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# Showing 50 Offaly Events (added before 8th June)

## TOUR

### Heritage Quest 2017

This is a heritage week event for children. The challenge will take about an hour.

**Venue:** Birr Library **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** birrlibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579124950 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sat 19th	09:30	13:00
Tue 22nd	09:30	17:30
Wed 23rd	09:30	20:00
Thu 24th	09:30	17:30
Fri 25th	09:30	17:30
Sat 26th	09:30	13:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

## EXHIBITION

### Display of Quaker Artifacts

For the duration of Heritage week, there will be a display of a historical Quaker book and artifacts on loan from the Edenderry Quakers.

**Venue:** Edenderry Library, JFK Street, Edenderry **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** edenderrylibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0469731028 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

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## EXHIBITION

## Landscape by Anna Trojanowska

Anna Trojanowska will be exhibiting her Irish Landscapes in mixed media oils, graphics and photographs

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**OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE, OPEN HISTORIC PROPERTY OR HERITAGE SITE**

## Ballycumber Discovery Walk

The Ballycumber Discovery Walk is a self-guided 5km loop of Ballycumber Village, Grogan, Liss, Prospect and Twickenham to return to Ballycumber on Public roads.

**Venue:** Ballycumber Village **Organiser:** Ballycumber GAA History Group **Email:** eamlark@gmail.com **Telephone:** 0868158699

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sat 19th	10:00	21:00
Sun 20th	10:00	21:00
Mon 21st	10:00	21:00
Tue 22nd	10:00	09:00
Wed 23rd	10:00	21:00
Thu 24th	10:00	21:00
Fri 25th	10:00	21:00
Sat 26th	10:00	21:00
Sun 27th	10:00	21:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (No Car Parking Available) (Free)*

**EXHIBITION**

## Junior Nature Photo Exhibition

This exhibition celebrates Irish local biodiversity as well as the talent of junior photographers. All photos taken by children aged 5-12 - Free event.

**Venue:** Tullamore Library **Organiser:** Irish Wildlife Trust (Laois/Offaly Branch) **Email:** barbara.iwtlaoisoffaly@gmail.com **Telephone:** 057 93 46832

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sat 19th	10:00	17:00
Mon 21st	10:00	17:00
Tue 22nd	10:00	20:00
Wed 23rd	10:00	17:00
Thu 24th	10:00	20:00
Fri 25th	10:00	17:00
Sat 19th	10:00	17:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

#### TOUR

## Heritage Week Trail- Banagher

Search the library to find pictures of sites, monuments and icons to complete Quest! you only have one hour to complete the quest to gain your questor's certificate, wristband and treat!

**Venue:** Banagher Library, Moores Corner, Banagher **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** banagherlibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579151471 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sat 19th	10:00	13:00
Tue 22nd	10:00	13:00
Tue 22nd	14:00	17:00
Thu 24th	14:00	17:00
Thu 24th	18:00	20:00

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#### WORKSHOP

## Family Origami Workshop

Try making an Origami bees, ladybirds, butterflies to play in an Origami wildflower garden. This a family event from children aged between 5 - 7 but they must bring heir own grown-up.

**Venue:** Clara Library, Ballycumber Road, Clara **Organiser:** Offaly Library

Service **Email:** claralibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579331389 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sat 19th	11:30	12:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

#### OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE

## Lough Boora Ecology Event

The Bord na Mona Ecology will take participants Pond dipping at 12pm sharp and will follow with an eco-cycle through the Sculpture Park at approximately 1.30pm

**Venue:** Lough boora Discovery Park Visitor Centre **Organiser:** Bord na Mona Lough Boora Discovery Park **Email:** info@loughboora.com **Telephone:** 0579340010 0879711658 **Website:** loughboora.com

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sat 19th	12:00	15:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Partial) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

#### TOUR, OPEN HISTORIC PROPERTY OR HERITAGE SITE

## Visit to Durrow High Cross

A visit to Durrow High Cross and Monastic Site presented by Society President Helen Bracken. Access on Tullamore to Kilbeggan road, 4km from M6 motorway.

