Kildare Heritage Week Events 2016

Welcome to County Kildares' Heritage Week Seachtain Oidhreachta 2016 i gCo. Chill Dara

Heritage Week is coordinated by the Heritage Council and Local Authority Heritage Officers. It is supported by the Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs. and Fáilte Ireland. National Heritage Week is Ireland's annual celebration of our built, natural and cultural heritage and is part of a European initiative to encourage people to take an interest in their local heritage.

Many of the events in this guide have been organised by local community and heritage groups who have a passion for heritage which they wish to translate to the people of Kildare. In 2016, the Heritage Council invites you to explore 100 Years of Heritage and take a journey back through one hundred years of Ireland, discovering the lives of those who came before us. From open days at historic buildings to hands-on heritage fun for children there is something for everyone to enjoy; exhibitions, activities, talks, craft demonstrations, re-enactments, tours and more.

The aim of Heritage Week is to foster a greater understanding and awareness of our own local heritage. This listing of events has been compiled by the Kildare Heritage Officer, Kildare County Council.

Most events listed here are free. Participants are advised to confirm details of events in advance. Some events require booking. Children are welcome to most events but young children should be accompanied by an adult. Please dress suitably. Get out and enjoy Kildare's wonderful heritage during national Heritage Week

Bridget Loughlin, Heritage Officer

C = Suitable for Children Icon W= Wheelchair accessible Icon P= Parking Icon

Event occurring all week Sat 20th to Sun 29th

1. Grandparents Go Free at the Steam Museum

Visit the Steam Museum and Lodge Park Walled Garden where Grandparents go free all week.

Venue: The Steam Museum and Lodge Park Walled Garden, Straffan

Telephone: 01 6288412

Email: <u>info@steam-museum.ie</u>

Admission: Adults €7.50, Children & OAP & Students €5, Children under 6 Free,

Family Ticket €20

Dates: Each day 2pm to 6pm

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2 Another Brick in the Wall

Window Display from 100 year old brickyards in Kildare, Ireland and UK in Foxes Shop Window, Naas compiled by Naas Local History Group.

Venue: 28 South Main Street, Naas

Telephone: 087 2872704

Email: <u>liamkenny99@gmail.com</u>

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3 Tower of Allen

Access to the Tower steeped in history with commanding views of the surrounding areas, 10km from Newbridge and Kildare, 15km from Naas

Telephone: 089 4906802 Contact: Regina Heavey

Email: regina.heavey@gmail.com

Admission: Free

Dates: Saturday 22nd – 30th August 10am – 6pm

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4. Guided Visits of Kildrought House

Visit the early Georgian merchant's house – a good example of domestic architecture of 1720. Maximum group size 12 people. Kildrought House is open from 10am – 2pm during Heritage Week and guided tours are available. Booking essential

Venue: Kildrought House, Celbridge

Date: All week

Admission: €6 (Free tour on 22nd & 23rd @10.45am – First 12 people to register)

Telephone: 01 6271206

Email: junestuart@gmail.com

Not full week check relevant entry for dates.

5. Church Open Days - St. Mary's Church of Ireland Leixlip

Explore the oldest public building still in use in Leixlip with fine examples of stained glass and many interesting monuments. Organised by Leixlip Union Parish.

Venue: St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Leixlip

Admission: Free

Dates: Saturday 20th 10am – 5pm (closed 1-2pm), Sunday 21st – Closed

Monday 22nd – Closed, Tuesday 23rd 10am – 5pm (closed 1-2pm),

Wednesday 24th - Closed, Thursday 25th 10am - 1pm only,

Friday 26th 6.30pm–9pm, Saturday 27th 10am – 5pm (closed 1-2pm),

Telephone: 01 6240976 Email: sta@indigo.ie

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6. Medieval Kildare - Truly Terrible Tales!

Cill Dara Historical Society and Kildare Town Heritage Centre are organising an event suitable for 5 to 15 year olds. Some fun facts and terrifying tales of Kildare Town in Medieval times ahead of the Medieval Festival. Family Fun. Booking required.

Venue: Kildare Community Library
Date: Saturday 20th August
Time: 10am -10.40am

Admission: Free

Telephone: 045 520235

Email: <u>kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie</u>

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7. Celbridge Lodge

Celbridge Lodge is a period house with 18th Century furniture and a collection of Irish paintings. Small groups only, please telephone Henry McDowell on 01 6288347 to book. House gates in Church Road, opposite Grotto, Celbridge Lodge, Celbridge.

Telephone: Henry McDowell on 01 6288347 Admission: €5 per adult (not suitable for children)

Date: Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th & Thursday 25th August 10am – 1pm

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8. Guided Walking Tour of Kildare Town

A guided tour of one of the oldest towns in Ireland. Key stops along the way are a Norman Tower, St Brigid's (patroness of Ireland) Monastic Site and the highest accessible Round Tower in the Country. Tour cost includes a donation to St. Brigid's Cathedral but does not include cost of climbing the Round Tower.

Dates: Monday 22nd, Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th, Friday 26th

Saturday 27th August 11am – 12pm

Venue: Kildare Town Heritage Centre Admission: Adult €2.50, Children €1.50

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9. Maynooth Castle

Take a guided tour or self-guide through 800 years of history!

