

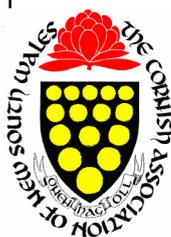
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PROGRAMME 2019/2020

SYDNEY BASED EVENTS

Cornish Pasty Meetup

Wednesday 22 May, 2019

At the *Cousin Jack's Pasty Co.* store in **Bondi Junction Mall** (5/175-181 Oxford St)

11:30am for 12 lunch

(Ring David Evans on 0468 347 316 if lost or running late)



Take Train or Bus to Bondi Junction station, and walk to

the centre of the mall. just come along and share a pasty lunch, coffee and a chat, or perhaps before/after big store shopping make it part of a day out in the City or Bondi Junction, or nearby Bondi

www.cousinjackspastyco.com

Pasty Day

Hosted by *Betty Bevins* at her home in Warriewood

Sunday 11 August, 2019

Always a wonderful day of proper Pasties, great company, chat and warm hospitality.

End of Year Lunch

Circular Quay

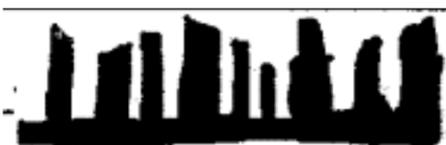
20 November, 2019

(Please save the date to your diaries or calenders)

FESTIVALS

27th Australian Celtic Festival

Glen Innes, NSW – The Year of Scotland



**Friday 2 –
Sunday 5
May, 2019**

Some Cornish will be there! Hope to see you .. For more information on program of events and accommodation, and booking keep looking at:

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

Cornish involvements:

Friday: Official Opening – Town Hall (Cornish Guardians of the Stones) & Lunch for Guardians; Informal dinner 6pm – Ring Joy if interested.

Saturday: 9am Main Parade – meet in Grey St. near Woolworths; then various Sat. activities at the Stones – enquire at Celtic Council tent; see our Guardians in Guardians Ceremony

Sunday: 10:50am Cornish ceremony at the Stones (meet at the Cornish Stone for short march)

Contact Joy asap on joy.dunkerley@gmail.com or 0428 617 830 if expecting to be there at all at the weekend!

Kernewek Lowender

Australia's Little Cornwall, South Australia:

Tuesday 14 - Sunday 19 May, 2019



This will be the 24th Kernewek Lowender, and at it the 33rd Assembly of the Bards of Cornwall in Australia will also be held. Let Joy know if you want to go. Full programme available. Bookings and more details: <http://www.kernewek.org/>

MEMBERSHIP

Fees for 2020/2020 became due after the AGM, ie. from 3rd March, 2019. Thanks to those who have renewed already!

IF you are recorded with us as still to pay - a form is enclosed with this newsletter for your use!

Committee News:

Bank account at 31/03/19 bal: \$8,890.10
Year to date (1st Qtr):
Income \$1,898.51 [Donations \$138, Functions \$1,100, Interest \$2.16, Sales income \$178.35, Membership subscriptions \$480 (32)]
Expenses \$1,774.20 [Functions \$1,621, Newsletter \$40.70, Operating \$72.50 (AGM), Affiliation CCA \$40] Note: significant loss on St Piran's lunch.
- YTD is \$124.31 surplus

"The AGM on 2 March went well, and St Piran's lunch was most enjoyable (especially being there this time). Thanks to all who came, it is just a shame so few were able to make it, and given our struggles to make the minimum numbers now and the continuing loss, sameness of the day, we will be looking at some alternatives for next year. Suggestions welcome. Looking forward to seeing a few of you in Glen Innes next month. I wonder whether anyone else is willing to be coopted to the Committee (1 or 2 meetings a year, or by phone / email etc.) to ensure we have the best input from members? Let me know. Joy Dunkerley, President

Some of your 'new' Committee met on Sunday 7 April (with the Treasurer on loudspeaker phone). It appointed Ruth Cocks as Minutes Secretary, and Chris Dunkerley as Editor, reviewed the first quarter accounts, and the St Piran's lunch. The initial programme for the year was set. The issue of best use of our financial reserves, raised at the AGM, was discussed. It was decided to set aside \$1,000 as suggested by Russell Cocks for appropriate work by the Byng Church Trust (as our long term working bee support is no longer possible). Joy Dunkerley had also raised fundraising for a Celtic monument in Brisbane, and it was decided to add \$200 to funds donated by members, to ensure the Cornish are mentioned on the plaque.

