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Irish Texts Society

- A Main Series of 61 volumes
- A Subsidiary Series of 18 publications
- Annual Seminar in partnership with the combined Irish Departments UCC
- Publication of the Locus Project's Historical Dictionary of Gaelic Placenames
- Discounts on ITS and RIA publications for ITS members
- The Noel O'Connell Memorial Lecture (London)

MEMBERSHIP ARRANGEMENTS & BENEFITS - SOCRAITHE 7 BUNTÁISTÍ BALLRAÍOCHTA

Membership subscriptions, which are now due for renewal, are as follows: £15 stg.; €23; \$25 US. The rates for subscriptions which are paid by Banker's Order are: £9; €12; \$15 US. It is worth noting that the cost of membership which is paid for by Banker's Order has not changed since 1987.

We wish to remind members, and other readers of the Newsletter, of the arrangements - concerning purchase of ITS publications and benefits of membership - which were introduced last year:

- a) The two back volume restriction which previously applied has been removed and the discount for members on purchases of all books of the society is now 33% (1/3rd).
- b) The special prices (normally 50%) for new main series publications will be announced each year and will be available to members for a limited period following publication.
- c) Arrangements are in place with the Royal Irish Academy (website www.ria.ie) whereby all of their publications will be available to members of the Irish Texts Society at the same preferential prices which are

- available to their own members i.e. 33% (1/3rd) discount on the retail price.
- d) In addition, the Royal Irish Academy's online book shop is now facilitating our society for online purchasing. Purchases henceforward may be made



online by members and non members of the society. As a member you are authorised to purchase at the discounted price. However, it is necessary for your membership to be up to date and you will be required to use a password "Texts" before you make purchases online. This password (Texts) will identify you as a member of the Irish Texts Society and your name will then be verified against the list of

- members for the year on which the transaction takes place.
- e) Members who do not use the internet or credit cards or who for any other reason wish to purchase books by applying directly to the Honorary Treasurer as heretofore may continue to do so.
- f) These arrangements are also available for Library Members, however, some adjustments will be agreed with Subscription Agents, and Library Circulation Members.

We will be delighted to receive any comments, suggestions or observations you wish to make in regard to these arrangements by emailing our Honorary Treasurer.

Any additional changes will be notified on our website as the need arises.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - DON DIALANN

ITS Noel O'Connell Memorial Lecture (London)

The 2008 Noel O'Connell Memorial Lecture will be delivered by Seán Hutton, Honorary Secretary of the ITS, on the subject 'Being Irish in London in the era of the 'Celtic Twilight'. This lecture is being organised in conjunction with the Irish Literary Society and will be hosted by the ILS. It will take place at the Quality Hotel, 82 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1PS, on 27 May at 7.45 p.m.

ITS AGM (London)

The AGM of the Society will take place in London on Tuesday, 27 May 2008 at 6.00 p.m., in the Quality Hotel, 82 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1PS. The Agenda will be published on the Society's website in due course. Please check the ITS website closer to the date.

ITS/UCC Annual Seminar (Cork)

The 10th Annual Seminar in this series will take place at University College, Cork, on 8 November 2008. The focus of this year's seminar will be Lebor Gabála Érenn/The Book of the Taking of Ireland, which forms ITS Main Series volumes 34-5, 39, 41, 44. Full details of the 2008 seminar plus a downloadable application form will be posted on the ITS site, and that of the Locus Project at University College, Cork, later in the year. The proceedings of previous seminars form volumes 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18 of the Society's Subsidiary Series.

THE HONORARY TREASURER REQUESTS THAT MEMBERS WITH E-MAIL ADDRESSES SUPPLY
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CHANGES

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New Publications/Nuafhoilsithe

CÓIR ANMANN/A LATE MIDDLE IRISH TREATISE ON PERSONAL NAMES Part 2, edited by Sharon Arbuthnot (ITS Main Series, vol. 60, 2007): This important medieval Irish text, dealing with the traditional origins of mainly personal names, was last edited by Whitely Stokes in 1897. Dr. Arbuthnot's new edition, which includes much material omitted from consideration by Stokes, has been prepared to the highest standards of textual criticism. Its contents will be of interest not only to students of names but also to those with a wider interest in the literary tradition. Price £21 stg., €30, US\$40.50 (members £14 stg., €20, US\$27) (Part 1 is also available.)

AMHRÁIN CHEARBHQLLÁIN/THE POEMS OF CAROLAN: REASSESSMENTS, edited by Liam P. Ó Murchú (ITS Subsidiary Series 18, 2007): The volume contains the proceedings of the eight annual seminar, organised jointly by the Irish Texts Society and the Combined Departments of Irish at University College Cork. Contributions reconsider Carolan's music and verse, their reception, and the nature of the composer/performer's achievements. The career of Tomás Ó Máille, the editor of Carolan's poems, is also considered. The five contributors to the volume are Nicholas Carolan, Emily Cullen, Joep Leerssen, Lesa Ní Mhunghaile and Ruairí Ó hUiginn. Price: £14.50 stg. (£21, US\$28.50; Members price: £9.50 stg., £14, US\$19)

The ITS Subsidiary Series Sreath bhreise d'fhoilseacháin an Chumainn



ITS Honorary Treasurer Michael J Burns running the book stall at an ITS reception and launch event.

Some years ago, the Society decided to issue a Subsidiary series of publications. It was recognised that many years had passed since the publication of some volumes in

our Main Series, and that, inevitably, scholarship had

continued to develop.

It was felt that it would be useful, and in line with the objects of the Society, to issue a series, representative of the best scholarship of the day, to provide - where necessary - new introductions to volumes being reprinted, or more generally related to Irish texts.

As well as academics and general readers, Council of the ITS identified students amongst its target audience. Council stipulated that the language of publications in the series should be accessi-

ble to all of these categories of potential readers, and available at a price students might afford.

Then came the idea of the annual seminar, which results - thanks to the striking efficiency of our partners, the combined Irish departments at UCC - in the publication, annually, of the proceedings of seminars.

This series of ITS publications has now reached a total of 18 titles (See *Objects* 2008 p. 13 for full list). It is a valuable supplement to the Society's Main Series.