



The Ryan Rag

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Clan
Ryan
(Victoria)

Farewell to our long standing Sec/Treas Gil Neilan

Gil Neilan may not carry the Ryan name, but he most certainly carries the Ryan genes and Ryan blood.

It is with affection, admiration and deep respect that he speaks of his maternal grandmother Margaret (nee Ryan) who was born in Cappa White, Ireland, in 1868.

She was educated in Redbank Plains where the family settled on their arrival in Australia. She was married in Ipswich.

Gil found the Clan while searching his grandmother's history. He accepted a place on the Committee of the Clan and found himself still there seven years later. He is retiring in January 2012.



Gil and His dog Harley at work for the Clan

A Magazine devoted solely to the interests of the Great Ryan Family, and the providing of information to them on a diversity of subjects. It also provides a Forum for the expression of the Opinions, the Hopes, Ideas, and the Ideals and Aspirations of this large Family.

wedding Bells

'The highest happiness on earth is marriage.' ~William Lyon Phelps

The Love Boat!



Kelli Saron and Andrew Duffield, stole a march on their guests who had gathered to wish them 'Bon Voyage', on their planned adventure to the Pacific Islands and six years cruising in their catamaran. Of course, it was a wedding march! The guests stood open mouthed and shocked at the sudden turn of events.

Everyone wished them a long and happy marriage.



A grand celebration was had. Kelli is the daughter of Toni Ryan and Errol Saron and granddaughter of Ted and Bertha Ryan (both deceased). The marriage took place at Paradise Point on Saturday the 19th November 2011.

Viva Las Vegas! The city of sound, lights, colour and Cha-Ching!



Kalan John Shuttlewood and Toni Marie Phipps decided to take the plunge and tie the knot in Las Vegas USA, They were married in the Graceland Chapel on 1st September 2011,

followed by a small reception at the Devine Eiffel Tower "Paris" Las Vegas Restaurant. Their two little daughters, Bella and Millie were cute little flower girls, and Kalan's sister Cassie Shuttlewood was their bridesmaid., brother Trent , was best man. It was very exciting for the family,

Lex, Lawrie, Trent, Cass and Trav, made the trip for the big day. A great time was had by all. What more appropriate choice of location, for a dedicated Texas Holden player? He hit the jackpot -Cha-Ching!,- when he met Toni, his partner of ten years.

Kalan is the son of Lex (nee Ryan) and Lawrie Shuttlewood and the grandson of Ted and Bertha Ryan (both deceased). As a talisman for their future happiness, Kalan wore his Grandfather's gold watch. The watch was given as a gift to Ted, from his beautiful wife on their golden wedding anniversary. A good omen!





Advance Australia Fair
Eireann go Brach



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Membership Fees

Fees:- (Due on or before 31 Dec. each year).
Any person whose Fees are in arrears for 12 months or more is deemed to have relinquished Membership and Membership privileges are discontinued and the person will have to make reapplication to regain Membership.

Ordinary Member: (Voting)\$15.00 per annum.
Family Member (2votes) :\$15.00 per annum.
Family Membership confers Membership on the Member, Spouse and all children under 16 years of age, and allows a vote for each parent.

CLAN RYAN QLD OBJECTIVES

In the constitution, the objects for which the "Clan" is established are:-

- *To bring all the descendants of the Clan Ryan together in friendship and foster good relations and fellowship among Members
- *To create and maintain a comprehensive Register of all Clan Descendants, and make information available to Members on request.
- *To seek affiliation with and maintain links with the Clan Headquarters in Tipperary, Ireland, and any other Organisation which fosters the Clan System of Ireland.
- *To seek information both general and specific relative to the Ryan family and the Clan as a whole, and to make such information available to Members on request.
- *To assist Members in every way possible in their search for information relative to their Family
- *To establish a Family Data-base for the RYAN Family, and provide a State-wide information centre for the distribution of family information to Members of the Clan.
- *To foster closer ties between Members of the Ryan Clan, and imbue the Members with a pride in the Family, by a greater appreciation and wider knowledge of the Family Name and the History of the Clan.
- *To establish contacts with the other States of Australia, and encourage and assist in the establishment of Branches of the Clan Ryan in those States.

Please note your name and membership number with deposit. New members will be given a membership number which appears on Ryan Rag envelope.

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Gil to retire after 7 years

By Berniece Ryan-Charles



Gil is retiring from our Management Committee after holding the office of Sec/Treasurer for the last 7 years.

During his terms of office Gil has streamlined the duties of Sec/Treasurer, making them work in unison thus creating an efficient, easy care system. During the latter part of our founding President's (my father's) life he stepped



into the breach and helped Da, by editing the 'Rag' before it went to print as well as carrying out the duties of Sec/Treasurer. He has also streamlined and brought the membership register up to date, which entailed many hours and many phone calls. After Ted's death, Gil stayed with the new and inexperienced committee, keeping the Clan going whilst we learned the ropes.

Gil came to the Clan with a background in business and a more able person for the job would be impossible to find. He has been the silent strength behind the committee, keeping us all on track and reminding us of the

timeframes for meetings, events and tasks,- in effect wearing many hats, whilst guiding us quietly and firmly.



It has been his expressed desire to retire and hand over the role, since Ted's passing, but, whilst he held office no one stepped up to the plate. This has forced him to hand in his resignation, which commences in January 2012. Gil has offered to stay on in an advisory capacity until we make the transition.

