

2016 FESTIVALS & EVENTS WWW.CLARE.IE

INTRODUCTION

Discover the culture of Ireland when you visit County Clare in the heart of the west coast of Ireland and the Wild Atlantic Way.

With the glorious UNESCO Burren and Cliffs of Moher Geopark, award winning Loop Head Peninsula, Ennis historic town and splendid rivers and lakes of East Clare. County Clare provides an exciting choice of outdoor activities and year round festivals and events to keep you entertained.

This year, Clare Tourism in partnership with Clare County Council will celebrate Clare - County of Culture. This is a celebration of our rich cultural heritage which makes County Clare an important Irish cultural tourism destination.

Clare Tourism is proud to launch an exciting and diverse programme in this edition of the Clare Festivals & Events Guide.

There are hundreds of festivals and events throughout the year to enjoy which feature music, song, dance, food, sport, literature, fashion, theatre, family fun, heritage and re-enactments. A highlight event in 2016 will be when Ennis hosts Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann from 14th -22nd August.

Come for the festivals & events, take in the scenery, meet the people, eniov the food, breathe the fresh air and feel alive!

Paul Madden CHAIR. CLARE TOURISM

RÉAMHRÁ

Gheobhaidh tú blaiseadh de chultúr na hÉireann fad is atá tú ag taistil timpeall Contae an Chláir. Is cuid de bhealach an Atlantach fhiáin é.

Feicfidh tú an Bhoireann, atá ina ionad UNESCO agus geo-pháirc Aillte an Mhothair. Leithinis Cheann Léime a bhuaigh duais le déanaí, baile stairiúil na hInse agus tírdhreach álainn Oirthear an Chláir. Tá neart imeachtaí amuigh faoin aeir sa chontae agus neart féilte cheoil chun taitneamh a bhaint astu.

I mbliana, tá Fóram Turasóireachta an Chláir ag oibriú le Comhairle Contae an Chláir chun an Fhéile Clare County of Culture a chéilúradh. Is céiliúradh é seo d'ár n-oidhreacht shaibhir agus cuireann sé béim níos mó ar Chontae an Chláir mar ionad turasóireachta chultúrtha.

Tá áthas ar Fhóram Turasóireachta an Chláir seoladh a dhéanamh ar réimhse mór d'imeachtaí agus féilte sa chontae.

Le linn na bliana beidh rogha leathan d'imeachtaí agus féilte chun taitneamh a bhaint astu. An imeacht is tábhachtaí sa chontae ná Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann i 2016, a bheidh ar siúl ón 14th – 22nd Lúnasa na bliana sin.

Tar chugainn chun imeachtaí agus féilte a bhlaiseadh chomh maith leis an tírdhreach, aeir fhuar agus bia an-mhaith.

Paul Madden CATHAOIRLEACH, CLARE **TURASÓIREACHT**























2016 FESTIVA

- 01 January
- 06 February
- 20 April
- **28** May
- 36 June
- 44 July

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West Clare Railway has been restored to provide a fun day out

Come visit us and immerse yourself in steam, nostalgia and times past

OPEN DAILY
JUNE - JULY - AUGUST



WEST CLARE RAILWAY

MOYASTA, COUNTY CLARE

WWW.WEST CLARE RAILWAY.IE

Award winning traditional Irish music pub with free live trad sessions every weekend

Off-licence stocks speciality spirits, old and new world wines and rare whiskeys

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ORIGINAL OLD STYLE SELECT BAR WITH SNUG & SPACIOUS BEER GARDEN

O'CONNELL STREET - ENNIS



WEEKLY EVENTS

GLÓR

ENNIS

January

If you like music, theatre, comedy and visual art, check out glór's website for a programme that features top acts throughout the year, as well as the best touring Irish theatre.

www.glor.ie

DURTY NELLY'S NIGHTLY MUSIC SESSION

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www.durtynellys.ie

JANUARY

WEEKLY SMALLHOLDERS MARKET

SCARRIFF

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www.eastclarecoop.com

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www.armadahotel.com





LAUNCH OF **CLARE - COUNTY** OF CULTURE 2nd January

FAMILY EVENING

ENNIS, 5pm - 7pm Enjoy an evening of children's entertainment in Ennis town centre to mark the launch of Clare - County of Culture 2016.

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FIREWORKS DISPLAY

ENNIS. 7pm

A special fireworks display will take place in the heart of Ennis to mark the launch of Clare -County of Culture 2016.

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KILFENORA CÉILÍ BAND GLÓR, 8pm

Clare – County of Culture 2016 will be officially launched in glor with a concert by the world famous Kilfenora Céilí band.

www.glor.ie



FROM THE YEAR OF GLOBAL INDIGNATION: BACKWARDS ABOUT COMING FORWARD UNPAINTED PICTURES **BALLYVAUGHAN**

1st - 23rd January

An exhibition of paintings by Irish artist, Caul Audiac, at the Burren College of Art.

www.burrencollege.ie

MFA INTERIM SHOW

IN THE GALLERY AT BURREN COLLEGE OF ART BALLYVAUGHAN

1st - 23rd January

An exhibition featuring works by current postgraduate students.

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MONTHLY HERITAGE WALK THE BURREN

3rd January, 2pm

Walks series are open to everyone who has an interest in the Burren and in its natural, built and cultural heritage.

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CHRISTMAS TREE THROWING **COMPETITION**

3rd January

Christmas Tree Throwing Competition will take place in Tim Smythe Park. Test your strength at this novel event!

Www.activeennis.ie

BURREN INSPIRATIONAL WALK THE BURREN 16th January, 10.30am

Walkers participate actively in spiritual/inspirational walks in the Burren and Cliffs of Moher Geopark.

W www.coisceimanama.ie



STEP TO THE WEST **ENNISTYMON** 29th - 31st January

Enjoy a weekend of céilithe, trad sessions and set dancing workshops in the Falls Hotel.

Step to the West



SHANNONSIDE WINTER MUSIC FESTIVAL

SIXMILEBRIDGE & BUNRATTY 21st - 25th January

17th annual winter music festival with over 80 events, 20 venues, 10 genres, concerts, sessions, set dancing & poetry.

www.wmw.ie



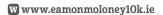
CEOL COIS TINE TRADITIONAL MUSIC NIGHT CARRIGAHOLT 31st January, 7.30pm

Enjoy a night of traditional music in Keane's Pub.

www.loophead.ie

RUN CLARE RACE 1: RESOLUTION RUN ENNIS 30th January

A series of races to challenge you to run from 5km to 10 miles within 4 months. Other races include 28th February in Quilty, 26th March in Ennis & 10th April in Kilnabov.







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ST. BRIGID'S DAY CELEBRATION LISCANNOR lst February

Come and celebrate St. Brigid's Day at the Cliffs of Moher Visitor Centre.

www.cliffsofmoher.ie

LÁ FÉILE BRÍD SCARRIFF 1st February

Come and celebrate the first day of spring – St Brigid's Day, in Scarriff Community Garden.

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2016 EMERGING IRISH ARTIST RESIDENCY AWARD EXHIBITION IN THE GALLERY AT

IN THE GALLERY AT
BURREN COLLEGE OF ART
BALLYVAUGHAN

4th February - 5th March

An exhibition featuring work by Hazel Egan, Patricia Farrelly, Rory Prout and Miriam O'Connor in collaboration with Gallery 126, Galway.

www.burrencollege.ie



FALLS COUNTRY MUSIC WEEKEND ENNISTYMON 5th - 7th February

Enjoy a weekend of music and dance with some of Ireland's favourite country music stars in the Falls Hotel.

www.fallshotel.ie

MONTHLY HERITAGE WALK THE BURREN 7th February, 2pm

Walks series are open to everyone who has an interest in the Burren and in its natural, built and cultural heritage.

www.burrenbeo.com



VALENTINE'S 'LOVE YOUR GARDEN WEEK' AT IRISH SEED SAVERS SCARRIFF 9th - 13th February

Come and choose your seeds for the planting year ahead and indulge yourself in our cafe.
Our Gardeners will be on hand in the shop from 12noon - 2pm every day to help and advise.

www.irishseedsavers.ie

BUNRATTY INTERNATIONAL CHESS FESTIVAL BUNRATTY

19th – 21st February
This festival is the friendliest international

This festival is the friendliest international chess festival in the world which takes place in Bunratty Castle Hotel.

www.bunrattychess.com

BURREN INSPIRATIONAL WALK THE BURREN 20th February, 10.30am

Walkers participate actively in spiritual/inspirational walks in the Burren and Cliffs of Moher Geopark.

www.coisceimanama.ie

RUN CLARE RACE 2: MICHAEL EAGAN MEMORIAL QUILTY 28th February

A series of races to challenge you to run from 5km to 10 miles within 4 months. Other Races dates in the series include: 26th March in Ennis & 10th April in Kilnaboy.

www.eamonmoloney10k.ie

CEOL COIS TINE TRADITIONAL MUSIC NIGHT CARRIGAHOLT 28th February, 7.30pm

Eniov a night of traditional music in Keane's Pub.

www.loophead.ie



4TH ANNUAL CONCERTINA CRUINNIÚ MILTOWN MALBAY 12th - 14th February

A weekend packed full of concertina classes, recitals, concerts, lectures and concertina repair workshops.

www.oac.ie



RUSSELL MEMORIAL WEEKEND **DOOLIN** 25th - 29th February

A weekend of music, song and dance played out in our local pubs and community centre.

www.michorussellweekend.ie



COROFIN Traditional Festival Corofin

An intimate festival of traditional music and song featuring concerts, workshops, recitals and a huge number of pub sessions.

www.corofintradfest.com





CELEBRATE! VISIT! ENJOY!

