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## The Newsletter of the Cornish Association of New South Wales

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### *Degol Sen Perran lowen* HAPPY SAINT PIRAN'S DAY



Saint of Tin Miners, and inspiration for the Cornish flag  
Fly or wear the flag on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March

## PROGRAMME 2010

### *Annual General Meeting*

**Saturday 6 March 2010**

Denistone Room

Ryde Eastwood Leagues Club, West Ryde

10.30am for Meeting at 11:00am

*Reports, elections etc*

*(see details attached)*

### *St. Piran's & 35 Year Lunch*



**Saturday 6 March 2010**

**12:30pm**

*(Urgent RSVP required - by 9pm Tues 23rd*

*February - See more details inside)*



### **WIDER COMING EVENTS**

*Next South Coast Events*

[Southern Sons of Cornwall Inc](http://www.southern-sons-of-cornwall.com.au)

For more details contact:

Sonia Reuter as Events Co-ordinator  
Sonia's phone number is 02 4421 8187 and  
her email address is:  
[oneandall2@bigpond.com](mailto:oneandall2@bigpond.com)

**AGM:** At 173 St Anne Street, Nowra on Sunday 28th  
February, 2010 commencing at 11.30am. *Social*

function following – RSVP to Sonia by email, or on 02  
44218187 after 22/2

### [Central Coast Cornish Interest \(CCFHS\)](http://www.centralcoastfhs.org.au)

Contact: Kay Radford [kay1@centralcoastfhs.org.au](mailto:kay1@centralcoastfhs.org.au)

### *Australian Celtic Festival*

**Glen Innes NSW**

*The Year of the Manx*

**Friday 30 Apr – Sunday 2 May 2010**



For details of Accommodation, programme & bookings contact the  
Glen Innes Visitor Information Centre - Tel: 02 6732 2397 Fax: 02  
6732 6090. [info@gleninnestourism.com](mailto:info@gleninnestourism.com)

Programme and on-line bookings also at:

<http://www.australiancelticfestival.com/>

### *Celtic Cultural Experience*

**Late May, 2010**

Teralba, Lake Macquarie – An official CANSW activity  
this year. A wonderful event, with great workshops,  
displays, performances, and a Saturday evening Ceilidh  
for all to enjoy.

PO Box 34 Kotara Fair, NSW 2289 or

[westwick1@dodo.com.au](mailto:westwick1@dodo.com.au)

Contact Margaret Kenning 02 4952 1327

*More details in our Newsletter soon.*

### **4th Berry Celtic Festival**

**Saturday 22 May 2010**

at the David Berry Showground, Berry NSW

Enquiries: Col Hanbridge [coldot@shoal.net.au](mailto:coldot@shoal.net.au)

or Contact 02 4234 1346

### **Pasty & Music Afternoon**

**Saturday 20 June**

*More details in our next Newsletter*

### **KERNEWEK LOWENDER**

**10 to 15 May, 2011**

World's largest Cornish Festival, South Australia.

Plan your trip now! Web address:

<http://www.kernewek.org/>

Local info at: <http://www.moontapropress.org.au/>

## Membership - Subscription / Fee

**Fees for 2010/11 become due on 7th March 2010 :**

A Renewal Form is included with this Newsletter

**Please send your fees to – Treasurer  
CANSW, c/o 21 Cliff Rd Epping NSW 2121.  
Cheques payable: 'Cornish Association of  
NSW', with a completed form.**

You may also download and print the pdf file  
(and return the form by post) available from:  
<http://members.optushome.com.au/kevrenor/merlib.htm>

For those without a cheque book, you may pay  
direct: Westpac BSB: 032287, A/C No. 143 725  
Account name: *Cornish Assoc of NSW*;  
and you must include in 'reference': 'Subs-Your  
Name'.

*You must ALSO send us by post/fax/email your  
membership renewal form to cross check, otherwise  
your subs will not be updated in the database.*

## Committee News:

CANSW bank a/c balance at 31/01/10 was \$5,951.20

**Equipment:** Consideration will be given at the next  
meeting for a recommendation to the AGM to  
purchase a Projector for use at meetings and  
functions. This would cost up to \$1,000 or so.

