

## 2019 CLAN GATHERING ITINERARY

### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September

16:00 PROMPTLY COACH DEPARTS FROM ROCHESTOWN HOTEL TO CASTLE HOTEL IN MACROOM WITH CROWLEYS RESIDING THERE.

If ROCHESTOWN residents wish, they may drive themselves to Macroom and take the coach back, leaving their cars at the Castle Hotel

14:00 - 18:00 Registration at Castle Hotel in Macroom

Note: FOOD ON YOUR OWN AT CASTLE HOTEL IS AVAILABLE ALL EVENING.

18:00 - 20:00 Cheese and Wine Reception at Castle Hotel followed by welcoming Ceremony

20:00 – 22:00 Castle Hotel with Dick Beamish, Guest entertainer followed by Irish Dancing Demonstration, concluding with an evening of Irish music by our own Larry Crowley and Kevin.

COACH WILL RETURN TO ROCHESTOWN HOTEL ABOUT 12:30 AM IRISH TIME!!

### Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September

9:00 PROMPTLY COACH DEPARTS FROM ROCHESTOWN HOTEL TO CASTLE HOTEL IN MACROOM WITH CROWLEYS RESIDING THERE.

9:30 - 10:30 Business Meeting and Website Information Meeting at CASTLE HOTEL

11:00 Departing on Buses from CASTLE HOTEL FOR TOURING.

11:30 Stop off at Kilmichael Ambush. Address by Local Historian. The Kilmichael Ambush was an ambush near the village of Kilmichael in County Cork on 28 November 1920 carried out by the Irish Republican Army (IRA) during the Irish War of Independence. Thirty-six local IRA volunteers commanded by Tom Barry killed seventeen members of the Royal Irish Constabulary's Auxiliary Division. The Kilmichael ambush was politically as well as militarily significant. It occurred one week after Bloody Sunday, marking an escalation in the IRA's campaign.

12:30 - 13:30 Visit to Barrett's Bar in Coppeen for Drinks and Sandwiches

14:30 Mass at O' Crowley Castle

16:30 Returning to CASTLE AND ROCHESTOWN HOTELS. **NOTE –TWO SEPARATE COACHES!**

18:30 PROMPTLY COACH DEPARTS FROM ROCHESTOWN HOTEL TO CASTLE HOTEL IN MACROOM WITH CROWLEYS RESIDING THERE.

Again, If ROCHESTOWN resident wish, they may drive themselves to Macroom and take the coach back, leaving their cars at the Castle Hotel

18:30                      Drinks Reception at Castle Hotel

19:30    Clan Banquet at Castle Hotel with speeches from Tim Crowley of the Michael Collins Centre Clonakilty and other Distinguished Guests

TWO COACHES WILL RETURN TO ROCHESTOWN HOTEL

ONE AT 11PM

ONE AT 1 AM (SUNDAY)

### **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

9: 30 PROMPT    COACH DEPARTS FROM ROCHESTOWN HOTEL TO CASTLE HOTEL IN MACROOM WITH CROWLEYS RESIDING THERE.

10:00 - 11:00              DNA Information Meeting at CASTLE HOTEL

11:30                      Departing on Buses from CASTLE HOTEL

12:00                      Visit to Gougane Barra, followed by tour of the area with information from a Local Historian. The name Gougane Barra comes from Saint Finbarr, who is said to have built a monastery on an island in the lake nearby during the 6th century. The present ruins date from around 1700 when a priest called Denis O' Mahony retreated to the island. During the times of the Penal Laws, Gougane Barra's remoteness meant that it became a popular place for the celebration of the Roman Catholic Mass. The nineteenth century oratory, which stands near the original monastery, is famous for its picturesque location and richly decorated interior and is a popular place for wedding photography.

14:00                      Road Bowling in Inchigeela, Drinks and sandwiches in Creedon's Hotel, followed by entertainment in Creedon's Hotel

18:00                      COACH RETURNS TO CASTLE HOTEL

Note: FOOD ON YOUR OWN AT CASTLE HOTEL IS AVAILABLE ALL EVENING.

20:00 TO ? ? Castle Hotel Final Gathering Celebrations at CASTLE HOTEL. featuring Irish music with Larry Crowley and Kevin.

APPROX. MIDNIGHT: COACH DEPARTS FROM CASTLE HOTEL TO ROCHESTOWN HOTEL WITH CROWLEYS RESIDING THERE

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### **DIRECTIONS TO ROCHESTOWN PARK HOTEL**

GPS Satellite Co-ordinates:

51.879425,-8.424863

### **FROM CORK AIRPORT & KINSALE**

- 1- TAKE N27 FROM CORK AIRPORT TOWARDS CORK CITY
- 2- AT KINSALE ROAD ROUNDABOUT , TAKE THE N40 EASTBOUND
- 3- TRAVEL ALONG N40 AND TAKE EXIT 9 SIGNPOSTED FOR RINGASKIDDY/CARRIGALINE/ROCHESTOWN
- 4- TAKE THE NEXT EXIT (R610) SIGNPOSTED FOR ROCHESTOWN, PASSAGE WEST, DOUGLAS
- 5- AT THE ROUNDABOUT TAKE THE 4<sup>TH</sup> EXIT SIGNPOSTED FOR DOUGLAS
- 6- TRAVEL ALONG THIS ROAD FOR ABOUT 1KM, ROCHESTOWN PARK HOTEL IS ON THE RIGHT HAND SIDE

## **FROM DUBLIN:**

1. APPROACHING CORK CITY, TAKE SOUTH LINK N40 TRAVEL ALONG N40 AND TAKE EXIT 9 SIGNPOSTED FOR RINGASKIDDY/CARRIGALINE/ROCHESTOWN
2. TAKE THE NEXT EXIT (R610) SIGNPOSTED FOR ROCHESTOWN, PASSAGE WEST, DOUGLAS
3. AT THE ROUNDABOUT TAKE THE 4<sup>TH</sup> EXIT SIGNPOSTED FOR DOUGLAS
4. TRAVEL ALONG THIS ROAD FOR ABOUT 1KM, ROCHESTOWN PARK HOTEL IS ON THE RIGHT HAND SIDE

## **FROM SHANNON AIRPORT:**

1. APPROACHING CORK CITY, FOLLOW DIRECTIONS TO "DUBLIN & WATERFORD" M8 /N25
2. TAKE TUNNEL - NORTH LINK – TO AVOID CENTRE CITY
3. FOLLOW EAST LINK - N 40 TOWARDS WEST CORK
4. TRAVEL ALONG N40 AND TAKE EXIT 9 SIGNPOSTED FOR RINGASKIDDY/CARRIGALINE/ROCHESTOWN
5. TAKE THE NEXT EXIT (R610) SIGNPOSTED FOR ROCHESTOWN, PASSAGE WEST, DOUGLAS
6. AT THE ROUNDABOUT TAKE THE 4<sup>TH</sup> EXIT SIGNPOSTED FOR DOUGLAS
7. TRAVEL ALONG THIS ROAD FOR ABOUT 1KM, ROCHESTOWN PARK HOTEL IS ON THE RIGHT HAND SIDE