



County Donegal Event Guide

August 20 - August 28, 2011
Lúnasa 20 - Lúnasa 28, 2011
Do Stair, Do Chultúr, Do Nádúr Féin



COMHAIRLE CHONTAE
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DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

An Chomhairle Oidhreachta
The Heritage Council



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'HERITAGE WEEK' IN COUNTY DONEGAL



Cover photograph:

The Old Meeting House in Ramelton (c.1680) is one of the earliest Presbyterian church buildings in Ireland. The building is associated with Francis Makemie (1657-1708), the Father of American Presbyterianism. This meeting house ceased to operate as a place of worship in 1906 and is now a 'Protected Structure' protected under the Planning & Development Act (2000) and houses Ramelton Community Library, Donegal County Council.

Back photograph:

The Skull House in Cooley Historic Graveyard is a mortuary house built in the twelfth century as a tomb or shrine for the bones of the founding saint of the monastery. It is one of only five mortuary houses in Ireland of which only three are completely intact. It is a Recorded Monument protected under the National Monuments Acts (1930-2004). Cooley Historic Graveyard is one of the graveyards in the care of Donegal County Council. In conjunction with the Cooley Cross Heritage Development Committee, the County Donegal Heritage Office has commissioned a conservation report on the Skull House. The Cooley Cross Heritage Development Committee has also secured part-funding from The Heritage Council for a conservation report on Cooley Historic Graveyard under the 'Heritage Management' Grant Scheme. To find out more about Recorded Monuments in your area, consult the National Monuments Service of the Department of Arts, Heritage & the Gaeltacht website at: www.archaeology.ie

‘NATIONAL HERITAGE WEEK’ IN COUNTY DONEGAL

National Heritage Week is an integral part of European Heritage Days, a joint initiative of the Council of Europe and the European Union. National Heritage Week is coordinated by The Heritage Council in conjunction with the Department of Arts, Heritage & the Gaeltacht and Local Authority Heritage Officers. The principal aims of Heritage Week are to foster awareness of the built, cultural and natural heritage thereby encouraging its conservation and preservation, and to raise interest in our shared European heritage.

County Donegal has become one of the places to be during ‘National Heritage Week’ thanks to all the events that heritage centres, museums, heritage organisations, community groups and individuals organise (often on a voluntary basis). Contained in this booklet is a selection of over 80 events taking place for ‘National Heritage Week’ in County Donegal and its environs, about 30 of which are organised by or hosted by Cultural Services, Donegal County Council. Participants are advised to confirm details of events in advance. A contact person has been identified for each of the events listed. Please wear appropriate clothing and footwear for outdoor events. In addition to the events listed, remember that County Donegal has many more heritage sites and museums/heritage centres that are open during National Heritage Week so there should be events to suit everyone!

**‘Your History, Your Culture, Your Nature’
‘Do Stair, Do Chultúr, Do Nádúr Féin’**

**Updates on ‘National Heritage Week’ events are available on:
www.heritageweek.ie**

ACADAMH NA hOLLSCOLAÍOCHTA GAELIGE, GAOTH DOBHAIR

Seisiún Eolais / Ceardlann ar 'Bhailiúchán Béaloidis Thír Chonail'
Information Session / Workshop on The Donegal Gaeltacht Folklore Collection:
Presentation of oral recordings from the Donegal Gaeltacht Folklore Collection.
Discussion on folklore-collecting techniques and equipment. On the day, audience participation welcomed for searching this digital collection by area of interest/topic.



Date: Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Venue: NUIG University Centre,
Derrybeg Industrial Business Park
(An Screabán), Derrybeg

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Gráinne Uí Domhnaill

Telephone: (087) 298 8046

E-mail: grainne.nieireamhoin@oegaillimh.ie

ÁISLANN CHILL CHARTHA, KILCAR

Taispeánais Pictiúirí / Photographic Exhibition: photography exhibition of Kilcar factories and factory workers from the beginning of the twentieth century.



Dates & Times: Saturday, August 20:
7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.; Monday, August 22 -
Friday, August 26: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. &
Saturday, August 27, 2011:
10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Venue: Áislann Chill Chartha,
Chill Chartha / Kilcar

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Seán Ó Beirne

Telephone: (074) 973 8376

E-mail: eolas@aislann.ie

AN GRIANAN THEATRE, LETTERKENNY

'High Shelves & Long Counters': exhibition by photographer Heike Thiele and writer Winifred McNulty who have captured images and stories from the last traditional shops in the North West of Ireland over three years. Their journey across Donegal, Tyrone, Leitrim, Fermanagh, Sligo & Cavan has taken them from an Aladdin's cave of drapery and hardware to the calm spaces of rural shops.



Dates: Monday, August 22 –
Friday, August 26, 2011

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Venue: An Grianan Theatre,
Port Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Patricia McBride

Telephone: (074) 912 0777

E-mail: angrianan@eircom.net

AN TAISCE

Walk to Commemorate the Derryveagh Evictions: a walk from Derryveagh via Gartan and Churchill graveyards to commemorate the infamous Derryveagh evictions. Walk in the footsteps of those who were evicted from Derryveagh in 1861.



Date: Saturday, August 27, 2011

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Meet: Colmcille Heritage Centre,
Gartan, Church Hill

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: May McClintock

Telephone: (074) 912 2121

E-mail: una.cronin@lyit.ie

ANTHONY BEGLEY

Launch of the new book 'History, Genealogy and Heritage in the Ballyshannon Area' by Anthony Begley. Light refreshments will be served.



Date: Friday, August 26, 2011

Time: 8:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Venue: Coláiste Cholmcille,
College Street, Ballyshannon

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Anthony Begley

Telephone: (087) 235 1044

E-mail: anthonyrbegley@hotmail.com

AULINO WANN & ASSOCIATES & DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

Launch of Invasive Species Survey of the River Deele, County Donegal followed by a walk along the River Deele to view invasive species.



