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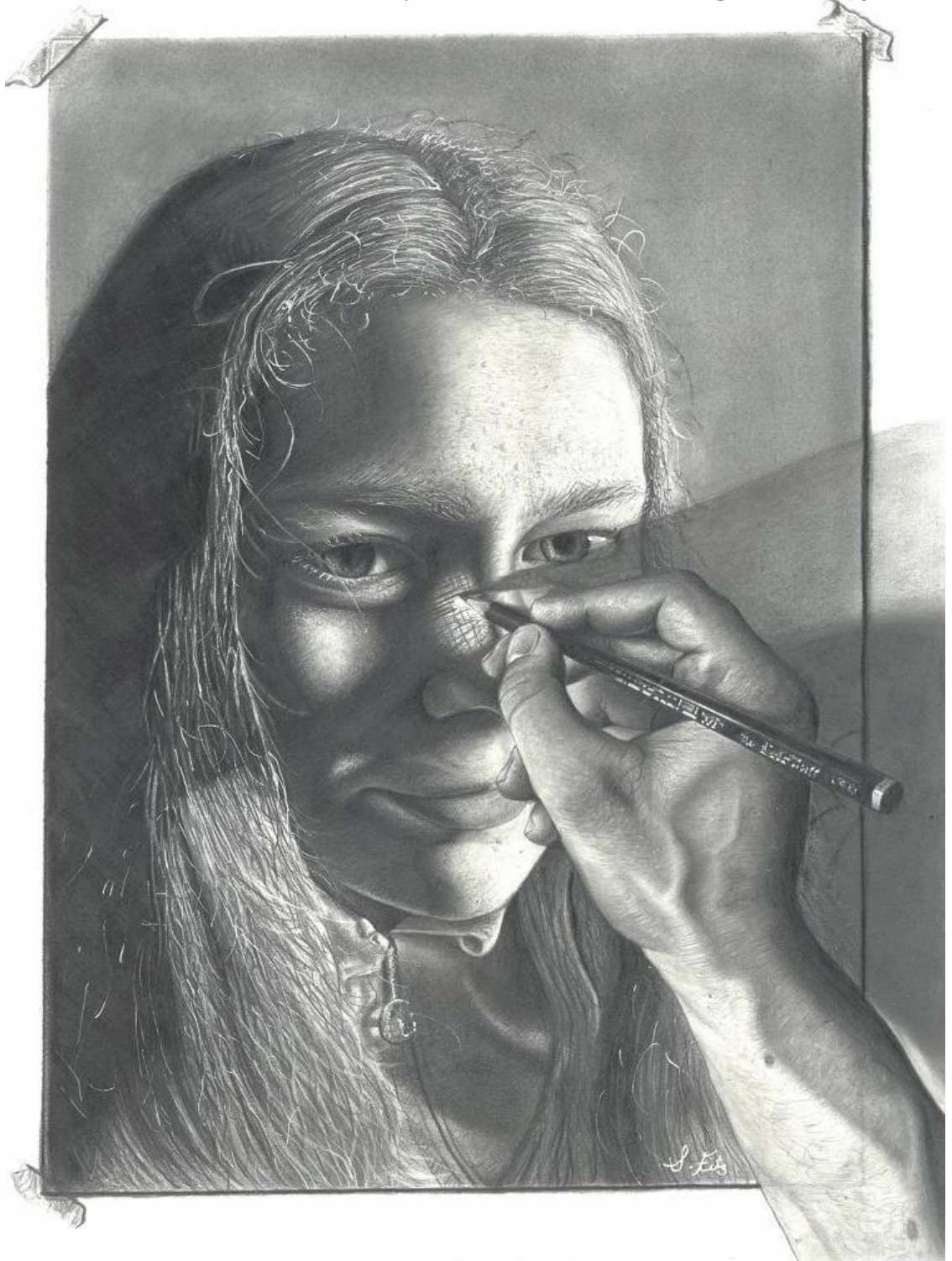
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30th Anniversary of the Clan Society - Part 1: Remembering the Early Years

