

Name(s) & Email

Stream

- Irish Language Classes
- Variety Show Practice
- Hybrid (Classes/Variety Show)

Irish Language Level

- Complete Beginner – no Irish

See: <http://www.teg.ie/teg-levels.8.html>

- Beginner Levels (A1 & A2)
- Intermediate Levels (B1 & B2)
- Advanced Levels (C1 & C2)

Payment Options

- \$50 on the day - but pre-register
- \$40 if paid before September 6th

Students (with Student ID)

- \$30 on the day - but pre-register
- \$25 if paid before September 6th

Kids

- \$30 on the day - but pre-register
- \$25 if paid before September 6th

TOTAL: _____

Make checks payable to:
"Gaelic-American Club"

Write in check memo:
"Irish Day, Oct 6th, 2018"

Deasúin Ó Nualáin
Lá Gaeilge/Irish Day
Gaelic-American Club
74 Beach Rd,
Fairfield, CT 06824

Irish Immersion Day, Saturday Oct 6th, 2018

Gaelic-American Club,
74 Beach Rd, Fairfield, CT

Lá Gaeilge,
6 Deireadh Fómhair, 2018



In recognition of this year being
"Bliain na Gaeilge 2018" (Year of
Irish Language) the day will have:

Two themes:

- 1) Using Irish Everyday
- 2) Promoting Irish Widely

And two streams:

- 1) Typical New England Irish
Language Immersion Day Classes
- 2) Irish Language Variety Piece
Practice Sessions and Show Prep





Gaelic-American Club

The Irish Immersion Day is brought to you by the Gaelic-American Club of Fairfield, who is providing its facilities free of charge and is underwriting the day. All fees collected will go towards paying teachers/lectures a small stipend and reimbursing other direct costs of the day e.g. food and party supplies.

The 2 themes for the day

2018 is the Year of the Irish Language (Bliain na Gaeilge 2018), and with that in mind, two themes have been set for the day: how to make use of Irish every day and how to promote its use widely.

Class room teachers are encouraged (but not required) to work these themes in part or whole into their lesson plans.

The 2 streams for the day

The **first stream**, a “Typical New England Irish Language Immersion Day” is for those who wish to attend for the typical Irish language lessons that one gets at New England Irish immersion days. *Each such class will be held in a separate room at the club.*

Based on attendee feedback gathered last year, a third language class has been added for the day, (with the loss of one cultural lecture). Also note, the group activity is audience/performer participation in the end of day variety show, which will be open to public.

The **second stream**, an “Irish Language Variety Piece Practice Sessions and Show Prep” is both to prepare the show itself and for those who wish to work on or get some assistance with their entertainment piece during the day. *All practice will be held in the large hall (a shared space) that the show will be held-in that day.*

Variety pieces can be of a wide variety of types e.g. poem, trad/pop song, riddle (song), rap, tongue twister, skit, (very) short play, joke, etc. Be imaginative, be entertaining, not necessarily strictly traditional

People thinking about performing a piece should start a conversation with DesNolan@OptOnline.net as soon as possible i.e. what kind of piece, how long will it take, whether you need assistance practicing it on the day, and/or others to participate, etc. Overall, participation is limited to show length and slots will be assigned on a first come basis. (To protect club reputation we reserve the right of refusal for any given piece.)

All pieces need to be submitted with English translation so they can be compiled together for distribution to all attendees and general public.

Hybrid stream – For people who want to perform a piece in the show but also want to do the classes. We’ll fit your practice/review session in during a regular break.

Program / Clár

08:30 – 09:00 AM	Registration & Coffee / Clárú agus Caife
09:00 – 09:15 AM	Welcome & Orientation / Fáilte agus Treoshuíomh
9:15 – 10:15 AM	1st Language Class / Variety Practice Session Ranganna Teanga a hAon...
15 mins	Break / Sos and “Late Registration”
10:30 – 11:30 AM	2nd Language Class / Variety Practice Session
15 mins	Break / Sos
11:45 – 01:00 PM	Lecture & Lunch / Léacht & Lón
01:00 – 02:00 PM	3rd Language Class / Variety Practice Session
30 mins	Break / Sos
2:30 – 04:00 PM	Variety Show in Irish / Ilsiamsa as Gaeilge
04:00 PM	Optional Session in the Pub* Sessiun san Pub

*The pub session is optional and typically involves people gathering in the pub for dinner/drinks and Irish conversation after the formal day wraps up.

Again, based on attendee feedback two changes have been made to distance travelers: the event start has been pushed back 15 mins AND such travelers can select late arrival, in which case your welcome packet will be placed in class/hall at 9:15 AM. You’ll go directly to class on arriving and during the 1st break go thru “late registration/orientation.”

Long Distance Travelers

Coming down Friday or staying until Sunday, tell us, and we’ll share a meal / Irish on those days with you.

Contact Us

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