

Failt erriu dys Gaelg Vio -Welcome to living Manx

Yn Skeet

You can find out all the skeet from the world of the Manx Gael at our new blog at:

www.cowag.org

of particular interest may be the first in a series of interviews with Irish scholar Tadhg Ohifearnain from the University of Limerick <u>http://cowag.org/2011/03/in-</u> conversation-with-tadhg-

ohifearnain/

the first in a new serious of videos for learners at:

http://cowag.org/2011/03/gynsaghe y-gaelg-ec-yn-albert/

and the latest skeet from myself at: <u>http://cowag.org/2011/03/cred-ta-goll-er-whats-going-on/</u>

I'm hoping the blog will act as our social network hub but you can join in the conversation (as they say in the world of social media!) at Our youtube site:

http://www.youtube.com/gaelg on twitter: http://twitter.com/greinneyder http://twitter.com/emshyrvannin at facebook http://www.facebook.com/group.p hp?gid=106309856066549 and at flickr http://www.flickr.com/photos/grein neyder Don't forget out website either at: www.learnmanx.com

Just some up and coming events for your Gaelic Calendar (if you still haven't go you 2011 Manx Gaelic Engagement Calendar by the way then let me know and I'll get you one)

Wednesday 13 April at 7.30 at Tynwald Mills **Manx Gaelic**

Grammar Evening with Coonceil ny Gaelgey. We had a very successful session a few years ago so I thought it was worth trying again. I hope to discuss some specific grammar issues with the experts: a sort of grammar question time. I would appreciate questions beforehand (if possible) so people can do some research. I would also appreciate an idea of numbers so I can sort out coffee etc. I also hope that evening to inform people of the latest work of the Foundation on the language front.

11-14 May at the Manx Museum is

the 2011 conference of North American Association for Celtic Language Teachers. There will be a series of workshops and lectures during the course of the week. More information to follow.

Saturday and Sunday 18-19 June

will be a language revision weekend for learners. Location and subject matter to be decided but we hope to run a series of sessions on different language patterns and at different levels of ability.

Saturday 2 July at 2.00pm at the Manx Museum is a guided tour for learners and speakers (in Baarle) of the Viking Gallery with Allison Fox. I hope we can go for a cooish in Gaelg after that. Limited numbers so please let me know if you want to come.

Monday 25-Friday 29 July is Possan Souree, a group for young Manx speakers in school years 4-8. The group will be like any other holiday venture scheme except that we will be speaking Manx. We will be focusing on having fun, developing skills and building self confidence. The courses will last from 9.30am to 4pm and will be held at the Youth and Community Centre behind St.John's School, St.John's.

Saturday and Sunday 6-7 August Beginner's weekend at Arbory Commissioners' Hall in Ballabeg. Could people make others aware of these dates.

Saturday 8 October training day for Manx Gaelic teachers (and other interested people) with Elwyn Hughes of Welsh Courses for Adults, College of Education and Lifelong Learning Bangor University Bangor. This is a follow up to the fantastic session Elwyn did with us a couple of years ago. Places limited but open to all those who want to learn more about the best practice in adult language teaching.

From now on I'm hoping to use my blog as the main means of communication with people rather than the newsletter as this gives me more possibilities on the communication front.