

Search the Web Function in Reunion

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The Search the Web function in Reunion provides an instant search of online web sites — large, searchable databases of genealogical information. Some are free; some indicate that they contain information you're seeking, but will charge a membership or subscription fee in order to access the records. Some offer a mixture of free and paid content.

1. Features

- a. Automatically launches your browser (such as Safari or Chrome).
- b. Connects to websites which might have more information about your person.
- c. *You* create a citation for anything you find.

2. Set up

- a. Choose **Reunion>Preferences**
- b. Click **Web**
- c. Click **Browser** – choose the one you will use.
- d. Click **Searching** – three columns appear.
- e. **Groups**, on the left, shows which search groups you set up.
 - Highlight a group and the Sites list in the middle shows only the sites in that group.
- f. **Sites**, in the middle, lists all sites provided by Reunion.
 - Any item checked will no longer be searched when choosing “All Sites” to search.
- g. On the right, **Information from site . . .**
 - Gives details about any site that you have highlighted in the middle section
 - You can visit the site’s home page if you want to know more.
- h. **Check for New Sites** at the bottom of the window to get the latest site updates from Reunion.
- i. **Custom Groups** are set up by clicking on the + at the bottom, naming the group, and dragging sites to the new group
 - Can add your own sites if technically inclined. (Instructions refer to Reunion 10; but the process is the same for Reunion 13) <https://www.leisterpro.com/download/CreatingWebSearchesForReunion10.pdf>

Web Preferences

Searching Reports Style

Groups... Sites - Drag to Favorites or Custom Groups. Information from site...

All Sites (85)
Favorites (6)
- Custom Groups -
My Best Hits (3)
Gravestones (2)

► Australia & New Zealand (5)
► Germany (17)
▼ Ireland (2)
Find My Past - Ireland
Irish Genealogy
► Netherlands (1)
► Norway (1)
► Sweden (1)
► Switzerland (1)
▼ UK (19)
Ancestry - UK
BMD Registers - UK
Deceased Online - UK

Find My Past - Ireland
FindMyPast.ie
...over 14 million records ... the world's most comprehensive Irish family history website... over 5 million crime and legal records, almost 2 million names in directories and almanacs, one million BMD records, exclusive land and estate records, as well as census substitutes, travel and migration records, and the names and details of the Irish who fought in wars and rebellion.
Submitted by Reunion user Keith Bage.
Visit the Site's Home Page

+ - Checked items do not appear in the "All Sites" menu.

Check for New Sites...

3. **Process** – on the Family View:

- a. Find the Person menu button (the triangle in the upper right corner of the person's button), click on **Search the Web** in the sub-menu.
- b. Choose either **Search Favorites** or **All Sites**.
 - **Search Favorites** - you have specified which ones you want to search.
 - **All Sites** - Have Reunion search the specific sites that you checked in the list.
- c. **Results** will show in tabs in your browser with information about the person from your Reunion database already entered.
 - If you have membership in a site, you will need to sign in if you haven't already done so.
 - If you do not have membership in a site, you will need to join to find out more about the results!
 - Fold3 is working on a Code 500 error.
 - Find a Grave may need spelling or female surname adjusted.

4. **Conclusions:**

- a. Put together your own list of favorites and use that.
- b. This feature is great for quick searches of specific sites.
- c. If you are revisiting an ancestor you searched years ago, it's a great way to do a quick update.

The Person menu button.

Click the Person menu button and choose "Search the Web."

A sample of the web resources that appear in the menu. Free updates and additions to this menu are available with one click.

Mary Josephine HANNON
Age: 98

Mary Josephine HANNON

Spouses & Children ▶
Siblings ▶▶
Parents ▶▶
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Search Favorites (6)
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Germany ▶▶
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Sweden ▶▶
Switzerland ▶▶
UK ▶
USA & Canada ▶
Worldwide ▶

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British History Online
British Newspaper Archive
Deceased Online - UK
Edinburgh Gazette
Find My Past - UK
FreeBMD (Births) - UK
FreeBMD (Deaths) - UK
FreeBMD (Marriages) - UK
Last Chance To Read
London Gazette
National Archives - UK
Scotlands People
Society Of Genealogists - UK
Tees Valley Indexes (Births)
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TheGenealogist.co.uk