– By Ronan Fitzpatrick, Founder and Society Chair



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Ryan has been trying for some years now to get me to document the origin and early history of the Clan and up to now I have managed to avoid the task. Now that we are 30 years on the go, he tells me that a 30th anniversary only comes every 30 years, so I just have to stop ducking out. This note tells it like I remember it because I have very little hard copy files that I can put my hands on. Also, back in those days very few people had access to the Internet and while I had two email addresses, I no longer have access to either of them. A real pity because they would be so helpful for this note. I do have most of the research material I have amassed and sometimes there is a covering letter that places things in a clear timeframe. So, using those and my memory of things 30 years ago I have put together these few pages about the Early Years 1993-1999.



The earliest correspondence I have is a letter from Clans of Ireland to help me organise a family Clan dated April 1993. From what I remember there was an initiative to form a Clans community being led by Bord Fáilte and the hereditary Irish Chieftains. From my own studies of many previous years I knew there was no recognised Fitzpatrick or Mac Giolla Phádraig Chieftain and I thought it would be a good plan to let this group know that there was Fitzpatrick interest and later we would join this group. That would mean we would have a placeholder for the name, and the Fitzpatrick chieftain who might be identified at some future date. And so it was that the Fitzpatrick Clan was formed.



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Mr Ronan Fitzpatrick
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Dear Mr Fitzpatrick

Thank you for your telephone call of 19 April to our office, I apologise for not replying to you sooner, as I was ill and I am only back in the office today.

I now enclose a copy of the plan for organising a Irish Family Clan which we issue to all people interested in organising Clans, a copy of the registration form and preliminary brochure as discussed in our conversation.

Wishing you every success with the Clan.

Yours sincerely


Anne Kavanagh
Secretary
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In those days, the Internet had only just become available to the general public and I had access, so using the new power offered by email, I set about contacting other Fitzpatricks who might also be interested in being part of the Clan. Most of those were in educational institutes around the world (they published emails addresses for their academics) and the efforts were mainly creating awareness of Fitzpatrick history and promoting the Clan. I just wish I had access to those old email addresses so that I could name the people I was in touch with.

My searches for likely Fitzpatricks returned hits in both universities and church communities. Some did respond and are still supporters of what we do but I suspect that many forwarded my emails to more interested researchers. In those early days, family research was in its infancy and was being enabled by the Internet and some family name search sites were becoming popular. One was the Fitzpatrick family name and those searching for family connections would post their details and hope someone else might know something. I remember often saying it was the technology equivalent of a message in a bottle: you posted a note and years later someone might contact you. I seem to recall that there were two sites like this and one was much stronger than the other. I believe this was referred to as the Fitzpatrick Forum. So in addition to using the likes of those sites to search for the Fitzpatrick lines that I was researching, I also used the opportunity to promote the Fitzpatrick Clan. That was state of the art back in those days and had a magic to it that was all due to the power of the internet. Also during these years, Fitzpatricks searching for their origins in Ireland made contact and where advice could be given, it always was.

A piece of hard copy I do have is a list of sources compiled by Steve Zalewski in an email dated 15 Mar 1998, so Steve had joined us by then. Other names that I can recall from those early days were Tom Rose, Capt. Joe, Dr. Colleen, John Hylas Smith, Tony, William, Catherine, Frank and Tommy, Anne Rosen, Helen Fitzpatrick, Tom Fitzpatrick, Jane Snidow Lloyd, Mary Samuels, David Norris, Rita Moore, Geoff Fitzpatrick, Lee, Howard, Peggy Fitzpatrick (who coined the phrase 'Nine of Clads' our Keeper of the Trees), Rita Moore, Marion Corles and Leonard Fitzpatrick. There were many more whose names escape me at this time.

It was a slow process because the critical mass of researchers that were needed just hadn't been reached yet. But slowly and surely the numbers increased. Also around this time (1998) I produced 3 information leaflets which were mainly outlining research agenda in the hope of making links. They're titled, *The Fitzpatrick Mac Giolla Phádraig Clan Society*, *The Fitzpatricks in Bedfordshire*, and *Tour of Ancient Places Associated with Fitzpatrick - Mac Giolla Phádraig*. These were shared with everyone in the hope of learning more.

