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2017

Réamhrá

Tá bród ar Clare Tourism Treoir na bhFéilte agus Imeachtaí i gContae an Chláir, 2017 a sheoladh, ina bhfuil réimse ilghnéitheach féilte agus imeachtai le roghnú.

Lonnaithe i gcroílár Shlí an Atlantaigh Fhiáin, ar chósta sciamhach larthar na hÉireann, i gContae an Chláir tá Geopháirc UNESCO na Boirne agus Aillte an Mhothair, a bhfuil clú agus cáil domhanda air; Leithinis álainn Cheann Léime; abhainn agus lochanna áille Oirthear an Chláir; agus príomhbhaile contae stairiúil na hInse Ionnaithe ach achar beag ó Aerfort Idirnáisiúnta na Sionna.

I gcomhpháirt le Comhairle Contae an Chláir, cheiliúraigh Clare Tourism 'Clare – County of Culture' le linn na bliana 2016, agus chabhraigh sé seo le stádas an Chontae a threisiú mar cheann scribe tábhachtach agus bríomhar ó thaobh turasóireachta de.

Mar Chontae an Bhrataigh sa tír, tá Contae an Chláir ag déanamh ceannródaíochta le linn na bliana 2017, leis na céadta féilte agus imeachtaí le réimse imeachtaí allamuigh ó cheann ceann na bliana le roghnú ag cuairteoirí.

Sa treoir seo tá gníomhaíochtaí agus imeachtaí atá ag tarlú i ngach cúinne den Chontae; le ceol, bia, oidhreacht, siamsaíocht chlainne, faisean, amharclannaíocht, litríocht agus spóirt san áireamh.

Beidh Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann, a bhí mar bhuaicimeacht na bliana 2016, ar ais linn idir an 13 agus an 21 Lúnasa, le clár leathan d'imeachtaí – comórtais ceoil, ceolchoirmeacha, seoltaí, léachtaí agus imeachaí eile ina measc.

Tugann Clare Tourism cuireadh duit cuairt a thabhairt ar Chontae an Chláir le linn 2017, chun ardailleacht an Chontae a fheiceáil; cócaireacht ghradam-bhuachaint a bhlaiseadh, bualadh leis na daoine fáiltiúla agus freastal ar na mílte féilte agus imeachtaí a bheidh ar siúl le linn na bliana.

Paul Madden
CATHAOIRLEACH, CLARE TURASÓIREACHT

Introduction

Clare Tourism is proud to launch an exciting and diverse Clare Festivals & Events Guide for 2017.

Located in the heart of the popular Wild Atlantic Way along the scenic west coast of Ireland, County Clare is home to the world-famous Burren & Cliffs of Moher UNESCO Geopark, the scenically beautiful Loop Head Peninsula, the splendid rivers and lakes of East Clare and the historic county town of Ennis, all located within a short distance of Shannon International Airport.

Clare Tourism, in partnership with Clare County Council, celebrated 'Clare – County of Culture' during 2016 which has helped to reinforce the county's status as an important and vibrant cultural tourism destination.

As Ireland's Banner County, Clare is once again leading the way during 2017 with hundreds of festivals and events and a range of year round outdoor activities for visitors to choose from.

This guide features activities and events taking place in every corner of Clare. They cover a wide range of interests including music, food, heritage, family entertainment, fashion, theatre, literature and sport.

Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann, which was the highlight event of 2016, returns from 13th - 21st August with a wide ranging programme of Irish music competitions, concerts, launches, lectures and other events.

Clare Tourism invites you to visit County Clare during 2017 and to experience its scenic beauty, award-winning cuisine and its welcoming people, as well as the hundreds of festivals and events taking place throughout the year.

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W www.kilshannyhouse.ie

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W www.burrenbeo.com

ENNIS

CHRISTMAS TREE THROWING COMPETITION

8th January

Test your strength at the novel event in Active Ennis Tim Smythe Park from 1pm – 3pm.

W www.activeennis.ie

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11th January

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SCARRIFF

IRISH SEED SAVERS WINTER PRUNING WORKSHOP

14th January

Pick up a few tips and skills at this winter pruning workshop.

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FLEADH CHEOIL NA HÉIREANN

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ENNIS

FLEADH CHEOIL NA HÉIREANN FUNDRAISING CONCERT

15th January

Come along to PJ Murrihy & Friends in Cois na hAbhna for a fantastic evening of fabulous music.

W www.fleadhcheoil.ie

SIXMILEBRIDGE & BUNRATTY

SHANNONSIDE WINTER MUSIC FESTIVAL

19th – 23rd January

Visit the 18th annual winter music festival with over 80 events, 20 venues, 10 genres, concerts, sessions, set dancing and poetry.

W www.wmw.ie

MILTOWN MALBAY

CHERISH THE LADIES & FRIENDS IN CONCERT

20th January

World renowned 'Cherish The Ladies' headline an unique evening of traditional Irish music in the Church in Miltown Malbay. Friends on the evening include Luka Bloom, The Kilfenora Céilí Band, PJ Murrihy, Brid O'Donoughue and many more.

F Miltown Malbay Community Centre

TUAMGRANEY

TEXTILE STUDIO COURSE

20th – 21st January

Explore silk-screen printing over a weekend course with textile Artist Nicola Henley.

W www.nicolahenley.com

ENNISTYMON

STEP TO THE WEST

27th – 29th January

Enjoy a weekend of set dancing, trad sessions and workshops in the Falls Hotel.

W www.fallshotel.ie

12 O'CLOCK HILLS

8KM DAWN WALK

28th January

You are invited to join the 8km Dawn Chorus Walk up the 12 O' Clock Hills followed by a full Irish breakfast in the Pumphouse.

F 12 O'Clock Hills

ENNIS

RUN CLARE RACE 1:

5KM RESOLUTION RUN

28th January

Run from 5km to 10 miles in 4 months as part of the Run Clare series. Race starts in Lees Road Amenity Park.

