

Seachtain Oidhreacht 2013 | gCo. Chill Dara

Heritage Week 2013 in County Kildare

Sat 17th to Sun 25 August 2013

Heritage Week is part of a European initiative to encourage people to take an interest in their local Heritage.

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 Kildare County Council.

Most events listed here are free. Children are welcome to most events but young children should be accompanied by an adult. Please dress suitably.

2 The Royal Site of Dun Ailinne



A visit to this Royal site for the Kings of Leinster, guided by Conleth Manning. Please park safely by this busy road and cross with care. Boots or other suitable footwear desirable as there is an uphill walk on uneven ground, through fields which are normally grazed by cattle.


Date: Sun 25th
Time: 15:00 - 17:00
Venue: The Hill of Dun Ailinne, (close to the N78 Kilcullen/Athy Road.)
Admission: Free
Contact: Elizabeth Connelly
Tel: 087 2555783 / 045 437321
Email: secretary@kildarearchsoc.ie

5 Open Day at the Gate Lodge Castletown, Celbridge



An opportunity to view the conservation work of Irish Landmark. Self-guided tour of this C18th gate lodge, now available as holiday accommodation. Information leaflets about the lodge will be provided.

Date: Sun 25th
Time: 10:00 - 16:00
Venue: The Gate House, Castletown Estate, Celbridge, Co. Kildare.
Admission: Free
Contact: Caroline Crowley
Tel: 01 6704733
Email: caroline@irishlandmark.com



10 Leixlip Castle: Historic House



Leixlip Castle is an historic family home with a fine collection of paintings and furniture.

Date: Sat 17th - Sun 25th
Time: 09:00 - 13:00
Venue: Leixlip Castle, Leixlip.
Admission: €8 Adult, €4 Children & Concession
Contact: Audrey Emerson
Tel: 01 6246873
Email: leixlipcastle@eircom.net

13 Country Market & Craft Fair Castletown, Celbridge



There is free admission and free live music between 2-4pm. Food to go, crafts, photography, candles, knitted goods, bog oak, clothes, furniture & more. Free parking: Exit 6, M4 Celbridge West. Dublin Bus 67 from Merrion Square to Main Street Celbridge.

Date: Sun 25th
Time: 10:00 - 17:00
Venue: Castletown, Celbridge, Co. Kildare.
Admission: Free
Contact: Caoilfhionn Murphy
Tel: 01 6288252
Email: castletown@opw.ie

16 Heritage Grand Canal Walk



Enjoy looking at the historic links of the grand canal with the community. Meet at the GAA Grounds, ArdcloUGH.

Date: Sun 18th
Time: 11:30 - 12:30
Venue: GAA Grounds, ArdcloUGH Village.
Admission: Free
Contact: Marianne Heffernan
Tel: 01 6272207
Email: celbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie

19 Hedgerows in Ballymore Eustace



Ballymore Eustace Tidy Towns celebrates Heritage Week by welcoming everyone to share an afternoon of talking and walking the hedgerows of the locality. Local ecologist Mary O'Connor will give an illustrated talk on the heritage value of hedgerows in particular the hedgerows of this part of County Kildare followed by a walk along a local hedgerow of particular interest.

Date: Sun 25th
Time: 14:30 - 16:00
Venue: Meet at Ballymore Eustace Resource Centre. Appropriate footwear & clothing are advised.
Admission: Free
Contact: Thomas Deegan - 087 2194227
Mary O'Connor - 087-2934467

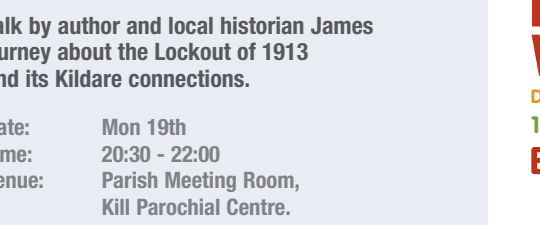
22 Walk & Talk in Mullaghreelan Woods



Local historian Eamon Kane will host a walk and talk on the rich heritage of Mullaghreelan, Castledermot including: St Laurence O'Toole, Castledermot, the French Connection, Mullach Ré Éireann, Saint Patrick & Oisín. Not all the paths are suitable for wheelchairs. Terrain uneven, hilly & muddy in places in wet weather. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Date: Sun 25th
Time: 15:00 - 17:30
Venue: Mullaghreelan Forest Park, Killea, Castledermot.
Meet at: The O'Toole Monument, beside car park.
Admission: Free
Contact: Eamon Kane
Tel: 059 9144110
Email: eamonkane@eircom.net