Date: Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Time: 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Venue: Black Memorial Hall
(Presbyterian Church), Convoy

Free

No wheelchair access

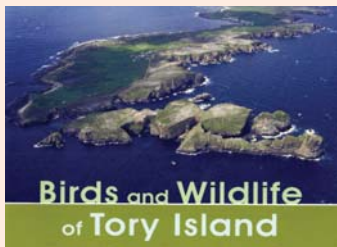
Contact: John Wann

Telephone: 00 44 28 9337 8250

E-mail: john@aulinowann.com

BIRDWATCH IRELAND

Heritage Walk: a heritage walk focusing on the natural and cultural highlights of Tory Island. The walk will view some of the work undertaken by BirdWatch Ireland for Corncrake conservation on the island.



Date: Saturday, August 20, 2011

Time: 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Meet: Óstán Tory, Tory Island

Free

No wheelchair access

Contact: Anita Donaghy

Telephone: (087) 915 4750

E-mail: adonaghy@birdwatchireland.ie

BUNCRANA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Art Attack at the Library: pavement art for children of all ages.



Date: Friday, August 26, 2011

Time: 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Venue: BunCrana Community Library,
St. Mary's Road, BunCrana

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Sinead McLaughlin

Telephone: (074) 936 1941

E-mail: bunCrana@donegalllibrary.ie

BUNDORAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Who? What? Where? The 1911 Census: look up your family in the 1911 Census. Compare the 1911 and 2011 Censuses and note the differences! Library staff will assist you find the 1911 Census on-line records you require.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & Tuesday, August 23 - Saturday, August 27, 2011
Times: 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. (Tuesday & Friday); 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Wednesday & Thursday) & 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Saturday).

Venue: Bundoran Community Library, Station Road, Bundoran

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Marianne Lynch

Telephone: (071) 982 9665

E-mail: bundoran@donegallibrary.ie

BUNDORAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Storytime including folksongs, stories and crafts for children aged 5 - 8 years.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & Saturday, August 27, 2011

Times: 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Venue: Bundoran Community Library, Station Road, Bundoran

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Marianne Lynch

Telephone: (071) 982 9665

E-mail: bundoran@donegallibrary.ie

BUNDORAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY & MAGH ENE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

History Afoot in Bundoran: a free, guided trail around Bundoran. This trail will last about two hours and light refreshments will be served in the library afterwards.



Date: Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Meet: Bundoran Community Library,
Station Road, Bundoran

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Marianne Lynch

Telephone: (071) 982 9665

E-mail: bundoran@donegallibrary.ie

BUNDORAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Rhymetime including folktales and songs for pre-school children and their parents/guardians followed by painting/colouring.



Date: Friday, August 26, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Venue: Bundoran Community Library,
Station Road, Bundoran

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Marianne Lynch

Telephone: (071) 982 9665

E-mail: bundoran@donegallibrary.ie

CARNDONAGH COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Photographic exhibition on local history including the Colgan Hall.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & Tuesday, August 23 – Saturday, August 27, 2011

Times: 10:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. (Tuesday & Thursday); 10:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. (Wednesday & Friday) & 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (Saturday).

Venue: Carndonagh Community Library, Malin Road, Carndonagh

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Sineád McLaughlin

Telephone: (074) 937 3701

E-mail: carndonagh@donegallibrary.ie

CARNDONAGH COMMUNITY LIBRARY

A morning of pavement art for children.



Date: Saturday, August 20, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Venue: Carndonagh Community Library, Malin Road, Carndonagh

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Sineád McLaughlin

Telephone: (074) 937 3701

E-mail: carndonagh@donegallibrary.ie

CENTRAL LIBRARY, LETTERKENNY

Irish Life & Lore: Donegal Heritage Collection: come and listen to extracts from Maurice O'Keeffe's collection - you may even know some of the speakers! These recordings are from all over the county on a vast range of subjects and heritage themes.



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Times: 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

(Monday - Wednesday & Friday);
1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Thursday) &
10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Saturday).

Venue: Central Library, Oliver Plunkett Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Ciara Cunnane

Telephone: (074) 912 4950

E-mail: central@donegallibrary.ie

CENTRAL LIBRARY, LETTERKENNY

Rhymetime including folktales and songs for pre-school children with their parents/guardians.



Date: Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Venue: Central Library,
Oliver Plunkett Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Ciara Cunnane

Telephone: (074) 912 4950

E-mail: central@donegallibrary.ie

CENTRAL LIBRARY, LETTERKENNY

Plants, Herbs & Donkeys: 1930s folk medicine from the Schools' Folklore Collection in County Donegal. Dr. Eithne Ní Ghallchobhair (Royal Irish Academy) talks about the role of folk medicine in the 1930s Schools' Folklore Collection. A fun event and all are welcome.



Date: Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Venue: Central Library,
Oliver Plunkett Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Ciara Cunnane

Telephone: (074) 912 4950

E-mail: central@donegallibrary.ie

CENTRAL LIBRARY, LETTERKENNY

Climate Change, Famine & Pestilence in Pre-Poor Law Donegal: celebrated local historian Helen Meehan talks about a contemporary issue - climate change - but in pre-Poor Law times, and its consequences. A must for anyone interested in local history and how environmental factors shaped the future.



