that there were a lot fewer East families than Estes, especially in the first 100 years of America! I was surprised by this. I went to FindAGrave.com and found the same thing. Either the Estes families multiplied more rapidly than the East or a lot fewer East migrated to the Colonies. I wonder which is more correct?

The bottom line is, I did not find a lot of early day East families to look into. Following is a bit of what I did find. Sorry I could not be of more help.'

EAST MIGRATION TO THE UNITED STATES

Research into the origins of individual families in North America reveal records of the immigration of a number of people bearing the name East or a variant:

East Settlers in United States in the 17th Century

Richard East who landed with his family in Virginia in 1623

William East, aged 23, who landed in Virginia in 1635 aboard the ship "Paul"

East Settlers in United States in the 19th Century

James (or James J.) East, who landed in Allegany (Allegheny) County, Pennsylvania in 1850

Noted East family members of 20th Century

Clyde B. East, American fighter pilot and flying ace in the U.S. Army Air Forces, during World War II, credited with 13 aerial victories

Nathan East, American Republican Party politician, Candidate in primary for Texas State House of Representatives, 31st District, 1994.

John Rufus East (1845-1907), American politician, Member of Indiana State House of Representatives, 1897.

John Porter East (1931-1986), American Republican Party politician, Candidate for Secretary of State of North Carolina, 1968; Presidential Elector for North Carolina, 1972; U.S. Senator from North Carolina, 1981-86

Birth 5 May 1931, Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois, USA

Death 29 Jun 1986 (aged 55), Greenville, Pitt County, North Carolina, USA

Burial Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Arlington County, Virginia, USA

US Senator. East served in the United States Marine Corps as a 1st Lieutenant. He was elected as a Senator from North Carolina to the United States Senate serving from 1980 to 1981. Suffering from ill-health, he killed himself in his auto in a garage attached to his Greenville, North Carolina home on June 29, 1986. In a 1990 news report, it was reported that his widow, Priscilla, filed a lawsuit against United States Navy doctors for negligence and that the suit was dismissed by a Federal Judge in Washington, D.C. In the suit, it was indicated that he left behind a suicide note blaming Naval physicians "for ruining my health."

Parents

Laurence John East, 1900–1973 & Virginia Porter East, 1898–1981

Spouse

Priscilla Shrek East Watts, 1931–2024

Siblings

Margaret Barbara East, 1927–1927

Laurence John East, Jr

Some early East family members I found:

William East

Birth 1620, England

Death 27 Aug 1661 (aged 40–41), Milford, New Haven County, Connecticut, USA

Burial Milford Cemetery, Milford, New Haven County, Connecticut

Buried in Peter Prudden's Garden - no Tombstone Remains

After immigrating, William probably came to New Haven first with the Herfordshire group & Rev. Prudden and then removed with them to Milford in New Haven Colony. He was admitted to the Milford Church on May 8, 1640. He married Mary Baldwin, daughter of Syvester & Sarah Bryan Baldwin on December 17, 1655 in Milford, New Haven Colony.

The name of William East is on the plaque on the Memorial Bridge over the Wepawaug River in Milford acknowledging that he was an early settler.

Spouse

Mary Baldwin Plumb East, 1626–1708

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William East

Birth unknown

Death 2 Jun 1716

Burial Granary Burying Ground, Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, USA

Father: **William East**

Mother: **Abigail (maiden name: Carter) East** Married: 01 November 1717

Location: Boston, Massachusetts

Source: Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620-1988

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Thomas East

Birth 1740, Pittsylvania County, Virginia, USA

Death 1797 (aged 56–57), Pittsylvania County, Virginia

Burial Pittsylvania County

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William East

Birth 1773, North Carolina, USA

Death 1864 (aged 90–91), Michigan, USA

Burial Birch Lake Cemetery, Calvin Center, Cass County, Michigan

William and Rachel had the following children: Hannah, John, Joel, James, Polly, Susanna, Jacob, Sallie, William H., Rebecca, Martha and Isom.

There is a large stone in the cemetery inscribed:

“In memory of William East, Born in North Carolina in 1773. Died in 1864 and Rachel Tolbert East, Born in Virginia circa 1780, died in 1851. Erected by their descendants, Aug. 14, 1909.” Their 12 children are inscribed on the back of the family marker.

Spouse

Rachel Talbot East, 1780–1851 (m. 1797)

Children

Hannah East Bogue, 1798–1891

John East, 1800–1856

Joel East, 1802–1873

James M. East, 1804–1887

Polly East Clark, 1807–1883

Susana East, 1809–1845

Jacob Talbert East, 1811–1887

Sallie East, 1814–1840

William H. East, 1817–1889

Rebecca East Grenell, 1818–1886

Martha East Osborn, 1822–1884

Isom East, 1826–1884

Could all EFHS members pass on any Estes (or variants) references that you find to a committee member, so that we may pass them back to Larry for his information. Thank you.

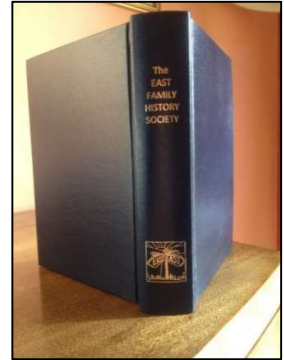
Local Research Assistants

We know that it can be difficult to get to record offices if you work during the day or don't live close to the office you need to visit; therefore, some of our members have offered to make visits to record offices to assist those who cannot go themselves. Please see the East FHS website, www.eastfhs.com, for contact details of Local Research Assistants, Peter and Pam, for their help with your research.