His departure will test our metal and I sincerely hope that we have all taken on board the lessons that he has provided to us.

Gil has also generously absorbed the cost of phone calls and many other associated costs which have arisen in the course of his office. Thank you and God bless you Gil.

It is essential to here thank, his lovely wife Marie, who has unstintingly supported Gil and the Clan in our various functions and meetings. She has generously opened her home to us to hold our management meetings there, providing refreshments and playing hostess, graciously and quietly. She has also entertained my various children who acted as chauffeur to me whilst I was in Brisbane to attend the meetings. She even found herself babysitting my little 12week old puppy at our last meeting. Marie, it is indeed a very heartfelt thank you.



We wish you a very happy, healthy and fulfilling retirement and many more years ahead in which to enjoy it. Now you can turn your mind and attention to your many other projects and duties. We will miss you, Gil and Marie and hope to see you at our Gatherings in the future.

THE RYANS OF CAPPA WHITE - TIPPERARY

By Gil Neilan

My maternal great great grandfather was MICHAEL RYAN born about 1837. He married ELIZABETH DUNNE (born 1842) in 1862. They had 7 children in Cappa White Ireland.

Mary	b.1863 m	Kelly	
Sarah	b.1864		
Patrick	b.1866 m	Mary Kelly	
Margaret	b.1868 m	John Thomas Campbell (Shaw)	My maternal grandmother
Elizabeth	b.1870		
Johanna	b.1871 m	Taylor?	
Michael	b.1872 m	A Taylor	
Daniel	b.1878	Born after migration to Australia	

Family migrated to Moreton Bay on the CLARA in 1875

All children were married in Ipswich.

All children attended school at Redbank Plains

I have been unsuccessful in matching any records in Ireland for MICHAEL Snr. and ELIZABETH Snr. nor their parents or siblings.

Michael snr. Died in Ipswich in 1914 and records show his parents as Patrick Ryan and his mother as Johanna.

Elizabeth snr. Died in 1918 in Ipswich. Her death certificate. (as certified by a grandson) shows her parents as Daniel Dunne and Bessie Ryan.

No records were found by the Tipperary History Society.

I wonder if any reader has any connection to Michael or Elizabeth of Cappa White?

Any suggested search areas would also be appreciated.

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CAPPAGH WHITE TOWN County Tipperary, North Riding

Cappaghwhite, a village, in the parish of Toom, barony of Kilnemanagh, County of Tipperary, and province of Munster, 6½ miles N from Tipperary; containing 695 inhabitants. This place, which has been much improved within the last 40 years, and contains 115 houses, is situated on the new line of road from Tipperary to Nenagh, to the former of which it has a penny post. It is a constabulary police station; fairs are held on June 4th, July 27th, Sept 29th November 16th and Dec 21st; and there are an RC chapel and a dispensary. Cappagh House is the residence of Mrs Fitzmaurice Hunt. Five hundred acres of land near the village were about seven years since, leased by Col Purefoy to the Mining Company of Ireland, who after incurring some expense in searching for copper, relinquished the enterprise.

A Topography Dictionary of Ireland, Samuel Lewis, 1837. Posted by Janet Crawford.

Realty in Cappaghwhite A Cottage for \$196,456AUD

CARNAHALLA, CAPPAWHITE, CO TIPPERARY, Cappagh White

For Sale By Private Treaty - Sale Agreed

Price: €150,000 | **Type:** House — (€150,000 = \$195,456 AUD)

Bedrooms: 0 | **Bathrooms:** 0 | **Reception Rooms:** 0

Description

0 Bedroom House For Sale in Cappagh White, Tipperary

Cottage on circa 1-acre site with full planning permission for renovation and extension. Located close to the charming village of Doon, offering all amenities, i.e. schools, shops, etc. Full plans and maps available from Auctioneers



The village of Cappaghwhite lies at the southern edge of the Slieve Felim Mountains at the eastern boundary of the civil parish of Toem, Co. Tipperary. It is contained within the townland of Cappagh, bounded on the south (confusingly) by the townland of Cappagh, Donohill civil parish.

The area is part of the rich history of Tipperary, according to websites:

"The area is well known for its association with historical events down through the centuries, with its ancient pattern wells, forts, motes and antiquities, from pre-Christian and medieval times down to the present century's fight for Irish Freedom."

"In the 17th Century, "Eamonn an Chnoic" Ireland's own "Robin Hood" roamed the hills righting the wrongs of the under-privileged native Irish. This type of outlaw was known as the "Irish Raparee". Legend claims that his cave and burial place, is located in the hills between Hollyford and Cappaghwhite."

The material quoted here and above is from a Cappaghwhite Community Council site that is under development: <http://cappaghwhite.muintir.ie>

The village rises from both sides of a hollow, and is well built. Some years ago it had considerable notoriety as the scene of faction fights, but in late years none have occurred. Some of the land of the district is fair, and some light. Oats and potatoes are the principal crops. A weekly market for butter, etc., was held some time ago, but it declined.

Modern Cappaghwhite seems prosperous to the casual visitor today. Many buildings in the village wear fresh paint, and there is new residential construction here and there around the outskirts.