**Venue:** Durrow Abbey Church **Organiser:** Offaly Historical and Archaeological Society **Email:** info@offalyhistory.com **Telephone:** 057 9321421 **Website:** offalyhistory.com

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sat 19th	14:00	15:00

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#### WORKSHOP

## Family Origami Workshop

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must bring their own grown-up.

**Venue:** Tullamore Library, O'Connor Square, Tullamore **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** tullamorelibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579346832 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sat 19th	14:30	15:30

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**OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE, TALK**

## Charleville Demesne Walk

A look at the natural and man-made landscape of Charleville Demesne from the 1500s to the 20th century, with guides Richard Jack, Fergal McCabe and Michael Byrne.

**Venue:** Assemble at Charleville Demesne gates. **Organiser:** Offaly Historical and Archaeological Society **Email:** info@offalyhistory.com **Telephone:** 057 932 1421 **Website:** offalyhistory.com

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sun 20th	14:30	16:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

**OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE, TALK**

## In The Shadow of Giants.

This short forest walk will visit a magnificent stand of 80 year old Sitka Spruce located in a wonderful riverside setting in Glenregan.

**Venue:** Kinnitty, Co Offaly **Organiser:** Coillte **Email:** richard.jack@coillte.ie **Telephone:** 086 2502573

Date	Start Time	End Time
Mon 21st	19:30	21:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

**TALK**

## Earls of Charleville 1700-1950

An illustrated talk by Michael Byrne on the Moore and Bury families who are connected with Charleville Demesne and the building of Charleville Castle over a

period of 250 years.

**Venue:** Offaly History Centre, Bury Quay, Tullamore **Organiser:** Offaly Historical and Archaeological Society **Email:** info@offalyhistory.com **Telephone:** 057 932 1421 **Website:** offalyhistory.com

Date	Start Time	End Time
Mon 21st	20:00	21:00

*(Not suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

## TOUR

### Tour of Birr Library

A guided introduction by a member of the library staff to the historical features, artifacts and displays to be seen in Birr Library.

**Venue:** Birr Library, Wilmer Road, Tullamore **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** birrlibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579124950 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

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Tue 22nd	11:00	12:00
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## PERFORMANCE OR REENACTMENT

### Lunchtime Concert

A selection of classical favourites with Austin Brennan of Tullamore Gramophone Society

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Date	Start Time	End Time
Tue 22nd	13:00	14:00

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## TALK

## Talk on the National Gallery

Valerie Moffat from the National Gallery to do a talk on 20th Century Art Collection

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Date	Start Time	End Time
Tue 22nd	18:30	19:30

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TALK

## Folklore; Irish Trees & Plants

Join us for a talk by Niall Mac Coitir on the 'Folklore of Irish Trees & Wild Plants'. Find out all about the myths, legends and uses of our native plants by the foremost expert on the subject.

**Venue:** Offaly History Centre **Organiser:** Irish Wildlife Trust Laois Offaly **Email:** brian.iwtlaoisoffaly@gmail.com **Telephone:** 087 7829477

Date	Start Time	End Time
Tue 22nd	19:30	20:30

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TALK

## Birds in Central Ireland

An illustrated talk by Stephen Heery on 25 years of producing the Mid-Shannon Bird Report.

**Venue:** Crank House, Banagher **Organiser:** Offaly Naturalists' Field Club, Offaly Co. Co. **Email:** heritage@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579346839 **Website:** offaly.ie/heritage

Date	Start Time	End Time
Tue 22nd	19:30	21:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Partial) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

WORKSHOP, TALK



## Meitheal Dúchas.ie/Logainm.ie

Find out how you can contribute to the preservation of Ireland's cultural heritage. Transcribe folklore from the 1930s with Meitheal Dúchas.ie and record minor placenames with Meitheal Logainm.ie.

