

Irish Kennedy Heritage Group



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The mission of the Irish Kennedy Heritage Group is to research, preserve and disseminate the history of the Irish Kennedys.



Chief Rody Kennedy

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Fáilte / Welcome.

We continue to attract new members from far and near.

- Eileen D Kennedy from Sacramento, California. Her ggrandfather John Matthew Kennedy was born in Chicago in 1869 to Irish parents, possibly John and Eileen, who may have emigrated from Inishowen, Co. Donegal. Eileen is already planning her trip to Ireland in 2021.
- Victoria Kennedy from Wollongong, N.S.W. Australia plans to visit Tipperary in July 2020 (hopefully to co-incide with our Clan Gathering) and explore the Borrisoleigh area from where her ancestors left.
- Sean Ryan lives in Limerick . His research tells him his Ryans lived in Ballinaclough while his ggrandmother was a Kennedy from Killeen, Templeberry. I suspect Sean might connect with a lot of cousins in the I.K.H.G.
- Sarah Burns from New Zealand knows from DNA tests that she has links to many Kennedys including some who go back to Long Andrew Kennedy. Her ggrandfather Thomas Fogarty emigrated to New Zealand in 1857.
His parents were James Fogarty and Margaret Quirke (Kirk)
- Colleen and Alan Mc Donald live on the Gold Coast, Queensland. Colleen is one of many cousins living in various parts of Australia whose lineage can be traced back to Borrisokane, Co. Tipperary.
- James Anderson has been in touch from Belfast seeking information about his Kennedy ancestors from Ballyhane, Templeberry. As avid readers of these newsletters will spot, James is now the 4th person with Ballyhane ancestry to be in contact with the I.K.H.G. I have put him into contact with one of his cousins Marlise Wunderli who lives in Switzerland.

If any above of the scant details ring a bell, feel free to make contact for more details, remember our mission to research, preserve and disseminate the rich history of the Kennedys and to connect Kennedy descendants worldwide.

Sympathy.

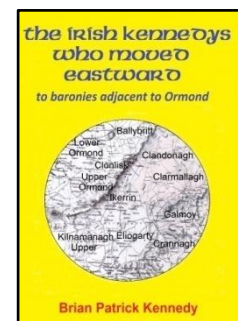
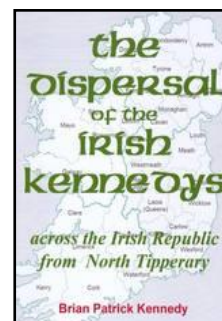
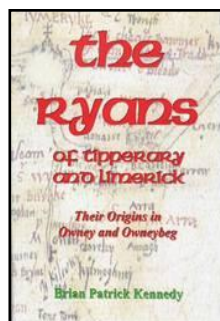
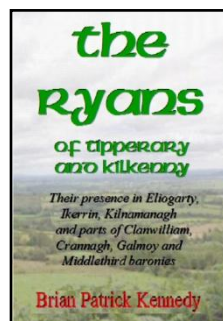
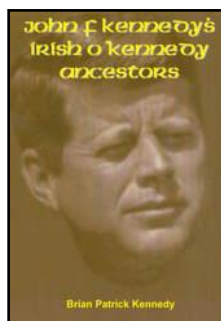
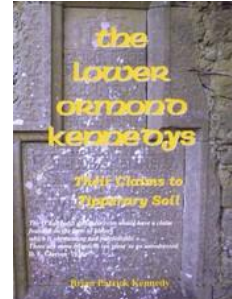
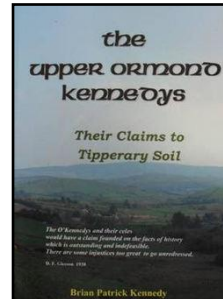
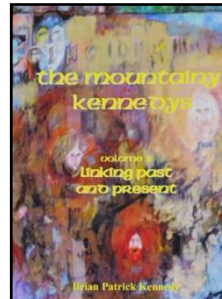
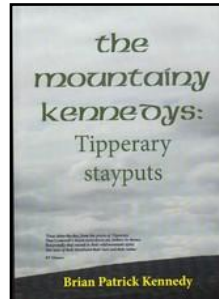
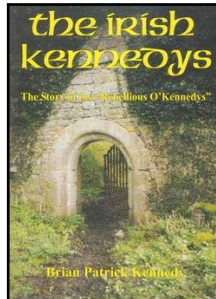
I have become aware of the sad passing of two members of the I.K.H.G.