Around 1997-98, I became aware of a mailing list being supported by the Higher Education Authority of Ireland and realised that was just what we needed. It was the start of the new academic year in September 1998 by the time everything was approved for a new LISTSERV mailing list which was named the Fitzpatrick MacGiolla Phádraig Clan Society, and The List, as it has come to be known, went live in November 1998. Here too, access to those old email addresses would confirm who the researchers were in those days. I had an email contacts list of those who were active then and I believe I sent them an email telling them about the new list explaining how they could join. Tom Rose in the USA was the first to reply and his is the first posting in the archive dated Mon 3 Nov 1998. Colleen was second to join, and Steve was third. Without doubt, that was a major milestone of our Clan Society and even though modern communication has outstripped the mailing list format, The List is still a backbone of our communication and continues to serve us well. We shouldn't forget that The List is 25 years on the go this year and every posting that has been made in those 25 years is available for searching out and reading on the archive. It is worth mentioning that The List has settled at about 160 active researchers (Listers) at any one time. However, as researchers find us and then find out that what we do is not what they thought or other projects take up their time, they leave. By this process we must have had 1000s of listers over the years and they all know where we are, what we are about, and often come back. In that time too things were slow yet after a while we had 50 Listers and then 60 - real milestones to be encouraged by.



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During these early years a new volunteer chairperson came to Clans of Ireland, and I remember many communications with her. It was she who signed the earliest Clans of Ireland membership certificate that I can find. She added the Fitzpatrick Clan to website initiatives that she knew of and that added another string to our Internet identity. I recall receiving notices of AGMs and newsletters, but I don't seem to have any hard copy. I don't have any record of how it came about (probably instigated by Tony) but I have a note of an Invitation to an Inaugural meeting on Friday 12 February 1999 at St. Fergal's College in Rathdowney in order to form a Fitzpatrick Clan branch in Upper Ossory. From the attendance of some 30 people, a local committee was started and they promoted the Clan even further in Laois, Kilkenny and the surrounding districts. So by the end of the 1990s we had a Fitzpatrick Forum on the Internet, notable mention on a number of websites, an international mailing list, a local committee in Upper Ossory, membership of Clans of Ireland, and some 50-60 active Fitzpatrick researchers.

Even in those early years our efforts were creating a pride in our family surname. Our electronic community had a sense of safety in an uncertain electronic world. We had a sense of family and belonging, and open sharing to help people find their roots. A place of friendship and trust. Although not yet verbalised, the concept and foundations of the Fitzpatrick "Home on the Internet" were being built. Things moved forward by the energy and positive contributions of the people involved, and it is my joy that it continues to this day.

The successes of all of these early years of collective effort culminated in the Fitzpatrick-MacGiolla Phádraig Clan Society First International Clan Gathering to be held in Portlaoise, Ireland in July 2000. It looks like it was November 1998 when we started to discuss the idea and it would be another year before everything was in place and the Call to Gather was issued. When that was organised there was no idea how many would attend but no matter what happened, I'd be there to meet whoever turned up. That commitment was so important as evidenced by an email from a lady in the USA who asked if this was really going to happen because she had read of a similar gathering organised by someone else previously and when she arrived with her elderly mother, there was no gathering. Word of mouth from the early researchers worked like magic. Things were so successful that over 100 of us from around the world gathered for that weekend, and that's for relating at another time. 🏰

Ronan Fitzpatrick, Chair
The Fitzpatrick - Mac Giolla Phádraig - Clan Society

Editor's Note: See more early leaflet publications from the Clan Society's early years at the back of this issue. Special thanks to Ronan for his kind permission to reproduce images of these documents in this edition of *The Emerald Dragon* newsletter.



The 2023 Fitzpatrick Scholarship Prize Winner Announced!

– By Andrew Wallace


Following a very close competition, The Fitzpatrick - Mac Giolla Phádraig Clan Society is delighted to announce that Ms. Hannah Mac Auliffe has been chosen as the Fitzpatrick Scholar 2023.