The Changes to the **Rules of our Association** were passed at the AGM, unanimously. A copy as amended is sent out with this Newsletter, and is also available for viewing, download, or printing at:

<http://members.optusnet.com.au/kevrenor/canswrul.pdf>

You and your ideas are always welcome

FROM the Annual General Meeting

Thank you to the 18 who attended this year's AGM (and the 15 apologies). It is one of those necessary events & it went off smoothly again.

Treasurer's Report for fin. year 2018

The Statement consisting of the Income & Expenditure Statement and a partial Balance Sheet was prepared in accordance with the Rules of Association, signed by me as Honorary Treasurer, and adopted by the Committee at 7 January 2019.

It is submitted for formal receipt by this AGM meeting. I therefore move receipt, and in so doing make the following report:

The gross operating result was a surplus for the year of \$24.42*

Income for the year 2018 was \$3,007.37
and expenditure \$2,982.95

In the indicative partial Balance Sheet our current **Assets** increased to \$8,959.29 while **Liabilities** were \$40 – current; **net worth** therefore was \$8,919.29 (a bare rise, after a 6% rise last year).

This assets level and the small operational surplus is as predicted last year: due to savings on postage, kind donations, and sales - despite a subsidy for St Piran's lunch and buying a new box of prepaid envelopes.

Note: any accounting value of non-current assets (library, sales stock, and misc equipment, etc) is not included.

The **current account** (bank) balance at 31/12/2018 was \$8,765.79

For the future: despite our dropping numbers; cost savings (eg. advance buy of envelopes, emailed newsletters), your generous donations (money and in kind), sales, and fund-raising, on top of our long-held reserves, mean we are still in an excellent state financially – remember, members input to the Committee on use of their funds is always welcome.

Members making direct payments by electronic transfer can now consider doing so under the new banking NPP system using Osko - set up a new payee of the CANSW

with Westpac BSB 032-287 and our A/C number 143-725. Payment will be immediate and you can include more details explaining who is paying and what for.

While keeping an eye on costs & income, the Committee has retained the membership subscription fee at \$15 for at least another year; and this is due from the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting.

NB: The \$15.00 fee has been held now for an amazing 20 years - to allow all who wish to be members to do so, and is thus very good value. Report adopted by AGM.

Joy Dunkerley

Hon. Treasurer 02/03/2019

President's Report 2018/19

Thank you for the honour of being President for the past year (my 12th). Our activities were of course few again this year, but those we had seem to have been successful.

As President, being 500km away from Sydney I cannot attend all Sydney based meetings/functions. Thanks to those arranging them. Around the state we had 2 meetings, and 4 functions/outings, plus presence at 2 festivals in the year. I've been able to meet up with quite a few members, despite my year of medical procedures and health recovery.

Some personal highlights have been representing the Association at Glen Innes in May at Glen Innes for the Australian Celtic festival, and representing the Cornish as Guardian of the Standing Stones.

Thank you to Betty Bevins for inviting us into your home again during the year for pasties. Thanks to Del Clinton for organising the End of Year Lunch, and all the little extras, Dave Evans as MC of our lunch, and John Coombs for his music.

Thanks also to all those who contributed to our other meetings and various outings during the year. I hope you have enjoyed them. Thanks to office bearers and members of the Committee for their dedication, hard work, support and friendship.

Sadly we again lost 3 members through death during the year - we remember: the

absence of the huge presence of Geoff Ford, plus Bruce Thomas, and Ernie Blewett.

A personal delight was to be recognised by the Celtic Council with a Celtic honour of C.yC (Cyfaill y Celtiad) on 2 November, 2018.

I am pleased that we are able to continue to hold our *St Piran's lunch* today and hope you will enjoy it this afternoon - and of course it is also our 44th anniversary celebration! I give thanks to those who started the Association, those who have kept it going, and ask that you all to help give it a future.

For the future we need new people now on the Committee, and as well as volunteers for jobs that need doing; plus your ideas for our activities (let the new Committee know).

Please consider standing for office bearers or the Committee, or volunteering to assist in some way - as that is the only way the Association can continue. An active Sydney based sub-committee would help.

Keep on the lookout for new members - personal contact is the best recruiter.

Thank you.

Joy Dunkerley 02/03/2019

Secretary's Report 2018/19

It was another satisfying year for me as Secretary (it must be my 33rd) and of course as a member, despite Joy & I spending much of the year dealing with health problems.

