



# National Heritage Week

A Heritage Council programme



## Handbook for Event Organisers



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**Welcome** to the 2025 Handbook for Event Organisers. This year, National Heritage Week will take place from 16th to 24th August exploring the theme of **“Exploring Our Foundations”**. The Heritage Council encourages you to create events or projects that explore how we connect to each other, what brings us together and what we have in common.

Coordinated by the Heritage Council, National Heritage Week is Ireland’s most popular cultural event and is part of European Heritage Days which promotes Europe’s common cultural heritage.

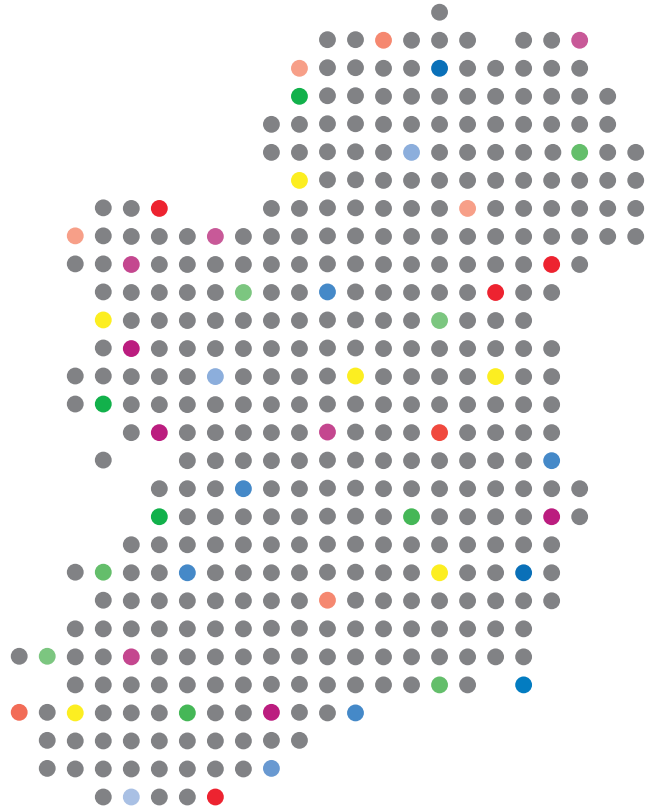


## Who this booklet is for?

This booklet is a guide full of advice and ideas for anyone thinking of organising a National Heritage Week event. You can be an individual with a passion for a heritage site or tradition, part of a heritage group, advocacy group, guild, association, museum or non-profit organisation. Take inspiration from these ideas and create your own event!

## How to get involved in National Heritage Week 2025

- 1  Develop an event from the ideas in this list or plan your own unique event or project.
- 2  Visit [heritageweek.ie](https://heritageweek.ie) for helpful tips and resources to help bring your idea to life!
- 3  Register your event or project on [heritageweek.ie](https://heritageweek.ie)



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# 101 EVENT IDEAS

## Exploring Your Foundations



### 1 Family Storytime Event

Invite local families to share stories handed down through generations.

### 2 Traditional skills demonstration

Ask a local craftsperson to give a demonstration of their skills to your community, either at their workshop or in a public place.

### 3 Roots Music Session

Hold a music session celebrating traditional songs and instruments of your area.

### 4 Local Food Traditions Day

Explore old recipes from your region with a tasting or recipe swap event.

### 5 Old School Days

Invite the community to explore the history of a local school with photos, stories, and memorabilia.

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## 6 Heritage Tree Walk

Identify and celebrate old trees that have significance in your locality.

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## 7 Foundations of Field and Place Names

Host a workshop decoding the meaning of local place names and field names.

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## 8 Mapping Memories

Create a community map marking places of personal or historical importance.

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## 9 Community Ancestry Day

Help people start a basic family tree using free genealogy resources.

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## 10 Foundations of Our Language

Host an Irish language basics workshop or explore old words from your locality.

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## 11 Historic Home Stories

Invite residents to share the history of their family homes.

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## 12 Foundations of Local Traditions

Host a talk exploring the origin of local festivals, fairs, or traditions.

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## 13 Heirloom Object Storytelling

Invite community members to bring an heirloom and tell its story.

