## County Carlow Calendar of Events 2023

JANUARY 2023			
"Taking a Field and Making a Garden" Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2023 Time: 2 p.m.	Delta Sensory Gardens Strawhall Estate Carlow R93 Y959	Fed up of your garden? Want a new look for 2023? Lots of fantastic ideas on plant combinations, design and colour which can be incorporated into any sized garden. TJ is an expert gardener and artist, his skill with colour displays his talent. This is certainly an event not to be missed.	T: 059-9143527 E: info@deltacentre.org W: www.deltasensorygardens.ie Admission €8 includes admission to Delta Sensory Gardens
Pan Cheilteach, National Song Contest Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2023 Time: 7.30 p.m.	VISUAL & George Bernard Shaw Theatre Old Dublin Road Carlow R93 A3K1	Newly composed songs 'as Gaeilge' from across the country will go head-to-head in this prestigious national song contest, to find Ireland's entry for the Pan Celtic International Song Contest 2023. The composer of the winning song will receive a cash prize of €1,000 and go forward to represent Ireland at the Pan Celtic International Song Contest.	T: 087-2857048 / 085-1340047 E: pancelticcarlow@gmail.com W: www.panceltic.ie
FEBRUARY 2023			
Snowdrop Month in Altamont Gardens  1 <sup>st</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2023  9.00 a.m. – 4.30 p.m. daily FREE guided tours Mon-Fri at 2 p.m.	Altamont Gardens Tullow Co. Carlow R93 N882	A great opportunity to view this unique collection, first started by Corona North, former owner of the gardens. Having been further developed by the OPW over the last twenty years, the collection is now amongst the largest in Ireland, with over 150 named varieties. This 40-acre estate, on the banks of the River Slaney near Tullow features an enchanting blend of formal, informal and wild gardens. Guided tours take place each Monday - Friday throughout February at 2 p.m. and group tours are also available by appointment. The gardens are open daily for general viewing from 9 a.m. – 4.30 p.m. Now in its 22nd year, this is one event on your gardening calendar that you cannot afford to miss. Advance booking of group tours requested. Sugar and Spice Café located in the Walled Garden is open daily serving hot drinks and delicious cakes.	T: 046-942386 E: altamontgardens@opw.ie W: www.carlowgardentrail.com Guided tour and general admission: FREE Car parking fee: €2 per vehicle
Snowdrop Month in Arboretum's	Arboretum Home and	Come and see the snowdrops in Arboretum's Inspirational	T: 059-972 1558
Inspirational Gardens at Arboretum	Garden Heaven	Gardens. Arboretum's founder, Rachel Doyle, created the	E: info@arboretum.ie
Home and Garden Heaven	Leighlinbridge	gardens in 2010 to inspire her customers. Rachel likes to say	W: www.arboretum.ie

1st – 28th February 2023 Daily  Snowdrop Gala 2023 at Ballykealey House Saturday 4th February 2023 €100 admission  Registration at 8.45  Teas/Coffees/Scones available during registration.	Co Carlow R93 P9XF4  Ballykealey House Ballon Co Carlow R93 A9K1	that the snowdrops wake up the Inspirational Gardens, as they are the first to flower every year; and there is something different every month after that. There are a few thousand snowdrop bulbs in the gardens made up of Galanthus 'Flore Pleno', which produces dainty fragrant double-white flowers, and the pure white Galanthus 'Mount Everest', a large, strong variety perfect for naturalising. In the shop, find an array of potted snowdrops including 'Mount Everest' and the common snowdrop 'Nivalis'.  Celebrating the Snowdrop and Other Spring Treasures Speakers: Troy Scott-Smith (UK), Sissinghurst Castle Garden. Iris Ney (Germany), Garden Design, Garden Tours and Lecturer.  Tickets: €100 - includes morning teas and afternoon tea, lunch, lectures and plant sales at Altamont Plant Sales - plus a tour of the snowdrop collection at Altamont Gardens.  