

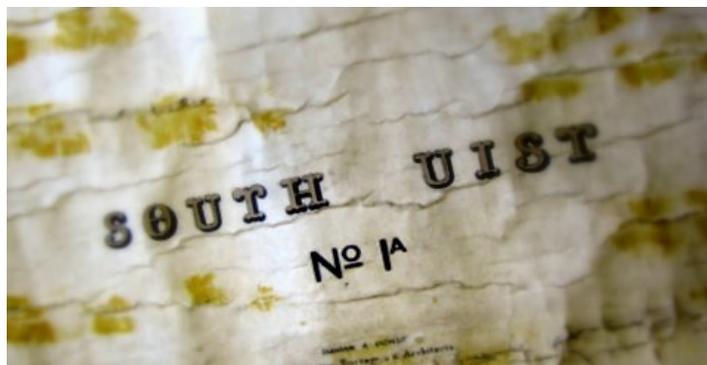


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Southern Isles visits

In January the **Tasglann** team headed down to South Uist, Benbecula and North Uist to work with various groups.

David carried out cataloguing training with North Uist Historical



Society and visited and a conservation survey with the maps of Storás Uibhist, where the above image of a map of South Uist was taken.

Donna and Katie Anne carried out survey work with North Uist Estate David travelled down to

Barra in March to provide cataloguing training to Barra Historical Society, and again meet with businesses and public authorities who hold important historical records.

We hope to expand on these visits on our next trip south of the Sound of Berneray!

An Archive tour of Stornoway

In January David presented a paper entitled *An Archive Tour of Stornoway* to **Stornoway Historical Society** in the Council Chambers at Sandwick Road to around 50 people. The talk took the form of a wander around the streets of

Stornoway, stopping off at various buildings to discuss archive records that have been identified by the **Tasglann** project and what stories these can tell researchers.

We had some problems with a dodgy projector, but for those who are would like to see them, both the slides and the text of the talk are available on our blog.

We love getting



archives out for people were the Lewis to have a look at and Combination Poorhouse you can see above minute book and people studying the Leverhulme's *Loose* Nicolson Institute *Leaves from the Lews*, a Trustees minute book. booklet of poetry, sketches and

Other records on photographs inspired by display at the event the island.

Exploring over 200 years of Emigration from Berneray



Berneray Historical Society is holding a one-day conference in Berneray Community Hall on Friday 3rd August 2012. The conference is the culmination of the first fourteen months of an 18-month project, **A' tilleadh ar n-eachdraidh dhachaigh** (Bringing our history home), and it will present some results of the Society's researches into emigration from Berneray.

The aims of the conference are:

- ★ To describe the historical and cultural background to emigration from Berneray

- ★ To discover the contribution made by Gaelic culture & heritage to new communities

The event will be followed by an evening ceilidh dance with Calum Iain MacCorquodale.

More details about the day's events, including guest speakers and other contributions from home & 'abroad', will be appearing in the near future.

The conference is open to all and a £5 registration fee is requested in advance, please, to help estimate numbers. The fee is inclusive of a light

lunch, refreshments and the conference brochure.

The Society will be publishing a booklet containing the results of their research together with the contents of the conference towards the end of 2012.

Peter Kerr, who is conducting the research, is still keen to hear from new contacts with Berneray connections and he can be contacted at peter.kerr@hebrides.net

A' tilleadh ar n-eachdraidh dhachaigh is part-financed by the Scottish Government and the European Community LEADER Inse Gall 2007-2013 programme.

Enquiries

As part of our ERDF Project Outcomes, the project has to answer 200 enquiries. We're pleased to say that it appears we will easily meet that target, having so far dealt with 150!

We've had enquiries from as far afield as Canada and New Zealand, ranging from queries on genealogy to Bonnie Prince Charlie.

If you have a query that we might be able to help with, contact us using the details below.

Website



We are currently working on the Tasglann website, populating it with data and photographs and translating the text into Gaelic, or vice-versa!

We will have more on the website in the next issue by which time the site will be live!

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