THE MANY EVENTS @ AILLWEE THROUGHOUT 2016



EASTER SUNDAY

MARCH 27th, 2016

EGG HUNT lots of fun and games promised for all the family on the day 3,000 Cadbury Creme Eggs hidden with care around the grounds.



MONDAY

31st October 2016

HALLOWEEN @ AILLWEE

Spooky Cave Tours, Scary Stories and All Manner of Capers!



SANTA'S WORKSHOP.

Weekends from 25th November – 22nd December 201

A personalized visit to meet with Santa himself. Lots of family fun and entertainment. Bookable Event: Call an Elf on 1890 245 593

for tickets





Ballyvaughan, Co. Clare, Ireland • Tel: **065 7077036**For more details visit www.**aillweecave**.ie



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E fawlsbar@gmail.com

SEACHTAIN NA GAEILGE AN CI ÁR 1st - 17th March

A cultural festival promoting the Irish language which includes Féile na hInse competitions.

www.clarasgaeilge.net

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SHANAGLISH - 25th March

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55TH WEST CLARE DRAMA FESTIVAL

Three-act plays by Irish and international writers are performed by amateur groups from all around the country.

www.westclaredramafestivaldoonbeg.com



DOOLIN WRITER'S WEEKEND

An eclectic mix of workshops, readings, theatre, music and food. Something for every level of writer from beginners to expert wordsmiths and lovers of literature alike.

www.doolinwritersweekend.com



ENNIS BOOK CLUB FESTIVAL **ENNIS**

Celebrate 10 years of the Ennis Book Club Festival with Diarmuid Ferriter, Sinead Gleeson, Marian Keyes and many more. Look out for our Léamh Children's Programme.

www.ennisbookclubfestival.com

MONTHLY HERITAGE WALK THE BURREN 6th March, 2pm

Walks series are open to everyone who has an interest in the Burren and in its natural, built and cultural heritage.

www.burrenbeo.com

SEED SWOP & SHARE IN THE SEED BANK AT IRISH SEED SAVERS SCARRIFF 6th March

Bring your saved seeds to exchange or just come for a chat and a cup of tea and cake!

www.irishseedsavers.ie

PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

IN THE GALLERY AT BURREN COLLEGE OF ART BALLYVAUGHAN

10th March - 8th April

An exhibition featuring work by Irish Artist, Frankie Quinn.

www.burrencollege.ie

FOOTLOOSE THE MUSICAL GLÓR 15th - 19th March

Musical adaptation of the popular movie 'Footloose'.

www.ennismusicalsociety.com

BURREN INSPIRATIONAL WALK THE BURREN 19th March, 10,30am

Walkers participate actively in spiritual/inspirational walks in the Burren and Cliffs of Moher Geopark.

www.coisceimanama.ie

SPRING WORKSHOP WEEKEND

AT IRISH SEED SAVERS
SCARRIFF

19th - 20th March

A range of gardening and self-sufficiency workshops on offer.

www.irishseedsavers.ie

TRADITIONAL HORSE FAIR

KII RIISH

25th March, 9am - 6pm

Horse & pony traders position themselves about the Market Square while traders line Frances Street.

www.clarecoco.ie

RUN CLARE RACE 3: EAMON MOLONEY MEMORIAL

ENNIS

26th March

A series of races to challenge you to run from 5km to 10 miles within 4 months. Last race date in the series is 10th April in Kilnaboy.

www.eamonmoloney10k.ie

ST PATRICK'S DAY

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

LISCANNOR

.7th - 20th March

A celebration of Irish traditional culture plus lots of fun for all the family at Cliffs of Moher Visitor Centre

www.cliffsofmoher.ie

ST PATRICK'S DAY

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADES



ENNIS 17th March, 11am

The county town showcases a lively and inspiring parade with the theme Clare — County of Culture.

www.clarecoco.ie

KILFENORA 17th March, 12noon

Kilfenora St. Patrick's Day Parade is always packed full of colourful and entertaining floats.

f Kilfenora St. Patrick's Day Parade

KILKEE 17th March, 12noon

Come and join in the celebrations, free street food, spot prizes, parade and lots of fun for the whole family in Kilkee.

www.loophead.ie



SIXMILEBRIDGE 17th March, 12noon

A fun filled day which guarantees a colourful and lively parade. In addition to the parade there will be a craft fair.

SMB St. Patrick's Day Parade

DOONBEG 20th March, 2pm

Doonbeg celebrates St. Patrick's Day with a themed parade.

www.doonbeginfo.com

VISIT WWW.CLAREJE TO SEE FULL LIST OF PARADES



NEVSAIL WATERSPORTS EASTER WATERSPORTS CAMP KILKEE

21st -25th March

Action, fun and adventure for boys and girls aged 6 - 16 years.

www.nevsailwatersports.com

EASTER CHILDREN'S CAMP AT IRISH SEED SAVERS

SCARRIFF 22nd - 25th March

Our camps are a combination of nature activities, arts and crafts. An emphasis on fun with a strong ecological message.

www.irishseedsavers.ie



NEVSAIL WATERSPORTS EASTER EGG HUNT (IN AID OF AWARE) KILKEE 26th March, 1 pm

This Charity Easter Egg Hunt is in aid of AWARE and is great fun for all the family

www.nevsailwatersports.com



EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA AT MOHER HILL OPEN FARM LISCANNOR 26th - 28th March

Take part in the Easter Egg Hunt, where the Easter Bunny ensures that each child is looked after. There are also fun and games for all the family.

www.moherfarm.ie

THE AILLWEE 3,000 CADBURY CREME EGG HUNT

BALLYVAUGHAN 27th March

Egg Hunt – lots of fun and games promised for all the family. On the day 3,000 Cadbury Creme Eggs are hidden with care around the grounds

www.aillweecave.ie



EASTER EGG HUNT WITH CRAFT FAIR AND PLANT SALE KILRUSH 27th March

Vandeleur Walled Garden Easter Egg Hunt is suitable for children aged 3 - 11 (charges will apply).

www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie



EASTER AT BUNRATTY CASTLE & FOLK PARK BUNRATTY 28th March

Activities such as bouncy castles, face painters, balloon making, juggler, stilt walker, fire eater, and a puppeteer, all on hand to create a magical atmosphere that families will enjoy.

www.shannonheritage.com/Events

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KILRUSH 1916 - 2016 COMMEMORATION CEREMONY

Kilrush 1916 - 2016 Commemoration Ceremony will consist of a keynote speaker, reading of proclamation in Irish and English, reading of poems of 1916 leaders, laying of a wreath and unveiling of a commemorative plaque/artwork.

www.clarecoco.ie

EAST CLARE **COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION**

East Clare Commemoration group will celebrate the contributions made by members of the old East Clare Brigade, Cumann na mBan and Scarriff martyrs.

f Easter Clare Commemorative Celebration

'ŞEOMRA 1916' BY JOE Ó MUIRCHEARTAIGH

An audio/video installation exploring the narrative of an historic and forgotten meeting that paved the way for the 1916 Rising.

Seomra 1916

VISIT WWW.IRFLAND.IE **& WWW.CLARE.IE FOR MORE** 1916 CENTENARY EVENTS

RATH/DYSERT PILGRIM PATH WALK DYSERT O'DEA

26th March, 1.30pm

Join in a pilgrim walk as part of National Pilgrim Path Week – walking in the footsteps of our ancestors.

www.coisceimanama.ie

BANNER DUATHLON **SHANNON**

27th March

A national series sprint distance duathlon on a fast safe course hosted by GoTri triathlon club.

www.bannerduathlon.ie

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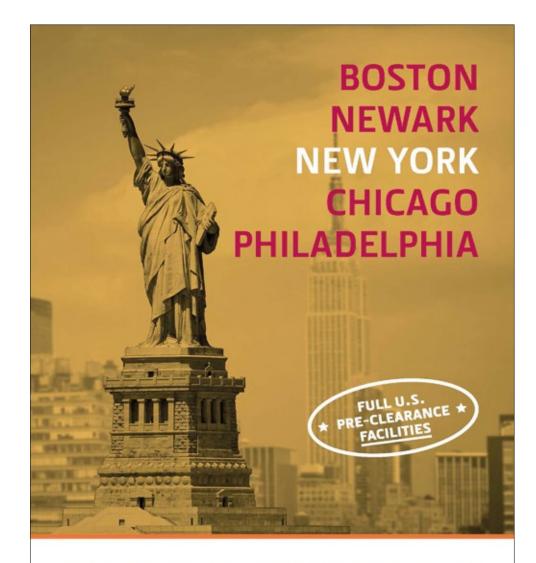


DRUMCLIFF/DYSERT PILGRIM PATH WALK

28th March, 10am

Join in a pilgrim walk as part of National Pilgrim Path Week – walking in the footsteps of our ancestors.

