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Irish Land Commission Records

On November 10th 2018, Ciarán Moran writing in the *‘Irish Independent’* reported that “There are no immediate plans to make the 8 million or so former Irish Land Commission (ILC) records generally available to the public for research purposes or otherwise, according to the Minister for Agriculture, Michael Creed”.

Moran’s article made for grim reading for genealogists, social historians, local historians and, of course, academic historians, geographers, economists and practitioners a host of other disciplines.

He explains that the Land Commission records are, according to the Minister, “still working documents” and that “his officials regularly access the Land Commission records to service queries from the public relating to current and past transactions..”.

Despite the fact that the Irish Land Commission was dissolved in 1999 with the commencement by the Minister of the *Irish Land Commission (Dissolution) Act, 1992*, there seems to be no appetite by successive governments to have these records come under the control of the National Archives of Ireland.

In his November 2018 newspaper article, Ciarán Moran reported that “since 2008, over 14,300 search and retrieval cases have been completed by the seven full-time staff currently based at the Records

Storage facility in Portlaoise.” Nevertheless, there is no research facility in operation and therefore, access to these records is extremely difficult.

This Society has consistently called for the introduction of legislative measures to allow for the “non-active” or “closed” files to be transferred to the custody of the National Archives.

In line with this Society’s *‘Principle of Public Ownership & Right of Access’* to our genealogical heritage, the Society’s written submission to a Joint Oireachtas Committee in 2013, recommended the following: “*That consideration is afforded to the establishment of a study by the Chief State Solicitor’s Office or by the Office of the Attorney General to discover what legal impediments, if any, exist preventing the provision of full public access to the records of the Irish Land Commission and to set forth what legislative measures, if any, that may be required to allow these valuable records of enormous genealogical potential to be accessed at the National Archives of Ireland.*”

The ILC records are an enormous heritage resource. Surely it is not beyond the wit of our parliamentarians to bring forward amending legislation to protect the privacy of current files, cater for the servicing of any active files and still facilitate public access to the historic and closed files?

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DATA PROTECTION

The European Union’s General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into force on May 25th 2018. The Board, under Res: 18/05/1380, advises Members that the Society holds the following records on its Members (1) Name; (2) Address; (3) Telephone Number; (4) Email Address and (5) the name of the Associate Member, if applicable, and that such records are **only used** for the purpose of contacting Members on Society matters and for the dispatch of the Monthly Newsletter and the Annual Journal and furthermore, that these records are **only held** by the Director of Membership Services and are **inaccessible to all other persons** and that, the Society does not share this information with any other individual or organisation. Records are also held for contractual necessity to deliver paid services.

ARCHIVE SATURDAY OPENING

An Daonchartlann the Society’s Archive & Research at the DLR Loughlinstown Leisure Centre, Loughlinstown, is open to GSI Members and the public on Saturdays at 14.00hrs until 17.00hrs.



Genealogy Events—see page 4

OPEN MEETINGS

Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute

Cumberland Street, Dún Laoghaire

Tuesday 9 July—20.00hrs

Tuesday 13 August—20.00hrs

Royal Marine Hotel

Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire

Wednesday 24 July—10.30hrs

Wednesday 28 August—10.30hrs

Contribution €3.00 p.p.

(including Tea/Coffee at the Morning Meeting)

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30th ANNIVERSARY

The Board at its July 4th meeting, noting that next year we will be celebrating the 30th anniversary of the foundation of the Society, agreed to ask our current **President Stuart Rosenblatt, PC, FGSi**, to consider its request that he preside over the anniversary events.

The Board will formally extend the current presidential term by a year to the end of December 2020. Nobody is better placed to officiate at these events than Mr. Rosenblatt who has served this Society exceptionally well over the past five years at home and overseas.

GENEALOGY HELP CENTRE

Did you know that this Society operates a "Help Centre" for those researching their family history?

Family history need not be a lonely pilgrimage of discovery with many bumps in a very twisty road of pitfalls. Many of these research problems appear as impenetrable "brick walls" but they are rarely new problems. Many have overcome such and progressed their research with the help and advice of others.

The Society's "Help Centre" is open to the public twice weekly where you can discuss your research problems with experienced researchers who will take you through the available resources. For times and directions please see page 4 of this newsletter.

