



17th Annual Northern Jewish Genealogy Conference

Conference programme and Registration form

Chapel Howard Conference Suite
Greater Manchester Police Training Centre
Sedgley Park
Prestwich Manchester
M25 0JT

Sunday 12th May 2019

9:15 am – 4:45 pm

**Hosted by Manchester Regional Group of the
Jewish Genealogical Society of Great Britain**

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

09:15 – 10:00 am	Registration and Coffee
10:00 – 10:10	Opening Address & Welcome – Anthony Rosenthal
10:15 – 11:00	North West Jews of the First World War: A new database – Paula Kitching
11:00 – 11:15	Short Interval
11:15 – 12:00 pm	From Dusseldorf to Manchester via the Isle of Man and other internment camps – Rob David
12:00 – 12:45	Catching Up with FamilySearch – Sharon Hintze
12:45 – 14:15	Lunch
14:15 – 14:30	President's Address – Leigh Dworkin
14:30 – 15:15	A British Jew considers a German Passport – Robert Voss
15:15 – 15:45	Tea interval and Raffle draw
15:45 – 16:30	DNA for Genealogy: Interpreting your results – Donna Rutherford
16:45	Conference close

Please note the speakers and running order may be subject to change without notice.

We apologise if that becomes necessary.

SPEAKERS' PROFILES

Donna Rutherford



This introductory talk on DNA for genealogy outlines how the different types of DNA tests can help your research and which one is best for the particular research question you have in mind. It will cover how to begin, how the tests work, and which test is best for you, using case studies. The talk will include a brief overview of the challenges of Jewish Genetic Genealogy

Donna is a New Zealander with English & Scottish Ancestry and works in London in the IT industry. She specialises in making the complex side of DNA testing easy to understand for those who are new to genetic genealogy. She has worked with Y DNA, mtDNA and has a lot of experience with Autosomal DNA for her own research and helping others. Donna has presented at many

conferences across the UK and Ireland.

Sharon Hintze



FamilySearch is a great deal more than a website. This talk will describe recent achievements and future priorities, but will concentrate firstly on records available for researchers with particular emphasis on those of interest to Jewish genealogists. Secondly, attention will turn to the world's largest collaborative tree and how to easily add sources and photos to your ancestors. The talk ends with a philosophical discussion about how to ensure our hard work can be found by our great grandchildren.

Sharon Hintze is a fifth generation family historian who hasn't been able to extend her tree backwards on most lines because of the diligent work of her predecessors. But she's a tiger on documentation and is also working on descendency. Her ancestors

are from the British Isles and Denmark. She was for twenty years the director of the London FamilySearch Centre.

Paula Kitching



Paula Kitching (MSc) is a historian and writer, specialising in war, genocides and cultural history. Paula has written for educational publications, books, museums, and website publication. As a freelancer, Paula has advised, initiated and led projects on the Holocaust, 20th century conflicts, and minority and ethnic histories.

For the last three years and continuing, she has been the historian and project manager for '*We Were There Too – Jews in the First World War*'.

In February 2019, her new book, *Britain's Jews and the First World War* (Amberley Press), was published.

SPEAKERS' PROFILES

Rob David



This talk will explore Rob's family's origins in Dusseldorf, the arrival of his father and his siblings in Manchester during the 1930s and the impact of internment during 1940 on these family members. The story of his grandmother's escape from Germany to Belgium in 1939 will feature alongside her strategies for surviving the occupation of Belgium. Interwoven into this story is the loss of an art collection and its partial recovery.

Rob David is retired from a career in education, having taught History at Higher Education institutions in the north-west. He is currently Chair of Lancaster University's Regional Heritage Centre Advisory Board and President of the Cumberland and

Westmorland Antiquarian and Archaeological Society. Realising that he knew little of how the events of the 1930s and 1940s affected his family, he has spent some of the last few years recovering this history and writing a series of booklets about this.

Robert Voss



When Robert took part in a BBC documentary about British Jews applying for a German passport, he was surprised by the emotions and interest his decision aroused. At the same time, the visit allowed him to find out a little about his father's background in Germany, about which he had never talked. He finally discovered the truth about where and how his grandparents were murdered which – as will be explained in the talk – was never known.

