

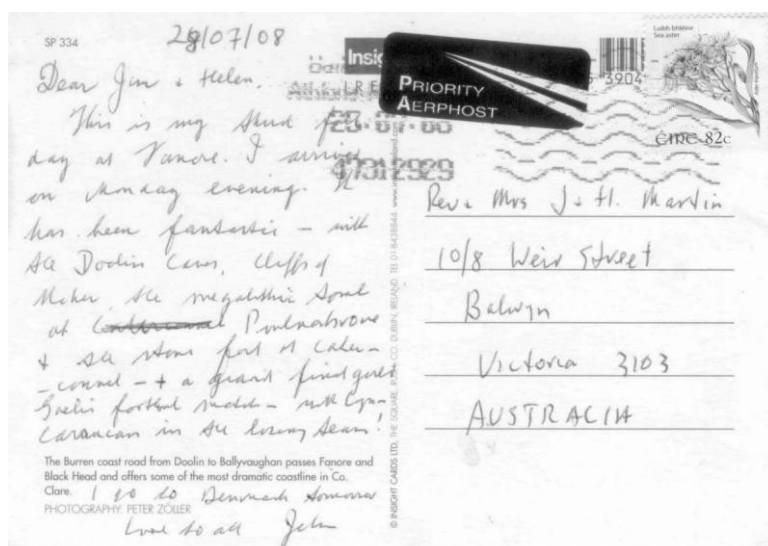
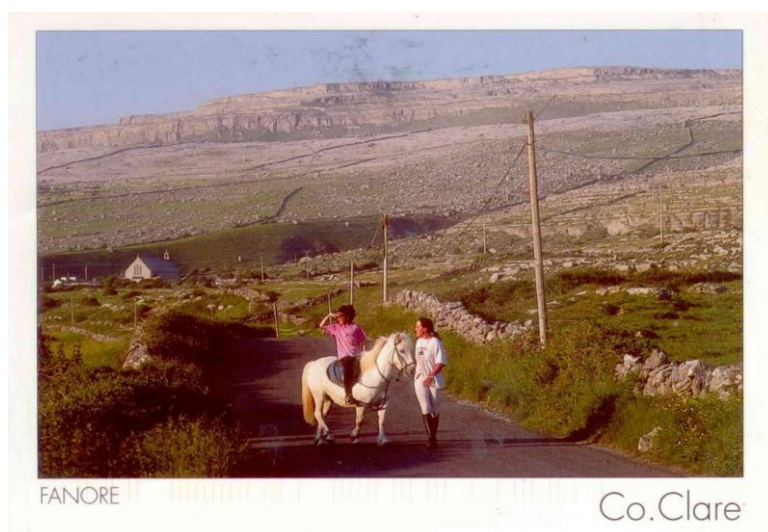
2008 – John Martin visits Fanore

John Martin, great grandson of Bridget née Carrucan and John Coleman, visited Fanore in July 2008.

As one of the Melbourne based group heavily involved in researching our family history, the trip was highly significant.

As a scholar of the Scandinavian and Icelandic languages, John was one of the foremost Australian experts on 'celtic' culture. The visit to Fanore gave him the chance to see at first hand the country from which his direct ancestors had migrated in the 1850s.

John became ill soon after this and died in January 2010. The postcard shown below was sent from Fanore before moving on in his overseas trip.



The card reads:

Dear Jim and Helen

This is my third last day at Fanore. I arrived on Monday evening. It has been fantastic - with the Doolin Caves, Cliffs of Moher, the megalithic dolmen at Poul nabrone and the stone fort at Caberconnell - + a grand final girls' Gaelic football match - with Lynn Carrucan in the losing team!

Love to all. John