Ms. Mac Auliffe is a PhD candidate in Trinity College, Dublin. Her research interests include early Irish kingship, succession practices and genealogy. More specifically, under the supervision of Professor Seán Duffy, her doctoral project is focused on the phenomenon of alternate succession in early Irish kingships. She also takes an interest in palaeography, the study of historical manuscripts.

Hannah's winning paper is titled: *A survey of the relationship between Dál Birn of Osraige and the kings of Déisi Muman in the early medieval period.*

Our judge, Senator David Norris, has specifically asked that both Hannah and the runner up in this competition, Ms. Martina Vacová Reiterová of Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic, be commended for writing such excellent papers.

A presentation in Dublin will be arranged in due course with photos and another article to follow!

Congratulations Hannah! 



2023 Fitzpatrick Scholarship Prize winner, Ms. Hannah Mac Auliffe; Trinity College Dublin, Rep. of Ireland.

Paper Title: "A survey of the relationship between Dál Birn of Osraige and the kings of Déisi Muman in the early medieval period."

Runner up: Ms. Martina Vacová Reiterová of Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic (not pictured).



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Seán Fitzpatrick: Artist & Athlete

– By Ryan Fitzpatrick

Young artist Seán Fitzpatrick from Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford, is among twenty young artists from around Ireland who was shortlisted for major national recognition in the prestigious Zurich Young Portrait Prize for his pencil and charcoal drawing, *Constructing Ella* [shown on cover]. The exhibition of shortlisted artists and their creative portraits is currently on display at the National Gallery of Ireland (NGI).


The Zurich Young Portrait Prize is NGI’s annual inclusive art competition, aiming to foster and support creativity, originality and self-expression in children and young people. The Zurich Young Portrait Prize accepts entries from young people, up to the age of 18, of all abilities, from across the island of Ireland. The twenty finalists are grouped in four categories: ages 6 and under; ages 7-11; ages 12-15; and ages 16-18, of which Seán Fitzpatrick is one. To be shortlisted for this prize is a major achievement as an artist, as there were hundreds of entries from all around the country. The exhibition of the various works is on display in the Portrait Gallery with the artists working across a variety of media.

Of this phenomenal portrait, Seán said: “This is a portrait of my sister Ella. I wanted to capture the beginning of a smile, both in her eyes and on her lips. The inclusion of my own hand and arm was inspired by the Dutch artist M.C.Escher. I am fascinated by hyperrealism and surrealism artworks, so I combined them both.”

Seán is not just an outstanding hyper-realistic artist, but also an accomplished sportsman as well, playing as a Forward for the Men’s Squad at Wexford Football Club. (Another fellow Wexford 2023 Senior Women’s Squad member, Grace Fitzpatrick-Ryan, was named a sub for the Ireland U17 Women’s Team, who recently competed in Europe, securing a second-place finish in Group A5.)

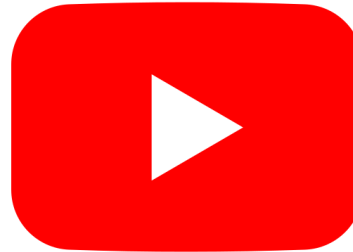
Seán’s composition *Constructing Ella*, along with that of the other young artists, will be on display at the National Gallery of Ireland until April 2, 2023. The exhibition will then move north to be displayed at the Regional Cultural Centre, in Letterkenny, Co. Donegal, from June 3, through September 2.

The Editor wishes to extend his thanks to Seán for his kind permission to display his artwork for this edition of the *ED*.

You can view more of Sean’s incredible artwork on his Instagram page at: https://www.instagram.com/seanfitzpatrick_art/ or on his YouTube Channel. 



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Click on any of the images above to go to Seán’s Instagram page & YouTube channel or see hyperlinks below.


