

2pm - 6pm **Pool Party** - Ballina Riverside Park
Come and enjoy The Riverside Park and Playground, Walks & Outdoor Heated Pool. Fun for all the Family with a Pool Party & special Féile Family rates. Lifeguards on Duty.
Co-ordinated by Ballina Swimming Pool

4pm **Children's Fancy Dress Parade** - The Green, Killaloe to Between the Waters
Féile Brian Ború 2016 celebrates "King & Queens and heroes of old" so come along in costume and join in the parade dressed in a costume of your choice OR as a King, a Queen, a Viking, a Warrior, a Banshee or Fairy, or wear a costume commemorating 1916 and 100 years ago in Ireland. Open to all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult. *Please note: Adults can have fun dressing up too!* Followed by entertainment with the Armagh Rhymers - Between the Waters

5.00pm **Glamorous Granny, Best Dressed Lady, Most Fascinating Fascinator & Groovy Grandad Competitions** - Between the Waters
As part of Féile Brian Ború 2016, we will hold the following competitions:

GLAMOROUS GRANNY: Categories: Most Glamorous Granny; Funkiest Granny

BEST DRESSED LADY: Open to all Ladies over 16 years

MOST FASCINATING FASCINATOR: Open to any style of headwear and can be a self-creation or shop bought

GROOVY GRANDAD COMPETITION: Categories: Grooviest Grandad; 'Grandest' Grandad

So get your "glad rags" on and come along and take part, or just come along and watch the fun!

Registration from 4pm - 5pm Between the Waters.
Judging will take place from 5pm. Entry €3.00 per category.
Please note: No registration will take place once judging begins.
Prizes kindly donated by some of our local businesses.

5.30pm **Guided Tours of St. Flannan's Cathedral**
(See Thursday Listing)

5.30pm - 7pm **Sean nÓs Workshop** - Between the Waters
Come along and see out Féile Brian Ború 2016 with our free open air Sean nÓs workshop where we will be stepping it out mighty! Join in and learn a few steps or come along and watch the fun. There will also be a Sean nÓs dancing display to enjoy. Beginners & advanced welcome. Co-ordinated by Olive Kilgannon

Visit some of our local establishments during Féile Brian Ború 2016 and experience a range of excellent music, entertainment and food!
Check out our website for further details.

SPONSORS

(Sponsors at time of print - please check our website for a full list of 2016 sponsors.)

We would like to thank most sincerely all the main sponsors of the Festival:
Fáilte Ireland, Clare County Council, Tipperary County Council, Waterways Ireland, The Lakeside Hotel & Leisure Centre, Killaloe/Ballina 2014 and the Killaloe/Ballina Community & Family Resource Centre for their ongoing support, and to all the local businesses for their valuable sponsorship and support of Féile Brian Ború 2016.

GOLD SPONSORS:

Brian Ború Feis

Celebrating our Irish Dancing Tradition, the Feis will take place on Sunday 19th June at the Lakeside Hotel. For further details, see

www.munsterdancing.com

or contact **Mary Hogan: 061 376 595**
or **Sasha Morrissey: 086 866 8199**

Molly's Bar & Restaurant

Open 7 days a week with restaurant facilities, function room with balcony overlooking the lake, live music at weekends & nightclub.

www.facebook.com/mollysbarkillaloe

The Lakeside Hotel & Leisure Centre

The hotel has a stunning location on the banks of the River Shannon with a restaurant and bar overlooking the beautiful twin-towns of Ballina/Killaloe.

www.lakesidehotel.ie

The Killaloe Hotel & Spa

A unique 4 star hotel on the lush wooded shores of Lough Derg, where both guests and locals can dine on exquisite locally sourced cuisine prepared by expert chefs and unwind with fine wine, cocktails or craft beer.

www.thekillaloe.ie

Trident Holiday Homes

Self-catering holiday homes set on the shores of Lough Derg, just a short walk or drive from the centre of beautiful Killaloe.

www.tridentholidayhomes.ie

Wood Brothers Café

A café/restaurant located in the centre of Killaloe. Wood Brothers use fresh seasonal ingredients to create dishes that draw influence and flavours from around the world.

www.woodbrothers.ie

SILVER SPONSORS:

- ♦ Benson Box ♦ Bond Auto ♦ Brian Ború on the Hill ♦ Bridge House Studios ♦ E&G Hardware
- ♦ Kincora House B&B ♦ Quay Arts ♦ Reddan's Bar
- ♦ Technopath ♦ Whelan's Newsagent & Foodstore

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- ♦ Larkin's Gala ♦ ML's Hair Studio ♦ McKeogh's Hardware
- ♦ Ponte Vecchio ♦ Scoops Ice Cream Parlour ♦ Simply Delicious ♦ Supervalu ♦ The Cherry Tree ♦ TJ's Angling Centre ♦ Tuscany Bistro ♦ Walsh's Bar

