

**Cymdeithas Hanesyddol Tyddewi a Phebidiog
St Davids and Dewisland Historical Society**

Trawling the (Historical Society) Archive 2022

Paul Edey (and supporting cast of Sally Martyn & Pearl Kail)

The Society Digital Archives contain around 10,500 separate images – many though needing help with identification of people and events. Older photographs can be put onto the Society's website for people to see but more recent photos may still be liable for copyright and cannot be posted in the same way.

The May Queen and Carnival

A couple of collections include photographs of May Day celebrations gathering in the Bishop's Palace and progressing to Cross Square. A number of photographs can be dated as they appear to be associated with the opening of the Green in 1912. Alan Morris's 2019 bequest provided datable May Queens for 1952-1954 (but only naming Olwen Barnett for 1954). Does anyone have any association with May Day or Carnival dating that far back?



Dai the Mill: amongst his remarkable achievements associated with Felin Isaf Dai was a key member of the RNLI and there are images including Dai with other people that have yet to be identified. Can anyone help with further information or identification of family members?

The 2002 St Davids Eisteddfod: erecting the Gorsedd Stones on St Davids Airfield, who was with Malcom Gray and was Glenys James amongst locals receiving a special plate to mark the occasion. Has anyone else photographs or further information about the occasion?

Photos Past and Present:

RAF Air-Sea rescue helicopters at Brawdy - today our nearest helicopter rescue: Coastguard Helicopters from St Athan/ Caernarfon; Welsh Air Ambulance from Llanelli/ Caernarfon
The Society has recently been in receipt of images thanks to Chris Taylor – including

- the 'Buy a Brick' Campaign for the Scout Hut;
- David Chant and the Oakley type HAR-LIL, built for the RNLI in 1968 at the Sea-Life Centre 1990-2005 (now in South Ferriby).
- Lifeguard Competitions at Whitesands (?)
- The opening (?) of Christofaro's
- Solva & St David's Art Group at the City Hall
- La Patisserie (complete with obviously 2-way traffic on Nun Street)
- Dougie & Jean Price celebration a 21st anniversary of some sort
- 'NO to GM Crops' campaign – featuring Jemima Nicholas with MP Jackie Lawrence
- St David's Lions Club
- 1996 - Treginnis Open Day & Opening of the Bottle Bank courtesy of Menevia's efforts
- CP School with little girl's in traditional dress (St David's Day)?
- What was thought to have been the choir trip to the USA now thought to have been the celebrations associated with British Airways naming of an aircraft 'St Davids'
- 1998 Visit of Antiques Roadshow experts to St David's Bishop's Palace

All the photos ... and many, many more ... are desperately in need of help in identifying the individuals featured in the images (as most have come with no information) but also the dates and locations so that a more accurate record can be made of the digital archives in the Society's keeping.