

# Next Meeting: JULY 9, 2022—11am-4pm In person and Zoom at Fort Borst Park, Centralia,



SUMMER 2022

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING** Scheduled for **July 9, 2022, in-person at Ft. Borst Park in Centralia (Kitchen 2)**. This will be a Pot-Luck from 11 am to 4 pm. We will also have Zoom running for those who cannot attend in person. This will be something new so we are hoping it goes off without a hitch.

## IN SEARCH OF A GOOD PASTY

By Alene Reaugh

When I was twelve years old, my Grandmother Lorraine Hosking made “Cornish pasties” for everyone in the family. She made enough so that we all had some to freeze and cook later. I didn’t know what a pasty was, but I knew how much I loved them. For years she would make them for the family about once a year.

One day in 2002, I thought about my grandma and recalled how much I loved her Cornish pasties. I didn’t know if I had her recipe, so I went to the internet to see if I could find one. I found Ann’s Pasty Shop at the Lizard in Cornwall, and they had an excellent book, “The Pasty,” which I just had to order. That was the beginning of a beautiful friendship with Hettie Merrick, the author, and her husband Joe, who lives in Gunwalloe, Helston, Cornwall. After about two years of letter writing and getting to know each other, she invited me to come for a visit. I met her daughter Ann (who makes the best Pasties in Cornwall) and the other family members. We have been there twice, and we plan to make another trip back as soon as we can arrange it.

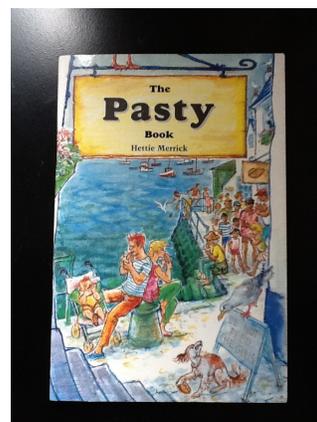
After joining the Cornish American Heritage Society, Dick Colenso contacted me to tell me about the Pacific Northwest Cornish Society. I called my cousin Margaret Porter and told her about this group, and she agreed we should go to a meeting. On October 12, 2002, we went to the meeting of the Pacific Northwest Cornish Society in Olympia and became members. Over the past twenty years, we have made many friends through this group.

Dick Colenso became President in July 2003, and he asked me if I would establish the “Country Store” for the

website and sell Cornish items at meetings. The store has been very successful, with several members providing items for sale.

In 2005, Dick nominated me for a position on the Board, and I agreed to serve as a Vice President. When the meeting occurred in July for the election of officers, I was elected VP; however, no one came forward to be President, so I became acting President by default. The following year it was official, and I became President for the next four years (2006 thru 2010.) In 2012 I was elected as President for the next two years. In 2018, I was elected Secretary and Newspaper Editor. I have done the newsletter for four years, and I enjoyed doing that, but now the time has come for me to leave the group and let others take over as Newspaper Editor, Country Store, Secretary, and President.

My husband and I have plans to travel, which will take most of my time. I hope to come back sometime in the future, but for now, I will say Goodbye to all the wonderful people I met through the Cornish Society. It’s been a wild ride.



## PNC'S WELCOMES BACK

### ANDREA WILD & PRESTON WILDE

### PERFORMING CELTIC MUSIC



In October 2019, just before the mad pandemic took over our lives, Andrea's group played for us at the October meeting in Portland. We are happy to have them entertaining us again at our annual picnic at Ft. Borst Park in Centralia.

Andrea Wild & Preston Wilde are delighted to be performing for the NW Cornish Society. Preston is a piper and fiddler with a passion for Celtic music. They are fellow band members of Andrea Wild & The Bad Wolves. Together they will play a variety of Cornish songs as well as a few Welsh songs and tunes. Expect to see a family member or two joining them in the performance.

**ANDREA WILD:** She is a singer, producer and emcee from Liverpool, UK currently residing in Portland. Andrea created and manages the high energy Celtic band, The Stomptowners, the Welsh-driven Andrea Wild & The Bad Wolves and Three Pound Note.