We would also like to sincerely thank all those who give of their time and energy to support all aspects of the festival:

Ballina Swimming Pool, Irish Coastguard Killaloe, Killaloe Gardaí, Killaloe Library, Killaloe Fire Brigade, St. Flannan's Cathedral, Bryan Brislane, Mike McGrath Haulage, Smith O'Brien GAA Club, Ballina & Killaloe Tidy Towns Committees, Cllr. Phyll Bugler, Mike Durack, Fr. James Grace, Paul McGrath, Ronan O'Boyle, Cllr. Tony O'Brien, Ron O'Leary, Fr. Ted O'Rahelly, Rev. Gary Paulsen, Sadie Scanlan, our local schools, and anyone who gave of their time in any way in regards to this year's festival. We are very grateful.

NOTICES & PARKING RESTRICTIONS:

Event Changes: Due to circumstances beyond our control, events, or the location of events, may change in the lead up to the festival. However, we will try to inform you of these changes as quickly as possible, keep an eye on our website for updates!

Parking: For safety to all participating in & watching the events and to ensure ease of running we ask everyone to co-operate with the following parking restrictions.

The Green, Killaloe: From 8pm onwards on Fri 1st July to facilitate The Beat on the Street and from 4-4:30pm on Sun 3rd July to facilitate children's parade.

Between the Waters (Market area): From 6pm onwards on Sat 2nd July to facilitate Live Music & Fireworks and from 10am onwards on Sun 3rd July to facilitate Killaloe Farmers' Market, children's entertainment, competitions & live music.

Litter: Féile Brian Ború asks you to **Please Be Litter Aware!** Our thanks to our local tidy towns groups for all their help and support. A sincere thank you for your cooperation!

FÉILE BRIAN BORÚ 2016

Welcome to Féile Brian Ború 2016, our 23rd year and another great festival programme! This is a testimony to the huge community involvement in the festival down through the years, & for years to come! As well as commemorating Brian Ború in his native place, the festival celebrates all that is great about our twin-towns - our heritage, culture, traditions, artistic creativity, music and of course the stunning River Shannon.

We would like to welcome The O'Brien Summer School who have planned some great events commemorating King Brian Ború in conjunction with Féile Brian Ború.

We hope you will enjoy the festivities and the hospitality of the twin towns of Killaloe & Ballina.

THE FÉILE BRIAN BORÚ COMMITTEE

John Grimes, Chairman; Paddy Collins, Treasurer
& Arlene White, Secretary.

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23rd Annual Festival



FÉILE BRIAN BORÚ

Killaloe & Ballina

30th June - 3rd July 2016



PROGRAMME OF EVENTS



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COMPETITION

FÉILE BRIAN BORÚ 2016 PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Take a photo during Féile Brian Ború 2016 which shows off our festival and our great twin-towns and enter it in our new Photographic Competition. The winning photo(s) will appear on our Féile Brian Ború 2017 poster and a selection of other photos entered will form part of Féile Brian Ború 2017 advertising.

All photos must be printed and submitted by 15th July. Registration forms available on our website. Terms & conditions apply - see www.feilebrianboru.com for details.

DAILY EVENTS

Thursday 30th June - Sun 3rd July

Reeling in the Years - Bridge Street, Killaloe

Come along and view a fantastic slide show of old photos showing our beautiful twin-towns in years gone by! Slide show can be viewed in Crotty's window on Bridge Street.

Thursday 30th June - Sun 3rd July

100 years ago in my Hometown
- Art & Writing Competition in Schools

For the past few months, students in some of our local Primary Schools have been hard at work preparing for the Art & Writing Competition themed *100 years ago in my Hometown*.

The winning works will be on display throughout the festival period so go along and take a look at the work of some budding artists and writers in our community.

Writing Competition Winners displayed in Crotty's window, Main Street, Killaloe.

Art Competition Winners displayed in Bridge House Studios, Main Street, Killaloe - *Sponsored by Bridge House Studios.*

Prize giving for this event will take place on Wednesday 29th June in Killaloe Library @ 7pm. All are Welcome!

