

Sunday 17th May

Mushera Platform - Bealtaine Dance
Join us for a special Bealtaine Dance with Patrick Triggs & Niamh Downey in the beautiful setting of Ballinagree Village.

Time: 3:00pm - 5:30pm.
Venue: Ballinagree Village, P12 PF66.
Enquiries: 086-0647381

Monday 18th May

A conversational Irish class will take place at 2:00pm.

This session is open to all levels, whether you're a complete beginner or looking to improve your fluency.
Booking Essential.

Contact 029-60633 / lenora.kelly@irdduhallow.com

Wednesday 20th May

Rockchapel Young at Heart will host a Tea Dance on from 12:00pm to 4:30pm.

Enjoy music by Stevie Donnegan, along with dancing, entertainment bingo, and refreshments.

Admission is free, and all are welcome.
Enquiries to 087-7630626.

Thursday 21st May

A morning dedicated to exploring Grief and Loss will be facilitated by IRD Duhallow's Shane McHale.

We will look not only at the experience itself but discuss how we grow around and beyond loss. Booking Essential.

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Friday 22nd May

Castlemagner Sinsir Club will host a Bealtaine Evening Cabaret at 8:00pm in Castlemagner Community Centre.

Admission €10.00. Enquiries to 086-8521805.

Monday 25th May

Come and enjoy some arts and crafts with artist Jessica Baron. Materials will all be provided.

Venue: James O'Keeffe Institute Newmarket.
Time: 12:00 - 3:00pm. €10.00.
Booking Essential.

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Thursday 28th May

In Memory of our great friend Jack Roche.
Join us for the famous Jack's Mystery Tour.
Destination Unknown - Fee €85.00.

Spaces limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Booking essential.

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PROGRAMME of EVENTS

2026



EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Bealtaine Festival

An Age & Opportunity arts initiative



The Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP) is co-funded by the Irish Government, through the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht, and the European Union through the European Social Fund Plus under the Employment, Inclusion, Skills and Training (EIST) Programme 2021 - 2027

Lust For Life

“The Bealtaine Festival is Ireland’s national celebration of the arts and ageing. Beginning on 1st May, IRD Duhallow’s SAOI Network has organised a programme of events throughout the month celebrating creativity in older age in Duhallow. The Duhallow Bealtaine Festival involves communities and active retirement groups in the region. IRD Duhallow’s SAOI Network aim to facilitate a more active social life for older people who wish to broaden their horizons, become more active and get more involved in their own communities. Active Retirement groups throughout Duhallow are hosting a variety of festivities including: craft, film, music, dance and other cultural experiences. All events are open to the public both young and old. Tá fáilte roimh cách páirt a ghlacadh i ceiliúradh na Féile Bealtaine Dhú Alla.”

Friday 1st May

The Annual Dawn Mass at the Source of the Blackwater, Doctors Hill, Ballydesmond will take place at 6:00am.

IRD Duhallow welcomes everyone from the region.

For further information contact
Lenora Kelly at 029-60633.

Friday 1st May

IRD Duhallow Social Farm Plant Sale
Join us from 11:00am - 12:30pm to browse a lovely selection of locally grown plants outside the restaurant of Duhallow Community Foods Services on the grounds of the James O’Keeffe Newmarket.

Sunday 3rd May

Donoughmore Active Retirement Bealtaine Tea Dance will take place at 9:00pm - 11:30pm.
Venue: Donoughmore Community Centre.

Music on the day by CNN Sound.
Admission €10.00. Enquires 086-3827614.

Tuesday 5th May

Brogeen Bridge Club will host a bridge game at 11:00am in Kanturk Rugby Club.

Dinner will be served after the games.
Enquires 087-6865326.

Wednesday 6th May

Dromtariffe Parish are celebrating mass at Dromtariffe Holy Well at 7:30pm.

Gathering at Dromtariffe Parish Hall after mass for tea and a chat.

Thursday 7th May

Alzheimer’s National “Tea Day”.
Venue: Restaurant of
Duhallow Community Foods Services, Newmarket.
Time: 10:00am - 11:30am.

Saturday 9th May

Darkness Into Light is a sunrise walk to raise awareness of suicide prevention and the supports that are available for those in need.

Start Time: 4:15am; Edel Quinn Hall - Kanturk.
Coomlogane Millstreet, Cork, P51 H278.
Rockchapel Community Centre.

Register on www.darknessintolight.ie

Monday 11th May

Come and enjoy IRD Duhallow Day Time Cinema
Venue: James O’Keeffe Institute, Newmarket.
Time: 1:00pm. Movie and Lunch €10.00.
Booking Essential.

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Wednesday 13th May

Dietitian Shirley Beattie will provide information on “Healthy Eating As We Age”.
This event will be held at 3:00pm.

For more information, please contact 029-60633.

Wednesday 13th May

An IRD Duhallow led walk will take place in the Island Wood for Bealtaine at 7:00 pm sharp.

For more information, please contact
Colm O’Connor, Rural Recreation Officer 029-60633.

Thursday 14th May

Are you interested in trying your hand at pitch & putt?
The Newmarket Pitch & Putt Committee welcomes everyone to a taster session and members will be on hand to guide you through the course. This session will get you acquainted with Pitch and Putt rules and principles. It’s an ideal activity for all skill levels.

Location: James O’Keeffe Institute, Newmarket,
Co. Cork, P51 C5YF from 10:00am - 12:00pm.

For more information, please contact 029-60633.