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2018 PROGRAMME

Sunday 25 March, 3.00pm

'We have lost our great Mrs Conolly' – the life and letters of Katherine Conolly (1662–1752) of Castletown House

An illustrated talk offering a revealing perspective on the life of a rich, energetic and intelligent Irish woman living in the first half of the eighteenth century.

Speaker: Dr. Gaye Ashford (Member).

Venue: Kilcullen Heritage Centre.

Followed by Tea/Coffee.

Donation: €5

Saturday 21 April, 12 noon

Visit to Kildangan Stud

By kind permission of Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum, the ruler of Dubai.

Guide: Tom Gallagher, Kildangan Stud.

Strictly members only.

Sunday 20 May to Friday 25 May

Excursion to Scotland in conjunction with JMG Travel

Leaders: Hugh Crawford and Bernadette Doyle

Based at: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Dunblane Hydro 4* Hotel

Visits include: Edinburgh Castle, St Giles Cathedral, Royal Mile, Luss, Inveraray Castle, Stirling, Rosslyn Chapel and Dryburgh Abbey.

Number restrictions apply and places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Saturday 16 June, 2.30pm

Visit to Maynooth College

Tour of grounds and visit to College Cemetery, College Chapel and Pugin Hall.

By kind permission of the President, St Patrick's College, Maynooth.

Meeting point: Maynooth Castle.

Guide: Led by Rita O'Neill (Council Member).

Donation: €5.

Tea/coffee.

Strictly members only.

Sunday 8 July

Annual Excursion: Killua Castle, Co. Westmeath and Kells, Co. Meath

Guide: Lucy O'Reilly, local historian and tour guide.

Meet at: The Headfort Arms Hotel at 11.30 am for coffee / tea & scones afterwards proceeding to Killua Castle for a tour (where is possible by kind permission of the owner, Allen Krause, to have a picnic) followed by a guided tour of the Monastic

town of Kells. Dinner at Headfort Arms Hotel, Kells Co. Meath.

Book by 22 June at the latest. Please see Booking Form. Members only.

Saturday 25 August (Heritage Week)

'Lullymore and its environs'

Guide: Michael Jacob (Council Member).

Time: 2.30pm – 5.00pm.

Meeting point: Lullymore Heritage & Discovery Park.

No Charge

Saturday 22 September, 2.30pm

Rathmines 'Ireland's premier independent township' 1847-1930

A street walk to explore this historical part of Dublin city.

Guide: Dr. Séamas Ó Maitiú (Member).

Sunday 14 October, 3.00pm

'Kildare Racecourses, Past and Present'

Speaker: Guy St. John Williams, Racing historian and writer.

Venue: Kilcullen Heritage Centre.

Followed by Tea/Coffee.

Donation: €5

Saturday 10 November, 9.30am

Seminar: 'The End of the Great War 1918'

Chairperson: Professor Mary Ann Lyons, Maynooth University.

Venue: Killashee House Hotel, Naas.

Details will be posted on the website later.

Saturday 24 November, 3.00pm

Annual General Meeting

Venue: Killashee House Hotel, Naas.

**COUNCIL MEETINGS
FOR OFFICERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS**

3.00pm at Naas Branch Library, by kind permission of
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• 3 February • 14 April • 9 June • 8 September • 3 November