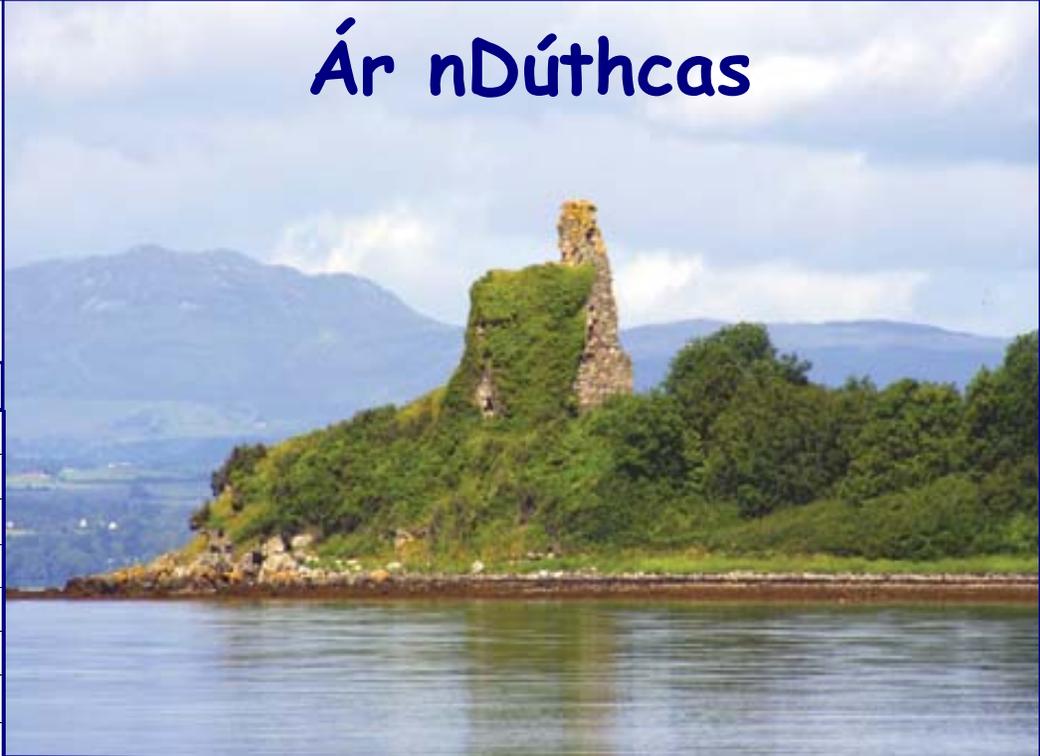


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## While Digging for Treasure, try [www.odochartaigh.org](http://www.odochartaigh.org)

Have you been digging around in our new O'Dochartaigh 2010 website [www.odochartaigh.org](http://www.odochartaigh.org)?

What a great tool it is becoming for all of us! It has great potential to really throw your genealogy research into high gear.

If everyone were to join and participate in our website's genealogy discussions and postings, in a few short months we would quickly have built an enormous wealth of information for ourselves and future generations.

Our forum-website currently has three distinct areas created to assist you in your genealogy research. It is important to understand each one's unique use

for you to benefit from them.

1) The area of "**Genealogy & DNA Project**" is for posting information and questions from those of you who already have had DNA analysis done, or those of you who are thinking about it. This is a sure way to stay in the middle of all of our announcements and discoveries as technology moves along in this area.

2) The "**Genealogy Sharing by Branches**" has several O'Dochartaigh branches already posted on the site. Each posting contains hundreds of names of people contained within that family branch. They are posted so you can try to match up your family members with one of these branches. The names are listed in alphabetical

order for your convenience. We will add more and more of these, so keep checking back. Your family can also be posted, in like manner, if you contact Cameron Dougherty (see page 3).

3) The "**Genealogy Sharing by Surname Spelling**" provides an area for those of you with similarly spelt last-name to find others researching your family or who have information on your family. This is a great place to get help, find family and see what others are doing.

If you are finding your genealogy research a little boring lately, you need to get re-connected with others in our association. This website is a great place to do that!

# REUNION TIME!

**COME TO IRELAND THIS SUMMER** by Eva Doherty Gremmert, Reunion Coordinator

If you haven't decided yet whether you will be joining us in Ireland this summer, please consider coming to the Worldwide O'Dochartaigh Reunion to be held from July 1<sup>st</sup> to July 10<sup>th</sup> in Derry City, Co. Derry and the Inishowen Peninsula, Co. Donegal. Recently, the dollar has gotten stronger against the Euro, so for Americans it makes the trip more affordable.

Once you have decided to go to the reunion this summer, you need to decide how long you want to stay and what your travel dates will be. You will want to make lodging arrangements and purchase your airline tickets very soon. There are many airlines and airports to choose from. Each of the folks that have attended the previous reunions have their favorites.

There are three main factors in making your decision. Length of travel (the time from leaving your home airport and arriving in the Ireland), money (the cost of airfare and rental car) and distance on the ground (how far you have to travel to get to Derry and Inishowen once you have landed in Ireland).

You can decide to spend more time in Ireland or tack on other European travel. It is completely up to you and the time and money that you have available. If you have any questions e-mail.

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**Website:**  
www.odochartaighreunion.com

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) – Reunion 2010

### **WHO IS INVITED TO ATTEND THE O'DOCHARTAIGH REUNION?**

Anyone who is connected at all to the O'Dochartaigh name is welcome to join us for the reunion. Actually at the reunion in 2005, 434 individuals came from 10 different countries and 39 US states. In 2008, the commemoration of Cahir Rua O'Dogherty's death, it was great to hear all the different accents greeting each other as cousins. At the registration table, you could see the recognition in the faces of those individuals who when asked what their name was, gave the usual response of their last name. The girls working at the desk would say, "first name?", or perhaps "where are you from?" We needed more than just the last name! We had Jacks meeting Jacks, Bobs greeting Bobs. We even had some "honorary" O'Dochartaighs of other surnames who joined us for some of the events. It was fun.

### **DO I HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF ANY ORGANIZATION?**

For the reunion we don't have any membership lists or dues, although there are organizations such as the O'Dochartaigh Association who have membership lists and collect dues for newsletters and such. However, for the reunion, if you are O'Dochartaigh, or are married to one, or descended from one, **YOU ARE ONE OF US AND INVITED TO JOIN US!**

### **WHERE DO YOU RECOMMEND THAT ATTENDEES STAY DURING THE REUNION?**

There are many wonderful accommodations available in Inishowen and Derry. Check those on the back of this newsletter. Plus, most places now have websites, so you can search the internet to find lodging that make references to the locations of our events. We advise you to stay on the Inishowen Peninsula or in Derry City.

Our Chairman, John Doherty "Saddler" has a very nice large B&B called Culdough Manor. It is between Carndonagh and Malin on the Culdaff road. It will be informally considered "reunion central" as we have a few

events that will be held there. He still may have some availability and you can contact him directly, +353 74 93 73279.

There are still places available in Inishowen so don't stay too far away. During the last reunion there was a group that was staying about an hour outside of Derry and they would arrive there very late after the events were finished.

We have put up a map on the website to help people become familiar with the distances between the event locations. If you want us to confirm that the place you have selected is in a convenient location, e-mail the address of the accommodation to us and we will let you know the approximate travel time to the events.

### **WHICH AIRPORT DO YOU RECOMMEND PEOPLE USE?**

Many people traveling from America to Ireland will usually fly to a destination in the eastern United States, and then over to Dublin. From Dublin you can take the small commuter plane, a British Air flight operated by Logan Air up to Derry city airport. Even though it is a small airport, there is a car rental place there. The airport code is LDY. For many this makes the trip easier, but you can rent a car in Dublin and drive up. The drive is about 4 hours.

Many fly into Belfast International Airport in Antrim too. The airport code is BFS. You can rent a car and drive to the area from there. The drive from Belfast is about 2 hours

It is usually a good idea to check out all the flights and compare the complete travel costs including the costs of the car rentals. Sometimes it is cheaper to rent a car in Dublin, sometimes Belfast and sometimes Derry. Even though the flight from Dublin to Derry roundtrip adds about \$200USD to the flight's costs, it may work out to be cheaper over all.

Lately we have found that the airfare and car rental combined is cheaper in Belfast, and it is nice to not have to make the long drive up and down from Dublin. It is not advisable to go into Shannon airport, because it is an 8 hour drive from Shannon to Inishowen.

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## **REUNION TIME!** (continued)

### **HOW MUCH WILL MY TRIP COST?**

We don't know how much the flight will be from where you are. I live in Washington state and usually expect to pay about \$1300 roundtrip from Seattle to Belfast (code BFS), Northern Ireland. The cost of the rental car varies with the carriers and type of vehicle, but it can be around \$400 a week. B&B cost are about \$50 a night per person and that includes your breakfast. I usually budget about \$30 a day to cover lunch and dinner. These prices are middle of the road, but hopefully will give you some idea of the cost. Some of the reunion events include a meal, so that will help your budget also.

### **HOW MUCH WILL THE REUNION EVENTS COSTS?**

Each event has its own price. For the Reunion we sell the tickets to each event separately, you place your order on the website and make payment online. Your tickets will be available for pick-up at the reunion, usually at the door of your first event.

You can choose to go to any or all of the events that we are hosting. In 2005 it cost a total of \$321 USD for one person to attend all 10 events. In 2008 it cost a total of \$555 USD for 16 events. Based on information we received in our post-reunion survey, we made a few changes.

For 2010 we are offering 17 events that cost a total of approximately \$420 USD per person for all events.

Our committee's goal is to craft together events that will bring fun, training, history, family-togetherness, international relationships and Irish culture at the best possible price. The reunion committee does not price to make a profit, nor is there a cash reserve to cover any of the costs. Therefore, the ticket price must cover the costs of the event for that person, but it covers nothing else.

### **HOW IS THE REUNION SCHEDULE ORGANIZED?**

We typically organize one event each day so not to take up the entire day. This will leave you time to do those things that you are interested in doing.

Here are the locations of our events: The first event of the reunion is in Derry City and then Friday's classes in Bunrana with the Ceili at night in Malin Town. Saturday is back in Derry and Sunday is busy with the Trials in Malin, the tour to the Ulster Folk Park near Omagh and back at Culdunagh Manor in the evening for the Bar-B-Que. Monday is in Bunrana. The Tuesday bus tour leaves from Carndonagh. Wednesday is in Ballyliffin. Thursday's bus tour leaves from Carndonagh. Friday is in Carndonagh and the closing event Saturday is in Malin Town at the Malin Hotel as it was in 2008.

### **CAN YOU HELP ME MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR MY TRIP OR ACCOMMODATIONS?**

We are only able to advise people on possibilities for accommodations and travel plans. We are a volunteer organization, not tour operators, so our insurance won't allow us to book travel or accommodations for people. We are more than happy to answer your questions, if you contact us.

### **WHO IS ON THE REUNION COMMITTEE?**

The O'Dochartaigh Clan Worldwide Reunion Committee is a committee of volunteers. We're deeply committed to the rewarding task of bringing the O'Dochartaigh clan home to visit from around the world!

