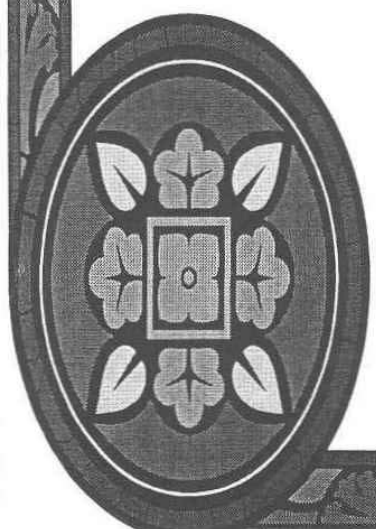
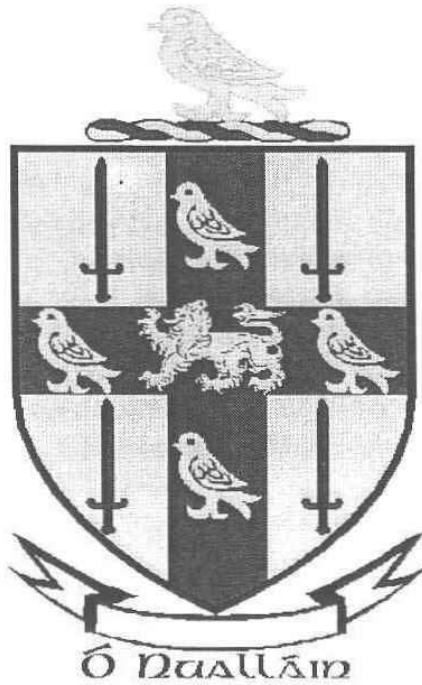


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Nolan Clan
Clann Ó Nualláin

*includes the families of O'Nolan, Nolan, Nowlan, Nowlin,
Nolin, Nowland, Noland, Knowlan, Knowland,
and any other variant.*



Late Tom Nolan

We are sorry to announce the death of Tom Nolan who passed away suddenly last December. He was born and raised at Slyguff Lock, Co. Carlow where his father was the Lock Keeper. On leaving school Tom followed in his father's footsteps and worked as a Lock Keeper for 21 years. He spent most of that time at Fenniscourt Lock near Bagenalstown.

Tom was a master craftsman with wood and established his own wood work business at Slyguff where he continued to work until his death. He made the beautiful staff that we use for the inauguration of the Chief, it has the complete Nolan crest hand carved into the handle and is a true work of art.

A devoted family man Tom enjoyed the great support of his wife Kathleen, until her tragic death in a car accident in 1996. Tom carried on in close harmony with his son Jim and daughter Aileen, enjoying their mutual interests in traditional Irish music and dance. He was a prominent member of Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann for forty years, playing both fiddle and button accordion.

Tom was always interested in his ancestral history and got involved with a few other Nolans while doing his research, which led to the formation of the Clan in 1995. He was the chairman of this group and the first Chief of the Clan. He worked tirelessly for the Clan and had a special interest in the book that is being launched at this years gathering.

Nolan Book

A comprehensive and detailed history of our famous Clan has at last been completed. Right now it is with the printers and will be launched at our Clan gathering in July. However we only plan to publish 1000 copies, a number of which will be hardback. If you want to be sure of getting your copy of this most invaluable book you must order now. The book itself is 400 pages and deals with the history of the Clan from earliest times - pre Christian - down to the 19th century. It is available in hardback and softback.

The authors are Fr. J. Nolan, who began the book in the 1920' s and Art Kavanagh who has completed the work.

Order this rare book now if you want to get it at the pre-launch price. You can order by phone +3535477036 during office hours.

The price for US orders, including P&P, is Hardback \$45, soft back \$39. You can pay by credit card (Visa, Mastercard) or by personal cheque. UK price, including P&P, hardback £23 and £19. Canada \$75 and \$65, Ireland £23 and £19. Irish Family Names is the sole selling agent for the book and they can be contacted at

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The official launch takes place on the 14th of July at 8:30 pm. in the Lord Bagenal Inn. There will be a wine and cheese reception and all are welcome.

New Members

We welcome the following members that have joined recently.

Ms. Francine Nolan, 40 Governors St, Worcester, MA, USA.

Mr. Michael Nolan Ballinastick, Coalbrook, Thurles, Co. Tipperary.

James & Evelyn Ryan, 54 Dublin St.. Carlow.

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Mr. Patrick J. Nolan, Carrowblough House, Kilkee, Co. Clare.

Don't forget if you change your address, please let us know.

Newsletter

If you have any items of interest to share with the Clan, please send them to Tom Nolan, 14 Oakleigh, Celbridge, Co. Kildare.

Millennium Clan Gathering

The Lord Bagenal Inn, Leighlinbridge, Co. Carlow

14th & 15th July

Our Millennium gathering is in Leighlinbridge where you can soak in the atmosphere of this quiet, riverside village in the well known Lord Bagenal Inn. The Lord Bagenal has developed a reputation for fine food and excellent value for money. The menu offers a wide selection of fresh seafood in season and the restaurant has won many national and international awards.



Picturesque village of Leighlinbridge with Black Castle.

This will be our fourth Nolan Clan Gathering and we are very excited about the launch of the book on the Friday night. It will be a big occasion for the Clan and all concerned. Sean and Mai Nolan, Ardattin, Co. Carlow (+353-503-55666) are co-ordinating the sale of tickets for the dinner and social on the Saturday night. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

A.G.M. 15th July

The A.G.M. is being held at 5:30 pm. after the bus tour. Nominations for election to the committee are most welcome and we invite all members to make an input at this meeting. Only paid up members will be allowed to vote at the AGM.