As well as the AGM, we had 1 full Committee planning meeting in November. One Sydney sub-committee meetings was held. Members are always welcome to attend any of these.

Despite new members joining, and a very warm welcome to them, our number has again fallen by a net 4, to only 71 financial households (or about 105 people). Over 40% of those households are from outside of Sydney itself, so we do need to think as a state-wide organisation, though most members functions will still be in the Sydney region.

We obviously need more new members, and active ones, to remain a viable association. We also need to be looking at new ways of

operating to ensure we are not like many Cornish Associations around the world that have closed due to lack of office bearers, or are on 'death's door'. I commend my motions to be put later in the AGM as a small step.

Six (6) newsletters were again issued during the year on a (roughly) bi-monthly basis. Feedback remains positive. Input from members welcome. Our Printing company Mid Coast Printing at Coffs Harbour, are still at a good price and good turn-around time. Due to Joy & my absence overseas for 3 months this year, there will be only 5 newsletters.

Continued contact with fellow Cornish Associations in Australia, and world-wide, has again been a personal joy. I hope to build on that in Moonta in May and Cornwall in September.

Thanks to all those who contribute in other ways – keep connected with other members, help at meetings, float ideas, generously donate prizes for raffles or door prizes, send photos, or articles for the newsletter or to keep us informed.

Thanks to our Minutes Secretary, Ruth, Del with the Sales, and again to our retired Librarians who have done a great (almost thankless job) over many years, and have now downsized / treechanged out of the role.

I hope my roles of Hon. Secretary (& membership officer), and of Editor, have been delivered to members satisfaction. Thank you to the Committee, and particularly to Joy, for their support and patience.

Chris Dunkerley 02/03/2019

Your Committee for 2018/2019

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(Editor, + Celtic Council, membership)

Treasurer - Joy Dunkerley

The other 8 Committee members:

specially appointed from the Committee elected at the AGM to roles to assist the President:

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Vice President – Del Clinton of Camden (Elderslie)/Sussex Inlet - (Ph Camden: 02 4658 1925)

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Our Library

The material has been relocated, and we will bring you more information later.



The full listing of books has been on the CANSW web site for some time. The direct page link to view is:

http://members.optusnet.com.au/~kevrenor/canswlib5_alpha.xls

MEMBERS MILESTONES

Our best wishes to a number of members who have had reported health problems or medical procedures recently. Particularly:

Eileen Lyon

Best wishes to Eileen who has spent a lengthy spell in Wollongong hospital, and has not had much time to enjoy her new Jamberoo home. Best wishes from us all.

Bruce Champion

Bruce has had his prostate operation, clear of cancer, and is doing well.

Joy Dunkerley

Joy had her second mastectomy in Brisbane, clear of cancer and is healing well, and should be right for some fun in Glen Innes.

Congratulations to all those with birthdays during March and April.

Special congratulations to **Betty Bevins** for her 95th birthday in April. **Ruth & Russell Cocks** for their 62nd wedding Anniversary on 20 April.

Please let us know of your good news, special events, or of those who are ill.

QUOTE

"The thorough Cornishman's respect for his own shrewdness and that of his clan is unbounded, or only equalled by his profound contempt for 'foreigners from the east!'" - Herman Merivale, 'Cornwall', in The Quarterley Review No. 102, 1857.

SOME CORNISH SURNAMES – a series

Rosevear – From 'ros + vur', big heath/moor. Placenames Rosevear, St. Austell, and Mawgan in Mineage. Found mostly in mid Cornwall.

Rosewall – From *res-(g)wal*; ford by the rampart. Placename Rosewall, Towednack (Ryswall 1327). Found in far west Cornwall. [Famous Australian tennis player. Also the Editor has Rosewall's in his family].

Roskelly / Roskilly – From *res*, ford, or *ros*, heath + *kelly* (by grove of trees). Placename Roskilly, St. Keverne. Found in mid Cornwall.

Rosewarne – From From *ros* + *(g)wern*; heath with alder trees. Placename Rosewarn (Roswern 1380). Found in west Cornwall.

Roskrow / Roscrow – From *ros* + *crow*; heath with a hut. Placename Roscrow, St. Gluvias.

Roskruge – From *ros* + *cruk*; heath of the barrow/mound. Placename Roskruge, St. Anthony in Meneage. Found in mid west Cornwall.