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www.kilshannyhouse.ie

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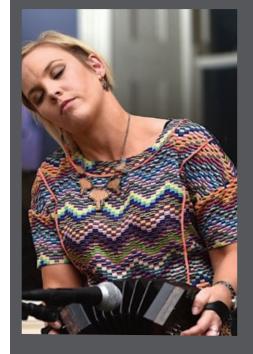
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CONSAIRTÍN 2016 ENNIS 1st - 3rd April

The national convention combines education, entertainment and debate in a celebration of the music and traditions of the concertina.

www.consairtin.ie





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ENNIS DUATHLON ENNIS 9th April

Ennis Duathlon Run, Cycle and Run event is part of the Triathlon Ireland National Series. There will be adult and children's events open to all levels of ability.

www.ennistriclub.com

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POSTGRADUATE EXHIBITION

IN THE GALLERY AT BURREN COLLEGE OF ART BALLYVAUGHAN

14th April - 7th May

Exhibition featuring work by graduating BCA students.

www.burrencollege.ie



KINCORA TRADITIONAL WEEKEND KILLALOE & BALLINA 14th - 17th April

A weekend of live traditional Irish music sessions, concert performances, workshops and recitals.

Traditional music river cruises, children's sessions, Pipe Band parades and more.

www.kincoratradweekend.com

BURREN INSPIRATIONAL WALK THE BURREN 16th April, 10.30am

Walkers participate actively in spiritual/inspirational walks in the Burren and Cliffs of Moher Geopark.

www.coisceimanama.ie

BRIDGE HOUSE STUDIOS GALLERY LAUNCH EVENING KILLALDE 17th April

An exhibition of works from local artists and artists from around the country. Contemporary art in a rustic 19th century gallery.

www.bridgehousestudios.ie

FLAGGY SHORE INSPIRATIONAL WALK NEW QUAY 18th April

Magical seashore walks with the spirits of poets Yeats and Heaney.

www.coisceimanama.ie



SPECIAL BIRD WATCHING CRUISES

DOOLIN, 12noon

3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th

Time to learn, see and enjoy the nesting migrating seabirds on the Cliffs of Moher from the waters view point. Departs Doolin Pier with Bill O'Brien Doolin Ferry.

www.doolinferry.com



KILFENORA TRADITIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL KILFENORA

22nd - 25th April

Concerts, céilithe and the legendary Kilfenora pub sessions in this historic village and home of Irish céilí, including an open-air appearance by the fabulous Kilfenora Céilí Band.

www.kilfenoraclare.com



CLARE GARDEN FESTIVAL

24th April, 11am - 5pm

Clare Garden Festival in Ennis Show Grounds features an impressive line-up of expert garden speakers and an extensive garden & food fair with over 60 stalls coming from all over Ireland.

www.claregardenfestival.com



FESTIVAL OF FINN COROFIN 28th April - 2nd May

A five day family festival featuring walking tours, craft and farmers' market, angling competitions, dancing, children's activities, Lark at the Lake and much more.

www.festivaloffinn.com

18 CENTENARY

HERITAGE INCHICRONAN 1916 COMMEMORATIVE LECTURE

crusheen 22nd April. 8.30p

Heritage Inchicronan 1916 Commemorative Lecture by Gerry Kennedy, "The Crusheen Volunteers and 1916" will take place in the Highway Inn.

www.clare.ie

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www.loophead.ie



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FEAKLE

9th April - 1st May

A celebration of 70 years of Tulla Céilí Band – a weekend of lectures, céilithe, concerts and sessions with special guests.

www.feaklefestival.ie



IRELAND'S BEST BEARDS AND MOUSTACHE CHAMPIONSHIP COROFIN 30th April

Ireland's premiere festival of follicles where beards and moustaches will be competing for cash prizes and beardy bragging rights.

www.festivaloffinn.com



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www.thefarmyard.ie



PIKE ANGLING COMPETITION COROFIN 30th April

Registration at Lough Inchiquin car park from 10am, last weigh-in at 2.30pm. Some boats will be provided. Prize-giving afterwards at Bofey Quinns.

E enquiries@visitcorofin.com



FATHER TED FESTIVAL KILFENORA 30th April – 1st May

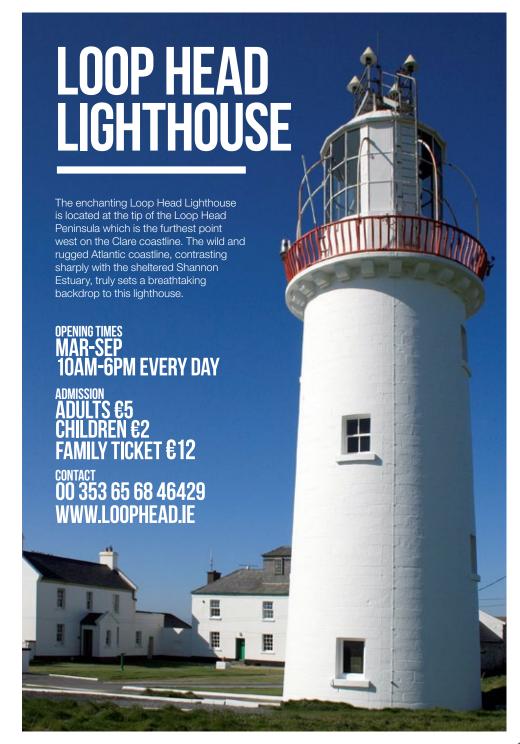
A festival of all things Father Ted taking place in the actual locations from the series.

www.tedtours.com/festival

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FISHERIES AWARENESS WEEK COUNTY CLARE

May - Check website for date

This is a week of activities run by angling clubs and Inland Fisheries Ireland to encourage and promote angling as a hobby and to promote awareness of our fisheries and environment.

www.faw.ie

BURREN IN BLOOM

1st - 15th May

A celebration of the Burren's world famous botanical diversity.

www.burreninbloom.com

BEALTAINE VARIOUS LOCATIONS 1st - 31st May

Bealtaine, the national festival celebrating creativity in older age, takes place throughout the county and includes exhibitions, concerts, talks and performances.

www.clarelibrary.ie/arts

BEALTAINE ART & CRAFT FAIR WITH PLANT SALE KILRUSH

1st May

Visit Bealtaine art & craft fair with plant sale in the courtyard of the Vandeleur Walled Garden.

www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

MONTHLY HERITAGE WALK THE BURREN 1st May, 2pm

Walks series are open to everyone who has an interest in the Burren and in its natural, built and cultural heritage.

www.burrenbeo.com



VOLTAGE, NATIONAL ARTS FESTIVAL

IN ASSOCIATION WITH BEALTAINE/ AGE AND OPPORTUNITY 2016 ENNIS

6th - 8th May

A national celebration to mark the coming of age of BEALTAINE, platforming all that is good about creativity as we age.

www.glor.ie



WOMEN & GIRLS YOGA CAMP

6th - 8th May

Yoga for women and girls, including yoga classes, crafting and music.

www.purecamping.ie

17TH ANNUAL WORLD STONE-THROWING CHAMPIONSHIP COROFIN 1st May

Do you have the 'eye' for a challenging stonethrowing foray into the mad world of bottlebreaking? Join us for a go.

www.festivaloffinn.com

BURREN BÉILÍNÍ & ALL THAT JAZZ! KILSHANNY 2nd May

Enjoy an intriguing evening of Jazz and indulge in bite-sized tastes of the area.

www.kilshannyhouse.ie

18 CENTENARY

COMMEMORATING CON COLBERT

COORACLARE

6th - 8th May

Cooraclare Commemoration Committee presents a three day event commemorating Con Colbert, whose mother was a Clare woman from Clonreddan Co. Clare. The event will consist of visiting speakers, exhibition of memorabilia, commemorative booklet, mass and unveiling of a plaque in the village in his honour.

www.clarecoco.ie

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SHANNON - 4th May WOLFE TONES GAA CLUBHOUSE

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FANNY O'DEA'S

CHAPEL GATES - 27th May

O'KEEFFE'S PUB

SHANAGLISH - 27th May

WHELAN'S PUB

DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

7th May, 4.15am

DARKNESS INTO LIGHT IS A SYMBOLIC RUN OR WALK STARTING IN DARKNESS AT THE LOCATIONS BELOW AND ENDING AS THE DAWN IS RISING SYMBOLISING HOPE



ENNIS

f Darkness into Light, Ennis

KILRUSH

🚹 Darkness into Light, Kilrush

MILTOWN MALBAY

🖪 Darkness into Light, Miltown Malbay

KILLALOE/BALLINA

f Darkness into Light, Killaloe/Ballina

DOONAHA FORT GUIDED TOUR

DOONAHA

9th May, 2pm

Take a 1 hour guided tour of Doonaha Fort, explore its military history as a part of the British Defense Forces on the Shannon Estuary.

E haugh.carmel@gmail.com



GOSPEL RISING MUSIC FESTIVAL

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A gospel choir music festival full of workshops and gigs for all lovers of music.

