

Clan Rally 2010 in Hobart, Tasmania



Join us for Clan Egan Rally in Hobart in 2010

Wed 30 June to Sun 4 July, 2010

Wed am: Registration

Wed pm: Local Hobart city based activities

Thurs all day: Bus to Port Arthur & tour of convict settlement

Fri am: Tour of Tasman Peninsula sites

Fri pm: Visit historic village of Richmond.
Return to Hobart for evening meal.

Sat am: Visit Salamanca Markets

Sat pm: Lectures at University followed by Clan Dinner

Sun: Church services followed by Clan Meetings & farewell lunch.

We will be based at a Hobart city hotel and will stay overnight at Port Arthur on Thursday, returning to Hobart for Friday and Saturday nights. Participants may wish to add Tuesday and Sunday nights at the same Hobart hotel. We encourage visitors to stay and tour independently.

Getting to Tasmania

Direct flights to Hobart are available from Melbourne and Sydney, and take one and two hours respectively.

There is an overnight ferry from Melbourne to Devonport in the north of Tasmania and takes 12 hours. If you bring a car on the ferry, the registration number of the car is required at the time of booking, so bringing a hire car over is not an option. Hire cars are available at the terminal at Devonport. There is also a coach.

Hobart is a three and a half hour trip by road from Devonport.

Weather

July is winter in Hobart.

Hobart is situated at latitude 42°50'S and longitude 147°20'E. Its latitude equates with that of Rome and Salt Lake City in the northern hemisphere, but the climate is more moderate. Hobart has a mild, temperate, maritime climate with four distinct seasons.

Weather July

Mean daily maximum 14.4°C (58°F)

Mean daily minimum 4.5°C (40°F)

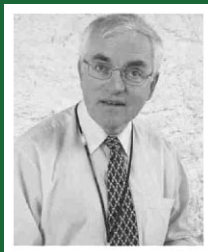
Average rainfall 52.8mm

Because of its southerly latitude, the seasons are much more evident in Tasmania than they are in the rest of Australia. While the mountains are sprinkled with snow in the winter, at sea level the daytime temperatures and clear, crisp days are ideal for some outdoor activities. Normal clothing like slacks and sweatshirt, for indoors, topped with a waterproof and wind-proof jacket for outdoors is generally sufficient. For longer outdoor activities, hats, scarf and gloves may be helpful if you feel the cold.

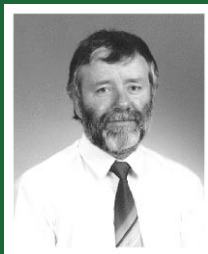
See you there!

Kerry & David Edwards
Clan Egan - Australia

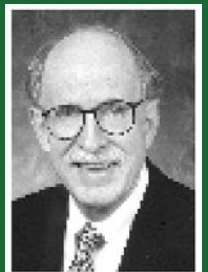
P.S. Please see page 3 for Australia Visa requirements.



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The View from Queenstown

story and photos by Jackie Egan

Cobh, (pronounced “Cove”) Ireland is a seaport in County Cork, located on the Great Island in Cork Harbor. Many of our Irish ancestors left for America in ships that took them aboard in Cobh, or what was also known, from 1849 to 1922, as Queenstown. Several members of my husband’s family started their the journey to America overland from County Leitrim to Queenstown, starting in 1908, to board those ships. Ships with names such as the S. S. Baltic and S. S. Arabic took them to New York City, where they disembarked at Ellis Island to begin their new lives in America.

During the 2008 Clan Rally in Western Ireland, we had the opportunity to visit the area, staying in a local hotel for the evening. We walked the streets and visited the local Railroad Station that now houses the Museum and Heritage Center. Many of the brightly colored houses that line the town streets facing out towards the harbor, have the view that you see to the upper right. If the passengers aboard ship were fortunate enough to have a final view of the land, they passed these hills as they left on their long journeys.

For anyone researching their families and their travels through this port, I would recommend visiting Cobh, if at all possible. “Cobh, the Queenstown Story” is a well-done exhibition, housed in the old railroad station, that explains in detail the history of the emigration.

Queenstown is also known for being the burial place of victims of the sinking of the Lusitania, and was the last port of call for the Titanic on her maiden voyage. Another point of interest is the massive Cobh Cathedral, St. Colman’s, seat of the diocese of Cloyne, which is located high above the town. It is also worth a visit, as well, not only for it’s architecture, and history, but the view of the harbor and surrounding town from the Cathedral grounds is quite spectacular.