Options being investigated. Experience from  
members would be welcome as would your thoughts  
on this idea.

### Next Committee Meeting –

**11.30am for working lunch on Sunday 21  
February, 2010 at Lyon's, 45 Mason St.  
Maroubra – ph 02 9349 1491.**

Members welcome (rsvp) – bring a plate

***Your ideas are always welcome***

**Remember - Maxine Gray** volunteered to be our  
contact for **Family History enquiries** – 14 Janice  
Crescent, Moss Vale, 2577 (02 4869 4958)  
Maxine would love to have your queries.

## Our Lending & Research Library

Our wonderful Library is a tremendous source of  
information for research and entertainment - which  
members should take the opportunity at meetings to  
have a good look. As we now have 460+ items (6 boxes)  
we can only bring 2-3 boxes to each of our Association  
main events. However, a book can be posted out to far  
flung or invalid members and posted back in. A particular  
book/video or box category can be taken to an event, if  
you contact our librarians in the 2 weeks prior to the next  
meeting. Contact *Eddie and Eileen* on **02 9349 1491**  
Email: [ealyon45@gmail.com](mailto:ealyon45@gmail.com)

A full listing can be posted to you on  
request, and is also now available to view  
and / or download in both catalogue Id and  
alphabetical order on the members web site  
at:

<http://members.optushome.com.au/kevrenor/merlib5.htm>

or short link <http://tinyurl.com/46c9cl>

*Eddie Lyon, Librarian*

## PAST EVENTS

**Celtic Australia Day** was a superb day with blue  
skies, good entertainment, spectacular harbour  
sights, and good company. 17 members were  
sighted at various times, some with dual roles  
admittedly; and a number of ex-members. Lovely to  
have a Breton dance group and piper perform.

A short display of **Celtic wrestling** was put on by our  
old friend Gavin Dickson. Cornish Wrasslin is just one  
of a number of forms. A moderate impact sport, so if  
you are interested, a small group is seeking to get  
Pan-Celtic wrestling going in NSW. Gavin can be  
contacted by email at : [coreda@optusnet.com.au](mailto:coreda@optusnet.com.au)

## **Bartimote, Byng Baptisms**

*From John Symonds CANSW Webmaster  
Jlsymo 'at' ozemail.com.au*

Susan Gault of Tinamba in the Gippsland Victoria  
noticed the baptisms of the children of Aaron and  
Mary Bartimote on the Byng Chapel baptism register  
that we had gleaned over past years. In her email, she  
said she had struck a brick family history wall when  
trying to discover more about a young lady, Mary  
Bartimote. who had married into her Downton family,  
living in the Bathurst/Nevertire region of NSW. Could  
we help; and could the name Bartimote have a Celtic  
or Viking origin?

Between us over many emails and searches, we  
discovered the interesting background to this  
Bartimote family. In the Byng records, Aaron  
Bartimote was listed first as a plasterer and then as a  
miner. This was a curious occupation combination  
which could have come from the work he undertook  
in the UK. But where - because the surname did not  
appear in Cornwall records? I did find it in Sheffield  
and Cheshire - then in Gloucestershire.

Bartimote appeared in a large variety of spellings,  
making searches difficult. After much searching,  
Aaron Bartimore appeared to have been born in the  
western side of Gloucestershire so why not do a  
search Wales!

In Pontypool MON (now incorporated in Gwent), I had  
success finding baptisms for two children of Aaron

and Mary Bartemore, both boys though no sign of what happened to them thereafter:

William Bartemore, 3 months old on 28 Apr 1838 at village north of Pontypool named Garndiffaith.. Father's occupation is noted as "tyler" which fits with "plasterer" in the Byng records. George Bartimore, on 8 Mar 1840, also baptised at Garndiffaith Chapel. In this instance, the Father's occupation is listed as "collier", fitting well with "miner" in the Byng records!

Looking at burial records for the Pontypool district, a surprise turned up:- *29 Jan 1846 – David Bartim???, age 9 months, probable son of Aaron and Mary B???* The ??? in the on-line records show records with "unreadable letters".

