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# Kildare

## Kildare

### 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 location in Kildare Town & Monasterevin. Photographs are copyrighted.

**Venue:** Various Locations

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Cill Dara Historical Society

**Email:** nurkilcep@eircom.net

**Telephone:** 0861686236

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 9:00 AM to 16:00 PM

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### A 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 or around the time of the Easter Rising in 1916.

**Venue:** Kildare Town Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Town Library

**Email:** kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 045 520235

**Website:** [www.kildare.ie/library](http://www.kildare.ie/library)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM

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### Another Brick in the Wall...

Window display of fascinating bricks from 100-year old Brickyards in Kildare, Ireland & the UK. Each brick is stamped with the Brickyard name showing the diversity of bricks made or used locally.

**Venue:** Foxes Shop Window

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Naas Local History Group

**Email:** liamkenny99@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 087 2872704

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 10:00 AM to 20:00 PM , 21st August 10:00 AM to 20:00 PM , 22nd August 10:00 AM to 20:00 PM , 23rd August 10:00 AM to 20:00 PM , 24th August 10:00 AM to 20:00 PM , 25th August 10:00 AM to 20:00 PM , 26th August 10:00 AM to 20:00 PM , 27th August 10:00 AM to 20:00 PM , 28th August 10:00 AM to 20:00 PM

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## Opening of the National Science Museum – NUI Maynooth

Come and 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

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** National Science Museum - NUI Maynooth

**Email:** niall.mckeith@spcm.ie

**Telephone:** 01 62886550 / 087 9152003

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 21st August 14:00 PM to 18:00 PM , 24th August 14:00 PM to 16:00 PM , 28th August 14:00 PM to 18:00 PM

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## Irish High Cross & Local Heritage Exhibitions

Come 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.

**Venue:** Teach Diarmada Community Centre

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Castledermot Local History Group

**Email:** castledermothist@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 0877990867

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 22nd August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 23rd August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 24th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 25th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 26th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM

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## Museum Open Day

This is a unique opportunity to visit the museum free of charge. Discover fascinating artifacts relating to the history of the Curragh Camp and many unique items collected from both home and abroad.

**Venue:** Curagh Local History Group Museum

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Curragh Local History Group

**Email:** Curragh Local History Group

**Website:** www.curragh.info

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 27th August 11:00 AM to 3:00 AM

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## National Breed Show

showcasing the best Irish Draught horses in the country. In hand and ridden classes, mares and foals, youngstock. Our living heritage on show.

**Venue:** Punchestown Racecourse, Co.Kildare

**Cost Adult:** €5.00

**Organiser:** Irish Draught Horse Breeders Association

**Email:** idhba@eircom.net

**Telephone:** 044 9661199

**Website:** www.idhba.ie

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 27th August 10:00 AM to 18:00 PM

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## Exhibition of photographs 1913–1923 and talk on 1916

Exhibition, talks and singing to coincide with period in history from 1913 to 1923.

**Venue:** Resource Centre, Ballymore Eustace

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Ballymore Eustace History Society

**Email:** magpeare63@ercom.net

**Telephone:** 045864802

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 27th August 15:00 PM to 22:00 PM

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## Ballymore Eustace 1913 to 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:** Ballymore Eustace Resource Centre.

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Ballymore Eustace History Society

**Email:** cjdarby@hotmail.com

**Telephone:** 045 864325

**Website:** [http://www.kildare.ie/ballymoreEustace/09\\_ballymore\\_eustace\\_history/](http://www.kildare.ie/ballymoreEustace/09_ballymore_eustace_history/)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 27th August 15:00 PM to 22:00 PM

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## Falconry Display

Falconry display in the church grounds, at the same time you can visit an Exhibition and Workshop by Straw Craft Ireland in the church hall, and a photography display in the church.

**Venue:** Chtristchurch, Celbridge

**Cost:** Free

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**Organiser:** Church of Ireland, Celbridge  
**Email:** bill.nicholson77@gmail.com  
**Telephone:** 087 782 1050  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 28th August 14:00 PM to 17:00 PM

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### 'An Introduction to the Shackleton Collection'

'An Introduction to the Shackleton Collection' The museum houses the only permanent exhibition to Ernest Shackleton in the world.

**Venue:** Athy Heritage Centre - Museum  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Athy Heritage Centre Museum Shackleton Committee  
**Email:** athyheritage@eircom.net  
**Telephone:** 0598633075  
**Website:** www.athyheritagecentre-museum.ie  
**Booking Required:** Yes  
**Dates:** 28th August 14:30 PM to 15:30 PM

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### Celebrating Irish author Maura Laverty

Join us to celebrate Rathangan-born author Maura Laverty (1907-1966). Come and enjoy the taste of her recipes and learn about her life and literary legacy.

**Venue:** Town centre (venue to be confirmed)  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Rathangan Tidy Towns  
**Email:** rathangan.tidy.towns@gmail.com  
**Telephone:** 0879258226  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 28th August 12:00 PM to 14:00 PM

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### The North Kildare Beekeepers Demonstration

Meet members of the North Kildare beekeepers association and learn about the fascinating lives of bees from hives to honey.

