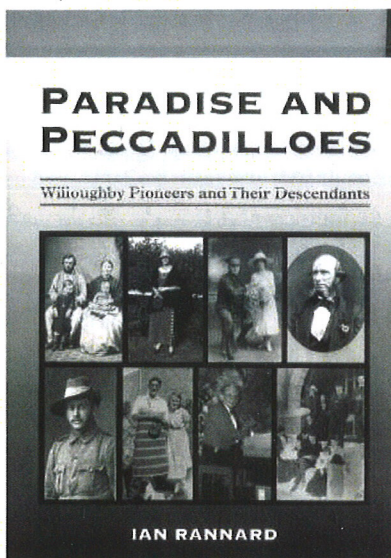


Coming Events

Brigadoon at Bundanoon: Saturday 2nd April 2011 at Bundanoon in the NSW Southern Highlands. The Clan Tent will be there for members and friends to rest and chat. Make a day of it with the family. Pipe bands, dancing, games for adults and children, stalls, food. Hope to see you there.

Australian Celtic Festival at Glen Innes, northern NSW. 28th April to 1st May 2011 with live music, dancing, food and entertainment.

Canberra Highland Gathering, Saturday 8th October, 2011 on the oval opposite the Burns Club, Kent Street, Kambah ACT. Brass and pipe bands, displays, entertainment, dancing, food, stalls.



BOOKS WITH HISTORICAL CONNECTIONS TO WILLOUGHBY AND FORSYTHS

PARADISE AND PECCADILLOES: The stories of some Willoughby Pioneers and their descendants: 1859-2009. Families in the book: Baldry, Broomham, Day, **Forsyth**, French, Hammond, Horsley, Stephenson.

FORGOTTEN GARDENS: The story of the last market gardens in Willoughby & Northbridge.

Both books are by Ian Rannard, sell at **\$29.95** each and are available from **The Constant Reader**, 27 Willoughby Rd, Crows Nest (9436 3858) or **Cammeray Book Shop**, Shop 4, Cammeray Square, 450 Miller St Cammeray. (9922 2554).

Hamish Forsyth, a Scotsman, applied to join to the New York City police force.

The inspector glared at him and asked, 'How would you disperse a large, unruly crowd?'

'Well,' replied Hamish thoughtfully, 'I'm no too sure how ye do it here in New York, but in Aberdeen we just pass the hat around and they soon begin to shuffle off.'

Celts (including Scots) are unique in that they can take the two instruments that annoy most people in the world and place them in the same band.... bagpipes and drums.



Legend says that in 832 AD, an army of Scots was facing a Northumbrian army. The Scottish king prayed for help to St Andrew, one of Christ's apostles, who had been martyred on a diagonal cross. The king had seen St Andrew's saltire in the heavens against a clear blue sky and he swore that if the Scots beat the English in the battle that was about to happen, then St Andrew would forever be the patron saint of Scotland. The Scots did in fact win the battle, and from that day on the saltire has been the national flag of Scotland.

Members' News

NEW MEMBERS: Katrina and Timothy Connellan of Spence ACT, Bernard and Roslyn Devaux of Willoughby NSW, Malcolm and Karen Forsyth of Eagleton NSW. Welcome aboard!

SAD PASSINGS: Raymond Anthony James Forsyth (see his eulogy in this newsletter) and Margaret Mary Forsyth-Head, wife of the late Bill Head, died on 11th October 2010 in a Cairns nursing home. She had previously resided at Mooroolool in QLD. She was a foundation member and sister of our past Secretary, Keith Forsyth.

If you have any photos, articles, anecdotes, funny stories, even ancestral Forsyth photos or paintings to show members, post to:

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