Alternatively, members might like the chance to accompany another member at a records office so that they have support to do their own research. If you are interested in this approach, please contact Angela, our research manager and look out for 'Easts Ramblings'!

Binders for Points East journals

These blue Cordex binders are capable of holding 12 copies of Points East, with the spine blocked in gold with the Society's name and logo. Each comes in its own 'large letter' postal box. Please let Gillian (Committee member) know if you might be interested in buying one or more binders; there are only a few left. The cost for one binder (including increased postage) is now £8. The cost for two binders (including postage together) is £15. Cheques to be sent to treasurer John (at his address on the inside front cover) made payable to the 'East Family History Society'.



Next Time in Points East....

The article 'A History of Big4 Easts Beach Holiday Park', subtitled 'From Cows to caravans, BIG4 Easts Beach Holiday Park has come a long way...' is being again held over to the next Issue, as this is the last article I now have put aside for publication. The website article contains lots of lovely family pictures of the descendants of the Thomas & Elizabeth East who emigrated to Kiama, South East Australia in 1841. Together with the article will be the photos I took whilst visiting the Holiday Park in November 2024.

Please consider some tasks to do if you get stuck with your own tree, such as visiting a local or further afield personal history site or investigating any DNA matches! I look forward to an article from you, and any associated pictures or trees, for the next journal or for inclusion on the East FHS website.

New Member

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~ Please keep sending in your copies of Birth, Marriage and Death Certificates ~

Points East

To achieve production and distribution of the journal to members on the dates proposed: **All contributions need to be received by the 1st February for the Spring edition and 1st August for the Autumn edition.**

Distribution of copies to members will take place around 1st March and 1st September.

Please keep sending in your articles for publication but do bear in mind copyright law. We cannot publish any picture or writing that is copyright without permission. Send us family pictures, research successes, tree excerpts, bits of found information or family stories that will give variety to Points East. Large or small items - all are welcome. If you have any suggestions to improve it, please do let us know. Material will be held over for a future issue, or included on the website, if it cannot be included in the current one.

Annual Subscription Renewal

At the 2023 AGM, the annual subscription charge increase from £10 to £15 was voted upon and agreed unanimously, effective for existing members from the renewal date of May 1st 2024. The withdrawal of the option of a reduced 3-year subscription was also agreed. Existing 3-year memberships will of course be honoured, and the new rate will only become effective when those renewals are due. Members who have set up Standing Orders, please update your account with the new amount. New members joining will pay the new rate immediately.

You will receive a reminder each year in mid April which will include information on how to pay.

If you have any questions regarding membership, please email a committee member at one of the addresses on the inside front cover.

Although subscriptions can cover a member and nominated partner, only one copy of the newsletter will be provided per full member.

UK Residents and Overseas application forms are available to download from the East FHS website:

~ **www.eastfhs.com** ~

Payment should be made by either bank transfer (preferred):

Bank: The NatWest **Account Name:** The East Family History Society

Sort Code: 60-02-23 **Account number:** 65499727

Or by cheque payable to ‘**The East Family History Society**’

Please put a reference (surname and membership number for existing members) with your payment so that we can recognise who has renewed. New members are given a membership number on receipt of their first subscription payment.

The aims of the Society are:

- To collect all references to the EAST/ESTE(S) name and all variations, to collate and store these records and to make them available to all members.
- To produce a Journal at least twice per year to be distributed to all members, the cost of which to be covered by subscriptions, and to make articles of interest available on the website.
- To advertise the Society's existence, thus bringing as many researchers of the names EAST/ESTE(S) etc. as possible into contact with each other.

Source Data

The Society's Research Manager holds the following data. Most of it is on computer and all of it is available, on request, to members for their personal use.

- A compilation of Family Trees (known as "the Big Tree") is held as a private, but searchable tree on Ancestry. This has over 14,000 names.
- GRO index of all EAST births from 1837 to 2005; marriages from 1837 to 2005 and deaths from 1837 to 2006. The index is held within the members' section of the EFHS website, and the access password is sent to new members when they join.
- Over 18,100 baptism, marriage, and burial Parish records. These are taken from actual records, transcripts or indexes and have been collected over time by EFHS members. Many are not on the IGI.
- Over 2,400 probate records extracted from the National Calendar from 1858 to 1967, together with some earlier probate records. These give exact dates, names and places of death, and sometimes additional information such as names of executors.
- Digital copies of over 100 EAST wills.
- A collection of over 2,800 birth, marriage, and death certificates.
- On computer, using 'Family Historian', a large collection of EAST family trees with over 12,000 individuals and more than 135 trees.
- A genealogical index of all mentions of the EAST surname from the Points East Issues 1-50.
- Civil registration indexes for EASTs in New Zealand (1840 to 1990) and Western Australia (1841 to 1905)
- An extensive collection of articles, newspaper cuttings, documents, and photos.
- Various biographies and autobiographies donated by members
- The UK National Burial Index (3rd Edition)

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