**Venue:** The Stable Wing  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** OPW Castletown  
**Email:** castletown@opw.ie  
**Telephone:** 01 6288252  
**Website:** www.castletown.ie  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 20th August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 21st August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM

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### Children`s Living History Tour

Children can dress up in aprons and waistcoats and visit the museum rooms with a tour guide, would you prefer to live or work in the Big House!

**Venue:** Visitor Reception

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** OPW Castletown

**Email:** castletown@opw.ie

**Telephone:** 01 6288252

**Website:** www.castletown.ie

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 20th August 14:30 PM to 15:15 PM

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### Colouring Medieval Letters

Children are invited to colour Medieval Lettering which will be displayed in the library during Heritage Week

**Venue:** Kildare Town Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Town Library

**Email:** kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 045 520235

**Website:** www.kildare.ie/library

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM

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### Open Day at the Bog of Allen Nature Centre

Fun family day out. Discover the wonder of Ireland's peatlands. Visit Lodge Bog and 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

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Irish Peatland Conservation Council

**Email:** bogs@ipcc.ie

**Telephone:** 045 860133

**Website:** www.ipcc.ie

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 11:00 AM to 14:00 PM

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## Grandparents go Free

Grandparents go free.

**Venue:** The Steam Museum and Lodge Park Walled Garden

**Cost Adult:** €7.50

**Cost Child:** €5.00 - Under 6 Free

**Cost Concession:** €5.00 (OAPs & Students)

**Organiser:** The Steam Museum, Straffan, Co Kildare

**Email:** info@steam-museum.ie

**Telephone:** 01 6288412

**Website:** www.steam-museum.ie

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 14:00 PM to 18:00 PM , 21st August 14:00 PM to 18:00 PM , 22nd August 14:00 PM to 18:00 PM , 23rd August 14:00 PM to 18:00 PM , 24th August 14:00 PM to 18:00 PM , 25th August 14:00 PM to 18:00 PM , 26th August 14:00 PM to 18:00 PM , 27th August 14:00 PM to 18:00 PM , 28th August 14:00 PM to 18:00 PM

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## Swan Walk and Talk

Come to this event to 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.

**Venue:** Naas Lakes

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Irish Midland's Ringing Group

**Email:** Medgullring@gmail.com

**Website:** <http://tallaghtgulls.blogspot.ie/>

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 15:00 PM to 17:00 PM

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## Medieval Kildare – Truly Terrible Tales!

Suitable for 5 to 15 year olds - some fun facts and terrifying tales of Kildare Town in Medieval times ahead of the Medieval Festival

**Venue:** Kildare Community Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Cill Dara Historical Society and Kildare Town heritage Centre

**Email:** kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 045 520235

**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/library>

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 20th August 10:00 AM to 10:40 AM

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## Kildare Town Medieval Festival

A Family Fun Day open to all! Events include Medieval Games & Activities, Puppet Show, Music, Food & Craft Fair, Falconry, Street Theatre, Walking Tours & much more. Why not come in costume?

**Venue:** Market Square

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Town Tourism Group

**Email:** info@kildareheritage.com

**Telephone:** 045 530672

**Website:** www.kildare.ie/kildareheritage

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 21st August 12:30 PM to 18:00 PM

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## Museum Treasure Hunt

Fun activity inside the Heritage Centre & Museum - follow a map and locate the clues to win a certificate

**Venue:** Athy Heritage Centre - Museum

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Athy Heritage Centre Museum

**Email:** athyheritage@eircom.net

**Telephone:** 0598633075

**Website:** www.athyheritagecentre-museum.ie

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 22nd August 14:30 PM to 15:30 PM , 23rd August 14:30 PM to 15:30 PM , 24th August 14:30 PM to 15:30 PM , 25th August 14:30 PM to 15:30 PM , 26th August 14:30 PM to 15:30 PM

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## Nature Trail/ Weavery at An Tearmann

Enjoy our Nature Trail with a river of wildflowers flowing down to the Liffey. Weavery open from 2.30pm to 5.00pm Monday to Thursday only.

**Venue:** An Tearmann

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** The Bridge Camphill Community

**Email:** raditchburn@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 087 2172844

**Website:** www.camphill.ie/thebridge/about

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 22nd August 9:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 23rd August 9:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 24th August 9:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 25th August 9:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 26th August 9:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 27th August 9:00 AM to 17:00 PM

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## Children's Colouring Fest

Children's fun event, using a fabulous colouring book produced by the Heritage Office, to colour in local heritage attractions, along with storytelling and bubbles. Great Fun Event.

**Venue:** Celbridge Mill Centre

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Tea Lane Graveyard Committee

**Email:** breda.konstantin@iol.ie

**Telephone:** 087 9630719

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 24th August 14:00 PM to 16:00 PM

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## Teddy Bears Picnic at McAuley Place

Teddies can explore the woodland garden, listen for the sounds of birds and bees, sit on the restored stone wall, see where bats might be nesting, see the vegetables growing into raised beds.

