



Dysert O'Dea Clan (Aust)

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## Invite to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Dysert O'Dea Clan Association – Australian Reunion Adelaide, South Australia: 22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> February 2013

*Its Official: Bill Dea The Current O'Dea Clan Chieftain is coming to Australia to Meet You*

This is the third Australian Reunion organised for Descendants of the Dysert O'Dea Clan who emigrated from County Clare, Ireland in the 1800s and 1900s to all parts of Australia.

This one is special because Bill Dea the current Clan Chieftain of the O'Dea Clan of Ireland (and his lovely wife Sondra) are flying into Australia to attend this reunion and they want to meet as many Aussie O'Dea descendants as possible.

### Our program is once again about you with a great 4 day international event:

- Learn more about your Irish culture,
- Meet other local and International O'Dea relatives,
- Enjoy Irish dancing displays, singing and music ,
- Learn a bit about your family tree,
- Experience South Australian culture and bush scenery when you visit the picturesque Hahndorf Village, sail through Coorong & Murray Mouth, then look at penguins on Granite island.

The past, present and the future **Chieftains of the Clan of Ireland** will be present : **Come and meet them**

- Past Chieftain from 2005 to 2008 – Mrs Sue Poole, from Williamstown, South Australia;
- Current Chieftain, Mr Bill Dea from 2011 to 2014 , from Avoca USA;
- Chieftain Elect, Mrs Maureen Carey from 2014 to 2017 from Adelaide, South Australia.

You are urged to participate in **your** O'Dea Clan reunion. Why not come and renew old friendships and help define your history, by bringing your family tree along to share with others.

The O'Dea clan has a website where you can become a member and obtain details of the 2013 O'Dea reunion. Just go to

<http://www.odeaclan.org/> :

- Obtain a program of the event;
- **Register on line** to attend the 4 day Australian international event and pay on line;
- You can purchase Australian O'Dea Clan merchandise items (the official Australian O'Dea polo shirts, the new O'Dea Australian flag, O'Dea Plate, caps, badges, pens, coasters and lots more) at our online shop.

**OR** just fill out the enclosed registration form and post with your cheque.

Register early to be sure of your place.

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Your Australian O'Dea Contingent

Announces its

**3<sup>rd</sup> Australian O'Dea Clan Gathering**

**to be held**

**22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> February 2013**

**in Adelaide, South Australia, Australia.**

For Further information contact:

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Photo: Back: Kay Carmody, Max and Rosemary Pahl, Judith Chapman, Ron Carey, David Poole  
Front: Sue Poole, Marilyn Bull, Maureen Carey  
Committee members Absent: (Mary O'Dea, Anne Morahan, Tom and Ruth O'Dea (Clan webmasters), Ray Solly, John O'Dea, Christine and Garry Row, Margaret Sommerville)

Our friendly 2013 Organising Committee [Invite you to attend](#)

Please leave your name and contact details with a committee member if you are interesting in attending the Clan Gathering (refer above or Direct Email: [maureencarey@tpg.com.au](mailto:maureencarey@tpg.com.au) )

Keep an eye on the O'Dea website for more details

We promise you the opportunity to socialise with **the current Clan Chieftain from the USA, Bill Dea, international** O'Deas, meet new relatives, possibly expand your family and have a great time

Visit Website for view of what happening in South Australia and accommodation at:

<http://www.southaustralia.com/regions/adelaide-city.aspx>

# The Australian O'Dea Clan Gathering Program

22<sup>nd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> February 2013 Adelaide, South Australia, Australia

## Day 1 - Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2013

**3.00pm – 5.30pm** Explore the South Australian Maritime Museum at 126 Lipson Street, Port Adelaide Historical Precinct.

