

General Meeting – Thursday, May 7th, 2009

This month we tackled genealogy with an excellent presentation by Dave Connolly. He led us through his own experiences while gathering his family history, with details of how he accumulated the information as he went along. He used Family Tree Maker Version 3 and spoke highly of its ease of entry and access to the facts entered. There were other versions of the program and it is now up to Version 18!! We were shown the various graphics available to print the family histories in the program.



Information for your family tree is available from many sources and usually involves being a good detective!! In their offices on Norwell Road, the Nanaimo Family History Club is an excellent resource and more than happy to help you, often with no charge, but sometimes for a modest fee. Some sources are Cindi's List, familysearch.org, Ancestry.ca, GovResources.com and Find my Past.com were mentioned. These sources often charged for the information, but frequently had "specials" for free testing. Many other sources are available and it is

part of the fun to explore and add to your knowledge of your families.



Dave had a number of "Ances Tree" magazines, which are published by the Nanaimo Family History Society. which he left with us for our information. It was a 'fun' evening and Dave was kept on his toes answering all the questions from the members present.

We expressed our thanks for a most enjoyable and informative evening.

Submitted by Alan Forrest