

## **INTEREST GROUPS**

During the year Interest Groups established a new normal after the challenges of the COVID years. Each Group adopting its own presenting method, either in the Research Centre, by ZOOM or both. It has been pleasing to see new members taking up any of the options offered and thus joining in the community fellowship that the Society offers. ZOOM also allows, invites, house bound members to remain an active part of Interest Group sessions and discussions.

For these revised presentation challenges, we are indebted to the efforts of the behind scenes people who are very active in their area of Society communication means. Making use of the eNews and the Society website, we are regularly informed of 'what's on, how, when and where'. It is up to us to respond.

To each of the Interest Group co-ordinators thank you for your efforts during the 2022/2023 year. The smaller Interest Group gatherings are a core part of the Society with the invitation to focus on a personal background country of interest and learn from the experience of others. New participants are always welcome to bring their story to a Group.

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