

CONAMARA SUMMER SCHOOL - Inishbofin

July 2nd - 6th 2018

Dave McGrath - Marine biologist. Dave is a former lecturer in the GMIT. Dave is a wonderful teacher and enthusiast on the marine world.

Mary Swander - Eminent American poet. Mary is Poet Laureate for the State of Iowa. An absolutely brilliant reader/teacher.

Gordon Darcy - Ecologist/artist and author. A great all rounder with a special interest in birds.

Cillian Roden - Freelance scientist - Cillian is an experienced ecologist with a great interest in Conamara - a brilliant communicator.

Sinead Keane - Botanist/herbalist - experienced botanist who is very familiar with the Bofin landscape and the medicinal qualities of lots of plants.

Fiona Molloy - an experienced primary teacher with a special interest in the use of IT and in environmental exploration.

Simon Berrow - Marine biologist and founder member of the I.W.D.G. Lectures in GMIT. See his T.E.D. talks.

Stephen McCormack - Ecologist with special interest in insects. Author with Eugenie Regan of the highly acclaimed *Insects of Ireland*.

Eoin McGrath - Exciting young geologist. An excellent teacher who brings this difficult subject to life.

Leo Hallissey - Teacher/environmentalist - Leo, an experienced teacher, has been involved in environmental education for the last 30 years.

Inishbofin - Inis Bó Finne - Island of the White Cow

Inishbofin is a beautiful island off the Conamara coast. It has a population of almost two hundred people with a long history of occupation dating back to the Stone Age. It has several prehistoric sites including an early Christian monastery and a star shaped fort dating to the 17th century. The island is about five miles long by four miles wide and has a variety of habitats ideal for exploring, ranging from the sea stacks and promontory forts in the north-west to the dramatic cliffs in the north east. Beautiful meadows full of wild flowers. Excellent beaches and swimming facilities, and hail or sunshine we'll swim daily!!



Inishbofin is famous for its music. The best of trad will be played throughout the week.

"I am delighted to be associated with the pioneering work of Conamara Environmental Educational & Cultural Centre. I congratulate them on their inspiring work"

President Micheal D. Higgins



VENUE

Inishbofin Island off the Conamara coast.

DEPARTURE

Ferry departs from Cleggan - 8 miles from Clifden. Ferries leave daily at 11.30am, 2pm and 6.30pm. The journey is 40 minutes on a fully equipped modern ferryboat.

ACCOMMODATION

The island has three intimate hotels and a hostel offering excellent accommodation. There is also self-catering accommodation and a number of B&B's on the island.

Inishbofin House Hotel	095 45809
Chris Days (B&B)	091 527232 / 095 45854
Doonmore Hotel	095 45804
Dolphin Hotel	095 45991
Inishbofin Hostel	095 45855
Elliott's (B&B)	095 45853
Lapwing House (B&B)	095 45996
The Galley (B&B, restaurant)	095 45894
Pat Coyne (self-catering)	095 45834
Clodagh (self-catering)	095 45807
Anne Day (B&B)	095 45865
Mary Cunnane (B&B)	095 45859
Lena Schofield (B&B)	095 45812
Regina King (self catering, B&B)	095 45833
Agatha Bourke (self-catering)	095 45870
John Francis Day (B&B)	095 45827
Hy-Brazil House	095 45817
James Coyne	095 45866
The Lodge (self catering)	095 45819
Bridget Cunnane (self catering)	095 45911
Dolphin Restaurant & Hotel	087 2850812
Tommy's Cottage	095 21066/ 21428
Bicycle Hire - Paddy Joe King	095 45833

Please visit www.inishbofin.com for more info.