Themed tours, the Maynooth Castle speciality 'Pot Luck Tours' and art and craft activities for children.

Date: Saturday 20th - 28th August 10.00am - 5.00pm

(Except Monday 23rd & Tuesday 24th)

Admission: Free

Telephone: 01 6286744

Email: maynoothcastle@opw.ie

Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/maynooth</u>

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10. Russell Library Tours

Tour of historic Russell Library to view the 1916 Commemoration Exhibition on Domhnall Ua Buachalla

Venue: Russell Library, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth Date: Monday 22nd, Wednesday 24th, Thursday 25th

Times: 2.30pm - 3pm and 3.30pm - 4pm

(Except Monday 23rd & Tuesday 24th)

Admission: Free

Telephone: 01 4747422 (booking required)
Email: <u>library.specialcollections@nuim.ie</u>

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11. National Science Museum – NUI Maynooth

Open days at National Science Museum – NUI Maynooth View the largest display of scientific instruments on public display in Ireland, most of which were manufactured in the Dublin area between 1880 and 1920.

Venue: National Science Museum, NUI Maynooth

Dates: Sunday 21st, Wednesday 24th, Sunday 28th 2pm - 6pm

Times: 2pm - 6pm

Admission: Free

Telephone: 087 9152003

Email: niall.mckeith@spcm.ie

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12. Irish High Cross & Local Heritage Exhibitions

View part of the Irish High Cross Exhibition (originally in the National Museum) and an exhibition on the rich heritage of the town. A perfect complement to a walk around our historical sites. Organised by Castledermot Local History Group.

Venue: Teach Diarmada Community Centre, Main Street, Castledermot

Admission: Free

Dates: Monday 22nd to Friday 26th August 9.30am – 5pm

Telephone: 087 7990867

Email: castledermothist@gmail.com

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13. Museum Treasure Hunt

Fun activities inside the Athy Heritage Centre - Museum. Follow the map; locate the clues to win a certificate.

Venue: Athy Heritage Centre-Museum

Admission: Free

Dates: Monday 22nd, Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th, Thursday 25th &

Friday 26th 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Telephone: 0598633075

Email: athyheritage@eircom.net

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14. Nature Trail at An Tearmann

Enjoy our nature trail with a river of wildflowers flowing down to the Liffey. Weavery will also be open from 2.30pm – 5pm, Monday to Thursday only

Venue: An Tearmann, Main Street, Kilcullen

Admission: Free

Dates: Monday 22nd – Saturday 27th August 9am -5pm

Telephone: 087 2172844

Email: raditchburn@gmail.com

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Saturday 20th August

15. Prosperous Music Festival

Free Festival full of music, song and dance to renew the rich musical heritage of the village. Parade and family fun day on Sunday 21st August.

Venue: Prosperous

Admission: Free

Dates: Saturday 20th 8pm – 11pm & Sunday 21st August 1pm – 11pm

Telephone: 087 2476051

Email: <u>prosperousfestival@gmail.com</u>

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16. North Kildare Beekeepers Association Demonstration

Learn about the fascinating lives of bees from hives to honey and see a display of live bees, showing species of the pure native Irish honey bee and try to find the queen!

Venue: The Stables, Stable Wing, Castletown House

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 20th 10am – 5pm

Telephone: 01 6288252

Email: castletown@opw.ie

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17. Guided Walk along the "Swift and Vanessa Love Trail"

Guided walk through laurel paths, tracing the footsteps of Jonathan Swift and his beloved Vanessa at Celbridge Abbey.

Venue: Celbridge Abbey, Celbridge

Admission: Free

Dates: Saturday 20th August 3pm – 4pm

Telephone: 087 9630719

Email: celbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

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18. Open Day at the Bog of Allen Nature Centre

Join the IPCC for a fun family day out discovering the wonder of Ireland's peatlands with a visit to Lodge Bog to observe the nesting habitat of the rare Irish Curlew and hear its iconic call. Fun nature activities for children.

Venue: Bog of Allen Nature Centre, Lullymore

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 20th August 11am – 2pm

Telephone: 045 860133 Email: bogs@ipcc.ie

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19. Colouring Medieval Letters

Family fun colouring in Medieval Lettering which will be displayed at the library during Heritage Week.

Venue: Kildare Town Library

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 20th August 9.30am – 12.30pm

Telephone: 045 520235

Email: <u>kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie</u>

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20. The Winter Dress

A play by Angela Keogh. This is the story of a dressmaker and a scribe. A story of life, love and laughter in the face of the Black Death. A dressmaker and a scribe meet on their way to Kilkenny in 1348 and share their stories to shorten the journey. One of them is carrying more than a gift to the city. Also visit www.theoldyard.ie for further details.

Booking required.

Venue: The Old Yard, Garterfarm, Athy Road, Castledermot

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 20th August @ 7.30pm

Telephone: 085 7176423 for bookings Email: thewinterdress@gmail.com

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21. 1916 Commemorative Visual Arts Project through Printmaking

Printmakers from eight printmaking studios around Ireland have accepted an invitation to participate in the project, prints during around the time of the Easter Rising in 1916. Venue: Kildare Town Library

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 20th August 9.30am – 12.30pm

Telephone: 045 520235

Email: kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie

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22. Little Stories - Little Prints Workshop

Printmaking workshops with artists Pamela de Brí and Margaret Becker who will work with children to uncover family lore and artefacts relating to 1916.

