

Invitation to New Book Launch of
**“Dolaucothi and Brunant
A Tale of Two Families in Wales”
by David TR Lewis**

on (1) Tuesday 5 July 2016 in the Dolaucothi Arms in Pumsaint from 7pm to 8pm and (2) on Wednesday 6 July 2016 in the Brunant Arms in Caio from 7pm to 8pm



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In 2012 the author published a history of the Parish of Cynwyl Gaeo entitled *“Family Histories and Community Life in North Carmarthenshire”*. This new book is a more detailed history of the fascinating Johnes and Lloyd families (with their Lloyd-Johnes and Hills wider family associations) and contains some 300 old and new photographs and maps. These gentry families had an extraordinary influence on life in Carmarthenshire and Cardiganshire. They inter-married and many members served as MP, Lord Lieutenant, Custos Rotulorum, Sheriff, DL and JP over the centuries. This book tells the tale of the origins of the families which some claim go as far back as Coel Hen Godebog (Old King Cole) in the 5th century, of their involvement in the Dolaucothi and Brunant Estates, and of the social, political, military and economic times in which they lived during the past 1,500 years.

Family members included Urien Rheged, Cydifor ap Dinawal, Sir Rhys ap Thomas KG of Dinefwr, Sir Thomas Jones of Abermarlais, Thomas Johnes of Hafod, Judge John Johnes of Dolaucothi (murdered by his butler), Sir James Hills-Johnes VC and his wife Lady Betha, David Llwyd of Llandysul, Rev John Lloyd and George and Charles Lloyd of Brunant, and the infamous Sir Herbert Lloyd of Peterwell. Family members who served their country bravely were awarded with three VCs and six DSOs.

Other Seats of the families described include Abermâd, Abermarlais, Alltyrodyn, Brynbran, Carew Castle, Castell Hywel, Croft Castle, Foelallt, Ffosybleiddiaid, Hafod, Haroldston, Llanfair Clydogau, Llanllyr, Mabws, Maesyfelin, Penybont and Peterwell. Detailed Family Pedigrees and maps are included together with details of the estates, the demesnes, tenants, census returns and community and public service.

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