



SHEEP 2018 **FARM TO FORK**

SATURDAY 7th JULY | TEAGASC, ATHENRY | 10am-5pm

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The Heritage Office of Galway County Council, Galway Community Heritage (a member of Irish Community Archive Network), a number of Heritage Groups in the County of Galway and Galway Mens' Sheds will provide a taste of the rich gastronomic heritage of the county. There will be a traditional kitchen and old type shop display, churning and bread making, digging with the loy, some old farm machinery (courtesy of Kiltulla and District Vintage Club), fishing boats, displays of artefacts and photographs relating to the food heritage of different parts of the county. We will also be showcasing the work of Galway Gastronomy Heritage Project. In addition to this Loughrea Craft Club will be on hand with their 'make and do' food related workshops for children, Frans Photo booth will be there to capture your photos. Melanie Loren, craft maker, who works with straw will be giving talks and undertaking workshops on 'The Wonder of Wheat'. Cuan Beo will demonstrate the art of net mending, rope splicing and numerous knots.

Staff from the Irish Workhouse Centre in Portumna will be on hand to share the workhouse story and tell us about Life and Diet in the Workhouse. A free booklet on food in the workhouse will be available on the day.

You might bump into Declan Coyne and some of the Fair Balladeers. Join 'Le Chéile' for 'Round the House and Mind the Dresser' music, song and dance seisiúns that will take place at the following time: 10:30am - 11.45am; 12.30pm - 1.45pm -finishing off with a Céilí Mór from 4pm - 5pm! You might also spot the odd scarecrow or two!

This village was made possible by the goodwill and voluntary work of the following groups...

ABBEY & DISTRICT HERITAGE



Abbey and District Heritage was set up in 2013 to research, collect and record various aspects of our rich natural and built heritage. To date the group has

worked on promoting the very historic monastery - the Abbey of Kilmalahan - the only Carthusian foundation in Ireland which attracts many visitors each year. One of their

major achievements has been our participation in the Galway Community Heritage project leading to the development of Abbey's Heritage website. This has become a great repository of our past activities and a wonderful tool in linking with emigrants. Their most recent activity has been working with our local schools to collect food-related stories and recipes. This is their area's contribution to Galway's Gastronomy collection and a recognition of Galway's achievement in being designated 'European Region of Gastronomy 2018'. They invite you to visit their website <http://www.abbey>.

galwaycommunityheritage.org/ and they look forward to any comments you may wish to send them.

Athenry Hotel School

Athenry once had a Hotel Training College. It was situated in the old Railway Hotel now being used by the Galway Roscommon Education and Training Board as their Head Office. The school is now part of the gastronomic heritage of County Galway. This event will promote the History and Heritage value of the Athenry Hotel Training School, and connect with any past pupils. So, if you are a past pupil, or just interested in finding more information on this unique place, come to the Teagasc Sheep and Food 2018, and the Heritage of Food Village.

Claregalway Historical & Cultural Society

Claregalway Historical and Cultural Society, founded in 1990, aims to encourage the appreciation, knowledge and preservation of Claregalway area's rich historical, cultural and archaeological heritage. In 1991, the Society initiated a FÁS sponsored scheme which began the enormous task of documenting Claregalway's local history, which some of the articles are based on.

They have published two books, (the) Claregalway Parish History 750 Years (1999) and (the) Claregalway Parish History Pictorial (2002).

In 2007, they restored an old blacksmith's forge which was used for many generations up to the 1990s and in February 2014 they built a Heritage Museum and Interpretative Centre. Both the forge and museum are situated on a site provided by the Smyth and Glynn families, Roaunmore. The Forge and Museum

is open to the public from Wednesday to Saturday.

Click on www.claregalwaymuseum.ie for more about the Museum and for group bookings.

See website: <https://claregalway.galwaycommunityheritage.org/content/category/about>

Cuan Beo

Cuan Beo (the Living Bay) is a recently formed community based organisation established with a mission of improving the quality of life, environment, economy and heritage around Galway Bay. Cuan Beo is specifically working to reconnect the Land and the Sea communities of South East Galway Bay from Rinville Point to Blackhead Point and the villages and towns within its catchment. CUAN BEO have been honored at the 2018 Galway County Council Cathaoirleach Awards by winning the "Environmental Award" category for their outstanding work in this area.

