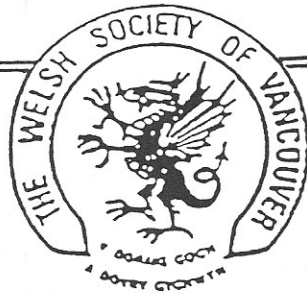


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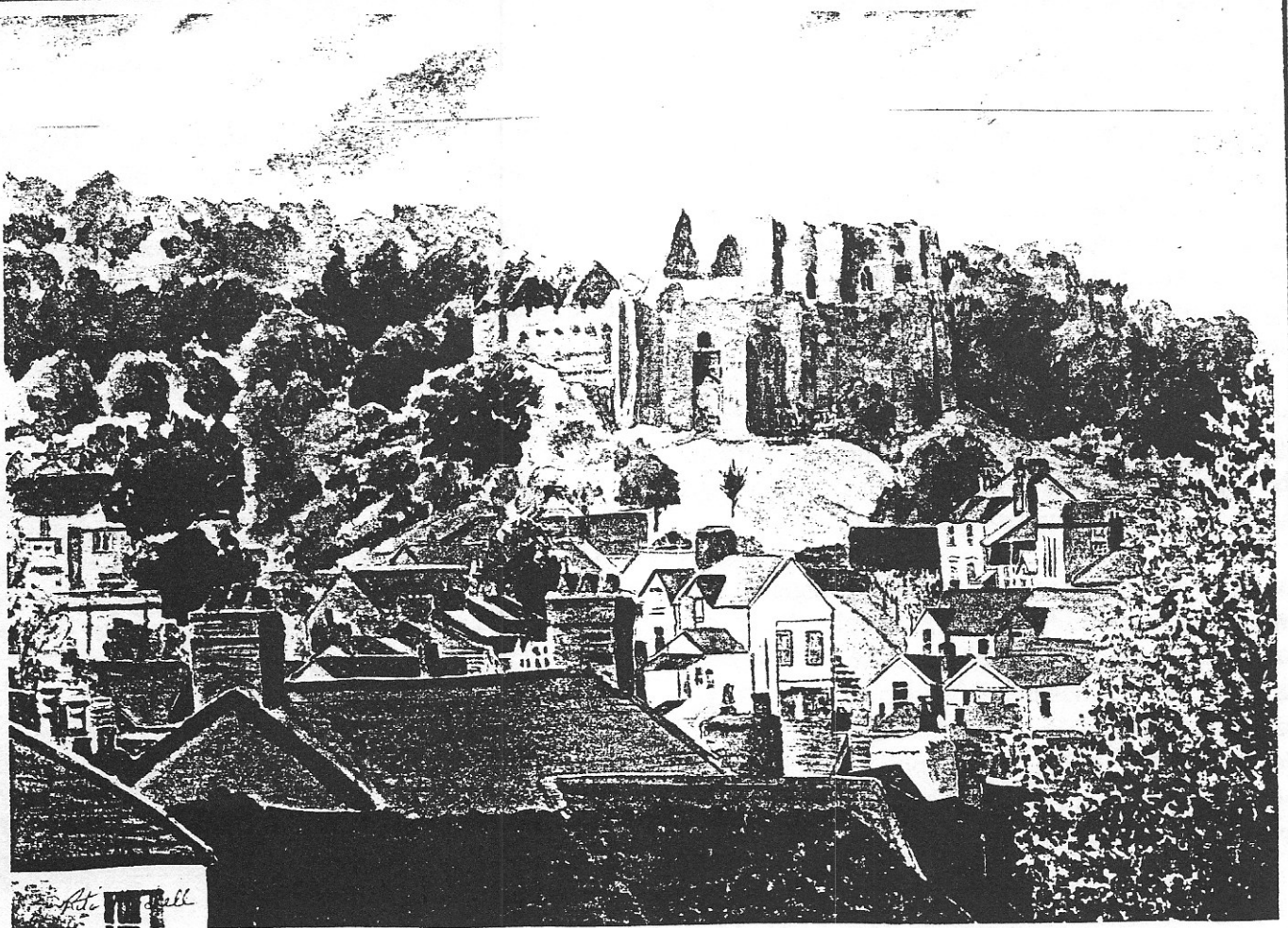


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Cymdeithas Gymkaeg Vancouver

Cambrian News

Welsh Society Newsletter — Cylchgrawn Cymraeg



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GlobalWales

Annwyl Gyfaill

Greetings from Wales! I am writing to ask your society's help with a special project that the Institute of Welsh Affairs, an independent think tank based in Cardiff, is carrying out on behalf of the Welsh Development Agency, the government body charged with promoting economic development within Wales. Together with our sister organisation, Wales in London, the IWA is seeking to draw up a list of Welsh people outside Wales who currently hold prominent positions in business, academia, the law, medicine and other spheres of life with the aim of tapping their expertise where it might be useful to Wales and of providing them with background on what is happening in a country many of them still hold dear. They will also get the opportunity to network with other individuals and groups who share their interest in Wales.