Have you visited An Daonchartlann at the DLR Loughlinstown Leisure Centre?

The Mansion House and The Irish Revolution, 1912-1923

The range of publications on aspects and events of the Irish revolutionary period from 1912 to the end of the Civil War in 1923 has delivered a treasure trove of information, research and historical analysis that is of immense interest to the local historian and the genealogist. Whether you have direct family connections with participants in the various events or movements of the era or simply researching the impact that this tumultuous period had on particular locality or community, you are spoiled for choice both in terms of in-depth research and new research data and records.

The role of certain public buildings in the events of the revolutionary period has also featured amongst the published works. *'The Mansion House and The Irish Revolution, 1912-1923'* by Mícheál Mac Donncha and published by Dublin City Council and distributed through Four Courts Press (ISBN 978-0-9500512-0-8 – 140pp : Illustrated : H/bk : Web Price €22.50 : Price €25.00) focuses on the official residence of Dublin's Lord Mayor, The Mansion House.

The author doesn't attempt to provide an in-depth history of the Mansion House during this period, instead he concentrated on providing an excellent

and easily readable overview of the role of the building, its resident Lord Mayors and the City Council in the events that shaped Ireland's destiny between 1912 and 1923. The Mansion House hosted many important meetings and events throughout the past 310 years, however, none more significant to development of modern Ireland than the first meeting of Dáil Éireann on January 21st 1919 when Ireland's 'Declaration of Independence' was adopted as endorsing the 'Proclamation of the Republic' at Easter 1916. The Mansion House, as this book illustrates, is much more than simply the residence of Dublin's First Citizen, it is to Ireland what Independence Hall in Philadelphia is to all Americans—the birthplace of liberty.

Cllr. Mac Donncha served as Ardmhéara Bhaile Átha Cliath—Lord Mayor of Dublin between June 2017 and June 2018. He has written extensively on Irish history and politics both in English and in Irish. He is the author of *Sinn Féin – a century of struggle, 1905-2005* (2005). He has been a Dublin City Councillor since 2011. Published in Irish and English in the same volume.

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HEMISFLAG—ICV 28 & FIAV CONGRESS

Vexillologists from around the world are heading to Texas this month for two very important international events for flag enthusiasts and members of national vexillological organisations affiliated to FIAV.

Although, the Genealogical Society of Ireland is the only FIAV member organisation from Ireland, unfortunately, the Society will not be represented at San Antonio due to budgetary constraints.

The Chief Executive of *Vexillology Ireland* and *Heraldry Ireland*, the Society's specialist branches dealing with flags, banners and coats-of-arms, **Stanislav Zamyatin, MA, MGSI**, has represented Ireland at international events since 2013 when the Society was admitted to FIAV.

From July 15th to 19th, the **Vexillological Association of the State of Texas and The Flag Research Center** will host HemisFlag - ICV 28—the Twenty-Eighth International Congress of Vexillology in San Antonio, Texas.

HemisFlag marks the 50th anniversary of the admission of the Charter Members of the *Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques (FIAV)* which will hold its

Twenty-Sixth Session of its General Assembly during the Congress.

The Society sends its best wishes to the Board, Member Organisations and attendees at ICV 28 and FIAV 26 in San Antonio, Texas, USA.

For further info. See: www.texflags.org

DONATIONS TO THE SOCIETY

This Society is funded largely by its Membership Fees and the kind donations received from Members and friends at home and overseas.

The Society is a Registered Charity in Ireland and always considers options for fund raising and grant applications.

The possibility of crowdfunding for specific projects is being considered. However, in the meantime it was decided to appeal to our Members and friends.

Donations can be made on-line via the Society's website or by cheque payable to the *Genealogical Society of Ireland* and sent to: **GSI, 11, Desmond Avenue, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, Ireland, A96 AD76**

The Board would like to sincerely thank the Members and friends of the Society who have already donated.

Go Raibh Míle Maith Agaibh—Many Thanks!



Dublin Historical Record

Spring 2019 issue of the *'Dublin Historical Record'*, Editor **Dr. Séamas Ó Maitiú**, published by the **Old Dublin Society**.

