

A LOOK BACK: Linton and District Historical Society members Drew Hopkins and Jill Wheeler.

Story of a Welsh poet at Linton

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THE land of song is set to make its way to Linton.

The Victoria Welsh Male Choir will perform the story of Welsh poet Joseph Jenkins at the Carngham Uniting Church on October 6.

Jenkins wrote *Diary of a Welsh Swagman* about his time tramping the Victoria goldfields during the 19th century.

It will be held as part of a fund-raiser for the Linton District

Historical Society, which is seeking to do some improvement works on local buildings.

Linton District Historical Society secretary Drew Hopkins said the first half of the concert would focus on the Welsh stories, while the second half would be more general entertainment.

"We're trying to raise money to restore these old buildings," he said. Based in the old undertaker's building, the Linton District Historical Society has around 80 members who attend their various events throughout the year.

"The big project is next door which is an interesting old building, the Mechanics Institute which is in fairly original condition. That's a big restoration projects."

Tickets can be purchased at Linton Post Office, Susie's Recycled Clothing in Linton or by phoning 0434 586 150.