

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.

As we near the end of never to be forgotten 2020 I would like to wish all our members a safe and happy Christmas and hope that 2021 will herald the dawning of brighter and better times ahead where we will once again be able to move freely around our world. Will we have a Clan Gathering in 2021? Will it be real or will it be virtual? Time will reveal all.

Information on my Father

Dear fellow Kennedy clan members,

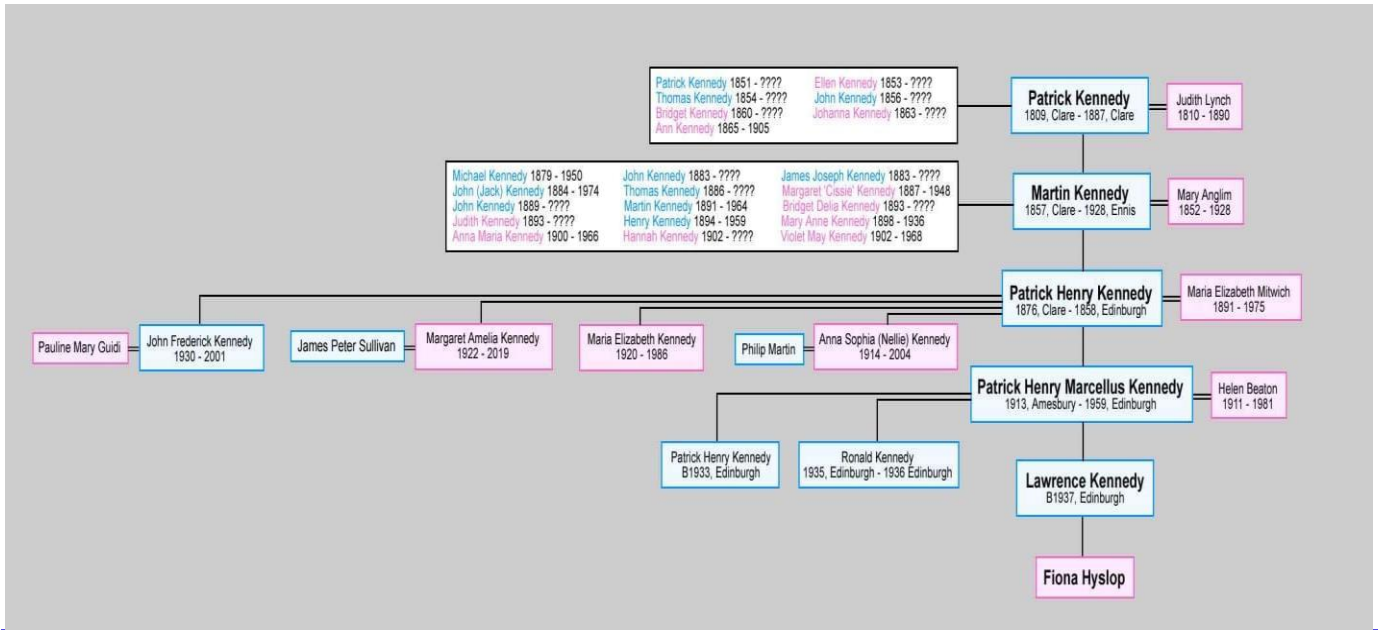
My name is Fiona Hyslop and I'm the daughter of Lawrence Kennedy, who was born in 1937 in Edinburgh. I do not know my father, but through information learned about him from my mother together with various Ancestry DNA cousin matches, I have been able to identify him in the Scottish records and in the process, have traced my Kennedy roots to County Clare, Ireland, as you can see from my tree.

Not knowing who my father is or was has been a huge hole in my identity. However, having learned that I am part of the Kennedy clan, I finally feel like I belong somewhere, and for the first time in many years I feel a sense of peace in my heart. As such, I am keen to learn more about my Irish Kennedy ancestors, and to find out whether I have any close living relatives who would like to get in touch, or even my father if he is still alive, although I am not holding out much hope of this. He would be 83 now.

If any clan members are able to share any historical information about my 3 x great grandfather Patrick Kennedy's ancestors so that I can extend my tree backwards, or recognise themselves or any of the names in my tree so that I can continue my forward journey as part of the Kennedy clan, I would love to hear from you. I'm not looking to gain anything other than information, and perhaps friendship with some of my Kennedy cousins along the way. My email is fihslop@hotmail.co.uk