The list will be published on a specially created website www.globalwales.com and will contain biographic and career details of the individuals concerned, plus information on their particular interests. Other details such as contact addresses, will be stored within a password protected area that will be open only to those authorised to view it, including of course those whose names appear on the database. All individuals whose names are proposed for the list will be informed and asked to provide relevant details. They will also be given the opportunity to amend the information we propose to include. We are hoping our list will perform a variety of useful functions. Apart from giving those working for Welsh agencies and other bodies a guide to the Welsh diaspora, it will also, we hope, offer young people in Wales role models of career success and provide examples to potential inward investors of the successes being achieved by Welsh people in the business and other worlds. The list might also provide a list of potential candidates for senior jobs in Wales and individuals who could be a source of good ideas for developing new business or for guiding existing businesses. It could also act as a resource for journalists, academics and others writing about or researching Welsh business and professional life.

Your help would be most useful in identifying individuals whose names deserve to be included on the list, together with any further information you may have about current jobs or whereabouts and how we might contact them. Please write to the above address or you can e-mail us at wales@iwa.org.uk, or fax us on + 44 29 2057 5701. (E-mail addresses would be particularly useful). We are hoping to put together our initial list by the end of the year and it would be most helpful therefore if you were able to reply before the middle of December.

Wales as I am sure you will agree has been much slower than its Celtic cousins, Ireland and Scotland, in taking advantage of the reservoir of goodwill not to mention the expertise residing in those who have made their names elsewhere. With your help our project will we hope will go some way to rectifying this and to bringing renewed economic vigour to Wales. I look forward to hearing from you and would be grateful if you could also circulate this e-mail to others you think might be able to help. In the meantime if you require any further information on the Institute of Welsh Affairs or would like to see our range of publications and events, please visit our website www.iwa.org.uk

Yn gywir iawn

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Introducing WorldWideWales

Promoting Wales on the Web!

Dear Welsh Society of Vancouver

Please let me introduce you to www.worldwidewales.tv, which I hope you will find time to take a look at.

Officially launched in July this year and created and produced by New Media Magic Ltd, a media company based in Ebbw Vale, in the South Wales valleys, www.worldwidewales.tv is a unique and extremely innovative project in which we create and present short programs about the history, culture, geography and people of Wales.

In partnership with the Wales Tourist Board, the Welsh Development Agency, as well as Blaenau Gwent County Council and Artsmagic Ltd, our sister company, and funded by the European Regional Development Fund, our aim is to provide high quality content for the promotion of Wales as a tourist venue and to enhance the experience of visitors to the websites involved in the tourist industry.

It is created using Macromedias Flash technology for both narrowband and broadband distribution, and presented via an easily accessible website on the Internet. With over 100 individual programs already on the site this will be one of the largest audio-visual sites on the web and the only cross-referencing, audio-visual site in the world -there has been nothing like it before! Subjects range from towns and their histories to local sports, biographies of famous people, scenic locations and events of national importance. Each subject is inter-related which allows the viewer to make his or her own personal journey through Wales in a way not yet seen on the Internet!

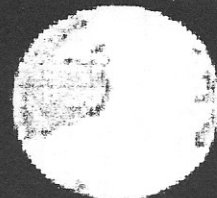
As well as the programs themselves, the site comes packed with attractions such as quizzes, animated collages, self-constructing jigsaws and memory testing games. Each program is viewed with or without subtitles to benefit those who are hard of hearing or whose computers do not have speakers. The use of contemporary video footage, shot exclusively for each production, along with archive, text and spoken word, combine to create a historically accurate program that is educationally stimulating, entertaining to watch and ultimately beneficial to the Welsh economy.

The team members of the project and their expertise has been sourced not only locally in the Ebbw Vale area but also from South, West and North Wales - so we truly are a Wales Wide team. We are open to suggestions on content for our programs - so long as it's about Wales or Welsh in origin we will consider making a program about it!

I hope you will find time to take a look at the site. I would be grateful for any feedback you may wish to give. I have included the WorldWideWales.tv logo that you might like to use should you want to link to our site. More programs are being added to the site everyday so keep clicking on www.worldwidewales.tv.

Kindest Regards
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November 2002

Mis Tachwedd 2002

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Welsh Men's Choir Rehearsals Tuesdays at Cambrian Hall Orpheus Choir Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m. @ John Oliver High School Orpheus info line: 515-5686			W.A. (Noon)	Welsh Folk Dancers		Red Dragon Open 8:30 p.m.
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
					WVWG Concert North Shore Rescue Benefit Centennial Thn	Mulled Wine and Caroling

notices for inclusion in this calendar display are requested by month-end, 4-6 weeks BEFORE the event.

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
12:30 P.m. Hudson Hotel Singers Cambrian Singers			W.A. (Noon) 7:30 p.m. Exec. Mtg	Welsh Folk Dancers	WVWG Xmas Concert- New W. Van Dusen Gardens Cambrian Singers	Xmas Dinner Dance Tickets in advance
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
			7:30 p.m. ANNUAL General Mtg		WVWG Xmas Concert St. Andrews Wesley 878-1190	Xmas Concert St. Andrews Wesley Vancou Red Dragon Open 8:30 p.m.
15	16	17	18	19	20	
11 a.m. Church & te bach Children's Christmas Party		WVWG Xmas Concert Surrey Arts Ctr Tel - 501-5566				