Cuan Beo recently hosted a series of three public meetings which took place in the Maree Community Centre, Merriman Hotel, Kinvara and the Burren College of Art, Ballyvaughan. These were designed as listening events - Let's Talk About Galway Bay - and drew very large audiences to all three venues. Their next major outing will be at the Cruinniú na mBád, Kinvara 11th & 12th August where seafood cooking demonstrations will be held and a speaker line-up for the Cuan Beo Main Stage will involve a series of 15 - 20 minute lectures relating to various aspects of the marine environment and sustainability of marine communities over the two days. For more information connect with them on their social media @cuanbeo or check out their website www.cuanbeo.com

Galway Community Archaeology

Galway Community Archaeology Project is run by Galway County Council and is funded by Galway County Council & The Heritage Council. The Community Archaeologist liaises with monument owners and occupiers, local authority staff, and other agencies on the condition of ancient monuments, advising them on appropriate management measures, including general advice on the relevant agri-environment schemes, and assisting in the preparation of management plans. The Community Archaeologist identifies priorities for management action by the relevant bodies and, as specifically directed by the local authority's Heritage Officer and the Steering Group, recommends and negotiates management agreements, or provides advice in the context of relevant agri-environment schemes. He monitors and reports on the progress of any works or management action affecting ancient monuments, and making urgent ad hoc inspections of ancient monuments. See <https://field-monuments.galwaycommunityheritage.org/> for more information.

Galway & Mayo Men's Sheds

Galway is to the forefront of the Men's Shed movement, with 19 groups in all around the county from Athenry to Headford and Galway to Carraroe. Activities vary from socializing to assisting community projects, boat-building, metal craft, recycling, upcycling, bicycle maintenance and woodturning. The organisation was set up in Australia 21 years ago. Today An Seid, Ceathrú Rua, Athenry Men's

Shed, Galway Men's Shed, Claremorris and Castlebar Men's Shed are helping out and part of the Heritage of Food Village. There are 420 Men's Sheds in Ireland today. To find out more see <http://menssheds.ie/shed-directory/>

ICAN

The National Museum of Ireland - Country Life is working with County Galway Heritage Office, heritage professionals, volunteers and local partners to help communities collect, preserve and make accessible their local history and heritage online. For more information see: <http://www.ouririshheritage.org/content/about/explore-our-network/irish-community-archive-network>

Ionad Oidhreachta Leitir Mealláin & Gharumna

The Lettermullen and Garumna Heritage Centre opened in mid - June 2009 in Caladh Ghólam, 64 kms from Galway City.

A lot of interest was shown in cultural and heritage exhibitions held in recent years of the private collection of the local historian John Bhaba Jeaic Ó Confhaola. As a result the committee decided to find a permanent centre to exhibit the rich heritage of the area.

John has a fine collection of old books in Irish and English as well as newspapers and magazines from times past and these have been recorded on a database in the centre. Students and researchers alike are more than welcome to use the facilities provided.

There is a great exhibition of tools and instruments from long ago to be seen in the centre as well as blacksmith, carpentry and farming tools to name but a few.

There is a rich collection of photographs of families in the area and of old customs practised in the area in times past and these give a great insight into life as it was. For more information see: <http://www.ionadoidhreachta.com/>

Irish Workhouse Centre



The Irish Workhouse Centre in Portumna is an arts, heritage and cultural centre for the region, and is the only centre in Ireland dedicated to telling the story of the Irish Workhouse. The centre is reigning All-Ireland 'Heritage Council' Champions, and is open from March-November, 7 days a week, from 9.30am-5pm. Follow them on facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/WorkhousePortumna/>, email info@irishworkhousecentre.ie or visit www.irishworkhousecentre.ie

Killarerin Heritage Society



Killarerin Heritage Society was founded on September 15th, 2008 to preserve, protect and promote awareness of Killarerin's built, natural and cultural heritage. The group has been involved in many worthwhile projects since our inception including the identification and commemoration of unmarked children's burial grounds in the parish with a memorial stone erected in the Church grounds and the publication of their parish history in 2015. They are currently involved in the digital mapping of all three graveyards in the parish and on the gastronomy heritage project for County Galway. See <https://killarerin.galwaycommunityheritage.org/>

Kiltulla & District Vintage Club



Kiltulla & District Vintage Club was formed in 2015. Central to the club is the preservation

and restoration of tractors, farm implements and machinery, cars, and stationary engines. The club hosts a number of vintage road runs throughout the year. In May, their annual two-day vintage show has grown considerably year-on-year. The show brings the community together and helps to encourage and develop public interest and knowledge in their heritage. Keep up-to-date via Facebook: [KiltullaandDistrictVintageClub](https://www.facebook.com/KiltullaandDistrictVintageClub) or phone 087 458 1800.