John (Sean Saddler) Doherty  
-Reunion Chairman  
Marie Wallace -Secretary  
Eva Doherty Gremmert  
-Reunion Coordinator  
James Doherty  
Carita Kerr  
Helena Downey  
Joe Paul Doherty  
John (Paul) Doherty  
Kitty Barr  
Mary (Saddler) Doherty  
Michael A. Noone  
Ruby McNaught  
Arden Gremmert  
-Reunion Promotion Chairman

### **HOW CAN I HELP?**

If you would like to help the Ireland-based organizing committee with advertising or promoting the reunion, please contact the promotion chairman, Arden Gremmert by e-mail: arden@engremmert@usa.net End

## **Contact Information**

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William Daughtrey  
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Waleska, GA 30183-4324  
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**To submit genealogical questions:**  
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Gannonks@verizon.net

**If contacting us by email, please put "Newsletter" in the subject line to insure your message receives prompt attention.**

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**To request genealogical research (fee-based) or to submit genealogical information for the Clann's Master Database:**  
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**Be sure to visit our association websites:**  
[www.odochartaigh.org](http://www.odochartaigh.org)  
[www.odochartaighclann.org](http://www.odochartaighclann.org)  
[www.odochartaighreunion.com](http://www.odochartaighreunion.com)

# "INISHOWEN 100"

*If you happen to find yourself in Ireland for the O'Dochartaigh Clann Reunion, consider the scenic trip around beautiful Inishowen by following the road signs for the "Inishowen 100." Along the way there will be plenty of good food, good shopping, good beaches, excellent bird watching and good places to fish, walk, cycle and hike. Plus, all around the Inishowen coastline are premier golf destinations offering a number of high quality golf courses with scenic views of Lough Swilly, Lough Foyle and the Atlantic. Whatever is your fancy you will find it in Inishowen. Just don't forget your camera!*

The "Inishowen 100" gets its name from the approximate distance in miles of the sign-posted drive, which officially starts in Bridgend on the Inishowen Peninsula, but starting at the Grianan of Aileach will add so much more enjoyment, culture and history. There are many natural attractions along the route with some of the most breathtaking scenery mile after mile.

**Tourist Information Office:** Railway Road, Bunrana,  
**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 936 2600

## **Grianan of Aileach (see page 18)**

The Grianan of Aileach, which can be seen for miles with its commanding presence on top of Grianan Hill, lies between Lough Swilly and Lough Foyle near Speenogue village. This stone fort dates back 2000 years and is a fine example of stone forts in Ireland, as well as being the seat of power of the great Northern Ui Neill clans. Situated 7km west of Derry, Grianan of Aileach is an impressive stone ringfort with surrounding earthworks. The name Grianan of Aileach has been translated variously as "Stone Palace of the Sun," "Fortress of the Sun" and "Stone Temple of the Sun." Although heavily restored, there is no doubt as to the antiquity of the site as it is one of only five Irish locations marked on Ptolemy of Alexandria's 2nd century map of the world.

Then head north a bit to Inch Island where you are welcome to visit at the Inch House to meet the owner Tony Johnston. If you go around back you can also meet Pat Dougherty ("Inch Pat") who will have temporarily set up the O'Dochartaigh Family Genealogy Center on Inch. Also on Inch Island is Inch Castle, one of the O'Dochartaigh's strongholds.

## **Inch House**

Built in the late 1600s for a local landlord, Inch House is now Ireland's first dedicated Irish Studies Center for visiting college and university students and staff. Located on Inch Island and nestled in four acres of gardens and woodlands, Inch House Irish Studies Center offers a year-round program and accommodation service. The center has accommodation for up to 50 students, a separate traditional 2 bedroom Irish cottage for accompanying professors and their families along with a private minibus and coach. Inch House also has free secure parking and WiFi access for all guests.

The center is strategically located just six miles from the town of Bunrana and six miles from the city of Derry. Turn left off the Derry-Bunrana road at the road-sign,

just after passing through Burnfoot, to get onto the island by way of a causeway. Once on the island make two right-turns at the first two intersections. Inch House is a large manor on your left with two gates.

**Email:** info@inchhouse.com

**Website:** www.inchhouse.com

**Location:** Inch Island, Moress/Fahan

## **O'Dochartaigh Family Research Center**

The O'Dochartaigh Family Research Center is here to help you find your ancestors. They have a large database of genealogical information, contributed by people from all around the world, as well as genealogical information gathered and compiled by researchers in Ireland. While they specialize in the Ó Dochartaigh name, all names from Inishowen are covered. You also can find Birth, Marriage & Death records of Inishowen, as well as Griffith's Valuation of Tenements and the Tithe Applotment Books. Pat will be ready to help you in your genealogical research.

**Email:** patfdougherty@comcast.net

Then its off towards Bunrana (north). If you are lucky enough to get a sunny day and you have the children with you, don't forget to pack the swimsuits. The children will certainly see the 5km long beautiful sandy beach as you near Bunrana. Further up the road you will see on your left both the Gateway Motel and the Drift Inn.

## **Lisfannon Blue Flag Beach**

Award winning Blue Flag Beach in Fahan. Compliance with the standards and requirements of the EU Bathing Water Directive. Bathing Water quality and Blue Flag information posted at the beach. Beach cleaned on a regular basis; daily in the peak season. Sufficient lifeguards or lifesaving equipment to ensure response to an emergency anywhere on the beach.

**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 936 2600

**Location:** Lisfannon, Fahan, Inishowen

## **Inishowen Gateway Hotel**

This elegant 3-Star hotel has 79 bedrooms and is situated on the sandy shores of Lough Swilly, on the Inishowen Peninsula. The Gateway Hotel offers superb leisure facilities, including the luxurious Gateway Health & Fitness Club and health and beauty spa. The Gateway Hotel offers a picturesque and convenient location to explore the northwest. This hotel is stylishly designed, with modern furnishings and tastefully coordinated interiors. The award winning Peninsula Restaurant is renowned for its quality à la carte and dinner menus, serving the finest local produce with global influences.

**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 936 1144

**Email:** info@inishowengateway.com

**Website:** www.inishowengateway.com

## **The Drift Inn (restaurant)**

Located on the Lough Swilly, with panoramic views, in the old Swilly Railway Station is this restaurant with a warm welcome, open fires and excellent food.

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**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 932 2844

**Location:** Buncrana

Once in Buncrana, if you stay close to Lough Swilly, you will come to the ruins of the O'Doherty Keep. Take the R238 road from Buncrana and turn left, following the signs for "Inishowen 100" and Tullyarvan Mill. The mill will host events for the O'Dochartaigh Reunion, plus it has an interpretative center tracing 250 exciting years of textile production which made Buncrana what it is.

### **Stephen Diggin's Studio Gallery**

When you buy a painting or print at the Studio Gallery you get much more than just a beautiful picture. You also get... (1) a warm welcome and friendly atmosphere; (2) meet the artist and ask questions; (3) easy off-road parking at the Studio Gallery; (4) an interest-free payment plan; (5) no gallery commission charged; (6) change frames without cost; (7) a 12 months, money back unconditional guarantee; (8) 10% goes to the FOYLE HOSPICE.

**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 936 1925

**Email:** info@stephendiggin.com

**Website:** www.stephendiggin.com

**Location:** Aghilly, Buncrana

### **Tullyarvan Mill**

Tullyarvan Mill, a 19th century renovated corn mill is situated just outside the seaside town of Buncrana. It offers a unique experience by providing a hub of activity for the community and visitors alike. Tullyarvan Mill has a 52-bed en-suite hostel and conference centre suitable for groups, families and the independent visitor. Situated on the banks of the Crana River it has a mature garden and picnic areas. The Mill is a place where you will meet the Inishowen community.

Located just outside Buncrana on the road to Carn-donagh. Pass by the Super Valu shopping center on your right. 300 meters further take the first left (signposted as Tullyarvan Mill and Dunree Fort), 200 meters more to the crest of the rise and then a right turn.

**Monday - Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm**

**Telephone:** 353 (0) 74 93 61613

**Email:** michael@tullyarvanmill.com

**Website:** http://www.tullyarvanmill.com/

**Location:** Buncrana

### **Fort Dunree Military Museum**

Fort Dunree was first opened to the public in 1986 and has attracted tourists from all over the world ever since. The unique history of Fort Dunree is fully explained and recreated in vibrant and colorful displays. In its spectacular natural location Fort Dunree is rich in wildlife, some of it unique for the area. This is detailed in a beautiful wildlife exhibition in the old fort hospital. All in all Fort Dunree is a must for every visitor to the Inishowen Peninsula.

**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 936 1817

**Email:** dunree@eircom.net

**Website:** www.dunree.pro.ie

### **Mamore Gap (see pages 6 & 7)**

Go north, turning left for Mamore Gap which offers breath-taking views of the northerly coastline and a descent of 800 feet.

At the bottom, keep left for the Inishowen drive through the village of Dunaff. Continue through Clonmany and Ballyliffin, where you will find fine beaches, sea angling and golf. Continue on towards Carndonagh, but keep your eyes peeled for a road-sign pointing to Doagh Island (10 minutes from Ballyliffin, 2<sup>nd</sup> road on the left). This is where Dohertys will want to take a detour ("diversion" as they say in Ireland) to see both the Famine Village and the Carrickabraghey Castle (another stronghold of the O'Dochartaighs) which was featured with Seoirse O'Dochartaigh on the "Roots of a Man" film.

### **Doagh Island**

Doagh Island, an island some 6000 years ago, is now a peninsula separating Trawbreaga Bay from the Atlantic Ocean. Doagh Island has many interesting facts and little-known geographical treasures. Here are a few: (1) One of the highest concentrations of 'Rock Art' in Ireland. (2) It is a designated wildfowl sanctuary with a range of migrating fowl. (3) The 'hissing rock', a blowhole on the northern end of the island. (4) Carrickabraghey Castle, ancient stronghold of the O'Dochartaigh clann with some unique characteristics and features. (5) Home to one of Ireland's most popular attractions, Doagh Famine Village!

**Hours: (Famine Village: 7 days/10am -1 6pm)**

**Telephone:** +353 (0) 74 93 78078

**Email:** info@doaghfaminevillage.com

**Website:** http://www.doaghfaminevillage.com

In **Carndonagh** there are some ancient monuments, but you must stop to see the ancient Celtic Cross as you enter town. It is right on the right side of the road. Then drive on the R238 to **Malin**, a tidy town winner, where a 10 arch stone bridge crosses Trawbreaga Bay. Follow the "Inishowen 100" sign and the signs for **Malin Head**, Ireland's most northerly point, with a wild sea-ravaged coast and stunning seascapes. This is a good place to stretch your legs. Continue around **Malin Head**, past the meteorological station. Wee House of **Malin** is signposted left and is a short detour to a hermit's rock cell cut into a cliff, beside a cottage ruin. Return to the "Inishowen 100" drive, towards **Culdaff**, a resort village. Follow the "Inishowen 100" sign from **Culdaff**, along a narrow road with marvelous views. Continue to the city of **Greencastle**, to see another O'Dochartaigh castle simply called Greencastle (see page 15).

### **Greencastle Maritime Museum**

It offers something for all the family and puts special emphasis on local themes such as a maritime memorial, local involvement in the Great Wars, the Spanish Armada in the area and emigration. Adult admissions EUR4.00, children, seniors & students EUR2.00. Admission to the planetarium is extra.