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## 14 Our First Foundations Walk

Organise a walking tour of the oldest buildings or landmarks in your area.

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## 15 Foundations of Farming and Local Industries

Explore and exhibit early or traditional farming practices with a local historian or farmer showcasing old machinery and tools, or the industries that shaped the area

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## 16 Roots of Our Faith

Host a discussion about early religious practices and their impact on your community.

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## 17 Time Capsule from the Past

Display artefacts or newspapers from 50–100 years ago.

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## 18 Foundations Film Night

Screen old local footage, films, or photographs and invite storytelling around them.

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## Built Heritage



### 19 Old Post Office Stories

Host a talk or exhibit about the history of your local post office.

### 20 Town Hall Heritage Day

Open your town hall for a day with guided tours and stories.

### 21 Church and Chapel Tours

Explore architectural and social history through your local churches.

### 22 Thatched Cottage Day

Celebrate thatched cottages in your area with a tour or a talk.

### 23 Lego Heritage Build

Challenge kids to recreate local landmarks with Lego.

### 24 Graveyard Trail

Create a trail visiting old gravestones and uncover their stories.

### 25 Schoolhouse History Talk

Explore the history of education through an old school building.

### 26 Hidden Architectural Gems Walk

Lead a walk highlighting lesser-known buildings.

### 27 Stone Walls and Foundations Tour

Host a walk focused on historic boundary walls and building methods.

### 28 Adaptive Reuse Exhibit

Showcase local examples of old buildings given new life.

### 29 Sketching workshop

Host a sketching workshop at an old building in your community. Invite people to bring their own paper and pencil and join in.

### 30 Maintenance workshop

Gather a group of people together for a workshop on how to carry out basic maintenance on an old building in your community – drawing from Heritage Council resources if needed - [heritagecouncil.ie](https://www.heritagecouncil.ie) or [nationalchurchestrust.org](https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org).





## Natural Heritage

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### 31 Source of the River Walk

Trace a local river to its source with a guided nature walk.

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### 32 Wildflower Identification Ramble

Organise a simple walk identifying native plants.

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### 33 Old Orchard Celebration

Highlight any remaining traditional orchards with tastings and storytelling.

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### 34 Nature Journaling Picnic

Invite people to sit in nature and sketch, write, or photograph their observations.

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### 35 Rock and Soil Discovery Day

Host a workshop exploring local geology.

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### 36 Pond Life Day

Explore pond habitats with nets and ID guides for kids.

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### 37 Tree Ring Workshop

Show how trees can reveal environmental history.

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### 38 Wildlife on Your Doorstep Talk

Invite a local naturalist to talk about common garden wildlife.

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### 39 DIY Bug Hotel Workshop

Create bug hotels from recycled materials.

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### 40 Wildlife in our buildings

Explore the links between built and natural heritage by looking at the species that depend on buildings in your areas, such as bats, barn owls and swifts. Check out Heritage Council guidance on this subject - [heritagecouncil.ie](https://www.heritagecouncil.ie) and [birdwatchireland.ie](https://www.birdwatchireland.ie).

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#### 41 Make life better for birds

Organise a workshop to build swift (or other species) nest boxes or bat roost boxes to put in buildings in your local area.

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#### 42 The “roots” of your native trees

Lead a walk and talk through a local native woodland. Take a look at the trees’ history, local significance, diverse species present and any entertaining stories about them that you can dig out!

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#### 43 Invasive species – not our foundations!

Get an expert to lead a walk and talk about the impact of invasive species on your local ecosystem.

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#### 44 The magic of the night sky

Combine the rich world of nature with the magic of the night sky and explore the incredible biodiversity that thrives in the dark – bats, moths and more.

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## Cultural Heritage

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#### 45 Folklore Open Mic Night

Invite locals to share a tale, myth, or song.

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#### 46 Cultural Crafts Fair

Host a mini-fair where traditional crafts are demonstrated and sold.

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#### 47 Story Stones Workshop

Create “story stones” with painted images to spark storytelling.

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#### 48 Living Memories Exhibit

Collect and display personal heritage items from locals.

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#### 49 Traditional Dance Evening

Host a ceili or dance evening with basic steps taught.

