



CONNEMARA GREEN FEAST

Saturday 12th October at 7pm

Pangur Ban Restaurant, Letterfrack with chef John Walsh.

Buffet showcasing our local artisan food produce and foraging. You will be welcomed with a complimentary drink and entertained with local traditional music.

Limited places available. Book early to avoid disappointment. Vegetarian and vegan menu available on request. There will be no bar, people are welcome to bring their own wine/beer.

BOOKING REQUIRED: €40 per person

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO ACTIONS FOR CONSERVATION

Book on connemaragreenfestival.ie

BOAT TRIPS ON LETTERFRACK BAY

Friday 11th Oct: 12pm, 2.30pm

Saturday 12th Oct: 12.30pm, 2.30pm

Sunday 13th Oct: 1pm, 2.30pm

Boat trips include a visit to Oceans Alive Visitor Centre, Seaside Garden and Nature Trail.

€20 adult. €50 2 adults & 2 children, €5 per each additional child. Tickets from Avoca shop or on boat. Weather permitting.



KAYAKING & STAND UP PADDLE BOARDING

3.30-5pm Saturday 12th October

Meet at Avoca car park, Dooneen pier. Special price for the festival €25.

Bookings to Clare: call **085 1462526** or email realadventures.ie@gmail.com



Connemara Green Festival celebrates Mother Nature, aims to raise awareness of the unique ecology of Connemara and raises funds for biodiversity projects.

The festival takes place from Friday 11th to Sunday 13th of October and is based in Letterfrack village, at the foot of the majestic Diamond Hill in Connemara National Park on the Wild Atlantic Way.

Our theme this year is:

Craft, Culture and Wilderness

Raising funds for conservation



11TH, 12TH & 13TH OCTOBER 2019

LETTERFRACK, CO. GALWAY

CONNEMARA GREEN FESTIVAL

Letterfrack, Connemara, Co. Galway, Ireland

BOOKINGS & INFORMATION

Visit our website for further information and bookings:

www.connemaragreenfestival.ie

Enquiries can be made by phone to **086 244 5948**

or email to info@connemaragreenfestival.ie

Follow us on **Facebook** for news and updates.



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FRIDAY 11TH OCTOBER



11^{AM} FARM VISIT TO SEE GROUSE MANAGEMENT

Red Grouse Conservation Project
Farm visit to Cregg Hill. Meet in Avoca car park.
4x4 vehicles and walking boots required. **FREE EVENT**



12^{PM} UNDERSTANDING THE HABITAT OF THE FRESH WATER PEARL MUSSEL

Guided field trip to Dawros River to see Freshwater Pearl Mussel populations.
Walking boots required. Max 15 people.
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1^{PM} CELEBRATE WITH GRETB LETTERFRACK GREEN CAMPUS

Raising of GRETB Letterfrack Green Flag for Litter & Waste and Biodiversity. Community Garden (laneway near Letterfrack Lodge). **FREE EVENT**



2.30^{PM} ENVIRONMENTAL FARMING SCHEMES IN CONNEMARA

2.30-3pm Connemara EIP
Joe Mannion and Brendan O Malley, Forum Connemara tell us about an exciting new farm plan just launched for the uplands of Connemara. This is an incentive scheme to pay Connemara farms to take all those actions that will enhance the ecology and environment of our uplands



3-3.30pm Freshwater Pearl Mussel EIP
Derek McLoughlin and Mary McAndrew tell us all about the Freshwater Pearl Mussel scheme for Connemara and success to date.
Lecture Theatre 1, GMIT Letterfrack. **FREE EVENT**
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6^{PM} OPENING OF THE FESTIVAL & BOOK LAUNCH

Book Launch - 'Sophia Sturge and the Connemara Basket Industry in Letterfrack 1888-1905' by Joan Johnson. Launch by Peter Sturge M.B.E.
Connemara National Park, visitor centre. **FREE EVENT**

SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER



10^{AM} TALK/WALK

Farm walk with sheep shearing, dry stone walling and scythe cutting demonstrations. Meet at visitor centre, Connemara National Park. **FREE EVENT**



11^{AM} CHILDREN'S WILLOW WEAVING

With Carol and Kerry from Down to Earth Galway. Workshops for ages 5-7 and 8-12. Ellis Hall. Limited to 10 children per workshop. Bookings to info@connemaragreenfestival.ie.



11^{AM} TIMBER DRYING

Talk and demonstration by Sean Garvey and Martin Kearney, GMIT Letterfrack.
GMIT Letterfrack Timber Store and Kiln. **FREE EVENT**



11^{AM} ARCHAEOLOGY WALK

Archaeology walk in Connemara National Park and visit to site of basket factory. Led by Helen Richstens. Meet at Connemara National Park, visitor centre. **FREE**



2^{PM} BASKET WEAVING FOR ADULTS

Basket weaving for adults with Heike Schroeter. A wonderful introduction to this amazing craft. Ellis Hall. Cost €20, book on festival website.



2^{PM} TALK BY JOAN JOHNSON

Talk by Joan Johnson, author of 'Sophia Sturge and the Connemara Basket Industry in Letterfrack 1888-1905'. AV Centre, Connemara National Park. **FREE**



3^{PM} CONNEMARA BEES

Buzzing about heather honey by the Connemara Beekeepers. AV Centre, Connemara National Park. **FREE**



7^{PM} CONNEMARA GREEN FEAST

Buffet showcasing our local artisan food produce and foraging. Complimentary drink. Local trad music. BYO Pangur Ban Restaurant with chef John Walsh. Tickets €40. Limited places, book on festival website.

SUNDAY 13TH OCTOBER



11^{AM} SOWING THE SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE

Workshop with children. Collecting seeds, planting and learning with Alan Linnane aboriculturist and GMIT Letterfrack staff and students. Connemara West Centre. **FREE EVENT**



11^{AM} EXPLORE A SPECIAL PLACE

Derryclare Wood, Connemara's Native Woodland. An exclusive tour to this magical woodland with NPSW Ranger and Derryclare guardian Dermot Breen. Children over 10 years welcome. **FREE EVENT**
Booking essential on 095 41054 / 087 291 9721.



12^{PM} MUSHROOM FORAGING

Mushroom foraging with Thomas Harrington in the grounds of Kylemore Abbey. Meet at Kylemore Abbey visitor centre. Cost €10, children free. Booking essential. Call or text 086 244 5948 to book.



2^{PM} WILD & FREE - WINTER REMEDIES

A guided herb walk with Terri Conroy followed by herbal tea tastings in the Community Garden. Meet outside Letterfrack Lodge at 1.50pm. **FREE EVENT**



3^{PM} FOOD FROM TREES

A walk with Brendan O Scanail. Meet at Connemara National Park, visitor centre. **FREE EVENT**



4^{PM} WOODLAND WALK & CELEBRATION

LAST EVENT OF THE FESTIVAL!
Join us for a walk and a celebration with music. Meet outside the Country Shop. **FREE EVENT**

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All information in the brochure is correct at time of printing, any changes to the schedule will be posted to the website and our Facebook page.