25 Talk on 1913 Lockout - the Kildare Connection



Talk by author and local historian James Durney about the Lockout of 1913 and its Kildare connections.

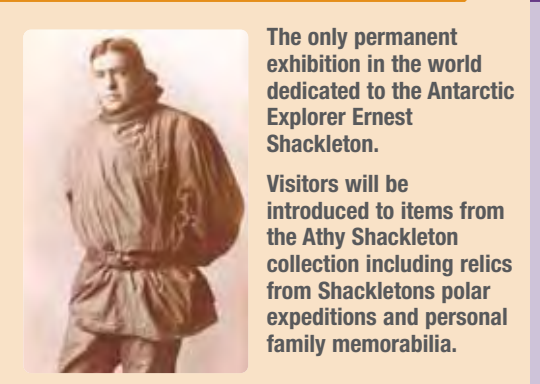
Date: Mon 19th
Time: 20:30 - 22:00
Venue: Parish Meeting Room, Kill Parochial Centre.
Admission: Free
Contact: Brian Mc Cabe
Tel: 087 3513328
Email: brianfrancis.mccabe@gmail.com
Not suitable for Children

National Heritage Week

Discover the past. Build the future.
17th - 25th August 2013
Event Guide Kildare



1 An introduction to the Shackleton Collection, Athy



The only permanent exhibition in the world dedicated to the Antarctic Explorer Ernest Shackleton. Visitors will be introduced to items from the Athy Shackleton collection including relics from Shackletons polar expeditions and personal family memorabilia.

Date: Sat 24th
Time: 14:30 - 15:15
Venue: Athy Heritage Centre-Museum
Admission: Free
Contact: Margaret Walsh
Tel: 059 8633075
Email: athyheritage@eircom.net

3 Local Heritage Bus Tour



A guided bus tour visiting historic locations in Celbridge and Maynooth. Historical sites include Maynooth College, Maynooth Castle, Maynooth Castle, Castletown House and Parklands. The bus departs Rathcoffey at 12 noon. There will be an opportunity to purchase refreshments at Castletown House (Cost not included). Bus tickets must be booked in advance.

Date: Sat 24th
Time: 12:00 - 17:30
Venue: Rathcoffey GAA, Donadea
Bus Ticket: Adults €5
Children under 14 €2
Contact: Mairead Byrne
Tel: 087 2239410
Email: maireadccbyrne@gmail.com

6 Open Day at The Round House Castletown Estate, Celbridge

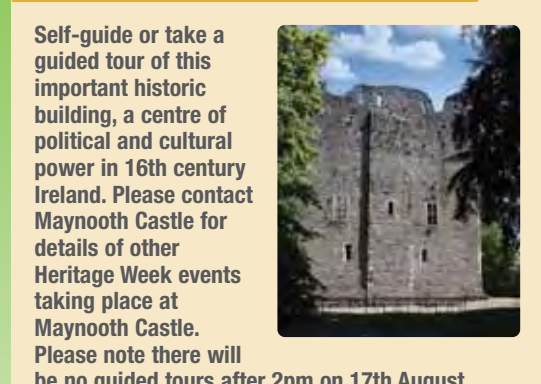


An opportunity to view the conservation work of Irish Landmark. Self-guided tour of this C18th gate lodge, now available as holiday accommodation. Information leaflets about the lodge will be provided.

Date: Sun 25th
Time: 10:00 - 16:00
Venue: The Round House, Castletown Estate, Celbridge.
Admission: Free
Contact: Caroline Crowley
Tel: 01 6704733
Email: caroline@irishlandmark.com



11 Guided Tours of Maynooth Castle



Self-guide or take a guided tour of this important historic building, a centre of political and cultural power in 16th century Ireland. Please contact Maynooth Castle for details of other Heritage Week events taking place at Maynooth Castle. Please note there will be no guided tours after 2pm on 17th August.

