National Heritage Week

Discover the past. Build the future. 23rd-31st August 2014

Event Guide Wicklow Aimsigh an t-am atá caite. Tóg an todhchai



Heritage Week is a great time to explore the nature and history of county Wicklow. The theme this year is 'The Family' and there are a huge variety of events happening for all generations, the majority free of charge.

Join us in Tinahely for an evening celebration of 'Our Wicklow Heritage' on Sunday 24th August. heritage archive for county Wicklow, storing your stories, articles and photos about County Wicklow. Make it your business to discover something new about the heritage on

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Heritage Week at a glance in County Wicklow... travelling north to south



Enjoy a special evening of **Traditional Music** at Blessington library and find out about 200 years of life on Main Street in this exhibition running all week. The history of the local Quaker community is explored at Blessington Lakes Golf Club (Baltyboys) while the Irish Landmark Trust's Beit Residence of nearby Russborough House will be open for visitors. For the outdoor enthusiast, check out the **Megalithic Hill Walk** leaving from Kippure House taking you to the spectacular Seefingan and Seefin tombs. At Castleruddery Organic Farm connect with **nature** and enjoy **Bushcraft.** Bray is a hive of heritage activity whether it is Whale Watching from Bray Head or finding out more about St Peters Graveyard in Little Bray. For **Historical talks** head to Bray or Ballywaltrim libraries for The Week That Was 1914; The Shamrock Fund during WWI; or the story of The **Brabazons** of Dublin and Wicklow. Help **Calary** Church (south of Kilmacanogue) to celebrate its 180th anniversary with an exhibition and guided tours. At **Greystones** the library is hosting historical talks on Wicklow and World War I, and on the local legends, folklore and history of

North East Wicklow arising from the 1937-37 Schools Folklore Collection, or head to the beach where children will love the Rockpool Ramble. Find out more about Enniskerry Village

on the Historical Walking Tour or enjoy old fashioned games and activities at Tara's Palace Children's Museum at Powerscourt House. Delgany village is steeped in heritage, visit the ancient



burial ground for a tour, find out poisonous brews and powerful tales on the guided hedgerow walk or enjoy the Heritage Trail. Further down the coast in Newcastle attend an illustrated talk on local wildlife or find out about



Plant Hunters during the Great War. At Ashford, the beautiful Mount Usher Gardens will be offering guided tours. At Glendalough, download an audio guide or else join a free **Monastic Tour.** Look out for UCD school of Archaeology students along the way. Follow in the footsteps of pilgrims on St. Kevin's Pilgrim Path or the footsteps of miners on the Glendasan Mining Heritage Walk. The Rathdrum Famine Walk will be a chance to find out more about the town's history. At Wicklow town you can enjoy **Scenic walks** to Broadlough or Brides Head or visit the Wicklow Head **Lighthouse**. The newly revamped Wicklow Gaol is offering half price tickets Monday and Tuesday while the **Footsteps in Time Exhibition** running for the week in County Buildings will present a then and now picture of the



World War I affected the lives of family members and garden staff 100 years ago, enjoy a pole lathe demonstration and find out more about woodland heritage. At Ballymurrin Farmhouse (near Beehive) there will be daily tours telling the Irish Quaker Story



spanning 250 years at this farmstead. At Avoca the **quided mining walk** will take you through a most unique and historic Irish landscape. Join us at **Tinahely Courthouse Art Centre** to celebrate the official launch of Our Wicklow Heritage, Wicklow's online community heritage archive, and to view the short film "Preban - The Story of A Wicklow Graveyard." There will be a chance to visit Preban during the week and to attend a talk by Chris Corlett on 18th Century **Headstones** in Wicklow. As usual you are spoiled for choice in **Arklow**; visit the magnificent St. Saviours Church and the Howard Family Mausoleum at **Kilbride** or walk the **Kynoch** Heritage Trail finding out more about the significance of this industry to the town in the early 1900's. Join a **Bat Walk** or find out more about the history of the gansey at Julie's Craft School. Last but not least **Carnew Castle** is once again opening its doors to the public, an opportunity not to be missed!



