

IRISH KENNEDYS MAILING LIST 36
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All descendants of Irish Kennedys and other interested people are very welcome to join the mailing list.

2015 KENNEDY GATHERING

The fifth annual Irish Kennedy Gathering will be held as follows:

Date: **Sunday 5th July**
Time: **8:00 pm**
Venue: Anglesey Lounge, Kennedy's Pub, Rearcross, County Tipperary, Ireland

The Gathering will be presided over by the Kennedy Chief, Rody Kennedy.



Chief Rody Kennedy

All Irish Kennedy descendants and wellwishers are very welcome to attend. Please bring any photos or documents related to the Irish Kennedys that you would like to share. For those travelling from afar, Rearcross is on the Anglesey Road between Newport and Thurles. If you need accommodation there is plenty available in the City of Limerick, 16 miles from Rearcross.

There have been many hits so far on the notification of this Gathering on the Irish Kennedys Facebook page. It seems we can expect a large crowd. We know that some Australians are planning to attend.

THE OLD FARM GATE

If you needed a gate for your yard in the old days in Ireland you couldn't go to the hardware super store to get one. You went to the blacksmith who would make one up for you with fancy forged forks on the top of the bars. An added bonus was the opportunity to catch up on all of the news for which the blacksmith's forge was the dissemination point. You could probably also trade him some farm produce to pay for the gate.



RESEARCH FOR THE NEXT KENNEDY BOOK “The Upper Ormond Kennedys – Their claims to Tipperary soil?”

Last month we said that by calculating and summarising the various holdings in the Civil Survey it could be seen that Rory O’Kennedy of Killowney held more land than Daniel O’Kennedy of Ballintotty.

We can now add the following:

While it may seem from reading the Civil Survey entries that Daniel is the largest landowner, calculation and totalling of the amounts of land in the portions held by each reveal that Rory held 1371 acres which is more than Daniel who held 973 acres. A separate Rory Kennedy of Rapla and Ballinaclogh held 872 acres mostly in Ballinaclogh and Rapla. A further differentiation arises when the combined values of the various holdings are compared.

Kennedy Landholder	Total Area of Landholdings A. r. p	Total value of Landholdings £. s. d	No of Irish in Home Location in 1659 Census
Rory of Killowney	1371. 00. 00	107. 19. 00	36
Daniell of Ballintotta	973. 02. 00	98. 01. 00	15
Rory of Ballinaclogh	872. 01. 00	129. 06. 00	46

The result indicates that, while he held the least amount of land, Rory of Ballinaclogh held the most valuable land.

WHAT WAS THE POPULATION IN UPPER ORMOND IN 1821 AND 1831?

The following table shows population growth in some areas and decline in others. However, in total the population of Upper Ormond remained stable over the ten year period. It appears that population changes were more in the nature of a redistribution within the borders of Upper Ormond rather than significant growth or decline.

Parish	Population in 1821	Population in 1831	Growth	Decline
Aghnameadle	2,947	2,759	-	188
Ballinaclogh	931	1,149	218	-
Ballygibbon	756	1,054	298	-
Ballymackey	2,980	3,084	104	-
Dolla	1,073	1,041	-	32
Kilkeary	457	659	202	-
Kilmore	4,665	3,762	-	903
Latteragh	968	995	27	-
Kilnaneave	1,510	2,136	626	-
Kilruane	929	1,090	161	-
Lisbunny	1,497	1,443	-	54
Nenagh (Part)	1,135	693	-	442
Templederry	1,764	1,857	93	-
Templedowney	436	474	38	-
TOTALS	22,048	22,196	1,767	1,619

Source: Reports & Papers of the House of Commons. Vol. 56. Population 1836. Comparative Account of the Population in Ireland as taken in 1821 and 1831 (1933) 419.

The Civil Survey of 1654 estimates that there were 28,701 plantation acres of land in the Barony of Upper Ormond. This provides an average of approximately 1.3 acres per person in 1821/31.

Kennedys can be calculated to have owned 8,962 plantation acres of land in Upper Ormond from the information in the Civil Survey. This equates to 31% of the land in the barony. The

Census of 1659 lists 411 families in this barony of which there were 72 Kennedy families. This averages 124 acres per Kennedy family in 1659 compared with the overall average of 70 acres for all Upper Ormond families in 1659. BY Griffiths Valuation c.1850, Kennedys owned virtually no land in Upper Ormond.

THE NAME ANDREW KENNEDY IN UPPER ORMOND

A search of the Baptism Registers for Toomyvara, Kilmore and Templeberry provides the following information on the occurrence of the name Andrew Kennedy.