**Venue:** Tullamore Library **Organiser:** Fiontar & Scoil na Gaeilge, DCU **Email:** tullamorelibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 057 3946832 **Website:** ducharas.ie/en/meitheal/

Date	Start Time	End Time
Wed 23rd	10:30	11:30

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### OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE

## Go Wild 'n the Woods at Mt Briscoe

'Go Wild 'n the Woods' at Mount Briscoe. Wild play activities include den building, bushcraft, exploring nature and campfire cooking! Discover the Queen of the bridges to scramble and of course mud!!

**Venue:** Mount Briscoe, Daingean, County Offaly. **Organiser:** Mount Briscoe **Admission:** , Child: €5.00 **Email:** events@mountbriscoe.ie **Telephone:** 087 2507827 **Website:** mountbriscoe.ie

Date	Start Time	End Time
Wed 23rd	10:30	14:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required)*

### WORKSHOP, TALK

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Wed 23rd	12:30	13:30

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## EXHIBITION

### Observing Offaly Exhibition

The exhibition will feature photographs taken from "Observing Offaly" book by Veronica Nicholson. This book chronicles the everyday life of one year in her adopted county.

**Venue:** Daingean Library, Main Street, Daingean **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** daingeanlibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579353005 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Wed 23rd	13:30	17:00
Wed 23rd	18:00	20:00

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## WORKSHOP

### Art & Craft- Heritage Theme

This is a heritage week themeaArt & craft workshop. This is suitable for 8 - 12years olds. Only 10 spaces so booking essential

**Venue:** Daingean Library, Main Street, Daingean **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** daingeanlibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579353005 **Website:** offalycoco.ie

Date	Start Time	End Time
Wed 23rd	14:30	15:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

## WORKSHOP

### Art & Crafts- Heritage Theme

This is an Art and Craft session with a Heritage week theme. This is suitable for 8 - 12 years old. This event is free. Booking is essential.

**Venue:** Clara Library, Ballycumber Road, Clara **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** claralibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579331389 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Wed 23rd	14:30	15:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking*

*Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

#### WORKSHOP

## Art & Craft- Heritage Theme

This is a Heritage Week themed Arts and Crafts for ages 8-13 years. Booking is essential

**Venue:** Birr Library, Wilmer Road, Birr **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** birrlibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579124950 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Wed 23rd	15:30	16:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

#### WORKSHOP

## Art & Crafts - Heritage Theme

This is a heritage week theme arts and crafts. Suitable from 8 -13 years old. Booking essential

**Venue:** Birr Library, Wilmer Road, Birr **Organiser:** Offaly Library Services **Email:** birrlibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579124950 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

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Wed 23rd	15:30	16:30

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#### WORKSHOP

## Art & Craft - Heritage Theme

In this session, we will be using old historic techniques to weave our own crosses and learn to use the ancient Ogham alphabet.

**Venue:** Edenderry Library, JFK Street, Edenderry **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** edenderrylibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0469731028 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Wed 23rd	16:00	17:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (No Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

## OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE

### Wild Play at Mount Briscoe

A nature walk, talk and play for families with kids aged 5 and up. A series of games & activities where we use all our senses to observe the biodiversity that is everywhere around u.

**Venue:** Mount Briscoe **Organiser:** Mount Briscoe **Email:** mountbriscoe@gmail.com **Telephone:** 087 2507827 **Website:** mountbriscoe.ie

Date	Start Time	End Time
Wed 23rd	18:00	20:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

## OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE, TALK

### The Grand Canal at Daingean

James Scully will be the guide with some local notables. If the weather permits, there will be a walk and talk on the Grand Canal

**Venue:** Daingean Library, Main Street, Daingean **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** daingeanlibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579353005 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Wed 23rd	18:30	19:30

*(Not suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

## TALK

### Health Benefits of Wild Foods

"The health benefits of wild foods around us and how to use them". Bernard Gibney is local known for his Gibney's Garden Preserves.