This is a limited numbers event and bookings will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Nurseries attending include Avon Bulbs via Altamont Plants, Coosheen Plants, Gortkelly Nursery, Fields of Bloom, Assumpta Broomfield, Rosabell Plant Supports and Esker Farm Daffodils (Dave and Joules Hardy). This is an opportunity to buy rare and unusual bulbs and other spring-flowering perennials.  Payments can be made online on www.altamontplants.com through PayPal via sales@altamontplants.com or by credit card, contact Robert Miller T: 087-9822135.	Book online www.altamontplants.com, through PayPal via sales@altamontplants.com or by credit card, contact Robert Miller T: 087-9822135.  Or  Hester Forde T: 086-865 4972 E: hesterforde@gmail.com
Snowdrop Weekends in Huntington Castle Every Saturday & Sunday in February 2023 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Huntington Castle and Gardens Clonegal Co Carlow Y21 K237	Snowdrop fun for all the family is on offer each weekend during Snowdrop Month at Huntington Castle, listed as one of the top six gardens to visit in Ireland's Ancient East. These historic, 17th century grounds feature a collection of snowdrops and crocuses to be enjoyed in a unique setting. Along with the snowdrop collection you can view the French	T: 053-9377160 E: info@huntingtoncastle.com W: www.huntingtoncastle.com  Book online at www.huntingtoncastle.com

Made in Carlow Art Gathering Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	39 Tullow Street Carlow R93 VK46	limes on the avenue, the lawns to the side of the house, the fish ponds on either side of the centre walk through the wilderness and the Yew Tree Walk. After the gardens head back to the castle where a guided tour of the house provides a window into both its fascinating past, and the lives of the family who call the castle home today – or simply take a well-earned break in the tea rooms. To get the full Huntington experience consider a stay in one of their beautiful castle rooms or self-catering cottages. Children's adventure playground also open.  Made in Carlow's "Art Gathering" welcomes a collection of female artists at the Made in Carlow Shop on Tullow Street on February 5 <sup>th</sup> , in celebration of St Brigid's Day 2023.	T: 087-614 9874 E: whyweneedart@gmail.com
ToonTok February 4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> 2023 Show Times: 11 a.m., 1 & 2.30 p.m. Show Duration: 40 minutes	Rathwood Rath Tullow Co. Carlow R93 X3F9	Come see your favourite characters come to life with this fun packed Big Top musical show Watch your best-loved characters and our presenters perform all your favourite songs along with popular TikTok dances in this singalong extravaganza! Have the best time ever with singing, dancing and meeting all your favourite characters.  You better get ready to show us YOUR Tik Tok Dance moves too – because we will be looking for Movers and Groovers of all ages. And yes that includes the Mammies and Daddies Each child will also receive two free funfair tokens for Rathwood Funfair to enjoy on the day!	T: 059-9156285 E: reception@rathwood.com W: www.rathwood.com If you have any question about wheelchair access, please contact reception@rathwood.com

Matchmaker Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 8 p.m. (Doors open 7 p.m.)	Big Top at Rathwood Rath Tullow Co. Carlow R93 X3F9	Michael Scott's iconic production of John B. Keane's hilarious dramatic comedy THE MATCHMAKER, plays the Big Top at Rathwood as it celebrates its 21 <sup>st</sup> year on tour. Fresh from her success in Michael Scott's Production of "Shirley Valentine" by Willy Russell, Norma Sheahan, one of Ireland's leading dramatic actresses joins Jon Kenny (D'Unbelievables) in this iconic production. Together they play a myriad of characters in this hilarious and early dramatic comedy. The play follows the efforts of Dicky Mick Dicky O'Connor to make matches for the lonely and lovelorn. Using his inimitable way with words and his sense of "bewilderment" and wit, Keane delves into the longings, hungers, fears and foibles of his collection of lonely country people and creates a marvellous colourful world, taking us back to a simpler time, when phones were few and far between and the only web was one left behind by spiders.	T: 059-915 6285 E: reception@rathwood.com W: www.rathwood.com If you have any question about wheelchair access, please contact us on reception@rathwood.com  General Admission: €27
