

# An Óige Hike Programme January 2023

**Please Note:** Preference will be given on the “Special Buses”, to Members of An Óige on production of their Membership Card. It is therefore imperative to bring your Membership Card with you, each Sunday. Membership Fees are as follows from January 2023: €25 for over 25 years old, and €15 for under 25 years old.

**Valid An Óige Membership Cards required.**

## **RENEWALS OR NEW MEMBERSHIPS: OPTION 1**

Please bring your old membership card with you to the hike bus and have the **€25.00** membership money plus your bus fare with you. New members will have to fill out a form to join.

You can email for assistance to **info@anoige.ie** (Office days Wednesday to Friday only)

**OR**

You can also request assistance from either Marie McDonnell (Ph. **018377411**)

or email Jim Barry at **barryja156@outlook.com**

## **Important Notice**

**THIS NOTICE APPLIES TO ANY HIKES INVOLVING THE HIRE OF A PRIVATE BUS**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ONLY PAYING PERSONS TRAVELLING ON THE BUS TO THE HIKES  
WILL BE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE ON THE HIKES.**

*It is imperative that the instructions of the Hike Leaders be adhered to by those participating. The Leader sets the pace of the hike and walkers are expected to obey his/her instructions at all times. Leaders have the right to refuse to take anyone who does not co-operate with them fully, and anyone who they consider would not be able to walk at a reasonable pace, especially on the Moderate Hikes. Walkers who go on Moderate Hikes should be fit and able to keep up with the Hike. A Co-Ordinator has been appointed each Sunday to organise Hikers on Eden Quay.*

## **Unless otherwise stated, please observe the following:**

<b>WEAR:</b>	HIKING BOOTS OR STRONG SHOES FOR EASIER HIKES HIKING BOOTS <b>ONLY</b> FOR MODERATE HIKES, EASIER MODERATE HIKES NO JEANS. NO DOGS ALLOWED ON HIKES.
<b>BRING:</b>	<i>Hand Sanitiser, Rainwear, Flask, Sandwiches, Simple First Aid Kit, Sun Block, Hat &amp; Gloves.</i>
<b>COVID-19 NOTICE</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Covid 19 Restrictions Update</u></b></p> <p><i>Face Coverings will no longer be mandatory for travelling on the private bus and on Public Transport from January.</i></p> <p><i>Intending hikers in January may continue to wear face coverings on the bus, as a precautionary measure, if they wish to do so.</i></p> <p><b><u>HEALTH AND SAFETY ADVICE/QUESTIONNAIRE</u></b></p> <p><i>Please do not attend for any organised An Óige hike or event if the answer is YES to any of the following questions:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Have you any symptoms of Covid 19 recently?</li><li>2. Have you recently tested positive for Covid 19, or have you been in close contact with an infected person?</li></ol>
<b>MEET:</b>	All Sunday walks leave from Laughter Lounge, Eden Quay, O'Connell Bridge End at 10:00hrs, unless otherwise stated. You are requested to arrive at the meeting place in good time.

**MIDWEEK WALK: Thursday 5th January 2023****Please Note: No Thursday hike scheduled for this week****SUNDAY 8th January 2023 – Co-ordinator on Eden Quay: Marie McDonnell****MODERATE HIKE\***

<b>Route:</b>	Laragh - Old Woolen Mills Car Park – Forest Track to Military Road – Ragman’s Path – Cullentragh – Braigue Mountain – Mullacor – Wicklow Way - Glendalough
<b>Leader:</b>	Frank Rooney
<b>Transport:</b>	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person

**EASIER MODERATE HIKE\***

<b>Route:</b>	Laragh – Brockagh Centre – Wicklow Way Track – Brockagh East – Track towards Brockagh Mtn – ditch to Glendasan Forest – Wicklow Way – Glendalough Hotel
<b>Leader:</b>	Tom O’Loughlin
<b>Transport:</b>	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person *These two hikes will share the same bus.

**EASIER HIKE**

<b>Route:</b>	Rathdrum to Avondale
<b>Leader:</b>	Brian Connolly
<b>Transport:</b>	Meet Connolly Station at 10am for the Rosslare train to Rathdrum

**MIDWEEK WALK: Thursday 12th January 2023**

<b>Route:</b>	Walk through Tymon Park along the Dodder to Tallaght
<b>Leader:</b>	Norrie O’Hanlon
<b>Meet:</b>	Meet Wynns Hotel at 11am for Luas to Kingswood Stop

**SUNDAY 15th January 2023 – Co-ordinator on Eden Quay: Marie McDonnell****MODERATE HIKE\***

<b>Route:</b>	Oldbridge – Lakeshore track to Kanturk – Scarr – Paddock Hill – Laragh
<b>Leader:</b>	Tom Kenny
<b>Transport:</b>	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person

**EASIER MODERATE HIKE\***

<b>Route:</b>	Oldbridge – Wicklow Way – Brusher Gap – Brusher Hut – Paddock Hill – Wicklow Way Track – Laragh
<b>Leader:</b>	Des Whelan
<b>Transport:</b>	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. These 2 Hikes will share the same bus.