W www.eamonmoloney10k.ie

FALLS HOTEL & SPA

ENNISTYMON CO. CLARE

COUNTRY MUSIC WEEKEND

3-5 MARCH 2017

Two nights package for €195pps includes:

Two nights B&B, one fourcourse dinner, entry to all shows. Stay a third night for an additional €30pps! Complimentary access to our swimming pool and fitness club.

only €195 PPS

FRIDAY 3 MARCH

9pm - 11pm

GERRY GUTHERIE & BAND

11.15pm - 1.15am

PATRICK FEENEY & BAND

Late night session with

MICHAEL SEXTON

SATURDAY 4 MARCH

Afternoon Jive Workshop with

PADRAIG THE DANCER

9pm - 11pm

JOHN MCNICHOLL & BAND

11.15pm - 1.15am

DECLAN NERNEY & BAND

Late night session with

MICHAEL SEXTON

SUNDAY 5 MARCH

Farewell Afternoon Dance with

MICHAEL SEXTON & PJ MURRIHY

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BALLYVAUGHAN
BURREN COLLEGE OF ART EXHIBITION
'EMERGING IRISH ARTIST RESIDENCY'
2nd – 24th February

Visit an exhibition by emerging Irish artists in the Gallery at the Burren College of Art.

W **www.burrencollege.ie/college/gallery**

DOOLIN
DOOLIN WRITERS' WEEKEND
3rd – 5th February

An eclectic mix of workshops, readings, music and food and has something for every level of writer and lovers of literature alike.

W **www.doolinfestivals.ie**

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5th February

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SCARRIFF
IRISH SEED SAVERS 'LOVE YOUR GARDEN' WEEK
7th – 12th February

Enjoy free admission all week to the gardens and orchards.

W **www.irishseedsavers.ie**

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WINTER TEA TALKS
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MILTOWN MALBAY
5TH ANNUAL CONCERTINA CRUINNIÚ
17th – 19th February

A weekend packed full of concertina classes, recitals, lectures and concertina repair workshops.

W **www.oac.ie**

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VALENTINE'S DAY
14th February

Visit Clare on Valentine's Day and join in one of the many special romantic events organised. Visit the website for more information.

W www.clare.ie

BUNRATTY

BUNRATTY INTERNATIONAL CHESS FESTIVAL
17th - 19th February

This festival is the friendliest International Chess Festival in the World.

W www.bunrattychess.com

DOOLIN

RUSSELL MEMORIAL WEEKEND
23rd - 27th February

A weekend of music, song and dance played out in the local pubs and community centre.

W www.michorussellweekend.ie

QUILTY

RUN CLARE RACE 2: MICHAEL EGAN 5 MILE
26th February

Enjoy this classic coastal run in the beautiful setting of Quilty.

W www.eamonmoloney10k.ie

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WE ARE A GEOPARK GEOSITE
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AILLWEE CAVE
Céad Míle Fáilte
The Burren, Co. Clare

VISIT! EXPERIENCE! ENJOY!

THE MANY EVENTS @ AILLWEE THROUGHOUT 2017

The Aillwee 3,000 Cadbury Crème Egg Hunt

EASTER SUNDAY
16th APRIL 2017

EGG HUNT lots of fun and games promised for all the family on the day 3,000 Cadbury Creme Eggs hidden with care around the grounds.

Happy Halloween

SUNDAY
29th October 2017

HALLOWEEN @ AILLWEE

Spooky Cave Tours, Scary Stories and All Manner of Capers !

SANTA'S WORKSHOP™

Weekends from 24th November - 22nd December 2017

A personalized visit to meet with Santa himself. Lots of family fun and entertainment. Bookable Event: Call an Elf on **1890 245 593** for tickets

Birds of Prey Centre

Open Daily - for Guided Cave Tours and Flying Displays at our Birds of Prey Centre

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ENNIS

ENNIS BOOK CLUB FESTIVAL

3rd - 5th March

The Ennis Book Club Festival is a unique mix of readings, discussion, comedy and chat in one of Ireland's friendliest towns.

W www.ennisbookclubfestival.com

DOONBEG

56TH WEST CLARE DRAMA FESTIVAL

4th - 13th March

Three act plays by Irish and International writers are performed by amateur groups from all around the country, as well as local groups who are seeking nomination to the Open and Confined All-Ireland Finals.

W www.westclaredramafestivaldoonbeg.com

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADES

17TH MARCH:

Ennis - 11am

Kilkee - 12 noon

Sixmilebridge - 12.30pm

Killaloe/Ballina - 2.30pm

Kilrush - 3pm

19TH MARCH

Doonbeg - 2pm

Other villages and towns hosting parades include (dates / times TBC on www.clare.ie):

Carrigaholt
Doolin
Ennistymon
Fanore
Kilfenora
Killaloe
Scarriff/Tuamgraney
Shannon
Tulla

VISIT WWW.CLARE.IE TO SEE FULL LIST OF PARADES

CARRIGAHOLT

CARRIGAHOLT CULTURAL WEEKEND

17th – 19th March

Over the weekend Carrigaholt will showcase the very best in West Clare & Loop Head culture, art and heritage.

W www.loophead.ie

ENNIS

RUN CLARE RACE 3:

EAMON MOLONEY 10K

25th March

Enjoy a beautiful urban run in the setting of Ennis Town.

W www.eamonmoloney10k.ie

SCARRIFF

IRISH SEED SAVERS SPRING WORKSHOP WEEKEND

25th – 26th March

The workshops offer a range of full-day courses to choose from, such as creating an orchard, basket making, herbal remedy making, cider making, mushroom foraging and many more.

W www.irishseedsavers.ie

KILRUSH

TRADITIONAL HORSE FAIR

27th March

Horse and pony traders position themselves about the Market Square while traders line Frances Street all ready to make a sale.

W www.clarecoco.ie

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SHANNON HERITAGE DAY VISITOR ATTRACTIONS
CO CLARE
Bunratty Castle and Folk Park
Craggaunowen – The Living Past Experience*

*Open April to October

EVENING ENTERTAINMENTS
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Bunratty Castle Medieval Banquet
Knappogue Castle Medieval Banquet*
Irish Evening at Bunratty*

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KILLALOE

KINCORA TRAD FESTIVAL

6th - 9th April

The festival offers a comprehensive programme of traditional Irish music concerts, sessions, workshops, recitals; sean nós dance workshops and céilithe, Pipe Band parade and the popular 'Rolling Wave Session'.

