

NZ Society of Genealogists Nelson Branch

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Nelson Genealogical Index

Consisting of over half a million references over 18 topics for easy shelf reference

Cemeteries-Burial Records & Monumental Inscriptions

Bainham, Clifton, Collingwood, Dovedale, East Takaka, Foxhill, Hallowell, Hamana, Haven Road-Basin Reserve, Haulashore Island, Kotinga, St Johns Hira, Ebenezer Gardens Stoke, Lower Moutere (Flett Road), Motueka, Murchison, Seaview Stoke, St Barnabas Stoke, Ngawhatu Valley Cemetery (St Marys Orphanage) Stoke, Puponga, Riwaka, Rotatai, Spring Grove, St Albans Appleby, Stanley Brook, Waimea West, Waiwhero, Aniseed Valley, St John's Hope, St John's Wakefield, St Joseph's Wakefield, Mararewa (Tapawera), Richmond, St George's Tadmor/Orinoco, Pangatotara, Sandy Bay, Anatori, Wakapuaka.

Nelson City Council Data Base for cemeteries

Hallowell, Fairfield, Wakapuaka, Marsden Valley, Seaview, Hira St Andrews.

<http://nelson.govt.nz/services/facilities/cemeteries/cemeteries-database-2/>

Cemetery records for Nelson City and Tasman District include, Nelson Gaolhouse, Haulashore Island Thomas Cresswell memorial, Holdaway family, Delaware Bay, Haven Road-Basin Reserve, Quakers Acre, Queens Gardens Memorial Gates, Queens Gardens Boer War Monument, St Johns Hira, St Andrews Hira, Smiths Maitai Valley, Ebenezer Gardens Stoke, Marsden Valley Reserve Stoke, Marsden Recreation Reserve Stoke, Seaview Stoke, St Barnabas Stoke, St Marys Stoke. Puponga, Appleby, Aniseed Valley, Hope, Wakefield, Tapawera, Tadmor, Orinoco, Pangatotara, Sandy Bay, Anatori, St Johns Wakefield, Quakers Acre.

- Fairfield Park (aka Trafalgar Street cemetery)
www.freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nzbound/fairfield_park
- Hira (1894 to present)
www.nelson.govt.nz/services/facilities/cemeteries/cemeteries-database-2/
- Marsden Valley (1956 to present)
www.nelson.govt.nz/services/facilities/cemeteries/cemeteries-database-2/
- Tasman District cemeteries <https://www.tasman.govt.nz/my-community/cemeteries/cemetery-search/>

Cemetery records for Marlborough include Altimarloch, Awatere, Awatere Memorial, Canvastown Ruapeka, Canvastown Te Hora, Clarence, D'Urville Island, (Urupa Madsen Bay), Flaxbourne, French Pass includes Webber Private Cemetery, Hapuka, Havelock, Havelock Burial Register, Kaikoura Suburban, Kekerengu, Pelorus Couper Family, Picton, Pig Island, Rai Valley, Rapaura Holy Trinity, Rapaura Methodist, Seddon, Tua Marina, Upper Wairau, Waikawa Bay, Wairau River Fabians Valley, Wairau Valley, Wairau Church of the Good Shepherd, Wakamarina Deep Creek, Wharanui, Gardners Valley and Upper Moutere.

Photos of Headstones include Appleby St Albans Tasman, Bainham Golden Bay, Clifton Golden Bay, Collingwood Public Golden Bay, Old Collingwood Golden Bay, Dovedale Tasman, East Takaka Golden Bay, Foxhill Tasman, Gardiners Valley Tasman, Hamama Golden Bay, Hira St Johns Nelson, Kelling Private Cemetery, Hope St John Lutheran Tasman, Kotinga Golden Bay, Flett Road Lower Moutere Tasman, Mararewa Tapawera Tasman, Motueka Tasman, Motupiko St George's Church Tasman, Murchison Tasman, Motueka Old Wesleyan Pah Street Tasman, Puponga Golden Bay, Pakawau Inlet Golden Bay, Motueka Pioneer Cemetery Tasman, Richmond Old Section Tasman, Riwaka Tasman, Rototai Golden Bay, Sandy Bay Tasman, Spring Grove Tasman, Tadmor St James Church Tasman, Brightwater St Pauls Church Tasman, Sarau St Pauls Lutheran Moutere Tasman, Stanley Brook Tasman, Stoke St Barnabas Church, Nelson, Waimea West St Michaels Church Tasman, Waimea West St Peter & Pauls Church Tasman, Waimea West Public Tasman, Waiwhero Tasman, Wakefield St Johns Church Tasman, Wakefield St Joseph Church Tasman, West Bank Motueka Tasman.