**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 938 1363

**Email:** greencastlemaritime@eircom.net

**Website:** www.inishowenmaritime.com

Then turn left at the t-junction and head towards Moville. The R328 brings you to **Redcastle**. As you continue driving south to Muff you will see **Derry City** in the distance. Take the R239, following the **Burnfoot** and **Bridgend** signs.

End

## Glimpses Of Erin: III— The Gap of Mamore, Inishowen

*Containing an Account of the Ancient Civilisation, Manners, Customs and Antiquities of Ireland; Short Sketches of the More Important Events in History, and of the Social Condition of the Country, Past and Present; and Papers on Tours Off the Beaten Track, Descriptive of Places and Scenery Not Usually Visited by Tourists.*

Authors: Seaton F. Milligan and Alice L Milligan.

Published by Marcus Ward & Co. Limited, London, Belfast & New York 1888.

(Pages 273 through 278, delicately condensed)

We have particularly pleasant recollections of visits made to the Gap of Mamore, and think the place worthy of detailed description. Several miles north of Bunrana lies a line of mountains, extending as a rocky wall from Dunree Head at the mouth of Lough Swilly as far as the base of the spur of land which ends in Malin Head. The mountains have a sawlike outline, and through one of the deeper cuttings there runs a rough steep road, almost inaccessible to vehicles. This mountain gap may be visited in two ways. You may have your horse and car put up at one of the cottages below, and ascend on foot, the road and mountain. From the summit a view is had of the whole north coast of Donegal—every bay and headland is seen, as in a map, at your feet. The windings of Lough Swilly and Mulroy Bay can be followed, and mountain peaks unseen before arise to view. The peak is steep, but easy to climb, as its soil is soft peat, which affords safe footing.

The tourist who has time to spare, and has secured the services of an energetic driver, may return from the gap to Bunrana, the starting-place, by a different route. Although the feat seems difficult, the horse may be made to come up the steep and rocky path by dint of a judicious administration of alternate force and persuasion.

On the occasion of our visit we owed much of our enjoyment to the enterprising spirit of Mike, our guide and carman. Mike always led the way to the mountain tops, helping the ladies over the rocks and bog holes, and encouraging the faint-hearted. His motto was *Excelsior*, and when at last we stood upon the highest crag, he would point across bay and valley to some other peak and say, "When we've come this far, we may as well go on; I'm in no hurry, if *you*s is not."

Arrived at the gap, we all dismounted, and left to our carman the task of persuading the horse to come up after us. Higher and higher the road led between two desolate mountain crags, whose slopes were covered with shattered rocks, and seamed by the courses of mountain torrents. At length we stood at the top of the road, and looked out across the broad Atlantic which lay right below. Then, sitting on crags and heather, we awaited the arrival of our car. Our car arrived, but as the road that led down was even steeper than that which we had climbed, Mike had still to hold Kate's rein and guide her. On our way down we passed a holy well of St. Columb, and at a turn of the road came in view of a narrow valley that spread between us and the sea, neatly laid out in square plots of corn and potatoes. There were no hedges taking up unnecessary room, for land was evidently valuable in this region of rocks. An exclamation of delight from our Unionist friend drew our attention to her, as she laid her hand on the shoulder of her companion, and pointed across to Dundaff Head, where the Union Jack floated from a staff. The shadow came again over the face of the latter, and it seemed as if:

*"There had passed away a glory from the earth."*

We delayed for some time among the rocks and waterfalls in the pass, whilst the carman went down to the valley in search of stabling for Kate. His absence was prolonged, and, growing impatient, we at length followed, talking on our way to some of the natives, who informed us that a short time before the valley had been quite under water. Mike brought the welcome news that the kettle was boiling for our tea in the nearest cottage, and, going there, we were greeted in the most friendly manner by a dignified and good-looking peasant woman.

The large clay-floored kitchen looked tidy and comfortable, and by the fireside an old woman sat by her spinning-wheel, and from an inner room came the rattling sound of sewing machines, at which three young girls were busily engaged in doing work for a Derry factory. One of these girls put aside her work, and prepared the table for our tea, bringing out a snow-white table-cloth, a supply of well-made cakes and bread, and a very large china teapot, chatting pleasantly meanwhile to the strangers, and now and then in her native Irish tongue to her mother or sisters. Peace was declared between the politicians as

they enjoyed the comfortable meal, although we felt nervous for a moment when pretty **Mary Doherty** put on the table a cream jug, ornamented by a not too flattering likeness of Mr. Parnell. Our Nationalist, smiling gently, asked the Unionist if she would take both sugar and cream. "Both," the latter replied curtly, and the subject dropped.

The drive home led for some way along the coast, under the steep mountain wall which has its highest peak in Raghtin More. We turned inland at Binion Bay, and passed through Clonmany, calling in on our way at a cottage where spinning was going on. Here fifteen women were busily at work, and the hostess of the house (again a **Doherty**) was preparing tea. We could only stay a few minutes at this lively entertainment, though pressed to prolong our visit, and having partaken of snuff from the box which was passed round, we went again on our way. Barnion More and the Mintiagh Lake were passed, and late in the evening we rattled up Buncrana Street, after a most enjoyable drive.

### **A VALLEY IN INNISHOWEN**

[Inishowen was in former days ruled by chieftains of the O'Doherty line, and their territory was the very last to be conquered by England. Sir Cahir O'Doherty died, without making submission, at Kilmacrenan, 1608.]

A Dreary valley black and bleak,  
Looked on by many a mountain peak,  
Rough with grey rocks, and strange in form,  
The wild companions of the storm,

That floated from their summits proud  
The captured flag of many a cloud;  
Looking upon the unresting sea,  
They hear the wind's hoarse minstrelsy.

No pathway up the hill is seen,  
Save where a watercourse has been;  
No clustering woods the valley yields,  
No promised wealth of harvest fields;

What would be found such hills beneath,  
Save golden gorse and tangled heath,  
Save shattered rocks of gloomy grey,  
And men as wild and stern as they?

For fierce and warlike was the race  
That had these hills for dwelling-place.  
Untamed, untaught in courtly ways,  
They passed a life of warlike days

Amidst their native strongholds high,  
In royal state and revelry,  
And feasted on poetic praise.  
These chieftains in an after age  
Were bravest, last, the war to wage

For faith and freedom 'gainst the power  
Of foreign foe in danger's hour.  
They more esteemed their rights of birth  
Than any earldom upon earth,

And, glorying in the chieftain name,  
They covered it with endless fame,—  
For still the mountains have been found,  
As England's prophet-poet tells,  
The chosen consecrated ground,

Where liberty with mortals dwells;  
For still, he tells, she doth rejoice  
To hear the tawny torrent's voice,

The thunder of the wave that falls  
Before a cliffs unshaken walls,  
The baffled tyrants of the shore,  
Chiding the rocks with angry roar.

This land has freedom surely blest  
Of holy places holiest.  
These mountains wild are grander far,  
Our cliffs more strong than England's are;  
For they the fiercer warfare wage,  
Arid meet the Atlantic's whitest rage,

And fair on Ireland's roll of fame  
Is written many a hero's name,  
Who here, among the mountains nursed,  
Had heard the voice of Freedom first

Tirconnel, he whose exile grave  
Lies by the distant Douro's wave;  
Tyrone's great chief the last to yield  
After a well-contested field.

And worthy honour high as he,  
The unsubdued O'Doherty,  
Who died at Kilmacrenan's stone,  
Leaving his native mountains free,  
His land this title proud to own—  
" Unconquerable Innishowen."

A. L. M.

*(We have now drawn the attention of our readers to places not generally known to tourists. Our intention is merely to inform tourists that when they have visited popular places, they have not exhausted the beauties of Ireland. We may add, however, that those who delight in wild and desolate scenery could not do better than visit certain parts of Donegal, whilst those who prefer well wooded and picturesque scenery should visit Sligo.)*

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## INISHOWEN IS A GOLFER'S PARADISE

### Letterkenny Golf Club

Letterkenny Golf Club has a beautiful 18 hole, 6239 yards, Par 70 Parkland Championship course. The course takes advantage of natural variances of elevation with four holes wrapped around the banks of Lough Swilly and the 'top seven' holes affording the golfer a panoramic view of the Lough-side and the picturesque garland hills and wooded countryside. Nestled within 147 acres of tranquil bliss the golfer's game will be shared with no-one but nature and its splendid beauty. There are conference facilities available. Special golfing packages available on request. LETTERKENY GOLF CLUBS ANSWERS TO THE RE-CESSION with the keenest price available anywhere.

Course Designer: Eddie Hackett	Course Distance: 6274 yards	Course Type: Parkland
Green Fees: Weekday €25 Weekday with Member €20 Weekend €30 Weekend with Member €25		
Visitors: Always welcome	Pro Shop: Yes	

**Directions:** Located just 3km from the busy town of Letterkenny, on the R252, Ramelton Road

**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 912 1150

**Email:** letterkennygc@eircom.net

**Website:** www.letterkennygolf.com

**Address:** Barnhill, Letterkenny, Donegal, Republic of Ireland

### Greencastle Golf Club

Greencastle Golf Club is a beautiful 18 hole links course which nestles in the idyllic surrounds of the Inishowen Peninsula. It is a member-owned course on the banks of, and superb views across, Lough Foyle. The club was founded in 1892 as a nine hole course and during its centenary year opened a further nine, very challenging holes. The course is 5269 meters in length with a par of 69, and a SSS of 67 off the competition tees. There are six par three holes and a stream / drain comes into play on three holes. Say 'hi' to the captain, Paul Doherty.

Course Designer: Eddie Hackett	Course Distance: 5269 yards	Course Type: Links
Dress Code: Denim is now permitted. Untailored shirts sleeveless or collarless shirts, track or leisure bottoms football shorts or sport shirts displaying slogan are not.		
Green Fees: Saturday, Sunday & Bank Holidays €40 & €35 Midweek €30 &		Caddy Hire: Yes
Retail Outlet: Yes	Open Competitions: Yes	Practice Green: Yes

**Directions:** 21 miles north of Derry

**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 938 1013

**Fax:** +353 (0)74 938 1015

**Email:** info@greencastlegolfclub.net

**Website:** http://www.greencastlegc.com/

**Address:** Greencastle, Inishowen, Donegal, Republic of Ireland

### Buncrana Golf Club

Situated overlooking the beautiful "White Strand" on the shores of Lough Swilly, this 9 hole course offers enjoyment to the high handicaps, yet presents a challenge to the most advanced golfers.

Club Professional: Jim Doherty	Course Distance: 4250 yards	Course Type: Links
Green Fees: Adult: €13 Children ( 12 -18 ): €5 Students/Seniors: €13 Lady: €8 Group rates available		Pro Shop: Yes
Opening Months: Open all year	Opening: Mon-Sun 8am-9pm	Method of Payment Accepted: Cash

**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 936 2279

**Email:** buncranagc@eircom.net

**Website:** www.buncranagolfclub.com

**Address:** Ballymacarry, Buncrana, Co Donegal, Republic of Ireland

### **Ballyliffin Golf Club**

Two outstanding links courses - The Old Links and The Glashedy Links. Splendid clubhouse with bar, restaurant and panoramic views of the courses. Ballyliffin is ideally suited to a short golf break with five local hotels and numerous B&Bs. Voted best 36 Holes by readers of Golf Digest Ireland.