Farming still seems to be the order of the day in the area. (compiled by Editor from various internet sources)

A Page from Queensland State Archives

www.archives.qld.gov.au/research/wheretostart.asp

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Do you want to begin researching our records but not sure how or where to start?

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Letters to the Editor

Good morning Nice

Hopefully you also received the photo's. Maybe you could find a spot in the Rag if you think suitable, The Author is unknown but it was printed in our church notice "The Savinbg Word"

I DREAM OF HEAVEN

I dreamt of heaven the other night
and the pearly gates swung wide
an angel with halo bright
ushered me inside

And there to my astonishment
stood folks I'd judged and labelled
as quite "unfit", of "little worth"
and "spiritually disabled"

Indignant words rose to my lips,
but never were set free, for every
face showed stunned surprise,
not one expected me

Hope you enjoy, God Bless
JR (John Ryan. (Vic)

The Irish Radio Program

Every Saturday from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM on Radio 4EB, 98.1 FM.

- Up to the hour News Items from Ireland
- A rich variety of good Irish Music.
- local S E Queensland doings,
- Become a member for \$25 per year and keep the Irish Group 'on the air'.

NEW MEMBERS

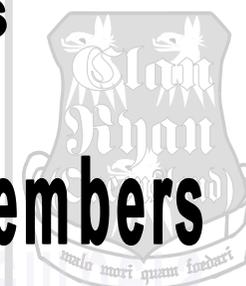
People will not look forward to posterity, who never look backward to their ancestors."
-Edmund Burke

"Ceád mile faillte romhat!"
(A hundred Thousand Welcomes)

Please Recruit New Members

Lorraine & Stewart Boyd

Please recruit new members!
Invite your friends and family and any Ryan you know or meet, to join us.



Queensland Branch
As Logo

AGM 2011 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(Abridged version)

A full report was handed out to attendees at the AGM)

It is with much concern that I convene this annual AGM this year much of my hope for the clan and its future has been sorely tested this past 12 mths. The executive has reached a critical point and the response from the Website has been less than expected.

Website: It is now a reality, find us on <http://clanryanaustralia.org> The executive has been following up on matters relating to the site and have attempted to get a local moderator with no response. We will be in phase one of the development with phases 2&3 on hold indefinitely. So if you have not done so log on and give us feedback please.

Membership: Sadly we are at a cross roads. Membership is falling Natural attrition being the most obvious. Our youth is not engaging in the clan concept, once parents stop as a family payment the youth/younger families do not renew. Volunteers are absent in number even though the work load is not onerous.

Email addresses: Our email list is falling. If you don't remember that our contact details are listed on the front page of the Rag we now also have the website through which you can also contact executive members

Constitution. The executive has not been able to look critically at these documents. It still remains an issue which needs resolution now we have a website it is now more important to finalise this task as we need to review these before they go out in public domain. No further work has occurred this past year.

Ryan Rag: This continues to remain central to our existence as it provides the only link to all current members the voice of Clan Ryan QLD and Aust. Going well mostly due to the hard work and dedication of Bernice Ryan-Charles our Editor; we desperately need people to contribute articles about your family any achievements of children, grand children, jokes, recipes and family history.

Financial: All I can say here is that the current account is in black. Gil will give more details and suggestions in his report and answer questions if any during his presentation.

.Clan Luncheon: Was well attended though nowhere near as good as our first get together. It is still a worthwhile endeavour so continuing with other luncheons seems to have strong support.

Proposed major focus items for 2012 (quazi business plan) if the executive continues:

Constitutional Review ongoing

Executive Committee Re-establishment.

Australian Clan progress and development (raised by Vic president included in general business)

Member base

Website, refinement and progress if possible

I present this report and its highlighted issues to the meeting.

Gregory J Ryan (President Clan Ryan)

NEW SECRETARY/ TREASURER AND POSITIONAL TRANSITION

By Greg Ryan



Management Committee Meeting (Pre-training)



Daniel learn the ropes!

What did come from the AGM was a volunteer to step up into the Secretary/ Treasurer role which was to become vacant in Jan/Feb 2012. Therefore I would like to take this opportunity to welcome into the afore mentioned role **Daniel Ryan** from the Gold Coast an 18 year old young man who is interested in and proud of his Irish ancestry and could see that the Clan meant something special to me, so he stepped up to the mark to learn the ropes, so to speak. I would also like to thank **Barbara Ryan** for offering to assist Daniel while he settles in to the job. The transition will be occurring over the Dec-Jan period in order for Gil to step away in February. Thank you Daniel your commitment is truly heartwarming.

In life they say for every arrival there must be a departure and to this end may I take the opportunity to give a big big thank you to Mr. **Gil Neilan** for filling the role over the past years with skill and aplomb. Gil stepped into the role to assist the late president Ted Ryan who was then, as is now happening, experiencing a lack of membership support for

executive positions. Gil stayed on in the hope that someone would step in and

take their turn, but has now reached a point where he must step down for personal reasons. Gil contributed a significant amount to the reorganization of the position and streamlining processes to make the role manageable to say the least. I must say we are thankfully not losing Gil from the Clan and we will see him from time to time at functions I'm sure. Gil will however be sadly missed for his expertise and support from this position, thank you and well done Gil

I will finish this little introduction and farewell by asking again for members to search their hearts and ponder the position in which the Clan finds itself. **Do you wish the clan to continue? and are you willing to assist in some way to do so?** A good executive should have members from as diverse a background as possible to ensure good input and direction. Please give it some deep thought and let me know your feelings and intentions. Thank you once again to Daniel, Barbara and Gil.



