



Burren Winterage Weekend **PROGRAMME** 26th-30th October 2017

Thursday 26th October

BURREN WINTERAGE SCHOOL Theme: 'Community-Inspired Innovation for Sustainable Farming Systems'
WHEN: 7pm-10pm **ADM:** Booking required on Eventbrite **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN Ballyvaughan Village Hall

Friday 27th October

BURREN WINTERAGE SCHOOL Theme: 'Community-Inspired Innovation for Sustainable Farming Systems'
WHEN: 9.30am- 5.30pm **ADM:** Booking required on Eventbrite **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN Ballyvaughan Village Hall

COMMUNITY GATHERING & AWARDS Open evening for all the community with food, refreshments & music. Featuring local children's viewpoints of winterage, the Change X Burren Community Wellbeing Awards, music by the Ballyvaughan Ukulele Orchestra and the Bord Bia Origin Green Burren Farming for Conservation Awards 2017.
WHEN: 7.30pm-9.30pm **ADM:** Free/ Optional - Bring a dish to share **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN Ballyvaughan Village Hall

HALLOWEEN PARTY & TRADITIONAL MUSIC Traditional music & Halloween Party Local producers menu available all weekend. **WHEN:** 9.30pm-late **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN Monks Seafood Restaurant & Pub

Saturday 28th October

HERDSMAN'S WALK with Patrick McCormack. A Burrenbeo fundraiser with tea & scones at Glanquin House (aka Fr Ted's House). **WHEN:** 10am-1pm **ADM:** Advance booking required €25 (€15 Trust members) on Eventbrite **WHERE:** Near KILNABOY Glanquin Farmhouse

BALLYVAUGHAN FARMER'S MARKET Local food producers and others. Including demos on old style butter churning, honey bee demo (weather dependent) & local honey tasting, a homegrown pumpkin competition (entries by 11.00am, judging 1.00pm) and more. There will also be **FREE FACE-PAINTING for families** (cows, flowers and winterage-related) and free Apple Cider (non-alcoholic) from the mobile Newtown Castle truck with the Burren College of Art lecturers and students. **WHEN:** 10am-2pm **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN Village Hall

BALLYVAUGHAN HERITAGE WALK Farming & Fishing - the history of a village with Ballyvaughan locals James Keane and Patsy Mullins. A gentle stroll exploring the cultural heritage of Ballyvaughan including some fascinating stories of the village, its features and what went on there in the past. **WHEN:** 10.30-12 noon **ADM:** A donation to landscape charity, Burrenbeo Trust **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN Meet at the new pier with slipway (past the thatch cottages).

FARMING INNOVATION FAIR

Hosted by the Burren IFA, in conjunction with the Burren Programme & Teagasc. Includes a Teagasc presentation on animal nutrition on Burren Winterages, a display of local vintage machinery, a demonstration on Biochar production, trade stands displaying products for feeding and watering livestock, locally made gates, machinery for scrub control and much more. Sales reps from the major supplier as well as members of the Burren Programme and Teagasc. This event will be of interest and relevance to farmers everywhere but particularly for farmers in Burren Programme **WHEN:** 11am-2pm **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN GAA Pitch.

FARM DEMO WALK A walk with a local farmer and Burren Programme staff. An insight into how a results-based agri-environmental scheme works in practice **WHEN:** 2pm-4pm **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN Meet @ GAA pitch

SHORTHORN MART Opportunity to view Burren shorthorn cattle on sale **WHEN:** 12.30-3pm **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** KILFENORA Mart

FANORE HERITAGE WALK The Village of our Childhood with locals Joe Queally and Patsy Carrucan. A gentle stroll exploring the cultural heritage of Fanore including the deserted village of Loch an Uisce. The slip way at Loch an Uisce was the link between the Aran Island and Connemara where fish and Poteen were brought in long ago. The walk will also visit Cathair Ballyiney, feature singing and much more. **WHEN:** 2pm-3.30pm **ADM:** A donation to landscape charity, Burrenbeo Trust **WHERE:** FANORE Meet outside O'Donohue's Pub.