101 Historic Curiosities of County Laois

– By Ryan Fitzpatrick

A much-anticipated book was recently launched by John Colclough on Thursday 9th February, at 8pm in the Dunamaise Arts Centre, Portlaoise. The book, titled *101 Historic Curiosities of County Laois*, was edited by Seán Murray, Chairman of the Laois Heritage Society, and contains short entries from a wide variety of contributors, including several entries written by the Editor of the *Emerald Dragon*. The project was funded by Creative Ireland Laois and Laois Heritage Office Laois County Council.

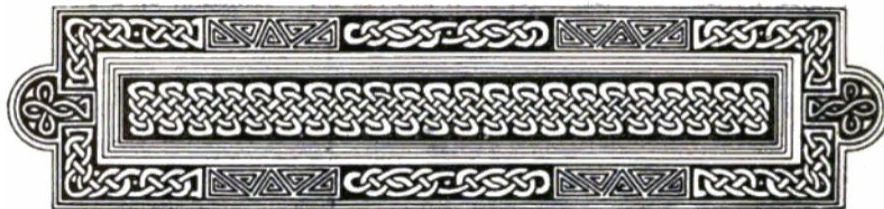
Step back in time and go on a historical journey with this fantastic book. Learn about the diverse and fascinating history of Laois, from the Viking period down to modern times. Fascinating connections abound; from to Francis Bacon's Laois connection, to several places visited by our own Clan Society. The pages take the reader on a historic journey from the centre of Ireland, where minds will behold the boyhood deeds of Fionn mac Cumhaill; seek knowledge from the Christian monastics; gain wisdom from important warrior kings; visit sites of ancient pilgrimage; and explore the events of conquest, plantation, new settlements, and migrations of Laoisians who travelled to the far-flung corners of the world.

Several entries relating to the Fitzpatrick Clan gain attention in the book, and also grace the cover (above). Special thanks to Seán Murray and our friends at the Laois Heritage Society for his kind permission to use the cover image above. Most warmly, congratulations from our Society to yours.

The book retails for around €20 Euro. For more information, or to place an order for postage, please contact laoisheritagesociety@gmail.com 



101 Historic Curiosities of County Laois
 Edited by Seán Murray



FitSPORTricks: Golfer Matt Fitzpatrick Wins 2022 Hero Shot at Albany, Bahamas

November 29, 2022: UK golfer Matt Fitzpatrick, playing for England, defeated a formidable field of opponents in the Hero Shot at Albany, Bahamas, which also featured tournament host Tiger Woods, Justin Thomas, Max Homa, Tommy Fleetwood, Billy Horschel, and Tom Kim. The players took their best shots at a floating target in the pond between the 9th and 18th greens at the Albany Championship Course to kick-off the [2022 Hero World Challenge](#).

The first round of the Hero Shot featured each player taking six shots at a red and black circular floating target. Shots landing in an outer target ring were worth 250 points. Balls coming to rest in the inner circle were worth 500 points, and any shot splashing down in the 2 ft.-diameter cup hole were worth 1,000 points. The sixth ball in each round –dubbed the ‘Hero ball’ – was worth double points.

Tournament-host Tiger Woods, struggling against an injury to his foot, was eliminated early in the competition that saw Fitzpatrick went on to defeat young South Korean Tom Kim in the championship round with a hole-in-one to take the title. Everyone went bananas and gave Fitzpatrick grand applause when he hit the bullseye twice on the difficult 87-yard shot going into the wind, thus winning the 2022 Hero Shot Challenge.

Fitzpatrick, who hails from Sheffield, England, went on to tie for twelfth place with American Xander Schauffele in the Hero World Challenge days later, which was won by Norwegian Viktor Hovland. 🏆



Matt Fitzpatrick cracks an 87-yard hole-in-one shot at a floating target, hitting into the wind. Minds were lost and everybody died and came back to life. Just grand.



Left: Tournament Host Tiger Woods, Matt Fitzpatrick, and Hero MotoCorp Chairman & CEO, Pawan Munjal.

Dr. Colleen Fitzpatrick Uses DNA to Solve 65-Year-Old “Boy in the Box” Cold Case

– By Ryan Fitzpatrick



Gravestone of homicide victim Joseph Augustus Zarelli (upper left). Photocredit: Monica Herndon/The Philadelphia Inquirer/TNS. Inset: Dr. Colleen Fitzpatrick, cold-case cracker extraordinaire.

