

Offaly Walking Festival 2014

10th - 12th October

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'KILCORMAC WALKING CLUB'

FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER

Dusk to Dark Walk in Lough Boora Parklands

Join us in Lough Boora Parklands to experience the amazing nature at the end of the day when the sights and sounds are magnificent. Enjoy the scent of the evening air with the soft bog land underfoot. Bring a torch as night will fall during the walk.

Start Time: 6.30pm on 10/10/14

Starting Point: New Car Park Lough Boora Discovery Centre

Length: 1 hour

Grade: Moderate

SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER

Cadamstown Walk

This walk will be lead by our local historian Paddy Heaney who has a wealth of information on the local area. The walk will be family friendly (terrain not suitable for buggies) and will bring you through the many little walks around Cadamstown village including the Silver River and its surrounding area.

Start Time: 10am on 11/10/14

Starting Point: Cadamstown Car Park

Length: 1 hour

Grade: Easy

Knockbarron Eco Walk

In the woods at Knockbarron one of the finest and most intact esker systems to be found anywhere in Ireland is preserved. There is also an area of old woodland with ecological interest at whatever time of the year you visit. With the knowledge of our walk leaders this is a place to visit time and time again, through the different seasons as the landscape changes dramatically.

Discover something new on every visit.

Start Time: 2pm on 11/10/14

Starting Point: Kinnitty Community Centre

Length: 2.5 - 3 hours

Grade: Moderate

SUNDAY 12TH OCTOBER

The North Line Walk – Lough Boora Parklands

Join our leaders on a walk which is an undiscovered route by many walkers as yet. It takes you along the North Line Railway in Lough Boora Parklands. During production the bog is divided into North, South, East and West. The North area has now been developed to allow walkers explore the fabulous boglands and the spectacular views of the Slieve Bloom Mountains. The walk will eventually take in the important Archaeological site in Irish History located at the western extremity of the Mesolithic Walkway. The artefacts discovered were carbon dated to 6800 – 7000 BC and is the oldest recorded site of human activity in Ireland.

Start Time: 10.30am on 12/10/14

Starting Point: New Car Park Lough Boora Discovery Centre

Length: 2.5 – 3 hours

Grade: Moderate-Easy

Why not join Kilcormac Walking Club?

Membership €10 per year for adults, children free and students over 16 years of age €5 per annum. The club meets weekly for walks and periodically for weekend walks. It's a great way to stay fit and meet people.

All enquiries on the Festival walks or the Walking club to the KDA office on 057 9135445.

Walkers Please Note:

Registration will be at the starting point of each walk. All walks are free of charge and any costs incurred in promoting the event have been sponsored by the recently formed 'Kilcormac Walking Club'. Wear comfortable walking boots/shoes and bring rain wear. Please bring a torch on the evening walk.

Irish Cancer Society's Action Breast Cancer Walk - Kilcormac

The Irish Cancer Society in association with Centra have organised a walk in aid of Action Breast Cancer. The walk in Kilcormac will be approximately 5km and will start at the Centra Shop, head out the Ballyboy Road and cross over to the Kinnitty Road and back in to the town, down Mt. Rath Street and finish at Centra again. Refreshments will be available after the walk. All walkers are asked to register in Centra Kilcormac any time between now and the 12th of October. Special H-Vis Vests are available in aid of the walk at €5 and will be on sale in Centra and donations big or small are welcome, sponsorship cards are also available for those who wish to take them but they are not obligatory. The walk will be suitable for young and old and you will be encouraged to walk at your own pace. Please come along on the day and support a cause that has touched every family at some time.



Start Time: 2.30pm on 12/10/14

Starting Point: Centra Shop, Kilcormac

Length: 1 hour approx.

Grade: Moderate to Easy

Countryside Code

- Leave no trace.
- On country roads walk in single file on the right hand side of the road.
- Respect Private Property, farmland, wildlife and the rural environment.

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