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## Galway Community Heritage

As members of the Irish Community Archive Network (ICAN), we are delighted to welcome you to the second issue of our quarterly Newsletter which gives you a snapshot of the type of work each group is engaged in. We hope you enjoy!

## The National Museum of Ireland - Country Life



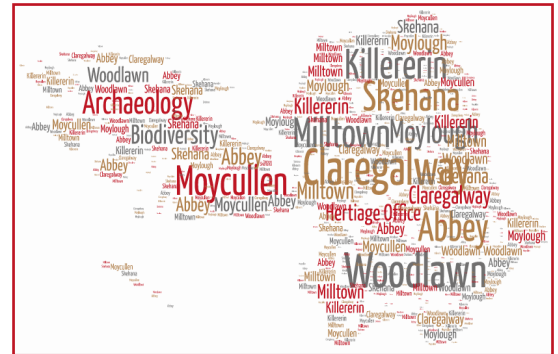
### The Irish Community Archive Network - History... in the Making

Galway Community Heritage is a collaboration between dedicated and passionate community groups, Galway County Heritage Office and the National Museum of Ireland's Irish Community Archive Network. This unique initiative is supporting communities across County Galway in the development of Community Archive websites which showcase their local history and heritage. But that's not all, a Community Archive is so much more than just a history website... [Find out more:](#)

## Galway County Heritage Office

### Galway, European Region of Gastronomy 2018

Galway has been officially awarded a European Region of Gastronomy 2018, the first region in Ireland to receive this designation. The Heritage Office of Galway County Council in partnership with local heritage groups, schools, individuals and the National Museum of Ireland - Country Life, have now embarked on documenting Galway's rich gastronomic heritage on its website ... [Find out more:](#)



## Killarerin Heritage Society



### Farrell's Mill, Coolreagh

In the past, there were three mills in Coolreagh owned by the Farrell family which were in operation on the Grange river. There was one for corn, flannel and another which closed in the 1920s. They had a very interesting way of bleaching their flannel... [Find out more:](#)

## Claregalway Historical Society



### 19th century travel guides

#### unique descriptions of Claregalway

Regularly updating our heritage website, in this issue, we have a selection of descriptions from travel guides written in





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the 1800's about Ireland. Use the link to explore the unique and descriptive entries, mentioning our little village and parish in the 19th century, through the eyes of visiting antiquarians... [Find out more](#)

## Milltown Heritage

### My grandmother's brush with the infamous Titanic tragedy

In 1912, a beautiful 20-year-old woman stepped off a boat to begin a new life in America. Journalist Sheron Boyle tells how her Irish grandmother's brush with the infamous Titanic tragedy was followed by a bitter-sweet love story in the US and her inspiring tale of coping with adversity when she returned to her homeland... [Find out more:](#)



Front row L-r: Margaret Martin, with her sister Celia (Noone). Back row I-r: her brother Jim Martin, Delia (McHugh) Martin and husband Pat, Owen Martin.

## Galway Archaeology

### Places to visit

With summer looming it is time to start thinking about places to visit. I recommend a visit to Clonfert Diocesan

Museum in Loughrea. This small museum is a treasure trove of material from the churches of the diocese that allows us to see how our medieval churches were adorned... [Find out](#)

## People and Nature The Galway County Biodiversity Project

### All-Ireland Pollinator Initiative

The People and Nature project would like to highlight a new guest article from the All Ireland Pollinator Initiative about gardening for bees – here is the link... [Find out more](#)

## Moylough Heritage

### Springlawn Volunteers 1916



Much has been documented on the events of Easter Week 1916 in Dublin. Less has been written on more local Volunteers in other parts of Ireland who were waiting on instructions that never came. The Springlawn Volunteers from Mountbellew, County Galway were one of those groups and with this article, we hope to honour, record and preserve their story... [Find out more:](#)

## Woodlawn Heritage Group



Marie Mannion, Galway County Heritage Officer at launch of Woodlawn Woods Nature Trail, March 2017

### Woodlawn Woods Nature Trail

Woodlawn Heritage Group hosted the official launch of their Nature Trail Signage at Woodlawn Woods on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2017. In co-operation with Coillte and Galway County Council Agenda 21 funding, we promote the biodiversity of Woodlawn Woods and encourage public contributions of nature sightings through our website... [Find out more:](#)

## Moycullen Historical Society

### Walk and Talk on the Esker Landscape

Join Moycullen Historical Society for a walk and talk on the esker landscape from Tullokyne to Killannin in Moycullen on the 19th August (Heritage Week). This is the only esker on the west side of the Corrib. Find

out about the history, heritage and wildlife associated with this esker.

## Abbey and District

### Mrs. Nevin's shop

Mrs Nevin had a shop in Carrowcrin, a few miles from the village of Abbey, in the late 1800s. One of the ledgers she kept has survived to this day and it makes for most interesting reading, covering the most common items people purchased, prices and of course methods of payment... [Find out more:](#)

## Skehana & District Heritage

### Skehana on burrowed time

Following an invasion of 'furry fiends' onto his meticulously maintained organic vegetable plot, Chairperson Sean Conneely, set about trying to unearth his own mound of information as to why this should happen. Friends, relations and acquaintances were interviewed with an interesting outcome... [Find out more:](#)

*' Working Together for Our Heritage'*