March 2023			
Borris House Point to Point Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 Gates Open: 11.00 a.m. First Race: 13.00 a.m.	Borris House, Borris, Co. Carlow R95 Y2T1	Set amongst the picturesque Blackstairs Mountains, the racetrack is located close to the parade ring, bookies, final fence and the finish line making it extremely accessible for all of the family to view the day's action.  The point to point is located on the grounds of the beautiful Borris House which is one of the few intact living Irish estates that can trace its history back to Brehon times, and the royal ruling families of ancient Ireland. The estate is the family home of the 16 <sup>th</sup> generation of McMorrough Kavanagh's and still contains the majority of its original furniture, paintings, documentary archives and other historic family artefacts.	T: 086-1992457 E: info@p2p.ie W: www.gop2p.ie Admission: €10
ST PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.	Potato Market Carlow Town	SPRAOI FAOIN AER/ST PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL  Celebrate Lá Fhéile Pádraig 2023 in Carlow with an afternoon of family fun and entertainment - music, song and dance; kiddies carousels; bouncy castles, street entertainment; walkabout clowns, magicians and jugglers; choral singalong; street food, coffee, ices and lots more from 2 – 5 p.m. in Potato Market.	T: 059-9130411 Carlow Tourism E: info@carlowtourism.com W: www.carlowtourism.com

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADES	Carlow - afternoon	ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE – THROUGHOUT COUNTY	Times to be confirmed
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Graiguecullen,	CARLOW	
	Bagenalstown	Ireland's national feast day is celebrated throughout County	
	Ballon	Carlow with a series of parades in honour of St. Patrick, the	
	Borris	patron saint and national apostle of Ireland. Parades take	
	Tullow	place in Carlow, Graiguecullen, Bagenalstown, Ballon, Borris	
		and Tullow.	
DAFFODIL WEEKEND AT DELTA	Delta Sensory Gardens	DAFFODIL WEEKEND AT DELTA SENSORY GARDENS	T: 059-9143527
SENSORY GARDENS	Strawhall Estate	Delta Sensory Gardens invites all to experience their "host	E: info@deltacentre.org
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Carlow	of golden daffodils". The gardens boast one of the country's	W: www.deltasensorygardens.ie
9 a.m. – 5 p.m.	R93 Y959	most plentiful collections, numbering over 10,000 bulbs in a	
		wide range of varieties. Treat yourself to seasonal planted	
		containers and bedding plants in the on-site garden centre or enjoy a light lunch in the beautiful on-site restaurant Café	
		Thyme.	
		Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., weekends and public	
		holidays 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. All proceeds from the garden	
		admissions for the weekend go to ÉIST, Carlow Cancer	
		Support Group.	
FLEADH CHEOIL CHEATHARLACH	Leighlinbridge, Co. Carlow	FLEADH CHEOIL CHEATHARLACH	Facebook : Fleadh Cheoil Cheatharlach
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March – Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April		This year's Fleadh will kick off with a special performance	
2023		from the group "Nasc", featuring Tara Breen (fiddle), Pádraig	
		Rynne (concertina) and Jim Murray (guitar).	
		Competitions will be held on Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> April, beginning	
		with the "Fun Fleadh" for all primary school musicians,	
		followed by official Comhaltas competitions in the	
		afternoon.	