W www.kincoratradweekend.com

TUAMGRANEY

BLOSSOM HARP & SET DANCING FESTIVAL

7th - 9th April

Enjoy a weekend of workshops, céilithe, concerts and sessions honouring the Harp and Set Dancing.

F Blossom Harp Festival

TUAMGRANEY

TEXTILE STUDIO COURSE

8th - 9th April

Explore silk-screen printing over a weekend course with textile Artist Nicola Henley.

W www.nicolahenley.com

KILNABOY

RUN CLARE RACE 4:

SONNY MURPHY MEMORIAL 10 MILE

9th April

Challenge yourself to a 10 mile scenic Burren run.

W www.eamonmoloney10k.ie

EASTER EVENTS

KILKEE

NEVSAIL WATERSPORTS EASTER CAMP

10th – 21st April

Action, fun and adventure guaranteed for boys and girls aged 6 – 16 years.

W www.nevsailwatersports.com

KILRUSH

VANDELEUR WALLED GARDEN

EASTER CRAFT FAIR & PLANT SALE

14th April

Treat yourself for Easter at the Art & Craft Fair and support local artists and craft workers.

W www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

visit CLARE
COUNTY OF CULTURE

ENNIS

DRUMCLIFFE / DYSERT PILGRIM PATH WALK

15th April, 10am

Join in a pilgrim walk as part of National Pilgrim Paths Week - walking in the footsteps of the ancestors.

W www.pilgimpath.ie

EASTER EVENTS

KILKEE

NEVSAIL'S EASTER EGG HUNT IN AID OF AWARE

15th April

Annual fundraiser for AWARE with lots of games, singing, jumping, digging and fun map reading.

W www.nevsailwatersports.com

EASTER EVENTS

KILRUSH

VANDELEUR WALLED GARDEN

EASTER FUN

15th – 16th April

Join in the Easter fun with activities suitable for children aged 3 – 11 years.

W www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

LISCANNOR

EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

AT MOHER HILL OPEN FARM

15th – 17th April

Easter at Moher Hill Farm is when the bunnies take centre stage. This is a perfect time to visit the farm as all the animals are keen to show off their young.

W www.moherfarm.ie

BALLYVAUGHAN

BURREN COLLEGE OF ART POSTGRADUATE SHOW

15th – 28th April

Visit an exhibition featuring work by BCA MFA students in the Gallery at the Burren College of Art.

W www.burrencollege.ie/college/gallery

BALLYVAUGHAN

THE AILLWEE 3,000 CADBURY CRÈME EGG HUNT

16th April

Egg hunt- lots of fun and games promised for all the family. On the day 3,000 Cadbury Crème Eggs are hidden with care around the grounds.

W www.aillweecave.ie

EASTER EVENTS

BUNRATTY

EASTER

AT BUNRATTY CASTLE & FOLK PARK

17th April

A great day of activities for all the family including face painting, puppet show and lots more!

W www.shannonheritage.com

ENNIS

ACTIVE ENNIS LEISURE COMPLEX

EASTER KIDS' ACTIVITY CAMP

17th – 21st April

Swimming and Activity Camp for kids aged 5 - 10 years.

W www.activeennis.ie

ENNIS

CONSAIRTÍN, THE NATIONAL CONCERTINA CONVENTION

21st – 23rd April

Visit a festival celebrating the concertina with concerts, workshops, instrument expo, classes, recitals and sessions.

W **www.consairtin.ie**

KILFENORA

KILFENORA TRADITIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

21st – 24th April

Enjoy concerts, céilithe, the legendary Kilfenora pub sessions and an open-air appearance by the fabulous Kilfenora Céilí Band all in the setting of the historic village and home of Irish céilí, Kilfenora.

W **www.kilfenoraclare.com**

COROFIN

FESTIVAL OF FINN

27th April – 1st May

The Festival of Finn offers a large varied programme of events with something for all the family to enjoy.

W **www.festivaloffinn.com**

BALLYVAUGHAN

BURREN LAW SCHOOL

28th – 30th April

The Burren Law School aims to recreate the tradition of legal learning associated with the Brehon Law Schools, allowing the past to illuminate the present in what promises to be a stimulating and entertaining weekend.

W **www.burrenlawschool.org**

LISDOONVARNA

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COROFIN

PIKE ANGLING COMPETITION

29th April, 11am – 5pm

Corofin's Annual Pike Competition takes place on Lake Inchiquin.

F **Pike Angling Competition Corofin**

COROFIN

IRISH BEST BEARD & MOUSTACHE CHAMPIONSHIPS

29th April

Come along to St Patrick's Hall for the 5th annual competition, where Ireland's mightiest beards battle for All-Ireland titles in multiple championship categories.

F **Irish Best Beard & Moustache Championships**

COROFIN

MYTHS & LEGENDS BUS TOUR

29th April

An informal tour of some local sites associated with myths, legends and local historical characters. Includes stop for tea and scones at Dysart O'Dea Castle.

F **Myths & Legends Tour**

CARRIGAHOLT

CARRIGAHOLT OYSTER FESTIVAL

29th April - 1st May

Combining two fine traditions of oysters and traditional music, this weekend plays host to over twenty free live music sessions, music workshops, oyster opening, oyster eating competitions, street food and much more.

W **www.loophead.ie**

COROFIN

ANNUAL WORLD STONE THROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS

30th April

Corofin hosts the 18th World Series at Campbell's Yard/An Cupán Tae Restaurant. World titles for men and ladies to be contested so make sure you have a go.

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CLARE GARDEN FESTIVAL

30th April

Clare Garden Festival hosts an extensive Garden & Food Fair of over 60 stalls and an impressive programme of garden talks.

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1st – 31st May

Bealtaine, the national festival celebrating creativity in older age takes place throughout the county and includes exhibitions, concerts, talks and performances.

W **www.clarelibrary.ie/arts**

SPANISH POINT
BURREN OUTDOOR RETREAT
5th – 7th May

An opportunity to walk mindfully on the unique landscape, visit sacred sites, ponder the wisdom of the ancient monks and take time to admire the beauty of the rare flora for which the Burren is famous.

