

THE AREA ADMINISTRATORS CORNER

Dear Members,

Replies are still being received for our Anniversary dinner, to be held on the 25th of August.

Our only guest speaker for the evening will be Faye Guthrie.

Faye has also offered with other speakers, to come to Warrnambool and hold a one day Seminar on a Saturday to be arranged.

Mrs Irene Sheppard has offered to become Secretary of our group, and I thank Irene for this.

The 1984 edition of the I.G.I. has arrived and is available at the reference library at Flagstaff Hill.

Our August meeting will again be a members night, to allow members to have a workshop type night and also make any final arrangements for the Anniversary dinner.

For our September meeting, I hope that we will have a guest speaker.

Noel Hallam
Area Administrator.



GENEALOGICAL GLEANINGS

The July - August issue of IRELAND OF THE WELCOMES has articles on 'The Magic of Connemara,, two related to the 'Dingle Peninsular,, 'Mayo's Sleeping Giant', 'Clifden Arts Festival, and 'Through The Brass-Lidded Eye' on the first ever photographs of Ireland and the Irish. By-ways Rather Than Highways looks at the 'Mountains of Mayo'.

Volume 6 number 5 of FAMILY TREE magazine has part 2 of 'Old Occupations Was Your Ancestor an FWK', the final part of 'A Journey Across London', an article on 'The Victorian Military Society, and an article requesting information on exservicemen including RAAF titled 'Fitting Tribute'. An article titled 'The Story of a Rare Surname' is worth reading also. A list of members of 'The Scottish Association of Family History Societies, is included. Tom Woods begins a new series of 'Family History For Beginners' with part 1 of Wills and Other Probate Records and finally Althea Douglas answers 'Can You Date Heirloom Photographs From Childrens Clothes ?'

Volume 6 number 6 of FAMILY TREE magazine has part 1 of 'Old Occupations The Paper Makers', an article on 'A Frontiersman' dealing with the Legion of Frontiersmen, details of new certificate rates with effect 1st April 1990, an article on forenames titled 'Forenames to the Fore,, an interesting article on how names sound titled 'Fonetix Phor Phamly Istry' could be useful for those having trouble finding a missing ancestor(s). Part 1 of 'Unfamiliar Sources for Family Historians - Poverty and Comfort' on the Booth Studies of London Life discusses a series of publications on the people of London. World Wide Connection has an article titled 'A Cave-dweller In Germany' and another titled 'Joseph Bridge - An Australian Pioneer'. Part 2 of Tom Wood's 'Family History For Beginners - Wills and Other Probate Records' completes this issue.

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THE IRISH CONNECTION (cont)

The Celtic nation originally arose in the area between eastern France and Switzerland and eventually spread west to the British Isles, south to Spain and Italy, west to Greece and north to Germany. The Celts who came to Ireland are classified as Q Celts whilst those in Britain and Gaul were P Celts.

The Picts in Scotland were part of the Cruithin tribe who in later times were forced into the highlands when a tribe of the Gaeil known as Scotii invaded the lowlands and gave Scotland their name.

The Erainn were known as Ivernia in Latin and from this came the Ancient name of Hibernia, Ireland was Eueriio which became Eire the current name of the Irish Republic. Northern tribes of Erainn included Dal Riada from which came the area called the Route in northern Antrim and Derry and Uluti or Ulaid from which came the name of Ulster. Southern tribes of the Erainn included Ui Bairrche which became Bargy, Fir Maige, Deisi, Muscraige and Ciarrage.

The Laigin from who came Leinster forced the Erainn to the remoter areas of Ireland such as the Aran Islands. Tribes of the Laigin included Osraige which became Ossory, Ui Maine, Domnainn, Gallioin which became Gallen, Ui Ceinnselaigh which became Hy Kinsella and Comma icne from who came the families of Reynolds and O'Farrell.

The Gaeil are termed Helvic Quariates to identify their origin and were called Gaodhail by the Erainn, this tribe is the origins of the Gaelic families who ruled most of Ireland up until the time of the Normans.

The southern Gaeil or Eoganact was the origin of such families as O'Connell, O'Sullivan and McCarthy. Southern Ireland was known as Leth Moga Nuadat which eventually became Munster. In the midlands Connachta became Connacht. A Kingdom was formed at Tara in Meath which became the residence of the High King of Ireland. From this tribe came Niall of the Nine Hostages High King of Ireland.

Niall's brother Brian was the Ancestor of the O'Reilly and O'Rourke families, his son Eoghan of the O'Niells, Conall of the O'Donnells and Laoghaire of the O'Melaghlins. Eoghan and Connal and a third brother Enda defeated the Ulaid who ruled Ulster forcing the Ulaid into eastern Ulster, east of the Bann. They then built Tir Eoghan and Tir Connal kingdoms in western Ulster based on Donegal, Derry and Tyrone. These families became known as the northern Ui Neill whilst those of their family who had remained in Meath became the southern Ui Neill. These two branches of the family shared the High Kingship of Ireland until 1002.

The following families are some of those descended from the Gaeil;

O'Loughlan, O'Kane, O'Hagan, O'Hara, McGilligan, McCloskey, McGuire, Gillespie, O'Hanlon, McGee, McShane, O'Duffy.