This issue of the Dublin Historical Society has the front cover of an oil painting purporting to be 'Passengers boarding a train probably at Westland Row Station, Dublin' and relates to one of the articles in this issue. Articles featured in this issue include - 'In Around the Town' in which Dr. Séamas Ó Maitiú reflects on various events that have taken place in the city including the return of the Liffey Ferry and the demolition of the Tivoli in Francis Street; Seán Magee in 'Grand Jury and other records of St. Thomas's Parish, Dublin City' provides a picture of this body of men who did their best for the wretched of their area within the limits of their resources, while Brid Nolan in 'Newtown on the Strand - an elusive townland' traces the evolution, peoples, houses and history of this part of south Dublin which became submerged into modern day Blackrock;

The Ballinteer Local History Group in 'The Round House Stackstown, Co. Dublin - A query' seek information on this building, in particular the design and use of this cottage, which now lies in ruins above Stackstown Golf Club. In 'The Medlar's Gotcha! - The Story of Dublin family', Pól Ó Duibhir writes about P.J. Medlar, (1885-1849), undertaken, alderman and city councillor, and his family, whose origins are in Paulstown, Co. Kilkenny, with the emphasis of that part of the family which settled in Dublin.

Ireland's first railway, The Dublin & Kingstown Railway, has been the subject of numerous books but in 'The Dublin & Kingstown Railway: History, Art and Reality' Kurt Kullmann provides new insights into this railway and some masterful insights and comments on some of the illustrations published when the line opened in 1834; Medical matters are covered in 'St. Ultan's Hospital, Charlemont Street - Background and Achievement' by Margaret Bradley, who provides a fascinating history of this Dublin infant's hospital, established in 1919 which closed in 1984 when its services were transferred to the National Children's Hospital in Harcourt Street, Dublin, which in 1998 was absorbed into Tallaght Hospital.

Irish Whiskey distilling is currently enjoying a remarkable resurgence and in 'The Roe Family and Roe's Distillery' Sean J. Murphy tells the story of what was Dublin's largest producer of whiskey until closure in the 1920s and currently the Roe brand of whiskey has been re-launched by Diageo. The issue of homelessness is not a modern issue and in the middle of the 19th century it was a major one in Dublin and Ireland. If modern Dublin owes a huge debt to Fr. Peter McVerry and his co-workers for providing a night shelter for those without a roof over the heads, then it owes a huge debt to his 19th predecessor Fr. James Spatt whose work has been largely overlooked but now recalled by Fergus A. D'Arcy in 'From Weavers to Waifs - From Tenter House to Asylum: The Cork Street Night Refuge for Homeless Women and Children, 1818 - 2001.' In 'Countess Markievicz, a cottage in Sandyford and her neighbour Mary Mulligan', Peadar Curran provides an insight into this retreat used by the Countess to get away from the hustle and bustle of life.

Copies of this journal can be obtained from Book Upstairs, Westmoreland Street, Hodges Figgis, Dawson Street, or directly from the Old Dublin Society through www.OLDdublinsociety.ie or by email: olddublinsociety@gmail.com.

James Scannell

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT

The Society, in conjunction with **Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council**, will arrange two public Genealogy Days.

Sunday July 28th at Cabinteely House

Saturday August 17th at Marlay House

Each day we hope to arrange public advice desks, demonstrations and short lectures. We need people to do all of the above and some to act as stewards. The events will be coordinated by **Séamus Moriarty, FGSi**. If you would like to help, please contact Séamus by email on seamusmoriarty@dublin.com

In Brief....

GSI MEMBERSHIP

Join this Society on-line at www.familyhistory.ie Please note that GSI Membership is open to all interested in genealogy and related subjects. Discounted membership rates available for under 25s and students at recognised genealogy courses.