After over six decades as an unsolved cold-case, the infamous ‘Boy in the Box’ homicide victim finally has a name, thanks to forensic detective work and DNA analysis by our Clan Society’s own DNA specialist, Dr. Colleen Fitzpatrick. She helped officials learn the identity of a 4-year-old boy whose beaten body was found inside a cardboard box in Philadelphia in 1957. Despite numerous attempts at identification, the killing remained unsolved until Dr. Colleen and the Identifinders International team were involved in the case. The boy was identified as Joseph Augustus Zarelli, born on January 13, 1953, in West Philadelphia. Dr. Colleen Fitzpatrick, Misty Gillis and the Identifinders team worked with Philadelphia investigators at length; the DNA samples available to them were so badly degraded that it required the team to work for two and half years using investigative genetic genealogy to bring the boy’s identity to light and reconnect him to his name. On 13 January 2023, which would have been Joseph’s 70th birthday, a new memorial containing his full name and image was unveiled, along with the addition of his name to the existing headstone.

The names of his parents are known. Out of respect for his living relatives, further family information was kept confidential, as the case remains unsolved and is still an ongoing investigation. Lord grant rest to the soul of Joseph Augustus Zarelli and bless all who bring light to dark places. 🏴‍☠️

Cuimhne Shíoraí (Memory Eternal)

Preserving the memory of the departed.

Anyone wishing to commemorate a person or loved one or may email text details & photos to the Editor (editoremeralddragon@gmail.com); entries need not be recent, and can include general remembrance, anniversaries, or significant events. The Clan Society may note the repose of bearers of the surname, or related surnames, whether Society members or not. May God grant rest and eternal memory to all named herein, in a place of verdure, and comfort their families in their grief.

Captain Dara Fitzpatrick

March 2023 marks the 6th anniversary of the loss of Captain Dara Fitzpatrick, Captain Mark Duffy, Winchman Paul Ormsby and Winchman Ciaran Smith when Irish Coast Guard Helicopter Rescue 116 crashed off the coast of Mayo while on a mission over the Atlantic.

Two brave souls were brought home; two remain lost to the sea; but all four will be forever remembered for the sacrifice they made. Our thoughts today are with the families, friends and colleagues of Dara, Mark, Paul, and Ciarán.

Go Mairidís Beo

Dara Fitzpatrick and her colleagues died after their search and rescue team's helicopter, Rescue 116, crashed into the Atlantic Ocean while providing top cover for the Sligo-based search and rescue helicopter, Rescue 118, during a rescue mission off the west coast of County Mayo, Ireland.

Fitzpatrick was found and later pronounced dead at Mayo University Hospital in Castlebar. The body belonging to one of the missing crew was found in the cockpit section of the aircraft on 24 March by Navy divers and it was retrieved on 26 March, after which it was identified as that of co-pilot Captain Mark Duffy. Two other members of the crew, Winchman Ciarán Smith and Winch Operator Paul Ormsby remained missing and memorial services were held for them in May 2017 and June 2017, respectively. The search and recovery operation was scaled back after April 2017. Dara's funeral took place on 18 March 2017. 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿



Captain Dara Fitzpatrick (upper left), Captain Mark Duffy, Winchman Paul Ormsby & Winchman Ciaran Smith. Image courtesy Irish Coast Guard.

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- Motto:**
1. Rawl. B 479 Motto of U. Ossory & Old Kilkenny Review (1981) p 254, p 266 Ceart Láidir Abú (Might is right).
 2. **FORTIS SUB FORTE FATISCET** (The brave may yield to the brave).

