



December Programme

MEET	Outside the Irish Press Offices, Burgh Quay.
TIME	Sundays, 10.00am.
BRING	Rainwear, flask, sandwiches, torch, reflective armbands and a change of clothes.
WEAR	Hiking boots. RUNNERS NOT ALLOWED.
TRANSPORT	Private bus – Price £5 (unless otherwise stated)
NOTE	The leader has the right to refuse anyone who is not adequately equipped. On the day of the hike, the leader may extend, curtail or alter the route in any way from that described in the programme. The leader sets the pace of the hike and walkers are expected to obey his/her instructions at all times.

BRING A TORCH AND REFLECTIVE ARM BANDS

- Sunday 4th Dec.* *Route:* *Knocknacloghoge - Brown Mtn. - Scarr - Glendalough.*
Leader: *Deirdre Ni Choileain.*
- Sunday 11th Dec.* *Route:* *Ballynulty Gap - Mullaghcleevaun - Billy Byrne's Gap - Moanbane - Ballynocken.*
Leader: *Joe Gilvarry.*
- Sunday 18h Dec.* *Route:* *INTRODUCTORY HARD HIKE*
Fern Tunnel - Three Rock - Wicklow Way - Enniskerry
Leader: *Sean Dunne.*
- Monday 26th Dec.* *ST. STEPHEN'S DAY WALK*
Walk in the Howth area with Dave Rooney
Meet: *Sutton Hotel*
Time: *11.00a.m.*
- Sunday 1st Jan.* *NEW YEAR'S DAY HIKE*
Route: *Camara Hill - Lugnaquilla - Slievemann.*
Leader: *Martin Fagan*
Meet: *Fenton's Pub*
Time: *11.00a.m.*
RING MARTIN FAGAN AT 874 3082 (H) RE TRANSPORT

MOUNTAIN SAFETY NOTE

As hill walking can sometimes be a hazardous activity, it is requested that any walkers on medication or with a medical condition, inform the leader of their condition before the hike.

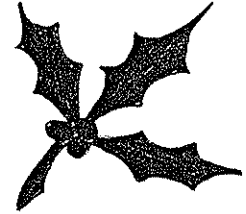
MEETING PLACE AT END OF HIKE: THE PALACE BAR, FLEET ST.



SEASONS GREETINGS TO ALL OUR MEMBERS

THE SLANEY

On the great old river Slaney
Where anglers sport and play
And on its banks young lovers
They pass the time away,
Let the anglers have their pleasure
And the lovers have their dreams,
But give to me the Slaney
Where it's just a little stream.

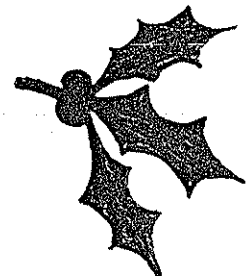


Let me ramble o'er the mountains
Where nature still unspoiled
And gaze down through the valley
Where Sean McAllister died,
That little house of Dwyers
Can plainly be seen
Close to where the Slaney is just a little stream.

Take me down through Wicklow
The land St. Kevin blessed,
I'll go for recreation
And climb Lug as a test,
The Hills of Glen Imaal
In the pail moon-light they gleam
Across that mighty river
Where it's just a little stream.

See me in the heather
Where the hare and grouse they run,
Let me hear the laughter
Of children having fun,
If you take the road to Stratford
From the cross up near Knickeen
You'll cross that Slaney river
Where it's just a little stream.

And now my days are closing
I'll sit and take my pen,
And I will write the praises
Of my time spent in the Glen,
And Lord if you won't take me
Into your home supreme,
Please leave me by the slaney
Where it's just a little stream.



*Bill Carpenter
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