

East Clare Walking Club Schedule May - Sept

| 2008 DATE | WALK | CONTACT | ASSEMBLY POINT | TIME |
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| MAY 18th ** | Broadford East Clare Way | Seamus 087- 2724711 | Community Centre, Limerick Road. | 11 AM |
| JUNE 1 st ** | Iniscealtra Arts Festival Walk. | Ann K 061- 921476 | Aistear Park, centre of Mountshannon Village. | 11 AM |
| JUNE 15th ** | Cappabaun. East Clare Way Loop. | Pat 087- 9279213 | Scariff, Teagasc Car Park. On left past Church and National School. Flagmount Road. | 11 AM |
| JUNE 29th ** | Bohatch. East Clare Way Loop. | Prisca 086- 8127750 | Mountshannon Church. On right at entrance to village. | 11 AM |
| JUNE 29th to JULY 6th * ** *** | Central Appenine Mtns., Italy. | Karen 086- 0853629 | Spaces Limited. Details from Karen. Flying from Cork. | |
| JULY 13th * | Canal Walk | Ann O' C 086- 8513065 | O'Brien's Bridge. Riverside Car Park. | 11 AM |
| Sat July 26 th or Mon Aug 4th ** | Merriman Festival. Lough Graney. | Marian 061- 925184 | Canny's Bar and Marquee, Killanena. Date still to be advised to us. | 2 PM |
| JULY 27th *** | Kilbane Slieve Bernagh | Seamus 087- 2724711 | Gunnings Pub, Kilbane. Off Broadford to O' Briensbridge Road.. | 11 AM |
| AUG 3rd * ** | Scariff Harbour Festival Walk | Alan 061- 925106 Ann 061- 921476 | Children's Treasure Trail. Adult Walk The Square, Scariff. | |
| AUG 24th ** | Ballycroum Loop Planning Meeting | Alan 061- 925106 | Tony Mac's. Bar Loughgraney Inn, Killanena. Tea and Sandwiches. | 11AM |
| SEPT 7th *** | Burren. Black Head. | Tony and Trudy | Fanore Church. Coast Road Ballyvaughan to Lisdoonvarna. | 11AM |
| Membership 2008 | Family €16 | Visitor €2 | Individual €10 | |
| *gentle walk | ** moderate | *** tough | Wear suitable clothing and | footware. |
| End Sept | Away Weekend | Alan/Pat | To be arranged. | Fri- Sun |

Mobiles Pat 087-9279213 Alan 087-2873985 Marian 087=6419157 Tony 087-6217051 Seamus 087-2724711 Prisca 086-8127750 Ann K 087-7697201

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As you will see, so far we have no final details for the date of the Merriman Festival except that it will be held either on the August Bank Holiday weekend or the preceding weekend. Thus any walk we do will take place either on Saturday July 26th or Monday August 4th. Check with Marian nearer the date, or better still use the eclarewalks link detailed below.

Walks start within 15 minutes of assembly time so if you are running late try to make contact by mobile—bear in mind not all assembly points are in areas of mobile cover!

You can join the club or walk as a visitor by paying at the beginning of any walk. Should you wish you can also join by sending a cheque/ P.O. to the secretary, *Marian Fahy, Derrawee, Derrybrien, Loughrea, Co. Galway*. Please make payable to East Clare Walking Club. Individual €10 , Family €16 , Visitor €2 per walk.

The **East Clare Walking Club** is now in its eleventh year. The club was originally formed to cater for walkers from the East Clare area. Today the club has members from many parts of the county as well as from counties Limerick, Tipperary and Galway.

A walk is held every second Sunday throughout most of the year, many routes incorporating various stages of the *East Clare Way* as well as further afield in *The Burren Galtees Slieve Aughty Slieve Bloom* and *Slieve Felim* and the occasional riverside, lakeside or coastal walk.

Each route is given a star grading, "gentle", "moderate" or "tough" and more information can be obtained from the contact person for each walk as detailed on the club's current schedule. Waterproof clothing and stout boots are essential for "moderate" or "tough" routes. Bring a packed lunch as most walks begin at 11am.

Two or three times a year the club organises a weekend away, staying in self-catering accommodation from the Friday evening. With a main walk on Saturday and a gentle walk on Sunday morning (very gentle for those who have overdone the "craic" Saturday night!) These weekends have proved very successful and good value. Previous locations have included the *Dingle Peninsular, Killarney, Connemara, the Comeraghs , Mountains of Mourne , the Belgian Ardennes, Innishboffin, Knockmealdown Mountains and Slieve Bloom*.

Membership fees: Individual €10 per annum Family €16 per annum Visitor €2 per walk

Fees collected go towards the cost of insurance, postage and stationary. Full members can avail of a discount on purchases at several outdoor pursuits stores on production of their membership card.

*If you would like to know more about the club's activities, how to join or details
Contact:*

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