F **Burren Outdoor Retreat**

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GROVE BAR & RESTAURANT, ROSLEVAN

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CRUSHEEN 17th May
HIGHWAY INN

FANORE SONG NIGHT 19th May
O'DONOHUE'S PUB

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DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

6th May, 4.15am

Darkness into Light is a symbolic run or walk starting in darkness at the locations below and ending as the dawn is rising symbolising hope.

ENNIS
F Darkness into Light, Ennis

KILLALOE / BALLINA
F Darkness into Light, Killaloe/Ballina

KILRUSH
F Darkness into Light, Kilrush

MILTOWN MALBAY
F Darkness into Light, Miltown Malbay

VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE BURREN

BURRENBEO HERITAGE WALK

7th May

Anyone with an interest in the Burren and its natural, built and cultural heritage is invited to join a guided walk of the Burren.

W www.burrenbeo.com

KILLALOE

KILLALOE/BALLINA SUMMER CHORUS

11th May, 8pm

Killaloe/Ballina annual showcase of choir and instrumental talent in aid of local charities in the Lakeside Hotel.

F Voices of the Derg

LISDOONVARNA

BURREN SLOW FOOD FESTIVAL

12th – 14th May

This annual festival is a celebration of locally grown and produced food and of ways of preserving and cooking food.

W www.slowfoodclare.com

KILRUSH

BEALTAINE ART & CRAFT FAIR WITH PLANT SALE

14th May

Visit the Bealtaine Art & Craft Fair in the courtyard of the Vandeleur Walled Garden and avail of a 20% discount on all plants.

W www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

BALLYVAUGHAN

BURREN COLLEGE OF ART SUMMER ART WORKSHOP

15th - 19th May

Burren College of Art offers week-long workshops in drawing, painting and photography taught by local professional artists.

W www.burrencollege.ie/workshops

SCARRIFF

BLOSSOM WEEK

AS PART OF BIODIVERSITY WEEK

16th - 20th May

Visit the beautiful gardens and orchards of Irish Seed Savers for Blossom week and enjoy free entry.

W www.irishseedsavers.ie

LISCANNOR

CLIFFS OF MOHER VISITOR CENTRE SEABIRDS FESTIVAL

19th - 23rd May

Between May and August up to 30,000 pairs of puffins, kittiwakes, guillemots and razorbills make the Cliffs of Moher their home as they hatch and raise their young. Representatives from Birdwatch Ireland will be on site to help identify the various seabirds and discuss their habitat at the Cliffs.

W www.cliffsofmoher.ie

TULLA

TULLA TRADITIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

19th - 21st May

A weekend traditional music festival filled with workshops, concerts, céilithe, CD launches, singing and music sessions and fiddle competitions.

W www.cnocnagaoithe.com

THROUGHOUT THE BURREN

BURREN IN BLOOM

19th - 31st May

Why not visit the Burren and enjoy a festival to celebrate the unique biodiversity of this special area.

W www.burreninbloom.com

EAST & MID CLARE

CLARE WALKS LTD. WALKING FESTIVAL

20th - 21st May

A new walking festival hosted by Clare Walks Ltd. with guided walks on the East Clare and Mid Clare Way.

W www.clarewalks.com

ENNIS

FLEADH NUA

21st - 29th May

Visit Ennis to enjoy an 8 day festival of concerts, singing, sessions, set dancing and much more.

W www.fleadhnua.com

MOUNTSHANNON

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W www.mountshannonarts.net

KILLALOE

KILLALOE CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

26th - 28th May

St. Flannan's Cathedral in Killaloe will be home to three glorious days of chamber music.

W www.killaloemusicfestival.com

BURREN NATIONAL PARK

THE BURREN ROCKS

26th - 28th May

The Burren Rocks Festival celebrates one of Ireland's most intriguing landscapes – The Burren and Cliffs of Moher UNESCO Global Geopark. Discover the fascinating landmarks and important geological sites in the Burren National Park.

W www.burrengeopark.ie

BALLYVAUGHAN

CLARE BURREN MARATHON CHALLENGE

27th May

A road, green road and trail challenge across the beautiful scenic Burren.

W www.clareburrenmarathonchallenge.com

SCARRIFF

IRISH SEED SAVERS PLANT SHARE SUNDAY

28th May

Bring your surplus seeds, plants, seedlings and shrubs to exchange or take a tour of the apple blossom orchards.

W www.irishseedsavers.ie

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TRADITIONAL HORSE FAIR
1st June

Horse and pony traders position themselves about the Market Square while traders line Frances Street all ready to make a sale.

W www.clarecoco.ie

DOONBEG
DOONBEG INTERNATIONAL JAZZ FESTIVAL
2nd - 5th June

Visit Doonbeg to enjoy a fantastic weekend of Swing, Dixie and Jazz music. All performances are free.

W www.doonbegjazz.com

LAHINCH
DOUBLE TROUBLE ART EXHIBITION
2nd - 18th June

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W www.borutriclub.com

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TASTE THE LOOP

11th June

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W www.loophead.ie

DOOLIN

DOOLIN FOLK FESTIVAL

16th – 18th June

This festival presents powerful music in an intimate setting and ensures that audiences and musicians can feel at one and enjoy the communal spirit of a great festival.

W www.doolinfestivals.ie

BALLYVAUGHAN

AN POST TOUR DE BURREN

17th June

The An Post Tour de Burren is a cycling event suitable for cyclists of all levels and ability. The routes pass through the stunning landscape of North Clare.

W www.tourdeburren.com

DOOLIN

CAOMHAN'S PATTERN DAY

14th June, 10am

Join an inspirational pilgrimage on Inisheer to celebrate the patron's day.

W www.burreninspire.ie

SPANCILHILL

SPANCILHILL DONKEY DERBY

22nd June, 5pm

Visit Spancilhill on the eve of the Fair to enjoy free fun and entertainment including the popular Donkey Derby and plenty of other activities for all the family to enjoy.

W www.spancilhillfair.com

BALLYVAUGHAN

SUSAN GILES & JEFF CARTER EXHIBITION

22nd June – 28th July

Visit an art exhibition featuring work by Susan Giles and Jeff Carter in the Gallery at the Burren College of Art.

