

South West Branch 2025/2026 Programs

Date	Speaker	Topic
Sept. 3	David McConkey	(Brandon) Cemetery Tour. Meet at 18 th St. entrance at 7:00 pm
Oct. 1	Michele Jeanotte	"Exploring English Records"
Nov. 5	Laura Crookshanks	"Gone but not Forgotten: The story of two young men who served and died overseas"
Nov. 17 MONDAY Shared with SE & Wpg	Gord McBean	"AI in Genealogy. Is it really new?"
Dec. 3		Pot luck/Xmas theme: "Bring your favourite Xmas ornament & story"
Jan. 7	Mark Thompson	"Using AI to Research Documents & Letters"
Feb. 4	Kelly Southworth	"Making a Living: Discovering & Understanding Ancestors' Occupations"
Mar. 4	Ken Storie	"River Crossings in Westman - Fords, Ferries & Bridges"
Apr. 9	Stella Fedeniuk	Heritage Dinner – The Ukrainian Experience: From Ukraine to the Perogy Belt in Canada"
May 6	David McConkey	"Donating a Collection to the McKee Archives: What I learned organizing my Grandparents' diaries"
May 25 MONDAY Shared with SE & Wpg	Ken McKinlay	"My Top 10 Tips for Being a Better Researcher"
June 3	Barb Andrew	"Beyond the Binoculars: the unforeseen impact of John Lane and his junior birders in South Western Manitoba"

Note: regular programs will begin at 7:00 pm. on Zoom unless otherwise noted.

Two shared sessions with SE & Wpg Branch are on MONDAY.

September, December and June meetings and April Heritage Dinner will be in person.

Extra session shared with SE & Wpg Branch via Zoom: Monday, August 25 at 12:30. Topic:

"Using computers to carry out genealogical research ... safely".