**EASIER HIKE**

<b>Route:</b>	Bog Meadow – Killegar – Knocksink Woods – Enniskerry
<b>Leader:</b>	Ann Prendergast
<b>Meet:</b>	Laughter Lounge at 10am
<b>Transport:</b>	Public Transport

**MIDWEEK WALK: Thursday 19th January 2023**

<b>Route:</b>	Bohernabreena Reservoir
<b>Leader:</b>	Fiona Byrne
<b>Meet:</b>	College Green/Trinity Street at 10.45am for 54A Bus

**SUNDAY 22nd January 2023 – Co-ordinator on Eden Quay: Marie McDonnell****MODERATE HIKE**

<b>Route:</b>	Kilmacanogue – Fitzsimon’s Park – Donnelly’s Lane – Ballydonagh Lane – Bellevue Woods – Bellevue Hill – Doctor Ryan’s Park – Greystones
<b>Leader:</b>	David McCann
<b>Transport:</b>	Public Transport Bus Eireann Wicklow 133 bus – Meet usual time at the Eden Quay Laughter Lounge

**EASIER MODERATE HIKE**

<b>Route:</b>	Fernhill Tunnel – Three Rock Mtn – Fairy Castle – Two Rock Mtn – Stepside
<b>Leader:</b>	Fiona Byrne
<b>Transport:</b>	Public Transport – Meet 10am at the Laughter Lounge, Eden Quay

**EASIER HIKE**

<b>Route:</b>	Confey – St Catherine’s Park - Leixlip
<b>Leader:</b>	Nancy Phillips
<b>Transport:</b>	Public Transport – Meet 10am at the Laughter Lounge, Eden Quay

**MIDWEEK WALK: Thursday 26th January 2023**

<b>Route:</b>	Portmarnock to Howth
<b>Leader:</b>	Mary Moloney
<b>Transport:</b>	Connolly Station at 10.45am

**SUNDAY 29th January 2023 – Co-ordinator on Eden Quay: Marie McDonnell****MODERATE HIKE**

<b>Route:</b>	Marley Park - Wicklow Way to Stepside via – Fairy Castle – Three Rock Mtn – Stepside
<b>Leader:</b>	Martin Fagan
<b>Transport:</b>	Public Transport to Marley Park – meet at 10am the Laughter Lounge, Eden Quay

**EASIER MODERATE HIKE**

<b>Route:</b>	Bray to Kilmacanogue via Bray Head – Barton’s Wood – Little Sugar Loaf – Kilmacanogue
<b>Leader:</b>	Shauna Byrne
<b>Transport:</b>	Public Transport – meet at 10am the Laughter Lounge, Eden Quay

**EASIER HIKE**

<b>Route:</b>	Clondalkin Corkagh Park – also Round Tower Visitor Centre
<b>Leader:</b>	Olive Cowlard
<b>Transport:</b>	Public Transport to Marley Park – meet at 10am the Laughter Lounge, Eden Quay

**SLOW COACH WALK**

<b>Route:</b>	Walking in Marley Park
<b>Leader:</b>	Marie McDonnell
<b>Transport:</b>	Public Transport – meet at 10am the Laughter Lounge, Eden Quay

## AN ÓIGE PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP ACTIVITIES

Text message only with name, phone number and query to: (087) 166 9605.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Saturday 7th January 2023

<b>Venue:</b>	National Stadium, 145 South Circular Road, Dublin 8 'Snow White' Pantomime with Alan Hughes and 'Buffy'. Matinee at 3pm
<b>Cost:</b>	All Seats €34.50
<b>Booking:</b>	Ring booking office at (01)9060111 and try for block F
<b>Meet:</b>	2.30pm at the Stadium
<b>Transport:</b>	Bus No. 122 from O'Connell Street brings you to the Stadium
<b>Organiser:</b>	Patsy Moloney

#### Saturday 14th January 2023

<b>Venue:</b>	Abbey Theatre, Abbey Street, Matinee 2pm 'The Weir' by Conor McPherson. A Winter Production A group meet in a pub and share their stories of weird and unusual events.
<b>Cost:</b>	Seats from €20.00
<b>Booking:</b>	Ring the Abbey Theatre at (01) 8787222
<b>Meet:</b>	1.30pm Abbey Street Foyer
<b>Organiser:</b>	Patsy Moloney

#### Friday 17th February 2023

<b>Venue:</b>	National Concert Hall, Earlsfort Tce, at 7.30pm Mozart and Dvorak
<b>Meet:</b>	7.00pm in the foyer
<b>Cost:</b>	Seats from €15.00 (Choir Seats)
<b>Booking:</b>	Ring the Concert Hall, (01) 4170000
<b>Transport:</b>	Buses No. 11,44,46A
<b>Organiser:</b>	Patsy Moloney

### OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

#### WANTED

Anyone with photographs of An Óige, which they would like saved for posterity, please contact Marie McDonnell at H: 01 837 7411.

#### Saving Mountain Lodge

From 1937 to 2012, the Lodge was leased by An Óige, and was run as a Youth Hostel. Now Burncourt Community Council, through a sub-lease, are restoring it as a Community Project, planning to rejuvenate the former Shooting Lodge into a resource for artists and writers, including a café in the Summer. An Óige Groups are also invited to use the Lodge.

A new fire escape is required at the back of the building, to enable the room upstairs to be brought back into use. If you would like to contribute to this great Restoration Project, please contact Marie McDonnell: Tel: 01 8377411 (H)

**REMEMBER THAT – the Future of the Sunday Hikes depends on there being sufficient members willing and available to act as Leaders for both the Moderate, Easier Moderate and Easier Hikes. Co-Ordinators are also in short supply. Please volunteer your services now by ringing Marie McDonnell at 01 837 7411 (H)**