Venue: Kildare Town Library

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 20th August 11am – 12pm

Telephone: 045 520235

Email: kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie

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23. Noted Gatherings of the last 100 Years

Visual Presentation focussing on some of the major historical, sporting and popular events over the last 100 years with an emphasis on County Kildare.

Venue: Maynooth Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 20th August 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Telephone: 01 6285530

Email: maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie

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24. Children's Living History Tour of Castletown House

Dress up or wear our aprons, dresses and waistcoats as you see the stables, museum rooms and the Berkeley toy and costume collection. Would you prefer to live or work in the Big House? Event for under 12's, adult supervision required.

Venue: Castletown House

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 20th August 2.30pm – 3.15pm

Telephone: 01 6288252 (Booking required)

Email: castletown@opw.ie

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25. Visit to Clane's Franciscan Friary

Site visit where recent archaeological findings and their relationship to the remaining structural features will be interpreted in order to provide a glimpse into Franciscan spirituality. Organised by Clane Local History Group.

Venue: Franciscan Friary, Clane

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 20th August 3pm – 5pm

Telephone: 086 8103717

Email: bcullen1234@yahoo.com

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26. Talk at Derrybeg Farm Celbridge: Community Supported Agriculture

Talk by Róisín Nic Cóil on the history, practicalities and appeal of the community supported agriculture movement with a tour of Derrybeg Farm by farmer Nathan Jackson. Not suitable for buggies, wear strong footwear.

Venue: Derrybeg Farm, Moortown, Celbridge

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 20th August 1pm – 2pm Email: derrybegheritageweek@gmail.com

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27. Swan Walk and Talk

Learn about the life history of the breeding swans at Naas Lakes, how their 15 cygnets are getting on and how to contribute to Mute Swan monitoring in County Kildare organised by Irish Midland's Ringing Group.

Venue: Naas Lakes

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 20th August 3pm – 5pm

Email: medgullring@gmail.com

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28. Martin P. Fleming Photo Trail

Enlargements (40" x 30") of some of Marty's Photos from 1960's and 1970's on display in various locations in Kildare Town & Monasterevin. Photographs are copyrighted. Organised by Cill Dara Historical Society

Venue: Various locations in Monasterevin and Kildare Town

Date: Saturday 20th August 9am to 4pm

Admission: Free

Email: nurkilcep@eircom.net

Telephone: 0861686236

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Sunday 21st August

29. North Kildare Beekeepers Association Demonstration

Learn about the fascinating lives of bees from hives to honey and see a display of live bees, showing species of the pure native Irish honey bee and try to find the queen!

Venue: The Stables, Stable Wing, Castletown House

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 21st 10am – 5pm

Telephone: 01 6288252

Email: castletown@opw.ie

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30. Kildare Town Medieval Festival

Family fun day bringing to life the rich medieval history of one of Ireland's oldest towns. There will be music, street theatre, mini walking tours, food and activities for all age groups. Why not come in costume? Organisers encouraging people to use the excellent bus and rail services or walk if you are local as car parking is very limited.

Venue: St. Brigid's Cathedral

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 21st August 12.30pm – 6pm

Contact: 045 530672

Email: info@kildareheritage.com

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31. Sunday Summer Series

Castletown House plays host to a recital with Soprano Sarah Darlington with pianist Anne Conaghan and Fergus Conaghan, oboe.

Venue: Entrance Hall, Castletown House, Celbridge

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 21st August 2pm – 4pm

Telephone: 01 6288252

Email: castletown@opw.ie

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32. Tour of Celbridge Mill Community Centre and the Water Turbine Room

Tour of Celbridge Community Centre, in existence since 1712 with an opportunity to visit the Vertical Water Turbine Room

Venue: Celbridge Mill Centre, Celbridge

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 21st August 11am – 1pm

Telephone: 01 6288556

Email: celbridgemillcommunitycentre@eircom.net

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33. The Talbot Tower

An opportunity to walk to the brooding Gothic Talbot Tower, the summit point in Carton Estate and a short talk about its founder and its subsequent history. Organised by Maynooth Local History Group.

Venue: Last car park beside the training grounds, near Talbot Tower,

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 21st August 3pm – 4.15pm

Telephone: 086 8636249

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34. Guided Walk Along Arthur's Way

Trace the footsteps of Arthur Guinness, born in the village of Celbridge in 1725 and visit the heritage legacy of the Guinness Family.

Venue: Celbridge Abbey Car Park, Clane Road, Celbridge

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 21st August 3pm – 4.30pm

Telephone: 087 9630719

Email: <u>celbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie</u>

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35. Visit to St. Enda's Park and Tour of the Pearse Museum

Remembering Teresa Brayton and her 'Day with Padraig Pearse' in St. Enda's. Bus leaving Kilcock Square at 2pm. Refreshments in Museum Tea Rooms.