Date: Thursday, August 25, 2011

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Venue: Central Library,
Oliver Plunkett Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Ciara Cunnane

Telephone: (074) 912 4950

E-mail: central@donegallibrary.ie

COOLEY CROSS HERITAGE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Guided Tour of National Monument Site: this national monument has several artefacts of interest dating from the eighth century to the fifteenth century, including a High Cross.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & Saturday August 27, 2011

Time: 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Meet: Cooley High Cross, Cooley Historic Graveyard, Moville, Inishowen

Free

No wheelchair access

Contact: Cooley Cross Heritage Development Committee

Telephone: (086) 198 8706

E-mail: cooleycross@live.ie

CREEVY CO-OP LTD.

Coastal Walk: discover breathtaking views along Creevy's coastline. Situated on the edge of the Atlantic Ocean overlooking Donegal Bay & surrounded by the Hills of South Donegal. Route suited for the physically fit with styles, fields, sand dunes & rocks. The area is steeped in history with Kilbarron Castle, Wardtown Castle and Sands Cemetery where remains dating to 4,000 BC were found.



Date: Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 3:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Meet: Creevy Pier Hotel, Creevy Pier, Ballyshannon

Free

No wheelchair access

Contact: Coastal Walk Co-op

Telephone: (071) 985 2896

E-mail: info@creevyexperience.com

CUISLE

CUISLE at the Glebe Gallery: CUISLE are a fusion of artists and craftspeople, a unique group with a diverse mix of the exotic and traditional. View and buy paintings, etchings, weaving, baskets, cards, knitting, organic seaweed products, woodturning, jewelry and painted glass.



Date: Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Venue: The Glebe Gallery, Church Hill

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Nora Duffy

Telephone: (087) 939 2494

E-mail: ndtduf@eircom.net

CUMANN STAIRE & SEANCHAIS CHILL CHARTHA / KILCAR LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Archaeological Fieldtrip to Shalwy Valley Megalithic Tombs: Megalithic tour of Shalwy court tomb plus an outline of the details of two other tombs in the valley.



Date: Saturday, August 27, 2011

Time: 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Meet: Blue Haven Hotel, Largymore, Kilcar. Car parking at hotel car park and free transfer by bus to Shalwy Valley.

Free

No wheelchair access

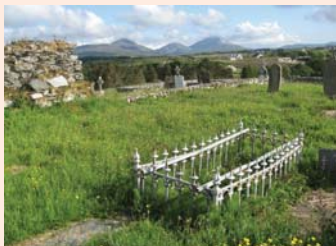
Contact: Seán Ó Beirne / Paula Harvey

Telephone: (074) 973 9133

E-mail: eolas@aislann.ie

CUMANN STAIRE & SEANCHAIS CLOICH CHEANN FHAOLA

Mass in thirteenth-century Tullaghbegley Graveyard: Aifreann i Reilig Tulach a'Bheaglaioich don 13ú aois (1 mile south of Falcarragh).



Date: Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Venue: Reilig Tulach a'Bheaglaioich, An Fál Carrach / Tullaghbegley Graveyard, Falcarragh

Free

No wheelchair access

Contact: Máire Nic Suibhne

Telephone: (074) 913 5300

E-mail: suibhnem@eircom.net

DONEGAL CASTLE

Arts & Crafts Children / Family Day (Medieval Theme): Medieval family day at the castle including arts & crafts painting. A fun day for parents and children.



Date: Saturday, August 20, 2011

Time: 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Venue: Donegal Castle, Donegal Town

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Seán McLoone

Telephone: (074) 972 2405

E-mail: donegalcastle@opw.ie

DONEGAL CASTLE

Medieval Weapons & Medieval Magic Displays: Medieval weaponry display, talk and magic show.



Date: Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Venue: Donegal Castle, Donegal Town
Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Seán McLoone

Telephone: (074) 972 2405

E-mail: donegalcastle@opw.ie

DONEGAL COUNTY MUSEUM, LETTERKENNY

'Round the House & Mind the Dresser': learn about the history and culture of Irish traditional music, song and dance from the 1700s until the present day through historic and contemporary photographs and texts. A section of the exhibition space showcases the history of the tradition in County Donegal.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & Monday, August 22 - Saturday, August 27, 2011

Times: 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Monday- Friday) & 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Saturday).

Venue: Donegal County Museum, High Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Caroline Carr

Telephone: (074) 912 4613

E-mail: museum@donegalcoco.ie

DONEGAL COUNTY MUSEUM, LETTERKENNY

The Donegal Fiddle Tradition: Caoimhin Mac Aoidh, fiddle player and teacher and a founder member of Cairdeas na bhFidleirí, gives a talk in conjunction with the museum exhibition 'Round the House & Mind the Dresser'. Lunchtime talk, feel free to bring your lunch with you.



Date: Tuesday, August 23, 2011

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Venue: Donegal County Museum,
High Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Caroline Carr

Telephone: (074) 912 4613

E-mail: museum@donegalcoco.ie

DONEGAL COUNTY MUSEUM, LETTERKENNY

An Introduction to Flute and Tin Whistle: come along and join Trudy O'Donnell and friends to find out what they sound like and how to play the flute and tin whistle, with a demonstration and a recital. Trudy O'Donnell is a well-known local musician and the music teacher at Colaiste Ailigh. Talk in conjunction with the museum exhibition 'Round the House & Mind the Dresser'. Lunchtime talk, feel free to bring your lunch with you.



Date: Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 2 p.m.

Venue: Donegal County Museum,
High Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Caroline Carr

Telephone: (074) 912 4613

E-mail: museum@donegalcoco.ie

DONEGAL COUNTY MUSEUM, LETTERKENNY

Lecture on the Archaeological Sites of Finner Camp: Cmdt Kevin McDonald, Western Brigade will deliver a fascinating talk on the archaeological sites of Finner Army Camp, County Donegal.