Returning to Sue Gault's first emails, Aaron and Mary Bartemote (NSW spelling in shipping record) arrived in Sydney with two daughters, Elizabeth (7y old) and Sarah (1y old), under the Government Migration Scheme of Feb 1849 on the ship "John Bright" from Plymouth. Aaron was then 35 years old and Mary was 29y. Looking at the data above for the three boys, William, George and David, it is clear than they were taken by some woeful epidemic that often seemed to drive through those remote coal mining areas of Wales. William and George must have been the first two born and David fitted between the two girls Elizabeth and Sarah.

**Garndiffaith** is a village located in Torfaen, south east Wales. It is a small rural area situated between Talywain and Varteg, three miles north of Pontypool town and 3.5 miles south of the town of Blaenavon which is Heritage listed. It is situated near the old British coal mines and works with the Garndiffaith area renowned for the agricultural and industrial heritage based on mining of iron and coal. The adjacent former British Coal Corporation land is known as "The Balance" after the Water Balance winding mechanism used there.

Meanwhile, Sue Gault had taken my warning about the various spellings of Bartimote in the UK and came up with the marriage Aaron and Mary:

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 1838 in Pontypool, Aaron BARTHOMETER married Mary WILLIAMS.

I had suggested to Sue that the second given name Williams for Ambrose could well be the maiden name of Mary and it did turn out thus. There appear to be other children, perhaps 11 in all born to Aaron and Mary but that is being checked by Sue Gault. There were definitely three more boys born in the Bathurst/Hill End and Orange region:

Abednigo (1857), Mordecai (1860) and Charles (1863).

These given names had triggered off in my mind the thought that those names were prevalent in the Wales

coal mining areas with the children being baptised in small Protestant Chapels.

All of this search originated from the query about the Bartimore baptisms in Byng, again adding to the delight of many descendants of those listed therein.



## CORNISH DIASPORA

A new web site has been launched by the Federation of Old Cornwall Societies, in conjunction with Bewnans Kernow, the Partnership of Cornish Cultural Organisations, to help what has been called 'the Cornish diaspora', the Cornish exiles and their descendents if you like. It shows links to most of the Cornish Associations around the world. The URL is: <http://www.oldcornwall.org/Diaspora.htm>

**The 7th Australian Conference of Celtic Studies** will take place at the University of Sydney, from **Wednesday 29 September to Saturday 2 October 2010**. Further announcements, including a call for papers, will be issued soon. Celticists wishing to be put on the mailing-list for the Conference are invited to send details to: [aahlqvist@usyd.edu.au](mailto:aahlqvist@usyd.edu.au)

## MEMBERS MILESTONES

*We think of those who are unwell (let us know please), or with long term chronic illness*

## CANSW Public & Members Web Pages:

<http://www.ozemail.com.au/~jlsymo/cansw.htm>  
(This is the public face of the Association – Thanks to John Symonds, our hard working Webmaster).

Other members resources are available here:

<http://tinyurl.com/kwagu>

it is a members' only site – short URL above – or <http://members.optushome.com.au/kevrenor/merlib.htm>  
(Access to members 'stuff' – membership form, sample newsletters, talks, list of sales items and latest library items, etc.)

Editorial note: The content of this newsletter does not necessarily reflect official views of the CANSW, but rather of the various contributors and sources! If someone is sick then please let me know for a get-well message, or other news please!

The next Newsletter is April / May 2010. Deadline is 6 April. Items (emailed, or on disk, or even typed for scanning) very welcome!

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## CANSW A.G.M

Saturday 6 MARCH 2010

Willandra Room

RYDE EASTWOOD LEAGUES CLUB

10:30am, start at 11am

(ie. Before the lunch)

***Reports and Financial accounts will be presented (see last newsletter), and the election of new office bearers and committee for 2010/11:***

***President, Treasurer, & Secretary,***

***And 6-12 other committee members***

***(plus volunteers not on Committee are wanted to help with a range of activities)***

Notice of motion – a motion for purchase of a data/video projector has been notified by the Committee

Open Forum, bring your ideas for our programme. Please consider serving on the Committee - we always need new ideas and enthusiasm.