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Wed 23rd	18:30	19:30

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## TALK

### Bringing Matters to a Head

As part of their 2017 programme, David Broderick of the Irish Workhouse Centre in Portumna presents a lecture on the burning of Derrylahan House in Rathcabbin, Co. Tipperary.'

**Venue:** Birr Library, Wilmer Road, Birr **Organiser:** David Broderick from the Irish Workhouse Centre, Portumna hosted by Birr Library **Email:** birrlibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579124950 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	11:00	12:00

*(Not suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

## WORKSHOP

### Mountmellick Lace Workshop

Mountmellick Lace has a long association with the Quakers who fostered the tradition. Booking is essential

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Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	11:00	12:30

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## TOUR, OPEN HISTORIC PROPERTY OR HERITAGE SITE

### Open Day at Charleville Castle

Once a year for National Heritage Week Charleville Castle opens its doors free of charge to the public to explore its beauty, admire its unique architectural detail and hear its many ghost stories.

**Venue:** Charleville Castle **Organiser:** Charleville Castle Heritage Trust **Email:** info@charlevillecastle.com **Telephone:** 057 93 23040 **Website:** charlevillecastle.com

Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	12:00	16:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Partial) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

#### EXHIBITION

### 'Elements' by Tina Claffey

'Elements' delves deeper into this natural wilderness, explores the depths of the mysterious bog pools and captures the effect of the of wind, storms, sunshine with traditional photographic techniques

**Venue:** Kilcormac Library, Main Street, Kilcormac **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** kilcormaclibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579135086 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	13:00	17:30
Thu 24th	18:00	20:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

#### WORKSHOP

### Art & Craft - Heritage Theme

This is a heritage theme arts & crafts workshop suitable for ages between 8 -12 years old

**Venue:** Banagher Library. Moore Corner, Banagher **Organiser:** Offaly Library Services **Email:** banagherlibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579151471 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	14:30	15:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

#### WORKSHOP

### Art & Craft - Heritage theme

This is an art & craft session with a heritage theme. This activity is suitable for 8 - 12 years old. This is a free activity. Spaces are limited so booking essential.

**Venue:** Kilcormac Library, Main Street, Kilcormac **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** kilcormaclibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579135086 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	14:30	15:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

#### TALK

## History of Edenderry Quakers

This is a presentation on the history of the Edenderry Quakers. This event is free but booking is essential

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Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	15:00	16:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (No Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

#### OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE

## Bird Watch Ireland Swift Talk

A bird talk and walk lead by Brian Caffrey of Bird Watch Ireland on one of Banagher's most intriguing urban birds, the Swift.

**Venue:** Banagher Library, Moore's Corner, Banagher **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** banagherlibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579151471 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	15:00	16:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

#### WORKSHOP

## Learn More About the Great War

Tullamore Phoenix Militaria Club will provide a free workshop at Tullamore library to help you find out more about relatives who fought in World War 1.

**Venue:** Tullamore Library, O' Connor Sqaure, Tullamore **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** tullamorelibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579346832 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	18:00	19:30

*(Not suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (No Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE

## Badger Watching

Led by Colm Malone, a wildlife ranger with NPWS. Bring your own folding chair! Booking essential.

**Venue:** Charleville Demesne **Organiser:** Offaly Naturalists' Field Club **Email:** heritage@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579346839 **Website:** offaly.ie/heritage

Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	20:00	22:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (No Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE, TALK

## Badger Watch Evening

Join us as the sun sets on Mount Briscoe to get a closer look at these elusive mammals in their natural habitat. Learn about badgers, foxes, moths, bats and other creatures of the night.

**Venue:** Mount Briscoe **Organiser:** Mount Briscoe **Email:** mountbriscoe@gmail.com **Telephone:** 087 2507827 **Website:** mountbriscoe.ie

Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	20:45	23:00

*(Not suitable for Children under 12) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

TALK

## Heremon & Heber, Battle of Geashill

Talk and book launch about the epic saga of the brothers Heremon and Heber and the Battle of Geashill, reputed to be in the year 1699 BC. This story is documented in many ancient medieval Irish books.

