

# Cathal Buí Festival 2018

## BLACKLION COMMUNITY ARTS & HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Mon 25th June - Mon 2nd July



### MON 25TH JUNE

#### 'UNESCO Global Geoparks and Landscape Tourism'

A talk and presentation by Dr. Kirstin Lemon, Advisor and Assessor of UNESCO Global Geoparks and formerly Geopark Geologist with Cavan County Council. Kirstin imparts her expertise and enthusiasm for Geology and Geoparks to all audiences with a delightfully straightforward approach. This is an event not to be missed.

Market House, Blacklion 8.00pm  
Admission €5.00 Children FREE

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### TUES 26TH JUNE

#### Pottery Workshop for Children and/or adults facilitated by Jim Fee

Market House, Blacklion 6.30pm - 8.30pm  
Admission €5.00. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

### WED 27TH JUNE

#### Car Treasure Hunt

Through Scenic Cathal Buí Country Perpetual Cup and €100 of cash prizes.

Meet at Back Lane (Rear entrance to Blacklion Enterprise Centre)

First car out 7.30pm Last car out 8.30pm  
Entry Fee €10.00 per car.

*Please Note: Change of meeting point!*

### THURSDAY 28TH JUNE

#### 'Ireland's Pompeii: The Lost Village of Tobar'

Illustrated Presentation by Michael McLoughlin, Local Historian, Glenfarne. Come along and hear how a once prosperous little town, located between Blacklion and Dowra, vanished without trace in the space of 150 years. Michael believes that facts and figures should never spoil a good yarn, and the story of Tobar is certainly just that!

Market House, Blacklion 8.00pm  
Admission €5.00 Children FREE

### THURSDAY 28TH JUNE

#### Open Mic Session facilitated by Open Mic Manor

It's your chance to shine and share! The stage is open for anyone to get up and perform songs, tunes, poetry, stories or other sketches in an informal setting. The team from Open Mic Manor will be on hand for moral, musical and technical support but otherwise this event is up to you!

Market House, Blacklion 10.00pm  
Admission FREE

### FRIDAY 29TH JUNE

#### Family Quiz Evening

A light-hearted quiz suitable for all the family from youngest to oldest. Rounds to include local events and places, current affairs, trivia, pictures, dingbats, music etc. etc.

Question Master: Claire Maguire  
Prizes: 1st €50.00, 2nd €30.00, 3rd €20.00  
Maximum 4 adults per table.

MacNean Resource Centre, Blacklion 7.30pm  
Admission €10.00 per table

### SATURDAY 30TH JUNE MORNING

#### Family Centred Writing Workshops

Room 1: Creative Writing for Adults facilitated by Aidan McGourty. Please bring samples of your work.

Room 2: Poetry Workshop for Children facilitated by Stephen Murphy.

Market House, Blacklion 11.00am - 1.00pm  
Admission €5.00

### SATURDAY 30TH JUNE MORNING

#### A Walk Back in Time - Tour of Moneygashel with Séamus Ó hUllacháin

Visit our traditional homesteads, cashels, megalithic tombs, standing stones and even a rock shelter.

Meet at Gowlan Church 11.30 am  
Admission €5.00 Children FREE

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### SATURDAY 30TH JUNE AFTERNOON

#### Art Workshop for Adults with Edward McNulty

Meet at Belcoo Community Centre 2.00pm - 5.00pm  
Admission €10.00 Workshop will be taken outdoors if weather permits.

## SATURDAY 30TH JUNE AFTERNOON

### Sing Together Playshop

First ever singing playshop facilitated by Sarah Garden, Community Musician based in Co. Leitrim. A taster singing session open to all ages with songs from many genres including some "as Gaeilge".