Date: Sat 17th & Sun 18th, time: 10:00 - 14:00
Wed 21st - Sun 25th, time: 10:00 - 17:00
Venue: Maynooth Castle, Maynooth.
Admission: Free
Contact: Catherine O'Connor
Tel: 01 628 6744
Email: maynoothcastle@opw.ie

14 Trip to The National Museum Collins Barracks Dublin



The Teresa Brayton Heritage Group are organising a trip to The National Museum Collins Barracks.

Date: Sun 18th
Time: 14:00 - 17:00
Venue: Kilcock Square
Admission: Free
Free bus leaving the square Kilcock at approx 13:00 (booking recommended)
Contact: Bernadette Gilligan
Tel: 087 7603346
Email: bernadettegilligan@hotmail.com

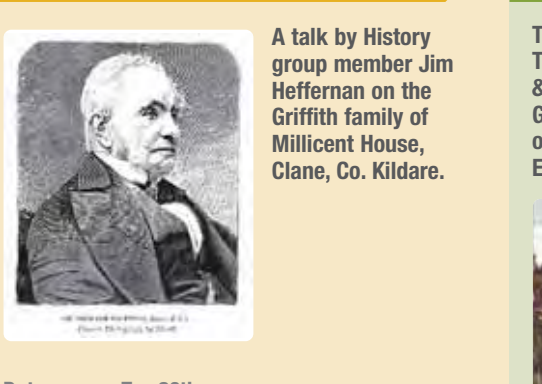
17 Kilcullen River Festival



Food and fun family day with water activities.

Date: Sun 25th
Time: 12:00 - 18:00
Venue: Market Square, Kilcullen.
Admission: Free
Contact: Mary O'Neill
Tel: 045 484681
Email: mary@fallon.ie


20 The Griffith Family of Millicent House



A talk by history group member Jim Heffernan on the Griffith family of Millicent House, Clane, Co. Kildare.

Date: Tue 20th
Time: 20:00 - 21:30
Venue: Clane Community Library, The Woods, Clane, Co. Kildare.
Admission: Free
Contact: Jacqueline McCabe
Tel: 045 892716
Email: clanelib@kildarecoco.ie

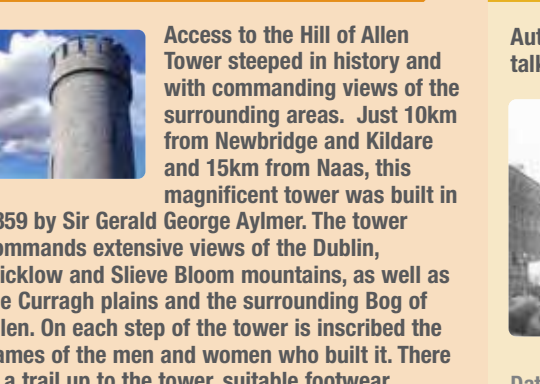
23 Celbridge Heritage Walk



This is a Heritage Walk, suitable for all ages. The walk will take in the Castletown parkland & river walks Celbridge Abbey, the Famine Graveyard & more. Meeting at the front steps of Castletown House at 3pm. Free parking, Exit 6, M4, Celbridge West.

Date: Sun 18th
Time: 15:00 - 16:30
Venue: Celbridge.
Admission: Free
Contact: Breda Konstantin
Tel: 087 9630719
Email: breda.konstantin@iol.ie