Venue: The Square, Kilcock

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 21st August 2pm – 7pm

Telephone: 087 6448069

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36. Weaving in the Community

Scouts from the community will learn the ancient skills of weaving prior to this event and together with master weaver Beth Murphy, from Willow Wonder, we will bring our new skills to share with people in our community.

Venue: Kildare Town Medieval Festival, Kildare Town

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 21st August 12pm – 5.30pm

Telephone: 087 6462528

Email: willownwattle@gmail.com

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Monday 22nd August

37. Lunchtime Lectures at Maynooth University

The Wild Wonderful Women of 1916 by Fiona Ahern 1pm – 2pm

Admission: Free

Venue: John Paul II Library, Maynooth University

Date: Monday 22nd August 1pm – 2pm
Telephone: 01 4747422 (booking required)
Email: library.specialcollections@nuim.ie

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38. St. John's Graveyard Athy Guided Tour

Guided tour of St John's Graveyard Athy

Venue: St. John's Graveyard, Edmund Rice Square, Athy

Admission: Free

Date: Monday 22nd August 11.30am – 12.30pm

Telephone: 059 8633075

Email: athyheritage@eircom.net

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39. Kildare Men at the Battle of the Somme

Talk on the involvement of men from County Kildare in the Battle of the Somme, one hundred years ago hosted by Kill Local History Group.

Venue: Parish Meeting Room, Kill

Admission: Free

Date: Monday 22nd August 8.30pm – 10pm

Telephone: 087 3513328

Email: brianfrancis.mccabe@gmail.com

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40. On the Banks of the Liffey – History of Newbridge College

Tour of Newbridge College and grounds highlighting the development of this settlement since 1756 when the Dominicans first settled here. Organised by Kill History Group.

Venue: Newbridge College, Church Porch

Admission: Free

Date: Monday 22nd August 7pm – 8.30pm

Email: raphaelryan@yahoo.co.uk

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Tuesday 23rdAugust

41. One Family? An Early Bronze Age Cemetery at Moone

Illustrated talk by Noel Dunne, TII Archaeologist on the results of the excavation of an early Bronze Age cemetery in Moone undertaken in 2007. Organised by TII Archaeology in Partnership with Kildare County Council and Naas Local History Group.

Venue: Council Chambers, Naas Town Hall

Admission: Free

Date: Tuesday 23rd August 8pm – 10pm

Telephone: 086 8296098 Email: noel.dunne@tii.ie

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42. Battle of the Somme - Athy Connection

Talk by James Durney regarding the Battle of the Somme with a focus on Athy connections including Lt. Holland of Athy

Venue: Athy Library

Admission: Free

Date: Tuesday 23rd August 7pm – 8pm

Telephone: 059 631144

Email: athylib@kildarecoco.ie

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43. Ernest Shackleton - Kildare Born Hero

Illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan marking the 100th anniversary of the rescue of the crew of the Endurance which was crushed by the ice on the ill-fated expedition to reach the South Pole.

Venue: Ballitore Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Tuesday 23rd August 5pm – 6pm

Telephone: 059 8623344

Email: ballitorelib@kildarecoco.ie

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44. Clongowes Wood – The Early Years

A talk on the school life of the earliest Clongowes students and the concerns of their parents. Organised by Clane Community Library.

Venue: Clane Library, Clane

Admission: Free

Date: Tuesday 23rd August 8pm – 9.30pm

Telephone: 045 892716

Email: <u>clanelib@kildarecoco.ie</u>

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45. William Roantree (1829-1918) The Forgotten Fenian from Leixlip

Ardclough, Celbridge, Leixlip 1916 Rising Committee presents a lecture on William Roantree by speaker Michael Kenny, former curator of the National Museum of Ireland who is publishing a booklet on the subject. Organised by Ardclough, Celbridge, Leixlip 1916 Rising Committee.

Venue: Leixlip Library

Admission: Free

Date: Tuesday 23rd August 7pm – 9pm

Telephone: 087 2712492

Email: independentjimdoyle@gmail.com

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Wednesday 24th August

46. Lunchtime Lectures at Maynooth University

Kildare and 1916 by James Durney and Conflicted Loyalties: Kildare County Council from 1916 to the Civil War by Tom Nelson.

Admission: Free

Venue: John Paul II Library, Maynooth University

Date: Wednesday 24th 1pm – 2pm.

Telephone: 01 4747422 (booking required)

Email: <u>library.specialcollections@nuim.ie</u>

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47. Teddy Bears Picnic at McAuley Place

Teddies can explore the woodland garden, listen for birds and bees, sit on the restored stone wall, see where bats might be nesting and see the vegetables growing in the raised beds. Pre-registration essential, weather permitting.

Venue: McAuley Place, Naas

Admission: Free

Date: Wednesday 24th August 11am – 12pm

Telephone: 045 897833

Email: hello@mcauleyplace.ie

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48. Medieval Walking Tours

Award winning medieval guided walking tour of Athy.

Venue: Meet at Athy Heritage Center-Museum

Date: Wednesday 24th August 11am - 12:00noon

Telephone: 059 8633075

Email: athyheritage@eircom.net

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49. Step up to McAuley Place

Guided tours of the restored former Convent of Mercy buildings in Naas to showcase how heritage buildings can provide unique support and outreach for the entire community. Booking required.