**Venue:** St. Mary's Hall, Geashill **Organiser:** Geashill Tidy Towns **Email:** pvmfoley@gmail.com **Telephone:** 0864664566

Date	Start Time	End Time
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Fri 25th	08:00	09:30
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*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

#### WORKSHOP

## Art & Craft - Heritage Theme

This is a heritage theme art and craft session. It is suitable for 8-12 years olds. Space is limited so booking is required

**Venue:** Ferbane Library, Gallen, Ferbane **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** ferbanelibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0906454259 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Fri 25th	12:00	13:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

#### OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE, TOUR

## Wildlife of Clara Bog

Have you ever wondered what a living bog is? Come and discover the flora and fauna of a living bog as we introduce you to some key features that can be observed from our 1km boardwalk.

**Venue:** Clara Bog Boardwalk, Rahan Road, Clara, Co Offaly **Organiser:** Clara Bog Visitor Centre **Email:** claraguides@ahg.gov.ie **Telephone:** 057 93 68878 **Website:** clarabognaturereserve.ie/

Date	Start Time	End Time
Fri 25th	14:00	16:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

#### WORKSHOP

## Art & Craft - Heritage Theme

This is an Art & Craft session with a Heritage Theme. This activity is suited to 8-12 years olds. Booking is essential - spaces are limited

**Venue:** Tullamore Library, O'Connor Square, Tullamore **Organiser:** Offaly Library Service **Email:** tullamorelibrary@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579346832 **Website:** offaly.ie/libraries

Date	Start Time	End Time
Fri 25th	14:30	15:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (No Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE

## Bat Walk by the Shannon

Discover what bats live in Banagher. Hear their feeding frenzy brought to life using bat detectors.

**Venue:** Banagher Park **Organiser:** Banagher Tidy Towns **Email:** banaghertidytowns@gmail.com **Telephone:** 0868650133

Date	Start Time	End Time
Fri 25th	21:30	22:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Partial) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

TOUR, TALK

## Fortress Banagher

The history and architecture of Fort Eliza, the Bridge Barrack, Cromwell's Castle and Fanesker Martello Tower, presented by Eoghan Broderick, Tony Cormican and James Scully. Car pooling essential!

**Venue:** Assemble inside Crank House, Main St, Banagher for 4pm **Organiser:** Offaly Historical and Archaeological Society **Email:** info@offalyhistory.com **Telephone:** 057 932 1421 **Website:** offalyhistory.com

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sat 26th	16:00	19:00

*(Not suitable for Children under 12) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE, TALK

## Grand Canal Walk

A walk along the Grand Canal from Tullamore town to Ballycowan Castle...and back!! Expert guidance from John and James Scully with some mystery guests.

**Venue:** Assemble outside Offaly History Centre, Bury Quay, Tullamore at 10.45am **Organiser:** Offaly Historical and Archaeological Society **Email:** info@offalyhistory.com **Telephone:** 057 932 1421 **Website:** offalyhistory.com

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sun 27th	11:00	15:30

*(Not suitable for Children under 12) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE, FESTIVAL

## Annual Steam Threshing

This is the 43rd year of the threshing festival in Clonbullogue & will commence with a parade of vintage cars & machinery.

**Venue:** Edenderry Road, Clonbullogue **Organiser:** Clonbullogue Development Association **Admission:** Adult: €5.00, Child: €0.00 **Email:** mauraallen1@eircom.net **Telephone:** 086/8512918

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sun 27th	14:00	18:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available)*

OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE, TALK

## The Irish Mountain Hare

A walk and talk by Noel Bugler, wildlife ranger with NPWS, to see hares in their natural habitat. Booking essential.