Baptism of Child Named Andrew Kennedy

1838.01.NR	Kennedy	Andrew	Js. Mary N.R. Kilnafinch	Jno Ryan Mgt Ryan
1846.04.05	Kennedy	Andrew	James Alice Raleigh (Rawley)	Wm. Hackett Anne Lee
1854.07.23	Kennedy	Andrew	Andrew Bgt Daly Silvermines	Thos Kennelly Bgt Corbon

Father Named Andrew Kennedy in Baptism Registers

1844.05.04	Kennedy	James	Andrew Cath. Ryan	Mary Ryan
1845.05.13	Kennedy	John	Andrew Judy Franklin	N.L.
1846.01.29	Kennedy	John	Andrew Alice Ryan Kilnafinch	James Ryan Anstice Burns
1846.11.26	Kennedy	Jeremiah	Andy Joana Guilmartin	John Coughlan Joan Guilmartin
1849.12.20	Kennedy	Thomas	Andrew Peggy Guilmartin	John Ryan Eliza. Guilmartin
1850.08.06	Kennedy	Mary	Andy Judy Franklin	James Harrington Ellen Ryan
1853.02.06	Kennedy	James	Andrew Biddy Daly Silvermines	MI Kennedy Bgt Kenyon
1855.03.11	Kennedy	Patrick	Andy Bgt. Flynn M 1854.--.28	Wm. Burke Cath. Gleeson
1876.12.19	Kennedy	Con	Andrew Anne Crowe Barnagrotty	James Kennedy Mrs Mary Crowe

Witness Named Andrew Kennedy in Baptism Registers

1843.NL.NL.	Kennedy	Michael	Michl. Anne Lynch	Andy Kennedy Mary Kennedy
1848.04.04	Kennedy	Mary	Mat Cath. Berekry	Andy Kennedy Mary Ryan
1875.08.03	Kennedy	Mtt Mary	Hugh Bgt Kennedy	Andrew Kennedy Ellie Kennedy
1878.08.04	Kennedy	Catherine	Hugh Bgt Kennedy	Andrew Kennedy Ellen Ryan
1880.02.29	Kennedy	Patrick	Hugh Bgt Kennedy	Andrew Kennedy Mgt Kennedy
1882.07.22	Kennedy	William	William Mgt. Harrington	Andrew Kennedy Ellen Burke

A REQUEST FROM KIRK WARREN IN CAMBODIA

Kirk is from Castlemaine, Victoria Australia and is currently working in Cambodia. He would love to connect with any Kennedy's remotely connected to his Grandmothers family.

My grandmother (on my father's side) was Mabel Kennedy from 38 New Street, Carrick-on-Suir, Ireland. She was born on 8/4/1896. Her Father was, James Patrick Kennedy born around the year 1864, in Tipperary Town, Co. Tipperary. His father was also called James Kennedy.

James Patrick Kennedy's profession was clerk of the Petty Sessions Court in the town of Carrick-on-Suir in south Co. Tipperary, where he must have moved on gaining appointment in the local court service. James served as clerk of the Petty Sessions in Carrick-on-Suir from at least the 1890s until his retirement in the 1920s. On 27th January in the year 1891,

James Kennedy married Ida Margaret Dean (sometimes also spelt Deane), the daughter of George and Kate Dean, who were from the town of Waterford. George Dean was a jeweller. The Dean family may also have been originally from Co. Tipperary, as in the year 1824 a Celia Dean of Cashel had a 'china and glass' shop on the main street of the town.

My Grandfather Victor Reginald Warren married Mabel Catherine Kennedy, daughter of James Patrick Kennedy & Dean, on the 23 February 1919 in St Mary's Clapham Park Rd. Clapham London. My Grandfather had been a German prisoner of war. How he met Mabel in London is unknown. Why Mabel was in London is also unknown other than she was living with an Auntie. Mabel had three brothers. George, James and William.

Her brother Bill visited her in Australia. He eventually settled in Paraguay in South America. I have his old shillelagh. Towards the end of her life my Grandmother lived in a granny flat at the back of our house. I saw her a lot but unfortunately never knew she spoke the Gaelic. For some reason she never celebrated her Irishness or talked about Ireland. She did retain Irishness at her core though. I recall one morning she came into the kitchen of our house all flustered. She stated that the Banshee had visited her during the night and her brother had died. Later that day we received a telegram from Paraguay. Bill was indeed dead.

My father also did not celebrate his Irishness and he was called Dermot Kennedy Warren. Who knows why not.

I however have had an attraction to Irish music and culture all my life. Irish music and folk festivals have been a constant. During my twenties I could be found most times when drinking at the legendary Dan O'Connell hotel in Melbourne. As a Catholic I attended Parade College the first Irish Christian Brothers School in Australia. So Irishness has been at the corner of my eye my whole life.

If you have any information about Kirk's Kennedy ancestors It would be very much appreciated.

LAST MONTH'S PUB QUIZ



Puckaun



Thurles



Killeen



Glastrigan



Dolla (now demolished)



Rearcross



Upperchurch

Mattie Ryan Larry of Windygap was able to identify the pubs correctly. Lawrence Kennedy of London was forthright in saying he took a short cut and found the names by clicking on the pictures.

BOOKS

MINING THE PAST

The third Silvermines Historical Society journal is now available. Mining the Past – The History, People and Places of Silvermines District 2014 is now on sale in all local outlets & can be posted elsewhere - contact email: silvermineshistoricalsociety@gmail.com

THE KENNEDY BOOKS



Copies of “The Mountainy Kennedys” and “The Irish Kennedys” can be obtained Internationally from the website at:

<http://home.onthenet.com.au/~laurieag/index.htm>

or from Amazon at:

http://www.amazon.com/dp/0958538832/ref=cm_sw_r_fa_dp_eJBWub1QM13A6

http://www.amazon.com/dp/0958538840/ref=cm_sw_r_fa_dp_6OBWub0GQVHWH

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Goodbye for now.

Brian