Venue: McAuley Place, Naas

Admission: Free

Date: Wednesday 24th August 2pm – 3pm

Telephone: 045 897833

Email: hello@mcauleyplace.ie

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50. Children's Ceramic Workshop

Join Ania for a hands on, fun ceramic workshop. Suitable for 8-12 year olds. Get creative with clay and create your own work of art. All material supplied.

Venue: Naas Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Wednesday 24th August 10.30am – 12.30pm

Telephone: 045 879111 (Booking required)

Email: naaslib@kildarecoco.ie

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51. GYO for children

Learn about growing your own vegetables, different seeds and seasons. Suitable for children 6 years and over.

Venue: Athy Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Wednesday 24th August 2.15pm – 3.15pm

Telephone: 059 8631144 (Booking required)

Email: athylib@kildarecoco.ie

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52. Ernest Shackleton - Kildare Born Hero

Illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan marking the 100th anniversary of the rescue of the crew of the Endurance which was crushed by the ice on the ill-fated expedition to reach the South Pole.

Venue: Kilcullen Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Wednesday 24th August 7.30pm – 8.30pm

Telephone: 045 482193

Email: <u>kilcullenlib@kildarecoco.ie</u>

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53. Irish Wildlife with Juniata

Meet with author and presenter Juniata Browne, Zoologist, science communicator and author who will introduce the children to our wonderful Irish Wildlife.

Venue: Newbridge Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Wednesday 24th August 10.30am – 11.30am

Telephone: 045 448353 (Booking required)
Email: newbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

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54. Children's Colouring Fest

Children's fun event to colour in local heritage attractions on our "Colour in Kildare Heritage" colouring book with some story telling and bubbles! Organised by Tea Lane Graveyard Committee.

Venue: Celbridge Mill Centre

Admission: Free

Date: Wednesday 24th August 2pm – 4pm

Telephone: 087 9630719

Email: breda.konstantin@iol.ie

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55. The Heritage of ACDAL

An historical and pictorial journey showing the transformation of the Allenwood Power Station, from an industrial landscape, to a place where nature and industry co-exist.

Venue: ACDAL Enterprise Centre

Admission: Free

Date: Wednesday 24th August 2.30pm – 4.30pm

Telephone: 045 870804

Email: tom.guinn@acdal.ie

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56. Talk on John Wynn Baker- Experimental Agriculturist

Dr. Maebh O'Regan, introduced by President of RDS, Matthew Dempsey will give a talk on Experimental Agriculturist, John Wynn Baker circa 1760. Organised by Elm Hall Heritage Group.

Venue: Elm Hall Golf Clubhouse

Admission: Free

Date: Wednesday 24th August 2.30pm – 4.30pm

Telephone: 045 870804

Email: tom.quinn@acdal.ie

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57. Wallaby Woods Donadea Open Day

View the lake which was excavated in a glacier esker, view the natural woodland on the high bog from the nature observation pergola. 40+ species of animals & birds resident on the farm.

Venue: Wallaby Woods Donadea Coffee Shop, Derryvarogue

Admission: Free

Date: Wednesday 24th August 1pm – 5pm

Telephone: 045 909555

Email: <u>wallabywoodsdonadea@gmail.com</u>

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Thursday 25th August

58. Lectures at Maynooth University

Maynooth College and 1916 by Barbara McCormack and Remembering the Battle of the Somme by David Murphy.

Admission: Free

Venue: John Paul II Library, Maynooth University

Date: Thursday 25th 1pm – 2pm
Telephone: 01 4747422 (booking required)
Email: library.specialcollections@nuim.ie

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59. Irish Military Vehicles Group History Display

Display of our collection of military artefacts and uniforms covering 1916 and The Battle of the Somme.

Venue: Monasterevin Library

Admission: Free

Date: Thursday 25th August 2pm – 5pm

Telephone: 086 9294442 Email: <u>info@imvg.ie</u>

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60. Boxty, a traditional Irish food, demonstration and tasting.

Demonstration of Boxty making with tastings and ideas for using in a modern menu. Takes place during regular weekly market.

Venue: Friary Hall, Kildare Town

Admission: Free

Date: Thursday 25th August 11am – 12pm

Telephone: 086 3643464

Email: rubyjohnston@eircom.net

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61. Classic Irish Melodies at Castletown

Barbara Dunne, piano introduced by Michael McCann performs Classic Irish Melodies in the Entrance Hall at Castletown House. Booking required.

Venue: Entrance Hall, Castletown House

Admission: Free

Date: Thursday 25th August 6.30pm – 7.30pm

Telephone: 01 6288252

Email: castletown@opw.ie

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62. Noted Gatherings of the last 100 Years

Illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan. Visual Presentation focussing on some of the major historical, sporting and popular events over the last 100 years with an emphasis on County Kildare.

Venue: Naas Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Thursday 25th August 7pm – 8pm

Telephone: 045 879111

Email: naaslib@kildarecoco.ie

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63. The Pickled Earl - The Kildare Man who ruled India

Illustrated presentation by Brian McCabe about Richard Southwell Bourke, Sixth Earl of Mayo who lived in Palmerstown House and became Governor General of India in 1870.