HISTORY AND MEANING OF THE NAME:

The Surname Fitzpatrick is the English format of the Irish *Mac Giolla Phádraig*. It is the only surname with the Fitz prefix of Irish origin. All others are of Norman descent. Giolla Phádraig (the devoted of St. Patrick) was King of Ossory, a kingdom in Leinster in Ireland. According to Carrigan, this kingdom was founded by Aengus Osrith who flourished some time about the latter half of the second century of the Christian era. Giolla Phádraig's reign commenced some eight centuries later in 976 AD and he reigned until he was slain in 996 AD. His sons were styled *Mac Giolla Phádraig* (son of Giolla Phádraig). As part of the colonisation of Ireland by England, natural Irish names had to be restyled in the English format. *Mac Giolla Phádraig* was anglicised as Fitzpatrick. The Clan name is found throughout the world and several individuals and families have been prominent. These include the Earls of Upper Ossory (lineal descendants of The Giolla Phádraig) who were interwoven into English politics from the time of Henry VIII until the last of the Earls died, without male issue, in 1937. The Family of Sir Percy FitzPatrick made a major contribution to the political formation of South Africa. Major Thomas (Broken-Hand) Fitzpatrick, from Cavan, Indian Agent to the Sioux, Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes brought peace to the plains Indians of North America in 1851 at Fort Laramie. Fitzpatrick's have also contributed, with influence and success, in high office in Ireland, Canada, India and USA.

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Variations of the Name:
Fitzpatrick, Mac Giolla Phádraig, MacGilpatrick, Kilpatrick, MacKilpatrick, McIlpatrick, MacSéartha, Shera, Fitz, Fitch, Patrick, Parrican, Parogan, Patchy.

The traditional Fitzpatrick territory is Ossory. This ancient kingdom gets its name from its first King, Aengus Osrithe, who died c180 AD. It occupied the south-west territory of Leinster (the Eastern province of Ireland) and extended from the Slieve Bloom mountains in the North to the sea at Waterford in the South, the boundary being the river Barrow and the river Suir. The present day counties of Laois and Kilkenny roughly correspond to the ancient kingdom.

The Ossory Kings lost their lands to neighbouring chiefs at the end of the fifth century but regained them 150 years later. For the next six centuries the Kings defended their territory against the invading Danes and local attackers. In the twelfth century the southern part of the kingdom was confiscated and the clan relocated to Upper Ossory.

To this day, Ossory remains as an ecclesiastic diocese of the Christian Church which was introduced into Ireland by St. Patrick and for whom the family is named. A great deal of knowledge relating to life and society in this ancient kingdom can be identified from the rich and extensive remains and ruins of castles, round towers, monasteries and burial places that have survived.

If you, your family or friends world-wide are interested in the study and celebration of the descent of Fitzpatrick - *Mac Giolla Phádraig*, Rí Osraidhí (King of Ossory), in Ireland, then you will be interested in participating in the Clan Society. The Society is an organisation for those who claim Fitzpatrick ancestry.

The Clan Society is always interested in hearing from supporters and researchers who have knowledge of clan culture, tradition, heritage and history, especially those living in the principal places associated with the Fitzpatrick - *Mac Giolla Phádraig* Clan (Ossory, the Dublin area and Ampthill in Bedfordshire).



The Fitzpatrick Mac Giolla Phádraig Clan Society

AIMS

1. To establish, record, promote and preserve the Fitzpatrick - *Mac Giolla Phádraig* Clan culture, tradition, heritage and history.
2. To identify The *Giolla Phádraig*, Chief of his name, Rí Osraidhí.
3. To provide a focus for communicating Fitzpatrick information world-wide.
4. To engage in the research and publication of matters relating to the culture, tradition, heritage and history of the Fitzpatrick - *Mac Giolla Phádraig* Clan.
5. To publish and distribute Clan ensigns, arms, flags, banners, posters, genealogy charts, reports, books and journals of interest to the Clan.
6. To maintain a genealogical register of all people claiming Fitzpatrick ancestry world-wide.
7. To liaise with National and Local Authorities and other bodies in matters of interest to the Clan.
8. To organise, operate and promote Clan gatherings in Ireland and to promote and assist Fitzpatrick - *Mac Giolla Phádraig* Clan gatherings elsewhere.
9. To raise funds for the advancement of these aims of the Fitzpatrick - *Mac Giolla Phádraig* Clan Society.



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