



GGSA Gauteng-Noord / GSSA Gauteng North

Takbyeenkoms / Branch Meeting

Saterdag / Saturday

14 Oktober / Octoberr 2023

13:00 vir / for 13:30

NG Gemeente Lynnwoodrif,
Lanciastraat 269 / 269 Lancia Street
Lynnwoodrif / Lynnwood Ridge

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gelyktydige / simultaneous Zoom

“Looking for Last Year’s Snow”

Researching my Jewish roots in Belarus

Spreker / Speaker
Stan Close

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About the speaker

Stan Close got married in 1970 to a lady whose maiden surname is also Close.

Two Close surname family lines came together. Stan said that his Close family is descended from the Gloucestershire Closes and her family line is descended from the Yorkshire Closes. This started Stan's interest in family research.

Over time, his many original hand-drawn charts and supporting source document files have all been transcribed into electronic format. As from 1 September 2023, his Family Tree Source Boxes folder contains 4 205 files, 183 folders and is 4.75 GB in size.

These are the main family lines he is presently working on:

- The Close families of Yorkshire and Gloucestershire.
- The Bradleys of Surrey.
- The Arkin /Rosenberg family of Western Russia (now Belarus).
- The 1820 Settlers Cannon and Wild families.
- The 1896 Rhodesian Pioneer McCabe family.