W www.burrencollege.ie/college/gallery

SPANCILHILL

SPANCILHILL FAIR

23rd June

Visit Spancilhill Fair to watch the traditional way of buying and selling horses. There will also be plenty of fun and entertainment including face painting and a multitude of other activities for all the family to enjoy.

W www.spancilhillfair.com

CROSS VILLAGE

CROSS TRADITIONAL MUSIC WEEKEND

23rd – 25th June

Enjoy a weekend of traditional music and dance in the village of Cross.

W www.loophead.ie

KILRUSH

FLEADH CHEOIL AN CHLÁIR

23rd – 25th June

A festival of music, song and dance competitions for qualifications to Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann.

W www.clarecomhaltas.net

12 O'CLOCK HILLS

8KM SUMMER SOLSTICE WALK

24th June

You are invited to join the 8km Summer Solstice Walk up the 12 O' Clock Hills followed by a fun BBQ.

F 12 O'Clock Hills

ENNISTYMON

FEILE LATINO 2017

24th June

The Courthouse Gallery will be host to a unique dance where 'North Clare meets South America'!

W www.lospaddysdelaspampas.com

KILKEE

HELL OF THE WEST TRIATHLON

24th June

Sign up for the challenge or come and watch men and women challenge their endurance and ability in one of the toughest events on the peninsula.

W www.loophead.ie

SCARRIFF

IRISH SEED SAVERS SUMMER WORKSHOP WEEKEND

24th – 25th June

The workshops offer a range of full-day courses to choose from, such as creating an orchard, basket making, herbal remedy making, cider making, mushroom foraging and many more.

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W www.kilrushcce.com

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KILLALOE
FÉILE BRIAN BORÚ
29th June - 2nd July
An annual family fun festival commemorating Ireland's Greatest High King, Brian Ború, in his native place.
W www.feilebrianboru.com

SPANISH POINT
FESTIVAL OF MUSIC & SET DANCING
AT ARMADA HOTEL
30th June - 9th July
Join in on the 10 day programme of céilithe, pub sessions, set dancing sessions and country music dancing which coincides with the Willie Clancy Week in nearby Miltown Malbay.
W www.armadahotel.com

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CLARECASTLE VILLAGE MARKET
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ABBEY HALL

ENNIS
ANKARA CARNIVAL / NIGERIANS CULTURAL DAY
1st July

This is a day of celebrating the Nigerian unique cultural heritage in Ireland.

W www.ancc.ie

BUNRATTY
4TH OF JULY AMERICAN CELEBRATION WEEKEND
1st - 3rd July

Come to Bunratty to enjoy an Irish take on the 4th July celebrations in the World famous Durty Nelly's.

W www.durtynellys.ie

QUERRIN
SANTOSA YOGA FESTIVAL
1st - 3rd July

Take part in Yoga from dawn to dusk at Purecamping eco campsite. Suitable for all levels and ages.

W www.purecamping.ie

MILTOWN MALBAY
SCOIL SAMHRAIDH WILLIE CLANCY
1st - 9th July

Visit the week long Summer School and Festival of Irish Traditional music, song and dance.

W www.scoilsamhraidhwillieclancy.com

VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE BURREN
BURRENBEO HERITAGE WALK
2nd July

Anyone with an interest in the Burren and its natural, built and cultural heritage is invited to join a guided walk of the Burren.

W www.burrenbeo.com

MOUNTSHANNON
MOUNTSHANNON 10K SUMMER RUN
2nd July

A fun event for all the family to take part in: 10K Summer Run and Robbie Cahill 5K Run.

F Mountshannon 10K

CARRIGAHOLT
CARRIGAHOLT CURRACH RACING
3rd July

Enjoy the competition of local currach crews battling out to become Carrigaholt Currach Champions.

W www.loophead.ie

ENNIS

ENNIS STREET ARTS FESTIVAL

3rd – 9th July

The streets of Ennis will come alive with fun, art, culture and entertainment brought to you by local, national and international artists.

W **www.ennisstreetfestival.com**

KILRUSH

SUMMER FUN FOR KIDS

8th – 9th July

Celebrate Summer with the kids with entertainment from 1pm to 4pm including magic, puppets, circus tricks, juggling, sword swallowing, raffle and more.

W **www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie**

KILKEE

KILKEE CURRACH RACING

9th July

Kilkee is host to the currach racing competition.

W **www.loophead.ie**

CLARECASTLE

CÉILÍ AT THE CROSSROADS FESTIVAL

9th – 16th July

An annual festival packed full of set dancing, singing and music.

F **Céilí at the Crossroads**

KILKEE

KILKEE SINGING PUBS COMPETITION

12th – 22nd July

This is a competition to find the best pub choir or singers in the pubs of Kilkee.

W **www.loophead.ie**

CARRIGAHOLT

FOLK & BLUEGRASS WEEKEND

14th – 16th July

Fans of folk and bluegrass music are in for a treat this weekend.

W **www.loophead.ie**

KILRUSH

KILRUSH TRADITIONAL MUSIC & SET DANCING FESTIVAL

19th – 23rd July

Enjoy a 5 day festival of music and set dancing including open air céilí in the Square on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

W **www.kilrushcce.com**

CROSS / KILBAHA

LOOP HEAD GATHERING

21st – 23rd July

Join the celebrations at the village gatherings as they put on a weekend of traditional music, song and dance.

W **www.loophead.ie**

COROFIN

NORTH CLARE AGRICULTURAL SHOW

22nd July

There is so much to experience at the North Clare Agricultural Show: classes in horses, ponies, cattle, sheep, donkeys, dogs, flowers, baking and craft displays with lots of family fun activities and stalls.

F **North Clare Show Corofin**

BUNRATTY

BIRDS OF PREY, ARCHERY & FALCONRY EVENT

24th July

Visit Bunratty Folk Park and spend a day with the world's most majestic birds of prey.

W **www.shannonheritage.com**

LABASHEEDA

DAN FUREY WEEKEND

28th – 30th July

This weekend provides a feast of set-dancing to the best bands in the tranquil setting of Labasheeda.

W **www.danfurey.ie**

SPANISH POINT

ANNUAL SPANISH PORTUGUESE FIESTA

30th July

Take part in an exciting event which celebrates the strong links between Ireland, Spain and Portugal through the Spanish Armada history and cultures.

