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*“The object of the Society shall be to locate, preserve, examine, publish and illustrate the antiquities, records and traditions connected with the territory comprised within the boundaries of the Ancient Kingdom of Meath, corresponding in the main with the modern Diocese of Meath”*

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**Meath Archaeological and Historical Society  
Programme of Events - 2018**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

Launch of *Ríocht na Midhe 2018*  
By *Most Rev Dr Michael Smith* (Patron)  
followed by lecture -  
“MEDIEVAL CHANT FOR IRISH SAINTS  
- RECOVERING A HIDDEN  
EUROPEAN HERITAGE”  
*Dr Ann Buckley* (Trinity College)  
**Ardboyne Hotel, Navan - 7.30pm**  
*Reception and book fair – members  
and guests: 6.30-7.30pm*

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21**

*Séamus MacGabhann Lecture:*  
“THE 1918 ELECTION”  
*Dr Peter Connell* (Trinity College)  
**Navan Library – 8.00pm**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 8**

*In celebration of the centenary  
of the founding of MAHS:*  
Mass in Mullingar Cathedral  
Celebrant: *Most Rev Dr Michael Smith*  
**Mullingar Cathedral - 11.00am**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 26**

Annual General Meeting  
followed by lecture -  
“FROM THE WILD GESE TO WATERLOO:  
IRISH SOLDIERS FROM MEATH  
AND BEYOND”  
*Dr Ciaran McDonnell* (UCD)  
**Trim Library – 8.00pm**

**SUNDAY, MAY 20**

TULLYNALLY CASTLE AND GARDENS  
*Thomas Pakenham* (Patron, MAHS)  
will speak on the history of the castle  
and on trees mentioned in his  
book: *‘The Company of Trees,  
A Year in a Lifetime’s Quest’*  
**Tullynally Castle – assemble at 2:30pm**  
**Spaces limited - booking essential**  
*apply to T. French (Hon Sec) 087 4119633*

**SATURDAY, JUNE 23**

ANNUAL EXCURSION  
*Details to be announced*  
Organiser: *Julitta Clancy*  
Bookings: tel 01 8259438  
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**SUNDAY, JULY 8**

“SPORT IN IRELAND  
DURING THE GREAT FAMINE”  
*Dr Brian Griffin*  
(Bath Spa University)  
**Trim Library – 3.00pm**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7**

“THEY ARE IN OUR MIDST”-  
EXPERIENCES OF WIVES AND CHILDREN  
OF OLDCASTLE INTERNEES  
DURING THE FIRST WORLD WAR”  
*Caroline Kane*  
**Oldcastle Library – 3.00pm**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28**

“DISSENT AND REACTION:  
LAURENCE GINNELL, WORLD WAR I  
AND THE IRISH QUESTION”  
*Paul Hughes* (QUB)  
**Annebrook House Hotel,  
Mullingar – 3.00pm**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

“THE COLUMBAN ODYSSEY FROM  
DALGAN TO THE FAR EAST – CENTENARY  
OF THE COLUMBAN FATHERS”  
*Rev. Fr. Neil Collins, SSC*  
**St Columban’s College,  
Dalgan Park – 3.00pm**

*Contact: Tom French, Hon. Sec. – 087 4119633*

***Voluntary contributions are accepted at lectures and outings***

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