Rouse / Rowse / Rows – (see also Ruse) – From *ros*, heath of promontary. Placenames Rouse, Pillaton; Roose, Laneast and Treneglos. Widely spread throughout Cornwall.

Rule / Rowell / Ryall – From Cornish personal name *Ryual* (powerful king), and Cornish word *rewl*: direction, control, rule. Placenames Trerule (Trerewal 1310), St. Germans; Reawla, Gwinear. Found in mid west, mid, and southeast Cornwall.

Sallows / Sallos / Sallis - From parish name Lansallos, *Lan* + *Salwys*.

Sandry / Saundry – From *sentry*; sanctuary/glebe. Found in mid & north Cornwall.

Sara – A Cornish surname for at least 7 centuries. Obscure derivation. Found in mid & west Cornwall. [Surname of famous quadruplets born in Bellingen in 1950]

FEATURE STORIES

PREVIOUS FUNCTION – St Piran's Celebration and 44 year Lunch (2 March)

Twenty eight members and friends (including Jill Beard visiting from Victoria, and others like Stella Aubrey and Cathy Olds down from Newcastle) were able to attend.

A great shame that quite a few were unable to attend due to unforeseen circumstances.

It was nonetheless a very pleasant afternoon made even better by the music of Jacqui and John, and Del's little extras.





hermitage, which was converted to a priory and moved a short distance south to Gorran.

The wellhouse is thought to date from the mid-16th Century and is located near the main door of St. Petroc's Church in Bodmin. It is thought that the actual spring is located somewhere underneath the church, as records from the early 16th Century refer to the construction of aqueducts to carry water through the church to a site outside the churchyard.

SOME NOTED FOLK OF CORNWALL – a series

John Couch Adams - discovered the planet Neptune, astronomer, mathematical genius
John Couch Adams was born in Laneast, near Launceston, Cornwall on June 5, 1819, and died in Cambridge, England on Jan. 21, 1892 . The Cornish name Couch is pronounced 'cooch'. His parents were Tabitha Knill Grylls and Thomas Adams.

The family was a poor one with Thomas being a tenant farmer while Tabitha also came from a farming family. Thomas and Tabitha farmed near Launceston, Cornwall, and it was on *Lidcott farm* that John, the eldest of his parents seven children, was born. John Couch Adams was named after his mother's uncle, John Couch. It is particularly fitting that this should be the case since John Couch provided some education for Tabitha who inherited his library which included several astronomy books. It was this library, particularly the astronomy books in it, which fired John's interest as he grew up.



St Guron's Well at St Petroc's Bodmin. This is covered by a small building of granite at the western entrance to the churchyard. St. Guron was a hermit who established his cell on the site of the present St. Petroc's Church in Bodmin. St. Guron is generally credited with being the founder of Bodmin. When St. Petroc arrived from Padstow, St Guron gave up his



Young Adams was educated in local schools before being sent to Cambridge University - this being paid for by inheritance money. His most famous achievement was predicting the existence and position of Neptune, using only mathematics. The calculations were made to explain discrepancies with Uranus's orbit and the laws of Kepler and Newton. At the same time, but unknown to each other, the same calculations were made by Urbain Le Verrier. Le Verrier would send his coordinates to Berlin Observatory astronomer Johann Gottfried Galle, who confirmed the existence of the planet on 23 September 1846, finding it within 1° of Le Verrier's predicted location .

He was Lowndean Professor in the University of Cambridge from 1859 until his death. He won the Gold Medal of the Royal Astronomical Society in 1866. In 1884, he attended the International Meridian Conference as a delegate for Britain.

Adams made substantial and numerous important contributions to celestial mechanics and received many honours but he remained a Cornishman of humble stock.

So important was Adams work for the world, that his name is commemorated by a crater being named for him on the moon and also a planetoid also named for him, '1996 Adams', a stony asteroid from the inner regions of the asteroid belt, about 13 kilometers in diameter. It was discovered on 16 October 1961, at the U.S. Goethe Link Observatory near Brooklyn, Indiana, by the Indiana Asteroid Program.