W **www.visitspanishpoint.ie**

visit CLARE
COUNTY OF CULTURE

August

WEEKLY EVENTS

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GLÓR
Throughout August

If you like music, theatre, comedy and visual art, check out glór's website for a programme that features top acts throughout the year, as well as the best touring Irish theatre.

W www.glor.ie

ENNIS
ACTIVE ENNIS LEISURE COMPLEX
SUMMER KIDS' ACTIVITY CAMP
Weekly

Swimming and Activity Camp for kids aged 5-10 years.

W www.activeennis.ie

KILKEE
NEVSAIL WATERSPORTS SUMMER CAMP
Weekly

Morning and afternoon camps are run daily for boys and girls aged 6 to 16 years. Water and land based activities included.

W www.nevsailwatersports.com

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W www.coisnahabhna.ie

SCARRIFF
SCARRIFF HARBOUR FESTIVAL
3rd - 6th August
The Scarriff Harbour Festival offers a varied programme of activities, arts, music and entertainment inspired by the 'lake' theme.
W www.scariff.ie

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An art exhibition featuring work by Mira Cantor entitled 'Inundation' in the Gallery at the Burren College of Art.
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KILMIHIL

KILMIHIL FESTIVAL OF FUN

4th - 7th August

Visit a fantastic festival of fun for all the family including pig racing, parade, vintage rally and field day.

F Kilmihil Festival of Fun

LAHINCH

ART EXHIBITION: LOCAL LANDSCAPES

5th - 13th August

Pop into Kenny's Lahinch Art Gallery to view the art exhibition 'Local Landscapes'.

W www.lahinchartgallery.com

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BURRENBEO HERITAGE WALK

6th August

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W www.burrenbeo.com

DOONBEG

DOONBEG CURRACH REGATTA

7th August

Races consist of 3 Hand, Fear & Bean, U.18, Naomhóg and Parish. Bouncing castle and refreshments will be provided.

W www.doonbeginfo.com

FEAKLE

FEAKLE INTERNATIONAL TRADITIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

9th - 14th August

A fabulous festival of music, song and dance with concerts, céilís, workshops, singing and music sessions, recitals, poetry readings, children's storytelling, nature walks and cultural talks.

W www.feaklefestival.ie

KILKEE

KILKEE BAY SWIM

12th August

Set yourself the challenge of swimming the bay in the beautiful Victorian town of Kilkee or simply watch from the Strand.

W www.loophead.ie

KILRUSH

LÚNASA ART & CRAFT FAIR WITH PLANT SALE

13th August

Celebrate Summer by attending the Lúnasa Art & Craft Fair and Plant Sale at the Vandeleur Walled Garden and avail of a 20% discount on all plants.

W www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

FLEADH CHEOIL NA HÉIREANN

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13th - 21st August

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It is a unique and welcoming nine-day festival in venues with up to 2,000 seater capacity, while music resounds across the county town's quaint medieval streets. The festival has a strong family appeal but reaches out to all lovers and would-be lovers of traditional music.

'The Fleadh down in Ennis,' immortalised in the song by one of Clare's finest balladeers, the late Robbie McMahon, will see renowned traditional artists from home and abroad perform during Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 2017, drawing thousands to savour the experience of a lifetime.

W www.fleadhcheoil.ie

BALLYVAUGHAN

SUMMER ART WORKSHOP

14th - 18th August

Burren College of Art offers week-long workshops in drawing, painting and photography taught by local professional artists.

W www.burrencollege.ie/workshops

CARRIGAHOLT

CARRIGAHOLT FAMILY FESTIVAL

17th - 20th August

This is a fantastic four day fun filled festival with music, drama, dance, heritage, country sports and plenty of fun.

W www.loophead.ie

SCARRIFF

IRISH SEED SAVERS TASTES OF THE ORCHARDS – EARLY SEASON VARIETIES

18th – 19th August

A taste of the Orchards is a 'Tasting Tour' of the early season varieties at Irish Seed Savers.

W www.irishseedsavers.ie

TUAMGRANEY

TEXTILE STUDIO COURSE

19th – 20th August

Explore silk-screen printing over a weekend course with textile Artist Nicola Henley.

W www.nicolahenley.com

VARIOUS LOCATIONS

HERITAGE WEEK

19th – 27th August

Heritage Week celebrates our built, natural and cultural heritage with over 90 events across Clare.

W www.heritageweek.ie

DOONAHA

DOONAHA FORT SEA BATTERY GUIDED TOUR

20th August

Take a tour of the local Napoleonic Sea Battery at Doonaha Fort, guided walk around the fort and understand the strategic importance of the area in the early 1800's.

E Haugh.carmel@gmail.com

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MOYASTA

CROTTY GALVIN MUSIC FESTIVAL

25th – 27th August

Join in on a weekend of traditional music and dance on the banks of the Shannon.

W www.nellgalvin.ie

DOOLIN

DOOLIN CRAFT BEER & ROOTS FESTIVAL

25th – 27th August

This festival combines the best roots acts from around the country and abroad, Irelands top craft beers and local artisan food to make it the ultimate end of summer Hooley.

W www.doolinfestivals.ie

TULLA

TULLA WEEKEND OF THE WELCOMES

25th – 27th August

'Tulla Weekend of the Welcomes' invites all members of the Tulla Diaspora to visit the parish during the weekend and take part in various events.

W www.irelandxo.com/Ireland/Clare/Tulla-Clare

KILRUSH

END OF SUMMER FUN FOR KIDS WITH PLANT SALE

26th – 27th August

Before the Summer ends visit Vandeleur Walled Garden with the kids and enjoy magic, puppets, circus tricks, juggling, sword swallowing, raffle and more.

W www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

BUNRATTY

SHAPING OF A NATION

27th August

Enjoy a fun day at Bunratty Folk Park combining a number of activities including living history, archery and falconry.

W www.shannonheritage.com

September

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GROVE BAR & RESTAURANT, ROSLEVAN

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LISDOONVARNA

LISDOONVARNA MATCHMAKING FESTIVAL

1st - 30th September

Ireland's only traditional matchmaking festival held every September in the village of Lisdoonvarna. Dancing takes place in venues all over town with third generation matchmaker Willie Daly on hand to bring hopeful singles together.