Born in Liverpool, England, Andrea was raised with the sibling singing tradition emphasizing harmony and a cappella performance. Andrea and her brother, Straford grew up in a Welsh speaking household with an Irish uncle and a father who insisted they support Leeds United. They sang in folk clubs

throughout the North of England and Andrea was a regular at Liverpool's Irish Centre. Their love of traditional folk music and a quest for adventure took them from Penzance to the Isle of Skye learning new material and performing along the way. After moving to the United States, Andrea continued to sing with her brother, Straford. They performed at folk festivals and music venues throughout the US. Both Wild released a CD recording in 2002 *Just Say Nevoth*. Andrea pursued a variety of solo opportunities. She produced and hosted Irish, world folk and soul music programs on Portland's independent KBOO radio. Her native wit and clear articulation earned her a go-to position within the community for emceeing all manner of music, cultural, and fundraising events. Andrea joined PSU Chorale and earned a longed-for opportunity to perform at Carnegie Hall. She is a dedicated member of the Welsh Society of Oregon and also sings with Oregon's Welsh Dragon Choir.

**PRESTON WILDE** performs with Uilleann pipes, fiddle, and whistles Preston grew up in Northern California where he first heard Irish traditional music in the form of a Finbar Furey recording belonging to his father. This recording sparked Preston's deep interest in the uilleann pipes. After several years playing whistle, flute, and Scottish bagpipes as a child, Preston began learning the uilleann pipes at age 17 with the help of Dingle piper Con Durham as well as the Pub Scouts, the local Irish music collective in Chico, CA. Preston frequently plays at regional ceilis, workshops, sessions and concerts. He has performed with Ensemble Galilei, An Irish Christmas, Cake, Alistair Fraser, Kevin Burke and many others.



[www.andreawildsings.com](http://www.andreawildsings.com)



## **COVID FATIGUE**

In March 2020, the world changed. I remember it well because it was on my birthday that our country "shut down." I don't think people thought about how their lives would change. There were only a few cars on the freeways, businesses were closed, schools were closed, and suddenly there were no children in the playgrounds, and schools scrambled for a way to educate. People living alone were cut off from social activities, especially the elderly, and many could not see family or friends.

We now live in a new world, and it is unlikely that we will return to the way it was before Covid. There are new priorities, careers are changed, some businesses no longer exist, and with the rise of technology, we now have remote working, learning, telemedicine, and delivery services. Family, especially grandchildren, have taken on new meaning to many; we are closer and appreciate our loved ones better.

The pandemic affected many social and heritage group gatherings. Zoom became a household word that divided us into those who loved it and others who did not.

As the world attempts to return to regular activities, many groups struggle to keep their members together. One way to do that is to offer in-person meetings plus streaming on Zoom for those that cannot meet in person.

That is what we will attempt at our July meeting. I hope members will plan to attend one way or the other.

## **A Wise Man Once Said**

*"... Our Society must be a joint venture. Everyone has something to give and something to receive. To take a negative position regarding our personal involvement in either giving or receiving is a nail in the collective coffin. As we approach the end of our seventh (24<sup>th</sup>) year, we need a revival of the same zeal that brought us into being. Finally, while electronics make some things more accessible, they also make some things deadly. For us as an organization, "face time" with Cousins is critical. The span of the Pacific Northwest is large, so until we successfully develop smaller area meetings, we will suffer and be under some threat in the future. We are busy people, the real question is whether we Cornish Cousins will decide to include our Society with some level of priority or not."*

*The recent search for Officer Nominees brought an avalanche of "too busy" reasons. So who will serve? I believe every member should anticipate serving the Society in some capacity at some point in their membership." Dick Colenso - Summer 2005*



## ***PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO KEEP OUR GROUP ACTIVE***

*There is a kindred spirit that permeates true Cornish Cousins, which is the essential ingredient of our future. (Dick Colenso)*