Market House, Blacklion 2.00pm - 4.00pm

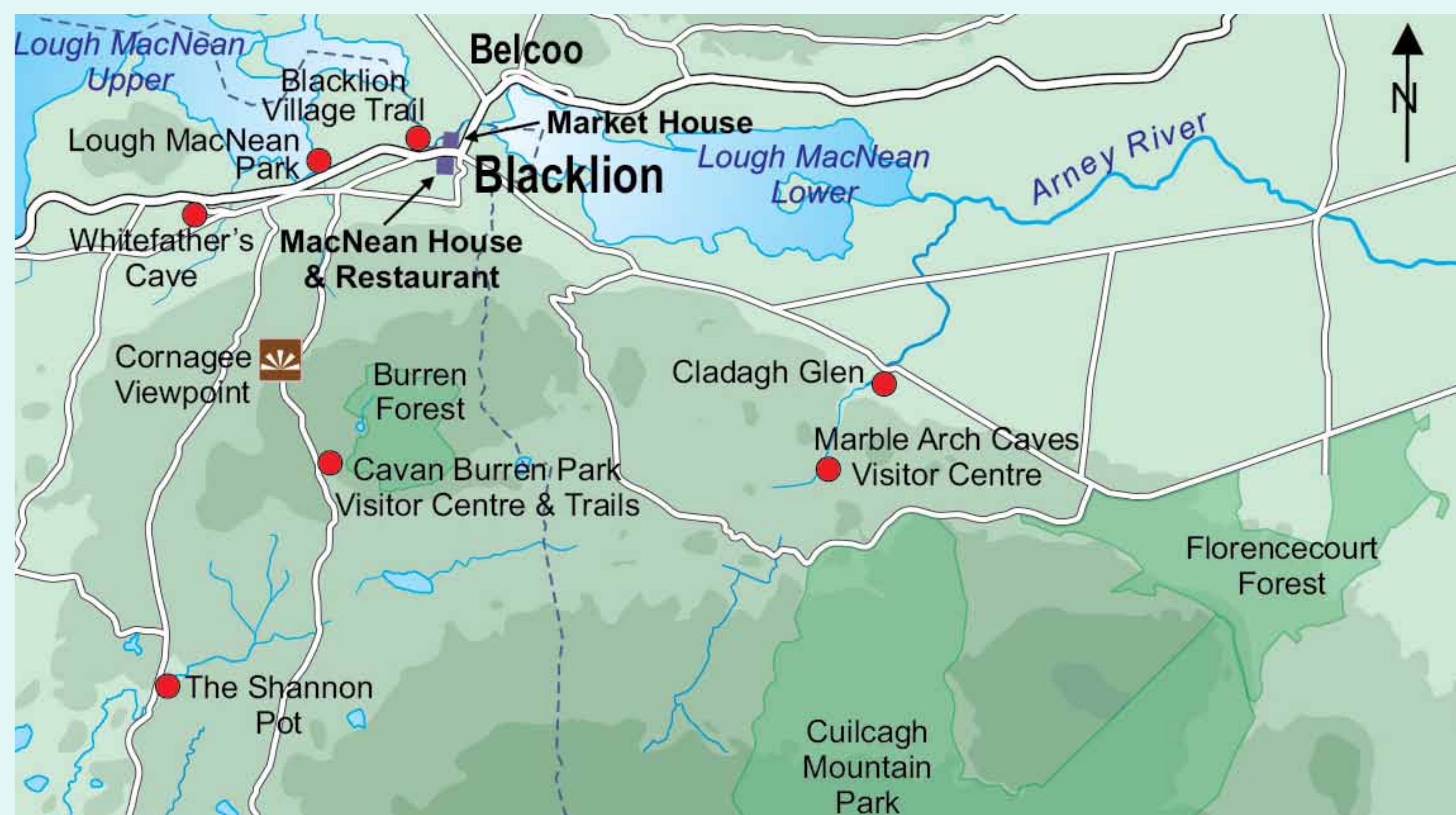
Admission €5.00

## SATURDAY 30TH JUNE NIGHT

### Celebrating the Legacy of Cathal Bui

An evening of Poetry, Prose & Music. Poetry Competition Prize winners will read their poems and be presented with their trophies. Followed by light refreshments and informal session of poetry, prose readings, music & singing with PJ Kennedy, Séamas MacAnaidh, Séamus Ó hUltacháin, Claire Maguire, Stephen Murphy, Joe McGovern & Family - local Traditional Irish musicians.

Market House, Blacklion 8.00pm  
Admission €5.00 Children FREE



## SUNDAY 1ST JULY AFTERNOON

### Exploring a Prehistoric Landscape

Walk and Talk in Cavan Burren Park with Séamus Ó hUltacháin. Explore one of the finest preserved prehistoric landscapes in Ireland containing megalithic tombs, hut sites and ancient stone-walled fields. Hear about giants and water horses and long lost rivers and seas and artificial lakes. Bring the children!

Meet at Cavan Burren Park Visitor Centre 1.45pm  
Admission Adults €5.00 Children FREE

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## SUNDAY 1ST JULY NIGHT

### Sunday Night Drama: "An Ordinary Man"

A one man show presented by Gerry Farrell, written and directed by John McDwyer and produced by Beezneez Theatre Company.

'The life journey of a simple sawyer through births, deaths and marriages with a bit of football and ballroom dancing thrown in for the craic.....there may be an ordinary man but there is no such thing as an ordinary life.'

MacNean Resource Centre, Blacklion 8.30pm  
Admission €12.00

## MONDAY 2ND JULY MORNING

### Geopark Safari

Mystery bus tour of Geopark sites. All-in cost €20.00. Bus Leaving Blacklion at 10.00am sharp Evening Meal on return in 'Jacks', Belcoo. Seats must be booked in advance.

Phone Ena 07198 53082 (Bookings only with Ena)

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## MONDAY 2ND JULY NIGHT

### Monster Raffle and Car Treasure Hunt Prize Giving

Lots of valuable sponsored prizes  
Frank Eddie's Bar, Blacklion 10.00pm  
Admission FREE

Raffle tickets on sale at all events and throughout the area during the festival.

## WEEKEND EVENTS

### Art Exhibition by MacNean Art Group & Friends

Thursday - Sunday. Exhibition will be mounted on Thurs afternoon.  
MacNean Resource Centre, Blacklion

### Childrens Artwork Exhibition

Facilitated by Jim Fee  
Artwork produced by local school children who participated in 'The Garvagh Lough Golden Way Walk Project'.  
Market House, Blacklion

**FULL PROGRAMME OF NIGHT-TIME ENTERTAINMENT IN LOCAL BARS DURING FESTIVAL**

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