

Moycullen Local History Quiz Number Sixteen– Answers

We hope you enjoyed this quiz.

1. What purpose was Collinamuck church building first used for?
Answer: The building was constructed in 1957 and initially used as a schoolhouse.
2. How old is the Lees Island log boat?
Answer: The boat has been dated to 754-409 BCE, or over 2,400 years old.
3. Name the 7 families that left Cornellistrum, Collinamuck, Cloonmore, Killannin, Pollough and Burnthouse for Co. Meath in 1953/54 as part of the resettlement scheme being undertaken by the Irish Land Commission?
Answer: Cornellistrum: Sony & Julia Halloran – Collinamuck: Tom & Mary Heffernan and James & Josie Faherty – Cloonmore: Tom & Alice Keary – Killannin: John Lydon – Pollough: Bina Conneely & her son John - Burnthouse: Mike Conor.
4. What was the ancient name for Burnthouse?
Answer: Blan Oran.
5. Name the 3 Holy Wells in Ower, Cloonmore, and Collinamuck?
Answer: St. Brendan’s Well in Ower, Tobar na Tríonóide/Trinity Well in Cloonmore and Tobar Cunna Well in Collinamuck.
6. What is considered the most important component when making poteen?
Answer: The WORM – a part of the still that was difficult to make due to having to coil the pipework.
7. How much was the license fee to run the knockferry/Kilbeg ferry in 1819?
Answer: Martin of Ross Estate records for November 1819 show that Daniel Liddane (Lydon) was being charged a half yearly rent of £35 3s 6d for the privilege of operating the ferry.
8. Where did Collinamuck get its name from?
Answer: Pre ferry crossings from Knockferry, Collinamuck gained it’s name from the tradition of many Killannin people traversing the lake from this place to sell pigs in Headford.
9. Name the Tuam Achbishop who used to cross the Corrib at Knockferry to say mass and who proposed the erection of a bridge there?
Answer: Archbishop John McHale of Tuam in 1869.
10. Where in the area can you find a causeway (Tohar) and bridge and who had it built?
Answer: Knockferry - it connects Knock North with Illaunavee to the pier in Knockferry so that the ferry could connect with Kilbeg – a project of Alexander Nimmo.

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