### **PLAN A**

The Pacific Northwest Cornish Society, which is now in its 24<sup>th</sup> year, is in crisis and at risk of dissolving. Please consider volunteering for any of the following jobs: **The jobs vacant at this time: President, VP of the South, Secretary, Newsletter Editor, Library, and the Country Store.**

#### **Article VI Duties of Officers**

**Section 1 The President** is responsible for day-to-day oversight, the preparation of meeting agendas, and shall preside over all meetings of the Executive Board and annual general membership meetings. They shall act as ex-officio member of all committees, except the nominating committee. All contracts by and for the Society shall be signed by the President and approved by one other officer as noted in the corporation minutes.

**Section 2 The Vice-President** shall assist the President in administrative duties and perform the duties of the President in the absence or inability of that officer to serve. The Vice-President shall be responsible for selecting and developing the program including speakers/trainers/or others as necessary.

**Section 3 The Secretary** shall record and distribute to the membership the minutes of each meeting. They shall read the minutes of the previous meetings as requested and preserve all minutes and reports. In lieu of reading the minutes at each meeting, a copy of the minutes may be transmitted to members by mail or email to all members prior to the meeting where they will be considered. Minutes shall include verbatim all motions from the floor and results of those motions. The Secretary is responsible for ensuring the President's agenda includes all unfinished business or tabled motions until such time they are complete. A complete file of all records shall be passed on to each succeeding secretary. S

#### **Article VII Standing Committees**

**B. Newsletter Editor:** to create and publish a quarterly newsletter that includes information of interest to Society members.

**C. Library:** to hold, inventory, and make available contents of the library of the Society.

**D. Cornish Store:** to hold, inventory, replenish, available for sale items of Cornish interest.

### **PLAN B**

#### **Article X Dissolution**

Upon the dissolution of the Society, the officers who serve as the Executive Board shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all liabilities of the Society, offer the assets of the Society to any Society or organization having objectives substantially like or similar to those of this organization under Section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue

## MEMBER NEWS

**Craig and Colleen Pedlar** spent a few weeks at the Central Oregon Coast. They chose the Adobe Resort in Yachats overlooking the beautiful Pacific Ocean. They spent some time exploring and met up to Dot Hosking and her friend Frank Warren in Florence. They visited Jim and Alene Reaugh at their home in Toledo, Oregon. On their last day while packing up, Craig tripped and fell landing face first.

I lost all the details but Craig spent many hours in the emergency room and Colleen was tasked to drive the eight hour trip home. I checked on Craigs progress yesterday and I will tell you what he said in his own words:

*“Craig here- cut above left eye fully healed, bruise below left eye all clear and cracked ribs (left side) almost healed. Definitely do not recommend testing how solid a cement sidewalk is by falling onto it. Do recommend giving “gently” cracked ribs a week or so to get started healing, work on deep breathing exercises and then get back to regular activities, staying on you feet, but NO golfing.”*



Frank Warren and Dot Hosking

Not to be outdone, **Dot Hosking** was at a meeting in Vancouver, Wa and slipped and fell in the hotel bathtub. She broke four ribs and punctured her lung and spent one night in the hospital. She reports she is now healed and just needs to be careful for a few more weeks.

Not long after moving to Florence, Oregon, Dot Hosking met a gentleman at the Elks Club Friday night Dance. Frank Warren, a friend of Dot’s daughter Bettina, asked Dot to dance. They danced the night away as well as several more Friday night dances. On April 28, 2022, Dot and Frank exchanged rings in a pledge to each other.

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**Alene & Jim Reaugh** traveled South to Bandon, Coos Bay and Gold Beach as a practice run for our new endeavor of seeing the country. Our next trip will be East eventually taking Highway 20 from Newport to Boston, the longest highway in the country.



## Bob and Shirley Bruce, Charter members #008

We remember Bob and Shirley for their long service to our Society; they were charter members joining in 1998. Shirley was the Cornish one, with the maiden name of Spargo, and Bob, with the name of Bruce, was, of course, Scottish. They made their church, First Presbyterian Church in Puyallup, available for our March meetings for many years. They were always there early to welcome us with coffee brewing and tea water hot.

