



*University of the Third Age*

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## **History as witnessed by the family**

**Dates: Friday, 28 February – Friday, 9 April 2014**  
**Please note that there is no session on March 21st**

**Time: 10am – 12noon**

**Venue: Salmond College, Knox Street, North East Valley**

**Enrolments for this course will be limited to 55**

**Course Fee: \$40.00**

**Tea and Coffee provided**

**Course Organiser: Jane Higham (4761848)**  
**Course Assistant: Jill Milne (455 5413)**

You may apply to enrol in more than one course in each series (subject to numbers). If you wish to do so, you must indicate your choice preference on the application form, and include payment of the appropriate fee(s).

All applications must be received by noon on Wednesday, 12 February. A response to your application will be mailed out on the 19 February.

Any questions about this course after 20 February should be referred to Marjan Lousberg, U3A Dunedin, telephone 473 8224 or on email at [courses@u3adunedin.org.nz](mailto:courses@u3adunedin.org.nz)

**Please keep this brochure as a reminder of venue, dates, and times for the courses for which you apply.**

# HISTORY AS WITNESSED BY THE FAMILY

**Glimpses of the struggle to get ahead and stay ahead. "Fighting for the good life", as described by members of the Higham and related families. From 1450 to 1950.**

**Presented by** Richard Higham, Lecturer, University of Otago

**28 February** 1450 -1630 Anthony Higham, farmer and Robert Higham, mercer. Sir Richard Bingham, soldier and brother-in-law to Thomas Higham. Sir George Somers of Bermuda fame: and Shakespeare's 'Tempest'

**7 March** 1630 - 1770 Alice Thornton, daughter of the governor of Ireland. The Civil War. Jack Cremer, sea captain, on trading vessels in the Mediterranean. Richard Higham, barber/peruke maker in Southwark

**14 March** 1780 - 1850 George Bellamy, navy surgeon, at the Battle of the Nile. Joseph Woodhead, navy agent and wealthy banker. Wandesford Comber on the 'Herald' at the signing of The Treaty of Waitangi. Richard Philip Higham, pawnbroker

**21 March NO SESSION**

**28 March** 1860 - 1910 James Higham, bankrupt soap boiler and journalist in Melbourne. Thomas Sowerby, soap boiler surveyed by Booth. Dick Higham, flawed baseball star. Roper Barrett, tennis gold medallist. Grace Eyre Woodhead, social activist.

**4 April** 1910 - 1939 George Stringer, illicit diarist of the First War. The Higham journals record a family's First War. HGW Woodhead, a journalist in China

**11 April** 1939 - 1945 John Barrett in a Prisoner of War camp, scientific breakthroughs. Tony Higham, Eileen Higham and Betty Williams, WW I.