Church Records

- **Anglican** Church Birth, Baptism, Death, Marriage and Confirmations for top of the South Island. 1842 onwards. Ahaura West Coast, All Saints Nelson, Atawhai-Hira Nelson, Awatere Marlborough, Bishopdale [marriages only], Blenheim Marlborough, Cathedral Nelson, Cobden-Runanga West Coast, Golden Bay, Granity-Karamea West Coast, Greymouth, Havelock, Kaikoura, Motueka, Motupiko [no deaths], Murchison [no deaths], Picton, Reefton, Richmond, Spring Creek, Stoke, Tahunanui [no baptisms no deaths], Waimea, Wairau Valley [no baptisms no deaths], Wakefield, Westport.
- **Baptist** Church Marriages 1857-1885.
- **Church of Christ** Marriages Nelson District 1891 – 1950, Rutherford Street Chapel 1920 – 1961, Spring Grove 1892 – 1950.
- **Lutheran** Church **BDM**. Nelson District. 1842 onwards.
- **Methodist** Church Births 1842 to 1892 from Nelson Baptism Register, & Births 1857 - 1920 from Nelson Colonist.
- **Presbyterian** Church B&M. Richmond, Stoke, Tahunanui & Knox St Luke's Victory Square.
- **Roman Catholic** Sacramental Register Births & Burials St Mary's Nelson city 1844 onwards. St Joseph Wakefield, St Joseph Takaka, Sacred Heart Takaka, St Peter & St Paul Waimea West, St Francis Motueka, St Mary's Orphanage Stoke Ngawhatu Valley). Roman Catholic Marriages 1844-1913.
- **Wesleyan/Methodist** marriages 1843-1855

Orphanages

- **Anglican Motueka** 1873-1883 Admission & Discharge,
- **St Andrews** 1887-1987 Waimea Road, Nelson,
- **St Mary's Industrial School** 1882-1883,
- **St Mary's Orphanage Stoke** 1894-1964 CD 332.
- **Sunnybank** Roman Catholic 1880-1964

Funeral Directors

Millers Monumental Masons death 1907-1975. Usually, death notices taken from the local paper. Shone's Funeral Directors records 1922-25 & 1935-49.
Funeral Leaflets assorted dates from c1970s onwards.

Te Tau Ihu O Te Waka Volume 1-4 by Hilary & John Mitchell provides extensive genealogies and BDM's.

Newspaper Indexes Family Notices from the *Colonist* 1857 to 1920 and Nelson Mail 1866-1879, 1930-1939, 1945-1949, 1961-1966, 1973 to present.

Nelson Photo News. Marriages indexed 1961-1974. Photo news also online and indexed.
<https://photonews.org.nz/nelson/index.html>

Death Notices, Obituaries and Inquests Nelson Colonist 1857-1920, Nelson Evening Mail 1866-1879, 1920-1930, from Oct 1933, 1935, to June 1936, 1961-1966 and 1983-2005, 2016.

- **Nelson Death & Marriage Index** from the Courthouse from 1848-1997 for Nelson, Richmond, Wakefield, Takaka, Collingwood, and Tadmor 1848-1985.
- **Death by Drowning** Nelson 1840-1881 incomplete.
- Other Nelson Indexes held 'Ancestors Attic' library catalogue available
www.https://heritage.tasmanlibraries.govt.nz/

1859 Nelson Directory and Almanac indexed.

Electoral Rolls 1853,1854,1865,1870 Nelson, Golden Bay & Wairau.

Jury Lists 1843, 1844, 1845, 1847, 1849, 1851, 1852, 1854, 1857, 1861 and petitions to the list.

Old Age Pensions 1899.

BDM Golden Bay Argus newspaper 1885-1911 names indexed.
Lands and Deeds Old Nominal Index & Transfers

Military 1843 Wairau Affray, 1881 Parihaka Contingent H Battery, Nelson Artillery Papers & 31 Dec 1889 Nominal Roll of H Battery, Nelson Naval Volunteers, Stoke Volunteer Rifles, Waimea Volunteer Rifles, Waimea Volunteer Rifles, 1899-1903 South Africa War Enlistments Nelson, 12th Nelson Regiment, WWI Reservists, WWI Nurses, WWI Chaplains, WWI Defaulters, WWI Born or Enlisted in Nelson, WWI Nelsonians in Other Units Overseas.
Personal histories on WW1 combatants who died plus biographies from descendants.

Eileen Thawley & Cyd Daughtrey have undertaken the task of photographing and recording the details of all the War Memorials and War Memorial Halls in the Nelson/Tasman region, can be seen at <https://heritage.tasmanlibraries.govt.nz/>

WW1 references from Anglican magazines indexed and photos. Also available
<https://heritage.tasmanlibraries.govt.nz/>

Nelson Repertory Theatre 1970s. Index of who performed in what.

