

J. Meadows



PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS

October 3, 1968.

Mr. Lewis Edwards,
Army Department,
Valley Way,
NIAGARA FALLS, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Edwards:

We are pleased to confirm chartered aircraft for the National Gymnastics Association of U.S.A. and Canada.

Our charter aircraft are Boeing 707's and have a capacity of 167 passengers. Forty-four pounds of baggage is allowed for each passenger.

The routing and operational dates are as follows:

Aircraft #1:

Niagara Falls, N.Y. to London June 26, 1969
London to Niagara Falls, N.Y. July 21, 1969
The cost for this aircraft is \$36,320.00 U.S. (39,266.00 Cdn.) or \$217.00 U.S. (\$235.00 Cdn.) per passenger, based on a full load of 167 passengers.

Aircraft #2:

Detroit to London June 25, 1969
London to Detroit July 18, 1969
The cost for this aircraft is \$38,510.00 U.S. (41,633.00 Cdn.) or \$230.00 U.S. (\$249.00 Cdn.) per passenger, based on a full load of 167 passengers.

Aircraft #3:

Chicago to London June 24, 1969
London to Chicago July 17, 1969
The cost for this aircraft is \$39,530.00 U.S. (\$42,736.00 Cdn.) or \$236.00 U.S. (\$255.00 Cdn.) per passenger, based on a full load of 167 passengers.

We shall require that the enclosed applications and contracts for each flight be completed, signed and returned to us by November 4, 1968. A 10% deposit on each flight is also due on this date. Full payment is due sixty days

Mr. Lewid Edwards

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prior to flight date in each case.

Please call if you require further information.

Sincerely,



Paul H. Yelle,
Supervisor District Sales.

PHY:DM

Encl.

c.c. Mr. G. Pearce

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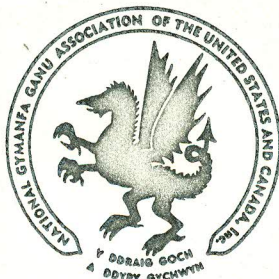
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Niagara Falls, Ontario.
 October 4th, 1968.

Miss Helen Richards,
 Evanston, Ill. 60201.

Dear Helen:

During the past few weeks I have discussed our travel plans for 1969 with representatives from several Airlines. Pan American Airways have agreed to supply three planes for our Association, with one to depart from Chicago.

I enclose for your information a copy of the letter that I received this morning from Pan Am, together with a contract form. I hasten to add that no commitment has been made on your behalf, and you are perfectly free to proceed as you see fit. The information supplied covers all aspects as they refer to dates and prices, and the decision to charter this plane should be made in your area.

I would appreciate hearing from you in this regard as soon as possible. By copy of this letter I am informing Mr. Jack Meadows & Dr. John R. Jones of these plans.

With kindest regards,

Lewis Edwards,
 President, N.G.G.A.

encs.

cc: Meadows & Jones.

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Niagara Falls, Ont.
 October 4th, 1968.

16140 Glastonbury,
 Detroit, Mich. 48219.

Dear Emlyn:

Further to some hectic discussions I have had with various Airline Companies during the past few weeks, I submit the enclosures for your information.

As you will note, Pan American Airways have reserved a plane for the use of National members next year. There is no intention on my part to intrude on any plans that may be under way among our Detroit members, and no one is, in any way, committed to the Airline. If you are interested in chartering the plane, it is available.

I trust that all is well with you, and I look forward to seeing you in Cardiff next year regardless of mode of travel.

Pob hwyl,

Lewis Edwards,
 President, N.G.G.A.

cc: Mr. J. Meadows.

Air Itinerary

Via Air-Canada Airlines DC-8 Jet charter flight scheduled to leave Cleveland early evening of June 25, 1969 and will arrive London the morning of June 26th.

The return flight will leave London early afternoon of July 28, 1969 and will arrive Cleveland early evening of the same date.

Ground Transportation

Bus transportation has been arranged from Youngstown to the Cleveland Airport and return, also we will have a bus meeting the group at the London Airport to provide transportation to Cardiff and Swansea (this will be one way only)...

BAGGAGE

66 Lbs. allowed for each fare.

PAYMENT

\$50.00 deposit due with request for confirmed seat, \$50.00 due again January 1st, 1969, final payment due May 1st, 1969. Total all inclusive fare is \$265.00 per person.

CANCELLATIONS

Refund of deposit if cancelled before May 1, 1969. No refund due if cancelled after May 12th, 1969 unless a replacement for your seat is found.