NEWS

NATIONAL LIBRARY & ARCHIVE CENTRE of CORNWALL

Lyverva Genedhlek Kernow/National Library of Cornwall, in Redruth - Construction work is nearly complete on what is colloquially known as 'Kresen Kernow' (Cornish centre), and they are looking forward to receiving the keys any

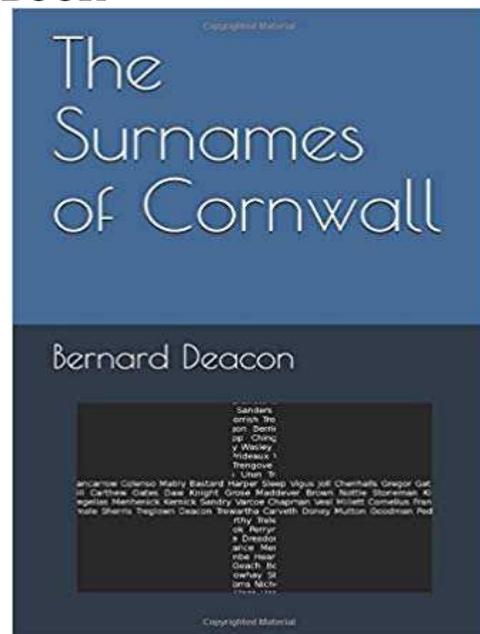
day now. With 14 miles of shelving it is a massive facility. They are currently labelling the 16,000 shelves in our two strongrooms, ready to start moving the collections in April.

The collections are all ready to go, thanks to the dedicated team of staff and volunteers who have spent months checking, wrapping and packing, ready for the move. They aim to have all the collections in by the end of May, although it will take a long while longer to update all their new location codes on the database (all 1.5 million items!).

Once the collections move has started we will be able to finalise our loose furniture and exhibition layouts, so they can be installed after Easter. Still planned to open during the northern hemisphere summer.



NEW BOOK -



Cornwall has a unique stock of surnames. Some of these have their origin in the Cornish

language. Many are also found in other parts of the UK but are particularly common in Cornwall. A number evolved from distinct local spellings of names. Because Cornwall in the 1800s was one of Europe's major emigration regions many of its surnames are now familiar in North America and Australasia. This is a guide to many of these names in Cornwall. It gives the meanings for 700 of the most common recorded surnames or the most unique to Cornwall in past times, and it describes the areas in which the names originated and where they were found in the 1800s.

Purchase from:

<https://www.amazon.com/Surnames-Cornwall-Bernard-Deacon/dp/0951391852>

USA MAYFLOWER PILGRIMS

Almost 400 years ago, 100 colonists set off from the shores of Europe, bound for the New World of the Americas. The ship which transported the first mostly English Pilgrims from to America in 1620 is renowned for forming part of the country's history - and its creation myth. Plymouth, Devon, was their often said to be their last stop in the Old World and they named their new settlement after it. However a historian claims to have uncovered new evidence to prove that, in fact, the ship last left from Newlyn, Cornwall.

PLAS AN TAVES

This is Plas an Tavas = Language Place - Introducing you to some daily Kernewek, the ancient Celtic language of Cornwall today, to practice.

Pronunciation? Cornish is mainly phonetic

More: <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/the-cornish-language/cornish-language/>

In this issue you will learn: Easter phrases ..

Torthellow krows tomm - Hot cross buns

Na wra dybri re a jocket - Don't eat too much chocolate

Ottomma an Koninik Pask - Here's the Easter Bunny

Pask Mas! Good Easter!

Helgh oy Pask - Easter egg hunt



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Silly Sayings - Church notices

“Weight Watchers will meet at 7pm at the Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance”



CANSW Public & Members Web Pages:

Please have a look through all the pages on our web site; especially the NSW 'Sites' pages developed by our own (late) Dr John Symonds. Tell your friends! Suggested updates or new content are welcome.

www.celticcouncil.org.au/cornish/nsw.htm

Dates coming up ... *Feast day St Enoder 27th April, Trevithick Day, Camborne 25 April, Feast day St Teath 1 May, Padstow 'Obby 'Oss & Hal an Tow 1 May, Helston Furry 8 May.*

YOUTUBE VIDEO

Our old friend Dr Lyn Olsen has alerted us to a video of two scenes from the Cornish miracle play - **Beunans Meriasek: St Meriasek and King Teudar in Cornwall**, as performed for the first Australian conference of Celtic Studies, University of Sydney (1992), in the Symour Centre Theatre. Enjoy!

https://youtu.be/s_TIJ6ioylo

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

The next Newsletter no. 380 is for May / June / July 2019. Copy Deadline is by 22 May.

Note: Nos 380 and 381 will be for 3 months each, due to the absence of the Editor for 3 months overseas (incl. 3 weeks in Cornwall).

Contributions may be held for future use but more (electronic - emailed preferred) are welcome!

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