

An Óige Hike Programme August 2022

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 2022: €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:

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| WEAR: | HIKING BOOTS OR STRONG SHOES FOR EASIER HIKES HIKING BOOTS ONLY FOR MODERATE HIKES, EASIER MODERATE HIKES NO JEANS. NO DOGS ALLOWED ON HIKES. |
| BRING: | <i>Hand Sanitiser, Rainwear, Flask, Sandwiches, Simple First Aid Kit, Sun Block, Hat & Gloves.</i> |
| COVID-19 NOTICE | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Covid 19 Restrictions Update</u></p> <p><i>Face Coverings will no longer be mandatory for travelling on the private bus and on Public Transport from Monday 28 February.</i></p> <p><i>Intending hikers August continue to wear face coverings on the bus, as a precautionary measure, if they wish to do so.</i></p> <p><u>HEALTH AND SAFETY ADVICE/QUESTIONNAIRE</u></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">1. Have you any symptoms of Covid 19 recently?2. Have you recently tested positive for Covid 19, or have you been in close contact with an infected person? |
| MEET: | 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 4th August 2022

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| Route: | Howth to Portmarnock Beach via Sutton and Baldoyle |
| Leader: | Michael Mooney |
| Meet: | Connolly Station at 10:15hrs for the 10:26hrs train to Howth Or meet 11:00hrs at Howth Station |

SUNDAY 7th August 2022: Co-Ordinator on Eden Quay – Mary Chambers**MODERATE HIKE***

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| Route: | Glendalough Visitor Centre – Wicklow Way – Paddock Hill - Brusher Gap – Annamoe – Avonmore River Walk – Kilafin – Laragh |
| Leader: | Garry Byrne |
| Transport: | Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. |

EASIER MODERATE HIKE*

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| Route: | Annamoe – Avonmore River Walk – Trooperstown Hill – Ballard Bridge - Laragh |
| Leader: | Tom O'Loughlin |
| Transport: | Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. *These 2 hikes will share the same bus. |

EASIER HIKE

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| Route: | Portrane Tracks Dunes and Beach |
| Leaders: | Mary Chambers |
| Transport: | Public Transport |

MIDWEEK WALK: Thursday 11th August 2022

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| Route: | Loughshinny to Rush – Cliff and Beach Walk (uneven surface in parts) |
| Leader: | Norrie O'Hanlon |
| Meet: | Bus No. 33 (Skerries /Balbriggan Service) Lower Abbey Street Irish Life Mall at 10:10hrs for 10:20hrs departure (Please note 10:40hrs approx. departure from Swords) |

SUNDAY 14th August 2022: Co-Ordinator on Eden Quay – Marie McDonnell**MODERATE HIKE***

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| Route: | Askanagap – Mulhall Cottage – Askanagap Hill – Ballycurragh – Ballyteigue Bridge – Rosahane Cemetery – Ballymanus Bridge |
| Leader: | David Marlborough |
| Transport: | Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. |

EASIER MODERATE HIKE*

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| Route: | Coat's Bridge – The Fell Wood – Sean Lenihan Walk – Rourkes River Ford – Macreddin East – Cushbawn – Sean Lenihan Walk - Aughrim |
| Leader: | David McCann |
| Transport: | Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. |

EASIER HIKE*

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| Route: | Sean Lenihan Walk and Tracks, finishing in Aughrim |
| Leader: | Fiona Byrne |
| Transport: | Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. |

| SLOW COACH WALK* | |
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| Route: | A stroll around the village of Aughrim |
| Leaders: | Marie McDonnell |
| Transport: | Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. *These 4 hikes will share the same bus. |
| MIDWEEK WALK: Thursday 18th August 2022 | |
| Route: | Stepaside to Johnny Fox Pub via Three Rock and Dublin Mountain Way |
| Leader: | Fiona Byrne |
| Meet: | Clery's Clock at 10:45hrs sharp |
| Transport: | Public Transport |
| Sunday 21st August 2022: Co-Ordinator on Eden Quay – Mary Chambers | |
| MODERATE HIKE* | |
| Route: | Knickeen Ford – Stranahely Wood – Knocknamunnion Elbow – WD Marker – Lobawn Ridge – Wexford Gap – Cavanagh's Gap – Lobawn – Pinnacle Hill – Bolton's Yard – Donard |
| Leader: | Tom Hennessy |
| Transport: | Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. |
| EASIER MODERATE HIKE* | |
| Route: | Hollywood Glen – Drumreagh Forest Entrance – Forest Track to Church Mountain – Track and Road to Hellkettle Bridge - Donard |
| Leader: | Ita O'Hanlon |
| Transport: | Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. *These 2 hikes will share the same bus. |
| Also on Sunday 21st August | |
| Special Outing to Rostrevor Co. Down | |
| Route: | Rostrevor – Kilbroney Forest Park – Giant Murphy's Grave – Narnia Trails All part of the Mourne Way |
| Leader: | Kay and Tony O'Sullivan |
| Transport: | Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. |
| Meet: | Laughter Lounge at 10:15hrs. Bus departs Eden Quay at 10:30hrs sharp. Optional Evening Meal afterwards at own expense. |
| MIDWEEK WALK: Thursday 25th August 2022 | |
| Route: | Walk and Talk Guided Tour of Dublin including Huguenot Trail, St Stephen's Green, St Patrick's Cathedral, the Coombe Hospital - 3 Hour Tour |
| Leader: | Pat Greene |
| Meet: | Pearse Street Station at 10:45hrs sharp |
| Sunday 28th August 2022 Co-Ordinator on Eden Quay – Marie McDonnell | |
| MODERATE HIKE* | |
| Route: | Kippure Gates – Mast Road to Kippure – Red Hill – Seefingan – Corrig – Green Road – Bohernabreena Waterworks |
| Leader: | Martin Fagan |
| Transport: | Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. |

