

# HYWEL GETHIN ('Hywel Gethin of Celynnog ' according to the manuscripts) (fl. c. 1485), poet

**Name:** Hywel Gethin  
**Pseudonym:** Hywel Gethin Of Celynnog  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** poet  
**Area of activity:** Poetry  
**Author:** Ray Looker

a native, it is said, of Clynnog-fawr, Caernarfonshire. No details concerning his life remain, but the dates given him, by [Owen Jones](#), [Gweirydd ap Rhys](#), [Myrddin Fardd](#), and [William Owen](#) (viz. 1570-1600) are obviously too late, because a *cywydd* written by him in praise of the four sons of Rhys ap Hywel ap Madog of Llanystumdwy remains in manuscript; these four persons lived at the end of the 15th cent, and beginning of the 16th century ([J. E. Griffith](#), *Pedigrees*, 129, 170). It is said that he was a genealogist, but no example of such work by him has yet been discovered, nor any further examples of his poetry.

## Author

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