**Venue:** Teach Lea Community Centre **Organiser:** Offaly Naturalists' Field Club **Email:** heritage@offalycoco.ie **Telephone:** 0579346839 **Website:** offaly.ie/heritage

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sun 27th	15:00	18:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Partial) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*

## Showing 2 Offaly Events Added after 8th June

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## Restored 18th century Oat Mill

Restored 18th century oatmill powered by the Brosna River. Guided tour and the history of this once very important oat and flour mill in Belmont near Clonmacnoise.

**Venue:** Belmont Mill, Belmont, Offaly

**Organiser:** Cassandra Lloyd

**Email:** sandylloyd60@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 0879893805

**Website:** [belmontmill.com](http://belmontmill.com)

Date	Start Time	End Time
Thu 24th	13:00	17:00
Fri 25th	01:00	05:00

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Partial) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

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### OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE, TALK

## The Irish Mountain Hare

A presentation and talk on the ecology and conservation of the unique species, the Irish Mountain Hare, followed by a walk around Boora Parklands to try and observe hares in the wild.

**Venue:** Teach Lea, Boora Parklands,

**Organiser:** Noel Bugler National Parks and Wildlife Service

**Email:** noel.bugler@ahg.gov.ie

**Telephone:** 057 9137811

**Website:** [clarabognaturereserve.ie/](http://clarabognaturereserve.ie/)

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sun 27th	15:00	18:00

*(Not suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Partial) (Car Parking Available)  
(Booking Required) (Free)*

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## Showing 4 Offaly Events Added Since 6th July

### OUTDOORS AND ACTIVE, FESTIVAL

## Cloneygowan Gooseberry Fair

An annual community gathering and one of the few Gooseberry Fairs in the country, this year marks more than two hundred years of this event in our modern but picturesque midlands village .

**Venue:** Brennan's Field adjacent to village of Cloneygowan

**Organiser:** Catholic Young Men's Society Cloneygowan branch and local community members

**Admission:** Adult: €5

**Email:** p.j.goode@hotmail.com

**Telephone:** 0578643301

**Website:** [facebook.com/Cloneygowan-105176846239304/](https://facebook.com/Cloneygowan-105176846239304/)

Date	Start Time	End Time
Sun 20th	13:45	17:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available)*

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## TOUR

### Revolutionary Walking Tour

Join Dr Ciaran Reilly for a walking tour of 'Revolutionary Edenderry' highlighting the impact of various rebellions locally including the 1798 rebellion; the 1916 Rising and the War of Independence.

**Venue:** Town Hall, Edenderry

**Organiser:** Edenderry Historical Society

**Email:** edenderryhistory@gmail.com

**Telephone:** 0861751686

**Website:** [edenderryhistory.blogspot.ie](http://edenderryhistory.blogspot.ie)

Date	Start Time	End Time
Mon 21st	19:00	20:15

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Full) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

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## TOUR, TALK

### Tour of Crinkill Village

Join Brian Kennedy and Jimmy Shortt on a leisurely stroll through the historic village of Crinkill. Discover the rich and colourful heritage of a village often associated only with its military past.

**Venue:** Crinkill Military Cemetery  
**Organiser:** Birr Historical Society  
**Email:** jimmymaryshortt@eircom.net

<b>Date</b>	<b>Start Time</b>	<b>End Time</b>
Mon 21st	19:30	20:30

*(Suitable for Children under 12) (Wheelchair Access - Partial) (Car Parking Available) (Free)*

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## **Carrigeen Home & County**

Claudia Kinmonth author of 'Irish County Furniture 1700 to 1950' will take of tour of the interior fixtures and fittings of the Hynes/Egan family home at Carrigeen.

**Venue:** Carrigeen House, Five Alley  
**Organiser:** Offaly Heritage Office  
**Email:** heritage@offalycoco.ie  
**Telephone:** 057 9346839

<b>Date</b>	<b>Start Time</b>	<b>End Time</b>
Wed 23rd	10:00	11:00
Wed 23rd	12:00	13:00

*(Not suitable for Children under 12) (Car Parking Available) (Booking Required) (Free)*