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## Scotland's People www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk

- Statutory births 1855-1908, marriages 1855-1933, deaths 1855-1958 (indexes & digitised images)
- Indexes of statutory births and deaths to 2006
- 1841-1901 censuses (indexes and digitised images) (LDS transcription also for 1881)
- Old Parish Registers (OPR) 1553-1854: Births & Baptisms, Banns & Marriages, and Deaths & Burials
- "Minor Records": births (Foreign & Service Returns, Marine Register), marriages (Foreign & Service Returns), deaths (Foreign & Service Returns, Air & Marine Register, South African, WW1 & WW2 Service Returns)
- Free search of Wills & Testaments 1513-1901, but £5 to download
- Coats of Arms free to search, but £10 to download

#### Ancestry <u>www.ancestry.co.uk</u>

- Scottish census transcriptions 1841-1901 (not images)
- Some Scottish parish registers & also some newspapers
- Incoming (to UK) passenger lists
- Scots in English censuses in eg military establishments

#### Scottish Archives Network <u>www.scan.org.uk</u>

- Highlands & Islands Emigration Society passenger lists 1852-1857
- Digitised records from various archives offices, see http://www.scan.org.uk/digitalarchive/viewarchive.asp
- "My ancestor was..." articles, see http://www.scan.org.uk/familyhistory/myancestor/index.htm

## National Archives of Scotland www.nas.gov.uk

- 19<sup>th</sup> century High Court of Justiciary (jury trials) indexed by name, other files search by keyword or place
- Records: Non-conformists, Kirk session, Legal & court, Deeds and Sasines, Burgh, Taxes; & maps
- Copies can be requested by email

#### GENUKI Scottish pages <u>www.genuki.org.uk/big/sct/</u>

• Gateway to information about Scottish genealogy, counties & towns - "where is" & "how to"

#### Lewis Topographical Dictionary <u>www.british-history.ac.uk/source.aspx?pubid=308</u>

- 1846 description of "places, parishes & counties" (containing history, occupations etc)
- BH website also has Burgh papers for Edinburgh & Glasgow, charters, documents & State Papers

#### Gazetteer for Scotland www.geo.ed.ac.uk/scotgaz/

• Geographical encyclopaedia for Scotland, also histories, biographies, clans & photos

#### National Library of Scotland maps <u>http://geo.nls.uk/</u>

• Choose Ordnance Survey maps (6" or 25") - choose county & parish then zoom in

## Edinburgh Gazette www.edinburgh-gazette.co.uk

• Government news and announcements – some from 1699, complete from 1793

#### Happy Haggis www.happyhaggis.co.uk

• "Digging up your family history needn't cost the earth" – lists of names, links to other sites, information articles

#### Scotsfind (Scottish genealogy databases) www.scotsfind.org

• Some free databases (especially for Edinburgh), also various surname-specific databases

#### Discover My Past Scotland (magazine) www.discovermypast.co.uk

• Electronic magazine about Scotland, download by subscription

# Other "All Scotland" sites

- Ancestral Scotland <u>http://www.ancestralscotland.com</u> (genealogy website of the Scottish Tourist Board)
- British History Online, Scottish Documents <u>http://www.british-history.ac.uk/place.aspx?region=7</u> (historic documents, maps, burgh records)
- Clan Mackenzie Society <u>http://www.clan-mackenzie.org.uk/</u>
- Dictionary of the Scots Language <u>http://www.dsl.ac.uk/</u> (words used 12th century to 1970s)
- Electric Scotland <u>http://www.electricscotland.com/</u> (clans, tartans, history, pictures, online books)
- Find My Past <u>http://www.findmypast.com</u> (emigration records, military records & BMD)
- Heraldry Society of Scotland <u>http://www.heraldry-scotland.co.uk/</u>
- National Library of Scotland Digital Library <u>http://www.nls.uk/digitallibrary/index.html</u> (much to come)
- Rampant Scotland <u>http://www.rampantscotland.com/</u> ("all things Scottish", also photos & feature articles)
- Scotland BDM Exchange <u>http://www.sctbdm.com/index.php</u>
- Scotland Genealogy Links <u>http://www.genealogylinks.net/uk/scotland/</u>
- Scotland GenWeb <u>http://www.scotlandgenweb.org/news.php</u> (gateway to links & info by county)
- Scotland Mailing Lists <u>http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~jfuller/gen\_mail\_country-unk-sct.html</u>
- Scots Origins <u>http://www.origins.net/SOWelcome.aspx</u> (free IGI, place search & articles)
- Scottish Collections Network <u>http://scone.strath.ac.uk/Service/Index.cfm</u> (links to Scottish collections)
- Scottish Cultural Resources Network (SCRAN) <u>http://www.scran.ac.uk/</u> (digitised images & media from museums, archive & media)
- Scottish Genealogy Society <u>http://www.scotsgenealogy.com</u> (includes online information articles)
- Scottish Glossary http://www.scan.org.uk/researchrtools/glossary.htm (Scottish words)
- Scottish Place-Name Society <u>http://www.spns.org.uk/</u> (articles about places, also list of parishes in Scotland)
- Statistical Accounts of Scotland 1791-1845 <u>http://edina.ac.uk/statacc/</u> (historical descriptions of places)
- Talking Scot <u>http://www.talkingscot.com</u> (discussion group and information)
- The Scotsman Digital Archive 1817-1950 <u>http://archive.scotsman.com/</u> (free to search, full articles cost)
- The National Archives (Kew, London) <u>http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk</u> (especially military records)
- Tracing Scottish ancestors at Kew –
  <u>http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documents/tracing-scottish-ancestors.mp3</u> (podcast, large audio file)