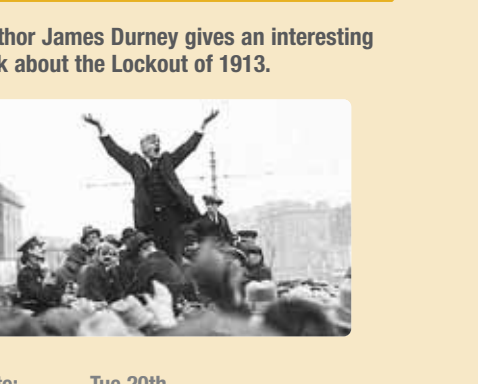
26 Tower of Allen, Hill of Allen



Access to the Hill of Allen Tower steeped in history and with commanding views of the surrounding areas. Just 10km from Newbridge and Kildare and 15km from Naas, this magnificent tower was built in 1859 by Sir Gerald George Aylmer. The tower commands extensive views of the Dublin, Wicklow and Slieve Bloom mountains, as well as the Curragh plains and the surrounding Bog of Allen. On each step of the tower is inscribed the names of the men and women who built it. There is a trail up to the tower, suitable footwear required.

Date: Sat 17th - Sun 25th
Time: 10:00 - 16:00
Venue: Tower of Allen, Hill of Allen, Allen
Admission: Free
Contact: Regina Heavey
Tel: 089 4906802
Email: regina.heavey@gmail.com

28 James Durney: Talk on 1913 Lockout



Author James Durney gives an interesting talk about the Lockout of 1913.

Date: Tue 20th
Time: 19:00 - 20:00
Venue: Newbridge Community Library, Athgarvan Road, Newbridge.
Admission: Free
Contact: Suzann Smyth
Tel: 045 448353
Email: newbridgelib@kildarecoco.ie
Not suitable for Children

For further details contact:

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Email: heritage@kildarecoco.ie
Web: www.kildarecoco.ie



Callsave 1850 200 878
www.heritageweek.ie

4 Music Recital, Castletown House



Music recitals within the environs of Castletown House. Free, seated event, No tickets required.

Date: Sat 17th & Sun 18th
Sat 24th & Sun 25th
Time: 14:00 - 16:00
Venue: Castletown House, Celbridge, Co. Kildare
Admission: Free
Contact: Linda Byrne
Tel: 01 6288252
Email: castletown@opw.ie

7 Guided Tour of Kildrought House



Kildrought House was built in 1719. Come and enjoy a personal and informative tour given by the house owner.

Date: Wed 21st
Time: 10:30 - 12:30
Venue: Kildrought House, Church Road, Celbridge
Admission: Free, (Booking essential)
Contact: Sean Darcy
Tel: 087 2552468
Email: sean.darcy@ie.dsv.com
Not suitable for Children

8 Moyglare Glebe Historic House & Gardens open to the Public



Featuring a collection of Irish pictures. The house is not large so there is a limit of 6 people per tour.

Date: Sat 17th - Sun 25th
Time: 08:30 - 12:30
Venue: Moyglare Glebe, Maynooth, Co Kildare
Admission: Adult €6
Child €3
OAP €3
Student €3
Contact: Martin Hayden
Tel: 01 6282238
Email: martin@martinjhayden.ie

9 Guided Tour of Celbridge Lodge



Featuring a collection of Irish pictures. The house is not large so there is a limit of 6 people per tour.

Date: Mon 19th - Thurs 22nd
Time: 10:00 - 13:00
Venue: Celbridge Lodge, Church Road, Celbridge
Admission: €5
Contact: Henry McDowell
Tel: 01 6288347
Email: castletown@opw.ie
Not suitable for Children

12 Larchhill Gardens Open Days



Come and explore our 18th century parkland gardens on 25 ha., with follies, walled garden and a lake.

Date: Sat 17th - Sun 25th
Time: 10:00 - 14:00
Venue: Larchhill Gardens, Kilcock.
Admission: Adults €7.50,
Children €5.50,
Under 4's Free
Contact: Micheal De Las Casas
Tel: 01 6287354
Email: delascas@indigo.ie

15 Open Day at The Batty Langley Lodge, Leixlip



An opportunity to view the conservation work of Irish Landmark. Self-guided tour of this romantic C18th lodge, now available as holiday accommodation. Information leaflets about the lodge will be provided.

Date: Sun 25th
Time: 10:00 - 16:00
Venue: The Batty Langley Lodge, Castletown Estate, Leixlip.
Admission: Free
Contact: Caroline Crowley
Tel: 01 6704733
Email: caroline@irishlandmark.com

18 500th anniversary of the death of the 'Great Earl'



Marking the 500th anniversary of the death of the 'Great Earl' of Kildare. A talk by Prof Marion Lyons of NUI Maynooth. Garret Mor who "ruled all Ireland in the name of the King" died c. 3 September 1513.