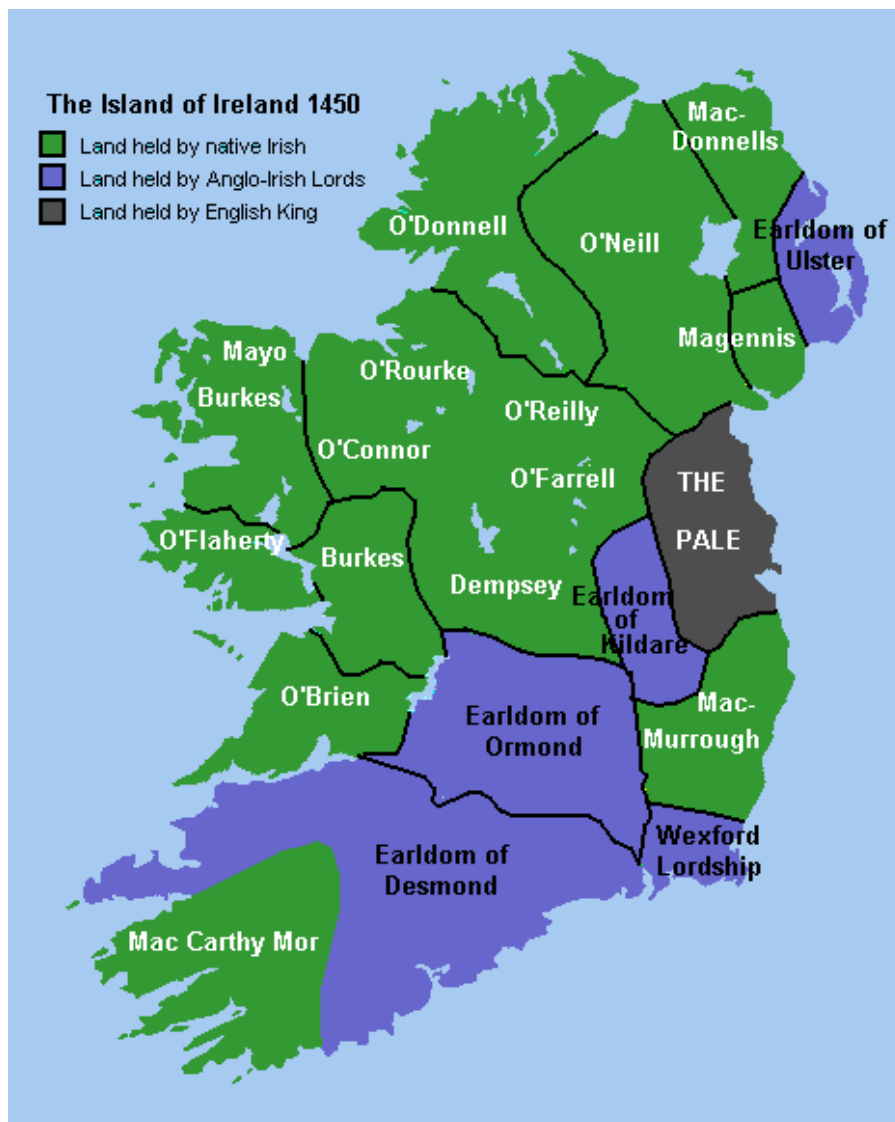
Warm regards,

Fiona



Extract from family tree of Fiona Hyslop

[More from Irish History](#) by Pat Kennedy, Garnafanna, Toomevara.
Tudor Ireland.



At the onset of the Tudor rule in Ireland The Pale, (an area around Dublin) was ruled by the Earl of Kildare Garrett Mór Fitzgerald, as Lord Deputy only of the Pale, though his influence covered most of Leinster. He created alliances with most of the old English and Gaelic Chieftains through marriage.

The Parliament, in Dublin, was sympathetic to the Yorkist remnants who still posed a threat to Henry VIII. Two of those Yorkists, Lambert Simmel and Perkin Warbeck made their way to Ireland.

Edward Poyning arrived in Ireland as Lord Deputy in 1494 and stayed until 1496. He instigated Poyning's Law, which made Irish the Parliament subservient to the English Parliament. However a conquest of Ireland was not considered feasible at this time so Garrett Mór was allowed to continue as before. Garrett More was killed in a skirmish with the O'Moore's and was succeeded by his son Garrett Óg- an equally capable ruler.

Times were changing however - the Butler's who were sworn enemies of the Fitzgeralds plotted constantly for his downfall. Henry VIII, sent the Earl of Surrey to Ireland IN 1520 as Lord Deputy, this was the start of Henry's interest in Ireland. A policy of conquest and plantation was rejected as not achievable, so in its stead a policy of "Surrender, and Regrant" was instigated - this entailed the landed Irish having to surrender their lands and receiving it back from the King.

Garrett Og was coming under extreme pressure from the Butler and the English faction in Dublin. He was called to London by the King on a pretence and was imprisoned in the Tower. A false report that he died, caused his son known as Silken Thomas to rebel. He was soon defeated, captured, and sent to the Tower with five uncles all of whom were executed in 1537. This ended the Kildare supremacy. The rising had little or no support and showed the majority of the Irish regarded their country as a papal fief held by the crown of England in virtue of Pope Adrian's donation.

Thomas Cromwell's policy on the reformation had little effect on Ireland outside the pale and the Leinster region, except the dissolution of the Abbeys. An act of supremacy was passed in 1537 making Henry head of the Church in Ireland. Ireland remained "Catholic without the Pope"

Before the end of Henry's reign 1547, forty Chiefs and Lords had submitted - some received titles.

Conn O' Neill, one of the most powerful accepted the title "Earl of Tyrone". No one in Ireland accepted the new religious situation. The pressure was on the Irish and would continue for another one hundred and fifty years.

