



An Oige

Hillwalkers Club

October Programme

MEET	Outside the Irish Press Offices Burgh Quay.
TIME	10.15a.m.
BRING	Rainwear, flask, sandwiches, torch and reflective armbands
WEAR	Hiking boots. RUNNERS NOT ALLOWED.
TRANSPORT	Private bus – Price £5
NOTE	Leaders have the right to refuse anyone who is not adequately equipped or who does not follow their instructions.

OCTOBER PROGRAMME

Sunday 3rd Oct.	Route: Hollywood, Lowbawn, Kavanagh's Gap, Table Mountain, Seskin. Leader : Martin O`Leary.
Sunday 10th Oct.	Route: Ballinagee Bridge, Art`s Cross, Three Lakes , Conavalla , Lugduff, Mullacor, Derrybawn, Laragh. Leader: Gerry Brady.
Sunday 17th Oct.	INTRODUCTORY HARD HIKE Route: Black Hill, Mullaghecleevaun , Duff Hill, Gravale, Coronation Plantation. Leader: Deirdre Ni Choileain.
Sunday 24th Oct.	NO HIKE DUE TO KERRY WEEKEND.
Sunday 30th Oct.	Seskin, Glen of Imail, Balinafoyle, Ballineddan, Slievemaan, Lugnaquilla , Clohernagh, Zig Zags, Drimgoff. Leader: Sean Feeney.

RECONNAISSANCE / RECKY LIST

Hike Leaders who are doing a reconnaissance/recky and wish assistance on checking a route, doing a route card, checking access at start or finish of hike, consider asking the people on this list. A reconnaissance is a great asset and the benefits are realised on the hike itself.

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WALKING WEEKEND IN KILLARNEY 22nd - 25th October '93

IRELANDS' HIGHEST 3,000 AND 2,000ft MOUNTAINS

The organised walks will be targeted at experienced, moderate and hard walkers. Participants will be expected to walk at a moderate pace for about 6 hours/12 miles duration over mainly trackless terrain.

WALKS PLANNED TO INCLUDE:

- Coomloughra Horshoe - including Currauntoohill, Beenkeeragh and Caher - Ireland's three highest mountains - 8 miles, 4,000ft ascent, 7 hours;
- Mullaghinat/Cloon horshoe - 10 miles, 4,000ft ascent, 7 hours;
- Slieve Mish mountains including Caherconree and Baurtregaum - Ireland's highest mountain under 3,000ft - 5 hours.

WHAT TO BRING:

- An Oige membership card.
- Walking boots (no wellingtons/runners allowed).
- Change of clothes and hiking socks
- Waterproof jacket and overtrousers
- Warm clothing (no jeans on the hills)
- Gloves and balaclava/woolen hat
- Suntan lotion/nivea
- Flask, teabags/coffee and dried milk
- Food for two breakfasts, two drum-ups, evening meal on Saturday and Sunday nights in the hostel. - Self-catering cooking facilities provided at Killarney Youth Hostel.

COST: £35 to include three overnights in Aghadoe, Killarney Youth Hostel, transport by bus from Dublin and back to Dublin and to start and end of walks each day.

BOOKING: Payment should be made at time of booking. Payment may be made by credit card.

Please leave your home/office phone numbers with the office when booking.

DEPARTURE AND RETURN: Bus will depart Liberty Hall, Dublin on Friday, 22nd Oct. 1993 at 6.00pm. sharp. The bus will arrive back in Dublin at 10.00pm. approx. on Monday, 25th Oct.

LEADERS: Jim Barry and Dave Rooney.

CAR TRIP TO SNOWDONIA 30th Dec 1993. - 3rd Jan. 1994

Staying at Bryn Dinas, Nant Gwynant, Caernarfon.

COST: £70 per person (5 people per car)
£80 per person (4 people per car)

Includes 4 overnights and Ferry-fare - food and petrol extra.

