

Clann Mac Aodhaigáin



Statement of Purpose for the Clan Egan Association

Submitted to the Australian Tax Office

1. Organisation Overview

The Clan Egan Association (the Clann) is a voluntary, non-profit organisation dedicated to preserving the cultural heritage and genealogical history of the Egan family lineage. Operated entirely by volunteers, the Clann fosters connections among members globally, supports genealogical research, and safeguards historical materials for future generations.

2. Primary Purpose

The Clann exists to:

Advance Education and Culture: By assisting members in tracing their ancestry, archiving family histories, and educating the community about Egan heritage.

Promote Social Welfare: Through fostering a supportive network for individuals seeking familial connections and cultural belonging.

3. Key Activities

Genealogical Support: Providing guidance on research methods, limited database searches, and advice on accessing historical records.

Archiving: Collecting, preserving, and confidentially managing materials (documents, photos, oral histories) contributed by members.

Community Building: Hosting biennial international rallies (rotating between Australia, USA/Canada, and Ireland) to strengthen cultural ties and share knowledge. All rallies operate on a full cost-recovery basis, with participants covering event expenses.

Mediation: Acting as an intermediary to connect members with shared ancestry while respecting privacy.

4. Membership Structure

Members pay nominal annual dues, with exemptions granted to long-standing contributors.

Membership fees are non-refundable in the event of the Association winding up.

Services are accessible to members and non-members alike, ensuring inclusivity and broad cultural impact.

5. Financial Governance

The Clann operates on a not-for-profit basis. All funds support operational costs, archival preservation, and event coordination.

Financial reserves are intentionally modest, typically maintained below \$5,000 AUD, reflecting the Association's focus on sustainability rather than accumulation.

No surpluses are generated from membership fees or activities, and rallies are strictly cost-neutral, with fees covering direct expenses only.

No portion of income benefits individual members; surpluses (if any) are reinvested into the Clann's mission.

6. Limitations

The Clann does not provide access to primary Irish records, directing members to official Irish repositories for fee-based services.

Confidentiality is strictly maintained; personal materials are shared only with explicit consent.

7. Public Benefit

By preserving Egan heritage and enabling access to genealogical resources, the Clann enriches cultural understanding, strengthens community bonds, and ensures historical knowledge is retained for future generations.

This statement aligns with the Australian Tax Office's requirements for not-for-profit entities, emphasizing educational, cultural, and community-focused objectives. The Clann's activities are exclusively charitable, non-commercial, and serve the public interest.

Signed on behalf of the Clan Egan Association

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Susan Egan". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name of the Registrar.

Susan P Egan, Registrar

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