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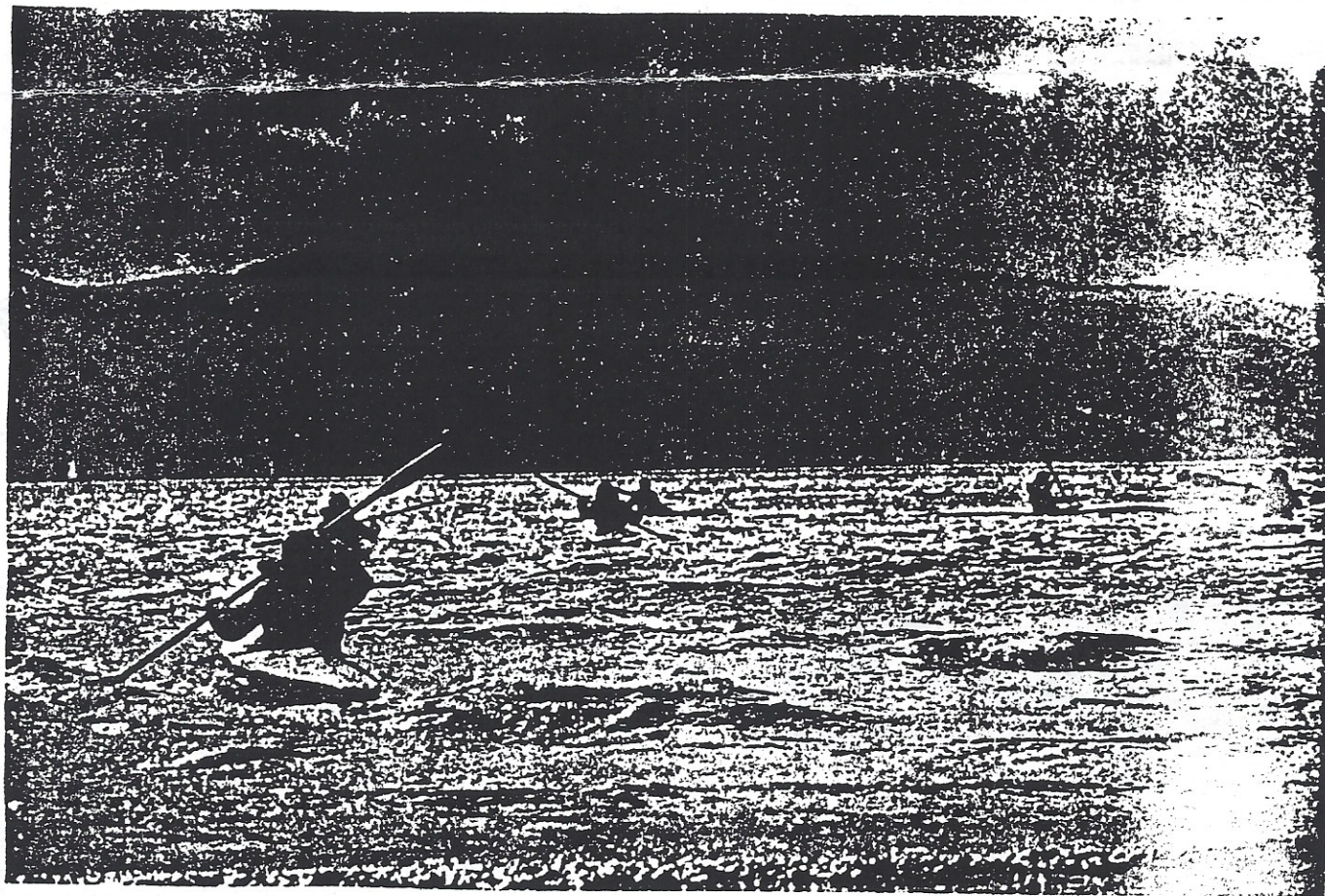


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Cymdeithas Gymkaeg Vancouver

*Cambrian News*

Welsh Society Newsletter — Cylchgrawn Cymraeg



BALA LAKE/LLYN TEGID, GWYNEDD, NORTH WALES.

## The Legacy Of Bala Lake.

The photo on the front of this month's newsletter is of Bala Lake/Llyn Tegid, the largest natural lake in Wales. In the spring and summer months, the tourists and locals alike come and enjoy the spectacular scenery around the area of Bala as well as boating and canoeing on the lake itself.

The lake, however, has a notorious reputation. When I was a little girl, my grandmother used to tell me the stories that she had heard from her Nain. One such tale tells of a young man who knew of the dangers of the lake, yet one very cold, dark winter's night, crossed the frozen surface on horseback to get to an inn. Upon arriving at the inn, the landlord asked him from which direction he had come from. When the young man told him, the publican replied, "Oh, you crossed the lake then?" This poor young fellow is supposed to have dropped dead with fright when he heard those words! It seems he had not realised what he had ridden over in the dark!