Date: Thursday, August 25, 2011
Time: 1:00 p.m. – 2 p.m.
Venue: Donegal County Museum,
High Road, Letterkenny
Free
Full wheelchair access
Contact: Caroline Carr
Telephone: (074) 912 4613
E-mail: museum@donegalcoco.ie

DONEGAL COUNTY MUSEUM, LETTERKENNY

Historic Donegal: a battlefield interpretation of Donegal. A unique opportunity to learn about the battlefields of Donegal including a display of military equipment and weaponry with GalogChata.



Date: Saturday, August 27, 2011
Time: 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Venue: Donegal County Museum,
High Road, Letterkenny
Free
Full wheelchair access
Contact: Caroline Carr
Telephone: (074) 912 4613
E-mail: museum@donegalcoco.ie

DONEGAL RAILWAY HERITAGE CENTRE, DONEGAL TOWN

Guided tour of the Donegal Railway Heritage Centre museum.



Date: Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Venue: Donegal Railway Heritage Centre, Old Station House, Tirconail Street, Donegal Town

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Ann Temple

Telephone: (074) 972 2655

E-mail: donegalrailway@gmail.com

DONEGAL TOWN LIBRARY

Plantation Times in South Donegal: noted local historian Helen Meehan will talk about life in South Donegal around the time of the Plantations. Light Refreshments will be served afterwards.



Date: Tuesday, August 23, 2011

Time: 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Venue: Donegal Town Library, Mountcharles Road, Donegal Town

Free

Full Wheelchair Access

Contact: Rory Gallagher

Telephone: (074) 972 5329

E-mail: donegaltown@donegallibrary.ie

DUNFANAGHY WORKHOUSE

Wee Hannah Famine Exhibition & New Lake Display: visit the 'Wee Hannah' exhibition and hear the fascinating story of Hannah Herry's life during the Famine. Enjoy the New Lake exhibition explaining the unusual flora and fauna surrounding New Lake and how it was formed.



Date: Sunday, August 21, 2011

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Venue: The Workhouse, Figart, Dunfanaghy

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Sian McCann

Telephone: (074) 913 6540

E-mail: workhousedunfanaghy@eircom.net

DUNFANAGHY WORKHOUSE

All sorts of old & new: A bag-making class using old and new material. Suitable for children aged 8 years and older.



Date: Tuesday, August 23, 2011

Time: 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Venue: The Workhouse, Figart, Dunfanaghy

Cost: €5

No wheelchair access

Contact: Sian McCann

Telephone: (074) 913 6540

E-mail: workhousedunfanaghy@eircom.net

DUNFANAGHY WORKHOUSE

See the traditional methods involved in making wool with a Spinning Demonstration.



Date: Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: The Workhouse, Figart,
Dunfanaghy

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Sian McCann

Telephone: (074) 913 6540

E-mail: workhousedunfanaghy@eircom.net

DUNFANAGHY WORKHOUSE

A knitting and crochet demonstration by the Dunfanaghy Quilters Guild & circle of friends from Creeslough.



Date: Friday, August 26, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: The Workhouse, Figart,
Dunfanaghy

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Sian McCann

Telephone: (074) 913 6540

E-mail: workhousedunfanaghy@eircom.net

DUNFANAGHY WORKHOUSE

Horn Head Heritage Walk: join Cary Meehan, author of 'Sacred Ireland' and explore some of the wonderful heritage of Horn Head. Suitable footwear and raincoats advised.



Date: Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Meet: The Workhouse, Figart,
Dunfanaghy

Cost: €5

No wheelchair access

Contact: Sian McCann

Telephone: (074) 913 6540

E-mail: workhousedunfanaghy@eircom.net

EUROPE DIRECT INFORMATION CENTRE CENTRAL LIBRARY, LETTERKENNY

Irish Successes Abroad: a display of 22 large posters describing some of the areas in which the Irish are successful abroad.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & Monday,
August 22 - Saturday, August 27, 2011

Times: 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

(Monday - Wednesday & Friday);

1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Thursday) &

10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Saturday).

Venue: Central Library,

Oliver Plunkett Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Ciara Cunnane

Telephone: (074) 912 4950

E-mail: eudirect@donegallibrary.ie

EUROPE DIRECT INFORMATION CENTRE CENTRAL LIBRARY, LETTERKENNY

Traditional Irish Herbal Medicine: medical herbalist Sonja Donnellan demonstrates the ancient Irish tradition of using herbs and food as remedies. Sonja will also explain how the European Directive on Traditional Herbal Medicinal Products will affect the sale of herbal remedies.



Date: Tuesday, August 23, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Venue: Central Library,
Oliver Plunkett Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Ciara Cunnane

Telephone: (074) 912 4950

E-mail: eudirect@donegallibrary.ie

FORT DUNREE MILITARY MUSEUM, LINSFORT, BUNCRANA

Evening of Storytelling and Song: come join us for an evening of Storytelling and song based around Lough Swilly.



Date: Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Time: 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Venue: Fort Dunree Military Museum,
Dunree, Linsfort, Bunrana

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: David Magee

Telephone: (074) 936 1817

E-mail: dunree@eircom.net

GLEBE HOUSE & GALLERY, CHURCH HILL

A wonderful Fair Day which includes craft fair and art sale. Country market, vintage tractors, crop harvesting, music and dance. A fantastic fun family day out in the beautiful grounds of the Glebe House overlooking Loch Gartan. Come and celebrate the best of Donegal.



Date: Sunday, August 21, 2011

Time: 1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.

Venue: Glebe House & Gallery,
Church Hill

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Jean Kearney

Telephone: (074) 913 7071

E-mail: jeanakearney@yahoo.com

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Early Morning Wildlife Walk & Breakfast: join the nature team for an early morning wildlife walk at 7a.m. with breakfast included.