Caddy Hire: Yes	Club Professional: John Dolan	Catering Facilities: Yes-Full service
Course Type: Links	Course Distance: 7200 & 6900 yards	Course Designer: Pat Ruddy & Nick Faldo
Dress Code: Yes	Opening Months: All year	Opening Times: Mon-Sun, 9am-5pm
Green Fees: €50/65 Midweek, €55/75 Weekend, Group rates available		Other: Pitch n Putt/Par 3
Practice Green: Yes	Retail Outlet & Golf Shop: Yes	Visa/Access/Mastercard/Cash

**Directions:** Situated in Ballyliffin village.

**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 937 6119

**Email:** info@ballyliffingolfclub.com

**Website:** www.ballyliffingolfclub.com

**Address:** Ballyliffin, Inishowen, Donegal

### **North West Golf Club**

The course lies between the picturesque Moldy Mountains and the Sea. The surrounding scenery is magnificent. The Club has a modern comfortable clubhouse with usual facilities. It has been dubbed by Cecil Barcroft, the St. Andrews of Ireland. There is much in common between St. Andrews and this course, such as concealed runs and bumps approaching the Greens that look easy enough to run onto. Difficulties too, which do not always catch the eye from the tee. The holes are very varied with many sandy knocks and pleasant undulations. The Greens are second to none.

Course Designer: Eddie Hackett	Course Distance: 6274 yards	Course Type: Parkland
Catering Facilities: Yes	Club Prol: Seamus McBriarty	Course Designer: Thompson
Green Fees: Weekday €30 Weekday with Member €20 Weekend €35 Weekend with Member €25		
Course Type: Links	Course Distance: 5759 metres	Pro Shop: Yes
Dress Code: Sensible	Days Best Avoided: Wed/Sat/Sun	Open Competitions: 4th-13th July

**Directions:** Situated on shore side of Derry to Bunrana road about 2km south of Bunrana

**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 936 1715

**Email:** info@northwestgolfclub.com

**Website:** www.northwestgolfclub.com

**Address:** Lisfannon, Fahan, Bunrana, Donegal

### **For the Entire Family:**

**Holes Pitch & Putt** is situated above the town of Moville with a beautiful view of Lough Foyle. Fun for all the family.

**Phone:** +353 (0) 74 938 2054

**Address:** Cooley, Moville, Co. Donegal

**Pin Tavern Pitch & Putt** is an 18 hole Pitch & Putt course. Balls & Clubs supplied, playing time 1hr 30min. Also 5-7 a-side soccer courts and 13 full size American pool tables. We also do Crazy Golf

**Fax:** +353 (0)74 912 3086

**Address:** Drumnahoe, Letterkenny, Donegal

### **Aura Leisure Center– Letterkenny**

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**Telephone:** +353 (0)74 910 6422

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## *Need something to do while in Inishowen?* **See some ÓDochartaigh Castles**

by Charles H. Daugherty, Jr.

After the ÓDochartaigh reunion in 2008, my wife, Cheryl, and I stayed for an additional six weeks to locate as many of the ÓDochartaigh castle/home sites that we could. We identified 19 separate sites and have photographed them for use in an upcoming book. Since then, my research has located some additional locations and we will go back to Donegal soon to verify and photograph them. The following castles still have some structure for you to view. Three that you can touch and three that are on private land that you can view from afar. I hope you enjoy them

The ÓDochartaigh were Lords of Inishowen from early in the 15th century until 1608 when Sir Cahir Rua ÓDochartaigh was killed. In 1609 the English Crown granted the land to Sir Arthur Chichester, Lord Deputy of Ireland.

### **Carrickabraghy Castle**



This structure was occupied by Phelemy Brasleigh ÓDochartaigh in 1600 and re-modeled by Chichester's renter, Liuetent Hoan in 1611. It is located on the northwest shore of Doagh Isle. From Ballyliffin head northeast on R238 for 2.2 km (there is a sign for Doagh Visitors Center on the north side of the road) then turn left (north) and follow road for 6.8 km to the castle. Keep left as you pass the entrance to the Visitors Center and continue over the hill and as you descend, go past the farm house.

### **Greencastle**



The Norman Castle, Greencastle was built by the "Red" Earl of Ulster in 1305, occupied by the ÓDochartaigh from early in the 15th century, and Chichester maintained a small garrison there in 1610. Travel north of Moville on R231 to the town of Greencastle. The castle is found on the shore road to Shrove, between Castle House and the Fort Hotel.

### **Buncrana Castle**



Connor McGarrett ÓDochartaigh lived here in 1601. Chichester leased it to Henry Vaughan in 1610. The Vaughan family built the present house in 1718. It is located in the north east of Buncrana on the Crana river.

### **Elagh Castle**



Located on Ail rock, Elagh Castle could be the most important site the ÓDochartaigh claimed. Some believe this to be the seat of Ailech for Cenél nEógain kings from the 6th century until the 15th century. It was residence of Sir Seán Óg ÓDochartaigh in 1587, confiscated by England in 1600 and re-granted to Sir Cahir Rua ÓDochartaigh who made some improvements in 1608. It was reported that by 1665 this castle was in ruins. From Derry take Buncrana Rd/A2, at the traffic circle, take the 2nd exit onto Skeoge Link Rd/A515 0.3 mi, Turn left at Upper Galliagh Rd 0.9 mi, after topping a hill, look on your right for an iron gate in a stone wall. Looking south, you can see the ruins of the tower of Elagh Castle just to the right of the white house.

### **Burt Castle**



Burt Castle was the chief fortress of the ÓDochartaigh. The ÓDochartaigh royal inauguration site at Ard na dTaoiseach (Ardnaditian) is less than four miles away. This castle was very well fortified and positioned on a hill 200 feet above sea level at the entrance of the Inishowen Peninsula, surrounded on three sides by Lough Swilly and a bog on the fourth side. It consisted of a square keep with three stories and with two cylindrical towers on two of the angles. Like Elagh, it was one of the chief residences of Sir Seán Óg ÓDochartaigh in 1587 but by 1601 was in the possession of Hugh Boye ÓDochartaigh. Sir Cahir was re-granted Burt after that. During the 1608 rebellion, the castle was the center of a siege lasting several days. By 1611 the castle was leased to Thomas Chichester, then granted to Sir Charles Chichester and inhabited as late as 1690. You can see Burt Castle from N13 between Derry and Letterkenny around the road to Grange. You can get a little closer by following any road toward Grange.

### **Inch Castle**



The castle on fertile Inch Island was first mentioned in 1454 as one of the ÓDochartaigh defensive castles and was in ruins by the time it was granted to Chichester in 1611. His tenant, Mr. Skinner reported he was ready to rebuild the castle but the remains today do not indicate that he made any alterations. Ross ÓDochartaigh was born at Inch in 1412 and his father Eamann and he died in there in 1460 and 1480 respectively. To see the castle, drive onto Inch Island from the Buncrana Road R238 and stay left after arriving on the island 1.6 mi. Castle is found down the hill on the left.

## Dohertys in Politics, Religion, Business, Education, Arts and Sports

### **McCain to be challenged by newcomer John Dougherty**

Arizona voters now will have one more choice for candidate for the U.S. Senate seat now held by John McCain. On May 7, 2010, Democrat John Dougherty announced that he had filed papers with the Federal Election Commission forming a campaign committee. He was a long-time reporter for the *Phoenix Gazette* and alternative weekly *Phoenix New Times*. He now lives in Yuma, Arizona, has recently been working for a think-tank in Las Vegas and also does freelance writing for the *New York Times* and other publications.

### **Bill Clinton lends voice to Doherty**

In his bid for state Senate, Scranton Pennsylvania Mayor Chris Doherty apparently has a presidential supporter. Former President Bill Clinton has recorded an automated phone call endorsing Mr. Doherty that is making its way into the homes of Democratic voters. "We're friends, and I'm proud to have his endorsement," Mr. Doherty said. Mr. Doherty campaigned for Hillary Clinton when she ran for president in 2008, holding a political party for her during the race. He said over the years the Doherty family has "developed a good relationship" with the Clinton family.

### **Irish woman made T & T cabinet minister**

Trinidad's first-ever female prime minister officiated at the swearing-in ceremony of new cabinet members, one of whom is Mrs. Mary Kathleen (Doherty) King. She is one of nine surviving children born to the late Harry and Mary Ellen O'Doherty of Derry, Northern Ireland. Mrs. King, considered to be one of the leading economists from the Caribbean region, was appointed Minister of Planning and Economic Re-construction, by the new PM, Mrs. Kamla Persad-Bissessar. Mrs. King studied economics at the University of the West Indies where her husband was an electronic and engineering professor. Her regular newspaper articles focusing on the social and economic affairs of the region attracted the attention of a former prime minister who appointed her to an advisory role before making her a senator. She held this post as an independent for eight years.

### **The Landing of the Pilgrims**

Listen to the audio presentation of the book "The Landing of the Pilgrims" by James Daugherty  
<http://readingwell.com/Audio-Landmark/mp3ss7.htm>

### **Doherty called gifted priest, brilliant scholar**

The Rev. Timothy Seigel, pastor of St. Catherine of Genoa in Genoa, Ill., said he was overjoyed to hear that Monsignor Timothy L. Doherty had been named bishop of the Lafayette diocese. He called Doherty a gifted priest and a brilliant scholar. Doherty is the pastor of two parishes in Elgin (Illinois, USA) — St. Catherine and St. Mary. Doherty, whom Seigel described as soft-spoken and gentle, also is a talented preacher and writer. The Rockford Diocese Observer newspaper reported that Doherty received his doctorate in Christian ethics from the theology department of Loyola University in Chicago in 1996, and earned earlier degrees from Alfonsian Academy, Pontifical Lateran

University in Rome, Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome and St. Ambrose College.

### **Dennis Dougherty of Weehawken, NJ (longtime member of our association):**

Dennis is a brilliant clarinet player, composer and conductor. He is a Michigan State University Masters graduate and has performed internationally, as has his wife, Olga. Olga is a superb violinist who plays in several orchestras in the New York City area. They were both at our 2008 reunion. Dennis will return for the 2010 reunion this July. Below is a flyer for his last performance.

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### **Tim Daugherty Group Performed Friday**

The Tim Daugherty (Jazz) Group performed to a full house at Campbell Steele Gallery in Marion, Iowa. The group played original and contemporary jazz music as Tim Daugherty celebrated his final day of Master's Degree finals at the University of Iowa (UI). In fulfillment of Tim's master's project, he wrote a musical score which the Tim Daugherty Group recorded. This CD, called "River of Life" commemorates the flood in Cedar Rapids and Iowa City will be released in June 2010.

### **Web startup Jelli looks to rock traditional radio**

Entrepreneur Mike Dougherty, former Microsoft executive, envisions a day when people will listen to their car radio

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via a wireless Internet connection and be able to make song requests with the help of a hands-free device as they drive along the freeway. He thinks he has built the first step in that direction with his San Francisco, California-based Web startup **Jelli**. Jelli allows users on social media sites to control what gets played live on the air. Dougherty co-founded Jelli in 2008 with partner Jateen Parekh, a former Amazon executive. Jelli uses a crowd-sourced model that allows the listener, or group of listeners, to set the playlist that gets played on the radio. Dougherty said Jelli gives surfers the ability to vote for or against songs, directly through the website [www.jelli.com](http://www.jelli.com) or via Facebook and Twitter. Jelli's first client was CBS San Francisco affiliate LIVE 105, which used the Web-station as a trial run. It was so successful Jelli's role was expanded. Dougherty said Jelli recently became the #1-rated radio show in San Francisco. Dougherty has expanded Jelli into 17 cities across the U.S.