Venue: Leixlip Community Library, Captains Hill, Leixlip

Admission: Free

Date: Thursday 25th August 7pm – 8pm

Telephone: 01 6060050

Email: leixliplib@kildarecoco.ie

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64. Monasterevin Involvement in the Somme and Living History Display of WWI

Presentation by Barry Walsh and Tony Vaughan on the Battle of the Somme

Venue: Monasterevin Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Thursday 25th August 7pm – 8.30pm

Telephone: 045 529239

Email: <u>monasterevinlib@kildarecoco.ie</u>

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65. A History of Staplestown Village

A fully illustrated talk on Staplestown Church, School, Cemetery and the Coates Family.

Venue: Outside Staplestown Church

Admission: Free

Date Thursday 25th August 8pm – 9pm

Telephone: 086 3614387

Email: maryfloodweld@gmail.com

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66. Local Otters & Genetic Mapping of Otters in Naas

Volunteers Needed:

Informative talk on Otters in Naas and registration of volunteers to undertake this project.

Venue: Tidy Towns Offices in Naas Town Hall

Admission: Free

Date: Thursday 25th August 8pm – 9pm Email: gerryshauna@hotmail.com

Telephone: 086 0751813

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67. Presentation on Dormice in Co. Kildare

An informative talk on the status of The Hazel Dormouse which have been found in County Kildare in the last couple of years.

Venue: The Town House Hotel

Admission: Free

Date: Thursday 25th August 8pm – 9.30pm Email: kildaredormousegroup@gmail.com

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Friday 26th August

68. Ernest Shackleton - Kildare Born Hero

Illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan marking the 100th anniversary of the rescue of the crew of the Endurance which was crushed by the ice on the ill-fated expedition to reach the South Pole.

Venue: Kilcock Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Friday 26th August 11am – 12pm

Telephone: 01 6284403

Email: kilcocklib@kildarecoco.ie

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69. Little Artists Special Boxes

1916 Workshop with Monica de Bath to imagine finding a box under their grandparent's bed and exploring/creating contents using mixed media.

Booking required.

Venue: Newbridge Community Library

Admission: Free

Date Friday 26th August 10.30am – 12pm

Telephone: 045 448353

Email: newbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

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70. 1348 – A Medieval Apocalypse

Explore the greatest killer in recorded history – the Black Death and discover that within 12 months over one third of the population of Ireland had died.

Venue: Castledermot Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Friday 26th August 7pm – 8pm

Telephone: 059 9144483

Email: castledermotlib@kildarecoco.ie

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71. Moone Abbey House & Gardens

Tours of Moone Abbey House & Gardens situated on the site of the 6th Century Columban Monastery of Moone Abbey with its High Cross. Organised by Karl and Jenifer Graf von Matuschka.

Venue: Moone Abbey, Moone

Admission: Adults €5, Concession €3, Family €8
Date: Friday 26th August 12pm – 4pm
Telephone: 087 6900138 (Booking required)

Email: matuschkaj@gmail.com

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72. Clane Sundays Well

A short guided walk from the RC Church in Clane to the Norman Motte near Alexandra Bridge where a talk about the significance of Sunday's Well in Clane through the centuries will take place. Organised by Clane Community Council Heritage Committee.

Venue: RC Church Main Street, Clane

Admission: Free

Date: Friday 26th August 10.30am – 11.30am

Telephone: 086 2583635

Email: <u>ifdaly08@gmail.com</u>

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73. Leixlip – Heritage Walk and Talk

Leixlip Tidy Town Association and local historian John Colgan will take the walk along the new Heritage Trail of Leixlip. (Amplified sound)

Venue: Car Park on Main Street, Leixlip

Admission: Free

Date: Friday 26th August 7.30pm – 8.45pm

Telephone: 085 7346253

Email: carmellenno@gmail.com

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Saturday 27th August

74. National Breed Show

Showcasing Ireland's native breed of horse. An opportunity to see some of the best examples of the Irish Draughts compete both in hand and under saddle. Organised by Irish Draught Horse Breeders.

Venue: Punchestown Racecourse, Naas

Admission: Adult: €5, Child: Free

Date: Saturday 27th August 10am – 6pm

Telephone: 044 9661199

Email: idhba@eircom.net

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75. Ernest Shackleton - Kildare Born Hero

Illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan marking the 100th anniversary of the rescue of the crew of the Endurance which was crushed by the ice on the ill-fated expedition to reach the South Pole.

Venue: Castledermot Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 27th August 3pm – 4pm

Telephone: 059 9144483

Email: <u>castledermotlib@kildarecoco.ie</u>

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76. Noted Gatherings of the last 100 Years

Illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan. Visual Presentation focussing on some of the major historical, sporting and popular events over the last 100 years with an emphasis on County Kildare.

Venue: Newbridge Community Library

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 27th August 11am – 12pm

Telephone: 045 448353

Email: newbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

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77. National Autumn Poultry Sale

Bring and Buy Sale of poultry, poultry equipment and other feathered birds. Beautiful walk in an 18th Century parkland garden and walled garden with follies and a lake set in 60 acres.