Date: Saturday, August 20, 2011

Time: 7:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Venue: Glenveagh National Park,
Church Hill

Cost: €15 (Booking essential)

No wheelchair access

Contact: Clare Bromely

Telephone: (074) 913 7698

E-mail: glenveagh-education@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Free Days at the Park on both 'Heritage Week' weekends including free shuttle bus, free castle tour and free nature activities.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & August 27
& Sunday, August 21 & August 28, 2011

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Venue: Glenveagh National Park, Church Hill
Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Tres Connaghan

Telephone: (074) 913 7090 Ext. 3608

E-mail: glenveaghbookings@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Craft Sales: craft sales at the visitor centre



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & August 27 & Sunday,
August 21 & August 28, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Venue: Visitor Centre, Glenveagh National Park,
Church Hill

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Tres Connaghan

Telephone: (074) 913 7090 Ext. 3609

E-mail: glenveaghbookings@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Irish Dancers at the Park: enjoy some traditional Irish dancers perform at the castle.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & August 27 & Sunday,
August 21 & August 28, 2011

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: Glenveagh Castle, Glenveagh National
Park, Church Hill

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Tres Connaghan

Telephone: (074) 913 7090 Ext. 3609

E-mail: glenveaghbookings@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Traditional music and dance sessions at Glenveagh Castle.



Dates & Times: Saturday, August 20 & August 27: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.; Sunday, August 21 & August 28: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. & Wednesday, August 24, 2011: 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Venue: Glenveagh Castle, Glenveagh National Park, Church Hill

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Tres Connaghan

Telephone: (074) 913 7090 Ext. 3609

E-mail: glenveaghbookings@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Birds of Prey: a great opportunity to get up close to see birds of prey.



Dates & Times: Saturday, August 20 & August 27 & Sunday, August 21 & August 28: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. & Wednesday, August 24, 2011: 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Venue: Glenveagh Castle, Glenveagh National Park, Church Hill

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Tres Connaghan

Telephone: (074) 913 7090 Ext. 3608

E-mail: glenveaghbookings@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Mr. Majestic: children's entertainment at the Park.



Dates: Sunday, August 21 & August 28 & Saturday, August 27, 2011

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: Glenveagh Castle, Glenveagh National Park, Church Hill

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Tres Connaghan

Telephone: (074) 913 7090 Ext. 3609

E-mail: glenveaghbookings@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Free Family Walks: enjoy a free family guided walk with the Glenveagh National Park's nature team.



Dates: Sunday, August 21 & August 28;
Tuesday, August 23; Thursday, August 25
& Saturday, August 27, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Venue: Glenveagh National Park,
Church Hill

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Clare Bromley

Telephone: (074) 913 7698

E-mail: glenveagh-education@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Nature Centre & Log Cabin: come along and join in with our heritage activities at our new log cabin & in the nature centre at the castle.



Dates: Sunday, August 21 & August 28;
Tuesday, August 23; Thursday August
25 & Saturday, August 27, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Venue: Glenveagh Castle, Glenveagh
National Park, Church Hill

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Clare Bromley

Telephone: (074) 913 7698

E-mail: glenveagh-education@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Ranger Guided Walk: a ranger guided walk & talk taking the Glen route with a woodlands theme. Not suitable for children.



Date: Sunday, August 21, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Venue: Glenveagh National Park,
Church Hill

Cost: €5 (Booking essential)

No wheelchair access

Contact: Tres Connaghan

Telephone: (074) 913 7090 Ext. 3609

E-mail: glenveaghbookings@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Guided Garden Tours: enjoy a guided tour of our beautiful castle gardens with one of our gardeners at the park.



Dates: Tuesday, August 23 - Saturday,
August 27, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Venue: The Castle Gardens,
Glenveagh National Park, Church Hill

Free (Booking recommended)

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Seán Ó Gaoithin

Telephone: (074) 913 7391

E-mail: glenveaghbookings@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Children's Storytelling: enjoy some storytelling at the castle, suitable for all the family.



Dates: Saturday, August 27 & Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: Glenveagh Castle, Glenveagh National Park, Church Hill

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Tres Connaghan

Telephone: (074) 913 7090 Ext. 3609

E-mail: glenveaghbookings@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Face Painting: come along and get your face painted at the castle, from butterflies to beasties.



Dates: Saturday, August 27 & Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: Glenveagh Castle, Glenveagh National Park, Church Hill

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Tres Connaghan

Telephone: (074) 913 7090 Ext. 3609

E-mail: glenveaghbookings@environ.ie

GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK

Guided Bus Tour of Gartan Graveyard, Colmcille's Abbey & The Bed Of Loneliness: the bus for the tour will leave the visitor centre at 2 p.m.



Date: Sunday, 28 August 2011
Time: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Venue: Glenveagh Castle, Glenveagh National Park, Church Hill
Cost: €5 (Booking essential)
Partial wheelchair access
Contact: Tres Connaghan
Telephone: (074) 913 7090 Ext. 3608
E-mail: glenveaghbookings@environ.ie

INVER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CO OP

Local History Talk



Date: Sunday, August 21, 2011
Time: 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Venue: Inver Community Centre, Inver
Free
Partial wheelchair access
Contact: Michael Mullen
Telephone: (074) 973 6512
E-mail: mullenmichael@eircom.net

IRISH LANDMARK TRUST

Heritage Open Day at Termon House: the Irish Landmark Trust rescues and restores Ireland's built heritage. Come and experience an authentic eighteenth-century house and famine wall. Enjoy a self-guided tour of this restored property, now available as a holiday home.



Date: Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: Termon House, Maghery, Dungloe

Free

No wheelchair access

Contact: Caroline Crowley

Telephone: (01) 670 4733

E-mail: caroline@irishlandmark.com

IRISH WHALE & DOLPHIN GROUP

Free, guided, land-based whale watch from Dunree Head. Please dress appropriately for the weather and bring binoculars. There may be a short walk to the final watch site. Sightings are not guaranteed.



