

MILITARY HISTORY SOCIETY OF IRELAND

SUMMER FIELD-DAY, 11 JUNE 2017

THE PORTLAOISE AREA

GENERAL INFORMATION

Because of difficulties in the matter of accommodation in Belfast, the weekend tour planned for early summer is being postponed until the autumn. The one-day field-day is being brought forward to June.

1. On Sunday 11 June, the society will visit Portlaoise where a guided tour will be conducted of the extensive remains of Fort Protector (the fort of Maryborough). We shall then proceed to the Pass of the Plumes, the site of the action in 1599 in which Owny MacRory O'More opposed the army of the earl of Essex, followed by a visit to the Rock of Dunamase.

2. Programme: (timings based on coach movements)

10.00 hrs	Coach leaves Cathal Brugha Barracks, Rathmines, Dublin 6
11.00 hrs	Tour of Fort Protector, Portlaoise
13.00 hrs	Lunch in the Heritage Hotel
14.15 hrs	Leave for the site of the Pass of the Plumes
16.00 hrs	Leave for the Rock of Dunamase
17.30 hrs	Leave for the Heritage Hotel
19.00 hrs	Dinner

ADMINISTRATION

3. Coach:

The engaging of a coach will depend on there being sufficient demand. The cost per person is €15.00. Those travelling by coach may park their cars in Cathal Brugha Barracks, provided that registration numbers are included on the application form.

4. Private cars:

For those travelling in private cars the rendezvous will be Fitzmaurice Place, Church Avenue, Portlaoise.

5. Meals:

Lunch: In the Heritage Hotel, €10.00, payable through the society.

Dinner: In the Heritage Hotel, €32.00, payable through the society.

6. Registration:

€10.00 per person. Students and children half-price

7. Dress:

Rainwear and walking shoes advised. There is a rough uphill walk of about 300m at Dunamase

8. Badges/Car stickers:

Badges will be issued to all who register. Car stickers will be issued as required and will be essential for entry to Cathal Brugha Barracks

9. Maps:

Ordnance Survey Discovery Series 1:50,000 Sheets 54 and 55

10. Non-members:

Are welcome and may apply in the usual way.

11. Cancellations:

Refunds for cancellations will not be considered, save in exceptional circumstances, after Monday, 5 June

12. Application form:

An application form is enclosed. Cheques should be made payable to **MHSI**.

13. Annual subscription:

If unpaid, your annual subscription of €32 to the society may be included in your remittance.

14. Applications to be returned not later than Monday 29 May to

Capt Padraic Keane

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1. I require:

Registration for _____ adults @ €10.00 _____

Registration for _____ students/children (half-price) _____

Coach for _____ persons @ €15.00 _____

Lunch for _____ persons @ €10.00 _____

Dinner for _____ persons @ €32.00 _____

Special dietary requirements

2. I enclose annual subscription, €32.00, (if not already paid) _____

TOTAL _____

3. I enclose cheque (payable to MHSI) for _____

Name: (Block capitals) _____

Address: _____

Telephone number: _____ Mobile: _____

Car registration number: _____ Make: _____

This pro-forma should be completed and returned to Capt Padraic Keane, address on previous page) NOT later than Monday, 29 June.