SHEEPDOG DEMO *With farmer John Davoren at Burren Forts* **WHEN:** 2.30pm-3.15pm **ADM:** Free for Burren Winterage Weekend **WHERE:** Near CARRON Caherconnell Stone Fort

VIDEO: 30 YEARS OF CHEESE MAKING AT AILWEE CAVES will be running all day. **WHEN:** 10am-5.30pm **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN Aillwee Caves

FILM SHOW: ATLANTIC *Film followed by Q&A with film-maker Richard O'Donnell* Organised by Burren Ecotourism Network **WHEN:** 8pm-9.30pm **ADM:** €5 donation to RNLI **WHERE:** LISDOONVARNA Pavilion

TRADITIONAL MUSIC *Traditional music* **WHEN:** 10pm **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN Greenes Bar

Sunday 29th October **Please note that clocks go back overnight

WINTERAGE CATTLE DRIVE *Follow local landowners (Carrucan family) & their cattle up to their winter pastures.* This is a 12km or 4km roundtrip. **WHEN:** 11am-3.30pm **ADM:** Locally made walking sticks available in lieu of donation to Burrenbeo Trust (€5-10pp). **WHERE:** FANORE O'Donohue's Pub **WARNING: NO DOGS ALLOWED. Longer walk (12km roundtrip):** 11am: meet at O'Donohue's pub for registration and refreshments to leave at midday, walking up the hill to Ballyally to meet the cattle for a blessing from the priest. Then walk up onto the Green road with cattle. This is a good walk, with a good climb and only for the reasonably fit. There will be a chance to hear from the farmer before descending the hill. **Shorter walk (4km roundtrip):** 11am: meet at O'Donohue's pub for registration and refreshments to leave at 12.10pm. Go in convoy by car to the top of the mountain – road will be closed thereafter - and wait for the cattle to come up. Then walk up along the Green road which is relatively flat and return same way. Bring good walking shoes, outdoor clothes. Afterwards 3.30pm-5pm: Option to have a local Burren stew and tea - available for the walkers @ €10pp (not included in above donation) in O'Donohue's pub. Followed by singing (4.30pm) and music (5pm).

BURREN ART & CRAFT MARKET **WHEN:** 10am-5pm **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN Village Hall

CAKE SALE *A fundraiser for local graveyard cmtc* **WHEN:** 12noon **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN Greene's Bar

BURREN FOOD FAYRE *An array of local food producers displaying their produce and cooking demonstrations,* this will include stalls of local produce, Burren Masterchef Competition display of dishes and final judging of the Burren Culinaire. Starting with a foraging walk beforehand at 11am. All information on www.burren.ie **WHEN:** 12.45am-5pm **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** LISDOONVARNA Pavillion

TRADITIONAL MUSIC *Traditional music*

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Monday 30th October

FARMING ON THE CLIFF EDGE *Farming around the Cliffs of Moher.* A gentle stroll with local farmer and ranger, Michael Fitzpatrick. **WHEN:** 10.30am-12noon **ADM:** Free for walk but normal Cliffs entry fees apply **WHERE** CLIFFS OF MOHER Entrance area to visitor centre.

All Weekend

FOOD DISCOUNT @ Burren Perfumery in CARRON are offering a **50% discount** in the tearooms with yummy homemade soups, fresh bread, Irish cheese boards throughout the Winterage weekend for Burrenbeo Trust members (with cards or can sign up on the day). **WHEN:** All weekend 10am-5pm **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** CARRON Burren Perfumery

FOOD DISCOUNT @ The Deli Larder in BALLYVAUGHAN are offering a **10% discount** for anyone who spends over €10 and mentions 'winterage' with homemade goodies throughout the Winterage weekend **WHEN:** All weekend open Thu-Sun 10.30am-4.30pm **ADM:** Free **WHERE:** BALLYVAUGHAN The Deli Larder

A massive thank you to all the community members that have donated their time & resources to organising these events.

More details on

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