- Liam Breunle from California passed away suddenly just before Christmas. Liam was a nephew of William (Bill) Kennedy whose company we enjoyed greatly at our 2019 Gathering. Liam had intended to travel to Rearcross with his Uncle Bill for this year's gathering.
- Patrick Kennedy, Limerick, passed away in early 2020. Patrick attended and greatly enjoyed our 2019 gathering. He had given a life time of devoted public service. He had served as Lord Mayor of Limerick and had also been a member of Seanad Eireann, the Upper House of our Irish Legislature.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anamacha -May their souls rest in peace

Birthday Greetings

Our Historian and Seanchaí Brian Patrick Kennedy recently celebrated reaching, in his case, the ripe young age of 80. A large group of family and friends gathered with Brian in his Gold Coast home to celebrate a life well lived. Brian has already researched and published eight books on the Irish Kennedys as well as two books on the Ryans and also his autobiography “A Creative Life”



I am sure all members of the Irish Kennedy Heritage Group join with me in thanking Brian for his enormous contribution to the I.K.H.G. and to congratulate him on his 80th birthday and to wish him many more happy and fruitful years ahead.

IRISH KENNEDYS BOOKS

Internationally all books can be obtained via “The Irish Kennedys” web page at <https://theirishkennedys.weebly.com>

The Irish Kennedys books may be obtained in Ireland from:

Chief Rody Kennedy’s Bar and Shop. Rearcross. Tipperary. Ph. 062 79104

The Bookworm Bookshop. THURLES. Tipperary. Ph. 504 22257.

The Bookshop. NENAGH. Tipperary

The Kennedy Homestead, DUNGANSTOWN. Wexford. Ph. 051 388 264

Phyllis Kennedy, Garnafana, TOOMEVARA. Tipperary. Ph. 067 26069

Harvest Fresh, Main St. Borrisokane, Co. Tipperary. Ph. 3536727060.

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Irish Kennedy Clan Gathering 2020

Plans are progressing as we look ahead to the **2nd Sunday of July – 12th July 2020** for our Gathering in Chief Rody Kennedy's Anglesey Lounge, Rearcross.

A presentation is planned by David Kennedy on his family research. David lives in Maine, U.S.A. and is a retired judge of the Maine District court. David knows for certain that he is descended from the original Cinnéide in 920 and can trace back written records to a Morgan Kennedy of Co. Waterford and so is part of the broadly named Comeragh Mountain Kennedys of County Waterford. Last year we connected with the Dingle Peninsula Kennedys so we are really lucky to have David coming to our Gathering to give some insight to the Comeragh Mountain Kennedy branch.

There will also, I believe a reference to a notorious kidnapping **of** (not by, of course) Kennedys in 1779. Intriguing!

We have already received advance notice of people intending to travel from Australia, New Zealand, Canada, U.S.A. and U.K as well as from various parts of Ireland so we look forward to another enjoyable gathering.

The Spread of the Kennedys.

Taylor Kennedy from Canada regularly sends me snippets of information.

His latest may throw some light on how quickly a family tree can spread.

Taylor's great great grandfather William Kennedy was born in Terryglass, Co. Tipperary c 1806 and arrived in Ontario, Canada in 1823. Taylor decided to do a census of the descendants of said William- these are his findings.

Descendants of William Kennedy.

Sons	8
Daughters	5
Grandsons	29
Granddaughters	25
Great Grandsons	43
Great Granddaughters	42
2nd Great Grandsons	74
2nd Great Granddaughters	53
3rd Great Grandsons	57
3rd Great Granddaughters	32
4th Great Grandsons	23
4th Great Granddaughters	38
5th Great Grandsons	1
5th Great Granddaughters	2

That gives a total of 432 New Canadians and Americans and does not include nieces or nephews.

Thanks to Taylor for indulging his curiosity and sharing it with us.

Data Protection Regulations.

You may have heard that the Data Protection laws are changing within the E.U. (possibly worldwide, not sure) from 25th May 2018 with the introduction of GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation). If at any stage, you no longer wish to receive newsletters or other communications from the Irish Kennedy Heritage Group please email me and I will delete your contact details from the database. We only hold your contact details so that you can receive information on I. K.H.G. news, meetings and events.

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PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS

In order to make all earlier editions of the original mailing list generally available, Sean Kennedy has kindly volunteered to publish an **Internet Blog** that will provides appropriately edited posts in order from the first issue. You will find the Blog if you click on

<https://tikhg.blogspot.com>

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KtsQKz-VAUw&feature=youtu.be>

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