#### **Bob Daugherty, man with a vision**

Recently, the University of Nebraska received one of its largest gifts ever when Robert B. Daugherty donated \$50 million to help the university develop solutions to various world challenges, including poverty, hunger, agriculture production and water management. These are lofty goals to be sure. Yet Bob Daugherty has aimed high in the past and has a proven record of achieving his goals.

After a stint in the Marine Corps during World War II, Daugherty returned to Nebraska in 1946. He purchased the Valley Manufacturing Company, which made grain elevators, and helped it to grow from 3 to 100 employees. Valley then purchased patents for a new type of irrigation system. That system was a water-powered pivot sprinkler that could automatically irrigate up to a quarter section of land. A machine that could make it rain in Nebraska had to be good! Today Valmont (the name since 1969) is listed on the prestigious list of Forbes Top 400 Big Companies. It operates 18 plants in 8 countries, in North and South America, Europe, and Asia. It markets products in more than 90 countries around the world. Daugherty's gift of \$50 million is probably a drop in the bucket toward solving the problems of poverty, hunger, ag production and water management. Still, Daugherty started his company with a tiny \$5,000 investment in 1946. Last year, Valmont did more than \$1.8 billion in sales. When we consider that 65 percent of the world's dwindling supply of fresh water is used by agriculture, and estimates show that food production must double in the next 35 years, we can only pray that Bob Daugherty's latest investment is as successful as his first one was.

#### **Dougherty, Houlihan post wins**

SIOUX FALLS -- East High Black Raiders track stars Shelby Houlihan and **Ellen Dougherty** picked up victories here in the 86th Howard Wood Dakota Relays. Dougherty, a senior who has signed with the University of Nebraska, triumphed in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 44.68 seconds. Also, Houlihan and Dougherty wound up third and fourth in Friday night's special 800-meter that saw the fastest clocking in the U.S. this year with a 2:05.76.

#### **Tim Dougherty stepping down at Lincoln-Way**

**Tim Dougherty**, 53, has been the head football coach at Lincoln-Way Central (New Lenox, Illinois, USA) the last two seasons, and he has been coaching for 31 years in all. Due to health issues that have struck his family he felt it was time to step aside. Dougherty's son-in-law, who is a sergeant in the U.S. Army, was critically injured a couple of weeks ago. In addition, Dougherty's stepmother was diagnosed last week with lung cancer.

#### **Nick Dougherty and Lee Slattery make solid opening rounds at the Italian Open in Turin**

May 7 2010 by Liverpool Daily

#### **Howiszak, Dougherty Save the Day**

SHILLINGTON (PA) — Thanks to a senior soccer player who didn't even get on the field until the second half, Daniel Boone High School (Birdsboro, Pennsylvania, USA) survives to play another day. Senior **Caitlin Dougherty**, who had to wait for her turn to get in the cage because of the team's alternating goalkeeper rotation, saved two penalty kicks as the Blazers slipped past the Panthers in a Berks Conference quarterfinal game.

#### **Episcopal Academy's Dougherty calls it a career**

The pursuit of excellence was never-ending for **Dan Dougherty**. It carried him as a basketball coach to 13 league titles and the winningest coach in Inter-Academic League history. He won more than 675 games during his high school coaching career. Basketball was truly a family affair for the Doughertys. **Dan, Mike** and **Brian** all played for their dad at Episcopal, and Brian in recent years was an assistant. Mom figures she attended 90 to 95 percent of the games. Just as impressive as Dougherty's win total is that three of the city's Division I college coaches played for him. Two other college head coaches, Hartford and Boston University, also played at Episcopal. "It's pretty neat that they all came out of a small private school with only about 200 boys [ninth grade on up]," Dougherty said. So did a pair of NBA rookies, Gerald Henderson (Charlotte) and Wayne Ellington (Minnesota). Dougherty and his wife are looking forward to one wonderful trip. Son **Brian**, a first-magnitude lacrosse star, will be the goaltender for Team USA during the World Championships in England in July.

#### **Dougherty shoots 69 on day one of Big South Championship**

Junior **DJ Dougherty** (Glen Allen, Va./Deep Run) fired a career-best 69 in the first round of the 2010 Big South Men's Golf Championship to finish tied for third after day one in Ninety-Six, S.C., on Monday. The Panthers have a combined team score of 297 and sit in third. Dougherty, who birdied his first two holes and finished with three more, had the lowest score of any HPU golfer since March 18, 2008.

#### **High School Lacrosse: Meet Moorestown's Jenna Dougherty**

**Jenna Dougherty** led the Quakers (Moorestown, Pennsylvania, USA) with 17 goals on the season and is closing in on the 100-goal mark for her career. She's a three-year starter for the Quakers. She was also a captain of the

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Moorestown field hockey team. She has accepted a lacrosse scholarship to the College of William and Mary. .

#### **Dougherty Named NEAC and ECAC Upstate Women's Lacrosse Player of the Week**

Junior women's lacrosse player **Laura Dougherty** (Geneva, N.Y./Geneva) was named the North Eastern Athletic Conference (NEAC) and ECAC Upstate Women's Lacrosse Athlete of the Week for the week ending April 3. Dougherty, a junior attackman for the Keuka College Storm, led the Storm to a 2-0 week to remain undefeated in conference play. In a win over Wilson College, Dougherty netted 5 goals and dished out 4 assists and then had 4 goals and 2 assists in a win over SUNY-Morrisville.

#### **Dougherty Chooses Houghton**

Lauren Dougherty (Houghton/Houghton Academy) has signed a letter of intent to play soccer at Houghton College. Dougherty was an offensive force for Houghton Academy, winning her team's offensive MVP award in 2007 and 2009, scoring 21 goals, nine assists, and 51 points in her high school career. She also was named a 1st-team Allegany County All-Star in 2008 and 2009, as well as being a 2nd-team selection in 2007. She was named the Team MVP in 2008 and served as a captain in 2009.

#### **Tim Doherty enjoying his run as T-Bones manager**

Kansas City Star

At 2½ hours before the ball game's first pitch, Tim Doherty is where he has been 2½ hours before every home game since 2003.....on the hill, firing batting-practice pitches. But Friday, Doherty's perspective was a bit different. The day marked his first home opener as the T-Bones manager. From bullpen coach to bench coach to hitting coach and now manager, Doherty has seen T-Bones baseball from all angles since its birth in Kansas City, Kansas.

#### **West Deptford promotes Dougherty to soccer coach**

Ryan Dougherty, a boys' soccer assistant coach for the past six seasons at West Deptford, has been named the Eagles' head coach. Dougherty played soccer at St. Joseph's University where he graduated in 2001.

#### **Katie Dougherty advances to state**

Katie Dougherty is the first Belton tennis player since 2002 to advance to the singles competition at the State Meet. The red-haired senior will be one of only eight girls in the entire state of Texas to battle it out for the Class 5A championship. "Katie had to fight for every point, every inch of the way. Dougherty....took care of business" commented her head coach Chad White

#### **Alcoa's Dougherty makes state open**

Alcoa High School sophomore Grant Dougherty earned a spot in the Tennessee Open state golf championship April 26 in Chattanooga. Dougherty shot a 78 to finish tied for ninth, then won the sudden-death playoff to become one of the youngest players in the field. His father, Alcoa golf coach Rob Dougherty, said only three 16-year-olds qualified for the state championship.

#### **New Boy's Basketball Coach Dougherty not so New**

MUNCI, INDIANA -- After a 21-year hiatus, Stan Dougherty is Delta's boy's basketball coach once again. Dougherty will succeed former Delta coach Paul Keller, who actually served as Dougherty's assistant at Delta from 1983-85. Dougherty was the Eagles' varsity boys coach for six seasons, from 1983-89. During that time, Dougherty compiled a .705 winning percentage, capturing three county championships and two sectional titles. Dougherty began his coaching career in 1976 before coming to Delta in 1983. He left the Eagles program in 1989 to coach college basketball. The 87 victories at Goshen College represents the most by a men's basketball coach in Goshen College history. For the past three years, Dougherty had served as Delta's athletic director.

#### **Dougherty will join Crusaders**

John Dougherty is headed north.

The Brooke Point High School senior lacrosse standout signed a national letter of intent with Holy Cross yesterday. Holy Cross is located in Worcester, Mass. The Division I Crusaders were 5-10 this past season, including 1-5 in the Patriot League. "They play a real tough schedule," Dougherty said of the Crusaders. "The players were real nice, and it's a good school academically."

#### **Jayne Doherty wins Cork events**

Armagh (Ireland) equestrian stand-out Jayne Doherty took home the winner's trophies from both the three and two-star events at Ballindenisk, County Cork. The 36-year-old had a decisive victory in the three-star section with the Irish-bred "The Only One", a comfortable 16.5 points ahead. In the two-star, Doherty rode the thoroughbred "Ravenstar" into first place. End

#### **Dougherty Valley High School**

Dougherty Valley High School is a public high school located in San Ramon, California, USA.

**Naming:** The school's name was chosen from more than 150 suggestions submitted to an online survey.

**Enrollment:** 1,001 students were enrolled in Dougherty during 2008-2009.

**Academics:** Greatschools.com awarded the school a perfect ten out of ten score, based on the school's standardized test scores. In 2009, Dougherty had an Academic Performance Index rank of 905 out of a possible 1000, up from the 2008 base score of 891.

**School facilities:** Dougherty occupies approximately 54 acres (220,000 sq meters) of land. There are 11 major buildings on campus.

**Athletics:** The Dougherty Valley Athletic Department's mission statement is to "offer athletes positive and rewarding experiences while fostering strong character development."

**Wildcat Tribune:** The Wildcat Tribune is Dougherty's official student newspaper. The Wildcat Tribune was the first print publication to interview **Chesley Sullenberger** after the pilot's emergency water landing of US Airways Flight 1549, in a February 2009 article titled "Heroism & Humility on the Hudson". Sullenberger and his wife, both residents of San Ramon, decided to grant his first interview to a student journalist, and Dougherty is attended by one of their daughters. The interview was conducted hours before Katie Couric interviewed Sullenberger for 60 Minutes.

## *From the Editor's Desk.....*

### **Their lives have become our history!**

All of you have felt a twinge whenever you hear a story about a Doherty from far back in history. Admit it. It's true.

The Irish history of the O'Dochartaighs go far back into the very earliest use of surnames. Also, Dohertys went to the new worlds of Canada, American, Australia, New Zealand and South America earlier than most. They were distinguished in battle, in political office, in founding of communities, schools, colleges, businesses, churches and hospitals.

I can name many that have become very well known in Ireland, America and Canada. As Charles Joseph Doherty (1855 - 1931) of Montreal Canada, lawyer and Minister of Justice, represented Canada at the League of Nations in 1920. Dohertys fought along side Colonel Logan in his famous Indian Expedition. They fought in the Virginia militia under the then Governor of Virginia Benjamin Harrison (later to become President of the USA). They fought in the Kentucky militia along side Davy Crocket's grandfather and later under the command of George Rodgers Clark.

