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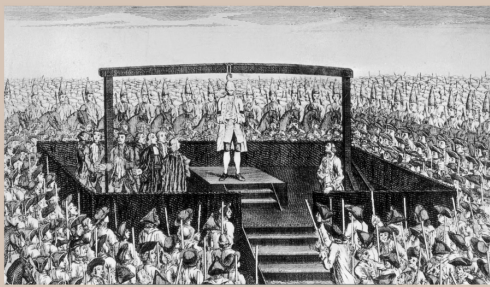
# WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL STUDIES SERVICE Newsletter

A monthly roundup of local history events taking place across all Wicklow County Council Library Branches.

## WICKLOW TOWN LIBRARY

'Rough Justice: Crime and Punishment in 19th century Wicklow' with James Scannell

**THURSDAY 15TH FEBRUARY @ 7PM**



ROUGH JUSTICE: CRIME AND PUNISHMENT IN 19TH CENTURY WICKLOW WITH JAMES SCANNELL

WICKLOW TOWN LIBRARY

THURSDAY,  
FEBRUARY 15TH  
@ 7PM

TO BOOK CALL 040467025 OR EMAIL WICKLOWLOCALSTUDIES@WICKLOWCOCO.IE

From latter half of the 18th century until the Act of Union in 1800, over 220 crimes were punishable by death. While this was reduced to ten by 1820, sentencing remained severe. Following from his successful 'Rough Justice' talks in Dublin, historian James Scannell will be using local case studies from the 1860s to demonstrate that, while rehabilitation of offenders evolved during the 1840s, this was very limited in its application. His talk will show that sentencing of Wicklow offenders for minor offences remained, in many cases, out of proportion to the nature of the offence.

To book call 0404 67025 or email [Wicklowlocalstudies@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:Wicklowlocalstudies@wicklowcoco.ie)

## BALLYWALTRIM LIBRARY

Family History Workshop with Claire Bradley

**SATURDAY 10TH FEBRUARY @ 3PM**

Wicklow Libraries provides access to an array of subscription sites that can be used, free of charge, to help people with their family history research. However, most people don't know where to start their search. This workshop will give people an idea of the first steps needed to undertake family history research. Demonstrations will be provided using the Census, IrishGenealogy.ie, Findmypast.ie and the British Newspaper Archive websites amongst others.

Claire Bradley is a professional Irish genealogist. She is passionate about teaching people and regularly lectures to family history and historical societies both in Ireland and abroad.

To book call 01 2723205 or email [BalLib@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:BalLib@wicklowcoco.ie)

## Researching your Family Tree

with Genealogist Claire Bradley

Ballywaltrim Library

Saturday  
February 10th at 3pm

01 272 3205

[ballywaltrimlibrary@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:ballywaltrimlibrary@wicklowcoco.ie)

- Census
- IrishGenealogy.ie
- Findmypast.ie including their newspapers section via the British News Archive



## Junkers 52 plane crash in the Wicklow Mountains

A talk by Bill Nelson



Enniskerry Library

Talk: Wednesday 7th of February  
from 6.45 pm



## ENNISKERRY LIBRARY

### 'Junkers 52 Plane Crash in the Wicklow Mountains' with Bill Nelson

WEDNESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY @ 6.45PM

In 1946, a plane of French Girl Guides crashed into Djouce Mountain just off the Wicklow Way. In the aftermath of WWII, the Girl Guides were on their way to Ireland to enjoy a holiday camp in Rathfarnham. Miraculously, all the members of the flight survived. Join Bill Nelson, retired aviation engineer, to relive this story of courage and resilience.

**Booking essential. To book call 01 2864339  
or email: [enniskerrylib@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:enniskerrylib@wicklowcoco.ie)**

## 'The History of Enniskerry and District' with Brian White

FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY @ 11.00 AM

Brian provides lots of gems of information about forgotten events and people from Enniskerry and the surrounding districts. His talk includes lots of unseen photographs and paintings. He has so much information that this talk will be Part 1 and he is already planning a Part 2 talk at a later date.

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Blessington Library

Talk: Thursday 15th of February  
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## BLESSINGTON LIBRARY

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**No Booking Necessary. All are welcome**

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