TOURS

We are planning a 7 or 8 day Tour of Wales for the group and a one-day tour of the investiture of the Prince of Wales.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

The Youngstown Automobile Club and THE NATIONAL GYMANFA GANU ASSOCIATION give notice that all tickets and coupons are issued by them, and all arrangements, for transport or conveyance or for Hotel accommodations, are made by them AS AGENTS FOR THE PASSENGER upon the express condition that they shall not be liable for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, or irregularity which may be occasioned either by reason of defect in any vehicle or through the acts or default of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger, or in carrying out the arrangements of the tours, or otherwise in connection therewith, or of any hotel proprietor, or employee. No carrier shall have, or incur, any responsibility or liability to any person taking this tour, except its liability as a common carrier.

ELIGIBILITY

Only members, and their immediate family, of the NATIONAL GYMANFA GANU ASSOCIATION are eligible for this flight.

To hold a definite reservation on this flight, we would appreciate your completing this coupon and forwarding it to Mr. Jack Meadows, 4034 Southern Blvd., Youngstown, Ohio 44512, along with your check in the amount of \$50.00 (Payable to Mr. Jack Meadows), as soon as possible.

NAME _____ Home Phone # _____

Address _____
(Street) (Town) (Zip Code)

Would you be interested in our Tour of Wales? _____

Would you be interested in the Investiture Tour? _____

(Cost of each above mentioned tour will be forwarded when detailed itinerary of each tour has been completed.)

September 16, 1968

Dear Friends of Wales:

At our annual meeting in Buffalo, New York, the National Gymanfa Ganu Association voted unanimously to accept an invitation from the Lord Mayor of Cardiff and the Wales Tourist Board Ltd. to convene our next National Gymanfa Ganu in Cardiff, Wales, June 27, 28 and 29, 1969.

The dates for this "Dream Gymanfa" at the Sophia Gardens Pavillion near Cardiff's famous castle happily coincide with the Investiture of Prince Charles as the Prince of Wales. Our National Gymanfa will be the kick-off for "Croeso 69", a great series of Welsh events celebrating the Investiture at Caernarvon Castle on July 1, 1969. Some of the exciting features of our 15-day adventure in Wales are:

- Irish Air Lines will fly our area's delegation from New York directly to Cardiff and return for the extremely low price of \$238.00 (children under 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ fare). (The Pittsburgh Group will fly to and from New York for only \$37.40 per adult, $\frac{1}{2}$ fare for children)
- Thousands of Welsh and Welsh-American voices combined in singing the hymns we love so fervently at the greatest Gymanfa of all time
- On July 1, two special trains will take us to Caernarvon for the pageantry and pomp of the Investiture. Included in the \$42.00 cost of the round trip will be three meals, a reserved block of seats, and souvenir cushions
- Eight glorious free days on our own, visiting friends and relatives, attending special events arranged by our Welsh hosts, or just sight-seeing all over Britain. (A Freedom of Wales Ticket — unlimited travel by public conveyance in Wales for eight days will be available for the low price of \$25.00)
- Free travel bureau service will be offered to you by the Wales Tourist Board. No doubt you will be contacted by many tour arrangers for the eight days free time and there will be many interesting tours you may take.

TIME is the only problem confronting your committee. We must know, and very soon, how much air space we will need at a peak travel time, and since the tickets for the Ceremonial Procession at Caernarvon will go on public sale in Great Britain November 1, 1968, we in America must have your reservation by October 20, 1968. A deposit of \$50.00 or \$25.00 for a child under 12, by check or money order only, is required for each person participating

This is a golden opportunity to prove that we are keeping our Welsh Heritage, The Gymanfa Ganu, alive in America. A once in a lifetime chance will be ours to participate in the historic pageantry of the Investing of a Prince of Wales. Finding our past in the Land of Our Fathers will be a cultural milestone in the lives of all of us.

Please check on the enclosed form the items you are interested in, and send it with your name, complete address, and deposit to your Pittsburgh Area Chairman.

Pob Hwyl,

George K. Richards

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October 14, 1968

TO:
 Members of the National Gymanfa Ganu Association

Now that the 1969 Air-Canada flight from Cleveland to London is assured we wish to extend an invitation to join us on a pleasant sojourn to the " Old Country ".

So that we can intelligently carry out the program to a successful conclusion, it is most essential that you complete the attached questionnaire as soon as possible and return it to this office no later than October 21, 1968 or sooner.

1969 is the BIG YEAR in Wales with the National Gymanfa Ganu being held in Cardiff June 27th, 28th and 29th and the investiture of the Prince of Wales at Caernarvon Castle on July 1st.

Sincerely,

Jack Meadows, Secretary

P.S.
 Additional information regarding the activities in Wales will be forwarded to you from time to time.

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Summary of conversation with Mr. Flynn of Canadian Pacific Airlines, September 18th, 1968.

Planes available for Charter are all jets - DC 8 63.

Seating capacity 240.