COUNTY WICKLOW HERITAGE WEEK EVENTS DAILY TIMETABLE - Saturday 23rd to Sunday 31st August 2014

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EVENT	Sat 23	Sun 24	Mon 25	Tue 26	Wed 27	Thu 28	Fri 29	Sat 30	Sun 31
Famine Walk of Rathdrum, start at Parnell Park. tours@avocatours.com T: 086 0258484 B P €	11.00- 14.00								
World War I and its impact on the Gardens of Kilmacurragh (Meet at Car Park) philip.quested@opw.ie T: 0404 48844 P w FREE	15.00- 16.00	15.00- 16.00						15.00- 16.00	15.00- 16.00
Guided Tours of Calary Church and 180th Anniversary Exhibition derekneilson@eircom.net T: 01 2818118 © P W FREE	14.00- 18.00	14.00- 18.00						14.00- 18.00	14.00- 18.00
St. Kevin's Way Pilgrims Walk – Glendalough Visitors Centre bebhinnramsay@gmail.com T: 086 4090289	10.00- 15.00								
Megalithic Hill Walk from Kippure mountaintoglen@gmail.com T: 087 9769772 В Р €	11.00- 16.00								
St. Paul's Graveyard Trail, Bray – over 300 years of history! brayhistory@gmail.com T: 087 2309185 w FREE	15.00- 16.00				11.00- 12.00				
Blessington 200 years on Main Street.	10.00- 13.00			14.00- 20.30	10.00- 13.00	10.00- 13.00	10.00- 13.00	10.00- 13.00	
Who? And Where? Exhibition of maps, documents and photos at library.	&			20.00	& 14.00-	& 14.00-	8 14.00-	8 14.00-	
© P W FREE	14.00- 17.00				17.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	
Visit Kilbride Mausoleum – Arklow's Pyramid T: 0402 42700 ⊚ FREE	All Day								
Visit Historic St. Saviour's Church, Arklow jennifermjkavanagh@eircom.net T: 0402 42700 ☺ P W FREE	14.00- 16.00								
Arklow Kynoch Heritage – A new self guided heritage trail giving the history of the munitions industry in Arklow in WWI. Start outside Bridgewater Shopping Centre. © P W FREE	All Day								
Visit 17thC Ballymurrin Farmstead and find out about its Quaker heritage. Kilbride (near Beehive). T: 0404 48206 P w €	14.00- 17.00								
Glendalough Audio Guide – Download and go info@arbataguides.com © P FREE	10.00- 17.00								
The history of Crafts at Kustomkidz Kraft Kreatorz, (Julie's craft school), Arklow T: 086 3854335	All Day								
Wicklow Head Lighthouse Open Day caroline@irishlandmark.com T: 01 6704733 ⊚ FREE		10.00- 16.00							
Our Wicklow Heritage Celebration, Launch and Film Screening at Tinahely Courthouse dburns@wicklowcoco.ie © P w FREE		19.00							
Walk from Glenturn Strand to Brides Head Beach, Wicklow Town Cussen5a@gmail.com T: 087 1346829 © P FREE		14.00- 17.00							
Open Day at Beit Residence Russborough House, West Wing caroline@irishlandmark.com T: 01 6704733 ⊚ P FREE		10.00- 16.00							
Heritage Trail and Guided Walk at Delgany Village walshdj@iol.ie T: 086 6052237 ⊚ FREE		11.30- 13.00							11.30- 13.00
Delgany guided tour of Old Burial Ground and 13thC Church ruins eamondebuitlear@gmail.com T: 01 2876094 ⊚ FREE		11.00- 13.00		11.00- 13.00			12.00- 14.00		
Whale Watching with IWDG from Bray Head, pitch and putt car park hannah.keogh@hotmail.com T: 087 2819201 ⊚ P w FREE		14.00- 17.00							
Medieval Pole-Lathe Turning Demonstration with Eoin Donnelly at Kilmacurragh philip.quested@opw.ie T: 0404 48844 ⊕ P w FREE		12.00- 15.00							
Mining Heritage Walk from 'The Hero' at Glendasan . Ages 7+ info@wicklowuplands.ie T: 01 2818406			19.30- 21.30						
'Wicklow Past: Footsteps in Time' Exhibition about Wicklow Town Centre Businesses, in County Buildings dbums@wicklowcoco.ie T: 0404 20100 © W P FREE			9.00- 17.00	9.00- 17.00	9.00- 17.00	9.00- 17.00	9.00- 17.00		
Traditional Children's Games Afternoon Tara's Palace Museum at Powerscourt House marketing@taraspalace.ie T: 01 2748090 ⊕ P W €			12.00- 16.00	12.00- 16.00	12.00- 16.00	12.00- 16.00	12.00- 16.00		
Wicklow's Historic Gaol Visits – 50% Discount www.wicklowshistoricgaol.com T: 0404 61599 ⊕ ₩ €			13.00- 15.00	13.00- 15.00					
Preban Cemetery Exhibition at Tinahely Courthouse yvonnewhitty@gmail.com © P w FREE				10.00- 17.00	10.00- 17.00	10.00- 17.00	10.00- 17.00		
Irish Traditional Music Talk & Demonstration – Blessington Library blessingtoncomhaltascoislocha@gmail.com T: 086 0752072 / 087 6251752 © P W FREE				19.00- 20.30					