BIRTH NOTICES

"We worry about what a child will become tomorrow, yet we forget that he is someone today". ~ *Stacia Tauscher*

Xavier Dane Maxwell Ryan was born to Daniel and Melissa, on 8th June 2011. He weighed 7lb 11oz, and was 52cm at birth. Delivered by caesarean section at Kilmore and District Hospital. Brother for Jaimie and Alyssia.

Baby Jane Thompson is welcomed into their lives by proud parents Jeremy and Becky. Granddaughter for Narelle Thompson (nee Ryan) and Greatgranddaughter to Fay Ryan.

CHRISTENINGS

"All of God's grace in one little face" ~ *Anon*

Cooper Ryan Luke Shuttlewood was baptised at St Mary's church in Mackay, on Saturday evening the 19th of November 2011.

COMING OUT DEBUTANT

"For me, personally, Mind, Body and Soul is my real debut" ~ *Joss Stone*

Breanna Beb was presented at the Deb Ball on the 1st July 2011 and was Partnered by Matthew Raimondi

GRADUATIONS

"I came to this institution to leave"~ *Paton Dennison*

Rebekah Kylie Farry graduated Bachelor Contemporary Arts with Honours at Launceston University—2011.

ENGAGEMENT NOTICES

"Grow old with me! The best is yet to be" ~*Robert Browning*

Cassie Shuttlewood and Travis Graf became engaged to marry on 21st May 2011 and announced their intention to marry at two parties held in Mackay and Cairns.

WEDDING NOTICES

"Look down you gods, and on this couple drop a blessed crown."- *Anon*

Kelli Saron and Andrew Duffield married on Saturday 19th November 2011 at Paradise Point, Gold Coast.

Kalan Shuttlewood and Toni Phipps married on Thursday 1st September, 2011 In Las Vegas, USA.

DEATH NOTICES

"Say not in grief 'he is no more' but live in thankfulness that he was." ~ *Hebrew proverb*

IN MEMORIUM

"To live in the hearts we leave behind is not to die"~ *Thomas Campbell*

CLAN RYAN AUSTRALIA

Formed in late 1998 Clan Ryan Australia provides automatic membership to all members of a branch clan at no extra membership fee.

With the advent of our national website it was resolved to promote this Clan in the future. The Qld executive will manage this development pending growth of other State branches.

The Rag will become Ryan Rag Australia, and be our National Newsletter. It will continue to be run in its present form but will be developed to accommodate content from all current and future State Septs.

Membership Fee \$15

Due to increasing running costs it was voted at the AGM to increase the Membership Fee to \$15. as of 2010.

Any prepayments paid before end of October 2009 will not increase until due again.

Printing Deadlines

1. All Copy to Editor by 8th of month prior to publication
2. Editor sends final format to Printer by 22nd of that month.
3. Printer sends magazines to editor by 8th of next month for post by 15th month of issue.

PLEASE NOTE: It is important to advise the Sec/Treas of any changes in Contact Details

- ◆ Residential Address
- ◆ Email address
- ◆ Telephone Numbers
- ◆ New family members

Clan Ryan (Q'land) Lapel Badges

We now have for distribution, to any Members who wish to purchase them, supplies of the abovementioned badges.

They are a quality production in Green with a gold edging and are inscribed around the edge with the words "Clan Ryan (Queensland).

The cost is \$5.50 each including postage, such cost to accompany your request, and may be obtained by contacting:—Mr.Gil Neilan, Sec/Tres, ClanRyan (Queensland)



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Greg Ryan

From the President's Desk

Dia dhuit (hello)

This is by far the most difficult president report I have had to write for a number of reasons. Firstly it follows our last AGM which while having a nice roll up was significantly down on last year. The 2010 AGM gave me cause for optimism as we had over 30 members and a new Vice President put up his hand. The enthusiasm was palpable and optimism was evident by the discussion. This year I had to report falling membership, failure to pay memberships which will result in suspension and adult attendance support well below expectations.

Secondly I presented our situation to those present outlining the very real possibility of having to fold the organization which I personally find extremely distressing as I gave my word to two fine men dear to my heart, my father Bernie (foundation VP and my uncle Ted (Foundation President) that I would carry on their dream and hard work. Sadly it has become progressively more difficult to continue this task.

The trend in this day and age is one of falling volunteer support. People are either too busy or unwilling to give of their time to keep many organizations afloat and this applies across the board not just to clan Ryan. The youth of today have no real interest at present to finding out about and then guarding their heritage. If there is nothing in it to capture their attention then it is not worth them expending energy on the concept.

I cannot sugar coat the reality of the clan possibly folding. I am losing good executive members due to personal circumstances, some after many years of selfless assistance and others, because of life choices they had to make. I have not the personal expertise to work on and better the Website and so far no one is willing to put their hand up to monitor it, so we cannot improve our information and web presence. The gentleman who set up our website will maintain it for a while yet, but at some point we need to step in or lose all his hard work. We are still viable at present but we are on the cusp. If we continue to lose members we have only two choices. (A) Find ways to lift numbers or Lift membership fees (this will only help for a limited period of time) (B) Wind up the Clan as an organization into a form of Social Club only.