Date: Sunday, August 21, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Venue: Fort Dunree, Linsfort, Buncrana

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Lee McDaid

Telephone: (087) 983 2045

E-mail: lee.mcdaid@environ.ie

IRISH WILDLIFE TRUST

Wild Watch Walk: National Parks & Wildlife Service Rangers Mark Byrne & David Mc Namara will explore the beautiful flora and fauna of Lurgabrack Nature Reserve.



Date: Saturday, August 20, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: Lurgabrack Nature Reserve, Horn Head, Dunfanaghy

Free (E-mail enquiries@iwt.ie to book your place)

No wheelchair access

Contact: Joanne Pender

Telephone: (01) 860 2839

E-mail: enquiries@iwt.ie

JOSEPH & DECLAN BRENNAN

Achla Grouse Walk: a walk on Achla mountain to view grouse and possibly Golden Eagles and tell tales of Irish mythology and more!



Date: Saturday, August 27, 2011

Time: 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Venue: Achla Mountain, Shallogans, Fintown

Free (Booking essential)

No wheelchair access

Contact: Joseph Brennan

Telephone: (087) 699 4381

E-mail: joseph_brennan@eircom.ie

KILCLOONEY DOLMEN CENTRE

Guided Tour of Kilclooney Megalithic Tombs: guided tour of portal tombs placing megalithic tombs in their archaeological context. Good walking boots required.



Date: Saturday, August 20, 2011

Time: 2:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Venue: Kilclooney Dolmen Centre,
Portnoo Road, Kilclooney

Free

No wheelchair access

Contact: Paula Harvey

Telephone: (087) 921 4206

E-mail: paulammharvey@hotmail.com

KILLYBEGS LIBRARY

Life on the Carpet!: short film and talk by Evelyn Cunningham on the history and life of Killybegs Carpet Factory. Light refreshments will be served.



Date: Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Venue: Killybegs Library, Bridge Street,
Killybegs

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Sylvia Murrin

Telephone: (074) 973 2860

E-mail: killybegs@donegallibrary.ie

LEABHARLANN PHOBAIL NA ROSANN / NA ROSA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Musicians of the Rosses: an exhibition of local photographs and newspaper clippings celebrating musicians from The Rosses area.



Dates & Times: Saturday, August 20 & August 27: 10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; Tuesday, August 23 & Thursday, August 25: 10:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.; Wednesday, August 24 & Friday, August 26, 2011: 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Venue: Na Rosa Community Library, Ionad Teampaill Chróine, Dungloe

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Margaret Sweeney

Telephone: (074) 952 2500

E-mail: narosa@donegallibrary.ie

MALCOLM MC CLURE

Fossils & Faults at St. John's Point: visit fossil-bearing limestone formations along the southern peninsular coast of St. John's Point. Bring suitable rain and footwear. Be responsible for your own insurance. Level walk over craggy outcrops. Unsuitable for young children.



Date: Saturday, August 27, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Meet: St John's Point Peninsula: drive along St. John's Point Peninsula for approximately eight kilometres until you come to the beach.

Free

No wheelchair access

Contact: Malcolm McClure

Telephone: (074) 954 1775

E-mail: malcolmmclure@mac.com

MC GLINCHEY ASSOCIATION, CLONMANY

Guided Walk & Talk in Urris, Inishowen: situated between the mountains and the sea, Urris Chapel and its environs are the focal point of this guided walk and talk. The walk will include the Chapel, Davis' Hall and the 1921 Irish Summer College.



Date: Saturday, August 27, 2011

Time: 2:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Meet: St Michael's Church, Leitir, Urris, Clonmany

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Marius Ó hEarcáin

Telephone: (086) 267 0503

E-mail: ohearcain@eircom.net

MC GLINCHEY ASSOCIATION, CLONMANY

Walking Tour of Rasheeny: Trawbreaga Bay, field and farms, the Railway Station, Rasheeny Hall & School are the focus of this guided talk and walk as far as Straths.



Date: Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 2:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Meet: Rasheeny National School, Rasheeny, Clonmany

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Marius Ó hEarcáin

Telephone: (086) 267 0503

E-mail: ohearcain@eircom.net

MILFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Tell Tale: storytelling tales, pavement art and a nature treasure hunt - what more could a child under 12 years of age want? Tales of fairies, giants and much more brought to life by library staff and children sharing together.



Date: Saturday, August 20, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Venue: Milford Community Library,
Main Street, Milford

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Karen Sheehy

Telephone: (074) 915 3927

E-mail: milford@donegallibrary.ie

MILFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Donegal Heritage & Folklore Quiz: a fun quiz on Milford's and Donegal's heritage, people, places and events for all ages. Find out what children knew 80 years ago about local folklore with extracts from the 1930s Schools' Folklore Collection.



Date: Wednesday, August 24, 2011

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Venue: Milford Community Library,
Main Street, Milford

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Karen Sheehy

Telephone: (074) 915 3927

E-mail: milford@donegallibrary.ie

MILFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Rhymetime: nursery rhymes and songs for pre-school children.



Date: Friday, August 26, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Venue: Milford Community Library,
Main Street, Milford

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Karen Sheehy

Telephone: (074) 915 3927

E-mail: milford@donegallibrary.ie

MILFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Kids Go Batty: to celebrate 2011 as International Year of the Bat, 2 - 6 year-olds can join in on bat-themed stories, songs and crafts. A great way to introduce young children to one of Ireland's lesser-known mammals.