 $\hbox{$\overline{W}$ www.gospelrising.com}\\$

FÉILE CHNOC NA GAOITHE

TULLA TRADITIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

TULLA 13th - 15th May

Enjoy a weekend of traditional music, song, dance, competitions, CD launches and concerts.

www.cnocnagaoithe.com

THE CLIFFS OF MOHER SEABIRDS FESTIVAL

CLIFFS OF MOHER VISITOR CENTRE & OTHER BURREN AND CLIFFS OF MOHER GEOPARK LOCATIONS 13th - 18th May

Guided Birdwatching tours, talks, guided seabird cruises, feathery fun and frolics in association with BirdWatch Ireland.

www.clifffsofmoher.ie

SEA BIRD CRUISE

13th - 18th May, 5.30pm

Enjoy a Sea Bird Cruise with an expert from Birdwatch Ireland onboard. Departs Doolin Pier with Bill O'Brien Doolin Ferry.

www.doolinferry.com

NUTRITION 4 LIFE SEMINAR

ENNIS

14th May

Join nutritional therapist and GAPS practitioner Colette McMahon as she highlights and explores the link between good food and good health.

www.truefoodacademy.com

SEOL SIONNA TRADITIONAL BOATING FESTIVAL

15th May

Currach racing and boating at Querrin pier.

www.loophead.ie

SUMMER WORKSHOP AT BURREN COLLEGE OF ART BALLYVAUGHAN

16th - 20th May

A combination of new and traditional five day workshops in painting, drawing, photography and more.

www.burrencollege.ie/workshops

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www.coisceimanama.ie



BURREN SLOW FOOD FESTIVAL LISDOONVARNA 27th - 28th May

A family celebration of the Burren food producers, chefs and restaurants in the Burren.

www.slowfoodclare.com

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www.thefarmyard.ie

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www.loophead.ie



FLEADH NUA ENNIS 22nd - 30th May

An 8 day festival of concerts, singing, sessions, set dancing and much more.

www.fleadhnua.com

CLARE BURREN MARATHON CHALLENGE

BALLYVAUGHAN & FANORE 28th May

Clare Burren Marathon Challenge is a road, green road and trail challenge across the beautiful scenic Burren. Enjoy some of Europe's most unique landscapes.

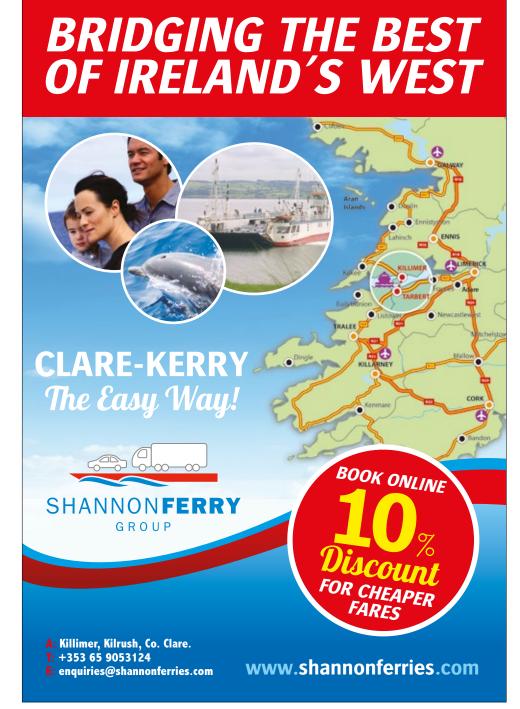
www.clareburrenmarathonchallenge.com

THE BURREN ROCKS

BALLYVAUGHAN 28th - 29th May

Bedrock, boulders and bears – Celebrating 40 years of Aillwee Cave.

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A fantastic walk in the beautiful Rathborney Valley followed by a delicious lunch.

www.coisceimanama.ie

RICHES OF CLARE CONCERT SERIES

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Every Wednesday

A series of free lunchtime traditional music concerts in the County Museum, Ennis featuring the best of Clare's musicians.

www.richesofclare.com

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TRADITIONAL HORSE FAIR KILRUSH

2nd June

Horse & pony traders position themselves about the Market Square while traders line Frances Street.

www.clarecoco.ie



RATH/DYSERT HERITAGE WALK DYSERT O'DEA

4th June, 10.30am Stroll in heritage rich, tranguil countryside near

www.coisceimanama.ie

Dysert O'Dea Castle.

ENNISTYMON BOOK TOWN FESTIVAL ENNISTYMON 4th - 5th June

An annual pop-up celebration of books, reading and the imagination, on the edge of the Burren.

www.ennistymonbooks.com

MONTHLY HERITAGE WALK

5th June, 2pm

Walks series are open to everyone who has an interest in the Burren and in its natural, built and cultural heritage.

www.burrenbeo.com

BORU TRI CLUB BORUMAN SPRINT TRIATHLON KILLALOE 11th June

A 750m safe swim, 24km cycle and 5km run with epic finish in Killaloe itself. Suitable for beginners and seasoned athletes.

Www.borutriclub.com



THE DOONBEG INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIV<u>AL</u>

DOONBEG 3rd – 6th Iu

A weekend of all things Jazz.

www.doonbegjazz.com



DOOLIN FOLK FESTIVAL DOOLIN

10th - 12th June

Doolin is famed for its traditional Irish music and this festival brings back to Doolin traditional & folk musicians who have had a connection with the area over the years.

www.doolinfolkfestival.com

SINGERS CLUBS



SHANNON - 1st June

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CAOMHAN'S PATTERN DAY

12th June. 10am

Pilgrimage on Inisheer to celebrate the patron's day.

www.coisceimeanama.ie

RUAN GYMKHANA RUAN 12th June

SJI registered show, 3 arenas, all grades of ponies and horses welcome. Show jumping, lead rein competition plus family fun for everyone.

Ruan Gymkhana

KILBAHA CURRACH RACING KILBAHA 12th June

Currach racing and entertainment at the pier in Kilbaha.

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Save Killilagh Church Doolin



TASTE THE LOOP

An opportunity to taste the products of Loop Head Food Circle. The afternoon is set in front of the bandstand in Kilkee, with live music and entertainment for the children.

www.loophead.ie



AN POST TOUR DE BURREN BALLYVAUGHAN

18th June

The An Post Tour de Burren is a cycling event for all levels of cyclists. Choose from one of four routes around scenic North Clare: 10km family spin, 60km, 100km and 160km.

www.tourdeburren.com



HELL OF THE WEST 18th June

Not for the faint hearted, come and see men and women challenge their endurance ability in one of the toughest events on the peninsula.

www.loophead.ie

SUMMER WORKSHOP WEEKEND AT IRISH SEED SAVERS SCARRIFF

18th - 19th June

A range of gardening and self-sufficiency workshops.

www.irishseedsavers.ie

FLEADH CHEOIL AN CHLAIR 2016 KILRUSH

24th - 26th June

A festival of music, song & dance competitions for qualifications to Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann.

Wwww.clarecomhaltas.net

KILLALOE PINK RIBBON WALK

KILLALOE/BALLINA 28th June

The Killaloe Pink Ribbon is a 10k walk or running event in the picturesque Killaloe Ballina area raising funds for Action Breast Cancers and welcomes males, females and over 12s to take part.

www.pinkribbonwalk.ie



LISSYCASEY MUSIC FESTIVAL LIVE AT THE MARQUEE LISSYCASEY

24th - 26th June

A weekend of music, song & dance for the community of Lissycasey featuring Stockton's Wing, Mike Denver, a host of local musicians and Sunday is a family day.

Lissycasey Music Festival

12 CENTENARY

MERRIMAN SUMMER SCHOOL 2016 GALLANT ALLIES IN EUROPE

The 2016 Summer School will explore the Easter Rising in its international context, especially with regard to the British Empire and the continent of Europe and consider Ireland's relationship with Europe (including the UK) 100 vears on from 1916.

www.merriman.ie

MERRIMAN SUMMER SCHOOL SHOWCASE IRISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE IN 1916

CARRON

A special element in the Merriman Summer School will be a showcase of Irish language and culture in 1916 and today to be organised in conjunction with the Michael Cusack Centre and pupils and teachers in Clare.

Wwww.merriman.ie



SANTOSA YOGA CAMP

25th - 27th June

The Santosa Yoga Camp is a family yoga festival with yoga from dawn to dusk.

www.purecamping.ie

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COMHALTAS SUMMER SEISIÚN AT CNOC NA GAOITHE TULLA 28th June, 8pm

Enjoy a stage show showcasing the best of local traditional music, dancing, singing and storytelling followed by an informal session with audience participation encouraged.

www.cnocnagaoithe.com

VILLAGE CARNIVAL NEWMARKET ON FERGUS 29th – 30th June

The 6th annual music, arts and heritage festival.

www.obair.org



FÉILE BRIAN BORÚ KILLALOE/BALLINA 30th June – 3rd July

An annual festival commemorating Ireland's greatest High King in his native place with an exciting programme of events to suit all ages.

www.feilebrianboru.com



SCOIL SAMHRAIDH WILLIE CLANCY



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Sráid na Cathrach

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KILKEE CIVIC TRUST HERITAGE TALKS

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4TH OF JULY AMERICAN CELEBRATION WEEKEND BUNRATTY

2nd - 4th July

Come to Bunratty to enjoy an Irish take on the 4th of July celebrations in the world famous Durty Nelly's.

www.durtynellys.ie



COMHALTAS SUMMER SEISIÚIN

ENJOY A STAGE SHOW SHOWCASING THE BEST OF LOCAL TRADITIONAL MUSIC, DANCING, SINGING AND STORYTELLING FOLLOWED BY AN INFORMAL SESSION WITH AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION ENCOURAGED.