Friday 1st - Sunday 3rd July (12pm - 5pm)

'Aoibheal Art' - Quay Arts

An annual visual arts exhibition, which celebrates the work of local artists, under one roof! Runs from Friday to Sunday. *Sponsored by Quay Arts*

THURSDAY 30TH JUNE

3.30pm Guided Tours of St. Flannan's Cathedral

A fantastic opportunity to visit Killaloe's Historic 12th century Cathedral and learn its history. View the stunning East Window; the Romanesque Doorway - one of the finest examples of Romanesque Architecture in Ireland; climb the steps and try your hand at ringing the bells. *Tour Guide: Bryan Brislane.*

7pm 'Aoibheal Art' Exhibition Opening - Quay Arts, Ballina

The official opening of an annual visual arts exhibition. Exhibition will run at Quay Arts until Sunday 3rd July and can be viewed from 12pm-5pm. *Sponsored by Quay Arts*

9pm Fun Table Quiz - Brian Ború on the Hill, Ballina
Team Registration from 8:30pm; Quiz will start at 9pm sharp! €20 per table (max 4). Great prizes & fun guaranteed.

FRIDAY 1ST JULY:

12pm Guided Tours of St. Flannan's Cathedral
(*See Thursday Listing*)

8.30 - 10:30pm Féile Brian Ború Beat on the Street - The Green, Killaloe (*Please note earlier time*)
Come along and dance the night away with DJ Declan Hughes. Fun for all ages!

SATURDAY 2ND JULY:

9am - 6pm The O'Brien Summer School First International Symposium "The Era of Brian Ború" - St. Flannan's Cathedral
Ten expert Irish and British historians will bring Ireland's medieval history to life in this unique event with entertaining and informative talks co-ordinated by The Medieval History Research Centre, Trinity College, Dublin. Also includes a 2 hour guided tour of local historic sites, Buffet lunches and a wine reception.

Check out www.obriensummerschool.com for further details. If you are a Féile tourist or a resident of Clare or Tipperary you can register for half price (€30 per day) by emailing: tobssinformation@gmail.com
Co-ordinated by The O'Brien Summer School

10.30am Blessing of the Boats - Killaloe Canal (below Library)

11am - 6pm Craft Fair - The Killaloe Hotel & Spa
Clare Crafts presents work from top local craft people. Including Wood Crafts, Photography, Jewellery, Paintings, Cards Making, Castings, Soap, Ceramics. Admission Free.

11am Children's Art Competition & Family Fun - Killaloe Library
Followed by entertainment with the Armagh Rhymers, judging and prize giving. *Sponsored by Benson Box*

12.30pm Storytelling with Ruth Marshall - Killaloe Library
Come along and enjoy a 30 minute free storytelling session for all the family with Ruth, who tells gentle tales that will warm your hearts, and touch your souls.

1-5pm "Battle of the Paddle" SUP Relay Races - Killaloe Canal - Cathedral Quay, Killaloe
Come along and take part in "Battle of the Paddle" relay races with teams of 4 competing to become Féile Brian Ború SUP champions. Bring along friends or family to compete or come along and join up with a team on the day. Special Féile rate €15 per team of 4. Anyone over the age of 7 can compete. All teams must have at least one person over the age of 18. Not brave enough for cold water... Bring along your own wetsuit! Great fun guaranteed.
Co-ordinated by Soul SUP Killaloe - www.soulkite.ie

2-3pm Art Demonstrations - Quay Arts
Artists/tutors will demonstrate oil painting techniques, portraiture, ceramics, etc. Demonstrations will take place at 2pm & 3pm.

2pm Storytelling with Ruth Marshall - Cathedral Quay
(*See Saturday Listing*)

2.30pm - Live Performance with the Armagh Rhymers - Cathedral Quay
Come along and enjoy a performance with this fantastic group of entertainers easily recognised by their hand-made willow masks. Enjoy Mumming, poetry, music, drama and song. Great fun for all the family.

3pm Strut Your Mutt Féile Brian Ború 2016 Fun Dog Show - Cathedral Quay, Killaloe
We are delighted to give all you dog lovers an opportunity to show off your Best Friend. Categories include:

- Best Large Breed
- Best Small Dog/Bitch
- Handsomest Dog
- Prettiest Bitch
- Golden Oldie (6+ years)
- The Sweetest Puppy (under 1 year)
- Most Appealing Eyes
- Waggiest Tail
- Best Rescue Dog
- Best 6 Legs (Dog & Junior Handler)
- Dog the Judge would Most Like to Take Home

Entry: €3.00 per category. Registration can take place by submitting a registration form by Thursday 30th June or registering on the day from 1.30pm- 2:45pm. **PLEASE NOTE: No registrations will be taken once the show starts.** For registration forms or for further information, check out www.feilebrianboru.com; e-mail: info@feilebrianboru.com or Tel: 086/3586293.
All proceeds will go to Limerick Animal Welfare
Sponsored by Kincora House B&B

5.30pm The Shannon Swim - Start point: Pier Head Finish: The Bridge approx. 500 metres.
U'18's must have a Safety 3 or higher. All participants must be registered by Friday 1st July. Entry forms are available for download from our website www.feilebrianboru.com or by emailing:

info@feilebrianboru.com. *Participants wearing wetsuits are welcome but will not be included in prize giving.* Entry Fee: €2.50 pp

6.30 - 8.30pm Brian Ború BBQ - Flanagan's on the Lake
Come along and enjoy a substantial BBQ meal and Traditional Irish Entertainment. Tickets available at Flanagan's or online at www.obriensummerschool.com Adults: €15; children: half price.
Co-ordinated by The O'Brien Summer School

7.30pm Féile Mass - St. Flannan's Church, Killaloe

9-11pm Live Music with "The Prophets" - Between the Waters
Come along and enjoy live music with a rockin' local rock band.