PARKING AT DFEI

Car-parking facilities at the **Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute**. The best option is to use public transport. Dublin Bus nos. 7, 7A, 46A and 75 all serve the college or streets adjacent to the college—Lower George's Street, York Road, Clarence Street. The DART (suburban rail) services to Salthill & Monkstown. On street car-parking is usually available in the area also. Members are asked to consider 'car pooling' for each month's open meeting. For details on the Institute and its courses please checkout www.dfei.ie

DISCOUNTS

Exclusive discounts for the Members of the Society are available for online genealogical services and publications, including, **Findmypast**, **Forces War Records** and from **Flatcap-sandbonnets.com**. To avail of any of these Member discounts, please contact **Barry O'Connor**, FGSI, by email: membership@familyhistory.ie

IDEAL GIFT IDEAS

Genealogists and local historians love books! So if you have a birthday gift to buy—think books by our Members. Much of the research for these books was undertaken at the Society's Archive & Research Centre—*An Daonchartlann*.

'Victorian Dún Laoghaire' by Tom Conlon—excellent local history of the town and the first to deal extensively with the poor and "the courts" where they lived. Price: €20.00

'Labour in Kingstown, 1890-1920' by Charlie Callan—explores a much neglected subject—the working class of Kingstown (now Dún Laoghaire) and the development of organised labour and its political representation. Price: €10.00 (published privately contact: chascallan@gmail.com)

'Twice Built—The Construction of St. Patrick's Church, Monkstown, Co. Dublin, 1861-66' by Tom Conlon. An intriguing story of "church politics" surrounding the building of a parish church in Dublin. Price €12.00



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Some of the Archival Collections in An Daonchartlann, Loughlinstown. (Photo: Tom Conlon)

JAMES SCANNELL REPORTS...

RECORDER OF DALKEY

David Gunning will present a talk 'F.M. O'Flanagan: Recorder of Dalkey' at 11.30hrs on Monday 15 July in Dalkey Library, Castle Street, Dalkey, in connection with the exhibition on view in the library during July. All welcome - admission free.

NATIONAL LIBRARY

There is a free 'Guided Tour of the World One Ireland exhibition' at 13.00hrs on Friday 12 July in the National Library of Ireland, 2/3 Kildare Street, Dublin 2. Admission free. There is a free guided tour covering 'The National Library's History & Heritage' at 13.00hrs on Saturday 13 July in the National Library of Ireland, Kildare Street, Dublin 2. All welcome - free.

MUSEUM OF ARCHAEOLOGY

Take the true or false challenge at the Museum of Archaeology, Kildare Street, Dublin 2, at 13.30hrs on Saturday 13 July by joining a tour to explore the archaeology of the Vikings in Ireland, but listen closely, because at the end of each stop participants will have to figure out if a statement is true or false, using their new archaeology knowledge! Booking required - Email: educationarch@museum.ie or call 01- 6486 334. Not wheelchair accessible.

There is a tour 'Kingship and Sacrifice: The Bog Bodies' at 12.00hrs on Friday 26 July in which participants will examine Iron Age finds from Ireland's wetlands including bog butter and learn about the discovery of the 2,000-year-old bog bodies, which are of international scientific significance. Places allocated on a first come basis - meet at Reception. Wheelchair accessible.

MEDAL SOCIETY OF IRELAND

A Medal & Militaria Fair will take place from 11.00 hrs to 15.00hrs on Saturday 3 August in the Knox Hall, Monkstown Village, Co. Dublin. Buy, trade, swap or get free valuations / identifications of medals. The AGM will take place at 15.00hrs.

SHANKILL HERITAGE WALK

Rob Goodbody will lead a 'Ballycorus Lead Mines' heritage walk at 11.30hrs on Monday 5 August - meet at Rathmichael COI Church, Rathmichael, Shankill, Co. Dublin. All welcome - free. Participants take part in this walk at their own risk.



KNOW YOUR SOCIETY....

The Society's objective is to promote an awareness, appreciation and knowledge of our genealogical, heraldic and vexillological heritage at home and overseas amongst our diaspora.

The GSI widely acclaimed as being the most active voluntary genealogical organisation in Ireland hosting Monthly Lectures each month throughout the year and eleven Morning Open Meetings from January to November each year. These are open to the public—everyone is welcome!

We publish a Monthly Newsletter, Annual Journal, operates an Archive and Research Centre and promote genealogy, heraldry and vexillology at events around Ireland through our very active 'Outreach Programme' offering 'Free Family History Advice' to the public, active retirement groups, ladies' clubs and all sorts of community groups.