TEACH CHEOIL. ENNISTYMON Every Monday, 9pm www.comhaltas.ie

CNOC NA GAOITHE CULTURAL Every Tuesday, 8pm www.cnocnagaoithe.com

COIS NA HABHNA, ENNIS Every Wednesday, 9pm Www.coisnahabhna.ie

Every Thursday, 9pm www.visitcorofin.com

TEACH CHEOIL. KILRUSH Every Thursday, 9pm www.kilrushcce.com

COIS NA HABHNA, ENNIS Every Friday, 8.30pm

www.coisnahabhna.ie

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FANNY O'DEA'S

CHAPEL GATES - 29th July

O'KEEFFE'S PUB

SHANAGLISH - 29th July

WHELAN'S PUB



FÉILE BRIAN KILLALOE/BALLINA 30th June - 3rd July

An annual festival commemorating Ireland's greatest High King in his native place with an exciting programme of events to suit all ages.

www.feilebrianboru.com



SCOIL SAMHRAIDH WILLIE CLANCY 2nd - 10th July

Scoil Samhraidh Willie Clancy is a week long summer school and festival of Irish traditional music, song and dance, with classes, workshops, lectures, recitals, concerts & céilithe.

www.scoilsamhraidhwillieclancy.com

12 CENTENARY

MERRIMAN SUMMER SCHOOL 2016 **GALLANT ALLIES** IN EUROPE

The 2016 Summer School will explore the Easter Rising in its international context, especially with regard to the British Empire and the continent of Europe and consider Ireland's relationship with Europe (including the UK) 100 years on from 1916.

www.merriman.ie

FESTIVAL OF MUSIC & DANCING DURING THE WILLIE CLANCY WEEK

AT ARMADA HOTEL

SPANISH POINT

2nd - 10th July

10-day programme of céilithe, set dancing sessions and country music dancing coincides with Willie Clancy Week in nearby Miltown Malbay.

www.armadahotel.com



CARRIGAHOLT CURRACH RACING CARRIGAHOLT 3rd July

Enjoy the competition of local currach crews battling out to become Carrigaholt champions.

www.loophead.ie



MONTHLY HERITAGE WALK THE BURREN 3rd July, 2pm

Walks series are open to everyone who has an interest in the Burren and in its natural, built and cultural heritage.

www.burrenbeo.com

MOUNTSHANNON 10K ROAD RACE & 5K FUN RUN MOUNTSHANNON

3rd July, 2pm

Route follows the stunning scenery of the Harbour & Woodpark Forest Park.

www.runireland.com

SUMMER CRAFT FAIR & PLANT SALE KILRUSH 3rd July

Celebrate summer at Vandeleur Walled Garden with a summer craft fair and plant sale.

www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

THE LOOPHEAD SUMMER ART & NATURE SCHOOL PROGRAMME

LOOPHEAD PENINSULA

4th July - 12th August

Fourth annual summer school programme run by artist and author Carmel T. Madigan.

The Loophead Summer Hedge School



KILKEE MARITIME FESTIVAL KILKEE

8th - 10th July

The Maritime Festival allows you to take part in the many events organised for the weekend from raft racing to sand castle building, there is something for eveyone.

www.loophead.ie

LOOPHEAD GATHERING FESTIVAL CROSS

8th - 10th July

A family festival of traditional music, comedy events, cultural events, sport and family fun for all.

www.loopheadclare.com/loophead-gathering-festival

ITRI INIS TRIATHLON ENNIS

9th July

iTri triathlon will have triathlon and aquathon events at Ballyalla Lake. Our main sprint triathlon event will be part of the Triathlon Ireland National Series.

www.ennistriclub.com



ENNIS STREET ARTS FESTIVAL

ENNIS

7th - 10th July

The streets of Ennis will come alive with fun, art, culture and entertainment. All of this is brought to you by local, national and international artists.

www.ennisstreetfestival.com

CÉILÍ AT THE CROSSROADS FESTIVAL

CLARECASTLE 10th - 17th July

20th annual festival of set-dancing, singing and music in Clarecastle.

Céilí at Crossroads

KILKEE CURRACH RACING KILKEE 10th July

Kilkee hosts a round of currach racing.

www.loophead.ie

THE FARMYARD SUMMER CAMP COROFIN 11th - 15th July

Experience all the fun, excitement and healthy living that a working farm has to offer from milking the cow to farm to fork cookery class. Suitable for 7 – 13 years old.

www.thefarmyard.ie

PEADAR CLANCY FESTIVAL

CRANNY

15th - 17th July

A great weekend of fun assured from cultural parade, treasure hunt, fancy dress themed night to a family fun day.

The Peadar Clancy Festival



BURREN INSPIRATIONAL WALK The Burren

16th July, 10.30am

Walkers participate actively in spiritual/inspirational walks in the Burren and Cliffs of Moher Geopark.

www.coisceimanama.ie

CLARECASTLE REGATTA CLARECASTLE 17th July

Family gathering on the guays in Clarecastle.

Clarecastle Regatta





KILRUSH TRADITIONAL MUSIC & SET DANCING FESTIVAL

KILRUSH 20th - 24th July

Music & set dancing festival with workshops and open air céilí's.

www.kilrushcce.com

BARN DANCE AT THE FARMYARD COROFIN 23rd July

A night of live music and delicious food. Prizes for the best dressed cowboy/cowgirl!

www.thefarmyard.ie

NORTH CLARE SHOW COROFIN 23rd July

The 67th North Clare Agricultural Show is a fun day out for all the family.

www.visitcorofin.com

CEOL COIS TINE TRADITIONAL MUSIC NIGHT CARRIGAHOLT

31st July, 7.30pm

Enjoy a night of traditional music in Keane's Pub.

www.loophead.ie

18 CENTENARY

"BATTLE HYMNS OF THE REPUBLIC"

KILRUSH 27th Ju

West Clare 1916-2016 Commemoration Steering Group present "Battle Hymns of the Republic" – the rendition of republican anthems, love songs and tributes to those who died in 1916, to include poetry readings and dress of the era.

www.clarecoco.ie

1916 - 2016 CENTENARY COMMEMORATION OPEN AIR CONCERT

KILRUSH

Open air concert in the beautiful settings of the Vandeleur Walled Garden.

www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie



DOONBEG SEAFOOD FESTIVAL DOONBEG 29th - 31st July

The festival has something for everyone - events include open air fish market, pony & trap rides, face painting, zorb balls, treasure hunt, water golfing and music.

www.doonbegseafoodfestival.com



KILMIHIL FESTIVAL OF FLIN

KILMIHIL 30th July – 1st August

Ireland's only festival completely dedicated to fun and making you smile.

Kilmihil Festival of Fun



ROSE OF CLARE FESTIVAL COORACLARE & CREE

31st July - 5th August

A family festival incorporating field day fun, sporting and heritage events, selection of 2016 Rose of Clare and something for all the community.

Rose of Clare



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August

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SPANISH POINT

Every Night, 9.30pm

Old world style bar with live traditional music or ballad singing.

www.armadahotel.com

RATHBORNEY INSPIRATIONAL WALK & LUNCH

BALLYVAUGHAN

Every Tuesday, 10.30am

A fantastic walk in the beautiful Rathborney Valley followed by a delicious lunch.

www.coisceimanama.ie



WEEKLY EVENTS CONT . . .

KILKEE CIVIC TRUST HERITAGE TALKS

KILKEE

These evening talks have become a popular event in the Kilkee summer calendar. There is a variety of subjects, so there will surely be something to suit everyones taste.

www.loophead.ie

INSPIRATIONAL HOLY WELLS WALK & LUNCH

KILSHANNY

Easy paced guided walk and lunch.

www.kilshannyhouse.ie

WEEKIY **SMALLHOLDERS MARKET**

SCARRIFF

Come and enjoy locally grown seasonal produce and artisan food and crafts at Sustenance in Scarriff Community Garden.

www.eastclarecoop.com

TRADITIONAL MUSIC SESSION

CARRIGAHOLT

Enjoy a traditional music session in Carmody's Pub.

www.loophead.ie

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CRUSHEEN - 10th August

HIGHWAY INN

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FEAKLE - 13th August

YOUNG'S PUB

LISSYCASEY - 19th August

FANNY O'DEA'S

CHAPEL GATES - 26th August

O'KEEFFE'S PUB

SHANAGLISH - 26th August

WHELAN'S PUB

COMHALTAS SUMMER SEISIÚIN

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ENJOY A STAGE SHOW SHOWCASING THE BEST OF LOCAL TRADITIONAL MUSIC, DANCING, SINGING AND STORYTELLING FOLLOWED BY AN INFORMAL SESSION WITH AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION ENCOURAGED.