Lackagh Museum & Heritage Centre

Lackagh Museum and Heritage Centre is situated twelve miles NE of Galway city on the N63, in Lackagh village beside the church. They work to conserve their local heritage, foster an appreciation of it, facilitate public access to it and provide facilities for the benefit of their community.

The Association was formed in 1994 to help restore and maintain a derelict cottage, the former home of the Carrick family, adjacent to the church. The building was a central part of the village and had once served as a shop. The vision behind the restoration was to develop it into a museum of social history to ensure a link with the past for the present and future generations. For more information see: <https://www.lackaghmuseum.ie/>

Milltown Heritage Group



Milltown Heritage Group aims to preserve, foster and enhance the history and heritage of their village. Milltown published a heritage booklet which contains details of their walking

heritage trail, sites of interest around Milltown and other interesting facts. Copies are available in local outlets. Contact: milltownheritage@gmail.com.

The group, in conjunction the Galway Community Heritage Network, have developed an online archive to showcase their food heritage project. Part of this archive includes stories written by the children of local schools Milltown and Belmont about their own local food heritage. It is an honour that their stories are being accepted by the National Folklore Collection. To view Milltown's full online archive, check out their award-winning website www.milltown.galwaycommunityheritage.org

Moycullen Historical Society



Formed in 1995, Moycullen Historical Society are the 2018 recipients of Cathaoirleach's Community Award for "Best Contribution to

Heritage". As well as supporting Galway's Gastronomic Heritage Project, and projects through the Irish Community Archive Network, they have a busy diary of varied ventures and events in 2018 through their "Year of O'Flaherty Festival" (marking the tercentenary of the death of Ruaidhrí Uí Fhlaitheartaigh, the 17th century Moycullen-born historian and scholar of international renown). From walking trails to trilingual book, and milestones to monument recordings – keep up with their society at www.moycullen.galwaycommunityheritage.org, via facebook or at 087 4364699.

Moylough Heritage Society



The group came together in 2012 with an aim of exploring, gathering, preserving and promoting their unique & rich local culture and heritage.

It is their objective to record and present this information in an easy and accessible

format for all. In addition to this, they hold talks and events on various facets of this heritage.

The group welcomes contributions from others in relation to their heritage. They are endeavouring to create a repository and archive for their Community and actively seek photographs, records and documents relating to the heritage of their people and their place. For more information see <https://moylough.galwaycommunityheritage.org/content/category/about>

Oughterard Heritage

Oughterard Heritage has played a major role in training and mentoring Irish communities to digitise and share local heritage, worldwide. The group continues to serve the local audience with award winning heritage trails, publications, lectures and exhibitions, as well as supporting historic building restoration projects. Oughterard Heritage is proud to be part of the County Galway food heritage initiative [tinyurl/galwayfood](http://tinyurl.com/galwayfood). For more information check out the award winning website: www.oughterardheritage.org

Skehana & District Heritage Group



Skehana & District Heritage Group is part of the Galway Heritage network of websites. Here you can browse through photos, memories, stories and historical information related to this historic area of County Galway. This website is created and maintained by a group of volunteers and we are always interested in welcoming new members - so if you're interested please contact the group. They facilitate and organise talks and lectures on various subjects of local history, the area itself, its people and its culture. As a group they meet on the 2nd Monday of each month in Costello's of Skehana and

everybody is welcome to attend. They encourage active participation and interaction through the website and it is through these that it will grow and flourish in the years to come. To find out more see:

<https://skehana.galwaycommunityheritage.org/>

South Roscommon Singing Circle & Tuam Singing Circle

Declan Coyne, South Roscommon Singing Circle & Padraic King, Tuam Singing Circle will entertain the crowd with their fair ballads.

For more information see: <http://www.southroscommon.ie/> and <https://www.facebook.com/TUAM-Singers-CLUB-216942741817511/>

Woodlawn Heritage Group

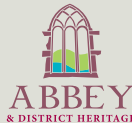
Woodlawn Heritage Group are collecting your food related stories and adding to the Galway Region of Gastronomy interactive map. Recipes, pictures and stories from the big house to days at the fair all feature at <https://woodlawn.galwaycommunityheritage.org/>. All contributions welcome.



Go raibh míle maith agaibh:

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