### **This was who they were and who we are!**

Our newsletters have carried many stories about famous and great Dohertys. However, what about their descendants who did not bear the Doherty last name, as don't many of our members? Aren't they all still Doherty descendants?

A list of these non-Doherty descendants will show names like Patton, Rodgers, Caldwell, Clark, Calhoun and others. "Calhoun", as in the American politician named John C. Calhoun. He will need no introduction to any American. However, let me take a minute to tell you about him for the sake of those non-American readers and even for those Americans who know only little of him.

John Caldwell Calhoun was born on March 8, 1782. He graduated from Yale College in 1804, studied law and admitted to the law bar in 1807 and immediately engaged in that practice. He was elected in the South Carolina's State House of Representatives 1808. He was elected to the US Congress and served from 1811 until 1817, when he resigned to become the Secretary of War in the cabinet of **President James Monroe** from 1817-1825. He was elected Vice-President of the United

States in 1824 with **President John Quincy Adams**. Re-elected in 1828 with **President Andrew Jackson** serving until 1832 when he resigned, standing against Jackson's new ill-fated tariff law. He was again elected to the US Senate in 1832 to fill a vacancy. He was re-elected in 1834 and 1840 and served until 1843 when he resigned to become Secretary of State in the Cabinet of **President John Tyler** 1844-1845. He was again elected to the US Senate to fill a vacancy in 1845. He was re-elected in 1846 and served until his death on March 31, 1850.

Early in his political career he realized that British policies were ruining the economy of the US and convinced others to lead the US on a path of its own. He and Henry Clay were known as the "warhawks" who preferred war with Great Britain to the "putrescent pool of ignominious peace", and convinced Congress to declare war on Great Britain in 1812.

No one was more vocal and led the cause of states-rights better than John C. Calhoun. You may recall that in 1833 Calhoun and Daniel Webster opposed each other over slavery and states rights in a famous nation-shaping debate. One hundred and twenty four years later, in 1957, US Senators honored Calhoun as one of the five greatest senators of all time. That was the fiery giant John C. Calhoun.

He descends from Anne O'Dogherty (born about 1690, Glenfin, Bellanamore, Kiltteevoge, Donegal, Ireland) and William Phillips (born about 1685, Lifford, Donegal, Ireland). Their three daughters came to the New World in 1727. Margaret as the wife of Captain John Caldwell; Anne as the wife of Thomas O'Dougherty; and Jane as the wife of George Caldwell. From John and Margaret's marriage came Major William Caldwell, whose daughter Martha (born about 1755) married Patrick Calhoun and had as a son, John Caldwell Calhoun, making Anne O'Dogherty his gr-gr-grandmother.

History is full of great men and women. Genealogy is a re-discovery of that history on a person-by-person basis. As the story of your great family unfolds and is re-discovered it will come alive again. How could anyone become bored?

What a thrill it was to have learned that one of the people that I have admired and respected for years has been found to have O'Dogherty blood connections. I still get goose bumps when I think of it. There will be other amazing discoveries, too, as we faithfully continue this work.

*Keep digging for treasure. You will find it!  
Don't forget to go to [www.odochartaigh.org](http://www.odochartaigh.org)*

*End*

## The Fort, Greencastle

Extract from "*Ancient Monuments of Inishowen, North Donegal*" by Sean Beattie.

In 1305 the Red Earl of Ulster, Richard de Burgo establish a base for Norman power in the Northwest with the building of a castle at Greencastle. It was at that time known as Northburg or Newcastle and in the Irish "Caislean Nua". This historic event is recorded briefly in the Annals of the Four Masters.

It was not long before the new castle was put to the test. In 1316, a fleet led by Edward Bruce set sail from Scotland with the intention of invading Ireland. One of the first places they attacked was Greencastle. They succeeded in taking it and Bruce was crowned King of Ireland in 1316. He fell from power later the same year and the castle was then returned to de Burgo. He remained in possession until 1333. In that year Richard de Burgo's grandson, William, the Brown Earl was murdered and Norman power in the Northwest came to an end.

The castle later fell into the hands of the O'Dohertys but in 1555, their power was threatened by Calvagh O'Donnell who brought an army of mercenaries from Scotland and declared war on Tir Connail. He attacked the castle with a new weapon called the 'gunna cam' (crooked gun in Irish) and then laid seige to the castle at Enagh, just outside Derry. Both castles were very badly damaged in these attacks. The incidents are recorded in the Annals of the Four Masters and they state that the two castles were demolished. The fact that the castle today lies in ruins is largely due to these attacks.

It then became the property of Sir Arthur Chichester who carried out some repairs and made it habitable for some troops. Later it was leased to a William Newton but by the year 1700, it was a total ruin. In 1835, John O'Donovan wrote as follows: "The ruins of this castle still remaining show it was one of the strongest and most important fortresses in all Ireland."

The Castle has stood for almost seven hundred years but has undergone many reconstructions. A number of features are clearly visible. The Gatehouse Tower at the Southwest end dates from the fourteenth century. It is a seven-sided structure and from here a vaulted passage led into the castle center. The remains of a circular stone stair can be seen inside along with a garderobe. The remains of seventeenth-century ovens can be seen on the right within the gatehouse; these were used by the Chichester garrison.

The Polygonal Tower at the north end has walls twelve feet thick. The remains of narrow slit windows can also be seen. A large stone tower juts out from the north wall and this was one of the structures added by O'Doherty in the sixteenth century. No excavation has been carried out on this site.

## From the Book

### "A COMPENDIUM OF IRISH BIOGRAPHY"

COMPRISING SKETCHES OF DISTINGUISHED IRISHMEN, EMINENT PERSONS CONNECTED WITH IRELAND BY OFFICE OR BY THEIR WRITINGS by ALFRED WEBB, Published DUBLIN: M. H. GILL & SON, SACKVILLE-STREET (1878)

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## Thomas Dogherty

Dogherty, Thomas, an eminent special pleader (translate: lawyer), was born in Ireland about the middle of the 18th century. He was a self-made man, having in early life received but a slender education, and his legal knowledge was almost altogether acquired in after hours, while employed in the office of the distinguished lawyer, Mr. Bower. Besides *History of the Pleas of the Crown*, he was the author of the *Crown Circuit Companion* and other valuable legal works. The *Gentleman's Magazine* says of him: "The most estimable part of Mr. Dogherty's character was his private worth, his modest and unassuming manners, his independent mind, his strict honour and probity." Intense application greatly impaired his health. He died at his chambers, Clifford's Inn, London, 29th November 1805.

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## John Doherty

Doherty, John, Chief-Justice of the Common Pleas (translate: laws), was born in Ireland about 1783. He was called to the Bar in 1808, and obtained a silk gown in 1823. In 1826 his reputation stood so high that Canning urged him to enter the House of Commons. Pledged to Catholic Emancipation, he was, after a severe election campaign, returned for Kilkenny. He at once made a marked impression, speaking with eloquence, pertinence, and fluency. As Solicitor-General, he encountered O'Connell on the case of the Doneraile Conspiracy in 1829. A breach ensued between them, and it is said that his reply to O'Connell's sharp invective in Parliament was the bitterest opposition speech the great tribune had ever to encounter. In 1830 Doherty was, by Lord Anglesea, appointed Chief-Justice of the Common Pleas. It is said that he was afterwards urged by Sir Robert Peel to give up this position and return to his support in Parliament, but he declined, saying that when he ascended the Bench, he had cut himself off forever from politics. In appearance the Chief-Justice was considered to bear a striking resemblance to his kinsman, Canning. He died suddenly of heart disease, at Beaumaris, Wales, 18th September 1850.

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## **Rules (and Tips) of the Road:**

### **Hand-held Mobile Phones and Driving**

It has been illegal to use a hand held mobile phone while driving since December 2003. Breaking this law, even if otherwise driving safely, can lead to a £60 fine. Drivers can be taken to court if the policeman thinks the offence was so bad that a fixed penalty fine is inadequate, especially if a crash occurs or an injury. or because the driver refuses to accept the fixed penalty, If this happens fines will almost certainly be larger.

### **At an Accident**

If your car is involved in an accident you need to take the following steps to ensure you do not break the law.

If, as a driver, you are involved in a road-traffic accident and one or more of the following occurs:

- a person, other than yourself, is injured
- damage is caused to another vehicle or to someone else's property
- an animal has been killed or injured, except in your own vehicle or trailer (an 'animal' is defined as 'any horse, cattle, ass, mule, sheep, pig, goat or dog')

#### **You must:**

- stop and remain at the scene for a reasonable period
- give your vehicle registration number, your name and address, and that of the vehicle owner (if different), to anyone with reasonable grounds for asking for those details

If you do not exchange those details at the scene, you must report the accident at a police station or to a police constable as soon as you can, and in any case within 24 hours.

**Where injury is caused** to another person, then in addition to the above you must:

- Produce your certificate of insurance, if anyone at the scene has reasonable grounds to see it.
- If you do not, you must report the accident at a police station or to a constable as soon as you can, and in any case within 24 hours
- If you don't have your certificate of insurance, you may take it to the police station you elect within seven days of the accident.
- Reporting the accident to the police by telephone is not sufficient and you cannot ask someone else to report for you. You're obliged to do these things not only when you are directly involved in an accident, but also if your vehicle's 'presence' was a factor.

If you have any doubts, we advise you to complete the above steps as soon as the accident happens, regardless of who was at fault. Even if there was no personal injury involved, if someone holds you responsible for the accident, they have the right to request your insurance details. This request can be made later; it does not necessarily have to be at the time of the accident. A failure to provide that information without a reasonable excuse is also an offence.

Failure to do so can give your insurance company the right to refuse to cover you in the future.

### **Notify Your Insurer After an Accident**

It is almost certainly a condition of your insurance policy that you notify your insurers as soon as possible after an

accident. However, to be certain check your policy documents. If so, you will need to tell them regardless of whether or not you intend making a claim under your policy.

When making a claim you should follow the policy's instructions, which you will normally find in the policy itself or, occasionally, in a separate document.

### **Car Hire**

Quality of service and potentially expensive pitfalls in agreements, insurance and car-checking has improved little over these recent years. Vacationers, particularly at peak season when rental desks are hectic, are too often vulnerable to accidental or deliberate over-charges. Renting a car over the Internet gives some opportunity to examine contracts, agreements and procedures before committing money. Otherwise, paying with a credit card may provide some protection against a rip-off.

#### **Eight pieces of advice when renting an auto:**

- 1- *Before booking your auto, ask for a copy of the terms and conditions of the rental agreement.*
- 2- *You should familiarize yourself with the rules of the road of the countries you intend to drive in.*
- 3- *Ask for their procedures should it break down and get an emergency number to call.*
- 4- *On getting to the car, you should check for the presence of emergency equipment. If it's not there, ask the rental firm to provide it (spare tire, tire jack, warning flares or signs).*
- 5- *Also look around the car and check for damage that may be wrongly attributed to you later. Video tape or photograph the outside, too. If the car is dirty, insist that it be washed as this may reveal scratches better. Photograph it when you return it, as well, to prevent overcharging for any repairs.*
- 6- *Check all the switches, indicators and other controls. If any are unfamiliar or don't work, ask the rental firm for guidance*
- 7- *Ask for an auto without hubcaps. They are easy targets for thieves and costly for you to replace. If you can not get an auto without hubcaps, take them off and put them in the trunk.*
- 8- *Check with the rental company for the proper type of fuel that will be needed for the car. Cars are changing rapidly and are using a variety of fuel types and blends.*

### **Which Car Fuel?**



Also, ask how you are to identify that right fuel when at a refueling station.