Llyn Tegid for all its beauty has many hidden dangers. Whether this tale or any other is true, I just don't know, but it does make for an interesting read!

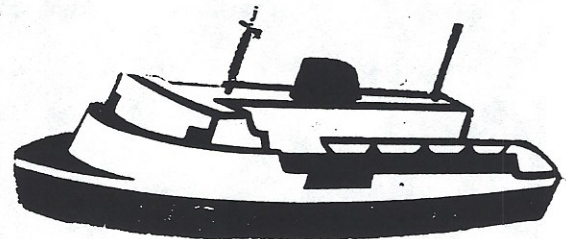
Lynne Hughes Fox.

## THE BOAT TRIP

It turned out that the Christmas Boat Cruise, December 17th, 1991, was just as successful as the summer one.

Those who were aboard the M.V. Elfin, enjoyed a delicious meal and spent the remainder of the evening cruising False Creek. The trip was rounded off with a carol singing session by Science World.

Lovely!



# CROESO welcome

The Welsh Society of Vancouver wishes to extend a warm welcome to our visitors from New Zealand; Mr. Derek Williams is president of the Auckland Welsh Society, he is here with his wife Mrs. Louise Williams and their children Sian and David.

There will be an opportunity to meet our visitors this coming Friday, 17th January. Folk Dance group will start dancing at 7.15 p.m., in the upstairs part of the Hall. At 8.30 p.m., a reception is being held downstairs for Mr. Williams and his family. All members are invited to attend both the dancing and the reception. A small reminder to all, please bring a "plate", I have it on good authority from Jack and Bertha Smith, that this is the "Kiwi" thing to do! A "plate" means a dish of goodies - to clarify!

# Membership Report

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We respectfully advise that MEMBERSHIP ANNUAL DUES are due and payable as of January 1st following the Annual General Meeting ( Constitution and Bylaws, 1986 -- Article B:9 - Annual Dues ).

All members are urged to pay no later than January 31st, 1992. The dues are a source of funds to allow the Executive Committee to plan this year's programmes. Please use the remittance form provided.

Regular.....	30.00
Family.....	50.00
Seniors.....	17.00
Out-of-Town.....	15.00
( Living a minimum of 80 kilometers or 50 miles outside the city of Vancouver )	

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## MEMBERSHIP REMITTANCE FORM - 1992

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Please print. Name:.....

Address:.....

City :.....Postal Code:.....

Type of Membership: Regular/Family/Seniors/Out of Town (circle one)

Please make cheque or money order payable to: The Welsh Society of Vancouver, B.C.

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Please send the completed form to: Joan Thompsen, Membership Secretary  
Cambrian Hall  
215 East 17th Ave., Vancouver, B.C., V5V 1A6

NOTICE

If you know of a recent change of address of any of our members, membership secretary Joan Thompsen would like to be notified - thank you. Simply complete this form and send it in with your remittance. Your help is greatly appreciated.



**NAME/ADDRESS CHANGE ADVICE**

P L E	Name	
	_____	
A S E	Address (Street No., R.R. No.)	
	_____	
P R I N T	City or Town	Prov.
	_____	_____
	Area Code	Telephone No.
	_____	_____
	Postal Code	
	_____	

Announcing the executive for 1992

- President: Jeff Owen
- Vice-President: Anne G. Jones
- Secretary: Gaynor Evans
- Treasurer: Ellis Griffiths
- Membership Secretary: Joan Thomsen

Board

- Gordon Davis
- Robert Fox
- Phylis Owens
- Bertha Smith
- Dorothy Walters

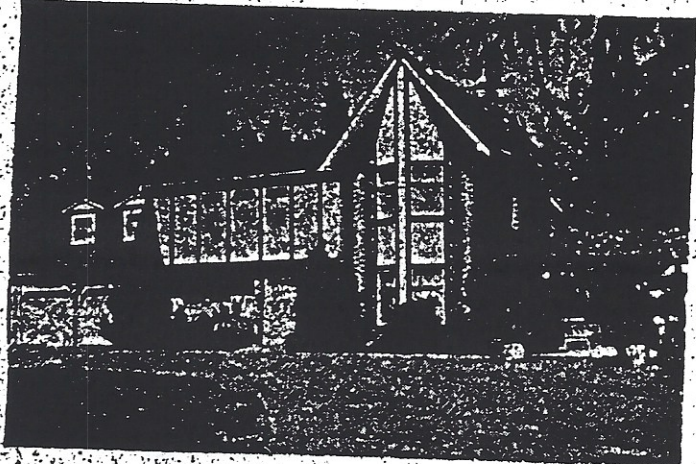
Immediate Past President

Ann Roberts

Please note: General meetings take place on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7:30 in the lower hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