**Venue:** McAuley Place

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** McAuley Place

**Email:** hello@mcauleyplace.ie

**Telephone:** Catherine, Lisa or Suzanne on 045897833

**Website:** <http://mcauleyplace.ie/>

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 24th August 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

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## 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 residents on the farm, bog pony

**Venue:** Wallaby Woods Donadea Coffee Shop

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Wallaby Woods Donadea

**Email:** wallabywoodsdonadea@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 045 - 909555

**Website:** <http://www.wallabywoods.ie/>

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 24th August 13:00 PM to 17:00 PM

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## Country Market and Craft Fair

Country Market and Craft Fair

**Venue:** East Courtyard and Stable Wing

**Cost:** Free

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**Organiser:** OPW Castletown  
**Email:** castletown@opw.ie  
**Telephone:** 01 6288252  
**Website:** www.castletown.ie  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 28th August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM

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### Music at the Market

The Ballymore Eustace Concert Band perform in the Stable Wing Courtyard.

**Venue:** Stable Wing Courtyard  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** OPW Castletown  
**Email:** castletown@opw.ie  
**Telephone:** 01 6288252  
**Website:** www.castletown.ie  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 28th August 14:00 PM to 16:00 PM

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### Mini Field Day

Mini Field Day with Wheel of Fortune, Cake Stall, Name the doll, Guess the number of sweets, Darts, Horse Shoe toss, Penalty Shoot out, Bottle stall and races for kids and family.

**Venue:** Ashgrove  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Ashgrove Residents Association  
**Email:** sylvmartin@live.co.uk  
**Telephone:** 085 1072936  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 28th August 14:00 PM to 17:00 PM

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### Prosperous Music Festival

Prosperous Music Festival is a Free Festival full of music, song and dance by local and national artists. The aim of the Festival is to renew the rich musical heritage of the village.

**Venue:** Prosperous  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Prosperous Music Festival  
**Email:** prosperousfestival@gmail.com  
**Telephone:** 0872476051  
**Website:** <http://prosperousmusicfestival.ie/>  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 20th August 20:00 PM to 23:00 PM , 21st August 13:00 PM to 23:00 PM

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### Sunday Summer Series

Sarah Darlington, soprano with Anne Conaghan, piano and Fergus Conaghan, oboe, music recital

**Venue:** Entrance Hall

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** OPW Castletown

**Email:** castletown@opw.ie

**Telephone:** 01 6288252

**Website:** www.castletown.ie

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 21st August 14:00 PM to 16:00 PM

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### Classical Irish Melodies

Barbara Dunne, piano introduced by Michael McCann performs Classic Irish Melodies in the Entrance Hall.

**Venue:** Entrance Hall

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** OPW Castletown House

**Email:** kevina.dunne@opw.ie

**Telephone:** 01 6288252

**Website:** www.castletown.ie

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 25th August 18:30 PM to 19:30 PM

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### National Poultry Bring and Buy Sale

National Bring and Buy poultry and bird sale with the Irish Poultry Fanciers Association. Sellers welcome. Set in the beautiful 18th century gardens with lake, follies, walled garden and tearooms.

**Venue:** Larchill Gardens

**Cost Adult:** € 6

**Cost Child:** Free

**Cost Concession:** € 6

**Organiser:** Larchill Arcadian Gardens

**Email:** delascas@indigo.ie

**Telephone:** 016287354

**Website:** www.larchill.ie

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 27th August 11:00 AM to 15:00 PM

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## St Mary's Church of Ireland, Leixlip

St Mary's is a 12th century Norman church with a 15th century Western Residential Belfry Tower.

**Venue:** St Mary's Church of Ireland Leixlip

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Leixlip Union Parish

**Email:** sta@indigo.ie

**Telephone:** 01 6240976

**Website:** www.lucanandleixlip.org

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 10:00 AM to 13:00 PM , 20th August 14:00 PM to 17:00 PM , 23rd August 10:30 AM to 13:00 PM , 23rd August 14:00 PM to 17:00 PM , 25th August 10:00 AM to 13:00 PM , 26th August 18:30 PM to 21:00 PM , 27th August 10:00 AM to 13:00 PM , 27th August 14:00 PM to 17:00 PM



## The Winter Dress

The Winter Dress is a story of a dress maker and a scribe who 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

**Venue:** The Old Yard, Castledermot

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Theatre

**Email:** thewinterdress@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 0857176423

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 20th August 19:30 PM to 20:30 PM



## Beekeeping from the past and in to the Future

Live bees in our Observation hives, crafts include Skep making, Candle making, honey tasting, Old books showing the early days, history of the North Kildare Beekeepers, and many more items of interest

**Venue:** The Stables, Castletown House, Celbridge, Co. Kildare

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** North Kildare Beekeeping Association

**Email:** nkbkasecretary@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 087 2848938

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 21st August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM



## Visit to St. Enda's Park and tour of the Pearse Museum

Remembering Teresa Brayton and her 'Day with Pdraig Pearse' in St. Enda's. Bus leaving Kilcock

Square at 2.00pm. Refreshments in Museum tearooms.

**Venue:** The Square, Kilcock

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Teresa Brayton Heritage Group

**Telephone:** 087 6448069

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 21st August 14:00 PM to 19:00 PM

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### 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

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Allenwood Community Development Association

**Email:** tomquinn@acdal.ie

**Telephone:** 045 870804

**Website:** www.ACDAL.IE

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 24th August 14:30 PM to 16:30 PM

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### IMVG MILITARY HISTORY DISPLAY

A great display of our collection of Military Artifacts and Uniforms covering 1916 and The Battle of The Somme.