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RATHWOOD'S EASTER EGGPERIENCE	Rathwood	RATHWOOD'S EASTER EGGPERIENCE	<b>T</b> : 059-915 6285
April 2023 – dates to be confirmed	Rath	Get ready to join the Easter Bunny for an action-packed egg hunt. The Easter Bunny is up to his usual tricks of hiding	E: info@rathwood.com
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	Tullow Co. Carlow R93 X3F9	Easter Eggs as well as some other things that do not belong to him. We join our family as they prepare for an Easter Egg adventure. But something is not right and it looks like the family will have to hunt for more than Easter eggs In a musical show full of dance and songs that's all splashed with colour images, the children (and the grown-ups) will have to help find the hidden Easter eggs and whatever else the Easter Bunny has hidden.	W: www.rathwood.com  Dates to be confirmed
EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA AT DELTA SENSORY GARDENS Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Delta Sensory Gardens Strawhall Estate Carlow R93 Y959	EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA AT DELTA SENSORY GARDENS Join Mr Hop — the Easter Bunny and his friends for some egg-citing family fun. Tasty lunches, treats, snacks and tea/coffee available in the on-site Café Thyme. Delta Sensory Gardens are set on a 2.5 acre site with sixteen interconnecting gardens, with Easter the perfect time to discover the foliage and plants of the spring and early summer period.	T: 059-9143527 E: info@deltacentre.org W: www.deltasensorygardens.ie
PAN CELTIC INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL 2023 Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Throughout Carlow Town	The International Pan Celtic Festival is a celebration of the celtic cultures of Ireland, Wales, Scotland, Brittany, Isle of Man and Cornwall in music, song, dance, languages, costumes, sport and story. This year's festival has an exciting programme of events to keep everyone entertained, including street performances, a parade, live music and competitions.  Musicians and choirs, singers and dancers, bands and storytellers from the participating celtic nations will come together to share their language and culture at this great family-friendly Easter event.	T: 059-9158105/087-2857048 / 085-1340047 E: pancelticcarlow@gmail.com W: www.panceltic.ie
MAY 2023			
ANNUAL OAK PARK CLASSIC CAR SHOW Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> May, 2023	Carlow Rugby Club	ANNUAL OAK PARK CLASSIC CAR SHOW	T: 089 2173407 E: carlowvintageclassic@gmail.com W: carlowvintageandclassicmotorclub.com

BIKE WEEK CARLOW	Throughout Carlow	BIKE WEEK CARLOW	
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2023		Bike Week is a celebration and promotion of all that's great about bikes and cycling. From free bike checks to fun cycles, heritage cycles, electric bike races, school cycling events, bike festivals and road races there's lots to enjoy during Bike Week in Carlow. There is something for every age and ability.	T: 059 - 913 6247 E: carlowsportspartnership@carlowcoco.ie W: https://carlowsports.ie/bike-week/
RARE AND SPECIAL PLANT FAIR	Huntington Castle,	RARE AND SPECIAL PLANT FAIR	<b>T</b> : 053 - 9377160
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Clonegal,	Huntington Castle hosts its 21 <sup>st</sup> Rare and Special Plant Fair.	E: info@huntingtoncastle.com
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Co. Carlow	With over 30 stalls of rare and unusual plants, you will gain inspiration and get expert advice direct from the growers.  Attendees avail of Free Car Parking and Free entry to Huntington Gardens. A plant creche and porter service (donations welcome) will be available. Enjoy teas, coffee, cakes and lunch options.  Admission – €7	W: huntingtoncastle.com
JUNE 2023			
CARLOW GOLF CLUB - A FESTIVAL OF	Carlow Golf Club	CARLOW GOLF CLUB - A FESTIVAL OF GOLF 2023	T: 059-9131695
GOLF	Deerpark	One of the most enjoyable events celebrating the start of	E: info@carlowgolfclub.ie
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> – Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Carlow Town	summer is the Carlow Golf Club Festival of Golf which features plenty of prizes, team spirit and a friendly welcome.	W: www.carlowgolfclub.ie
GOLF PRO-AM TOURNAMENT	Carlow Golf Club	CARLOW GOLF CLUB –PRO-AM GOLF TOURNAMENT 2023	T: 059-9131695
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Deerpark	Players wishing to enter a team should contact Damien	E: info@carlowgolfclub.ie
	Carlow Town	McGrane, resident PGA Professional at Carlow Golf Club.  Presentation of prizes will take place after play with a dress	W: www.carlowgolfclub.ie
		code in place. Please see Carlow Golf Club website for	
		further details.	
