

## RICHARDS, DAVID MORGAN (1853 - 1913), journalist and eisteddfodwr

**Name:** David Morgan Richards

**Date of birth:** 1853

**Date of death:** 1913

**Gender:** Male

**Occupation:** journalist and eisteddfodwr

**Area of activity:** Eisteddfod; Literature and Writing; Printing and Publishing

**Author:** Robert Thomas Jenkins

Born 25 July 1853 near Llan-nonn, Cardiganshire; he was at a grammar school at Aberystwyth, and afterwards became a teacher at Llwyncelyn British school, near Aberaeron. In 1872 he joined the clerical staff of the Pontypool-Hirwaun railway, but in 1886 settled down at Aberdare as representative, first, of the *Merthyr Express*, and afterwards of the *South Wales Daily News*. He rendered much service to the town, and especially to its Welsh cultural movements; he published an annual almanac which contained much information on the history of Aberdare. But he is best remembered for his *Rhestr Eisteddfodau*, a list of eisteddfodau down to 1901, which was published posthumously in 1914, with a biographical introduction by [J. Morgan Jones](#), on which the present note is based. The book is very useful: down to 1823 it has bibliographical references, and additional notes down to 1860; it also includes an essay on the old eisteddfodau held at Aberdare. Richards died 2 June 1913.

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Emeritus Professor Robert Thomas Jenkins, (1881 - 1969)

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