

An Óige Hike Programme September 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:

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 September 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 1st September 2022

Route:	St Helen's Bay to Bangor, Co Down.
Leader:	Mary Moloney
Meet:	Meet Dublin Connolly at 8.45am for the Belfast train at 9.30am. Please fill in free travel pass in advance. Purchases in Sterling..

SUNDAY 4th September – Co-ordinator: Larry Meany**MODERATE HIKE***

Route:	Sandyford Bridge – Kyle Hill – Ballycumber Hill – Mangan's Hill – Mangan's Lane – Tinahely
Leader:	David McCann
Transport:	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person

EASIER MODERATE HIKE*

Route:	Moyne – Ford – Garryhoe – Coolnafunshogue – Coolnafunshogue Lane – Mangan's Wood – Mangan's Lane – Tinahely
Leader:	Larry Meaney
Transport:	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person *These two hikes will share the same bus.

EASIER HIKE

Route:	Poolbeg Lighthouse (weather permitting)
Leader:	Brian Connolly
Transport:	Public Transport

MIDWEEK WALK: Thursday 8th September 2022

Route:	Laughantown Dublin Mountain Way to Shankhill.
Leader:	Martin Fagan
Meet:	Meet Eden Quay at 10.45am.

SUNDAY 11th September – Co-ordinator: Marie McDonnell**MODERATE HIKE***

Route:	Glendalough Visitor Centre – Poulnanass Waterfall – The Spinc – Side of Lugduff – Wicklow Way – Drumgoff Forest – Drumgoff Bridge – Glenmalure Hotel
Leader:	Des Whelan
Transport:	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person

EASIER MODERATE HIKE*

Route:	Ragman's Path – Cullentragh – Shay Elliot – Uppertown Quarry – Drumgoff – Glenmalure Hotel
Leader:	John Cobbe
Transport:	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person

SLOW COACH WALK*

Route:	Ramble in the Drumgoff area.
Leaders:	Marie McDonnell
Transport:	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person *These three hikes will share the same bus.

EASIER HIKE*	
Route:	Seapoint to Dalkey
Leader:	Deirdre Wilson
Transport:	Public Transport
MIDWEEK WALK: Thursday 15th September 2022	
Route:	Dublin Bay Cruise: Dublin – Dunlaoghaire – Howth (arriving in Howth Harbour at 1.30pm)
Leader:	Eamon Behan
Meet:	10.00am Tara Street Station for walk to Sir John Rogerson's Quay. Check-in 10.45am. Boat departs 11.00am
Bring:	Lunch. Rainwear.
Wear:	Hiking Boots or Strong Shoes
Cost:	€28 per person (concession) After having your own lunch, walk to Howth Summit or around the Harbour Area.
SUNDAY 18th September – Co-ordinator: Marie McDonnell	
MODERATE HIKE*	
Route:	Ballylusk – Carrick Mountain – Ballinastraw – Cronybyrne – Avonmore Way – Rathdrum
Leader:	David McCann
Transport:	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person
EASIER MODERATE HIKE*	
Route:	Avonmore Way from Laragh to Rathdrum.
Leader:	Fiona Byrne
Transport:	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. *These two hikes will share the same bus.
EASIER HIKE	
Route:	A coastal walk in the Dalkey area, taking in the newly-discovered and restored ancient holy well and all that coast has to offer!
Leader:	Kay O'Sullivan
Meet:	Meet 10.30 am at Connolly Station for next DART to Dalkey.
MIDWEEK WALK: Thursday 22nd September 2022	
Route:	Lagan towpath Lisburn to Lady Dixon Park.
Leader:	Tom O'Loughlin
Meet:	Meet Dublin Connolly at 8.45am for the Belfast train at 9.30am. Please fill in free travel pass in advance. Purchases in Sterling.
SUNDAY 25th September – Co-ordinator: Fiona Byrne	
MODERATE HIKE*	
Route:	Sugarloaf – Lobawn – Corriebracks – Church Mountain – St. Kevin's Way – Hollywood Village.
Leader:	Frank Rooney
Transport:	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person

EASIER MODERATE HIKE*	
Route:	Hell Kettle Bridge – Church Mountain – St. Kevin’s Way – Hollywood Village.
Leader:	Brian Madden
Transport:	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person
EASIER HIKE*	
Route:	The Blessington Greenway from Russborough House to Blessington.
Leader:	Fiona Byrne
Transport:	Special Bus Cost €20.00 per person. *These three hikes will share the same bus.
MIDWEEK WALK: Thursday 29th September 2022	
Route:	Annamoe to Laragh.
Leader:	Ita O’Hanlon
Meet:	Meet at the St Kevin’s bus St Stephen’s Green opposite starbucks coffee shop stop at 11.15am for the 11.30am bus. Return bus from Laragh at 4.30pm
AN ÓIGE PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP ACTIVITIES	
Please go to www.anoigephoto.com for activities and information	
Dates for your Diary	
Tuesday 13th September 2022	
Event:	Savoy Cinema, O’Connell Street
Meet:	Savoy Cinema at 1.30pm
Organiser:	Patsy Moloney
Thursday 22nd September 2022	
Event:	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Venue:	The Teacher’s Club, 36 Parnell Square, Dublin
Admission:	On production of up-to-date An Óige Membership Card.
Friday 23rd September 2022	
Event:	Social Friday, Teachers Club, Parnell Square Scrabble ,Draughts, Jigsaws
Meet:	7.30pm
Cost:	€7.00 per person
Organiser:	Patsy Moloney
Thursday 25th September 2022	
Theatre Visit:	OPERA IN THE OPEN – Civic Amphitheatre, Wood Quay 1.00pm - 2.00pm (No details at present for which opera is being performed)
Admission:	FREE
Meet:	12 noon at Civic Offices entrance to Amphitheatres
Bring:	Lunch
Organiser:	Patsy Moloney

Saturday 1st October 2022

Theatre Visit:	Abbey Theatre Matinee 2.00pm "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:	To book tickets, from €22, ring the Abbey theatre, 8787222 ask for seat near to Row F
Meet:	1.30pm Abbey Foyer
Organiser:	Patsy Moloney

Wednesday 12th October 2022

Theatre Visit:	Gaiety Theatre Matinée 2.30pm 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 Book in person at Gaiety Box Office 12-6pm. No phone booking
Meet:	2pm at Gaiety Theatre
Organiser:	Patsy Moloney

THEATRE DOES NOT HAVE A LIFT

Saturday 22nd October 2022

Theatre Visit:	Peacock Theatre, Abbey Street Matinee 1.30pm 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:	1.00pm at Peacock Theatre, Abbey Streets
Organiser:	Patsy Moloney

28th - 31st October BANK HOLIDAY

Cost:	Weekend in Ben Lettery Hostel
Leaders:	Fiona Byrne & Ita O'Hanlon
Activities:	Will include trips to Inishbofin and Connemara National Park.
Note:	Details for the trip, including costs, have yet to be finalised: However, a deposit of €100 will secure you a place on the trip.
Contact:	Ita at itaohdubs@gmail.com to pay the deposit.



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)