TEACH CHEOIL. ENNISTYMON Every Monday, 9pm www.comhaltas.ie

TEACH CHEOIL. COROFIN Every Thursday, 9pm www.visitcorofin.com

TEACH CHEOIL. KILRUSH Every Thursday, 9pm www.kilrushcce.com

CNOC NA GAOITHE CULTURAL CENTRE. TULLA

www.cnocnagaoithe.com

COIS NA HABHNA, ENNIS 3rd. 5th. 10th & 12th August, 8.30pm www.coisnahabhna.ie



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DOONBEG CURRACH REGATTA DOONBEG

1st August

Races will consist of 3 Hand, Fear & Bean, U18, Naomhóg and Parish. Bouncing castle and refreshments will be provided on site.

www.doonbeginfo.com



LÚNASA ART & CRAFT FAIR WITH PLANT SALE

1st August

Celebrate summer at Vandeleur Walled Garden with an Art & Craft Fair and a massive plant sale.

www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

THE FARMYARD SUMMER CAMP COROFIN

2nd - 5th August

Experience all the fun, excitement and healthy living that a working farm has to offer from milking the cow, farm to fork cookery class and much more. Suitable for 5-7 years old.

www.thefarmyard.ie



FEAKLE INTERNATIONAL TRADITIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

FEAKLE 3rd – 8th Augus

6 days of music, song and dance with concerts, céilís, workshops, singing and music sessions, recitals, poetry readings, children's storytelling, nature walks and cultural talks.

www.feaklefestival.ie

LUGHNASA INSPIRATIONAL WALK

6th August, 10am

Celebrate the Celtic Festival of Lughnasa.

www.coisceimanama.ie



DIVING BOARD COMPETITION KILKEE 7th August

An annual spectacle in Kilkee. Locals have dived from the rocks in the west end of the town for many years and this is the opportunity to witness their skills.

www.loophead.ie

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www.burrenbeo.com



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SUMMER WORKSHOP AT BURREN COLLEGE OF ART BALLYVAUGHAN

8th - 12th August

A combination of new and traditional five days workshops in painting, drawing, photography and more.

www.burrencollege.ie/workshops

KILKEE BAY SWIM KILKEE 14th August

Set yourself the challenge of swimming the bay in the beautiful Victorian town of Kilkee. If you don't feel up to it, then watch from the many vantage points around the bay.

www.loophead.ie

KILKISHEN BOG WALK 14th August, 3pm

A walk through an ancient pathway also known as a 'Tochar'. Meet at Kilkishen Cultural Centre.

Kilkishen Tidy Towns



KILMURRY HARVEST FESTIVAL KILMURRY 7th - 14th Augus

Beginning with a field day, a week filled with entertainment for all ages and interests.

www.kilmurray.com

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Www.coisceimanama.ie



CARRIGAHOLT FAMILY FESTIVAL

CARRIGAHOLT 19th – 21st August

All the fun of the fair as Carrigaholt presents a four day festival of music, dance and craic for all the family.

www.loophead.ie

NATIONAL HERITAGE WEEK

NATIONWIDE 20th – 28th August

National Heritage Week celebrates our natural, built and cultural heritage with hundreds of events happening across Ireland. County Clare boasts a wide selection of events.

www.heritageweek.ie

NATIONAL HERITAGE WEEK AT THE CLIFFS OF MOHER LISCANNOR

20th - 28th August

A week long programme of activities to reflect this year's theme 'People and Place'.

www.cliffsofmoher.ie



BURREN EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP RETREAT AT THE BURREN COLLEGE OF ART BALLYVAUGHAN

21st - 24th August

The Retreat brings together accomplished and emerging leaders from all sectors around the world with renowned artists.

www.burrenleadership.org

HERITAGE CYCLE TRAIL LOOP HEAD PENINSULA 27th August

Follow the new Heritage trail to pick up 12 stations on the peninsula that are of particular interest. This will be a dedicated day when guided tours will be organised for both adults and children alike.

www.loophead.ie

CEOL COIS TINE TRADITIONAL MUSIC NIGHT CARRIGAHOLT 20th August 7200000

28th August, 7.30pm

Enjoy a night of traditional music in Keane's Pub.

www.loophead.ie

FLEADH CHEOIL NA HÉIREANN 🞝

CLARE -COUNTY OF CULTURE LUMINARIUM

ENNIS

13th - 21st August

A 'must visit' attraction and for the first time in Clare, a luminarium is a dazzling maze of winding paths and soaring domes, a monumental inflatable structure designed to generate a sense of wonder at the beauty of light and colour.

www.clare.ie

OPENING CONCERT,

WITH BOFFIN TO BURREN AND GUESTS SEAMUS BEGLEY AND OISIN MACDIARMADA

14th August, 8pm

A night of music, song and great craic with Dessie & Johnny O'Halloran, Kieran Hanrahan, Seamus O'Donnell, Ronan O'Flaherty, Caitlin NicGabhann, Padraic & Damien O'Reilly; plus guests Seamus Begley and Oisin MacDiarmada.

www.fleadhcheoil.ie

FLEADH CHEOIL NA HÉIREANN

ENNIS AND COUNTY-WIDE 14th - 21st August

The greatest Traditional Irish Music Festival in the world returns to Ennis for the first time since 1977

www.fleadhcheoil.ie

1916 COMMEMORATIVE OPENING PAGEANT

14th August

'Seachtar fear seacht lá" — opening pageant of Fleadh Cheoil na Éireann in Ennis will be a 1916 commemorative opening in collaboration with Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann. This was first performed in Croke Park in 1966 for the 50th anniversary of the Rising.

www.fleadhcheoil.ie

A HOST OF OTHER EVENTS WILL BE TAKING PLACE.
SEE WWW.FLEADHCHEOIL IE & WWW.CLARE.IE



A CELEBRATION OF EAST CLARE MUSIC

15th August, 8pm

Concert featuring Martin Hayes & Dennis Cahill, The Tulla Céilí Band, Andrew and Mary MacNamara and many more.

www.fleadhcheoil.ie

MASTERS OF THE WEST

GLÓR

16th August, 8pn

Concert featuring Noel Hill, Frankie Gavin and Arty McGlynn, plus special guests.

www.fleadhcheoil.ie

FAR FROM HOME A GLOBAL CELEBRATION OF CLARE MUSICAL DIASPORA

17th August, 8pm

Gala concert featuring interactive materials and performances from Clare musicians from all around the globe.

www.fleadhcheoil.ie

A CELEBRATION OF SLIABH LUACHRA

GLÓR

18th August, 8pm

Leading Sliabh Luachra musicians take to the stage for a celebration of this unique musical dialect

www.fleadhcheoil.ie

MACALLA 1916

FLEADH DOME

18th August, 8pm

perform Michael Rooney's newly composed suite celebrating 1916.

www.fleadhcheoil.ie

KILFENORA CÉILÍ BAND

WITH SPECIAL GUEST SEAN KEANE FLEADH DOME

19th August, 8pm

Clare's finest, the Kilfenora Céilí Band, take to the Fleadh stage for a special concert featuring many special guests, including a unique collaboration with Galway singer/songwriter Sean Keane.

www.fleadhcheoil.ie

A CELEBRATION OF THE MUSIC OF THE FLANAGAN BROTHERS

GLOR

20th August, 8pm

A night of music from the 20's, with special guests Mick Moloney, The Brock-Maguire Band, plus many more.

www.fleadhcheoil.ie



ALL-IRELAND SENIOR CÉILÍ BAND FINALS GLÓR

21st August

Annual Céilí Band competition that is, as always, the centrepiece of the Fleadh competition timetable.

www.fleadhcheoil.ie

FLEADH CHEOIL NA HÉIREANN 🎝

CLOSING CONCERT, FEATURING CHERISH THE LADIES PLUS SPECIAL GUESTS FLEADH DOME 22nd August

The famous all-girl group fronted by the inimitable Joanie Madden takes to the Fleadh stage, with a host of special guests, to say goodbye to Fleadh 2016.







DOOLIN CRAFT BEER & ROOTS FESTIVAL

26th - 28th August

Sample Ireland's top craft brews and listen to the most exciting roots acts in the country while Chef Danny Craughwell is at the BBQ flipping some Cajun, American & Irish favourites!

www.doolinbeerandroots.com



THE CROTTY GALVIN TRADITIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL MOYASTA

26th - 28th August

Traditional festival of song, dance and music.

www.nellgalvin.ie





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www.glor.ie

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SEPTEMBER

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Easy paced guided walk and lunch.

www.kilshannyhouse.ie

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Burren Crafts

DAN FUREY WEEKEND LABASHEEDA

2nd - 4th September

A weekend full of set-dancing to the best céilí bands in the country in a scenic and tranquil area of West Clare.

www.danfurey.ie



LISDOONVARNA MATCHMAKING FESTIVAL

2nd September -2nd October

Third generation matchmaker Willie Daly is on hand to bring hopeful singles together and boasts many marriages to date.

www.matchmakerireland.com



SINGERS CLUBS

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CRUSHEEN - 14th September

LISSYCASEY - 16th September

CHAPEL GATES - 30th September O'KEEFFE'S PUB

SHANAGLISH - 30th September WHELAN'S PUB

CARRIGAHOLT HARVEST FESTIVAL CARRIGAHOLT 3rd September

Vintage and agricultural show celebrating all that is produced out west. All the fun of the fair, stalls, artisan market, competions and livestock shows.

www.loophead.ie

DECLAN HAYES MEMORIAL HALF MARATHON & 10K RUN/WALK DOONBEG 3rd September

The 10k walk/run takes place in a scenic looped route overlooking the White Strand Beach & Doughmore sand dunes. There is also a scenic half marathon route.

www.westclarewalkingclub.com

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www.burrenbeo.com

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www.thefarmyard.ie

CULTURE NIGHT VARIOUS LOCATIONS 16th September

A kaleidoscope of events, exhibitions, music, theatre and the arts throughout the county. All events are free of charge and all are welcome.

Clare Culture Night

ENNIS FRINGE FESTIVAL ENNIS 16th - 19th September

Ennis Fringe Festival promotes the work of Clare artists, musicians, and performers who focus on original material.