I have a strong Irish heritage, the fighting Irish. I intend to go down swinging but I do need people willing to fight with me. There were some positive comments and possibilities to explore. I need people to develop some determination, commitment and vision who can see like I, the possibilities for the Clan Ryan. The tasks we have at present will take little of your time and energy. However, the future is unknown and if we can build a better clan there may need to be more time given over. I hope so for I strongly wish the Clan to survive and I for one will be doing what I can to achieve this end. Please, please, join me, let me know what you are willing to do to keep the Mighty Clan Ryan great into the future.

Slan agus beannacht leat (Goodbye and blessings on you)

Greg



Kids Kubby



Fair Brown and Trembling - An Irish Fairystory

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They all said: "You didn't win her just by taking the shoe off her foot; you'll have to win her by the point of the sword; you'll have to fight for her with us before you can call her your own."

"Well," said the son of the king of Emania, "when I find the lady that shoe will fit, I'll fight for her, never fear, before I leave her to any of you."

Then all the kings' sons were uneasy, and anxious to know who was she that lost the shoe; and they began to travel all over Erin to know could they find her. The prince of Emania and all the others went in a great company together, and made the round of Erin; they went everywhere,--north, south, east, and west. They visited every place where a woman was to be found, and left not a house in the kingdom they did not search, to know could they find the woman the shoe would fit, not caring whether she was rich or poor, of high or low degree.

The prince of Emania always kept the shoe; and when the young women saw it, they had great hopes, for it was of proper size, neither large nor small, and it would beat any man to know of what material it was made. One thought it would fit her if she cut a little from her great toe; and another, with too short a foot, put something in the tip of her stocking. But no use; they only spoiled their feet, and were curing them for months afterwards.

The two sisters, Fair and Brown, heard that the princes of the world were looking all over Erin for the woman that could wear the shoe, and every day they were talking of trying it on; and one day Trembling spoke up and said: "Maybe it's my foot that the shoe will fit."

"Oh, the breaking of the dog's foot on you! Why say so when you were at home every Sunday?"

They were that way waiting, and scolding the younger sister, till the princes were near the place. The day they were to come, the sisters put Trembling in a closet, and locked the door on her. When the company came to the house, the prince of Emania gave the shoe to the sisters. But though they tried and tried, it would fit neither of them.

"Is there any other young woman in the house?" asked the prince.

"There is," said Trembling, speaking up in the closet; "I'm here."

"Oh! we have her for nothing but to put out the ashes," said the sisters.

But the prince and the others wouldn't leave the house till they had seen her; so the two sisters had to open the door. When Trembling came out, the shoe was given to her, and it fitted exactly.

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Trinity age 9

OLIVERS SONG

OLIVER OLIVER
WHAT A WONDER-
FUL PUP!!!!!!
HIS CUTE LITTLE
NOSE AND HIS
WONDERFUL TOES
He'S THE DIG-
GINEST DOG IN
THE
WORLD!!!!!!!!!!

HE ATE SO MANY DOG BICIES HE WAS
A BIT FAT SO HE WENT BACK TO WEAT
BIX AND SCRAMBLED eggs!!!!!!

OLIVER OLIVER THE LITTLE ORPHEN
Jackrussle pup!!!!!!

What a wonderful name to suite the
pup!!!!!!

JUST LIKE IN THE SHOW
BUT HIS STILL THE VERY WON-
DERFUL PUP!!!!!!

GO OLIVER GROW UP HELTHY
BY TRINITY DAFFERN



BRACHIOSAURUS

Brachiosaurus was a **herbivore**, which means it **ate plants**. It was currently found in **North America and Africa**. It also was in the **late Jurassic** about **150 million year ago**. **Brachiosaurus** means **Arm Lizard**. It may seem like a funny name to give this mighty **four legged creature**. It was given this name because it's long front legs grew from it's shoulders as if they were arms. **Brachiosaurus** was the "**Giraffe**" of the dinosaur world. With its long graceful neck it had a distinct advantage over the smaller leaf eating dinosaurs. For them tasty shoots, fruits and leaves that grew high off the ground were beyond their reach but for **Brachiosaurus** they were a important part of it's diet. For a huge creature it has a very small head. It's 52 chisel like teeth were perfect for tugging and nipping away from soft vegetation. It's nostrils were on top of it's head. It's front legs were longer than it's back legs.

TYRANNOSAURUS REX

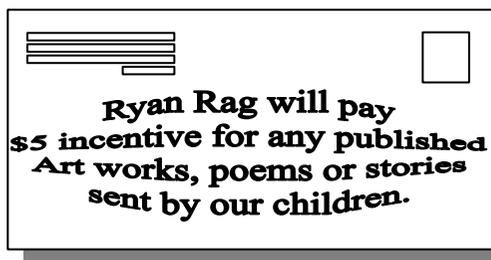
TRex was a **carnivore**, which means it ate meat. It had huge teeth to rip apart their prey. It also had puny arms but very powerful back legs. The tail helped the **TRex** to balance it's body. It's strong flexible neck allowed **TRex** to adjust the angle of attack. It's large brain had big areas devoted to smell and sight, that helped with hunting and co-ordination. **Tyrannosaurus** means **TYRANT LIZARD** and **Rex** means **KING**. **Tyrannosaurus Rex** was around in the late Cretaceous period, 70 million years ago. It was also found in North America and Asia but mainly in Mongolia. The **TRex** was 12m long and weighed 12 tonnes !!! The **TRex** is one of the most famous of all the dinosaurs along with it's buddies **Brachiosaurus** and **Triceratops**. It has been noted that if the **TRex** fell over it would probably have been unable to get up due to it's small little arms.