**Venue:** Monasterevin Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Irish Military Vehicles Group

**Email:** info@imvg.ie

**Telephone:** 0869294442

**Website:** www.imvg.ie

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 25th August 14:00 PM to 17:00 PM

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### 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.

**Venue:** RC Church Main Street Clane

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Clane Community Council Heritage

**Email:** jfdaly08@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 086 2583635

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**Website:** [www.clanecommunity.ie](http://www.clanecommunity.ie)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 26th August 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

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### Shackleton`s Endurance

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

**Venue:** The Hunting Room, Stable Wing

**Cost Adult:** €15.00

**Organiser:** OPW Castletown

**Email:** [castletown@opw.ie](mailto:castletown@opw.ie)

**Telephone:** 01 6288252

**Website:** [www.castletown.ie](http://www.castletown.ie)

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 27th August 20:00 PM to 22:00 PM

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### 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.

**Venue:** Derrybeg Farm

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Derrybeg Farm

**Email:** [derrybegheritageweek@gmail.com](mailto:derrybegheritageweek@gmail.com)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 13:00 PM to 14:00 PM

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### Noted Gatherings of the last 100 years

This visual presentation focuses on some of the major historical, sporting and popular events over the last 100 years with an emphasis on Co. Kildare.

**Venue:** Maynooth Community Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Library Service

**Email:** [maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie](mailto:maynoothlib@kildarecoco.ie)

**Telephone:** 016285530

**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/Library/>

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 14:30 PM to 15:30 PM

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## Talk and tour of ground floor of Firmount House

Talk on Firmount House past, present and future.

**Venue:** Firmount House

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Firmount House

**Email:** henrysatfirmount@gmail.com

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 20th August 15:00 PM to 16:00 PM

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## 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.

**Venue:** Parish Meeting Room

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kill History Group

**Email:** brianfrancis.mccabe@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 0873513328

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 22nd August 20:30 PM to 22:00 PM

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## Lunchtime Lectures

Join us for lunchtime lectures with talks from Fiona Ahern, James Durney, Tom Nelson, Barbara McCormack and David Murphy exploring 1916, World War I and the Irish Civil War.

**Venue:** John Paul II Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Maynooth University Library

**Email:** library.specialcollections@nuim.ie

**Telephone:** 01-4747422

**Website:** <https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/library>

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 22nd August 13:00 PM to 14:00 PM , 24th August 13:00 PM to 14:00 PM , 25th August 13:00 PM to 14:00 PM

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## Clongowes Wood College: the Early Years

A talk on the school life of the earliest Clongowes students and the concerns of their parents.

**Venue:** Clane Library, Clane

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Clane Community Library

**Email:** clanelib@kildarecoco.ie

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**Telephone:** 045 892716

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 23rd August 20:00 PM to 21:30 PM

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### Ernest Shackleton – Kildare born Hero

An illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan. 2016 marks 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

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Library Service

**Email:** ballitorelib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 0598623344

**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/Library/>

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 23rd August 17:00 PM to 18:00 PM

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### Battle of the Somme – Athy Connection

Join James Durney as he delivers an illustrated talk on the Battle of the Somme with a focus on Athy connections including Lt.Holland of Athy

**Venue:** Athy Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Athy Library

**Email:** athylib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 059631144

**Website:** [www.kildare.ie/library](http://www.kildare.ie/library)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 23rd August 19:00 PM to 20:00 PM

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### One family? An Early Bronze Age cemetery at Moone, County Kildare

An illustrated talk on the results of the excavation of an Early Bronze Age cemetery in Moone, Co. Kildare; undertaken in 2007 in advance of the construction of the M9 Kilcullen to Carlow motorway.

**Venue:** Council Chambers, Naas Town Hall

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** TII Archaeology in Partnership with Kildare County Council and Naas Local History Group

**Email:** Noel.Dunne@tii.ie

**Telephone:** 086 8296098

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 23rd August 20:00 PM to 22:00 PM

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## William Roantree (1829–1919) The Forgotten Fenian from Leixlip

Lecture on William Roantree (1829-1918) The Forgotten Fenian from Leixlip. Speaker Michael Kenny, former curator National Museum of Ireland Publishing of booklet on William Roantree.

**Venue:** Leixlip Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Ardclough, Celbridge, Leixlip 1916 Rising Committee

**Email:** independentjimdoyle@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 087 2712492

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 23rd August 19:00 PM to 21:00 PM

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## Ernest Shackleton – Kildare born Hero

An illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan. 2016 marks 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

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Library Service

**Email:** kilcullenlib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 045482193

**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/Library/>

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 24th August 19:30 PM to 20:30 PM

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## Talk on John Wynn Baker

Talk on John Wynn Baker, Experimental Agriculturist in the 1760's by Dr. Maebh O'Regan introduced by President of the RDS, Mr. Matthew Dempsey.

**Venue:** Elm Hall Golf Clubhouse

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Elm Hall Heritage Group

**Email:** anmcneill@yahoo.ie

**Telephone:** 01 6271136

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 24th August 20:00 PM to 22:00 PM

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## Talk: Monasterevin Men on the Somme & Living History Display of WW1

Barry Walsh and Tony Vaughan will talk about the battle of the Somme. Also a living history display on World War 1.

