

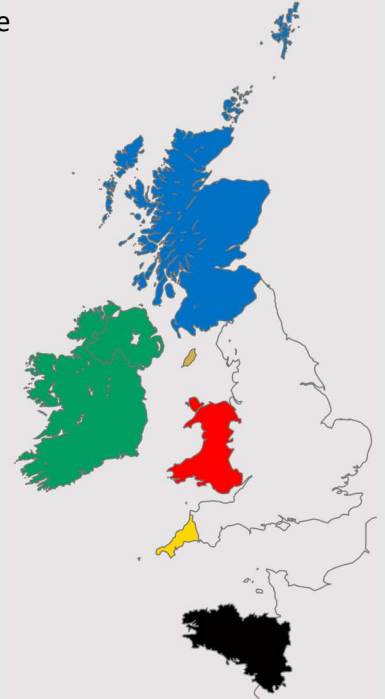


This is Celtic Congress Cornwall's first newsletter aimed at Celtic groups, letting people know who we are, what we do and how we interact with the wider Celtic community. We aim for this to be bi-monthly and hope that other Celtic Congress branches will share their news along with others with interests in Celtic culture and heritage. We welcome enquiries about membership of our Celtic group.

You can see from our aims and objectives at the bottom of page two and our activities in promoting and sharing aspects of Cornwall's wider heritage and encouraging greater interests and interaction within the Celtic community of nations.

With light at the end of a dark COVID tunnel, we can look with some confidence at resuming more normal conditions during 2021. The increase in online connectivity over the past 12 months has helped integrate people from across the globe in Cornish and Celtic pursuits, which before they may not have been aware of. We hope that these online activities continue alongside our normal ones encouraging greater worldwide participation.

Celtic Congress Cornwall is now well underway in preparing plans, programmes and supporting events that include Cornish and Celtic wide themes for 2021. We look forward to engaging with young people and sharing news and knowledge relating to Cornwall and the history and culture of all the Celtic nations. Email our Publicity Officer with information you may have to share. *(email address at the bottom of page two)*



We've aimed to get this newsletter out before three of our Celtic nations celebrate their national saint's days in March. Cymru with St David's Day on 1<sup>st</sup> March, Kernow with St Piran's Day on 5<sup>th</sup> March and Ireland's St Patrick's Day on 17<sup>th</sup> March. We wish Cymru 'Dydd Gŵyl Dewi Hapus' and Éire 'lá fhéile Pádraig sona dhaoibh' to all its folk. To our own people in Cornwall 'Gool Peran Lowen'.

We in Kernow will be celebrating St Piran and Kernow's National Day and Celtic Congress Cornwall will be supporting the Newquay St Piran's Festival starting on 1<sup>st</sup> March through to 5<sup>th</sup> March. The festival will be celebrating all things Cornish, relating to our historic and cultural heritage, of course we mustn't forget our environment, so important these days.

### An exploration of Cornwall's history and the part it plays within a global context - a small place making a big impact?

What makes Cornish Studies relevant in a global context? Well, perhaps a key reason is that Cornwall can be seen as a good case study of key globalisation processes, particularly global migration. Cornwall's position and relationship to the other Celtic countries, England, Europe and indeed the world also invites academic study worldwide. On 5th March we mark St Piran's Day by looking at that global, outward facing aspect of Cornish past and present in a Cornish World.



### Find online by searching A Cornish World / Bys Kernow

We are told that this will be available online after the event, without the discussion.

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Truro & Penwith College in Truro runs BSc Degree courses in Archaeology and also a Foundation degree course in History, Heritage & Culture. We are pleased to report that not only do these courses include a huge amount on Cornish themes, but also touch on wider Celtic history. Students on the HH&C course are currently working on a project that will produce posters showing the interaction between the English Crown and their Celtic neighbours in history. These will then be displayed at the Newquay Heritage Archive & Museum, where we hope to be able to include a poster encouraging interest and membership in An Guntelles Kelttek Kernow.

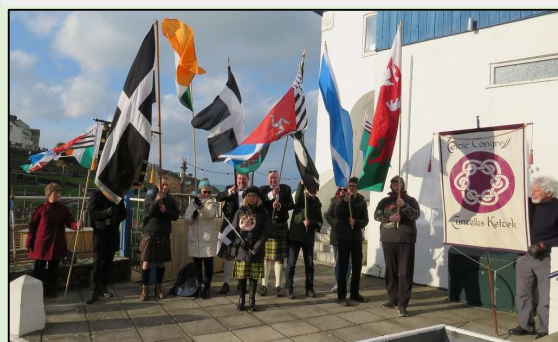
An Guntelles Kelttek Kernow is very pleased to again support Kernow's St Piran's celebrations. Last year we participated in the parade and Fer Ertach Kernow fair at Newquay and also sponsored the Morganow singing event at Newquay Rowing Club. This encouraged a good crowd to sing songs in Kernewek and was a very successful evening.

This year with the COVID pandemic regulations restricting us we are still able to support St Piran's as part of the online virtual festival organised by Newquay St Piran's Festival Group.

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

With the help of our Vice Chair, Len who runs the Association for Cornish Heritage and member Bunney who runs 'Urban Kelt' we are able to support the evening music sessions of Cornish Celtic themed and Indie Music, part of Kernow's growing contemporary music culture.

Newquay St Piran's Festival has content from all over Cornwall and also from far across the worldwide Cornish Diaspora.



**Urban Kelt Cornish music sessions every evening at 9.30pm 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> March at Newquay St Piran's Festival – Supported by Celtic Congress Cornwall**



Finally, Celtic Congress Cornwall would also like to express our support for our friends at **Gorsedh Kernow** in their St Piran's celebration call to '**Fly a Flag for St Piran**'. Let's see lots of St Piran's flags flying in gardens, businesses and showing in people windows throughout Cornwall and beyond. Wherever there's a Cornish person lets see a flag flying for St Piran. **Kernow Bys Vyken.**

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