**Tour the Lighthouse and Historic Precinct** (events included in registration)

**5.45pm - close** A Social Get together for those who would like to attend **Location: the Port Dock Brewery Hotel, 10 Todd Street, Port Adelaide** - Evening Meal, tour/taste the beers of the unique boutique brewery (meal NOT included

But tour and tasting of 5 beers IS included in registration)

## Day 2 - Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2013 (all events for day included in registration)

**Registration** At St Josephs School, Hall, 56 Albemarle Street, West Hindmarsh, South Australia, Australia

(This is a BYO drinks venue)

**10:00 am to 11:00am** **Topic: General Gathering and Exploring of Displays, Personal Research**

Morning tea will be provided (please note coffee and tea facilities can be accessed all day)

- Distribution of Registration packs, getting to know one another, Chocolate Wheel, Lucky Registrant Door Prize
- Video tape of Dysert O'Dea Castle in County Clare, Ireland: Family line specialists available to help with Family trees during this session, including Anne Morahan who was elected a Clan Genealogist at the recent gathering in Ireland in July 2011
- Irish dancing by students of a clan descendant

**11.00am to 11.30am** **Topic: The Official Welcome** (Acknowledgments of sponsors, speakers and special guests etc)

- John O'Dea, (Master of Ceremonies)
- Sue Poole, (President, Dysert O'Dea Clan Australia and Past Chieftain of the Dysert O'Dea Clan of Ireland from 2005 to 2008)
- **Bill & Sondra Dea, the current Chieftain of the Dysert O'Dea Clan of Ireland from 2011 to 2014 all the way from the USA)**
- Shane O'Dea (current Chairman of O'Dea Clan of Ireland) and James O'Dea (immediate Past Chairman of O'Dea Clan of Ireland) via special DVD appearance
- Maureen Carey (Chieftain Elect of the Dysert O'Dea Clan of Ireland from 2014 to 2017)

**11.45am - 12.30pm** **Topic: Gathering and family group photo sessions**

**12.30pm - 1.15 pm** - **Luncheon** (included in registration – No Bar Facility available bring own drinks BYO)

**1.15 pm – 5.30pm** **Topic: Our Ireland Roots and the Irish ancestry speakers**

Afternoon tea will be provided during a 30 minute break.

- **Graham Jaunay** (How to and where - Local Sources in South Australia) – booklets will be available for purchase
- **Sue Poole and Bill Dee** (A brief History of the Dysert O'Dea Clan in Ireland)
- **Anne Morahan A Clan Genealogist** – (How to find missing relatives)- what resources are available to help you
- **Tom and Ruth O'Dea Clan Webmasters** – (Your Website – how to use it)
- **Local and International guests** Impressions of the 2011 Clan Gathering (including **Christine and Gary Row, Phil Carey** and **Ted and Helen O'Dea from Canada**)
- **Ron Carey** (Membership Registrar Australasia and the Far East) How to become a member of the O'Dea Clan of Ireland

**5.30pm – 6.45pm** **Celebration of Mass (Fr Mark Sexton)**  
**and Tea** will be served (included in registration)

**6.45pm onwards** **Entertainment** : Irish Dancing, Music, Singing, Chocolate wheel, silent auction and more  
(Children are welcome and will have special rates –phone Ron on mobile 0412 83083 for more details)

## Day 3 – 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday, February 2013

- 9.30am Travel to the village of Hahndorf and take a leisurely stroll around the main street, enjoy a coffee
- 11.15am Travel to the town of Woodside in the Adelaide Hills visit <http://www.southaustralia.com>
- 11.45am Meet at the Melba Chocolate and Cheese factories in Woodside
- 12.30pm Meet at Barristers Winery for a light lunch in Woodside (meal NOT included in registration)
- 2.00pm Visit Hans Heysen "the Cedars" residence (included in registration)
- 4.30pm Free time to further explore the picturesque Hahndorf village.
- 5.30pm Evening Meal in the Hahndorf Old Mill then back to Adelaide (meal NOT included in registration)

