



The theme for *The Walk of The Ancestors* 2017 is The Fenian Story in Kells and South Kerry.

2017 marks the 150th anniversary of the 1867 Fenian Rising. One of the most notable events that took place was the successful taking of Kells Coastguard Station. A prominent member of that rising was local man, John Golden from Kells. He was subsequently convicted of Treason and transported to Australia. He was eventually pardoned, settled in New South Wales and raised a family.

There is a rich history to this story both locally and internationally. The events taking place in *April* 2017 will consist of a series of historical lectures, a re-enactment of scenes from the story, songs, music and unveiling a plaque to John Golden.

We welcome local people and visitors alike to explore our history as we follow *The Walk of the Ancestors*.

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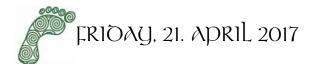


A celebration of local history, archaeology, folklore and tradition in Kells, Co. Kerry Ireland

> Lecture series - Music, Song & Dance Genealogy - Archaeology History - Walk



1867 - 2017 Commemoration of the Fenian Rising



Informal Evening Meal 6pm

at Caitíns Pub, Kells

(€15 - main course, dessert, tea/coffee. Limited places: Please contact Caitíns to reserve - Tel: +353 (0) 66-9477614)

Meet and Greet: 8pm

> Official Opening of the "Walk of the Ancestors" Weekend in Caitins Pub, Kells

In attendance:

Mr Richard Andrews.

Australian Ambassador to Ireland

Lectures

Dr. Shane Lordan.

University College Dublin:

"Fenianism in Ireland:its origins

and development"

Anne Golden:

"John Golden-South Kerry Fenian: His involvement in the rising and his transportation to Fremantle -Western

Australia"

Chris Robinson:

"Becoming a Gerringong Fenian"

10pm Music & Dance



SATURDAY, 22. APRIL 2017

Meeting Point at The Quarry Restaurant, 10am

Kells

Lecture

John O'Donoghue,

Former Government Minister: "The Fenians Political Legacy"

Unveiling of Commemorative 11am

Plaque of John Golden

Tea / Coffee

Walk & Drama 11.30am

"Walk of the Ancestors"

Walk the route where 'Kells Station was taken by the Boys of Filemore' followed by wreath laying at Kells Beach. (Weather permitting/ suitable clothing & footwear advisable)

1pm Lunch

at The Quarry Restaurant, Kells

(€7 Soup & Sandwiches. To facilitate lunch numbers please pre-order at morning

registration)

2pm Lectures

Pádraig Ó Concubhair:

"Kerry and the Fenian Rising -Did Cahersiveen Jump The Gun?"

Frank Golden:

"The Canadian Connection"

7pm **Informal Evening Meal**

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9pm Music, Dance & Fundraising Raffle



SUNDAY, 23. APRIL 2017

10am Mass for the Deceased members

of the Golden Family Worldwide:

Filemore Church

Tea / Coffee 11am

at The Quarry Restaurant

11.30am - 1.30pm

John Sheehan, Lecture

University College Cork:

"Iveragh: Johnny Golden's Cultural

Landscape"

followed by

Walk of 'The Golden Mile"

(Weather permitting. Suitable clothing & *footwear advisable)*

FRINGE EVENTS

• Australia: Song workshop based on the legacy of the 1867 Fenian Rising

• Kerry: Local National Schools Essay & Poetry Competition

Please note:

Sponsorship / Fundraising is ongoing. All donations greatly accepted!