**Venue:** Monasterevin Community Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Monasterevin Community Library

**Email:** monasterevinlib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 045529239

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 25th August 19:00 PM to 20:30 PM

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## Noted Gatherings of the last 100 years

An illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan. This visual presentation focuses on some of the major historical, sporting and popular events over the last 100 years with an emphasis on Co. Kildare.

**Venue:** Naas Community Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Library Service

**Email:** naaslib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 045879111

**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/Library/>

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 25th August 19:00 PM to 20:00 PM

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## The Pickled Earl – The Kildare Man who Ruled India

An illustrated talk by Brian McCabe about Richard Southwell Bourke, Sixth Earl of Mayo, who lived in Palmerstown House who became Governor General of India in 1870.

**Venue:** Leixlip Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Library Service

**Email:** leixliplib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 016060050

**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/Library/>

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 25th August 19:00 PM to 20:00 PM

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## A history of Staplestown Village

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

**Venue:** Outside Staplestown Church

**Cost:** Free

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**Organiser:** Lyreen Research Forum  
**Email:** maryfloodweld@gmail.com  
**Telephone:** 086 3614387  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 25th August 20:00 PM to 21:00 PM

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### 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  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Kildare Dormouse Group  
**Email:** kildaredormousegroup@gmail.com  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 25th August 20:00 PM to 21:30 PM

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### Local Otters & Genetic Mapping of Otters in Naas

Volunteers needed to help undertake project.  
**Venue:** Tidy Towns Offices in Naas Town Hall  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Naas Tidy Towns  
**Telephone:** 086 0751813  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 25th August 20:00 PM to 21:00 PM

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### 1348- A medieval apocalypse

In the late summer of 1348, the greatest killer in recorded history - the Black Death - struck Ireland. Within twelve months, over one-third of the population had died.

**Venue:** Castledermot Community Library  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Castledermot Local History Group and Kildare Library Service  
**Email:** castledermotlib@kildarecoco.ie  
**Telephone:** 0599144483  
**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/Library/>  
**Booking Required:** Yes  
**Dates:** 26th August 19:00 PM to 20:00 PM

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## Ernest Shackleton – Kildare born Hero

An illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan 2016 marks 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

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Library Service

**Email:** kilcocklib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 016284403

**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/Library/>

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 26th August 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

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## 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.

**Venue:** Moone Community Hall

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Moone Tidy Towns

**Telephone:** 0598624144

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 26th August 20:00 PM to 21:30 PM

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## Noted Gatherings of the last 100 years

An illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan This visual presentation focuses on some of the major historical, sporting and popular events over the last 100 years with an emphasis on Co. Kildare.

**Venue:** Newbridge Community Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Library Service

**Email:** newbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 045448353

**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/Library/>

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 27th August 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

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## Ernest Shackleton – Kildare born Hero

An illustrated talk by Mario Corrigan 2016 marks 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

**Cost:** Free

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**Organiser:** Kildare Library Service  
**Email:** castledermotlib@kildarecoco.ie  
**Telephone:** 0599144483  
**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/Library/>  
**Booking Required:** Yes  
**Dates:** 27th August 15:00 PM to 16:00 PM

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### Talk & Walk on the birds of the area

Talk and walk on birds of the area with Birdwatch Ireland volunteers.

**Venue:** Castle Inn Car Park  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Carbury Village Residents Association  
**Email:** joanpoterton@eircom.net  
**Telephone:** 0872120494  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 27th August 15:00 PM to 16:30 PM

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### James Caird Lecture

'The voyage of the James Caird' the life-boat that journey from Elephant Island to South Georgia, an epic rescue story.

**Venue:** Athy Heritage Centre - Museum  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Athy Heritage Centre Museum Shackleton Committee  
**Email:** athyheritage@eircom.net  
**Telephone:** 0598633075  
**Website:** [www.athyheritagecentre-museum.ie](http://www.athyheritagecentre-museum.ie)  
**Booking Required:** Yes  
**Dates:** 28th August 15:30 PM to 14:30 PM

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### Aspects of heritage in Donadea Demesne

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

**Venue:** St Peter's Church, Donadea  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Aylmer Commemoration Group  
**Email:** lnewnham@eircom.net  
**Telephone:** 0860519029  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 28th August 15:00 PM to 16:00 PM

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### Celbridge Heritage Trail Free Audio Guide

Free\* audio guide that helps you to discover the story of Celbridge & Castletown House. Simply download the free Guidigo App and search for Celbridge. \*Entry fee into Castletown may still apply

**Venue:** Your self-guided tour begins at Castletown House, County Kildare

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Abarta Heritage & Celbridge Heritage Tourism Forum

**Email:** [info@abartaheritage.ie](mailto:info@abartaheritage.ie)

**Telephone:** 052 618 9468

**Website:** [abartaheritage.ie/product/celbridge](http://abartaheritage.ie/product/celbridge)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 21st August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 22nd August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 23rd August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 24th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 25th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 26th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 27th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 28th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM



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### The Story of the Curragh Free Audio Guide

Free audio guide to the Curragh of Kildare, that tells the story of its history, natural heritage, personalities and sporting aspects. Simply download the free Guidigo App and search for The Curragh.