Date: Sat 17th
Time: 15:00 - 16:30
Venue: Maynooth Castle, Maynooth.
Admission: Free
Contact: Rita Edwards
Tel: 087 6387687
Email: ritaedwards@eircom.net
Not suitable for Children

21 St. Mary's Church, Leixlip



An historic church with Western residential tower, memorial to Archbishop Price and a pre-disestablishment graveyard. On Tuesday 20th August at 7pm John Colgan of the Leixlip History Club will be giving a tour of the pre-disestablishment graveyard of St Mary's Church. There will also be a tour of the Church by Patricia Donohoe the same evening. The church is open for public view at the other times listed and guided tours are available on request.

Date: Sat 17th
Time: 10:00 - 13:00
Mon 19th
Time: 14:00 - 17:00
Tue 20th
Time: 10:30 - 13:00
Wed 21st
Time: 14:00 - 17:00
Thu 22nd
Time: 10:00 - 13:00
Venue: St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Main St, Leixlip, Co Kildare.
Admission: Free
Contact: Helen Ryan
Tel: 01 6240976
Email: sta@indigo.ie
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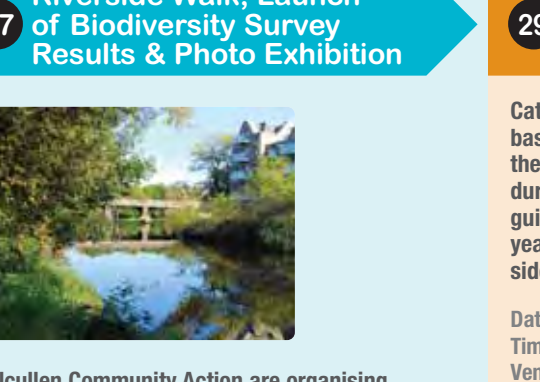
24 Sharing Local Memories, Kilcullen Town Hall



Sharing memories and memorabilia of past times with families who originally lived on Main Street, Kilcullen in this year of "The Gathering".

Date: Sun 18th
Time: 15:00 - 20:00
Venue: Town Hall & Heritage Centre, Lower Main Street, Kilcullen
Admission: Free
Contact: Kilcullen Heritage Group
Tel: 045 481613

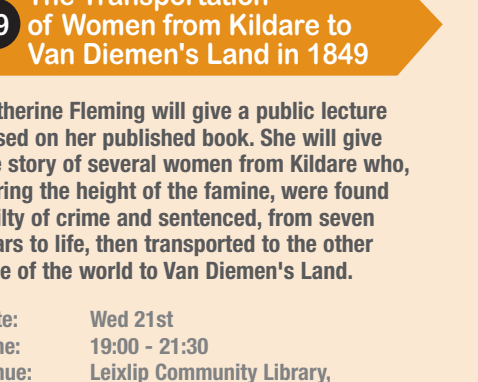
27 Riverside Walk, Launch of Biodiversity Survey Results & Photo Exhibition



Kilcullen Community Action are organising this Riverside Walk, Launch of Biodiversity Survey Results and a Photographic Exhibition

Date: Fri 23rd
Time: Report Launch 19:00, Walk 19:30
Venue: Kilcullen Town Hall & Heritage Centre.
Admission: Free
Contact: Noel Clare
Tel: 087 6497619
Email: nsclare@gmail.com

29 The Transportation of Women from Kildare to Van Diemen's Land in 1849



Catherine Fleming will give a public lecture based on her published book. She will give the story of several women from Kildare who, during the height of the famine, were found guilty of crime and sentenced, from seven years to life, then transported to the other side of the world to Van Diemen's Land.

Date: Wed 21st
Time: 19:00 - 21:30
Venue: Leixlip Community Library, Captain's Hill, Leixlip.
Admission: Free (Booking recommended)
Contact: Gillian Allen
Tel: 01 6060050
Email: gallen@kildarecoco.ie
Not suitable for Children

