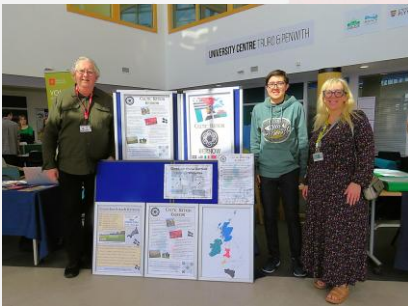




Dydh da / Hello,

We welcome you to Celtic Nation Kernow, This is a revised and updated version of our original message of welcome following the original sent some time ago. It appears that many of you did not receive this as your membership email seemed to have vanished into thin air. Fortunately we have now managed to recover most of these and updated our database. Having sorted and removed over a hundred spam membership forms hopefully that task is now complete.

Many of you have joined through the website maybe having seen our Facebook posts. Others we have met personally at different events held in Kernow. Many of you I would have met in Newquay Museum, so many from Eire thanks to Deirdre. Hello again, one and all.



Although this is Kernow led this group is aimed at and for all the Celtic nations. A website with links to the various national components for each of the Celtic nations has been published through www.celticnationsinternational.org. This enables overall website administration to be decreased whilst also benefiting from the charitable status of Celtic Nation Kernow.



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Bringing together the Celtic nations sharing their true histories and cultures

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All the Celtic nations have rich cultural heritage along with shall we say interesting histories along with wonderful environments. Our group aims to share the wealth of Kernow and Celtic national heritage and encourage interaction between all these nations. We would love to continue the visits and meetings to Celtic nations previously carried out through the International Celtic Congress.

Our Kernow group are really flying the flag for all the Celtic nations and with a passionate small group we aim to evolve, which started with the rebranding of our century old organisation last year. With our online membership contact form our group numbers have increased sixfold, with a strong following of younger people.



We aim to utilise the benefits of technology to share and work with other Celtic groups and people from **Alba** (Scotland) **Breize** (Brittany) **Cymru** (Wales) **Eire** (Ireland) **Kernow** (Cornwall) and **Mannin** (Isle of Man). People from across the whole demographic spectrum are encouraged to contribute in some way. The development of our website and publication of an online news magazine are just two projects. We also want to use the power of Zoom to interact and host Celtic language lessons, illustrated talks, discussion groups and whatever else Celtic related.

If you have knowledge or a skill that you can bring to the party we would very much like to hear from you. It maybe something you can write relating wider Celtic interest. You may have IT, media or technological skills which can be used in projects such as videos on YouTube or reels on social media. We want these to be fun as well as informative and interesting. This is a chance to promote your own skills and create personal opportunities.

A project to share historic, cultural and environmental topics from all the Celtic nations in short videos for YouTube and TikTok is underway for Cymru. We want to facilitate and share these for all the Celtic nations. Please contact us with your ideas we'd love to help put ideas that promote the sharing of Celtic heritage into action.

Although Celtic history and heritage is ancient we want to be a 21st century forward looking group and welcome ideas and input from young people. For too long many groups have become stuck in the past and subsequently declined. We want to embrace the future and encourage interest from across the whole age spectrum.

Here in Kernow we intend to organise a series of events throughout the year involving music, dance and also workshops and talks to share knowledge about Celtic heritage.

Finally. Kernow is working towards catching up with the UK's other Celtic nations with Cornwall Council now endorsing the aim of devolved power and towards Kernow's potential status as the UK's fifth nation. A petition aiming at 100,000 signatures if reached, will potentially trigger a debate in the Westminster Parliament.

The petition states: *'We urge the UK Government to formally recognize Cornwall as a nation, granting it equal status to Wales and Scotland. This includes devolved powers, cultural preservation, and official recognition of Cornwall's distinct heritage, language, and historic autonomy.'*

Please vote for this if you believe that Cornwall can better run itself without the control of the Westminster government of any party colour. Link at: www.facebook.com/celticnationkernow

We would really like to hear from you and what you can offer in sharing yours or other Celtic heritage.

Please contact Len at: celticnationkernow@gmail.com

Meur ras / Thank you

Len

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We hope many of our Kernow members will be able to support this event. If you can contribute through music, song or other Celtic themed entertainment that would be great. If you know of others who may wish to support this please contact us at celticationkernow@gmail.com

Administratively we're a small group with a growing membership from across all the Celtic nations. We want to encourage interest and promote Cornish and Celtic cultural heritage far and wide. Any support or assistance would be most appreciated. Meur ras / Thank you.

Cornish Prom at 'The Pit'

Sunday 21st September
12:00 noon to 4:00pm

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Join us for a **FREE** event at the iconic
Gwennap Pit for an afternoon of music
with Carharrack & St Day Silver Band
and other guest Cornish musicians (TBC)
promoted by Celtic Nation Kernow

Also heritage stalls & refreshments