**Venue:** Your self-guided tour begins at Junction 12 on the M7 motorway

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Abarta Heritage Ltd

**Email:** [info@abartaheritage.ie](mailto:info@abartaheritage.ie)

**Telephone:** 052 618 9468

**Website:** [abartaheritage.ie/product/curragh/](http://abartaheritage.ie/product/curragh/)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 21st August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 22nd August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 23rd August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 24th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 25th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 26th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 27th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 28th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM



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### Kildare Monastic Trail Free Audio Guide

Follow in the footsteps of Kildare's early saints with this free audio guide. Simply download the free Guidigo App and search for Kildare Monastic Trail.

**Venue:** Your self-guided tour begins at Castledermot Monastic Site

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Abarta Heritage Ltd

**Email:** [info@abartaheritage.ie](mailto:info@abartaheritage.ie)

**Telephone:** 052 618 9468

**Website:** [abartaheritage.ie/product/kildaremonastictrail/](http://abartaheritage.ie/product/kildaremonastictrail/)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 21st August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 22nd August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 23rd August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 24th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 25th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 26th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 27th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 28th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM

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### Kildare Town Heritage Trail Free Audio Guide

Free audio guide to Kildare town. Discover the story of Kildare, a town at the heart of the story of Ireland for millennia. Simply download the free Guidigo App and search for Kildare Town.

**Venue:** Your self-guided tour begins at Kildare Town Heritage Centre

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Abarta Heritage Ltd

**Email:** [info@abartaheritage.ie](mailto:info@abartaheritage.ie)

**Telephone:** 052 618 9468

**Website:** [abartaheritage.ie/product/kildare-town-heritage-trail/](http://abartaheritage.ie/product/kildare-town-heritage-trail/)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 21st August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 22nd August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 23rd August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 24th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 25th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 26th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 27th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM , 28th August 9:30 AM to 17:00 PM

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### Guided Tours and Heritage Week Happenings!

Take a guided tour or self-guide through more than 800 years of history! Find out more about this fascinating castle, its long history and the story of the once powerful Earls of Kildare.

**Venue:** Maynooth Castle

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Maynooth Castle

**Email:** [maynoothcastle@opw.ie](mailto:maynoothcastle@opw.ie)

**Telephone:** 01 628 6744

**Website:** [www.heritageireland.ie](http://www.heritageireland.ie)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 21st August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 24th August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 25th August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 26th August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 27th August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM , 28th August 10:00 AM to 17:00 PM

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### Tour of Celbridge Mill Community Centre and The Water Turbine Room

A tour of Celbridge Community Centre, in existence since 1712, will cover briefly its history to its present use plus an opportunity to visit the Centre's Vertical Water Turbine Room.

**Venue:** Celbridge Mill Community Centre Turbine Seating Area

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**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Celbridge Mill Community Centre

**Email:** celbridgemillcommunitycentre@eircom.net

**Telephone:** 01 6288556

**Website:** www.celbridgemillcommunitycentre.ie

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 21st August 11:00 AM to 13:00 PM

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### **On the Banks of the Liffey: history of Newbridge College**

A tour of the College buildings and grounds will highlight the development of this settlement since 1756 when the Dominicans first came here.

**Venue:** Newbridge College, Church porch

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Newbridge Local History Group

**Email:** raphaelryan@yahoo.co.uk

**Website:** newbridgehistory.org

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 22nd August 19:00 PM to 20:30 PM

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### **Russell Library Tours**

Join us for a tour of the historic Russell Library and view the 1916 commemoration exhibition on Domhnall Ua Buachalla.

**Venue:** Russell Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Maynooth University Library

**Email:** library.specialcollections@nuim.ie

**Telephone:** 01-4747422

**Website:** <https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/library>

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 22nd August 14:30 PM to 15:00 PM , 22nd August 15:30 PM to 16:00 PM , 24th August 14:30 PM to 15:00 PM , 24th August 15:30 PM to 16:00 PM , 25th August 14:30 PM to 15:00 PM , 25th August 15:30 PM to 16:00 PM

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### **St John's Graveyard Guided Tour**

St. John's Graveyard Guided Tour

**Venue:** St. John's Graveyard

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Athy Heritage Centre Museum

**Email:** athyheritage@eircom.net

**Telephone:** 0598633075

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**Website:** [www.athyheritagecentre-museum.ie](http://www.athyheritagecentre-museum.ie)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 22nd August 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM

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### Guided Visit of Kildrought House

A visit of an early Georgian merchant's house - a good example of domestic architecture of 1720.

First 12 to register will be accepted.

**Venue:** Kildrought House

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** ISP Celbridge Tourism & Heritage Forum

**Email:** [junestuart@gmail.com](mailto:junestuart@gmail.com)

**Telephone:** 01 6271206

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 22nd August 10:45 AM to 12:15 PM , 23rd August 10:45 AM to 12:15 PM

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### Heritage House

This is a heritage house with 18th century furniture and a collection of Irish pictures.

