

Bùth-obrachan

The visit of a distinguished Gaelic teacher has provided a unique opportunity to learn Gaelic language and song from a world expert. There will be two two hour language workshops on 25th and a three hour singing workshop on the afternoon of 27th.

Ur Teagaisg

Our teacher is a native speaker of Scots Gaelic from Lewis in the Outer Hebrides. She taught Gaelic at St Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, and now works in Gaelic development with the Nova Scotia Government.

Language classes at your own level

The language Workshops will cover a spectrum of skills – reading, writing, conversation and comprehension. We will be running a morning class for the complete beginners to the early learner, and an afternoon advanced class up to the level of those who are fluent or advanced learners.

Please answer the language questions carefully on the registration form to enable us to pitch these classes to best suit your needs. There is no minimum language level for the beginners or the singing workshops.

Singing

Catriona is famed for her Gaelic singing classes. In this workshop she will teach students how to participate in a traditional Nova Scotian milling frolic. This is related to the waulking songs and work process of traditional Highland Scottish culture. So, you will go away with some new Gaelic songs, but also know how to use some of these songs in a traditional cultural activity.

Note that, you don't have to speak Gaelic to enjoy this workshop. However, an understanding of Gaelic pronunciation will assist in your learning, and we strongly recommend participation in the Beginners' level Workshop as preparation.

Immerse yourself in Gaelic

Catriona teaches with a style which encourages participants to speak in Gaelic. As with our Sgoil, you're supported to try the new language that you've learnt.

Bring your instruments

Although there is no formal ceilidh organised for these short events, participants are encouraged to bring your musical instruments, favourite songs or poems, or dancing shoes – and in true ceilidh tradition we'll see what happens! This is most likely, of course, if our spirits have risen after the singing workshop on Monday.

Location

Lavender Bay is the small suburb between North Sydney and its eponymous bay on Sydney Harbour, next to Luna Park. St. Francis Xavier is immediately downhill of North Sydney Railway station, and so is very centrally located. Parking is available at the venue.

Detailed directions will be given with your registration confirmation.

Contribute to the Gaelic community

During the week of Catriona's visit there will be two other community events which will have Scots Gaelic participation. Firstly, on Sunday 26th, the Celtic Australia Day will be happening nearby in Bradfield Park. Please come and visit us at our tent. Catriona is keen to meet with and learn from Australian Gaels.

Secondly, at 7:30pm on Tuesday 28th January, Catriona will give a lecture on Gaelic Development, using her experience in Nova Scotia. The inner city venue will be posted on our website.

Extra activities

We as a society offer opportunities for you to develop the skills that you've learnt in these short workshops. Comunn Gàidhlig Astràilia provides activities such as two hour classes a month in Sydney and the Hunter; a monthly Cearcall to develop conversation skills and an annual Sgoil to connect with other learners.

Comunn Gàidhlig Astràilia

Bùth-obrachan

(Workshops)

2014



Saturday 25 & Monday 27 January 2014

St. Francis Xavier Hall,
17 MacKenzie Street, Lavender Bay,
NSW

Suas leis a' Ghàidhlig

Venue

The St Francis Xavier Hall has projection, whiteboard and kitchen facilities. Some teaching will be from audio materials.

Accommodation

Since these are independent day events, unlike our Annual Sgoil, there is no organised accommodation for the workshops, but we are happy to assist anyone who needs accommodation and is having difficulties.

Cost

The cost of tuition, including morning or afternoon tea, is \$35 per workshop.

Payment in full is required before 25 January. The small surcharge for non-members gives you membership of CGA for the final quarter of the membership year at a discount.

Per Workshop	Member	Non-member
Tuition	\$35	\$40

If you are unable to afford the fee, please make an application for a concession to the committee at our address below.

Booking

To book a place, please fill in the form at right and return it using one of the options on the bottom of the form.

Your form must be accompanied by either:

- a cheque or money order (payable to Comunn Gàidhlig Astrailia)
- or
- confirmation that you have made an electronic transfer of your payment either via Paypal at the CGA website, or to the Comunn Gàidhlig bank account:

Account name: Comunn Gàidhlig Astrailia Inc.

Bank: Westpac
BSB: 032278
Account number: 514184

In the payment text field, please put the word 'Obrach' and identify yourself clearly, eg 'Obrach R McInnes'.

For further information about any aspects of the workshops, please contact the committee at :

fios@ozgaelic.org
or Rod McInnes on 04 0482 2314

Please return the completed form to:

Bùth obrachan, Comunn Gàidhlig Astrailia
Save, or Print & Scan and e-mail to:
registration@ozgaelic.org

Fax: 0280 808 149
Mail: PO Box A2259
Sydney South NSW 1235

A'Ghàidhlig gu brath

Do Chlàradh / Booking

Ainm-baistidh Given Name

Sloinneadh Surname.....

Seòladh Address.....

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Aireamh fòn Phone number

Post Dealain Email

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Do you have a preferred Gaelic version of your name?

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Do you have any special dietary requirements, eg allergies?.....

Which of these best describes your Gaelic now?

- Absolute beginner
- A few words or phrases
- Can read, understand and speak a bit
- Fairly advanced learner
- Almost fluent
- Fluent speaker

Would you like to mention anything else that might help us decide which class to place you in?

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Do we have your permission to give your contact details to other participants in the Bùth obrachan?

yes no (please circle one)

Where did you hear about the Bùth obrachan?

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Are you paying for:

- Beginners Language @ \$35/40; and/or
- Advanced Language @ \$35/40; and/or
- Singing workshop @ \$35/40.

Total payment: _____

by:

- cheque enclosed, or
- deposited to bank account, or
- payment via Paypal at the ozgaelic website
www.ozgaelic.org.