PROPOSED PROGRAMME:

- Cnicht and the Moelwyns
- Snowdon - via South Ridge and Rhyd Ddu Path
- Nantlle Ridge
- Moel Hebog Ridge

LEADER: Dave Rooney TEL 344811 to arrange cars.

DEPOSIT: £40 to be paid by November 15th 1993

Please Note: Lower level walks can be arranged for the less energetic.

MY BIVI EXPERIENCE by Kevin Kelly

Date; 18.9.'93

Time; 9.00pm. Head torches flaaching, puddles splashing, we reached our destination. Bivi camp was a sheltered spot near a small river and a wood on the side of Maulin.

Survival bags, sleeping bags and plastic bags were produced and soon spirits were warmed by sandwiches, tea and helpings of hot stew.

Date; 18.9.'93

Time; 10.00pm. Time to prepare. Keeping a warm jumper for the morning I get into my bivi gear - trusty Gortex, fleece, tracksuit with leggings, socks, boots, balaclava, scarf, mittens, plastic bag, sleeping bag and survival bag - I might add that this process gave considerable amusement to other members of the group.

Date: 19.9.'93

Time: 10.15pm. Nice and warm I look up at a clear sky and say 'weather - do your worst!' - With hindsight I now regret that comment.

Date: 19.9.'93

Time: 7.00am. After continuous rain all night I feel a fantastic sense of achievement. I put on some more warm clothing, have some hot stew.

Date: 19.9.'93

Time: 7.20am. A unanimous 6-0 vote to get the hell off this mountain!

Date: 19.9.'93

Time: 8.30am. On the way to the bus someone and no names will be mentioned (TOM) suggested climbing Tomduff. Sufficeit so say I had to be reassured that it was only a joke.

We coped, we survived and Maggie kept her promise not to sing any country and western. A final thought before I end - I now know I could spend a night biviing out on the hills, if and only if I have to!

To Maggie and Deirdre, thanks for organising the event.

BASIC MAP AND COMPASS COURSE

DATES: Evening sessions - 26.10.'93
2.10.'93

Weekends - 6-7 November
19-21 November

Evening Sessions - Tuesdays at 8.00pm.

Venue - On Oige Head Office, Mountjoy Street.

Cost - £45 including evening sessions and weekends.

Deposit - £5. Only those booked on the course should attend.

Information - For further information, contact Deirdre Ni Choileain at 842 3656 (H).

What to Bring - For evening sessions - Pen, Paper, Sheet 56 map (if you have access to one) or 1/2" Wicklow map. Silva Type 4 compass (N.B. not the Army type compass) which you should have before the first weekend.

MAP AND COMPASS WEEDEND NO.1.

DATE: 6-7 November 1993.
DEPART: 10am. SATURDAY, Liberty Hall.
COST: Please pay before weekend in Headquarters.
Money will not be collected during Tuesday evening sessions.
YOU WILL NEED: An Oige membership card, pen, paper, compass.
2 lunches, 1 dinner to cook in hostel and 1 breakfast.
LOCATION: To be decided.

MAP AND COMPASS WEEKEND NO. 2.

DATE : 20-21 November 1993.
DEPART: 7pm. FRIDAY, Liberty Hall.
YOU WILL NEED: An Oige membership card, pen, paper, compass.
2 lunches, 1 dinner to cook in the hostel and 2 breakfasts.
LOCATION: To be decided.

ORIENTEERING NEWS

DATES:	3rd October	Three Rock Wood, Dundrum, Co. Dublin. GR 0 17 23. 3ROC
	10th October	Newbridg House, Co. Dublin. GR 0 21 49. FIN
	7th November	Carrick Mountain, Ashford. GR T 23 93. 3ROC.

Why not organise a group to go to these events. It is hoped Map & Compass will take part in the 7th November event. If you have any ideas, etc. please contact Deirdre Ni Choileain at 842 3656 (H).

**LEADERS URGENTLY WANTED
CONTACT MARTIN FAGAN AT 8743082 (H) AFTER 7PM.**