

Roath Local History Society

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Dear R.L.H.S. Members,

Our February lecture promises to be extremely popular, so please come early - or else bring your own chair!

THURSDAY 13th. FEBRUARY



"A welchdy Dominius Furtis -
Drogon slafu Dominius?
Bwlyant Ullenn?
Hic nemor i por poegoni?
Elf a dilyngys ei thwrf -
Dominius Viricium?
Kaeth nawt kyn iuthwys, estis, iest - est,
(Est) a chyn, hawsen, a iest iest.
Rwyf derwin, y Daw dithu?
A chyn mawrwyf derwin creu,
A chyn del, cwyn friw, ar vrygonen,
A chyn vryg byf alle, ar y lathen pren,
Post ym heneit yd a kyfiden.
Abreid, om dyweit, llythyr llyfren,
Kystat ddyen, gwely, gwely aglun,
Ar sawl a giglen vy mardh llyfren,
Ry hyn hwynt wlat Nef, adef goren,
Ry prynhwynt wlat Nef, adef goren"

"Myf syth Dhewin,
A Phisfelli cyffredin,
Mi adwen pob corsin
Ynagof garthwin,
My a ryddaf Elphio,
O fol Dhew nacinio,
Mi a ynagaf ich Brenin.
Ac Er hobl gyffredin,
Ethaw prif ryfeth,
O Folia rhanneth!
Folia rhanneth!
At Faelgw Gwynedd!
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**Dean Powell
presents**

"The Incredible Life of Dr William Price"

Chartist, surgeon, heretic, arch-druid and pioneer of cremation in the British Isles, Dr Price was one of the most flamboyant and eccentric characters in Welsh history. Poverty stricken in his youth, his father an insane priest, nonetheless the young man became a surgeon at 21. He created an embryonic national health service, masterminded the first Museum of Welsh Life, launched Wales's first cooperative society and was exiled to France as a political activist. He fathered illegitimate children with a housekeeper sixty years his junior and died sipping champagne at 92.

This is not the story of cremation!!

Unfortunately, we have had to change the dates of two future meetings (March & April), as St. Andrew's needs the hall for their own use. Please note the following dates, alter your diaries and pass the word along:

“The Raising of the Cardiff City Battalion”, Gwyn Prescott
Thursday, 19th. March (*3rd. Thursday of the month*)
&
“The Herbert Family”, J. Barry Davies
Thursday, 23rd. April (*4th. Thursday of the month*)

We had a very productive Committee Meeting on 14th. January and were delighted to welcome two new Members - **Carole Underwood** and **Geraint Denison-Krug**. Both, at different times, studied History at Cardiff University. Carole would like to contribute to the research arm of the Society, while Geraint initially agreed to help Alan with the administration of our summer field trips. With our Society staying steady with 125 Members currently on our database, there is still a need for more of our Members to get involved. Please come forward, any offers of help make a real difference. For instance, perhaps you could

Join the Tea Team!

We all appreciate Jean and Deanne getting the kettle on early,
enabling us to enjoy a hot drink at the start of meetings.
Now they need help to keep this lovely, social tradition going.
Just tell Jean, Deanne or myself if you'll give it a go
– the more the merrier!



Enquiry to Members re: Llandow Air Disaster of 1950

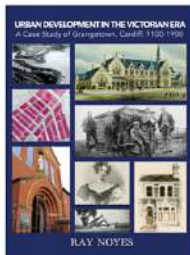
R.L.H.S. has received an enquiry from **Anthony Hontoir**, who is engaged in research in preparation for a film about the **Llandow Air Disaster** of 1950.

He has learned that the organiser of the trip to Ireland for the four nations rugby international was **Mr Harold Dunscombe** of **57, Brithdir Street**, who appears to have worked as a retail fish salesman on his own account. It seems likely that the fish business was not in Brithdir Street, but on a local shopping street, or possibly Cardiff Market. Can anyone bring Harold's name or business to mind? Mr Dunscombe died in the crash, together with 79 other people.

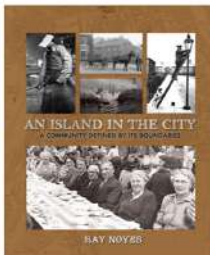
Anthony Hontoir can be contacted at:
anthonyhontoir@hotmail.co.uk

On Friday 28th February at 11.30am, Cathays Library will be hosting it's first
Local History Open Space Talk with **Ray Noyes**, author of
Urban Development in the Victorian Era: a case study of Grangetown

Friday 28th February 2020, 11.30am



Ray Noyes



This is a free talk, but tickets can be booked via

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/open-space-local-history-at-cathays-library-ray-noyes-tickets-90790229019>

or by calling Cathays Library on:
02920785580

Another Enquiry to R.L.H.S. Members

James is a researcher for a Manchester film company, currently making a BBC documentary re: an historic, unsolved murder case

The case is that of 32-year-old Jean Chalinder whose body was found in a ditch in Peggy Giles fields on the Llwyn-y-Grant farm on September 20th 1956. She had been blackberry picking. Jean and her husband had been married for only 3 months when she was killed. They lived together on Southminster Road in Roath. He ran a grocers shop on Wellfield Road. James realises this was a very long time ago, but would like to make contact with anyone who remembers the case? Or better still, anyone who remembers Tony and Jean.

If you would like James to telephone you, let me know and I'll arrange it, alternatively he can be contacted directly by e-mail: james@monsterfilms.net



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now hold all lectures at this central location - with free parking:
The Main Building Cardiff University, Park Place, Cardiff. CF10 3AT
*Arrowed directions showing the route to the first floor
Lecture Theatre, are posted along the corridor*
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