By

TRINITY DAFFERN

Trinity's song was written for my little puppy, who was orphaned at 4 weeks, when his mother,(precious, giving Micha, my little Jack Russel dog, my companion of 9years) was taken by a Redbelly Black Snake. I was so lucky that she left me a little male puppy who we have called Oliver after Oliver who was also an orphan in the famous book "Oliver Twist" by Charles Dickens. I have left Trinity's contributions in the beautiful coloured text that she chose and I have left it unedited. It lends to its charms. Black and white will not do it justice.

Thanks Trin!- Ed.



Culinary Corner

RECIPES FROM MAURA LAVERTY

Source: Maura Laverty's Cookery Book., Longmans, 1946-48.

<http://realirishfood.blogspot.com/http://realirishfood.blogspot.com/>

Maura Laverty was an Irish author and playwright who brought wonderful descriptions of life in Ireland and her experiences to her recipes. The cook book has modern or one might say internationally inspired recipes but also contains a number of Irish standards.

Every time Ireland is put in the dock, I feel our diplomats are sadly lacking as a counsel for the defence that they don't bring forward in mitigation of our crimes the fact that we have given a four-leaved shamrock to the world. One leaf is W. B. Yeats, another is boiled potatoes in their jackets, another Barry Fitzgerald. The fourth is Soda-bread. And the greatest of these is soda-bread.

Spongy white soda-bread with a floury, brown crossed crust...flat sweet griddle-bread with an inch-and-a-half of tender well baked dough sandwiched between thin crisp crusts... wholesome brown bread with growth and health and energy in its pleasantly rough nuttiness...dark spicy treacle bread that has been left for twenty-four hours to become firm and mellow and is then sliced thinly and spread with good country butter--- current bread and buns, Indian meal bread, "spotted dog" rich with raisins, seedy bread- there seems to be no end at all to them. The queer thing is that in its native habitat soda-bread is never so called. We call it "cake" or "cake bread." A loaf of bread comes out of the baker's van, but a cake of bread comes out of the pot-oven. The secret of good cake-bread is 3-day old buttermilk, a light hand for mixing and kneading and a brisk oven. Buttermilk is not always easy to come by. In the winter when the cows are not milking some people use instead the water in which potatoes have been boiled. Far better is the "winter buttermilk" which they used in Cork and Meath and this is how it is made.

WINTER BUTTERMILK

Mix 1/4 lb flour to a smooth paste with 1 cup cold water. Put this in the bottom of a large jug or crock. Add 2 grated raw potatoes and 2 mashed cooked potatoes. Now mix in 7 cups cold water. Cover and leave it on the kitchen mantelpiece or in some such warm place for 2 days. When you are baking pour off carefully, and without disturbing the sediment, as much liquid as you require. This can be used in exactly the same way as buttermilk and will give you lovely light bread.

Add fresh water to make up for what you have used. Stir up the contents of the vessel, cover it and put it by for the next baking. The one lot of potatoes and flour will give you a fortnight's supply of winter buttermilk.

BUTTERMILK PLANT

There is another way of making sure of a constant supply of buttermilk. You can start a buttermilk plant with yeast, sugar and skim milk, or milk and water. The buttermilk plant is a



Conrad Bladey (Peasant)

Professor of Irish Culture, Expert in Irish Cookery, Crafts, Stories and Traditions of celebration. Tin Whistle Player and Storyteller

kind of fungus like the vinegar plant. After a few weeks it will grow and grow and you'll be able to supply all your friends with a cutting. The milk it produces is very good for the blood, particularly in rheumatic cases. It is pleasant to drink too. (I first heard about this miraculous plant from Miss Florence Irwin, of Belfast who is the best cook in Ireland).

TO START THE PLANT, you'll need:--

- 1 oz. sugar,
- 1 oz, yeast
- 1 quart tepid milk and water.

Cream the yeast with the sugar, gradually add the tepid milk and water. Put the mixture in some vessel that may easily be washed and scalded, cover it, and leave it in a warm place for a couple of days or until the milk smells and tastes like butter-milk. When you want to use the buttermilk, put a piece of muslin in the bottom of a strainer and strain the milk through this. The funny-looking thing like lumpy corn flour which remains will be the plant. Rinse every drop of milk off it, by pouring a cup of tepid water over it. Let the water run through the strainer into the buttermilk- it will all make excellent liquid for mixing cake-bread.

To start a new lot of buttermilk, scrape the plant off the muslin and put it back into the scalded and well-rinsed vessel. Add another quart of tepid milk and water, cover it and leave it as before to increase and multiply.

That first ounce of yeast will go on growing and multiplying giving you buttermilk until the end of time. But the plant needs a certain amount of care.

1.--It must be strained at least every five days. If you don't want the milk for baking, you can always drink it. I knew a woman so crippled with rheumatics that she couldn't kneel down to say the Rosary.