Ennis Fringe Art Fest

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www.coisceimanama.ie

AUTUMN WORKSHOP WEEKEND AT IRISH SEED SAVERS

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SCARRIFF

17th - 18th September

A range of gardening and self-sufficiency workshops.

www.irishseedsavers.ie



BORU TRI CLUB PIER TO BEER NIGHT SWIM KILLALOE

16th September

Swim from the Lock Gates at the top of the canal in Killaloe down under the bridge and out between the waters lit by glo sticks! (Distance of approx 600m).

www.borutriclub.com



SEAFOOD IN SEPTEMBER CARRIGAHOLT 16th - 18th September

Get your taste buds excited for this fabulous food festival on the Wild Atlantic Way. Come hungry and enjoy lots of delicous locally produced seafood.

www.loophead.ie



ENNIS FASHION WEEK

18th - 25th September A week of events celebrating Ennis the

Boutique Capital of Ireland. www.ennisfashion.ie

ENNIS FOOD FESTIVAL

22nd - 25th September

A celebration of food from Ennis, County Clare and beyond. The highlight event is the Gourmet Food Village at glór on 24th September.

www.ennisfoodfestival.com

AUTUMN ART & CRAFT FAIR WITH PLANT SALE KILRUSH

18th September
Celebrate autumn with an art & craft fair and plant sale at Vandeleur Walled Garden.

www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

BORU TRI CLUB BOAT TO BRIDGE 3KM SWIM KILLALOE 18th September

Open water distance swim event with a difference: boat up the lake a distance of 3km – take the plunge and return by arm power – swim downriver from boat to bridge. EPIC!

www.borutriclub.com



HARVEST DAY AT BUNRATTY CASTLE & FOLK PARK BUNRATTY 25th September

25th September

Why don't you join us to celebrate the gathering of the harvest at Bunratty Folk Park, and see the traditions of a typical 19th century harvest day?

www.shannonheritage.com/Events

CEOL COIS TINE TRADITIONAL MUSIC NIGHT CARRIGAHOLT 25th September, 7.30pm

Enjoy a night of traditional music in Keane's Pub.

www.loophead.ie

CHE DO BEATHA FESTIVAL

25th - 27th September

Celebrate Chez Guevara weekend with salsa and South American food and drink. Kilkee converts to the southern hemisphere for a weekend of fun and swing.

www.loophead.ie



DIASPORA OF THE WILD ATLANTIC WAY FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE

CONFERENCE ENNIS

23rd - 24th September

An international family history conference which will examine the movement and migration of people from the west coast counties of Ireland to Scotland, Britain and beyond.

www.clareroots.org



BURREN PEAKS WEEKEND OF WALKING FESTIVAL BALLYVAUGHAN & FANORE

23rd - 25th September

Burren Peaks Weekend of Walking Festival promises you a real taste of the Burren and offers guided hill and lowland walks varying in distance and grade catering for all walkers.

www.burrenpeakswalkingfestival.com



MOUNTSHANNON TRAD FESTIVAL

MOUNTSHANNON

23rd - 25th September

Traditional Irish Music Festival with céilí, and over 20 pub sessions throughout the weekend.

www.mountshannontradfestival.ie

JOIN THE KING'S TABLE AT **OUR MEDIEVAL BANQUET** Where clan leaders resided in opulence and great Lords planned historic battles... Why not feast on a banquet fit for royalty while enjoying uplifting Irish music. Allow us to transport you back in time with our Medieval Banquet in our splendid Castle & Folk Park.

Find out more at shannonheritage.com

Bunratty, Co Clare 061 360 788



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KILSHANNY

Every Friday, 11am

Easy paced guided walk and lunch.

www.kilshannyhouse.ie

WEEKLY SMALLHOLDERS MARKET

SCARRIFF

Every Friday, 12noon - 4pm

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www.eastclarecoop.com



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Third generation matchmaker Willie Daly is on hand to bring hopeful singles together and boasts many marriages to date.

www.matchmakerireland.com

MONTHLY HERITAGE WALK THE BURREN

2nd October, 2pm

Walks series are open to everyone who has an interest in the Burren and in its natural, built and cultural heritage.

www.burrenbeo.com



THE OUTING LGTB MUSIC & MATCHMAKING FESTIVAL LISDOONVARNA

A weekend full of Irish and international music, céilí, dancing, blind dates and guest artists and DJ's. Lots of surprises!

www.theouting.ie

WORLD RECORD LISDOONVARNA 8th October

'The Outing' will gather the most lesbian, gay, bi and transgender gingers in the one place in an attempt to set a new world record with special quests.

www.theouting.ie

TRADITIONAL HORSE FAIR KILRUSH 10th October

Horse/ Pony traders position themselves about the Market Square while traders line Frances Street.

www.clarecoco.ie

'EVERYDAY HEALTHY DISHES' COOKERY DEMONSTRATION KILKEE 12th October

Attend a demonstration cookery class in the Pantry Kilkee which showcases local produce. Demonstration ends with a large buffet.

www.pantrykilkee.ie

BURREN INSPIRATIONAL WALK THE BURREN

15th October, 10.30am

Walkers participate actively in spiritual/inspirational walks in the Burren and Cliffs of Moher Geopark.

www.coisceimanama.ie



'KIDS & MOTHERS' COOKERY WORKSHOP KILKEE 15th October

A one day workshop suitable for children and parents of all ages and levels held in the Pantry Kilkee.

www.pantrykilkee.ie

BUNRATTY BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

21st - 23rd October

A festival of Bluegrass music and more in 7 venues around Bunratty Village and Bunratty Folk Park showcasing artists from Ireland and abroad.

www.bunratty.ie

'BACK TO BASICS' COOKERY DEMONSTRATION KILKEE 22nd October

Attend a demonstration cookery class in the Pantry Kilkee which showcases local produce. Demonstration ends with a large buffet.

www.pantrykilkee.ie

WILLIE KEANE MEMORIAL WEEKEND DOONBEG

28th - 31st October

This festival celebrates the life of Willie Keane, legendary sean-nós dancer, with traditional music, song and dance.

www.williekeanememorialweekend.com

BARN DANCE AT THE FARMYARD COROFIN 29th October

A night of live music and delicious food. Prizes for the best dressed cowbov/cowgirl!

www.thefarmyard.ie

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FEAKLE - 8th October YOUNG'S PUB

CRUSHEEN - 12th October

ENNIS - 14th October Grove Bar & restaurant. Roslevan

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LISSYCASEY - 21st October FANNY O'DEA'S

CHAPEL GATES - 28th October

O'KEEFFE'S PUB

SHANAGLISH - 28th October

WHELAN'S PUB

BURREN WINTERAGE WEEKEND Burren

28th - 30th October

Community celebration of pastoral farming heritage including walks, family events, food fayre and cattle drive.

www.burrenwinterage.com



HARVEST FESTIVAL SCARRIFF 29th October

Lantern making numnki

Lantern making, pumpkin carving, games, golden spoon awards, music, fun, creativity – get ready for winter!

www.eastclarecoop.com

THE BURREN FOOD FAYRE

LISDOONVARNA

29th - 30th October

Celebrating local produce and traditional food crafts the fayre celebrates the food heritage of the region with talks, tastings and cookery demos.

The Burren Food Fayre

CEOL COIS TINE TRADITIONAL MUSIC NIGHT CARRIGAHOLT 30th October, 7.30pm

Enjoy a night of traditional music in Keane's Pub.

www.loophead.ie

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GET READY FOR HALLOWEEN

KILRUSH

22nd October

Join us at Vandeleur Walled Garden for a fun Halloween themed day.

www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

FESTIVAL OF SCARES

26th - 28th Oct

The Horror Train at Trump Hotel, Doonbeg

– 1 Horror train journey to 7 different scary
locations!

www.trumphotelcollection.com/ireland

CORA-WEEN SPOOKTACKULAR

COROFIN

28th - 31st October

Enjoy a weekend full of Halloween fun including storytelling, food fayre, popular witches walk and discos for adults and children.

www.cora-ween.corofin.org

HALLOWEEN AT THE CLIFFS OF MOHER

29th - 30th October

Join us for spooktacular thrills for all the family at Cliffs of Moher Visitor Centre.

www.cliffsofmoher.ie



SPOOKY HALLOWEEN AT MOHER HILL OPEN FARM

30th Octobo

With 'Padini' The Great Magician and traditional Halloween fun, games and facepainting, Halloween at Moher Hill Farm is sure to scare the bravest!

www.moherfarm.ie

HALLOWEEN
AT AILLWEE CAVE & BIRDS OF PREY CENTRE
BALLYVAUGHAN

Spooky cave tours, scary stories and al manner of capers!

www.aillweecave.ie

HALLOWEEN IN CARRIGAHOLT

31st October, 7.30pr

Celebrate Halloween with the Carrigaholt Pooka, fun for all the family, tricks and treats a plenty. Be prepared to be scared.

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WEEKLY EVENTS

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If you like music, theatre, comedy and visual art, check out glór's website for a programme that features top acts throughout the year, as well as the best touring Irish theatre.

www.glor.ie

DURTY NELLY'S NIGHTLY MUSIC SESSION

BUNRATTY

You are invited to join us 7 nights a week to listen to great music.

www.durtynellys.ie

NOVEMBER

WEEKLY **SMALLHOLDERS** MARKET

SCARRIFF

Come and enjoy locally grown seasonal produce and artisan food and crafts at Sustenance in Scarriff

www.eastclarecoop.com

LIVE MUSIC SESSION IN JOHNNY BURKES BAR, ARMADA HOTEL **SPANISH POINT**

Old world style bar with live traditional music or ballad singing.

www.armadahotel.com



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CHAPEL GATES - 25th November
O'KEEFFE'S PUB

SHANAGLISH - 25th November WHELAN'S PUB

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www.burrenbeo.com

ONE ACT DRAMA FESTIVAL DOONBEG

12th - 14th November

Ten different plays will be shown over three nights in both open and confined sections.