Venue: Larchill Arcadian Gardens, Kilcock

Admission: Adults: €6

Date: Saturday 27th August 11am – 3pm

Telephone: 01 6287354

Email: <u>delascas@indigo.ie</u>

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78. Shackleton's Endurance

The extraordinary story of Ernest Shackleton's 'Endurance' expedition, 1914-1916, told through narrative, music and visuals.

Booking required.

Venue: Hunting Room, Stable Wing, Castletown House

Admission: Adult €15

Date: Saturday 27th August 8pm – 10pm

Telephone: 01 6288252

Email: castletown@opw.ie

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79. Children's Walk in Donadea

A morning of children's bird watching activities including a walk where we will see what birds we can identify. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. €5 car park fee hosted by Kildare BirdWatch.

Venue: Donadea Forest Park

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 27th August 10am – 12pm

Email: <u>birdwatchkildare@gmail.com</u>

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80. Curragh Local History Group Open Day & Lecture

Curragh Local History Group Open Day is a unique opportunity to visit the museum free of charge. Discover fascinating artefacts relating to the history of the Curragh Camp and many unique items.

Venue: Old Band Hall, The Curragh Camp

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 27th August 11am – 3pm

Web: <u>www.curragh.info</u>

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81. Bats about Newbridge at Sunset

Enjoy a bat walk and talk along the Liffey Linear Park guided by Anna Collins and experts from Kildare Bat Group. We can expect to hear (with a heterodyne Bat Detector) different kinds of bats. Bats don't like rain any more than we do so this evening's event can be "rained off". Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Venue: Liffey Linear Park Newbridge (Meet at Bridge 8.30pm sharp)

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 27th August 8.30pm – 10pm

Telephone: 086 8393293

Email: newbridgetidytowns@gmail.com

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82. Bird Talk & Walk in Carbury

Enjoy a walk and talk around the Village with Kildare BirdWatch Ireland volunteers.

Venue: Castle Inn Car Park, Carbury

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 27th August 3pm – 4.30pm

Telephone: 087 2120494

Email: joanpoterton@eircom.net

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83. Ballymore Eustace 1913 - 1923

Exhibition of photographs and artefacts covering the turbulent years 1913 - 1923 in the local area relating to local participation in the 1916 rebellion, the War of Independence and WW1.

Venue: Resource Centre, Ballymore Eustace, Co. Kildare

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 27th August 3pm – 10pm

Telephone: 045 864802 / 045 864325

Email: magpearce63@eircom.net / cjdarby@hotmail.com

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84. Ballymore Eustace 1913 - 1923

"Songs of 1916" by the Ballymore Singers at 8pm and a talk "Kildare in 1916 by James Durney at 8.30pm

Venue: Resource Centre, Ballymore Eustace, Co. Kildare

Admission: Free

Date: Saturday 27th August 8pm Telephone: 045 864802 / 045 864325

Email: magpearce63@eircom.net / cjdarby@hotmail.com

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Sunday 28th August

85. Aspects of Heritage in Donadea Demesne

Third annual Aylmer Commemorative Event, including talks on the Aylmer Family, the archaeology of the castle and church and the amenity of Donadea Forest Park.

Organised by Aylmer Commemoration Group.

Venue: St. Peter's Church, Donadea

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 3pm – 4pm

Telephone: 086 0519029

Email: lnewham@eircom.net

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86. Celebrating Irish Author Maura Laverty

Celebration of Rathangan born author Maura Laverty (1907- 1966), enjoy the taste of her recipes and learn about her life and literary legacy. Organised by Rathangan Tidy Towns.

Venue: Town Centre, Rathangan (Exact venue to be confirmed)

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 12pm – 2pm

Telephone: 087 9258226

Email: rathangan.tidy.towns@gmail.com

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87. The Gatehouse Open Day, Celbridge

An opportunity to view the conservation work of the Irish Landmark Trust. Enjoy a self-guided tour of this restored 19th Century gate lodge which is now available as holiday accommodation.

Venue: The Gatehouse, Celbridge

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 10am – 4pm

Telephone: 01 6704733

Email: <u>caroline@irishlandmark.com</u>

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88. The Batty Langley Lodge Open Day, Celbridge

An opportunity to view the conservation work of the Irish Landmark Trust. Enjoy a self-guided tour of this restored romantic 18th Century gate lodge which is now available as holiday accommodation.

Venue: The Batty Langley Lodge, Celbridge

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 10am – 4pm

Telephone: 01 6704733

Email: caroline@irishlandmark.com

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89. The Round House Open Day, Celbridge

An opportunity to view the conservation work of the Irish Landmark Trust. Enjoy a self-guided tour of this restored 18th Century gate lodge which is now available as holiday accommodation.