You may also want to let your rental company know the type of driving that you are during so they can recommend the best type of fuel and auto for you. Will you be

doing a lot of long expressway driving or a lot of short trips? Ask to see if there are any hybrids available and if they would be good for you to rent.

### **Misfuelling**

It's estimated that at least 150,000 drivers put the wrong fuel in their car each year – one every three and a half minutes! And the scale of the problem has been getting bigger too, especially over the last five years with growth in diesel car sales – particularly on rented cars.

*If you've put the wrong fuel in your car, don't turn on the ignition or start the engine as this will begin to circulate the contaminated fuel and increase the risk of damage and cost of repair.*

### **Child Restaining Seats**

Choosing where to carry your child in the car (front or back?):

- Children are best carried in the rear.
- If it's just you and one child in the car then it might be best to use the front. The closer contact can be less distracting for you and more reassuring for the child.
- If you're using a forward-facing restraint on the front-passenger seat, move the seat well back on its runners.
- Remember that the driver is responsible in law if a child is being carried and not wearing an available seat belt or restraint.
- A child under three years may not travel unless suitable child restraints are available.**

### **Infant Carriers (Group 0 and 0+)**

*Child size (age): Birth to 10kg or 13kg (approx 9 or 12 months)*

Newborn babies can't support their heads until the age of about six weeks so child seats for this group must be "rear-facing", designed to support the head, neck and back evenly.

As a rule, it is better to keep children in a rear-facing restraints for as long as possible.

### **Child Seats (Group 1)**

*Child size (age): 9 to 18kg (approx 9 months - 4 years)*

Seats in this weight-range commonly consist of a seat shell attached to a frame. The child is held into the seat by an integral five-point harness and the frame is usually attached to the car by using the adult seatbelts.

- look for seats marked 'Group 1,2 and 3'
- Look for a seat that's easy to adjust for you'll be letting-out or tightening the harness often as your child grows or you adjust for seasonal clothing changes.

Fitting the adult belts correctly around the frame and making adjustments so that the installation is tight takes time and effort.

- Incorrect fitting of a child seat is a common problem.
- Ask the renter to demonstrate how to fit the seat correctly.
- Child seats must be fitted tightly and securely
- Harnesses should lie flat on the child



### **Booster Seats (Group 2)**

*Child size (age): 15kg upwards (from approx. 4 years)*

Booster seats are light and popular with children. A happy child is less likely to distract you while you are driving.

- The adult lap and diagonal seat belt will restrain both the child and seat – there's no integral harness for the child.
- Some 'booster seats' incorporate a removeable, integral five-point harness so that they can be used for the younger weight range (Group 1) too. Look for seats marked Groups 1,2, and 3.
- The diagonal part of the belt should lie across the child's shoulder, not against the neck.
- The lap part of the belt should lie across the top of the child's thighs, not around the abdomen.
- Belts should lie flat on the child – avoid twists, which can increase the loads on the child in a crash.
- Never pass the diagonal part of the belt under the child's arm.

### **Booster Cushions (Group 3)**

*Child size (age): 22kg upwards (from approx. 6 years)*

- Booster cushions are designed to fit securely on a car seat. You must not use an ordinary cushion as these cannot be secured and will fly out from under your child in an accident.
- The child is restrained using adult belts that also hold the booster cushion in place by passing around moulded 'ears' at its rear.
- Make sure that the diagonal belt passes across the child's shoulder rather than neck, and that the lap belt passes across the top of the child's thighs.
- Some booster cushions are fitted with an additional strap and clip that can be used to lower the over-shoulder height of the diagonal part of the seat belt. This can improve the fit of the belt and the child's comfort by pulling the belt away from the child's neck.

### **Road Breakdowns**

If you've broken down it can be hard and often dangerous to stop. Here are our tips on how to stop safely and call for help.

Motorway hard shoulders are for emergency use only. You should only stop if it is a real emergency and you have no other choice. It's best to try to drive to a safer place off the motorway if you can, rather than stopping on the hard shoulder. **You must not stop on the hard shoulder to change drivers, use a mobile phone, read a map.**

What if an emergency forces you to stop while on an expressway? Then pull onto the hard shoulder and stop as far to the left as possible, with your wheels turned to the left. Leave your side-lights on and use your hazard flashers. Leave the vehicle by the left-hand door and ensure all your passengers do the same. Leave any animals in the vehicle or, in an emergency, keep them under proper control on the verge. If you have reflective jackets in the vehicle wear them. Do not use a reflective triangle.

Ensure that passengers keep away from the traffic and off the hard shoulder, and that children are kept under control. It is best to retreat up the bank, or behind a barrier if this is possible. Don't attempt even simple repairs.

Once you're in a safe place use a mobile phone to call for service. making sure you can describe your location – look for the new Driver Location Signs (pictured on page 18) which will help service personnel to pinpoint your location. There are also reference numbers on all telephones and marker posts.

If you must walk to a phone, never attempt to cross the expressway. You can locate a phone by following the arrows on the posts – the phone is free and connects directly to the police/Highways Agency. Give full details to the police; also inform them if you are a vulnerable motorist, such as a woman traveling alone.

If you feel at risk from another person, return to your vehicle by a left-hand door and lock all doors. Leave your vehicle again as soon as you feel this danger has passed.

If you cannot get your vehicle onto the hard shoulder

- Do not attempt to place any warning device on the expressway.
- Switch on your hazard warning lights.
- Leave your vehicle only when you can safely get clear of the expressway.

If you have a disability which prevents you from following the advice above, stay in your vehicle, switch on your hazard warning lights, call emergency services if you have a phone.

#### **A Breakdown On Other Roads**

If you need to stop for an emergency and you are on a normal road, the advice is a bit different. Get your vehicle off the road if possible. Pulling into a parking lot or driveway is advised. If you are on the shoulder of the road, warn others by using your hazard warning lights, particularly if your vehicle is causing an obstruction. If you have any fear that your vehicle may be struck by other traffic make all your passengers get out of the car and get well away from the traffic.

Only if it is safe should you attempt to fix your auto yourself on the side of a road.

If you have one, put a warning triangle or other permitted warning device on the road at least 45 meters (50 yards) behind your broken down vehicle. Always take great care when doing this.

- Keep your sidelights on if it is dark or visibility is poor.
- Do not stand (or let anybody else stand), between your vehicle and oncoming traffic.
- At night or in poor visibility do not stand where you will prevent other road users seeing your lights.
- Use your mobile phone, or any other available phone, to summon assistance. Make sure you know where you have broken down.

If you had used a warning triangle remember to retrieve it, with care, when the breakdown is over.

## **Grianan of Aileach**

Situated as a commanding presence on top of Greenan Hill (803ft/245m) between Lough Swilly and Lough Foyle near Speenogue village. This stone fort dates back 2000 years and is a fine example of stone forts in Ireland, as well as being the seat of power of the great O'Neill clan.

Situated 7km west of Derry, Grianan of Aileach is a impressive stone ringfort with surrounding earthworks perched on the summit of Greenan Mountain. The name Grianan of Aileach has been variously translated as "Stone Palace of the Sun", "Fortress of the Sun" and "Stone Temple of the Sun". Although heavily restored, there are no doubts as to the antiquity of the site as it is one of only five Irish locations marked on Ptolemy of Alexandria's 2nd century map of the world.

The earthworks are the remains of a large hillfort that once enclosed the hill top. This is thought to have been built in the Late Bronze Age or Iron Age. The ramparts of the hillfort have been eroded by time and only hints of their former stature remain, but recent accurate surveys show that there were two sets of ramparts, an inner and outer. A hillfort with more than one enclosing wall is termed as multivallate and of the 50 or so known Irish hillforts, Grianan of Aileach is the only multivallate example to be found in the north of country. About a third of Irish hillforts have burial mounds or cairns within them that predate the fort itself, Grianan of Aileach is no exception with the site of a destroyed "tumulus" only 40m SE of the cashel itself.

The stone ringfort also known as a caher or cashel, is thought to have been built in the early years AD. Not only is a strategic place, It is both a holy and royal place. it is said that St Patrick preached here in 450 AD and baptised Eoghain, founder of the McLaughlin and O'Neill clans. In later years it became the seat of the northern Ui Neill. That kingdom consisted of three parts, Cineal Chonaill, Cineal Enda and Cineal Eoghain.

According to the Irish Annals, royal Grianan of Aileach was destroyed in 1101 by Murtagh O'Brien, the ruler of the Fifth of Munster, as a reprisal for the Ui Neill's destruction of his royal seat at Kincora some thirteen years before. The account tells that O'Brien would settle for nothing less than complete destruction of the Ui Neill stronghold and ordered each of his soldiers to carry away a stone from the fort as they departed. Yet once more the old place was fated to be used as a temple, but this time by people of a different faith. During the dark and evil days of the penal code the Catholic people assembled here for Mass 'in spite of dungeon fire and sword.'

Although the cashel looks very intact today, this is largely the result of restoration carried out between 1874 and 1879 by Dr. Walter Bernard, a Derry antiquarian. The restored sections seem to include just about anything over than 1m above ground. It was also recently restored within the last 2 years by a government project that added cement and mortar, destroying much of the splendor of it being an example of an dry-stone construction. There is a citizen action committee asking that it be redone correctly.

**As an American, do I need a passport to travel to Ireland?** Yes. You'll require a valid US passport to enter The Rep of Ireland or Northern Ireland. For further information, contact The Embassy of Ireland at (202) 462-3939 ([www.irelandemb.org](http://www.irelandemb.org)) or The British Embassy in the US at (202) 588 6500 (<http://ukinusa.fco.gov.uk/en>).

**Will I be able to read the road signs in Ireland?** Most road signs in Ireland are in Irish and English. In a few Irish-speaking areas, they're in Irish only. Ireland is migrating to the metric system, you'll see new green & white signs in kilometers and older black & white signs in miles. Most signs in NI are in miles.

**Is Smoking Prohibited in Ireland?** In the Rep of Ireland, smoking is now banned in pubs, restaurants and cafés. It's legal to smoke outdoors, and in private hotel rooms. Smoking is still allowed in pubs and restaurants in NI.

**What kind of currency is used in Ireland?** The Euro is the currency of The Rep of Ireland, while the Pound Sterling is used in NI. ATMs are widely available today in cities. All Irish ATMs

accept Plus/Visa or Cirrus/Mastercard. Most American credit cards are accepted in hotels, restaurants, gas stations, etc.

**Do I need medical insurance to travel in Ireland?** It is highly advisable to have your own medical insurance when traveling in Ireland. Check with your insurance carrier about your coverage before visiting.

**What are the rules on driving in Ireland?** Driving in Ireland is done on the left-hand side (often called by Americans "the wrong side") of the road. You can drive legally with a valid US license. Seat belt wearing is required for all car occupants, and children under 4 must have appropriate child restraints. **Be aware that there has been a major crack-down on speeding and drunk driving in Ireland in recent years.**

**What's the Irish climate like?** Quite simply, it rains a great deal. Showers, however, are often short and the temperature is generally mild. In summer, temperatures range from 60 – 70 degrees fahrenheit, while fall and spring days are usually about 65 degrees. Winter temperatures are often in the mid forties fahrenheit, and snow is rare.