**Venue:** Celbridge Lodge

**Cost Adult:** €5.00

**Organiser:** Henry McDowell

**Telephone:** 01 6288347

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 23rd August 9:00 AM to 13:00 PM , 24th August 9:00 AM to 13:00 PM , 25th August 9:00 AM to 13:00 PM

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### Step Up to McAuley Place

McAuley Place will offer guided tours of the restored former Convent of Mercy buildings in Naas to showcase how heritage buildings can provide unique support and outreach to the entire community.

**Venue:** McAuley Place

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** McAuley Place

**Email:** [hello@mcauleyplace.ie](mailto:hello@mcauleyplace.ie)

**Telephone:** 045897833

**Website:** <http://mcauleyplace.ie/>

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 24th August 14:00 PM to 15:00 PM

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## House and Garden tour

Moone Abbey House, Gardens (c1750) and Tower (c1426) stands on the site of the 6th century Colomnan monastery of Moone Abbey with its High Cross (c9/10 century).

**Venue:** Moone Abbey

**Cost Adult:** €5

**Cost Child:** Free

**Cost Concession:** €3

**Organiser:** Karl and Jenifer Graf von Matuschka

**Email:** matuschkaj@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 0876900138

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 26th August 12:00 PM to 16:00 PM

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## Open Day at The Batty Langley Lodge

An opportunity to view the conservation work of Irish Landmark Trust. Enjoy a self-guided tour of this restored romantic C18th gatelodge now available as holiday accommodation.

**Venue:** Batty Langley Lodge

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Irish Landmark Trust

**Email:** caroline@irishlandmark.com

**Telephone:** 016704733

**Website:** www.irishlandmark.com

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 28th August 10:00 AM to 16:00 PM

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## Open Day at The Round House

An opportunity to view the conservation work of Irish Landmark Trust. Enjoy a self-guided tour of this restored C18th gatelodge which is now available as holiday accommodation.

**Venue:** The Round House

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Irish Landmark Trust

**Email:** caroline@irishlandmark.com

**Telephone:** 016704733

**Website:** www.irishlandmark.com

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 28th August 10:00 AM to 16:00 PM

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## Open Day at The Gate House

An opportunity to see the conservation work of Irish Landmark Trust. Enjoy a self-guided tour of this

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restored C19th gatelodge which is now available as holiday accommodation.

**Venue:** The Gate House

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Irish Landmark Trust

**Email:** caroline@irishlandmark.com

**Telephone:** 016704733

**Website:** www.irishlandmark.com

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 28th August 10:00 AM to 16:00 PM

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## Tower of Allen

Access to the Hill of Allen Tower steeped in history and with commanding views of the surrounding areas.

**Venue:** Tower of Allen

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Regina Heavey

**Email:** regina.heavey@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 089 4906802

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 10:00 AM to 18:00 PM , 21st August 10:00 AM to 18:00 PM , 22nd August 10:00 AM to 18:00 PM , 23rd August 10:00 AM to 18:00 PM , 24th August 10:00 AM to 18:00 PM , 25th August 10:00 AM to 18:00 PM , 26th August 10:00 AM to 18:00 PM , 27th August 10:00 AM to 18:00 PM , 28th August 10:00 AM to 18:00 PM

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## Site visit to Clane's Franciscan Friary

During this site-visit, the recent archaeological findings and their relationship to the remaining structural features will be interpreted in order to provide a glimpse into Franciscan spirituality.

**Venue:** Franciscan Friary

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Clane Local History Group

**Email:** bcullen1234@yahoo.com

**Telephone:** 0868103717

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 20th August 15:00 PM to 17:00 PM

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## Guided Walk along the "Swift and Vanessa Love Trail"

A guided walk through laurel paths, tracing the footsteps of Jonathan Swift and his beloved Vanessa at Celbridge Abbey, by the banks of the river Liffey in Celbridge.

**Venue:** Celbridge Abbey Car Park

**Cost:** Free

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**Organiser:** Celbridge Library  
**Email:** celbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie  
**Telephone:** 087 9630719  
**Website:** www.kildare.ie/library  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 20th August 15:00 PM to 16:00 PM

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## Vist Maudlin's Cemetery

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

**Venue:** Maudlin's Cemetery  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Friends of Maudlins Cemetery  
**Email:** naas@kildare.anglican.org  
**Telephone:** 045 897206  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 20th August 10:00 AM to 16:00 PM

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## Guided Walk Along Arthur's Way

In 1725 Arthur Guinness was born in the village of Celbridge. On this guided walk, trace his footsteps and visit the heritage legacy the Guinness Family has preserved in Celbridge

**Venue:** Celbridge Abbey Car Park, Clane Road.  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Celbridge Library  
**Email:** celbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie  
**Telephone:** 087 9630719  
**Website:** www.kildare.ie/library  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 21st August 15:00 PM to 16:30 PM

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## 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.

**Venue:** The last Car Park beside the training grounds  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Maynooth Local History Group  
**Telephone:** 086 8636 249  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 21st August 15:00 PM to 16:15 PM

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## 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.