Cost per person, Toronto - Heath Row, approximately \$210.00, based on capacity seating.

Arrangements can be made to share a Charter with another organization if necessary at no risk to us.

I have now sent in a formal request to C.P.A. for a Charter plane leaving Toronto on June 25th or 26th, 1969, returning in approximately 3 weeks.

Anyone interested in obtaining details regarding a possible C.P.A. Charter from their area should write to:

Mr. W. Noorduyn,
 Room 205,
 Toronto, Ontario.

If anyone is interested in joining the flight from Toronto, please let me know at the earliest possible moment, as we anticipate a full plane.

Helen F. Richards
1566 Oak Avenue, Evanston, Ill. 60201

11-12-68

Mr. Jack Meadows
Executive Secretary
N.G.G.A.

Dear Jack:

Today I received confirmation of dates
from George Hudson by B.O.A.C. as follows:-

June 19th to July 11th
" 23rd " " 25th
" 24th " August 13th

The round trip fare Chicago to London \$310.60.
Anyone who book on the above dates must return
according to the above schedule. I have sent letters
out to those who are interested in going and so far
I have 10 confirms. As you well know it is difficult
to get people to give a direct answer so early.
However I feel that as time goes on we will get many
more interested in going.
I have sent letters to Wisconsin and these will be
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This is the best I can do as of now. I would like
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November 16, 1968

Mr. Jack Meadows
Youngstown, Ohio 44512

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your recent letter confirming my reservation on the tour to London in connection with the National Gymanfa Ganu Assn. I was sorry to learn that I could not be included in the original package tour amounting to \$265.00 per person, but that you had booked me on a more expensive tour.

Since hearing from you I have been able to book passage with the Charter flight arranged through Mr. Lewis Edwards and which leaves from Toronto instead of Cleveland. This flight in addition to being cheaper, will also be more convenient for me as Toronto is closer than Cleveland.

Therefore I am writing to request a refund of my deposit of \$50 which I sent about a month ago.

Thank you for your kindness in arranging for the tour on which you booked me, but I'm sure you understand my present situation.

Very truly yours,

Joyce Ramsdell

(Miss) Joyce Ramsdell

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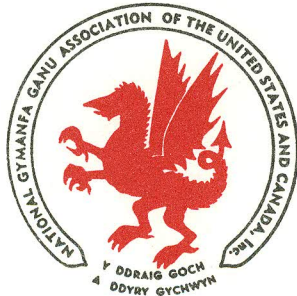
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Dear Jack,

This is in reply to your card requesting information on activities in the Detroit area for the N.C.G.A. trip to Cardiff and to Caernarvon. I wish I could give you a glowing report of much enthusiasm and excitement being engendered. The opposite is the case, and at this point in time very little interest is being shown. You probably know that I returned to Mr Lewis Edwards a proposed contract for a chartered plane to leave from Detroit. It was a very attractive deal, but after due consideration by the local Gymanfa Committee and a canvas of the Welsh community it was obvious that we could not attract 165 people for such a trip. Only a very few people have returned the forms to Cardiff for reservations - a few others of course tell us they will be staying with relatives close enough to Cardiff to be able to attend the Gymanfa. I would guess that not more than a dozen ^{Welsh} people in Detroit are sure at this time that they will go to Wales next year for the Gymanfa. At the local Gymanfa in Detroit last Sunday Nov 3 we announced the Gymanfa in Cardiff in June 1969 and the Investiture. We announced that arrangements had been made with airlines for planes leaving ~~at~~

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Detroit at convenient times, and that they could contact Enys Williams for detail information. There were no inquiries following the series. The Gymanfa was well attended (approx 250 at each series). We have arranged with the following airlines for 'affinity Group' schedules on regularly scheduled (50 or more) on the following dates:-

	LEAVE	RETURN	
B. O. A. C.	JUNE 22	JULY 21	(4 weeks)
B. O. A. C.	JUNE 24	AUG 7	(6 weeks)
B. O. A. C.	JUNE 19	AUG 14	(8 weeks)
T. W. A.	JUNE 16	AUG 18	(9 weeks)

Fares range from 230⁰⁰ to 290⁰⁰ Round Trip.

It is important that you recognize that these dates only establish a convenient time for anyone from the Detroit area to leave for the Gymanfa if they so desire. In trying to get the feeling of the Welsh Community in Detroit toward the Gymanfa in Cardiff I must in fairness report a rather negative attitude at this time. This may change as the actual event draws nearer.

Keep in mind that many people from Detroit visited Wales this year and would not be inclined to go back again ~~that~~ ^{next} year.

I hope that other areas in the U.S. and Canada show more enthusiasm than we do in Detroit. Best Wishes for a good Gymanfa @ Emlun