	Laois, Carlow and Kildare	GORDON BENNETT CLASSIC ROAD RUN	T: 086-2625999
GORDON BENNETT CLASSIC ROAD RUN Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Laois, Carlow and Kildare		T: 086-2625999 E: info@gordonbennettclassic.ie W: www.gordonbennettclassic.ie

CARLOW CLUB REGATTA Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Carlow Rowing Club Barrow Track Carlow Town	race. This historic route offers visitors many interesting and scenic locations in the region, while celebrating and discovering, "The Race that saved Motor Sport".  CARLOW ROWING CLUB REGATTA  One of the oldest rowing festivals in the country celebrating its 164 <sup>th</sup> year in 2023. Eights, quads and scull racing from 9	E: secretarycarlowrowingclub@gmail.com
BAGENALSTOWN IN BLOOM Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Bagenalstown Co. Carlow	BAGENALSTOWN IN BLOOM Bagenalstown in Bloom, now in its second year, features flower arranging workshops and displays along with helpful tips to make the perfect hanging basket and garden tours of the wonderful Barrow Experience Gardens in the BEAM Centre on Sunday. Demonstrations of wood turning and Borris Lace along with live music form part of the festival programme. If you haven't had a chance to take a trip on An Bád Keppel, then this is the perfect opportunity to experience the River Barrow from a totally different perspective at a very relaxed pace.	E: bagenalstown.info@gmail.com W: www.facebook.com/bagenalstownig
BRAHMS' GERMAN REQUIEM	Carlow Cathedral	BRAHMS' GERMAN REQUIEM	T: 087-9422608
& RTE Orchestra	College Street Carlow Town	Carlow Choral Society is holding their summer concert Brahms' German Requiem on the Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June. The Choral Society Choir will be accompanied by the RTE	E: carlowchoralsociety@gmail.com W: www.carlowchoralsociety.net F: facebook.com/CarlowChoralSoc
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2023		Orchestra.	
BARROW DRAGON BOAT REGATTA Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 9 a.m.	River Barrow Carlow Town Park Carlow Town	BARROW DRAGON BOAT REGATTA  Come along and enjoy or participate in the unique spectacle of dragon boating as the Irish Dragon Boat Association brings one of its dynamic and colourful events to the River Barrow, Carlow Town. No previous experience required. Carlow Dragon Boat Club can be contacted at carlowdragonboats@gmail.com	E: info@dragonboats.ie W: www.dragonboats.ie
CARLOW ARTS FESTIVAL Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> - Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Grounds of Carlow College, College Street, Carlow Town	CARLOW ARTS FESTIVAL 2023	E: info@carlowartsfestival.com W: www.carlowartsfestival.com F: https://www.facebook.com/CarlowArtsFestival/

BORRIS FESTIVAL OF WRITING AND IDEAS Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2023  COUNTRY FEST 2023 AT RATHWOOD Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 Booking: Online at https://www.rathwood.com/events	Borris House Borris Co Carlow  Big Top Rathwood Forest Rath Tullow Co. Carlow R93 X3F9	The festival displays a vibrant programme of events featuring a dynamic range of entertainment and arts and transforms Carlow into a cultural hub.  BORRIS FESTIVAL OF WRITING AND IDEAS The Festival of Writing and Ideas will mark its eleventh year in 2023, bringing a weekend of stimulating dialogue and discourse, gathering together intriguing international minds – historians, novelists, journalists, film-makers, poets, theatre directors, war correspondents, biographers, artists and political commentators – for a weekend of stimulating dialogue and discussion. The Borris House Festival has become known for its languid and laid-back feel – selected as Best Literary Festival in the World 2019 by the Telegraph and Net-a-Porter.  COUNTRY FEST 2023 Des Willoughby Promotions presents Country Fest At Rathwood. Following it's phenomenal success last summer, Country Fest at Rathwood returns to the Rathwood Big Top in the unique surroundings of Rathwood Forest on Saturday 17th June 2023. Country music super star Derek Ryan and his band are back to headline this event along with a stellar line up including Louise Morrissey, Olivia Douglas, David	E: info@festivalofwritingandideas.com W: www.festivalofwritingandideas.com  T: 059-915 6285 E: info@rathwood.com W: www.rathwood.com
JULY 2023		James and Stacey Breen. Enjoy over five hours of country music and dancing on the Big Top dance floor.	