11pm Féile Fireworks Over the Shannon
A big welcome back to Rocket Pyrotechnics Ireland, who will showcase a stunning Firework display over our beautiful River Shannon to celebrate Féile Brian Ború 2016. Not to be missed!
Sponsored by Féile Feis, The Killaloe Hotel & Spa, Molly's Bar & Restaurant, The Lakeside Hotel & Leisure Centre, Trident Holiday Homes & Wood Brothers.

SUNDAY 3RD JULY:

9.30am - 4pm The O'Brien Summer School First International Symposium - St. Flannan's Cathedral
(*See Saturday Listing*)
Co-ordinated by The O'Brien Summer School

11am U'8's Hurling Tournament - Smith O'Brien's GAA Pitch
Sponsored by Bond Auto

11am-3pm Killaloe Farmers Market - Between the Waters
Visitors and locals alike get an opportunity to sample the delights of our weekly Sunday Market.

1pm - 6pm Traditional Family Fun - Cathedral Quay
(last admission @ 5:30pm)
Guaranteed fun for all the family!

Entry: Family/Group Pass €5; payable at the Gate
A Family/Group pass entitles you to 10 tickets - activities which require a ticket are marked below

TRADITIONAL CRAFT EXPERIENCE (Ticket) - Try your hands at some traditional crafts that have been used since the time of Brian Ború by taking part in workshops in

- Copper Key Ring/Pendant Making
- Rustic Viking Faces

Workshops will run throughout the day and anyone can take part. A great, fun experience for all the family!

CRAFT CORNER - Stop by the Craft Tent and watch the "masters" at work demonstrating some ancient crafts including knitting, crocheting, sewing, spinning, and you can try your hand at some of these crafts. Adults & children welcome!
Co-ordinated by the Killaloe Library Craft Club

TRADITIONAL GAMES - Try your hand at some fun Traditional Games including; Coconut Shy (Ticket); Hoopla (Ticket); Tin Can Alley (Ticket); Giant Chess; Skittles; Giant Connect 4; and Milk the Cow.

HORSESHOE THROWING COMPETITION (Ticket) - Can you master the skill of this ancient game dating back over 2,000 years? Competition is open to adults & children.

WELLY WANGING (THROWING) COMPETITION (Ticket) - Can you become the Féile Brian Ború 2016 Welly Wanging Champion - Come along and try your hand at this ancient sport to see how far you can throw a welly - it's that simple (or is it)? Competition is open to adults & children.

KIDS SAND ART (Ticket) - Try a Sand Art workshop where you can create fantastic pictures using coloured sand. **This event is weather dependent and may be moved to an indoor location**

ARTS & CRAFTS TABLE - Let your creative side shine with our fun table for the smallies.

FACEPAINTING (Ticket) - Have some fun, or get ready for the Children's Fancy Dress Parade with free facepainting from 1pm - 5pm.

ANIMAL MAGIC - Come along to see a display of animals including Hawks, Falcons, Owls, Reptiles and more, giving you the opportunity to get up close and personal with a multitude of amazing creatures and to learn more about their lifestyles. Check out their web site www.animalmagic.ie

FUNNY PHOTO BOARDS - Did you ever wonder what you would look like as one of Brian Ború's soldiers? Come along and take your photo at one of our funny picture boards and upload to our Facebook page.

****For safety reasons (as there will be live animals on site) dogs are not allowed on the site****

Sponsored by Brian Ború on the Hill, E&G Hardware, Reddan's Bar, Technopath & Whelan's Foodstore & Newsagents.

2pm -5pm Féile Fest at The Lakeside Hotel

In the Lakeside's award winning landscaped gardens, enjoy live music, BBQ, kids' entertainment and lots of fun stuff for the whole family. **This event is subject to weather conditions.*
Sponsored by The Lakeside Hotel & Leisure Centre

2pm - 6pm Archery - Ballina Riverside Park
Used for hunting and combat at the time of Brian Ború, archery is now a versatile and fun sport where your strength and accuracy are tested to the full. Led by a team of friendly, experienced instructors, you will learn how to hold the bow and arrow and fire at a static target with the precision of an Olympian. Available to adults and children provided you are able to hold a bow. €2 p.p.