There are literally thousands of families descended from the Gaeil the Celt tribe who had the largest influence on the peoples of Ireland.

Next month we will look at the Vikings and the Normans.



The Ordnance Survey of Ireland took place between the years 1825 and 1846, the whole of Ireland was surveyed at a scale of six inches to a mile, the original maps thus produced for Northern Ireland can be viewed at the Northern Ireland Ordnance Survey Office in Belfast and copies may be purchased from there.

WHERE DO YOU GET IT

I have had some requests about where you obtain different magazines, books, records and the like so from time to time this column will attempt to answer these queries. This month we will look at the magazines I regularly mention.

FAMILY TREE magazine can be ordered through Library of Australian History, PO Box 795, North Sydney NSW 2060. Subscription can be for 6 issues \$22.50 or for 12 issues for \$45.00. Payment by cheque/money order or credit card to Library of Australian History.

SCOTS LINK and IRISH LINK, both are obtainable from PO Box 135, South Melbourne VIC 3205 A two year subscription (8 issues) beginning in June of each year costs \$25.00 for IRISH LINK and the same for SCOTS LINK but beginning in May of each year.

IRELAND OF THE WELCOMES is obtainable from Ireland of the Welcomes, Subscriber Services, PO Box 84, Limerick IRELAND. Subscription of \$19.00/year, \$31.0012 years or \$42.0013 years by cheque in Australian currency to payable to Ireland of the Welcomes. Published by Bord Failte, the Irish Tourist Board.

INSIDE IRELAND is obtainable from Inside Ireland, Rookwood, Stocking Lane, Ballyboden, Dublin 16 IRELAND. Subscription by cheque in Australian currency payable to Inside Ireland to value of \$46.00/year which covers 4 issues. Published by Isteach Ireland Ltd.



THE NEWSPAPERS OF NORTHERN IRELAND

COUNTY ANTRIM

Antrim Times
Ballymena Times
Ballymena Guardian
Carrickfergus Advertiser
Coleraine Constitution
Northern Constitution, Coleraine
Ulster Star, Lisburn

COUNTY ARMAGH

Armagh Gazette
Armagh Observer
Lurgan Mail
Portadown News
Portadown Times

COUNTY DOWN

Banbridge Chronicle
Down Recorder, Downpatrick
Dromore Leader
Mourne Observer, Newcastle
Newry Reporter
Newtownards Chronicle

COUNTY FERMANAGH

Fermanagh Herald, Enniskillen
Impartial Reporter, Enniskillen

COUNTY TYRONE

Dungannon Observer
Tyrone Democrat, Coalisland
Tyrone Constitution, Omagh
Tyrone Courier, Dungannon

COUNTY LONDONDERRY

Derry Journal
Londonderry Sentinel

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NEWS FROM FLAGSTAFF HILL MARITIME VILLAGE

THE WARRNAMBOOL LIFEBOATS

PART TWO

The following article supplied by Sue Ellen Goldstraw of Flagstaff Hill traces the history of Warrnambools two lifeboats from 1859 to the present time, the second of these lifeboats which was retired from active service in the 1950's is now kept at Flagstaff Hill where it is currently being restored by Flagstaff Hill Staff. The first part of this article appeared in the July issue this second part concludes the article.

LIFEBOAT 1911 - (cont)

In December of 1914 the lifeboat and crew were called upon to inspect the scene of the shipwreck 'Antares'. It took eight hours for the boat to travel from Warrnambool to the wreck site which was between Childers Cove and the Bay of Islands. They had a favourable north wind and the sea was very flat. the crew discovered a body from the wreck and brought it back to Warrnambool in a whaleboat towed behind the lifeboat. The lifeboat was towed back to Warrnambool by the steamer 'Eumerella'.

Between the years 1951 and 1954 the lifeboat was manned under the guidance of Captain Carrington. Ports and Harbours requested that a lifeboat be manned by a strong and competent crew ready for action in case of emergency. Captain Carrington held lifeboat practice monthly on a Sunday morning.

The lifeboat was stored in a shed located at the base of the breakwater adjacent to the slipway (traces of its foundations can still be seen today). Here it was suspended by davits and hauled in and out of the water using a hand winch which was a very strenuous task.

The standard drill involved the Captain and the crew rowing clear of the breakwater with the use of oars and then using the aid of sail. The men would travel out approximately two and a half miles towards Gauls Cave and back again with periods of rowing in between.

The lifeboat spent most of the 1960's bolted to the Port Fairy lifeboat. Together they were used as barges associated with dredging the Moyne River at Port Fairy.

In 1975 the Warrnambool lifeboat was finally transported to its current resting place, Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village, Warrnambool. On 23rd May 1990 the lifeboat was lifted from the water and placed in a cradle where restoration has begun under the supervision of Flagstaff Hill boatbuilder Ken Fitzgibbon.

The hull is in a sound condition and only requires routine maintenance. The watertight compartment at the stern however, requires reframing and reconstruction. Visitors to Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village are able to view and discuss the restoration with Ken. When this work is completed the boat will be repainted and returned to its mooring in the harbour at Flagstaff Hill.



TELEPHONE BOOKS AS A SOURCE FOR FAMILY HISTORY

Have you ever considered telephone books as a source for locating family members here in Australia or overseas, personal experience proves it works.