Refusing to be part of the Reformation was probably the most defining episode in Irish history.

The Pope decided to keep Ireland Catholic at all costs. Alone in northern Europe, Ireland remained a Catholic Country. As Europe was divided along religious lines, Ireland was then and in the future seen as a threat to England.

Pat is an active member of the I.K.H.G and has a great interest in Irish history

Irish Naming Conventions

Many of us trying to connect people many generations back are helped on our way by having an awareness of the Irish naming tradition. This has been explained in detail by Brian Patrick in "The Story of the Irish Kennedys" but I'm including it in this newsletter for members who may not have come across it before.

- First son usually named for the father's father.
- Second son usually named for the mother's father.
- Third son usually named for the father.
- Fourth son usually named for the father's eldest brother.
- First daughter usually named for father's mother.
- Second daughter usually named for mother's mother
- Third daughter usually named for mother
- Fourth daughter usually named for mother's oldest sister.

Note use of the word "usually" – one can't completely rely on the above but it can prove to be a very helpful guide.

180 Year Round Trip.

In 1833 William Kennedy arrived in Canada from Terryglass in North Tipperary.

In 2013 his Great Great Great Grandson T.J. Kennedy arrived in Terryglass from Canada.

The wheel had turned full circle.



T. J. Kennedy looking right at home at Tombricane Castle, North Tipperary

Genealogical Charts.

During many of Brian's frequent visits to Ireland I was always struck by the very detailed genealogical chart of his own ancestry that he carried around with him. With my own family history detailed over many generations I enquired of Brian if I could commission him to compile my genealogical chart. The result was beyond my wildest dreams – my family history outlined over 32 generations all the way back to the first Cinnéide.



Genealogical chart of Tom Kennedy covering 32 generations

If you already have a lot of your family history compiled and you would like further information about genealogical charts Brian can be contacted at

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IRISH KENNEDYS BOOKS

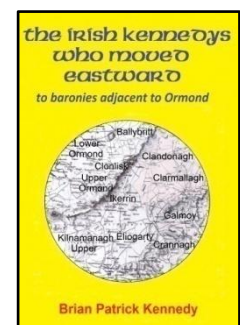
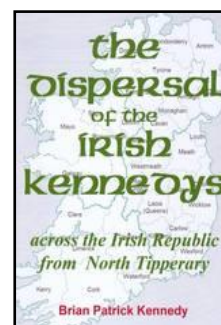
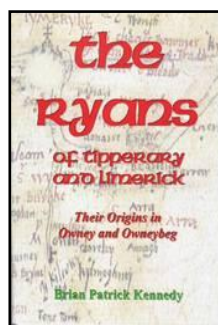
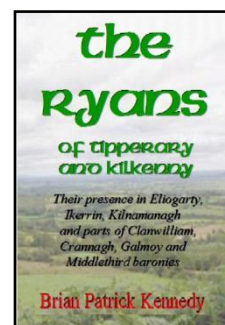
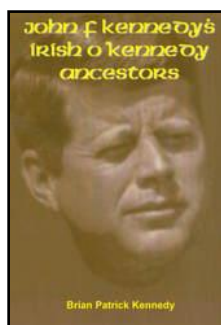
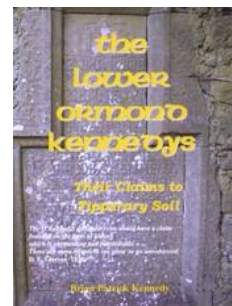
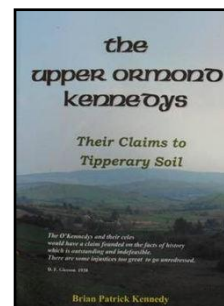
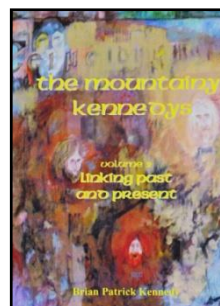
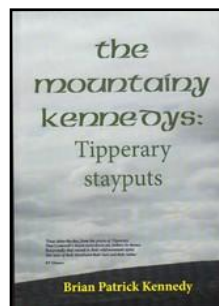
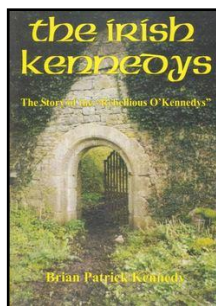
Brian Patrick is continuing his work on “The Resilience of the Irish Kennedys”. Covid 19 has hampered progress of this book but it is expected to be available in 2021. However in the meantime “The Ryans of Ireland”- from their origins in Uí Dróna and Uí Cheinnselaig will be available in early 2021. So these will then be added to the impressive list of publications by Brian already available.

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

The Irish Kennedys books may be obtained in Ireland from:

Chief Rody Kennedy’s Bar and Shop. Rearcross. Tipperary. Ph. 062 79104
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The Bookshop. NENAGH. Tipperary
The Kennedy Homestead, DUNGANSTOWN. Wexford. Ph. 051 388 264
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