| EASIER MODERATE HIKE* | |
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| Route: | Athdown Wood – Seefin – Seefingan – Corrig – Green Road – Bohernabreena Waterworks |
| Leader: | Tony Groves |
| Transport: | Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. *These 2 hikes will share the same bus. |
| EASIER HIKE | |
| Route: | Celbridge to Leixlip via Castletown House Estate |
| Leader: | Olive Cowlard |
| Transport: | Public Transport |
| AN ÓIGE PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP ACTIVITIES | |
| Please go to www.anoigephoto.com for activities and information | |
| Dates for your Diary | |
| Saturday 13th August 2022 | |
| Event: | Gate Theatre Matinee 14:30hrs 'The Steward of Christendom' by Sebastian Barry |
| Booking: | Ring Gate Theatre (01) 8744045 |
| Cost: | Ticket Price €30.00 |
| Meet: | Gate Theatre at 14:00hrs |
| Organiser: | Patsy Moloney |
| Tuesday 16th August 2022 | |
| Event: | Savoy Cinema O'Connell Street |
| Meet: | 13:30hrs sharp |
| Organiser: | Patsy Moloney |
| Thursday 25th August 2022 | |
| Theatre Visit: | OPERA IN THE OPEN – Civic Amphitheatre, Wood Quay 13:00hrs – 14:00hrs (No details at present for which opera is being performed) |
| Admission: | FREE |
| Meet: | 12:00hrs at Civic Offices entrance to Amphitheatres |
| Bring: | Lunch |
| Organiser: | Patsy Moloney |
| Friday 26th August 2022 | |
| Event: | Social Friday, Teachers Club, Parnell Square Scrabble ,Draughts, Jigsaws |
| Meet: | 19:30hrs |
| Cost: | €7.00 per person |
| Organiser: | Patsy Moloney |

Saturday 1st October 2022

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| Theatre Visit: | Abbey Theatre Matinee 14:00hrs "Joyce's Women" by Edna O'Brien gives a new insight into the world of Joyce through the lives of his mother May, wife Nora and daughter Lucia. |
| Booking: | Ring Gate Theatre (01) 8744045 |
| Cost: | Ticket Price €30.00 |
| Meet: | Gate Theatre at 14:00hrs |
| Organiser: | Patsy Moloney |

Wednesday 12th October 2022

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| Theatre Visit: | Gaiety Theatre Matinée 14:30hrs Agatha Christie's "Mousetrap" – A West-End Production of this murder mystery running for 70 years | |
| Booking: | NO PHONE BOOKING Book in person at the Gaiety Box Office 12:00hrs - 18:00hrs | |
| Cost: | Concession Tickets in the Grand Circle €30.00; €42.50 in the Parterre | |
| Meet: | Gate Theatre at 14:00hrs sharp | <u>THEATRE DOES NOT HAVE A LIFT</u> |
| Organiser: | Patsy Moloney | |

Saturday 22nd October 2022

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| Theatre Visit: | Peacock Theatre, Abbey Street Matinee 13:30hrs Tom Murphy's 'Whistle in the Dark'. A powerful portrayal of tribal violence and the devastation it brings in its wake. |
| Booking: | Ring Peacock Theatre (01) 8787222 |
| Cost: | From €20.00 unallocated seats |
| Meet: | Peacock Theatre, Abbey Street, at 13:00hrs |
| Organiser: | 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

THANKS

Johnn Cobbe and The Music Group would like to thank all those who supported the event which took place in Clontarf Yacht Club in May 2022, at which €1,125 was raised for Dublin/Wicklow Mountain Rescue.

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)