The Society has a collaborative academic research project with the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, RCSI. The *Irish DNA Atlas* project was co-designed by population geneticists at the RCSI and this Society coming together to collect DNA samples from individuals with four generations of ancestry linked to specific areas across the island of Ireland. This research has been funded through an Award from Science Foundation Ireland.

We have two 'specialist branches' one for heraldry and the other for vexillology (flags)—the only organisation in Ireland promoting this aspect of our cultural heritage. We maintain a very active on-line presence promoting sustainable contacts with our diaspora.

We also campaign to obtain better public access to our genealogical heritage and records held by the State or other agencies. However, as a registered charity, none of the above would be possible without the generosity of our Members who, through their Annual Subscriptions and volunteerism, provide these services throughout the year.

The Society is governed by a Board elected by the Members at the Annual General Meeting each year—all of the Society's directors and officers are volunteers.

PLEASE help us to do more by joining the Society—new Members always welcome or by making a donation, no matter how small, to the Society—please see page 2 of this newsletter. *Many thanks!*

TRACING YOUR IRISH ANCESTORS

by John Grenham, MA, MAPGI, FIGRS, FGSI

The Society strongly recommends to anyone embarking on their family history quest that one essential piece of kit must be, without doubt, a copy of the latest edition of *'Tracing Your Irish Ancestors'*. Please checkout the website www.gillmacmillan.com Price €22.99 [RRP].

Précis of the June Lecture

"The Evolution of Genetic Genealogy in Ireland" by Gerard Corcoran, MGSi.

Gerard started off his talk referencing ISOGG, which is the International Society of Genetic Genealogy and his own ten favourite topics. The talk tracked these ten points and the range and extent of the subject matter was immense and varied.

Starting with Irish Surnames, Gerard told us that he has done extensive work on the Corcoran and Walsh names. Topics covered here are the geographic genealogy of the surnames with geographic analysis providing SNP (genetic markers) analysis. Displaying a map based on the 1891 census and births with the resulting analytical distribution, Gerard mentioned phylogenetic trees which matches genetic markers with actual names.

Irish migration is a subject dear to Gerard's heart and he provided a very detailed overview of the migration paths to Ireland over thousands of years. Gerard has contributed heavily to Pinterest and both he and ISOGG have vast maps and charts displayed on the Pinterest web pages (see www.pinterest.com/gersrdcorcoran/). The talk covered ancient DNA and Neolithic farming and we saw illustrations of Bronze Age Bell Beakers and how they spread over large areas in Europe and beyond. The migration section covered Celtic and early Christian Ireland continuing to the Viking and Norman invasions and on to the Anglo-Saxon plantations.

We saw how the DNA testing market has grown exponentially over the last ten years. This market is segmenting with an increasingly newer focus on health with the arrival of 23andMe and others. The highest community tested are the Ashkenazi Jews, however the Irish are also heavy testers. Gerard also mentioned the Irish Reference Genome and the study of the *Irish DNA Atlas* which the RCSI have published with the collaboration of the Genealogical Society of Ireland.

The project *Beyond 2022* aims to recreate about 30% of the documents which were lost in the Four Courts fire in 1922. Much of the detail of the lost records was copied and these copies are to be found in PRONI and the National Archives in Kew. On a sad note Gerard mentioned that Professor Seamus Lawless, who was heavily involved in this project, recently lost his life on a climb of Everest. The York Gospels is another project Gerard is aligned to. This project extracts DNA from the pages of the York Gospels which are made from animal skins.

There is so much to cover in this lecture that it would take up a considerable amount of space in this 'Gazette' just to summarise the contents. I would strongly recommend that it should be viewed and absorbed by those who have an interest in DNA and genealogy. Growth in this sector of genealogy is extremely popular and new developments are happening on a regular basis. I wish to thank Gerard for a most informative and interesting lecture and hopefully to hear from him again in the not too distant future.

There was a Q&A session following the talk and all in all, this was a well-received talk about a most absorbing subject.

The full lecture is online <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P327fM0t0lo&feature=youtu.be>

Many thanks to Gerard.

Tony O'Hara, MGSi

Checkout the Society's website www.familyhistory.ie

AN DAONCHARTLANN IN LOUGHLINSTOWN

Travel Information for visitors to the An Daonchartlann, Loughlinstown Leisure Centre, Loughlinstown Drive, Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin, A96 XP60.