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'FAST, EASY DISHES TO SUIT BUSY LIFESTYLES' COOKERY DEMONSTRATION KILKEE 19th November

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www.pantrykilkee.ie

ENNIS TRAD FEST ENNIS 10th - 1/th November

A music festival by musicians for musicians and everyone in between.

www.ennistradfest.com



BURREN INSPIRATIONAL WALK THE BURREN 19th November, 10.30am

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www.coisceimanama.ie

WINTER WORKSHOPS WEEKEND

AT IRISH SEED SAVERS
SCARRIFF

19th - 20th November

A range of gardening and self-sufficiency workshop.

www.irishseedsavers.ie

TRADITIONAL HORSE FAIR KILRUSH 23rd November

Horse/Pony traders position themselves about the Market Square while traders selling all kinds of goods from household items to plants line Frances Street.

www.clarecoco.ie

'ENTERTAINING MADE EASY' COOKERY DEMONSTRATION

KILKEE

26th November

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www.pantrykilkee.ie

CEOL COIS TINE TRADITIONAL MUSIC NIGHT CARRIGAHOLT

27th November, 7.30pm

Enjoy a night of traditional music in Keane's Pub.

www.loophead.ie



DOONBEG CHRISTMAS MARKET

DOONBEG

25th - 27th November

A Christmas market to remember with numerous stalls of gifts, decorations, food etc on the grounds of Trump International Hotel.

www.trumphotelcollection.com/ireland

SANTA'S WORKSHOP AT AILLWEE CAVE & BIRDS OF PREY CENTRE BALLYVAUGHAN

25th - 27th November

A personalised visit to meet with Santa himself. Lots of family fun and entertainment. Bookable event.

www.aillweecave.ie

SANTA

AT BUNRATTY CASTLE & FOLK PARK BUNRATTY

26th – 27th November

Give the children a Christmas experience they'll remember for years to come in a unique and traditional village setting at Bunratty Folk Park.

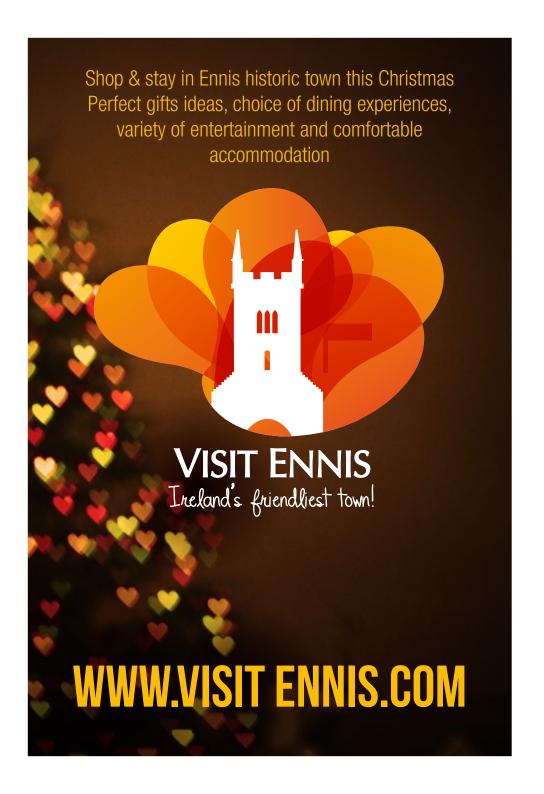
www.shannonheritage.com/Events

CLARE CRUSADERS CHILDREN'S CLINIC CHRISTMAS MARKET

ENNIS 27th November

Come and enjoy a family Christmas stocking filler event in the grounds of the Auburn Lodge Hotel

www.clarecrusaders.ie



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FANORE - 16th December O'DONOHUE'S PUB

CHAPEL GATES - 30th December O'KEEFFE'S PUB

SHANAGLISH - 30th December WHELAN'S PUB

BOOTLEGGERS BALL KILKEE 2nd December

Join in an evening of indulgence followed by music from the theme of the night. Loop Head Food Circle provide an array of speciality foods with ingedients sourced locally.

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MUSIC GENERATION CONCERT

Music Generation Clare treats you to an uplifting musical flavour from across their various vocal and instrumental programmes. Featuring a very special guest performance.

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10th December



CHRISTMAS VILLAGE AT MOHER HILL OPEN FARM **LISCANNOR**

In the run up to Christmas, Moher Hill Farm is a hive of activity, as some of Santa's favourite elves move into the barn to use it as a workshop. Everyone welcome to visit.

www.moherfarm.ie



SANTA AT BUNRATTY CASTLE & FOLK PARK BUNRATTY 1st - 23rd December

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www.shannonheritage.com/Events



CHRISTMAS EVENINGS AT BUNRATTY CASTLE & FOLK PARK BUNRATTY 1st - 23rd December

'Tis the season to be jolly and there is nothing better than to celebrate Christmas surrounded by friends with wonderful food & wine in the company of the castle entertainers.

www.shannonheritage.com/Events

CARRIGAHOLT CHRISTMAS MARKET

3rd December

Come and join in the Christmas festivities at the village Christmas market. Upwards of 30 stall holders tempt you with artisan food and craft fayre.

www.loophead.ie



SANTA EXPERIENCE AT THE FARMYARD CORDFIN

3rd - 21st December

The Farmyard in Corofin is a magical place to meet Santa. It's an experience for all the family, adults and children alike.

www.thefarmyard.ie



SANTA'S GROTTO & CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

KILRUSH

3rd - 4th December

Celebrate the festive season at Vandeleur Walled Garden with a visit to Santa and some Christmas shopping at the craft fair.

www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie



BURREN CHARITY CHALLENGE BALLYVAUGHAN 31st December

Annual charity run and cycle event to raise funds for local charities. A great family fun day guaranteed.

www.burrencyclingclub.com



SANTA'S WORKSHOP AT AILLWEE CAVE & BIRDS OF PREY CENTRE

BALLYVAUGHAN

2nd - 4th

9th - 11th

16th - 18th

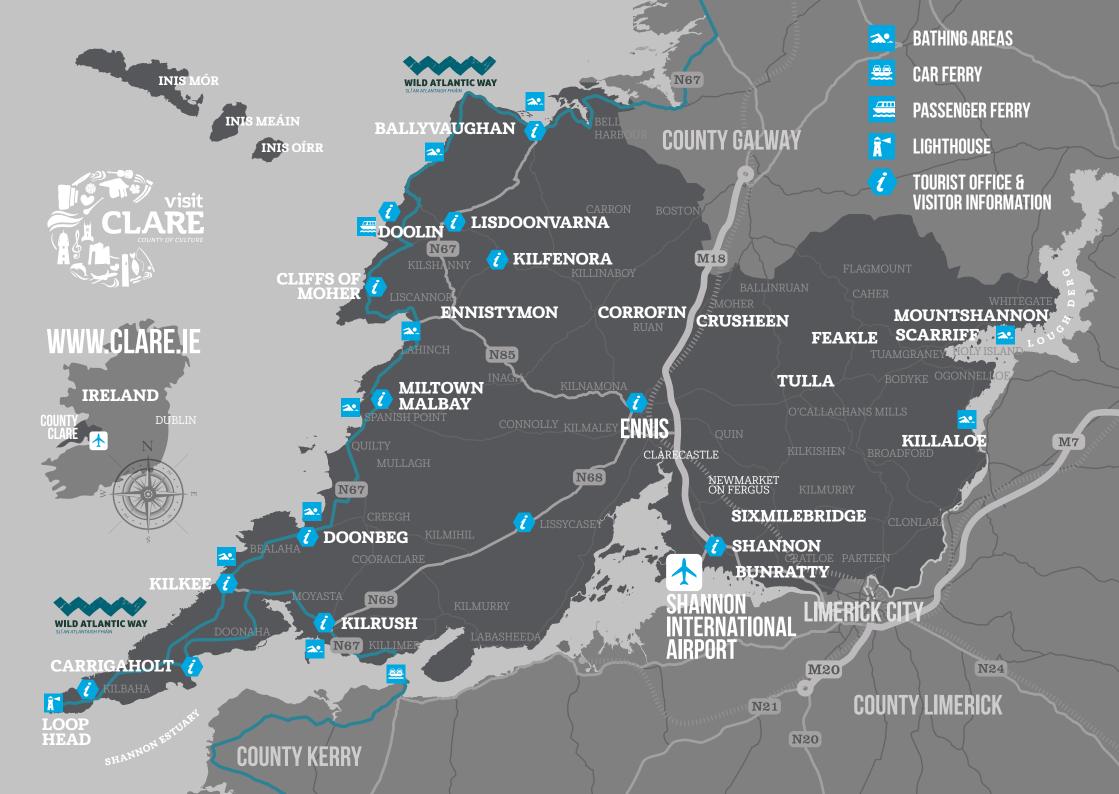
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