Bob served as Vice President in 2003/04 and Secretary in 2005/2007. There was hardly a dry eye in the place when Bob played the piano and sang the traditional

Cornish song “The White Rose.” We awarded Bob and Shirley honorary life memberships to express our gratitude.

Shirley passed away in 2021, and Bob passed in his sleep on April 26, 2022. Thankfully, Bob spent time with family members in the days leading up to his heavenly reunion with Shirley. They will be missed by all who know them.





*Evangeline E.  
Peterson-Anderson  
September 28, 1926 - May 5, 2022*

Van, member #108, was not Cornish, but she loved Cornwall. She accompanied me on a month-long trip to Cornwall in 2004, where she fell in love with Polperro. Van was a special friend to me and was by my side when my mother passed in 1986. She was with me every step of the way as I navigated life and supported me in all my interests. Van joined the Cornish Society to support me and loved going to the meetings and visiting with everyone.

On May 5, 2022, Van passed away at the age of 95. She loved her life, her many friends, her work, and her family. She was near her as she took her final journey to the promised land. When the end was near, as in life, she took charge and prayed her way home. She will be missed by all who knew her and will always be remembered for her kindness, wit, and wisdom.



Picture taken 2005 at Puyallup March Meet-



Van is with  
Hettie  
Merrick  
in  
Cornwall

## **MARCH 2022 MEETING MINUTES**

### **MINUTES of March Meeting via Zoom.,**

Val Ensor hosted the Zoom meeting and provided the minutes.

Bob Scott, President opened the meeting at 4:14 pm, recorded in Zoom

**Minutes** were not read as these are in the previous newsletter and available to all.

### **Discussion -**

Looking for volunteers and how we can gain more new members. Ideas about posting on Facebook page, keeping it current to attract others.

Encourage the new members to attend the meetings

Members attending this meeting asked to reach out to others who were not in attendance today and encourage them to come to the next meeting

Encouraged to where your Cornish lapel pins, t-shirts, etc. as conversation starters with others when you're out in public. Possibly posting in other areas where Cornish connections can be seen

Request for volunteers is needed to help spread the work among more members than a few.

Currently accepting nominations for officer roles. Those available are: Presiden, VP South, Secretary

How to gain more new members?

Ideas to add a way to gain membership online through the website

Alene Reaugh will coordinate with other Cornish Societies to advertise our group on other sites and ask them to reciprocate to gain greater awareness

Valerie Ensor offered to help Dot Hosking create a PayPal account to allow membership on the website and work with Mickey to get the PayPal link posted on the website.

Country Store: Alene reported sales are non-exist since we haven't been meeting in-person, but expect sales to increase with upcoming events.

We enjoyed hearing everyone's Cornish connection

Next meeting will be July 9, 2022 at Ft. Borst Park with a potluck held from 11 am to 4 pm. Zoom will also be available for those who are unable to attend in person.

The meeting finished with everyone watching the An Hwedhel a Sen Piran (The Story of St Piran) delivered in Cornish and English.



### *Officers*

**President:** Robert “Bob” Scott bobkat2003@comcast.net  
**North V P.:** Gordon Bennett, mjbgab@comcast.net  
**South V.P.:** Vacant  
**Sec/News:** Vacant  
**Treasurer:** Dot Hosking, dot97479@gmail.com  
**Website:** Mickey Sieracki msieracki@msn.com  
**Membership:** Bonnie LaDoe, bladoe@aol.com

## Cornish Country Store

Our Cornish Country Store is open 24 hours online and three times a year live at our meetings. We have a good variety of items your Cornish cousins will love. Please check the website to see pictures of all these items: [www.nwcornishsociety.com](http://www.nwcornishsociety.com) or you can place an order by emailing Alene Reaugh at [Softwalk2@yahoo.com](mailto:Softwalk2@yahoo.com) Sweat-shirts and T-shirts are now available, see pictures inside. You can also place orders with Café Press at <http://cafepress.com/pnwcs>. In addition, PNCS gets a commission on sales made through the website connection to Amazon.com.