*"Devon House"  
Bed & Breakfast*



*Quiet Country Setting,  
3 miles from downtown Courtenay,  
Short Drive to:  
Mt. Washington & Forbidden Plateau,  
Ski Resorts with  
excellent summer hiking trails,  
Great fishing, golfing & shopping  
all within the area.*

*We are open all year round with room  
to park your boat and/or trailer.*

*We Look Forward to Meeting You!*

*Your Hosts: Greta and Peter Taylor  
4806 Gulwald Road  
Mailing Address:  
R.R. 4, Site 480, C-1,  
Courtenay, B.C. V9N 7J3  
Phone: (604) 338-5147*

**ST. VALENTINES' DAY DANCE**

Once again we invite all poets and lovers to the Red Dragon Pub, for a St. Valentines' Day Dance, to be held February 15th, 1992. Music will be provided by the Cambrian Hall. For further information call either Gwen Tonack at 738 3377, or Gaynor Owen at 946 4956

ST. DAVIDS' DAY OPEN HOUSE

We'll be opening the Cambrian Hall to the public on Saturday, February 29th, 1992. Doors are opened at 7.30 p.m.

By the way, if anyone is interested in participating in the "Eating of the Leek" ceremony, phone Gaynor or Jeff Owen at 946 4956. This is a long standing tradition in Wales meant to be enjoyed by everybody, so come along and have some fun!

ST DAVIDS' DAY BANQUET

Held  
Saturday, March 7th, 1992  
At  
Cambrian Hall  
Tickets: Members \$25  
Guests \$28  
Cocktails at 6 p.m.  
Dinner at 7 p.m.

Tickets available from any executive member, at the Red Dragon on Saturday nights.....they will go fast, so get your tickets now!!  
Please note that the Red Dragon will not be open on Saturday March 7th.

**N.B.**

CHURCH SERVICE

There will be a Church Service held on the 2nd Sunday of February. No date is set for March as yet.



# **SOCIAL ACTIVITIES**

## THE WELSH SOCIETY FOLK DANCERS

Since it's inception last September, The Welsh Society Folk Dance Group have declared their first season a success.

They have learned many new dances and steps thanks to the limitless patience and relentless encouragement of Jack and Bertha Smith.

The dance group has grown to 14 members but there is always room for more!

They meet every Thursday at 7:30 in the lower part of Cambrian Hall. As well there will be a workshop for the Pacific Northwest Gymanfu Ganu. There is no date yet scheduled. Hope to see you at the next practice!

## CAMBRIAN CIRCLE SINGERS

The Cambrian Circle Singers, under the direction of Nerys Haqq, will be holding practices on the 1st and 2nd Fridays of every month and the 3rd and 4th Wednesday of every month.

They are welcoming new members. For more information, call Nerys at 278-8978.

## WOMEN'S AUXILLIARY

Elizabeth Murray - President

Phylis Owens - Secretary

Betty Morgan - Treasurer

The W. A. held a Christmas lunch on Wednesday, December 4th 1991, to mark the end of their year.

"It was enjoyable," remarked Mrs. Murray, "With guests Joan Thompsen, Tony Tonack, Ellis Griffiths and Mary Owens. Dorothy Walters led us in carols accompanied by Alma Tomei on the piano. Ann G. Jones was warmly thanked for her three years as president."

The first meeting of the New Year, will be held on January 15th, at 12 noon with the business meeting starting at 1 p.m. New members are always welcome.



It's almost 1 AM Monday morning and I'm just finishing up the original for the January newsletter.

I'm bleary eyed yet satisfied and there are many people to thank for this first effort... Gaynor and Gwyn Evans for their unceasing support and sense of humour... Milt and Betty Morgan for thinking of me even when I didn't show up for dance practice... Mer Montador for supplying me with a first class typewriter... and finally my wife Lynne for turning all my scribbles into very neat, and most important, readable text.

Thank you all, Diolch yn fawr! Rob.

## *Do You Just Belong ?*

Are you an active member,  
the kind that would be missed ?  
Or are you just contented  
that your name is on the list ?

Do you attend the meetings  
and mingle with the flock ?  
Or stay at home in comfort  
to criticise and knock ?  
Do you take an active part  
to help the work along ?  
Or are you merely satisfied  
just simply to belong ?

Think it over Members,  
you know right from wrong ---  
Are you an active member ?  
Or do you just belong ?

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