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We are very proud to announce our third book, 'Coppeen, A Glimpse of the Past Volume 3′ this summer. Launched at the society's heritage week event, the book is a culmination of many months of hard work from our authors, researchers and designers. The book's articles are listed below. THE COPPEEN GOLD HOARD Anthony Barrett […]

The long awaited Coppeen Heritage Trail was officially launched at the society's annual heritage week event. For years, visitors have often passed by the general catchment area of Coppeen, missing out in some of our country's most important archaeological and historical sites. With the Coppeen Heritage Trail, visitors to the area can easily plot out […]

CAHCS is proud to present the newest addition to this web site – Coppeen Heritage Online Store. At the moment, our two publications, Coppeen, A Glimpse of the Past, Volume 1 and Volume 2 are available to purchase through a secure online payment system. More products to come so watch this space!

Friday Nov. 22nd 1963 is remembered by many as the date on which President JF Kennedy was assassinated. For a small group of farmers in a remote part of West Cork, this date also holds another very different type of memory. At this time, farming was relatively underdeveloped, and Ireland would not be entering the […]

The famous Kilmichael Ambush was commemorated at Castletownkinneigh on Sun 24th Nov 2013. Fr Tom Hayes celebrated the 10:30am Mass, with the local Church Choir providing the music. They were joined by the excellent Sheehan & Galvin families who played some trad tunes. Louis Whyte recited a decade of the rosary at the graveside of […]

This years Kilmichael Ambush commemorations will take place on Sunday 24th November . They begin with 10:30am Mass (as gaeilge) in St. Joseph's Church in Castletown Kinneigh, with local choir. Prayers will follow at the graveside of those four patriots buried beside the church, namely: Michael McCarthy, Jim O'Sullivan, Patrick Deasy and Diarmuid Ó MathÃona. […]

"Coppeen – A Glimpse of the Past― Volume 1, has been a huge success, and we hope to repeat, even surpass this with our latest offering, Volume 2. This local history publication was created by the members and friends of Coppeen Archaeological, Historical & Cultural Society (CAHCS) and edited by society chairman Colum Cronin.

"A tremendous compendium of stories, works and papers on local history, social history and reminiscences of growing up in the Coppeen area, on early technology, archaeology, history and genealogy― He added "One doesn't have to be from Coppeen to enjoy this book, as much of the content is common to many parts of Ireland―

C.A.H.C.S (Coppeen Archaeological Historical and Cultural Society) is a group of like-minded people whose aim is, to research, restore & preserve all aspects of our archaeological, historical & cultural heritage, & foster an appreciation of same, near & far. The inaugural meeting of C.A.H.S. was held in Barrett's bar Coppeen on February 14th 2004. On Monday March 1st, the first meeting was held with the ratification of the new society.

Our area is very rich in archaeological terms, & we think these sites should be highlighted, preserved & in some cases restored, with appropriate signage provided. We have numerous examples of ringforts, stone circles, megalithic tombs, galá¡ns, fullacht fiadh, southerrains, anomalous stone groups, stone rows, stone pairs, rock art, boulder burials, early ecclesiastical remains, fonts & burial grounds. Of particular note are: Kinneigh Round Tower, & Cahirvagliair Ringfort. Also, we are located roughly half-way between the highly important historic sites of the Kilmichael Ambush, & Beal na mBláith, where Michael Collins died.

We usually hold our meetings on the Wednesday of each month in the meeting room at An CaipÃ-Â-n (Barretts) Bar in Coppeen village (new members always welcome!). We regularly have lecturers in to speak on various topics of interest and weather permitting we take field trips to local sites of interest. C.A.H.C.S. is a VOLUNTARY non-commercial group.

The Fuchsia Walk is a 6.6 km short distance walk, starting and finishing in the village of Coppeen. The route comprises entirely of way marked roadways, mostly quiet country routes, apart from the last section which is along a short stretch of main road. The walk rises a distance of 100 meters at points on the route, and then descends back into the village, where parking and other amenities are available.

This walk gently ascends uphill for approx. ½ Klm. A viewing point here (forestry plantation on each side) gives a wonderful panoramic view including; (South) Corran Hill, Carrigfadda, Nowen Hill, Shehy, Carrantuohill, Mangerton, The Paps, & Mullaghanish. The road then winds along towards a four cross road junction (Slieveowen) where you take a right (house on left) Along this relatively level route admire the great views to the right, with fuchsia in profusion, larch forestry on left (neat standing stone in cottage garden on right) Turn right at the next ´T´ junction (ringfort on left) view on left towards Gurranareigh & Greenhill with valley sweeping down to the River Bride. Right at next junction, which ascends beyond forestry on right, looking across towards Lackanashinnagh on your left. Great view from the top of the hill: east to Cork airport & west to Shehy. From here on it´s mostly downhill towards Coppeen village (Cross´s Forge last house on left – five generations of smiths traded here) Take great care as you walk along a short stretch of main road back into the village, admiring the wonderful view to the west. By now you should be ready for a cool drink or some delicious bar food at "An CaipÃ-n" (Tell them we sent you, and they´ll take great care of you!)

This route takes you past a number of sites of historical interest, including a number of ringforts and

fullacht fia sites, with the wedge tomb "Labbaowen" located nearby (in state forestry plantation at Slieveowen). A ringfort on the left as you approach the ´T´ junction overlooks that stretch of countryside. The next crossroads was known as "CroisantailÃoir" (The Tailors Cross) The remains of an old road which divided Munigave East from Munigave West can be seen if you look carefully. Look to your left as you pass the last signage post, and you´Il see Cross´s Forge (now shut down) where five generations of smiths carried on the trade. The old smithy is in good repair, outwardly unchanged since its working days.

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