## Day 4 – 25<sup>th</sup> Monday, February 2013 Day trip to Murray River Mouth

Based on demand.... 9.30am We travel to Goolwa and Victor Harbor a unique town 50 Kilometres south of Adelaide

Visit: <http://coorongcruises.com.au>



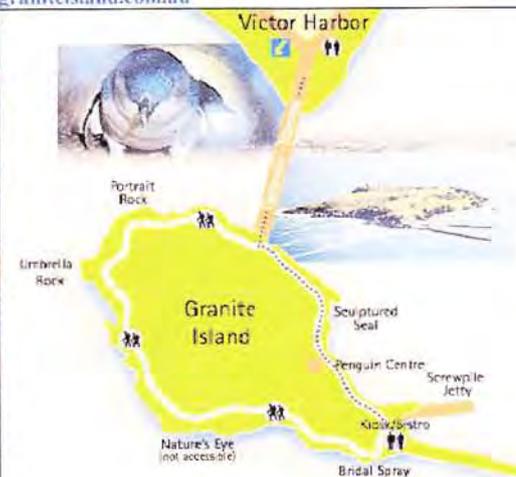
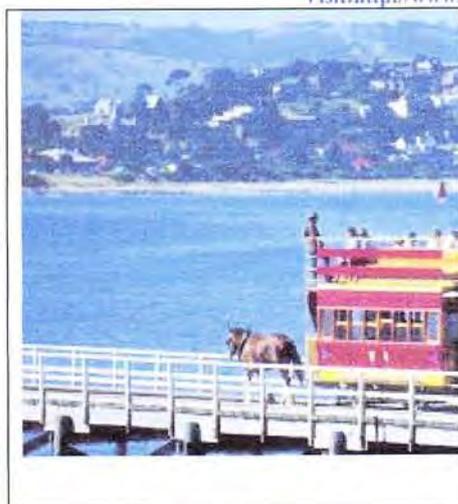
### Coorong Discovery Cruise Duration 4 hours (event NOT included in registration)

**Spirit of the Coorong Discovery Cruise** departs from the main wharf in the old river port town of Goolwa, cruising to the Goolwa Barrage, through the lock and into the Coorong National Park to view the mouth of the River Murray. From the mouth the cruise heads into the pristine waters of the Coorong, past the spectacular white sand dunes and birdlife, as your captain provides an informative and entertaining commentary on the passing scenes.

A delicious lunch of cold meats and salads is served with tea or coffee (special meals are available by prior request – vegetarian, gluten free etc) as you cruise past wetland birdlife and sand dunes. Disembark for a guided walk through the sand dunes of the Young husband Peninsula to the undisturbed white sandy beaches of the Great Southern Ocean. Along the walk your guide will talk about the cockling industry here, the sand dune flora and fauna and how the Aboriginal people lived in the area. On return to the boat, cruise further into the Coorong to see another of the barrages that separate the Coorong from Lake Alexandrina. Your captain will explain the man-made barrage and lock system that extends along the River Murray and tell you of the associated benefits and environmental impacts. Afternoon tea is served as the cruise returns past the imposing sand dunes and back through the lock to the Goolwa Wharf where the cruise ends. **Price includes:** All cruising (30 kms total Goolwa/Goolwa), Entertaining & informative commentary, Wetland birdlife, Guided boardwalk through the sand dunes, Lunch & afternoon tea **Adult \$A84 per person** (event NOT included in registration)

### 5.30pm Granite Island Recreation and Nature Park Restaurant for Evening Meal (final event). Then take the ever popular guided penguin tours around dusk (event NOT included in registration)

Visit: <http://www.graniteisland.com.au>



**The Granite Island Recreation & Nature Park** - home to the magical Little Penguins. The ever popular guided penguin tours are a visitor's favourite. Tours commence at dusk every night. To get to Granite Island you can walk across the Causeway or jump on the Horse Drawn Tram from Victor Harbor. Explore the island and all its magical wonders.