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## 50 Photographic Time Travel

Create a then-and-now exhibition of old vs. current photos.

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## 51 Recording Family Recipes Podcast

Record community members talking about and making old recipes.

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## 52 Children's Folklore Collection

Invite children to interview grandparents and collect family tales.

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## 53 Living Library: Meet a Local Elder

Host one-on-one storytelling sessions with older residents.

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## Sustainability and Climate

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## 54 Repair Café

Host a day where people can bring broken items to be repaired.

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## 55 Nature-Based Art Workshop

Create art using only natural or recycled materials.

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## 56 Zero Waste Picnic

Organise a community picnic aiming for no single-use waste.

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## 57 Native Plant Swap

Host a swap event for native plants and seeds.

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## 58 Climate Stories Exhibition

Display local stories about environmental change over generations.

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### 59 Bike Your Town Tour

Promote sustainable travel with a heritage-themed bike tour.

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### 60 Sustainable Skills Workshops

Offer sessions on skills like basket weaving, mending clothes, or gardening.

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### 61 Eco-Heritage Treasure Hunt

Design a treasure hunt around eco-themed heritage sites.

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### 62 Plastic-Free Challenge

Encourage locals to try a week without single-use plastics.

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### 63 Heritage Garden Day

Create or celebrate a community garden with heritage plants.

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**Explore Your Area**

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### 64 Historic Businesses Walk

Visit businesses that have been serving your town for decades.

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### 65 Local Industry Open Day

Invite locals to tour an old mill, forge, or market.

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### 66 Historic Shopfronts Walk

Showcase and celebrate traditional shopfronts.

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### 67 Townland Quiz Night

Host a trivia night focused on local history.

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## 68 Hidden Places Photography Challenge

Organise a photography competition for “hidden heritage” spots.

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## 69 Parish Histories Display

Invite parish groups to display their history.

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## 70 Forgotten Routes Walk

Explore an old mass path or closed road.

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## 71 Historic Signs Hunt

Host a scavenger hunt for old signs, milestones, or plaques.

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## 72 Field Sketching Day

Host an outdoor sketching session at heritage spots.

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## Inclusivity and Community

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## 73 Heritage for All Walk

Create a fully accessible heritage trail.

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## 74 Inclusive Storytelling Event

Invite stories from all community backgrounds.

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## 75 Sign Language Heritage Tour

Offer a heritage tour with Irish Sign Language interpretation.

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## 76 Accessible Archives Workshop

Teach people how to explore heritage digitally from home.

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### 77 Traditional Games from Around the World

Share traditional childhood games from different cultures.

### 78 Intercultural Cooking Night

Cook and share meals from different heritages.

### 79 Local Heroes Exhibition

Celebrate diverse community figures from history and today.

### 80 Cross-Cultural Music Jam

Invite musicians from different backgrounds to share traditions.

### 81 Community Time Capsule

Collect items or stories to be opened in 50 years.



## Wild Child Day

### 82 Scavenger Hunt

Make a map with markers on it of local biodiversity-rich areas such as ponds, hedgerows or bug hotels. A task or question must be completed or answered at each stop e.g. name three animals that use hedgerows

### 83 Nature Art for Kids

Use leaves, twigs, and natural materials to create art.

### 84 Build a Mini-Shelter

Teach kids how to build simple shelters outdoors.





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### 85 Eco Superhero Costume Workshop

Make costumes from recycled materials.

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### 86 Junior Water Explorers Day

Introduce children to pond dipping and river life.

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### 87 Bug Hunt Adventure

Host a fun mini-beast hunt in a safe green area.

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### 88 Urban Wildlife Safari

Explore city parks and learn about urban nature.

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### 89 Birdwatching for Beginners

Host a simple bird-spotting morning.

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### 90 Wild Child Journaling Workshop

Kids create nature journals with drawings and notes.

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### 91 Seed Bomb Workshop

Teach children how to make and throw seed bombs.

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# Wild Child Day

Discover the Natural World Around You

Saturday 23rd August 2025



Wild Child Day encourages children and young people all over Ireland to get outside and explore our natural heritage.

The Heritage Council is encouraging children to look at the world around them differently, to open their eyes to the diverse beauty of the landscape in their area and to get out and explore their locality or even farther afield.