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Wild Newcastle illustrated talk by Sam Connolly at Newcastle Community Centre miriamjohnston@eircom.net T: 087 2214533 © P w FREE				20.00- 21.00					
Bat Walk leaving from Arklow Bay Hotel jennifermjkavanagh@eircom.net T: 0402 42700 © P W FREE				20.00- 22.00					
Family Woodland Walk at Kilmacurragh philip.quested@opw.ie T: 0404 48844 ⊚ P w FREE				15.00- 16.00					15.00 16.00
Wicklow's War – WWI in County Wicklow – A talk by John Goodman in Greystones Library caobrien@wicklowcoco.ie T: 01 2873548 W FREE				19.00- 20.30					
Shamrock Fund in WWI – A talk in Bray Library brayhistory@gmail.com T: 087 2309185 ⊚ P FREE				19.00- 20.00					
Guided Tour of Mount Usher Gardens, Ashford info@mountushergardens.ie T: 0404 40205 B P w €					10.30- 12.00				
Enniskerry Village Walking Tour - Meet at Clock Tower mkseery@gmail.com T: 086 0843757 ☺ P w FREE					18.30- 20.00				
Avoca Heritage & Graveyard Walk tours@avocatours.com T: 086 0258484 ⊚ B P €					12.00- 14.00				
The Week that Was in Co. Wicklow 1914 – Jim Scannell in Ballywaltrim Library, Bray eobyrne@wicklowcoco.ie T: 01 2723205 P W FREE					18.45- 20.00				
A Talk at the Quaker Burial Ground, Baltyboys (Blessington Lakes Golf Club just off N81 on the N758 to Glendalough) Aidan.cruise@gmail.com FREE					19.20- 21.00				
18th Century Headstones in Wicklow's Graveyards - Talk by Chris Corlett at Tinahely Courthouse Art Centre yvonnewhitty@gmail.com © P W FREE					20.00				
The Brabazon's of Dublin and Wicklow - Talk at Bray Public Library brayhistory@gmail.com T: 087 2309185 © W FREE						19.00- 20.00			
Twenty Tonnes of Folklore' A Talk by Jonny Dillon on the Schools Folklore Collection in NE Wicklow dburns@wicklowcoco.ie T: 0404 20100						19.00- 20.30			
Secret of the Hedgerows Guided Tour from the Wicklow Arms at Delgany aranmcmahon@gmail.com T: 089 4534248						13.30- 14.30			
Rockpool Ramble at Greystones Beach aranmcmahon@gmail.com T: 089 4534248							13.00- 14.30		
Guided Walk of Glendalough Monastic City swords.martin@gmail.com T: 087 2600548 © P FREE							16.00- 18.00		
Kilmacurragh Plant Hunters & The Great War – A talk by Seamus O Brien at Newcastle CC miriamjohnston@eircom.net T: 087 2214533 P w FREE							20.00- 22.00		
Historic Walking Tour of Delgany aranmcmahon@gmail.com T: 089 4534248								13.00- 14.30	
Forest Bushcraft and Nature Activities at Castleruddery Organic Farm info@earthforceeducation.com T: 086 3199515 ⊕ B P €								10.30- 15.30	
The Week That Was in Bray 1914 – Jim Scannell In Bray Library fscannell@wicklowcoco.ie T: 01 2862600 W FREE								15.00- 16.00	
Broadlough Loop Walk – The Murrough, Wicklow Town Cussen5a@gmail.com T: 087 1346829								14.30- 16.30	
Preban Cemetery, near Askinagap – guided walk of historic graveyard yvonnewhitty@gmail.com © P FREE								14.00	
Avoca Mines – Guided Walk through historic landscape of former copper mines nickcoy@eircom.net T: 086 3706731									15.00 17.00
Burnaby Vintage Day – Greystones Music, walks, games, cars & old fashioned fun burnabyresidents@gmail.com T: 086 8146926									14.00 17.00
Carnew Castle Open Day (dates TBC) http://facebook.com/carnewTDC									



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