

# MILITARY HISTORY SOCIETY OF IRELAND

## WEEK-END OUTING 2015

### WEST CORK

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Over an extended week-end, Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2015, the Society will visit locations of military significance in West Cork. Included will be visits to Charles Fort, Dunboy Castle, Bear Island (Ardagh Martello Tower, Lonehort Fort and Reenduff Battery), Kilmichael, Beal na Blath and Crossbarry.

2. **Programme:** (timings based on coach movements)

#### Saturday 23 May 2015

10.00 hrs Depart Cathal Brugha Barracks, Rathmines, Dublin by coach.  
13.30 hrs Arrive Charles Fort, Kinsale, Co Cork.  
13.45 hrs Lunch at Charles Fort.  
14.30 hrs Talk on Fort. (President).  
16.30 hrs Depart for Bantry, Co Cork.  
18.15 hrs Arrive at Maritime Hotel, Bantry and check in.

#### Sunday 24 May 2015

09.00 hrs Depart hotel for Beara Peninsula, Co Cork.  
10.00 hrs Timothy Charles Harrington Monument, Castletownbere. Talk on renowned local figures. (Fachtna O'Donovan, retired local Garda Sergeant).  
10.35 hrs Depart Castletownbere for Dunboy Castle  
10.50 hrs Arrive Dunboy Castle, Castletownbere. Talk on Castle. (Col D O'Carroll)  
12.00 hrs Depart Dunboy Castle.  
12.15 hrs Arrive at Castletownbere ferry for 12.30 hrs departure to Bear Island.  
13.00 hrs Lunch at The Look Out Restaurant on Bear Island.  
13.45 hrs Board mini-buses and visit Ardagh Martello Tower, Lonehurt Fort, Reenduff Battery and, time permitting, Derrycreeveen Battery. (Dr P McCarthy)  
17.00 hrs Arrive at ferry for 17.15 hrs departure.  
17.30hrs Depart for Bantry.  
18.30 hrs Arrive Maritime Hotel.  
20.00 hrs Communal dinner in Maritime Hotel, Bantry, Co Cork.

#### Monday 25 May 2015

08.45 hrs Check-out of hotel.  
09.20 hrs Board bus  
09.30 hrs Depart Bantry for Kilmichael for talk on battle. (Dr P McCarthy).  
11.00 hrs Depart Kilmichael for Beal na Blath for talk on ambush. (Dr P McCarthy).  
12.00 hrs Depart Beal na Blath for Bandon.  
12.30 hrs Lunch at The Munster Arms Hotel, Bandon.  
13.00 hrs Depart Bandon for Crossbarry for talk on battle. (Dr P McCarthy).  
14.30 hrs Depart Crossbarry for Dublin.  
17.30 hrs Arrive Cathal Brugha Barracks, Dublin.

#### ADMINISTRATION

**3. Coach:** The engaging of a coach will depend on there being sufficient demand. The cost per person is €45. Those travelling by coach may park their cars in Cathal Brugha Barracks provided that car registration numbers are included on the application form. (Based on AA website, the cost of petrol for a car would be

**4. Private cars:** For those travelling in private cars, the rendezvous will be: Charles Fort, Kinsale on **Saturday** at 13.30hrs: and at the Maritime Hotel, Bantry on **Sunday** and **Monday** at 09.00 hrs each day.

**5. Accommodation:** The Society has booked a limited number of rooms at The Maritime Hotel, Bantry at a discounted price. The cost is €115 per person sharing for two nights' bed and breakfast and a communal dinner. Single supplement is €25 per night. Early booking (you to hotel) is advised. Telephone 1890 300 107 or (027) 54700, and quote '**Military History Society of Ireland**' when booking. **Rooms held for the MHSI at the discounted price will be released by the hotel on 30<sup>th</sup> April to the general public at normal rates if not already booked by members of the Society.**

**6. Meals:**

Lunch

Saturday. Charles Fort, Kinsale.  
Sunday: The Look Out, Bear Island, Castletownbere.  
Monday: The Munster Arms Hotel, Bandon.

Dinner

Saturday: Make your own arrangements. Options include Maritime Hotel and a number of restaurants in Bantry.  
Sunday: The Maritime Hotel. In accordance with custom, Sunday evening dinner will be communal. Cost is included in hotel package price. For those staying elsewhere, the cost of dinner in the hotel for this occasion is €25 **payable to the Society** with the application attached.  
Dress Jacket and tie for communal dinner.

**7. Divine service:**

RC Mass times St Finbarr's Church, Chapel Street: Saturday 18.15hrs, Sunday 09.00hrs  
CoI: Church of Saint Brendan the Navigator, Wolfe Tone Square: 08.15hrs.

**8. Registration:**

Week-end: €30. This includes ferry fare to, and mini-bus fare on, Bear Island) in addition to the usual overhead and administrative costs. Registration for part of the weekend tour is €20. Students/children is €15.

9. **Dress:** Moderate walking/steps involved. Rainwear and comfortable shoes advised.

10. **Badges/Car stickers:** Badges will be issued to all who register. Car stickers will be issued for those who require entry to Cathal Brugha Barracks by car.

11. **Maps:** Discovery Series 1:50,000 Numbers 84, 85 and 86.

12. **Non-members:** Are welcome and may apply in the usual way.

13. **Cancellations:** Refunds for cancellations will not be considered, save in exceptional circumstances, after Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May.

14. **Application form:** An application form is enclosed. Cheques/POs should be made payable to: **MHSI**. Applications should be with the organiser by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May

15. **Annual subscription:** If unpaid, your annual subscription to the society may be included with your remittance.

**16. Application to be returned to:**

Comdt Paul Mullally  
11 Ashton Grove  
Knocklyon  
Dublin 16

**to reach him NOT later than Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May.**

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**WEEK-END OUTING – THE DESMOND REBELLION – 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> May 2015.**

## 1. I require:

Registration for \_\_\_\_\_ adult(s) @ €30<sup>1</sup> for week-end (€20 for part of weekend) € \_\_\_\_\_

Registration for \_\_\_\_\_ student(s)/children @ €15 p.p. € \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s), Saturday @ €7.00 p.p. € \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s), Sunday @ €7.50 p.p. € \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s), Monday @ €9.00 p.p. € \_\_\_\_\_

Coach for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s) @ €45<sup>2</sup> p.p. € \_\_\_\_\_Communal dinner for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s) @ €25.00 p.p. € \_\_\_\_\_<sup>3</sup>  
(only for those **NOT** booked into The Maritime Hotel).

Military History tie \_\_\_\_\_ @ €12 each € \_\_\_\_\_

2. I enclose annual subscription, €32.00 (Tick  if already paid) € \_\_\_\_\_3. I enclose cheque/postal order (payable to **MHSI**) for €

## 4. To assist the organiser, please state the accommodation arrangements you have made:-

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Name: (Block capitals) \_\_\_\_\_ Rank/Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Landline \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Car registration \_\_\_\_\_ Make/Model/Colour \_\_\_\_\_

Any special dietary requirements \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete and return to Comdt Mullally so as to reach him NOT later than Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May.**<sup>1</sup> Includes €10 for ferry to/from Bear Island and transportation in mini-buses on island.<sup>2</sup> According to AA Ireland, the cost of petrol alone for a medium sized car for the journey from/to Dublin would be €125.<sup>3</sup> Do **NOT** include payment for the communal dinner if you are booking the hotel package referred to in paragraph 5 on page 2 as that package includes the cost of the communal dinner.