This Wild Child Day, explore your local natural landscapes, learn about how we interact with nature and how we can create a sustainable environment for all flora and fauna.

Find all events for Wild Child Day 2025 at [heritageweek.ie](https://heritageweek.ie)





## Water Heritage Day



# Water Heritage Day

Explore the Waterways of Ireland

Sunday 24th August 2025



### 92. Pond History Day

Explore local ponds' histories and habitats.

### 93. Riverbank Walks

Lead a guided walk along a river focusing on biodiversity and local stories.

### 94. Old Watermills Tour

Visit any remaining watermills or mill sites.

### 95. Traditional Boats Showcase

Display or talk about traditional boats from your area and record stories from people who built or sailed boats locally.

Our landscape is full of waterways and features. Many are obvious to us while some waterways are hidden from plain sight. Water Heritage Day on 24th August will celebrate the heritage and history connected to our magnificent rivers, lakes, and coastline and more. This water-themed day is organised through collaboration between the Heritage Council and the Local Authority Waters Programme (LAWPRO).

This National Heritage Week, you can get involved and explore your local water body. Discover its biodiversity, participate in events or in citizen science projects that record and monitor waterways in your locality.

Celebrate the theme of Living Heritage by exploring our interaction with water and the traditions associated with it.

Find Water Heritage Day events  
or projects in your community at  
[heritageweek.ie](https://heritageweek.ie)

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## 96 Create a Waterways Story Map

Use free online tools to create a map of stories connected to rivers.

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## 97 Local Legends by the Water

Share old legends and myths associated with water sites.

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## 98 Wild Swimming History Walk

Explore traditional swimming spots and their history.

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## 99 Stream Clean-Up Day

Organise a simple local clean-up around a stream or river.

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## 100 Invasive Species Awareness Walk

Highlight invasive species along waterways.

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## And Finally...

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## 101 Make a Connection!

Attend a National Heritage Week event and celebrate your community's foundations!



## Tips from our award-winning event organisers



If you're thinking of organising a National Heritage Week event but are not sure where to start, don't worry, you're not alone! To give you a helping hand (and maybe a little inspiration), we caught up with some of last year's award-winning event organisers to hear how they did it. Whether you're planning something big or small, indoors or out, there's plenty of wisdom (and a few fun surprises) in these tips. So grab a cuppa, have a read, and get ready to dream up your own heritage celebration!



### The Maharees Conservation Association

won the top prize in the Intangible Cultural Heritage Award (The Mícheál Ó Muircheartaigh Award) in 2024 for their currach making workshop.

Their Chairperson, **Martha Farrell**, talks us through how they did it.

### Where did you get the idea for your event?

We really got the idea from having a look at the National Heritage Week award categories. We actually had to look up the definition of 'Living heritage' as we didn't even know what this was! Once we understood it, we realised that we had many wonderful examples of living heritage in our community.

### What do you think makes a good National Heritage Week event?

I think it has to be FUN! And it also has to be sociable. I think it has to represent and celebrate your place and your people. It should also build an understanding of and pride in your place.

### What are the things that an organiser should think about?

- 1 Read the information from the National Heritage Week website.** If anything is unclear, check in with them. They're lovely, helpful people!! Have to say, the Heritage Council is one of the best organisations to explicitly state what they're looking for from groups.
- 2 Check in with your insurance provider** to make sure you're insured for the event - sometimes they will add an event to your insurance schedule.
- 3 Having some kind of booking system** to keep track of people registering for your event. We use email because we can converse more easily with people who have queries. It also feeds into relationship building with the community For our Living Heritage Trail event in 2023, we had a strict maximum number as we were walking along the main road for part of it so it was important we knew how many were coming. On the day, we had a sign-in sheet and safety measures like high viz jacketed members at the front and end of the group.
- 4 If you can find funding to hire an expert** to lead the event, that's also worth thinking about!
- 5 Reach out to local historians**, heritage experts/ County Council staff (in areas of heritage) county archivists for any information/ support
- 6 If at all, keep some of the budget for good quality imagery** / film - we are lucky that we have members of the community who often do this for free
- 7 MAKE IT FUN!!**