Newspaper cuttings of 11,000 reference to people and places.

1844 petition to parliament, 1844 Wairau affray petition, 1848 petition for a share of public expenditure.

Biographies of Old Nelson Colonists/Early Citizens of Nelson indexed, sourced from te Ara [web page], Auckland Weekly News, Colonist newspaper, Nelson Genealogy Branch records. Shipping immigrant passengers to Nelson 1840-1914 indexed. 171.000 entries.

Schools Indexes to most of the Nelson and West Coast schools' Admittance Registers Anatoki, Aniseed Valley, Appleby, Auckland Point, Awaroa, Bainham, Berlins, Bishop's School, Bridge Street School – Boys, Brightwater, Brook Street School, Brooklyn, Burnetts Face, Cabragh House, Canvastown, Central School, Charleston, Clifton Terrace, Collingwood, Dall's Creek, Churchill, Dovedale Deep Creek, Delaware Bay, Denniston, Dumfreith, East Takaka, Education Department Principals, Index 1949, Education Department Teachers, Fairdown, Foxhill, French Pass, Girls Central, Glengarry, Glenhope, Golden Bay Schools Register (2), Golden Hope School [Maggies Creek], Gordon [Wai-iti], Gowan Bridge, Gowan Valley, Hampden St, Happy Valley [Hira], Haven Road, Hira, Hope, Howard Junction, Inangahua Junction, Inangahua Landing, Kaituna, Kikiwa, Koreke, Korere, List of Nelson Education Board Schools, Mahana, Mapua, Maruia, Matakītaki, Mid Maruia, Motupiko, Motupipi, Nelson Boys Central, Neudorf, Newton Flat [Ariki], Norris Gully, Nuggety Creek, Orinoco, Paenga, Pakawau, Rakopi, Ranzau, Reefton, Richmond Boys, Richmond Girl, Richmond, River Terrace School, 4 Sections, Girls, Boys, Combined, Rochfort Terrace, Rockville, Sacred Heart, Sarau, Seddonville, Sergeant's Hill, Shelbourne St Girl's Central, Shenandoah, Speargrass Run, Spring Grove, St Joseph's, Stanley Brook, Stoke, Tadmor, Tahunanui, Takaka Hill, Tapawera, Tarakohe, Tasman Street, Tasman Street Boys, Teachers Holding Certificates or Licenses in 1890, The School by the Pond [Matthew Campbell's School], Toi Toi Street, Totara Bush, Tutaki, Upper Motueka Valley, Upper Motupika, Upper Moutere, Uruwhenua, Waimangaroa, Waimea West, Wairoa Gorge, Wakefield, Wins Valley, Woodstock.

Nelson College magazines with school lists 1901-onwards. The Nelson College Old Boys Register 1856-2006.

Nelson College for Girls magazines with school lists 1900 onwards. Indexed Nelson Girls College Journals from 1900-1959. This list is also held by the Girls College Archives.

Books Indexed. Nelson Observed by Christopher Vine, Official Record NZ Industrial Exhibition 1885 - Nelson Exhibitors, Snippets of History compiled by Marsden House, The Jubilee History of Nelson by L Broad, Nelson by Ruth Allan, Nelson by Jim McAloon plus many more.

All Guts No Glory book about WW1 Nurses and Chaplains from Nelson Tasman area. Compiled by NZSG Nelson Branch.

NZSG fiche including NZ BDM, NZ cemetery records, electoral rolls from 1897, Wisers PO Directory from 1850, 1988 IGI, plus more

NZSG CDs 1881,1893,1896, 1925 NZ Electoral rolls, Kiwi Index v01, & V2, 1882 return of freeholders, NZ Marriages 1836-1956 v2, plus more
Directories Stones from 1904. Plus, more
NZ Gazettes 1889-1919, 1922 plus 1977, 1978-1984.
1845 & 1849 Nelson census.
Index to Names Published in Nelson Government Gazettes 1853 - 1876
NZ Electoral Rolls 1982, 1983, 1986, 1989, 1991,1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2002,2004, 2006, 2011, 2014,
Nelson telephone directories from 1956.

Nelson Electoral Rolls 1925 onwards. West Coast/Tasman & Marlborough Kaikoura 1978 onwards.

Information also held on the following cemeteries or monuments

Quakers Acre, Queens Gardens Memorial Gates, Queens Gardens Boer War Monument, St Andrews Hira, Smiths Maitai Valley, Marsden Valley Reserve Stoke, Marsden Recreation Reserve Stoke. Nelson City Council cemeteries data base
<http://nelson.govt.nz/services/facilities/cemeteries/cemeteries-database-2/>