## St Piran's Lunch & 35 Year Celebration

Saturday 6 March



12.30pm (\$40 each\*)

Willandra Room  
RYDE EASTWOOD  
LEAGUES CLUB  
Ryedale Road, West Ryde

*Plenty of parking under the club, off Wattle Street, and 100m from West Ryde Station (that is between Hornsby & Strathfield)*

All members (and their guests) are very welcome! The Association has 'in faith' again booked (and will have to pay for) the menu option for 40 people - so your attendance will be very appreciated!

A range of soft / fruit drinks will \* be on your table and available service for any other drinks is

available at your own cost from the bar outside the room.

You'll love this gathering and time of good and plentiful food, and enjoyable friendship!

For country and regional members – we may have some **Billets** available. Those who can provide billeting, or need billets please contact us. **Transport needs?** – Don't let that stop you! If you need a lift to the AGM / lunch and /or home afterwards please also contact us! We may be able to assist you.

**Special food?** Special diet needs? Contact us when RSVPing!



**Note:** If you are attending the lunch please **RSVP:**

**By 9pm Tues 23rd February**

**Ring Ruth on 02 9639 5365**

**Or ring Joy on 02 9876 2893** (answer phone)  
**or email [ruthrussell@bigpond.com](mailto:ruthrussell@bigpond.com) or [jdunkerley@optusnet.com.au](mailto:jdunkerley@optusnet.com.au)**

You must RSVP - The \$40.00 may then be paid by cheque to Cornish Association of NSW sent to 21 Cliff Rd Epping 2121, direct deposit to Westpac BSB 032287 A/C 143 725, or on the day. RSVP is a commitment to pay.

### The Menu? Yum!

**Hot Entrees** – eg. Curry Prawns, Chicken a la King, Sate Beef, Beef Lasagne, Fried Rice / Noodles.

**Carvery** – Roast Pork, Beef, Lamb, with baked potato and baked pumpkin.

**Cold Cuts** – Ham, Turkey, Corned Beef, salami.

**Salads** – Caesar, Potato, Coleslaw, Seafood Pasta, Garden Fresh, Fresh Fruit.

**Desserts** – An array of **Tortes** etc.

Plus of course **Tea / Coffee**, and mints



### The Afternoon?

Befitting St Piran's Day, the tables will be suitably decorated, and please feel free to come in Cornish colours – Black & Gold, B&W, or Tartan, or Celtic dress

**Afterwards** – hear about our 35 years, toasts, music, poetry, & your contribution?

\* *Under 12 years - \$25.00, Under 3 years – free*



# CORNISH ASSOCIATION OF NSW - MEMBERSHIP FORM

SUBSCRIPTION: \$15.00 within Australia

Date: / /

YEAR: 2010/11 (from 7/3/10) New / Renewal

Post to: CANSW c/o 21 Cliff Rd Epping NSW 2121

Cheques payable to: Cornish Association of NSW OR CANSW please

Bank direct: BSB 032-287 A/C 143-725

Title: Mr Mrs Miss Ms Dr (circle)

First Name : ..... Surname : .....

Address : .....  
 .....Postcode .....

Phone No: ( ) .....

E-Mail: ..... (see below)

Mobile telephone: .....

Fax number: ( ) .....

My yearly membership subscription of \$15.00 is enclosed. A donation of \$ is also enclosed

### Household Details (Membership is 'by household')

### Optional Details

\* (Cornish by B=Birth, D=Descent, M=Marriage, I=Interest)

Name
Self .....
Spouse .....
Child 1 .....
Child 2 .....
Child 3 .....
Child 4 .....
Other person .....
Other person .....

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Comments:

### Interests:

Family history research interests:

Family Name	Area/s	Period/s
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Option: Please send my Newsletter in pdf format to my email address, in lieu of a printed copy. YES / NO

By submitting this form I agree to my address (including phone & e-mail) being made available to fellow members.

The Cornish Association is a non-political, non-religious organisation set up in 1975 bringing together people of Cornish birth, descent, or interest, in order to promote social, cultural, language, family history, and other matters!

A member of the Celtic Council of Australia, and in contact with Cornish Associations in Australia & around the world!

Contact: CANSW Secretary on (02) 9876 2893 or E-mail: kevrenor@ozemail.com.au

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Due from 7/3/10 Paid: YES / NO Donation: \$

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