**Venue:** Kildare Town Heritage Centre

**Cost Adult:** €2.50

**Cost Child:** €1.50

**Organiser:** Kildare Town Walking Tours

**Email:** info@kildareheritage.com

**Telephone:** 045 530672

**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/kildareheritage/>

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 22nd August 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM , 23rd August 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM , 24th August 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM , 26th August 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM , 27th August 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

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## Medieval Walking Tour

Award Winning Medieval Guided Walking Tour of Athy

**Venue:** Athy Heritage Centre - Museum

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Athy Heritage Centre Museum/SKMF/IWTN

**Email:** athyheritage@eircom.net

**Telephone:** 0598633075

**Website:** [www.athyheritagecentre-museum.ie](http://www.athyheritagecentre-museum.ie)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 24th August 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

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## Heritage Walk and Talk about Leixlip

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

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Leixlip Tidy Town Association

**Email:** carmellenno@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 085 7346253

**Website:** [www.ltta.ie](http://www.ltta.ie)

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 26th August 19:30 PM to 20:45 PM

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## 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 Detectors) different kinds of bats.

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

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Newbridge Tidy Towns Association & Kildare Bat Group

**Email:** newbridgetidytowns@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 0868393293

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 27th August 20:30 PM to 22:00 PM

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## Children's Walk in Donadea

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

**Venue:** Donadea Forest Park in the main car park

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** BirdWatch Ireland Kildare Branch

**Email:** birdwatchkildare@gmail.com

**Website:** www.birdwatchkildare.com

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 27th August 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

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## Pollardstown Fen

A walk and talk highlighting the importance of Pollardstown Fen both nationally and internationally. Pollardstown Fen is the largest remaining spring-fed fen in Ireland.

**Venue:** Meet in Car Park at Pollardstown Fen

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Co.Kildare Archaeological Society

**Email:** michaelcjacob@eircom.net and brianfrancis.mcabe@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 087-2896648 or 045-894412

**Website:** www.kildarearchsoc.ie

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 28th August 15:00 PM to 17:00 PM

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## Heritage Walk and Talk

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

**Venue:** Heritage Centre Milltown

**Cost:** Free

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**Organiser:** Milltown Tidy Towns  
**Email:** Milltowntidytowns@eircom.net  
**Telephone:** 0872321143  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 28th August 14:00 PM to 16:30 PM

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### **Pamela de Brí – Little Stories – Little Prints Workshop**

In these printmaking workshop, artists including Pamela de Brí and Margaret Becker, will work with children to uncover family lore and artefacts relating to 1916.

**Venue:** Kildare Town Library  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Kildare Town Library  
**Email:** kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie  
**Telephone:** 045 520235  
**Website:** www.kildare.ie/library  
**Booking Required:** Yes  
**Dates:** 20th August 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

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### **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 we will bring our new skills to share with people in our community.

**Venue:** Kildare Town Medieval Festival  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Willow Wonder  
**Email:** willownwattle@gmail.com  
**Telephone:** 087 6462528  
**Website:** willowwonder.net  
**Booking Required:** No  
**Dates:** 21st August 12:00 PM to 17:30 PM

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### **Irish Wildlife**

For 5 - 9 year olds. Talk with Author and Presenter Juanita Browne Juanita is a Zoologist, science communicator, and author. She will introduce the children to our wonderful Irish wildlife.

**Venue:** Newbridge Community Library  
**Cost:** Free  
**Organiser:** Kildare Library Service  
**Email:** newbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie  
**Telephone:** 045448353  
**Website:** http://www.kildare.ie/Library/  
**Booking Required:** Yes

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**Dates:** 24th August 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM

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## GYO for Children

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

**Venue:** Athy Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Athy Library

**Email:** athylib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 059 8631144

**Website:** [www.kildare.ie/library](http://www.kildare.ie/library)

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 24th August 14:15 PM to 15:15 PM

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## Childrens Ceramic Workshop

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

**Venue:** Naas Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Naas Library

**Email:** naaslib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 045 879111

**Website:** [www.kildare.ie/library](http://www.kildare.ie/library)

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 24th August 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

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## Boxy, a traditional Irish food, Demonstration and tasting.

Demonstration of Boxy making, with tastings and ideas for using in a modern menu. The demonstration will take place during the regular weekly market on Thursday the 25th August.

**Venue:** Friary Hall, Kildare town

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Country Market

**Email:** rubyjohnston@eircom.net

**Telephone:** 0863643464

**Website:** <http://www.kildarebedandbreakfast.com/>

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 25th August 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

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## Little Artists Special Boxes

1916 Workshop with Monica de Bath To begin, each child will imagine finding a box under their grandparents bed. In it will be a number of rooms.

**Venue:** Newbridge Community Library

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Kildare Library Service

**Email:** newbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

**Telephone:** 045448353

**Website:** <http://www.kildare.ie/Library/>

**Booking Required:** Yes

**Dates:** 26th August 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

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## Ancient Straw Craft Traditions of Ireland

Exhibition and Workshop by Straw Craft Ireland. Exhibits include straw boy's masks, cradles & corn dollies. Learn to create your own harvest knot, crosses while also enjoying a falconry display

**Venue:** Christ Church Celbridge

**Cost:** Free

**Organiser:** Celbridge Guided Tours

**Email:** breda.konstantin@iol.ie

**Telephone:** 087 9630719

**Booking Required:** No

**Dates:** 28th August 14:00 PM to 17:00 PM

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