

Visual Talks & Guided Walks

Supporting
Newquay Museum
Cornish Cultural Hub Tewynblustri
Kowethas Ertach Kernow

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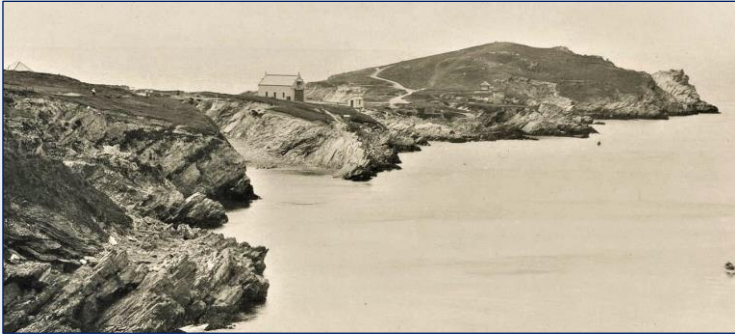


Illustrated Talks

- Newquay's West End
 - Along Newquay's Fore Street
 - Newquay's Lifeboat History
 - Newquay Then & Later (*various versions*)
 - Newquay from its Earliest Times / Newquay in History
 - Bravery at Home – Saving Life at Sea (*Newquay during WWI*)
 - Newquay from Pilchards to Tourism
 - Railways to Newquay
 - Central Newquay – *Along Bank Street*
 - Newquay Old Cornwall Society – *Who We Are & What We Do*
 - Newquay's early lifeboats
 - Newquay the growth of tourism
 - The expansion of Newquay
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- Aspects of Cornish History through the Tregellas Tapestry
 - Early Tourists & Tourism to Cornwall
[With special reference to Newquay]
 - Aspects of the Cornish Fishing Industry from its Earliest Times
[With special reference to Newquay]
 - "Unsavory Trade – Cornwall's Wreckers & Smugglers
[With special reference to Newquay]
 - The Song of the Western Men 'Trelawny'
(The Life of Robert Stephen Hawker)
 - The 'Round Castles' of Cornwall
[Launceston, Restormel & Trematon]
 - Richard Earl of Cornwall
(Builder of Tintagel Castle - arguably Cornwall's greatest earl?)
 - North Cornwall coast shipwrecks
 - The early Celtic Cornish church
 - Dirty Rotten Boroughs (Cornwall and the Great Reform Act of 1832)
[Accompanied by work carried out by students at Truro & Penwith College History Heritage & Archaeology Fdn Degree Course 2017]

Guided Walks

Various guided walks in and around Newquay can be arranged, these may have to be arranged around tide times. Our most popular is the '**Towan Blystra Marine Walk**', which takes in beautiful views along with a dialogue together with photographs of Newquay from the late 19th century.



'**The Town Trail Walk One**' looks at buildings and places throughout the town from the Great Western Hotel through to the town centre. This explains the changes accompanied by images how these buildings and sites have evolved from the early 19th century to the present day.



'**The Town Trail Walk Two**' looks at buildings and places throughout the town from Newquay Museum through the town centre along Fore Street to Towan Headland. This explains the changes accompanied by images how these buildings and sites have evolved from the early 19th century to the present day.

Other Visual Talks

Len Sheppard will carry out other visual talks on other non-Cornish subjects

Naval Warfare

- Naval Warfare in WWI [Various parts]
- The Royal Navy during the Period of Pax Britannica
 - Part I 1815 to 1890
[End of the Napoleonic War to the Two Power Standard]
 - Part II 1890 to 1914
[The Naval Defence Act 1889 to start of WWI]
- The British Battleship 1906 to 1946
[From the Dreadnought to Obsolescence]

Genealogy

- An Introduction to Family History Research

Historical

Various subjects are being researched and prepared on an ongoing basis as required

Come & visit us at

Newquay Museum
Central House
4-6 Crantock Street
Newquay TR7 1JS

We are adjacent to Newquay bus station opposite the bottom of the St Georges Road car park at the centre of Newquay. Or Crantock Street where the doorway is adjacent to PSP Insurance Solutions, opposite the Lighthouse Cinema.

Proceeds from talks and walks help support Newquay Museum and Kowethas Ertach Kernow (Association for Cornish Heritage)

Cornish Cultural Hub Tewynblustri / The Cornish Coffee Lounge

The Cornish Coffee Lounge is a part of the Newquay Museum and helps encourage visitors to share Newquay and Cornish historic and cultural heritage. Besides a coffeeshop it also hosts a number of events and activities including workshops, music of many types, Celtic language lessons and a shop 'Towan Vintage' selling recycled books on Cornwall and general titles as well as other items. Involvement in the Circular Economy encouraging reuse is an important part of our ethos.

A range of Cornish illustrated talks and music events will be held on Thursday daytime or evenings dependent on demand. The Cornish Coffee Lounge and the adjacent Newquay Museum and Kowethas Ertach Kernow research room are at the centre of the evolving **Cornish Cultural Hub Tewynblustri**. Here Newquay Museum partners work with and encourage interaction with a number of other Newquay based culture and art groups.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/CornishCulturalHubTewynblustri

- Newquay Museum
- Kowethas Kernow Goth Tewynblustri (*Newquay Old Cornwall Society*)
- Kowethas Ertach Kernow (*Association for Cornish Heritage*)
- The Cornish Coffee Lounge (*working with Urban Kelt*)
- Towan Vintage
- An Guntelles Keltec Kernow (*The Celtic Congress Cornwall*)
- Blystra Arts
- History Heritage & Culture / Archaeology (*Truro & Penwith College*)
- Newquay Marine Group
- Newquay Renaissance Project
- Newquay St Piran's Festival Group
- Proper Photography Kernow

About Len Sheppard (Talk Presenter & Guide)

Len is the Coordinator of **Newquay Museum** and **Cornish Cultural Hub Tewynblustri**. He is currently Chair of **Kowethas Kernow Goth Tewynblustri** (*Newquay Old Cornwall Society*) and Director of **Kowethas Ertach Kernow** (*Association for Cornish Heritage*). Len is also Vice-Chair of **An Guntelles Keltec Kernow** (*The Celtic Congress Cornwall*) who support the promotion and development of the Cornish language, Cornish cultural traditions and Cornish economic sustainability. They maintain links with the five fellow Celtic nations. **Bewnans Kernow** a Cornish based group who are setting up a Cornish cultural and education centre in Penzance is also supported by Len who is Vice Chair and a trustee.

Len runs a website at www.cornwallheritage.com where he shares Cornish heritage information, articles and promotes other Cornish history, cultural and environmental groups and organisations. Also, a number of social media platform sites on Facebook, Instagram and TikTok. The **Association for Cornish Heritage** YouTube Channel runs a growing number of videos as well as promoting other Cornish related content on its range of playlists. Len is a regular weekly history and heritage contributor to the **Voice newspapers** under the title **Ertach Kernow** (*Cornwall Heritage*) which are published for eight towns and districts throughout Cornwall.

Len was honoured with a bardship of Gorsedh Kernow in 2020 taking the Kernewek bardic name Kevrennek a Skians (*Sharer of Knowledge*)

Len carries out illustrated talks throughout Cornwall. Those interested in discussing Len giving a talk please contact him at the Email or Mobile number on the front page. Meur ras.