After six months of drinking this buttermilk, she was able to do the Lough Derg Pilgrimage on her knees.

2.--Make sure the milk-and-water is never more than lukewarm. Strong heat kills yeast.

3.--Cleanliness is very important. That careful rinsing after straining, and the scalding of the container must be done if the plant is to live.

BASIC RECIPE FOR SODA BREAD

- 1 lb flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon bread-soda
- Buttermilk to mix.

Sift the dry ingredients several times through your fingers. Make a well in the centre. Pour in the buttermilk gradually, mixing in the flour from the sides. Don't have the mixture too dry. Turn it out on a floured board, knead lightly for a few minutes, pat the dough to a round and cut a cross on it to keep it from cracking in the baking. Let the cuts go over the sides of the cake to make sure of this. Brush with milk and bake at once in a hot oven (450 degs.--Regulo 7-8) for 45 mins.

If you have any doubts about doneness, tap the bottom of the cake. If it sounds hollow it is cooked. (When using milk from the buttermilk plant, it doesn't hurt the bread to let it stand 15 mins. before baking). Some people like to add 1/4 teasp. of cream of tartar or 1/2 teasp. baking powder. I think this is unnecessary. The teaspoon of bread-soda and good buttermilk provide all the leaven needed for a pound of flour.



Green Edge gets the green light

A TICKET TO RIDE



by: *Ron Reed*
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SPORTS entrepreneur and business tycoon Gerry Ryan has promised his new road cycling team, GreenEDGE, will bring passion to the sport.

Ryan and team boss Shayne Bannan got the news today they'd been working towards for about 18 months - the sport's controlling body, the UCI, confirmed it will be awarded a ProTour licence for next year.

That means it will be able to field a team in the Tour de France and every other major event on the professional calendar, an historic first for Australian sport.

The *Herald Sun* revealed exclusively last week that the licence would be granted with only some minor last-minute paperwork holding it up, but the confirmation today was a huge relief for the small team of staff and 30 riders, all of whom are at a training camp in Canberra.

They will assemble in Melbourne later this week and be welcomed by the Lord Mayor, Cr Doyle, and then taken to a celebration party at the home of Australian sport, the MCG, where football legend Ron Barassi, a latter-day cycling fan, will address them.

A women's team will also be named shortly.

"This is a key moment for Australian cycling and we are proud to enter the World Tour with a new and extremely motivated project," Ryan said.

"I am convinced we will bring a lot of passion to the sport with this team.

"I'd like to use this opportunity to congratulate the entire team and all our partners with this important, historical step."

Bannan, a former high performance manager with Cycling Australia who joined forces with Ryan last year, said GreenEDGE was a team built for the future.

"We have been confident all along with the process but at the same time humble towards the criteria you need to meet in order to get the final approval," he said.

We are currently busy with our first training camp and everything is coming together for a great debut year.

"We're a young team, big on ambition and about giving back to the sport and creating excitement both in Australia and across the globe.

"Cycling has grown immensely over the last few years and we are happy to be an integrated part of that positive development."

Veteran rider Robbie McEwen, who will ride the first part of the season with GreenEDGE and then retire to become part of the coaching staff, was among those to tweet his delight at a development he, and others, feared would never happen during their careers. He said he was going out training - and then "... is it too early for champagne."

First Division teams: **Australia:** GreenEdge **Belgium:** Lotto, Omega Pharma **Denmark:** Saxo Bank **Spain:** Euskaltel, Movistar **United States:** BMC, Garmin, RadioShack **France:** AG2R La Mondiale, FDJ **Great Britain:** Sky **Italy:** Lampre, Liquigas **Kazakhstan:** Astana **Netherlands:** Rabobank, Vacansoleil **Russia:** Katusha

Keep on Smiling!

Sent in by Greg Ryan (Worongary)

IRISH FURNITURE DEALER.

Murphy, a furniture dealer from Cork, decided to expand the line of furniture in his store, so he decided to go to Paris to see what he could find.

After arriving in Paris, he visited some manufacturers and selected a line that he thought would sell well back home. To celebrate the new acquisition, he decided to visit a small bistro and have a glass of wine. As he sat enjoying his wine, he noticed that the small place was quite crowded, and that the other chair at his table was the only vacant seat in the house.

Before long, a very beautiful young Parisian girl came to his table. She asked him something in French but Murphy couldn't understand, so he motioned to the vacant chair and invited her to sit down. He tried to speak to her in English but she didn't speak his language.

After a couple of minutes of trying to communicate with her, he took a napkin and drew a picture of a wine glass and showed it to her. She nodded, so he ordered a glass of wine for her.

After sitting together at the table for a while, he took another napkin, and drew a picture of a plate with food on it, and she nodded. They left the bistro and found a quiet cafe that featured a small group playing romantic music. They ordered dinner, after which he took another napkin and drew a picture of a couple dancing. She nodded, and they got up to dance. They danced until the cafe closed and the band was packing up.

Back at their table, the young lady took a napkin and drew a picture of a four-poster bed. To this day, Murphy has no idea how she figured out he was in the furniture business.

Sent in by Colleen Ryan—Gaythorne

THE IRISH TENANT

"Mrs Flanagan," said the landlord, "I've decided to raise your rent."
"Ah, now," beamed Mrs Flanagan, "It's the darling you certainly are. I was wondering how I could raise it myself, sir."