DART & DUBLIN BUS—Dún Laoghaire DART Station—Bus 111 & 7A from Crofton Road, Bus Stop no. 2036 to Loughlinstown Park, Bus Stop no. 3222

LUAS & DUBLIN BUS—Bride's Glen (Green Line) - Bus 111 from outside the Luas station, Bus Stop no. 7639 to Loughlinstown Park, Bus Stop no. 3222

DUBLIN BUS from City Centre—O'Connell Bridge, Bus Stop no. 273 or Nassau Street, Bus Stop no. 405—Bus 7A to Loughlinstown Park, Bus stop no. 3222

DRIVING—From the M50 - at Junction 16 follow the signs for Loughlinstown. Straight on through Cherrywood and over the N11 flyover. **Signposted** at the second traffic lights beyond the flyover on Wyattville Road turn right into Loughlinstown Drive. Follow this twisty road for about 1km to Loughlinstown Leisure Centre (very large buildings on right). GSI is behind these buildings. **From N11 southwards** - after Cabinteely junction, and Topaz garage move to left lane and exit left to Wyattville Road. At the second traffic lights on Wyattville Road, turn right into Loughlinstown Drive and follow as above. Checkout www.dlrleisure.ie/Loughlinstown

Summer of Heritage

As part of its very extensive 'Summer of Heritage' programme, Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council has invited the Society to provide

two

"**Genealogy**

Days" in which the

local community

would be provided

with a menu of

genealogy lectures,

advice desks and

demonstrations. These

will happen on Sunday

July 28th at Cabinteely

House and

on Saturday August 17th at Marlay House between 14.00hrs and 17.00hrs.

The overall heritage programme provides for guided walks and lectures on any and every aspect of local history over a period of 10 weeks commencing in the end of

June. Among items of specific interest for genealogists are tours of Deansgrange, Carrickbrennan and Temple Hill (Quaker) cemeteries as well as Kill Abbey and Kilgobbin churchyards. Attendances in previous years have been extraordinary. **Tom Conlon**

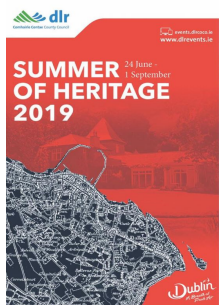
GSI LECTURE PROGRAMME

Tuesday July 9th—'Headstones, their obvious and hidden messages' by **John Nangle**

Tuesday August 13th—'Kingstown municipal housing 1904-1922' by **Charles Callan, MGSi**

All WELCOME—Contribution €3.00

Please note the advice regarding '**Parking at DFEI**' on panel to the left on page 3. We welcome comments and suggestions on the lecture programme. Please email **Tony O'Hara, MGSi**, the Director of Lecture Programme at toharadsl@gmail.com



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The Board is limited to ten Members with a quorum of six. [Note: 'RF' signifies a 'reporting function' for a Non-Executive Officer].

"HALL'S INDEX"

The "Gazette" is Ireland's longest running monthly genealogical newsletter and it is read by thousands each month around the world. All the past issues of this newsletter and its predecessor back to 1996 have been fully indexed by the late **Brendan Hall, MGSi** and they are available in pdf format to read or to download free of charge on www.familyhistory.ie

Although we're not members of the National Union of Journalists (NUJ), the team at the "Gazette" always endeavour to operate in accordance with the **NUJ Code of Conduct** www.nuj.org.uk/about/nuj-code/ and in line with the 'National Policy Statement on Ensuring Research Integrity in Ireland' which was endorsed by the Genealogical Society of Ireland back in June 2014 soon after its launch at the Royal Irish Academy. (see the June 2014 issue at www.familyhistory.ie)

GENEALOGY HELP CENTRE

An Daonchartlann, the Society's Archive and Research Centre is located at the DLR Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin. OPEN on the following days: Currently:- **Wednesdays**—10.00hrs to 16.00hrs and **Saturdays (from June 15th)**—14.00hrs to 17.00hrs. The use of our extensive archival resources is reserved for fully paid-up GSI members, however, day research membership is available.