W www.matchmakerireland.com

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KILLALOE

BORU TRI CLUB PIER TO BEER NIGHT SWIM

8th September

Swim from the Lock Gates at the top of the canal in Killaloe down under the bridge and out between the waters lit by glo sticks!
(Distance of approx. 600m)

W www.borutriclub.com

SCARRIFF

IRISH SEED SAVERS TASTES OF THE ORCHARDS – MID SEASON VARIETIES

8th - 9th September

A taste of the Orchards is a 'Tasting Tour' of the mid-season varieties at Irish Seed Savers.

W www.irishseedsavers.ie

THE BURREN

BURREN PEAKS WALKING FESTIVAL

8th - 10th September

Choice of different graded guided walks in the Burren.

W www.burrenpeakswalkingfestival.com

DOONBEG

DECLAN HAYES MEMORIAL HALF MARATHON & 10KM RUN/WALK

9th September

The half marathon and 10km routes take place in the scenic countryside overlooking the White Strand Beach & Doughmore sand dunes.

W www.westclarewalkingclub.com

BAIL AND FLAIL 3KM SWIM

10th September

Compete for the Peter Lacey Memorial Cup.

W www.borutriclub.com

QUERRIN & KILKEE

LOOP HEAD YOGA MEDITATION & THALASSOTHERAPY RETREAT

15th - 16th September

Enjoy a weekend of absolute relaxation on the Loop Head Peninsula with Yoga, Qigong, seaweed baths and massage.

W www.loopheadyoga.com

ENNIS

ENNIS ARTS FESTIVAL

15th - 17th September

The Ennis Arts Festival brings Art to the general public by the use of alternative spaces.

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CARRIGAHOLT

SEAFOOD IN SEPTEMBER

15th - 17th September

Get your taste buds excited for this fabulous food festival that showcases the best of seafood from around Loop Head Peninsula.

W www.loophead.ie

SCARRIFF

IRISH SEED SAVERS AUTUMN WORKSHOP WEEKEND

16th - 17th September

The workshops offer a range of full-day courses to choose from, such as creating an orchard, basket making, herbal remedy making, cider making, mushroom foraging and many more.

W www.irishseedsavers.ie

COROFIN

BURREN OUTDOOR RETREAT

22nd - 24th September

An opportunity to walk mindfully on the unique landscape, visit sacred sites, ponder the wisdom of the ancient monks and take time to admire the beauty of the rare flora for which the Burren is famous.

F Burren Outdoor Retreat

KILKEE

CHE DO BHEATHA FESTIVAL

22nd - 24th September

Celebrate Chez Guevara with a weekend of Salsa and South American food and drink.

W www.loophead.ie

KILRUSH

AUTUMN ART & CRAFT FAIR WITH PLANT SALE

24th September

Visit the Autumn Art & Craft Fair at the Vandeleur Walled Garden and avail of the massive discount of 50% on plants.

W www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

BUNRATTY

HARVEST DAY

24th September

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W www.shannonheritage.com

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W www.burren.ie/food

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W www.hoteldoolin.ie

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FLORA, FAUNA & FOLKLORE
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History and habitat weave together on this guided walk, followed by lunch at Kilshanny House.

W www.kilshannyhouse.ie

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BURREN ARTS & CRAFTS
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VILLAGE HALL, BALLYVAUGHAN

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1st October

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W www.burrenbeo.com

ENNIS

NIGERIANS INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

1st October

This is a very special and important event in the history of all Nigerians and is celebrated at home and beyond amongst the Nigerians Diaspora.

W www.ancc.ie

LISDOONVARNA

THE OUTING: LGTB MUSIC & MATCHMAKING FESTIVAL

6th - 8th October

A weekend full of Irish and international music, céilí, dancing, blind dates and guest artists and DJ's.

W www.theouting.ie

TUAMGRANEY

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7th - 8th October

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ENNIS

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12th - 15th October

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W www.ennisfoodfestival.com

SCARRIFF

IRISH SEED SAVERS TASTES OF THE ORCHARDS – LATE SEASON VARIETIES

13th – 14th October

A taste of the Orchards is a 'Tasting Tour' of the late varieties at Irish Seed Savers.

W www.irishseedsavers.ie

BUNRATTY

BUNRATTY BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

20th – 22nd October

Enjoy a festival of Bluegrass music around Bunratty Village and Folk Park showcasing artists from Ireland and abroad.

W www.bunratty.ie

BURREN

BURREN WINTERAGE WEEKEND

27th – 29th October

Community celebration of pastoral farming heritage including walks, family events, food fayre and cattle drive.

W www.burrenwinterage.com

DOONBEG

WILLIE KEANE MEMORIAL WEEKEND

27th – 30th October

This festival celebrates the life of Willie Keane, legendary sean-nós dancer, with traditional music, song and dance.

W www.williekeanememorialweekend.com

HALLOWEEN EVENTS

KILRUSH

HALLOWEEN FUN

AT VANDELEUR WALLED GARDEN

28th – 29th October

Get in the mood for Halloween by attending the Halloween themed day at Vandeleur Walled Garden. This event is suitable for children aged 4 to 12.

W www.vandeleurwalledgarden.ie

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HALLOWEEN

AT AILLWEE CAVE & BIRDS OF PREY CENTRE

29th October

Spooky cave tours, scary stories and all manner of capers!

W www.aillweecave.ie

12 O'CLOCK HILLS

5KM HALLOWEEN DARKNESS WALK

29th October

You are invited to join the 5km Halloween Darkness Walk up the 12 O'Clock Hills indulging in a chocolate treat along the way.

F 12 O'Clock Hills

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SPOOKY HALLOWEEN

AT MOHER HILL OPEN FARM

29th October

This is the time of year when the witches and ghouls descend on Moher Hill Farm! With 'Padini' The Great Magician, traditional Halloween fun and games and face-painting, Halloween at the farm is sure to scare the bravest!

W www.moherfarm.ie

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BURREN FOOD FAYRE

29th October

The Burren Food Fayre celebrates the food heritage of the region with talks, tastings and cookery demonstrations.