## How did you promote your event?

- Understand the importance of publicity i.e. deadlines for local newspapers/radio stations and their style (some of our papers will not accept photos unless their own photographers are present so you must ask them to attend).
- Build relationships with local media outlets by talking to them on the phone, being nice, making life easy for them!
- Write a press release and include quotes from people involved in the event.
- Make sure to post photos of the people at the event (with their permission) - people love looking at photos of people they might know at events - more views will build reach on social media.
- Get 'key influencers' in the community interested and rally their respective tribes to come to support the event - think ICA, GAA, Active Retired, Youth Club....
- Ideally have somewhere for a cuppa/ social event after the heritage event - our Living Heritage Trail ended up at one of the bars where people were able to order tea and have a chat after.



where the street was used as a space to travel back to the town's vibrant history.

**Andrea McHugh** of the Mountcharles Heritage Group gave us some top tips!

## The Mountcharles Heritage Group

won first prize in the Connections, Routes and Networks Award in 2024 for their 'From Salt to Stone' event. It featured a theatrical stroll through the village of Mountcharles

- 1 Do something you have a passion for!** A quirky idea, a forgotten space or an untold story. Maybe it's something that has been on your mind but you're not sure how it would go down. Don't worry - take a chance!
- 2 The aim is really to Have Fun.** If you have belief and an enthusiasm for the event you'll find it easy to get people on board. Once your aim is to have fun and bring some joy to your community, this will get you through the doubt and logistical headaches.
- 3 Do Research.** Get to know your local historian, they'll have a wealth of knowledge and useful publications. But also do some Oral History research by speaking to older people who remember different times in your community which may surprise you.
- 4 Engage and Ignite.** Engage people from across the community to get involved, young people, writers, artists, creative people, readers' groups, sports groups. Harness some of the amazing talent and hopefully you'll ignite other sparks along the way. Making connections can be powerful and will last beyond the project.
- 5 Team.** In the end it is often a small group of people who are at the core of events. You'll need dreamers and organisers, passion and practicality. To get those things, you will be pulling in a much wider group perhaps to perform/ get involved with your event but at the core you need people who trust each other, who have a good instinct about what is needed and when and who are prepared to work hard.
- 6 Gut.** You need to go with your gut. If something doesn't feel right, don't do it. This is probably something you develop over time but if you set parameters, stick to them.
- 7 Ask for help.** If you get a feeling there is someone you could ask for help from, just ask them! What's the worst that could happen!
- 8 Remember.** It can be hard work but it will come together in the end. Have fun because once people are happy being involved, this feeling spreads to the whole event and those who come to it. Whether 10 or 100 people turn up, it's important that you have all enjoyed it and brought something meaningful to completion.



**Ballycumber Tidy Towns** in Co. Offaly was the winner of the Wild Child Award for their event “Folly Tales and Treasure Trails”.

**Emer Doherty** from Ballycumber Tidy Towns provides some insight into how they prepared.

### Where did you get the idea for your event?

The idea for the event came from looking at the 2024 NHW theme ‘Connections, Routes and Networks’. We focused on what was common to us and the 3 neighbouring towns and villages. That was the River Brosna and the fact that you had to cross a bridge in each of the towns and villages on the way. We came up with the idea that it would be great to have a flag flying at each of the bridges.

### What do you think makes a good National Heritage Week event?

Workshops and getting as many people as possible (especially kids) involved. That is really important for any event, so we decided to get the local schools involved to run workshops and get a design for the flag. Getting diverse groups and all ages involved is really important, as is making use of local knowledge.

### What are the things that an organiser should think about?

- Theme
- Location
- Getting as many people involved as possible
- Small committee of likeminded people
- Being organised
- Making value from grant money - reuse as much signage and flags as possible, get sponsorship from other sources. Get locals to make sandwiches and buns etc. Use the money to give back to the people i.e prizes

### How did you promote your event?

- Through the Heritage Council website
- Facebook
- Instagram
- Local parish social media groups
- Our local news outlets



## National Heritage Week Event Sustainability Checklist



By using this checklist, you can help to ensure that your National Heritage Week event incorporates sustainability into every aspect of the process, from venue selection to waste reduction. By promoting sustainable practices, you can help to create a more environmentally friendly event and promote sustainable behaviour among attendees.