Date: Saturday, August 27, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Venue: Milford Community Library,
Main Street, Milford

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Karen Sheehy

Telephone: (074) 915 3927

E-mail: milford@donegallibrary.ie

NEWMILLS CORN & FLAX MILLS

A Demonstration of Stone-Ground Corn Milling: a traditional demonstration of oat milling using the original shelling stones and millstones powered by one of the largest water wheels in Ireland. Free parking and suitable for children.



Date: Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 12:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Venue: Newmills Corn & Flax Mills,
Newmills

Free

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: David Armour

Telephone: (074) 912 5115

E-mail: newmills@opw.ie

OAKFIELD PARK, RAPHOE

Steam Sunday: open gardens for all the family. The 'Duchess of Difflin' steam locomotive will be running around a beautifully landscaped four-kilometre track. Delightful formal gardens, lakes & woodlands. Bring a picnic and spend the day exploring. Free toilets & car park.



Date: Sunday, August 28, 2011

Time: 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Venue: Oakfield Park,
Oakfield Demesne, Raphoe

Cost: €5 (Adult),

€3 (Child of 5-15 years).

Train ride: €3 (Adult) & €2 (Child)

Partial wheelchair access

Contact: Lady Heather Robinson

Telephone: (074) 917 3068

E-mail: heather@oakfieldpark.com

REGIONAL CULTURAL CENTRE, LETTERKENNY

'Hands-On Art Room': a free drop-in space where families and people of all ages have the opportunity to find out more about the Locky Morris exhibition and make their own unique artworks.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & Tuesday, August 23 – Saturday, August 27, 2011

Times: 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

(Tuesday – Friday) &

1:00 p.m. – 5 p.m. (Saturday)

Venue: Regional Cultural Centre,
Port Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Shaun Hannigan

Telephone: (074) 912 9186

E-mail: rcc@donegalculture.com

REGIONAL CULTURAL CENTRE, LETTERKENNY

'Landmarks': is a striking community cross-border photographic art project. The photographic exhibition documents the defunct Lough Swilly Railway line that connected Derry & Donegal.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & Tuesday, August 23 – Saturday, August 27, 2011

Times: 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

(Tuesday – Friday) &

1:00 p.m. – 5 p.m. (Saturday)

Venue: Regional Cultural Centre,
Port Road, Letterkenny

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Shaun Hannigan

Telephone: (074) 912 9186

E-mail: rcc@donegalculture.com

REGIONAL CULTURAL CENTRE, LETTERKENNY

'This Then': exhibition by Derry-based artist Locky Morris, probably best known in Donegal for his large-scale public artworks such as Pole Star in Letterkenny, featuring a great selection of his studio work made over the past three decades. It ranges from the more political works of the late 1980s to the more domestic pieces from recent years.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 & Tuesday, August 23 – Saturday, August 27, 2011
Times: 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (Tuesday – Friday) & 1:00 p.m. – 5 p.m. (Saturday)
Venue: Regional Cultural Centre, Port Road, Letterkenny
Free
Full wheelchair access
Contact: Shaun Hannigan
Telephone: (074) 912 9186
E-mail: rcc@donegalculture.com

ROS BÁN WILDLIFE GARDEN, RAPHOE

Open garden given over to wildlife and flora. Display of medicinal plants and wildlife posters. Plenty of flowers and shrubs for gardening enthusiasts.



Dates: Sunday, August 21 & August 28, 2011
Time: 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Venue: Ros Bán Wildlife Garden, Common, Raphoe
Free (Charity donation optional)
Partial wheelchair access
Contact: Ann & Bob Kavanagh
Telephone: (074) 914 5336 / (086) 080 5214
E-mail: rosbangarden@gmail.com

ST. PATRICK'S PURGATORY, LOUGH DERG

Day Retreat: a set programme is offered allowing pilgrims to join in time-honoured prayer forms. Light refreshments are offered on arrival.



Dates: Saturday, August 20 -

Thursday, August 25, 2011

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Venue: St. Patrick's Purgatory,
Lough Derg, Pettigo

Cost: €30 per person.

Group Rates available.

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Deborah Maxwell

Telephone: (071) 986 1518

E-mail: manager@loughderg.org

ST. PATRICK'S PURGATORY, LOUGH DERG

Living in the Present: part of the 'Life's Journey 2011 Series', this facilitated workshop will address issues prevalent in modern life and offer words of encouragement.



Date: Monday, August 22, 2011

Time: 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Venue: St. Patrick's Purgatory,
Lough Derg, Pettigo

Cost: €30

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Deborah Maxwell

Telephone: (071) 986 1518

E-mail: manager@loughderg.org

ST. PATRICK'S PURGATORY, LOUGH DERG

Pure Oxygen Youth Music Festival: this all-night vigil of fantastic bands and great people will be one gig this summer that you won't want to miss. Line-up of artists to be confirmed.



Date: Thursday, August 25, 2011

Time: 3:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Venue: St. Patrick's Purgatory,
Lough Derg, Pettigo

Cost: €20/£15 per person

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Deborah Maxwell

Telephone: (071) 986 1518

E-mail: manager@loughderg.org

Website: www.loughderg.org

THE ERRATIC MAKERS, DUNGLOE

Story Time by Children's Writer, Malachy Doyle: the acclaimed children's writer will be reading from his books including the award-winning 'Tales of Old Ireland'. Children should be accompanied by a parent or other adult. Suitable for 3 - 10 year-olds.



Date: Saturday, August 27, 2011

Time: 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Venue: The Erratic Makers Gallery,
Arcade, Main Street, Dungloe

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Pat Makinson

Telephone: (074) 956 2855

E-mail: patmakinson2002@yahoo.co.uk

THE ERRATIC MAKERS, DUNGLOE

Basket Making: Alastair Simmons uses homegrown willow to make a variety of baskets in his cottage at the foot of Muckish Mountain. He will be demonstrating his skills in this session.