F Burren Food Fayre

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AT BUNRATTY CASTLE & FOLK PARK

30th October

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W www.shannonheritage.com

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AT TRUMP INTERNATIONAL GOLF LINKS & HOTEL

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5th November

Pottery workshops open to the public with demonstrations of pottery techniques. The public are invited to have a go to make a piece for free.

W **www.ballymorrispottery.ie**

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ONE ACT DRAMA FESTIVAL
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Ten different plays will be shown over three nights in both Open and Confined sections with the winners qualifying for the One Act All-Ireland Finals.

W www.westclaredramafestivaldoonbeg.com

SCARRIFF
IRISH SEED SAVERS WINTER WORKSHOP WEEKEND
18th - 19th November

The workshops offer a range of full-day courses to choose from, such as creating an orchard, basket making, herbal remedy making, cider making, mushroom foraging and many more.

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In the run up to Christmas Moher Hill Farm is a hive of activity, as some of Santa's favourite elves move into the barn to use it as a workshop. Everyone is welcome to visit at this special time.

W www.moherfarm.ie

COROFIN

SANTA EXPERIENCE

1st – 22nd December

Visit The Farmyard, Corofin for the perfect place to visit Santa. It's a magical experience for all the family to enjoy.

W www.thefarmyard.ie

CARRIGAHOLT

CARRIGAHOLT CHRISTMAS MARKET

2nd December

Upwards of 30 stall holders tempt you with artisan food and a craft fair.

W www.loophead.ie

KILRUSH

SANTA'S GROTTO & CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

2nd – 3rd December

Celebrate the festive season and meet Santa at Vandeleur Walled Garden! The annual Christmas Craft Fair provides the ideal opportunity to find handcrafted Christmas gifts.

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KILKEE

LOOP HEAD FOOD CIRCLE FUNDRAISING EVENT

8th December

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ENNIS

MUSIC GENERATION CLARE IN CONCERT

9th December

Music Generation Clare treats you to an uplifting musical flavour from across their various vocal and instrumental programmes and partnerships.

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F 12 O'clock Hills

BALLYVAUGHAN

BURREN CHARITY CHALLENGE

27th December

Annual charity run and cycle event to raise funds for local charities. A great family fun day guaranteed.

W www.burrencyclingclub.com

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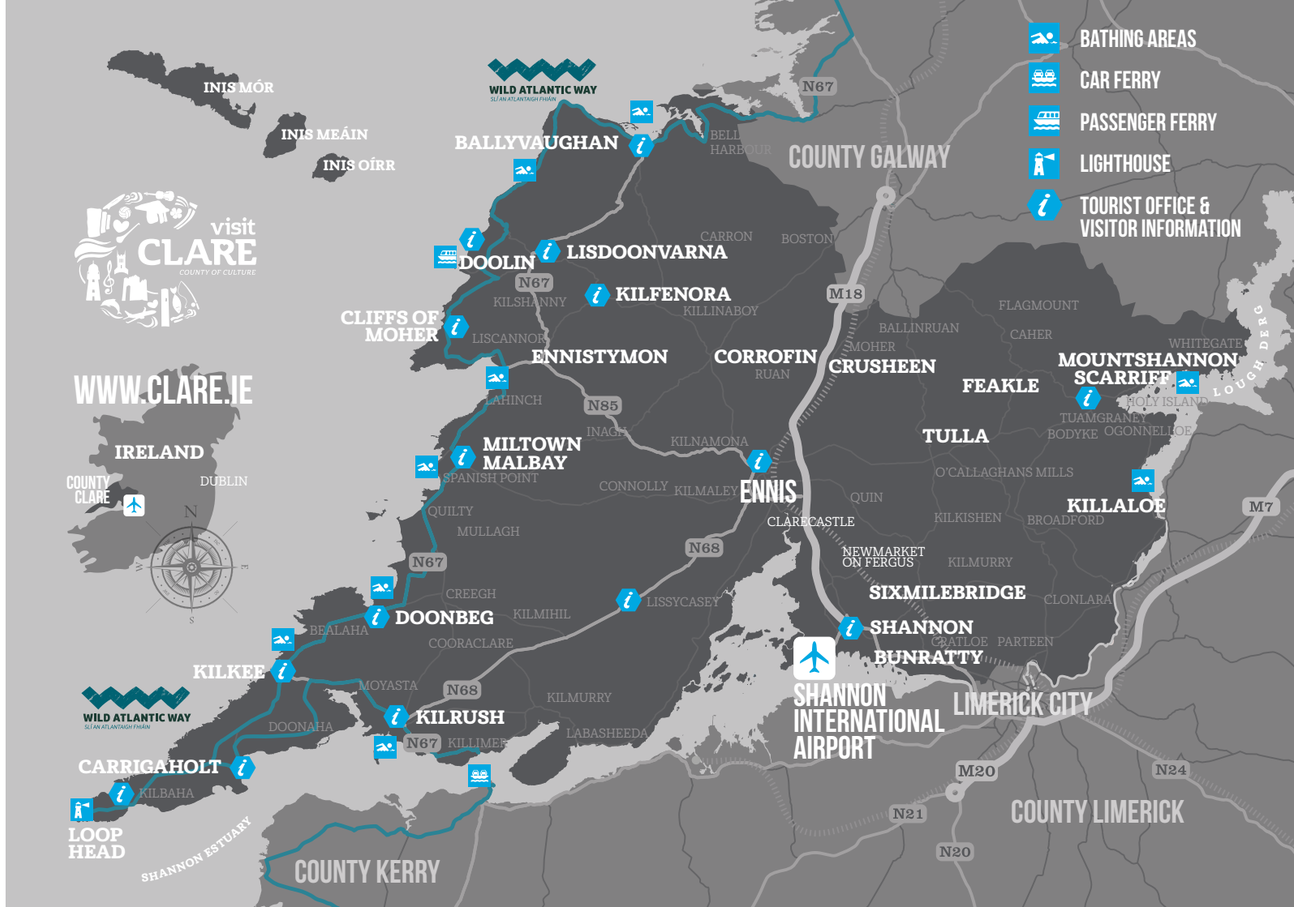

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