REBEKAH FARRY (BContempArts)

Beky Farry(BContempArts) has seen the rewards of her hard work and dedication when she graduated with an honours degree in Contemporary Art, from the University of Launceston. Beky majored in Photography.

As a single Mum with three children Popi(13yrs), Jack (11), Derry(10), Beky has completed her degree on a part time basis, taking only 12 months into a 2-3 year course. This is an awesome feat as Beky also had to deal with her medical condition of Lupis which has not been kind to her.

Beky has a double dose of Ryan genes. Her Father Philip is the great great grandson of Jeremiah Ryan and Bridget Kelly who are buried in the Toowong



Cemetery, Brisbane.

Her mother, Donna is the daughter of our founding President, Ted Ryan and Bertha Hill

Beky works part time for Vogue Beauty Therapy Clinic in Launceston, Tasmania.

At present she is putting oils to canvas, painting clouds, according to her mother "Lots of them", as she works towards an Exhibition of her work in 2012.

Beky sat for a snap with her proud father at the exhibition of her work for her graduation. Behind them is a photographic piece based on her son Jack. The theme was the 'Technology God'.



CONGRATULATIONS BEKY



The Management Committee wish you all

Merry Christmas &
a Prosperous 2012

Membership fees are due and payable on the 31st December



BREANNA BEB'S DEB NIGHT

I am 16 years old and go to Penola Catholic College. My interest is fashion design and



when I finish my VCE, I would like to go to RMIT and do a Fashion Design Course. I also love hanging around with my friends and going to parties, movies and the beach.

I decided to do my Deb because I thought it would be fun. As I love fashion I wanted to wear a very nice dress. I bought the dress from a fashion designer in Hong Kong . When the dress arrived we had to make adjustments to the skirt because it was too over the top for my liking. After spending many hours on the skirt with my mum we got it to the way I liked it.

The Deb was on the 1st July 2011 and my Partner was Matthew Raimondi who I have known for 10 years. What made it even more special was that all my family



were there to support me and the cheers I got when I got presented.

It was a night that I will remember forever.

Bree



Breanna is the granddaughter of John Ryan (Kilmore, Vic), Photographed above with cousins, Mathew and Jasman Ryan, children of Mark and Michelle Ryan (Vic), eldest son and grandchildren of John.



"A Baby is a bit of stardust blown from the hand of God"

COOPER'S CHRISTENING



Cooper Ryan Luke Shuttlewood

was baptised at St Mary's church in Mackay, on Saturday evening the 19th of November 2011, by FR Nick de Groot S.V.D. The God parents are (Trent Shuttlewood) and Angela Johnston (Alex's sister). The ceremony was following



evening mass so the 'party' was held on Sunday, there

was a great turn out with about 80 family and close friends turning up to help us celebrate and enjoy the BBQ and the jumping castle for the kids (the big ones too). Alex & I would like to thank every one for their support in the lead up to the day, together we made it a great success.

Ashley Shuttlewood

MAY YOUR LOVE BE AS ENDURING AS A DIAMOND & RETAIN ITS BEAUTIFUL SPARKLE & COLOUR



Cassandra Lee Shuttlewood and Travis Graf held not one party but two, to celebrate the announcement of their engagement. They met in Cairns through mutual friends when Cassie was in her final year at James Cook University. Trav romantically proposed on Saturday 21st May 2011, during a weekend away in Airlie Beach for Cassie's birthday! The first party was held in Mackay on Saturday, 1 October 2011 at the Northern Beaches



bowls club. The Cairns engagement party was on Saturday, 15 October 2011, at Hilton Cairns, so that the celebrations could be shared with the Trav's family, in his home town— They had an incredible time!

Trav has since relocated from Cairns to Mackay and they have just built and moved into their first home.

'We feel truly lucky to have had our paths cross and now our lives are joined forever'.

Ryans Rejoice



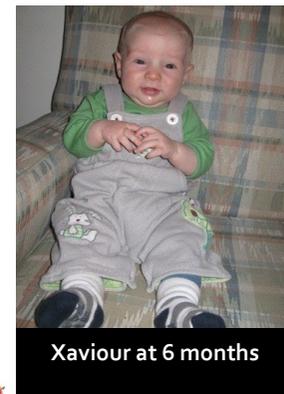
When they placed you in my arms, you slipped into my heart.



XAVIOUR MELISSA DANIEL & FAMILY JULIE, JOHN & GRANDCHILDREN ALYSSIA, JAIMIE & XAVIOUR JAMIE & XAVIOUR

Wednesday the 8th June, 2011, was a grand day for the Ryans of Kilmore, Victoria. Someone very special had come into their lives. **Xaviour Dane Maxwell Ryan** was born. His proud parents are Daniel and Melissa Ryan of Broadford, Victoria. Daniel is the 5th eldest child of John Ryan, Kilmore. It was an exciting time for his two sisters

Jaimie Eloise (8) and Alyssia Tahni (5). Xaviour was delivered by caesarean section at Kilmore and District Hospital. He weighed 7lb. 11oz. and measured 52cm at birth. He is now 6mths old and is rolling over and loves his solids ;) He is healthy and happy, and loves kicking in the bath.



Xaviour at 6 months