CARLOW GARDEN FESTIVAL 2023  Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> July – Monday August 7 <sup>th</sup> 2023	Throughout County Carlow	CARLOW GARDEN FESTIVAL 2023  The Carlow Garden Festival is a wonderful opportunity for budding and experienced gardeners and nature lovers to obtain practical advice from a range of informative workshops while visiting the many beautiful gardens in the county. With gardens in full bloom and with the majority of gardening work completed, the festival is the ideal time to relax, admire the work of others and make gardening plans for the coming months and year ahead.	T: 059-9130411 E: info@carlowtourism.com W: www.carlowgardentrail.com

AUGUST 2023			
DUCKETT'S GROVE CLASSIC CAR SHOW Sunday 13th August 2023	Duckett's Grove, Kneestown, Co. Carlow	DUCKETT'S GROVE CLASSIC CAR SHOW	T: 089 2173407 E: carlowvintageclassic@gmail.com W: carlowvintageandclassicmotorclub.com
OPEN AIR THEATRE AT LISNAVAGH Tuesday 15th August 2023 at 7.30 p.m.	Lisnavagh House Rathvilly Co.Carlow	OPEN AIR THEATRE AT LISNAVAGH The open-air theatre at Lisnavagh House returns this summer with Off the Ground's production of The Ballads of Billy the Kid, taking place in the beautiful grounds of Lisnavagh House.	T: 059-9161473 E: events@lisnavagh.com W: www.lisnavagh.com
HERITAGE WEEK 2023 Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2023	Throughout the County	HERITAGE WEEK 2023 Week of indoor and outdoor events celebrating the rich heritage the county has to offer and promoting awareness of our built, natural and cultural heritage. Activities range from fairs, night-time bat walks, wildlife tours and lectures to music recitals, historical re-enactments and outdoor activities.	T: 059-9129705 W: www.heritageweek.ie
TULLOW AGRICULTURAL SHOW 2023 Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> August 2022	Coppenagh, Tullow, Co. Carlow	TULLOW AGRICULTURAL SHOW  Tullow Agricultural Show is one of the most established agricultural shows in the country. The Tullow Show has something to interest both rural and urban visitors and young and old. Features food and craft halls, trade stands, competitions in horses, ponies, cattle, sheep, art and much more.	T: 087-0530887 E: tullowagrishow@gmail.com W: www.tullowagriculturalshow.com
CENTEMBER 2022			
COUNTY CARLOW GOLF CLASSIC 2023  Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Carlow, Bunclody Golf and Fishing Club and Mount Wolseley Hotel, Spa and Golf Resort	COUNTY CARLOW GOLF CLASSIC 2023 Carlow Tourism hosts its annual golf classic featuring three top quality courses - Carlow, Bunclody Golf and Fishing Club and Mount Wolseley Hotel, Spa & Golf Resort.	T: 059-9130411 E: info@carlowtourism.com W: www.carlowtourism.com/golfclassic From €160 per person featuring three rounds of golf, three lunches, gala dinner followed by entertainment and prize fund of €7,000.

CARLOW AUTUMN WALKING FESTIVAL Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> September – Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Blackstairs Mountains - south Carlow and surrounding towns and villages of Borris, Myshall, Rathanna and Ballymurphy	CARLOW AUTUMN WALKING FESTIVAL Carlow's majestic Blackstairs Mountains and River Barrow together with the charming villages of Carlow feature in this year's Carlow Autumn Walking Festival. The festival caters to all levels of walkers, from very experienced hill walkers out to enjoy an invigorating mountain trek to novices seeking some peace and tranquillity along more leisurely routes. There is a choice of over 15 different walks plus family activities and themed walks. Featured in the <i>Irish Times</i> "25 Outdoor Events to Keep You on Track in 2023"	T: 059-9130411 E: info@carlowtourism.com W: www.carlowtourism.com
OCTOBER 2023			
LISNAVAGH WELLNESS FESTIVAL Saturday, 14th and Sunday, 15th October - 11am - 6pm each day	Lisnavagh House Rathvilly Co.Carlow	The Lisnavagh Wellness Festival is a showcase for many teachers, musicians, facilitators, speakers, healers, thinkers and artists to share their gifts in community. The intention for the festival is to create a space for people to reconnect with themselves, each other and nature.  The Festival is an annual showcase of The Farmyard Lisnavagh - An Eco & Creative Retreat  Eat Sleep Breathe Create - Connecting people with themselves, each other and with nature.	T: 059-9161473 E: events@lisnavagh.com W: www.lisnavagh.com
DECEMBEER 2023			
LISNAVAGH CHRISTMAS MARKET Saturday, 2nd and Sunday 3rd December - 10.30am - 4.30pm each day	Lisnavagh House Rathvilly Co.Carlow		T: 059-9161473 E: events@lisnavagh.com W: www.lisnavagh.com