Robert graduated from Manchester University and spent 40 years in the International Metal Industry. He established the Jewish Chronicle Young Entrepreneurs Challenge. He is a governor of The University of Hertfordshire and involved in Holocaust education. He is Patron and President of more than 15 local and national charities/organisations. Awarded a CBE in 2014 for "Services to British Industry and voluntary work in the UK" Robert was appointed Lord Lieutenant of Hertfordshire by The Queen in August 2017.

DELEGATE INFORMATION

As in previous years, this will be an all-day event and a kosher light buffet lunch will be provided by State Fayre, Manchester. Refreshments will be served on arrival and during the day. **Please note change of conference suite from previous years.**

The conference is open to members and non-members. Family, friends and interested others are welcome.

Please use the **registration form on page 7**. On receipt of your payment and form, your parking permit and ticket will be sent to you by email. **For security reasons, you will need to present these at the barrier to gain admission.**

We suggest that you print the programme and bring it with you. No copies will be available on the day.

There will be a bookstall selling the JGSGB "Jewish Ancestors" series and other titles of interest.

Chris Makepeace will have a selection of Manchester books and maps for sale.

Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, we have fabulous prizes for our raffle. Please purchase your tickets during the day, 5 for £3.

DNA kits - supplied by FTDNA will be available for sale on the day of the conference.

Our committee members are Anthony Rosenthal (Chairman), Sylvia Seddon, Andy Lister, Shirley Nesbit, Sara Rosenthal, Anthony Scott-Norman and Errol Gross.

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CONFERENCE VENUE DIRECTIONS

The Sedgley Park Centre is situated 3 miles north of the City Centre on the A56 Bury New Road.

From Junction 19 of the M60: take the A576 towards Manchester with Heaton Park on your right. Continue through 2 sets of traffic lights and at the 3rd set turn right following the sign to Prestwich - onto A6044 Sheepfoot Lane. Continue straight on at the crossroads junction and turn left onto Sedgley Park Road – there is a sign “GMP Sedgley Park Centre”. At the mini roundabout go straight on and the centre entrance is on your left hand side.

From Junction 17 of the M60: take A56 south towards Manchester for approx. 2 miles. After a major crossroads junction there is a petrol station on your right; just past it turn left, sign posted “GMP Sedgley Park Centre”. Turn right at the mini roundabout and the centre entrance is first on the left.

From Manchester city centre: head north along A56 until you reach the Lidl store on your right, as you approach Sedgley Park shops. Pass the pedestrian crossing, turn right opposite the old telephone exchange which is on your left before the petrol station. Then right at the mini roundabout and the centre entrance is first on the left.

Please ensure you bring your ticket and parking permit to present at the security barrier.

The Gatehouse officer will release the barrier, and advise you where to park.

We will be using the **Chapel Howard Conference Suite** at the GMP Training Centre.

There is on-site accommodation at the venue at very reasonable rates (Room only, £30 single/£42 double). Please click on this

<https://www.epcresilience.com/EPC/media/Images/Downloads/Sedgley-Park-accommodation-through-GMP-details.pdf>

to see the venue facilities brochure and a directions map.

Enquiries for accommodation at the venue: Sue Casson 0161 856 0591

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

I wish to register for the JGSGB 17th Annual Northern Conference to be held on Sunday, 12th May 2019 at the Greater Manchester Police Training College, Sedgley Park Road, Prestwich.

Wheelchair access is available.

There is free on-site parking in the grounds of the college and a parking permit is necessary. These will be issued with the tickets and must be presented to the security officer at the lodge on arrival.

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Address.....

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Telephone Number: Mobile:.....

E-mail:

Number of tickets required: Number of Car permits required:

Individual Names.....

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Registration Fee per person:

Including refreshments **£27.50**
and a buffet lunch

Cheque enclosed: £.....

Made payable to JGSGB

Registration forms and payment should be sent to:

**Sylvia Seddon
Flat 4 Limefield Court
Limefield Road
Salford M7 4LT**

**If you wish to pay by bank transfer, please email us for instructions:
[manchester.genealogy@gmail](mailto:manchester.genealogy@gmail.com)**