**Web site:** [www.nwcornishsociety.com](http://www.nwcornishsociety.com)

**PNCS Meetings are held three times a yr**

**ST. PIRAN’S DAY CELEBRATION**  
**Puyallup, WA - First Saturday in March**  
**Portland, OR - Third Saturday in March .**

**ANNUAL CORNISH PICNIC -FORT BORST**  
**Centralia, WA - Second Saturday in July**

**FALL MEETINGS**  
**Puyallup, WA - Third Saturday in Oct**  
**Portland, OR – Fourth Saturday in Oct**

## Pacific Northwest Cornish Society Application for Membership

Name:

Address:

City: State/Province

ZIP/Postal Code

Phone:

( ) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address:

Webpage:

\$20 Individual Member \$30 Family Membership Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

List Cornish names and areas or parishes of interest:

**MAIL TO DOT HOSKING :**

P.O. BOX 3285—555 Rhododendron Dr. Florence, Or 97439

# Cornish Connections

*This is a highly arbitrary list. Feel free to suggest other Cornish Connections by e-mailing the Editor*

## *Cornish Global Migration Programme*

Collects information about Cornishmen and women who emigrated to England or elsewhere.

[www.cornishmigration.org.uk](http://www.cornishmigration.org.uk)

## **Cornish Heritage Organizations**

### *Federation of Old Cornwall Societies*

<http://oldcornwall.org>

### *The Cornish-American Heritage Foundation*

[www.cousinjack.org](http://www.cousinjack.org)

### *New Zealand Cornish Association*

[www.busby.net/nzca/](http://www.busby.net/nzca/)

### *The California Cornish Cousins*

[www.califcornishcousins.org](http://www.califcornishcousins.org)

### *Cornish Association of Victoria (Australia)*

[www.cornishvic.org.au](http://www.cornishvic.org.au)

## **Festivals and Events**

### *Newport Celtic Festival and Highland Games*

169 SW Coast Highway  
Newport, Oregon 97365

[www.newportcelticfestival.com](http://www.newportcelticfestival.com)

## **Cornish Websites**

### *Cornwall Connections*

A collection of links to all things Cornish.

[www.cornwallconnections.peoples.com](http://www.cornwallconnections.peoples.com)

### *Cornish Global Migration Programme*

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[www.cornishmigration.org.uk](http://www.cornishmigration.org.uk)

### *myCornwall.tv*

*myCornwall magazine (formerly Cornish World)*

Video and print resources seek to make a difference to Cornwall by creating entertaining, educational and thought-provoking content.

<http://www.mycornwall.tv>

## *West Penwith Resources*

Links to resources concerning the far west end of Cornwall.

<http://west-penwith.org.uk/index.htm>

## **General Genealogy**

### *Washington State Archives*

Has 94 million records preserved, 29 million of which are searchable online.

[www.digitalarchives.wa.gov](http://www.digitalarchives.wa.gov)

### *Oregon State Archives*

Search for Oregon records on line.

<http://genealogy.state.or.us>

### *Cyndi's List*

More than 290,000 links to genealogy sites. The founder spoke at the March 2011 PNCS meeting.

[www.cyndislist.com](http://www.cyndislist.com)

### *FamilySearch*

Information from Salt Lake City and elsewhere, plus videos on how to get started on your genealogy.

[www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org)

### *Statue of Liberty/Ellis Island Foundation*

Look up your ancestors who came through New York between 1892 and 1924, free.

[www.ellisland.org](http://www.ellisland.org)

### *Bureau of Land Management*

Search for land patent records by name and state.

[www.glorerecords.blm.gov](http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov)

### *Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society*

Meets the second Tuesday of each month, September through May at Bates Technical College, 1101 South Yakima Avenue, Tacoma, WA 98405

[www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~watpcgs/](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~watpcgs/)

### *BYU Idaho Special Collections*