Date: Saturday, August 27, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: The Erratic Makers Gallery,
Arcade, Main Street, Dungloe

Free

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Pat Makinson

Telephone: (074) 956 2855

E-mail: patmakinson2002@yahoo.co.uk

THE ERRATIC MAKERS, DUNGLOE

Hand-Knitting Traditional Socks: a master knitter will teach you how to knit a small sock, turning the heel and finishing the toe. Hand-knitting is having a revival. Join in by learning to knit a sock. Materials will be provided as well as a pattern for you to finish in your own time.



Date: Friday, August 26, 2011

Time: 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: The Erratic Makers Gallery,
Arcade, Main Street, Dungloe

Cost: €10

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Pat Makinson

Telephone: (074) 956 2855

E-mail: patmakinson2002@yahoo.co.uk

ULSTER SCOTS – SCOTS IRISH HERITAGE & EDUCATION CENTRE, MONREAGH

Guided Tour of Heritage Centre with an Ulster Scots Flavour: a weekend to re-discover your Ulster Scots heritage and its legacy in the world. A flavour of Ulster Scots including music, poetry, talks and a cookery demonstration on Ulster Scots food.



Dates & Times: Saturday, August 20 & August 27: 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. & Sunday, August 21 & August 28, 2011: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Venue: Ulster Scots – Scots Irish Heritage & Education Centre, Monreagh, Carrigans
Free (Donations welcome)
Full wheelchair access
Contact: Jacqui Reed
Telephone: (074) 914 0708
E-mail: info@monreaghulsterscotscentre@town.ie

WEST INISHOWEN HISTORY & HERITAGE GROUP

Celebrating the History & Heritage of Lough Swilly & Inishowen: variety of events throughout Heritage Week, tours, talks, demonstrations, exhibitions and music celebrating the history and heritage of Lough Swilly & Inishowen.



Dates & Times: Saturday, August 20 & Sunday, August 21: 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.; Monday, August 22 - Saturday, August 27: 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. & Sunday, August 28, 2011: 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Venue: Various venues, Buncrana Area & Lough Swilly, Inishowen
Cost: Most events free of charge, concerts may have charge of €5 max.
Partial wheelchair access
Contact: Marie McLaughlin
Telephone: (086) 858 9157
E-mail: glackrow@gmail.com

'HERITAGE WEEK' IN COUNTY DERRY

ASHBROOK HOUSE

Guided Tour of Ashbrook House & Grounds: this is a unique opportunity to visit one of the oldest historic houses in the North West, continuously owned and occupied by the original family.



Date: Monday, August 22, 2011

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue: Ashbrook House, Ardmore Road, Londonderry, County Derry, BT47 3QP

Cost: €2 (Under-16s & OAPs free)

No wheelchair access

Contact: Melanie Cunningham

Telephone: (from the Republic of Ireland): (086) 605 6430

(from Northern Ireland): 00 353 86 605 6430

E-mail: mberesfordash@yahoo.com

DERRY & RAPHOE DIOCESAN LIBRARY

Sharing our Story: the conservation team will demonstrate their skills in preserving fragile books and you can learn about the history of this fascinating collection.



Date: Monday, August 22, 2011

Time: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Venue: Derry & Raphoe Diocesan Library, Shantallow Branch Library, 92 Racecourse Road, Derry BT48 8DA

Free (Advance booking essential)

Full wheelchair access

Contact: Mary Delargy

Telephone: from the Republic of Ireland): (048) 7135 0791

Telephone (from Northern Ireland): (028) 7135 0791

E-mail: m.delargy@ulster.ac.uk

EUROPEAN HERITAGE OPEN DAYS



In Northern Ireland, Saturday September 10 & Sunday September 11, 2011 are European Heritage Open Days. More than 200 sites (including private houses, public buildings, gardens, monuments and churches) in Northern Ireland will be open to visitors free of charge. A brochure of events can be obtained from the Northern Ireland Environment Agency on (048) 9054 3022 or consulted on-line at: www.doeni.gov.uk

HERITAGE WEEK COMPETITIONS

NATIONAL 'TELL TALE' STORYTELLING COMPETITION

Celebrate National Heritage Week by taking part in the 'Tell Tale' Storytelling Competition! Stories can be fact or fiction and range from a tale or memory about your favourite place, a folk tale re-told or a fictional story about Irish or European heritage. There are two age categories and prizes: Adults (21+) can win a luxurious getaway for two at Kinnitty Castle, County Offaly. Youths (15-20) can win a €300 shopping voucher. The competition opening date is Saturday, August 20 and the closing date is midnight on Tuesday, September 13, 2011. For full terms and conditions, see: www.heritageweek.ie

'NATIONAL HERITAGE WEEK' PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

Celebrate National Heritage Week and take part in the National Heritage Week Photo Competition: To enter all you need to do is submit an image(s) that you think capture(s) a message or aspect about our heritage and provide a brief caption with your photo(s) to the photo competition site: <http://pix.ie/group/heritageweek> There are several age categories and prizes in the competition including: Adults (21+) with a top prize of a €500 Irish Landmark Trust Weekend Stay voucher; Youths (13-20) with a top prize of a €150 One4All gift voucher; and Juniors (7-12) with a top prize of a €75 One4All gift voucher. The competition opening date is Saturday, August 20 and the closing date is Tuesday, September 13, 2011. For full terms and conditions, see: www.heritageweek.ie



COUNTY DONEGAL HERITAGE OFFICE

The County Donegal Heritage Office is part of the Cultural Services Division of Donegal County Council. Cultural Services include Archives, Arts, Heritage, Library, Museum, Regional Cultural Centre and Public Art services.

If you would like to find out more about County Donegal's built, cultural and natural heritage, contact:

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www.donegalcoco.ie/heritage