Venue: The Round House, Celbridge

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 10am – 4pm

Telephone: 01 6704733

Email: <u>caroline@irishlandmark.com</u>

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90. Country Market and Craft Fair, Castletown House

Country Market and Craft Fair

Venue: Courtyard, Stable Wing, Castletown House

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 10am – 5pm

Telephone: 01 6288252

Email: castletown@opw.ie

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91. Music at the Market with the Ballymore Eustace Concert Band

The Ballymore Eustace Concert Band entertain outside Castletown's Country Market and Craft Fair

Venue: Courtyard, Stable Wing, Castletown House

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 2 – 4pm

Telephone: 01 6288252

Email: castletown@opw.ie

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92. Ancient Straw Craft Traditions of Ireland

Tea Lane Graveyard Committee presents: Exhibition and Workshop by Straw Craft Ireland Exhibits which includes straw boy's masks, cradles, corn dollies, woven in an ancient method of straw plaiting unique to Ireland. Create your own harvest knot, crosses and much more.

Venue: Christ Church, Celbridge

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 2pm – 5pm

Telephone: 087 9630719

Email: <u>breda.konstantin@iol.ie</u>

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93. Milltown Tidy Towns Heritage Walk

A walk & talk about the history of Milltown and surrounding area taking in a stroll by the beautiful grand canal.

Venue: Milltown Heritage Centre

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 2pm – 4.30pm

Telephone: 087 2321143

Email: <u>Milltowntidytowns@eircom.net</u>

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94. James Caird Lecture

'The voyage of the James Caird' the lifeboat that journeyed from Elephant Island to South Georgia, an epic rescue story.

Venue: Athy Heritage Centre-Museum, Emily Square, Athy

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Telephone: 0599633075

Email: athyheritage@eircom.net

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95. An Introduction to the Shackleton Collection

The museum houses the only permanent exhibition to Ernest Shackleton in the world. Venue: Athy Heritage Centre-Museum, Emily Square, Athy.

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Telephone: 0599633075

Email: <u>athyheritage@eircom.net</u>

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96. Walk & Talk at Pollardstown Fen

A walk & talk highlighting the importance of Pollardstown Fen both nationally and internationally, the largest remaining spring-fed fen in Ireland. Organised by Co. Kildare Archaeological Society.

Venue: Pollardstown Fen Car Park

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 3pm – 5pm

Telephone: 087 2896648

Email: <u>michaeljacob@eircom.net</u>

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97. Falconry Display

Falconry display in the church grounds and visit also the Exhibition and Workshop by Straw Craft Ireland in the church hall with a photography display.

Venue: Christ Church, Celbridge

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 2pm – 5pm

Telephone: 087 7821050

Email: bill.nicholson77@gmail.com

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98. Mini Field Day

Ashgrove Residents Association invite you to come along to their mini field day where there will be fun, games and races for all the family.

Venue: Ashgrove, Derrinturn, Carbury

Admission: Free

Date: Sunday 28th August 2pm – 5pm

Telephone: 085 1072936

Email: sylmartin@live.co.uk

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99. A talk on the history Moone High Cross

A talk on the history of the ancient High Cross of Moone presented by Brother Eoin Waldron from the local Cistercian Monastery.

Date/Times: 26th August 8pm

Venue: Moone Community Hall Event Organiser: Moone Tidy Towns Telephone: 059 8624144

100. Visit Maudlin's Cemetery

Maudlin's Cemetery, Naas contains a number of interesting vaults & enclosures including a Pyramid shaped mausoleum. There are also enclosures containing the remains of many local titled families.

Date/Times: 20th August 10am- 4pm Venue: Maudlin's Cemetery

Event Organiser: Friends of Maudlins Cemetery

Email: naas@kildare.anglican.org

Telephone: 045 897206

101. Talk and tour of ground floor of Firmount House

Talk on Firmount House past, present and future.

Booking is essential at henrysatfirmount@gmail.com or via the facebook page. Admittance is only via booking to the first 30 attendees. Parking is available. The house is on the Millicent road between firmount cross and millicent cross.

Date/Times: 20th August 3pm

Venue Name: Firmount House, Clane

Event Organiser: Firmount House

Email: henrysatfirmount@gmail.com
Facebook: www.facebook.com/firmount

102. St Mullins Church and Burial ground - Timolin Village- Is open to the public.

The Event will be held in adjoining parish hall. Information and discussions though the day. Promoting ten top tips on protecting Biodiversity, conservation and management for natural resources, composting, recycling, preventing food waste. Poster exhibition leaflets discussions. Complementary refreshments will be available.

Date/Times: 20th August 11am

Venue Name: St. Mullins church and graveyard

Address: Saint Mullin's Church, Timolin, Co. Kildare, Ireland

Event Organiser: St Mullins Church Of Ireland Timolin

Telephone: 085 2774619

103. St James Church -Open to the public

St James church lies on the site of a monastery founded about the year 800 by father St Diarmuid after which Castledermot takes its name. The monastery was raided by the Vikings in the 9th century Following being raided by Vikings in the 9th century, it continued existence to the 12th century. Worship continues to this day in St. James' Church and is open to the public - visitors welcome. North side of the church is a round tower to where it is attached to an ancient arrow and high passage 8 feet length. Graveyard: high crosses with depictions of the crucifixion, Adam and Eve, Daniel in the Lion's Den. The high crosses are among the best preserved in the Barrow valley.

Date/Times: 20th August 11am

Venue Name: St James church and Castledermot

Event Organiser: St James Church of Ireland Castledermot

Telephone: 086 2443999