For those of you who are researching your family history, the Cobh Heritage Centre also has an online service that, for a fee, will look up your family information for you. The web site is: www.cobhheritage.com or you can contact them at: Cobh Heritage Centre, Cobh, Co. Cork, Ireland. E-mail: info@cobhheritage.com



The view of the harbor, from waterfront in Cobh.



These are some of the brightly colored buildings that line the lower road running along the Cobh harbor.



One of the docks in the center of town, with a view of the old Railroad Station, far left, in the distance.

Places named Egan - Places Named After Us

written by Tim Egan

While reading a copy of the car magazine, Road and Track, I came across an article about the Pony Express. This was a short-lived mail and news delivery system in America during the 1860 to 1861 era. The delivery was carried out by horse riders galloping across the West with bags of mail. The basic premise of the article, was that three lucky car guys get to drive hot cars across the Western United States following the trail of the original horse riders.

During the course of reading the article, I came across a notation about a town named Egan, Nevada. It was the scene of the Battle of Egan Canyon in which a Pony Express rider, and another man, were captured by the Paiute Indians and were about to be burned alive, when U.S. Cavalry arrived to save their skins. Legend has it, that three soldiers who were killed in the battle were buried at Egan Cemetery, however, further research has cast doubt about that. Of note, is that the article was done by a writer named Peter Egan. I have read his articles before and they are pretty good, especially if you are a car guy.

Because of this story about Egan, Nevada, I decided to look up other towns named Egan. I found that Tennessee has an Egan which is also known as Egan Station, Egan Store or

Eganville. Illinois has an Egan, Louisiana also has an Egan, which can be found in the southern part of the state off Old Highway 10, which coincidentally, is called the Egan Highway.

There is an Egan in Texas, although it’s more of a crossroads, and is located in the Dallas-Fort Worth area not too far from the International airport. California had an Egan once, located in the Yuba Valley, however, it is now a ghost town.

I know for sure there is an Eganville, Ontario, Canada, in the Bonnechere Valley. My wife and I went out of our way to stay overnight near there in the mid 1980s. As I recall, it had a population of 1300.

There is also an Egan, South Dakota, and we took a photo of the sign at the edge of town. Actually, it really wasn’t much of a town, as there were probably two buildings and a grain silo, but that was a long time ago and I am sure it is larger than that now.

So next time you are traveling, keep an eye out for towns named Egan. It’s nice to know there are so many places named after us.



Australia/Tasmania Visa Requirements

Please be advised that there are Visa requirements for entry into Australia that require an ETA, which is an Electronic Travel Authority. This can be obtained electronically, or through travel agents or airlines. The online applications can be found through this web site: www.eta.immi.gov.au The online cost for the ETA is AUS\$20.00. The ETA web site also has links to Australian Visa Offices and tourist information.

Check the Clan Web Site Often

When finalized, the 2009 Hobart, Tasmania Clan Rally information will be posted to our web site: www.clanegan.org. The site is currently under partial reconstruction, but the new update will be done soon. In the meantime, all the 2008 Clan Rally information and photos that were posted are still available for viewing. Please take a look at all the Rally photos, or articles that we have uploaded to the site for you. If you have any other information or photos that need to be added to the web site, please contact Byron at: began@jw.com

Change of Address or E-mail

Please be sure to update your addresses when they change. We often get our newsletters returned and don't want to lose our connection to you, so please send any updated information to either: Jim Eagen, P.O. Box 38, Poolesville, MD 20837-0438 or e-mail him at: jimeagen@comcast.net OR Byron Egan, 4405 McFarlin Blvd., Dallas, Texas 75205 or e-mail him at: began@jw.com



Left to Right: John and Anne Field, and Mike and Mary Egan are shown together at the 2006 Clan Rally in Dallas.

A sad farewell

We bid a sad farewell to Clan member, Mary Egan, wife of Mike, from Albury, NSW, Australia. Mary lost her 2-year battle with cancer and was laid to rest September 21st. Our condolences to Mike. We will all miss you, Mary.

Welcome New Clan Members

Steve and Lina Martine and Joyce Egan Holcomb

Clan Dues

A friendly reminder that Clan Dues are payable to Jim Eagen every year. Please send \$25 (for family) to him at: Clan Egan-USA/Canada, c/o Jim Eagen, Treasurer, P. O. Box 38, Poolesville, MD 20837-0438. Thank you.

Membership Record Form - Clann Aodhagin - USA and Canada

Family Name:

First Name:

Names of adults at this address:

New membership or renewal:

Permanent Address:

Membership Number:

Alternate Address (and months):

Phone:

Fax:

E-Mail:

Member Since:

Relative who will help re-establish contact if mail is returned:

Membership Dues are \$25 for a family at a single address and \$15 for an individual.

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