**When are pubs, banks and stores open?** Most stores are open from 9am – 6pm Monday to Fridays, and many stay open until 8pm on Thursday evening. Pubs open from 10:30am to 12:30am on Friday and Saturday and until 11:30pm other nights. Some pubs with music stay open until 2am. Banks are open Monday-Friday 10am-4pm (until 5pm in Dublin). In small towns, banks often close for lunch from 12:30pm-1:30pm.

**Tipping:** The customary tip in Ireland is 10 to 20 per cent. Many hotels and restaurants add it in the form of a service charge on the menu or bill. It's not customary to tip in pubs unless you have table service. Tipping porters, taxi drivers, hairdressers etc is a good idea.

**What taxes do I have to pay?** Ireland has a value added tax (VAT) that can be as high as 21% on some goods. The tax in restaurants is 17%. You may be entitled to a refund as a non-European Union visitor to Ireland on goods bought in stores that display a "tax free shopping" sign in the window. To obtain a refund, complete a valid tax refund document on departing the European Union. A customs officer must validate your document.

## Around Inishowen

### Lodging Services

#### -The Strand Hotel, Ballyliffin

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 76107  
Web: [www.ballyliffin.com](http://www.ballyliffin.com)

#### -The Ballyliffin Hotel

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 76106  
Email: [info@ballyliffinhotel.com](mailto:info@ballyliffinhotel.com)  
Web: [www.ballyliffinhotel.com](http://www.ballyliffinhotel.com)

#### -The Ballyliffin Lodge

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 78200  
Email: [info@ballyliffinlodge.com](mailto:info@ballyliffinlodge.com)  
Web: [www.ballyliffinlodge.com](http://www.ballyliffinlodge.com)

#### -Ballyliffin Self Catering

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 76498  
Email: [rossaor@gofree.indigo.ie](mailto:rossaor@gofree.indigo.ie)

#### -The Glen House, Clonmany.

Country Accommodation & Licensed Restaurant  
Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 76745  
Web: [www.glenhouse.com](http://www.glenhouse.com)

#### -Caiseal Mara Hotel, Moville.

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 82600  
Email: [info@caisealmarahotel.com](mailto:info@caisealmarahotel.com)  
Web: [www.caisealmarahotel.com](http://www.caisealmarahotel.com)

#### -The Carlton Redcastle Hotel

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 85555  
Email: [info@carltonredcastle.ie](mailto:info@carltonredcastle.ie)  
Web: [www.carltonredcastle.ie](http://www.carltonredcastle.ie)

#### -McGrory's of Culdaff

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 79104  
Email: [reservations@mcgrorays.ie](mailto:reservations@mcgrorays.ie)  
Web: [www.mcgrorays.ie](http://www.mcgrorays.ie)

#### -The Malin Hotel

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 70606  
Email: [info@malinhotel.ie](mailto:info@malinhotel.ie)  
Web: [www.malinhotel.ie](http://www.malinhotel.ie)

#### -Foody's Lodge, Quigley's Point

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 83428  
Email: [info@foodyslodge.com](mailto:info@foodyslodge.com)  
Web: [www.foodyslodge.com](http://www.foodyslodge.com)

#### -The Villa Rose Hotel Ballybofey

Tel: 00353 (0)74 91 32266  
Email: [info@villarose.net](mailto:info@villarose.net)  
Web: [www.villarose.net](http://www.villarose.net)

#### -Greencastle Cove Seaside Homes

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 81718  
Email: [info@greencastlecove.com](mailto:info@greencastlecove.com)  
Web: [www.greencastlecove.com](http://www.greencastlecove.com)

#### -The Harbour Inn

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 21810  
Email: [info@harbourinn.ie](mailto:info@harbourinn.ie)  
Web: [www.harbourinn.ie](http://www.harbourinn.ie)

#### -Emerald Holiday Homes

Bath Terrace, Moville.  
Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 82917  
(Mon - Fri, 9am - 5pm)  
Email: [holidayhomes@hmg.ie](mailto:holidayhomes@hmg.ie)

#### -Traditional Cottage, Self Catering

Slavery, Buncrana.  
Tel: 00353 (0)863200354

#### -Inishowen Lodge Bed & Breakfast

Ballyrattan, Redcastle.  
Tel: 00353 (0)7493 85653 or 0044 (0) 7740589598  
Email: [thompson@aol.com](mailto:thompson@aol.com)  
Web: [www.inishowenlodge.com](http://www.inishowenlodge.com)

#### -Inishowen Gateway Hotel, Buncrana

Tel: 00353 (0)74 93 61144  
E: [info@inishowengatewayhote.com](mailto:info@inishowengatewayhote.com)  
W: [www.inishowengatewayhotel.com](http://www.inishowengatewayhotel.com)

#### Other Useful Contact Numbers:

**Inishowen Tourism:** 00353 (0)74 93-74933

**Northwest Tourism:** 00353 (0)74 91 21160

#### Other Useful Websites:

**Donegal Tourism website:**

[www.donegaldirect.com](http://www.donegaldirect.com)

**Donegal County Council website:**

[www.donegal.ie](http://www.donegal.ie)

**Discover Ireland Website** (for Northern Ireland and the Republic):  
[www.discoverireland.com](http://www.discoverireland.com)

**Official Website of the Irish Hotels**

**Federation:** [www2.irelandhotels.com/discoverireland](http://www2.irelandhotels.com/discoverireland)

**Derry Tourism website:**

[www.countyderry.com](http://www.countyderry.com)

**"Visit Inishowen" website:**

[www.visitinishowen.com](http://www.visitinishowen.com)

**Information on fishing in Ireland:**

[www.infowing.ie](http://www.infowing.ie)

**Horse Riding in the Area:**

### Driving from Dublin Airport to Bunrana, Inishowen:

Distance: 155.17 miles, Time: 3 hr 42 min

	0.00	Start out in the Airport exit route		127.05	At traffic signals continue forward onto the A5
	0.18	At roundabout take the 2nd exit Signposted Way Out, Hotels		127.42	At Bradley Way roundabout take the 1st exit onto Bradley Way - A5 Signposted Belfast
	0.54	At Airport Roundabout take the 2nd exit Signposted Dublin, Belfast		127.66	At Lifford Road Roundabout take the 2nd exit onto Barnhill Road - A5 Signposted Londonderry
M1	1.05	At roundabout take the 1st exit, then join the M1 motorway Signposted Belfast		130.24	Continue forward onto Victoria Road - A5 Entering Ballymagorry
	16.06	At Junction 7 continue forward onto the M1 toll motorway		134.06	Continue forward onto Victoria Road - A5 Entering Bready
	18.94	M1 Toll Plaza		136.57	Continue forward onto Victoria Road - A5 Entering Magheramason
N53	46.24	Leave the M1 at junction 17, then at roundabout take the 1st exit onto the N53 Signposted Castleblayney		138.03	Continue forward onto Victoria Road - A5 Entering New Buildings
A37	52.97	Continue forward onto Concession Road - A37(You are entering Northern Ireland)		140.87	Continue forward onto Victoria Road - A5 Entering Londonderry
	55.36	Continue forward onto Concession Road - A37Entering Cullaville		141.21	Turn left
N53	56.37	Continue forward onto the N53(You are entering the Republic of Ireland)		A2 141.23	At roundabout take the 1st exit onto the A2 Signposted City Centre, Bunrana
	60.42	Bear left onto the N53Entering Castleblayney		141.39	Lower Craigavon Bridge
	60.62	Turn left onto the N53 Signposted Dublin, Derry N2		141.46	Turn right onto Foyle Road - A2
N2	61.15	At roundabout take the 3rd exit onto the N2 Signposted Derry onto Castleblayney Bypass		141.56	At Foyleside Roundabout take the 3rd exit onto Foyle Embankment - A2 Signposted Bunrana, Moville
	64.81	At roundabout take the 2nd exit onto the N2 Signposted Derry		142.04	At Harbour Square roundabout take the 3rd exit onto Queen's Quay - A2 Signposted Bunrana, Moville
	69.53	At roundabout take the 2nd exit onto the N2 Signposted Derry		142.42	At Queens Quay Roundabout take the 2nd exit onto Strand Road - A2 Signposted Bunrana, Moville
	75.44	At roundabout take the 2nd exit onto the N2 Signposted Derry onto Monaghan Bypass		143.03	At traffic signals continue forward onto the A2
	76.37	At roundabout take the 1st exit onto the N2 Signposted Derry		143.18	At Pennyburn Roundabout take the 1st exit onto Bunrana Road - A2 Signposted Letterkenny, Bunrana
	76.97	At roundabout take the 2nd exit onto the N2 Signposted Derry		143.52	At traffic signals continue forward onto the A2
	81.04	Continue forward onto the N2 Entering Corracrin		144.33	At The Branch Roundabout take the 2nd exit onto Bunrana Road - A2 Signposted Bunrana
	82.75	Continue forward onto Main Street - N2 Entering Emyvale		145.01	At Skeoge roundabout take the 1st exit onto Bunrana Road - A2 Signposted Bunrana, Letterkenny
A5	87.19	Continue forward onto Monaghan Road - A5 (You are entering Northern Ireland)	N13	145.89	Continue forward onto the N13(You are entering the Republic of Ireland)
	88.06	Continue forward onto Mill Street - A5Entering Aughnacloy		146.20	Continue forward onto Grove Road - N13 Entering Bridge End
A28	88.14	Turn left onto Moore Street - A28 Signposted Omagh	R239	146.57	At roundabout take the 2nd exit onto the R239
A5	88.59	Continue forward onto Tullyvar Road - A5 Signposted Omagh		147.78	Continue forward onto the R239 Entering Burnfoot
	91.97	Continue forward onto Tullyvar Road - A5 Entering Ballygawley	R238	148.07	Continue forward onto the R238 Signposted Bunrana
A4	92.07	Turn right onto Annaghilla Road-A4 Signposted Belfast, Omagh A5		150.77	Continue forward onto the R238 Entering Fahan
A5	92.16	At Ballygawley Roundabout take the 1st exit onto Omagh Road - A5 Signposted Omagh		152.39	Lough Swilly
	106.81	Continue forward onto the A5 Entering Omagh		152.69	Continue forward onto Beacon Hill - R238Entering Lisfannan
	107.19	At Crevenagh roundabout take the 1st exit onto the A5 Signposted Londonderry, Strabane		153.32	Continue forward onto Derry Road - R238Entering Bunrana
	108.13	At traffic signals continue forward onto Great Northern Road - A5 Signposted Strabane		154.50	At roundabout take the 1st exit onto Railway Road - R238
	109.23	At Derry Road Roundabout take the 2nd exit onto Beltany Road - A5 Signposted Strabane		155.17	Arrive on Saint Oran's Road, Bunrana
	122.24	Continue forward onto Mulvin Road - A5 Entering Victoria Bridge			
	124.06	Continue forward onto Melmount Road - A5 Entering Sion Mills			
	125.66	Continue forward onto Melmount Road - A5 Entering Strabane			
	125.79	At Melmount Rd roundabout take the 1st exit onto Orchard Rd Ind. Est.-A5 Signposted Londonderry onto Strabane Bypass			