### Sustainable venues and suppliers

- ☐ Check venue or supplier environmental management system
- ☐ Discuss sustainability requirements with venues and suppliers before booking

### Outdoor events

- ☐ Check sensitivities of your site and plan accordingly
- ☐ Apply principles of Leave no Trace to all event planning, operation and clean-up

### Sustainable Transport

- ☐ Organise event in a location accessible by active travel or public transport
- ☐ Actively encourage attendees to use public transport, cycling, or walking to the event
- ☐ Provide shuttle transport or carpooling for more remote locations
- ☐ Work with local suppliers to reduce transportation emissions and promote local businesses

### Waste Reduction

- ☐ Use online event promotion and booking to reduce printing
- ☐ If printing is required, use certified recycled paper
- ☐ Provide clearly labelled bins for recycling, compost, and landfill waste

- ☐ Avoid single-use items such as plastic or paper cups - request reusable cups for tea and coffee
- ☐ Avoid bottled water – request jugs of water and encourage attendees to bring reusable water bottles
- ☐ Avoid plastic promotional items, particularly those that may cause pollution (e.g. balloons)

### Food

- ☐ Use seasonal, locally sourced food
- ☐ Ensure vegetarian and vegan options are available
- ☐ Use sustainable products (compostable straws, recyclable napkins, reusable plates and cutlery)
- ☐ Choose suppliers who use sustainable practices and materials

### Sustainable Energy

- ☐ Choose a venue with an energy reduction policy (efficient use of heating, lighting etc)
- ☐ If generators are needed, plan to reduce fuel use, ensure the right size generator is used
- ☐ For AV or IT check supplier policies on energy reduction - request energy efficient equipment

### Water

- ☐ Ensure your venue promotes water conservation and encourage attendees to reduce water use
- ☐ Provide water dispensers or refill stations and encourage the use of reusable water bottles
- ☐ Ensure that water used for cleaning and other purposes is collected and reused if possible
- ☐ Avoid activities that could harm water quality, such as using harsh chemicals for cleaning or releasing balloons or other litter that could end up in waterways
- ☐ Communicate your commitment to water conservation and sustainability to attendees

- ☐ Work with local environmental organisations to identify ways to support water conservation efforts

## Biodiversity

- ☐ Consider holding part of your event outdoors and promoting the importance of biodiversity
- ☐ Choose a venue that has a positive impact on local wildlife - ask for venue policy on biodiversity
- ☐ Consider adding elements to your event to improve biodiversity, eg planting native trees
- ☐ Invite local biodiversity conservation groups to partner with you in delivering a conservation positive message to your attendees
- ☐ Plan ahead to address any potential for your event to contribute to spread of invasive species

## Communications and Engagement

- ☐ Promote event online using website and social media as far as possible
- ☐ Make online booking and feedback forms available
- ☐ Ensure promotional products are used only if absolutely necessary
- ☐ Ensure any promotional products, prizes, gifts etc are environmentally friendly and sustainably produced (reduce plastic, use reusable, recycled and recyclable materials where possible)
- ☐ Inform attendees about the importance of sustainability and how you are trying to reduce the climate and environmental impact of your National Heritage Week event
- ☐ Ask for feedback and suggestions for how you can improve the sustainability of future events
- ☐ Provide information for attendees on sustainable practices and how to be more climate aware in their daily lives
- ☐ Incorporate messages about climate action and biodiversity loss into all events
- ☐ The organising team should meet shortly afterwards to review the event and identify lessons learnt that will prove valuable for future events

## Contacts



### Local Authority Heritage and Biodiversity Officers

Included below is a contact list for our Heritage and Biodiversity Officers throughout the country who are on hand to assist you with any queries you might have about organising an event. From practical advice, to supplying merchandise, to providing resources or helping you to make connections with key players on the ground in your local area, they are an invaluable source of support as you plan your event.

### Heritage Officers

Local Authority	Heritage Officer	Telephone	Email
Carlow County Council	Dr Eoin Sullivan	059 9129705	esullivan@carlowcoco.ie
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Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council	Deirdre Black	01 2054700	dblack@drlrcoco.ie



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