## **Regional websites**

- Aberdeen & North East Scotland Family History Society http://anesfhs.org.uk/
- Alloway & Southern Ayrshire Family History Society <u>http://www.asafhs.co.uk</u>
- Am Baile (Highland History & Culture) <u>http://www.ambaile.org.uk/</u>
- Ancestral Orkney <u>http://www.ancestralorkney.com/</u>
- Angus Scotland GenWeb http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~sctans/
- Argyllshire Scotland GenWeb <u>http://www.scotlandroyalty.org/argyll/argyllshire.html</u>
- Ayrshire Roots <u>http://fp.ayrshireroots.plus.com</u>
- Borders Family History Society <u>http://www.bordersfhs.org.uk/</u> (for border counties of Scotland and England)
- Caithness Family History Society <a href="http://www.caithnessfhs.org.uk/">http://www.caithnessfhs.org.uk/</a>
- Central Scotland Family History Society <u>http://www.csfhs.org.uk/</u>
- Dumfries & Galloway Family History Society <u>http://www.dgfhs.org.uk/</u>
- East Ayrshire Family History Society http://www.eastayrshirefhs.org.uk/
- Family History Society of Buchan http://www.fhsb.org.uk/
- Fife Family History Society http://www.fifefhs.org/
- Glasgow & West of Scotland Family History Society <u>http://www.gwsfhs.org.uk/</u>
- Gretna Green marriages <u>http://www.achievements.co.uk/services/gretna/index.php</u> (free search, details cost)
- Highland Family History Society <u>http://www.highlandfhs.org.uk/</u>
- Inveraray Jail <u>http://www.inverarayjail.co.uk/</u> (includes database of prisoners & also of transported prisoners)
- Inverness-shire Scotland GenWeb <u>http://www.jansdigs.com/Inverness/index.html</u>
- Kildrummy Families <a href="http://www.kildrummyfamilies.org/">http://www.kildrummyfamilies.org/</a> (in Aberdeenshire)
- Lanarkshire Family History Society <u>http://www.lanarkshirefhs.org.uk/</u>
- Largs & North Ayrshire Family History Society <u>http://www.largsnafhs.org.uk/home.htm</u>
- Lothians Family History Society <u>http://www.lothiansfhs.org/index.php</u>
- Moray Burial Ground Research Group <u>http://www.mbgrg.org/</u>
- Moray Local Heritage <u>http://libindx.moray.gov.uk/mainmenu.asp</u>
- North Perthshire Family History Group <u>http://www.npfhg.org/</u>
- Orkney Family History Society <u>http://www.orkneyfhs.co.uk/</u> (Sib folk)
- Renfrewshire Family History Society <u>http://www.renfrewshirefhs.co.uk/</u>
- Shetland Family History Society <u>http://www.shetland-fhs.org.uk/</u>
- Skye Roots <u>http://www.skye-roots.co.uk/</u> (Isles of Skye and Raasay)
- Three Towners <u>http://www.threetowners.com</u> (Ardrossan, Stevenston & Saltcoats in Ayrshire)
- West Lothian Family History Society <u>http://www.wlfhs.org.uk/</u>