



IQUA Spring Field Meeting 2022

County Sligo, 22–24 April 2022

DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

The field trip will provide an overview of Neolithic prehistory in the region. Stops will focus on important Neolithic archaeological sites including Carrowmore and Carrowkeel and palaeoecological study sites. Experts will present the latest research and provide insights into Neolithic population ancestry, farming activities, and environmental change.

If interested in attending and for additional information, please contact the field trip coordinator Susann Stolze ([sstolze@mines.edu](mailto:ssstolze@mines.edu)). Please register by April 10, 2022 to receive timely field trip updates.

AGENDA

Friday, 22 April 2022: We will meet at the Riverside Hotel in Sligo at 7 pm for registration, a brief lecture, and socializing.

Saturday, 23 April 2022: We will meet at Carrowkeel in the morning where presenters will give an overview of the Neolithic archaeology and landscape change in the Bricklieve Mountains. This leg of the excursion will take approximately 3.5 hours and include an easy to moderate, about 30 min hike uphill on gravel road to the Carrowkeel site located on the plateau of the Bricklieve Mountains. We will meet up for lunch at McDermotts in Castlebaldwin (€12/person). In the afternoon, we will meet first in Treanscrabbagh Valley in the Bricklieve Mountains and later at Loughbrick Bay, Lough Arrow where presentations on pollen studies carried out in the region will provide insights on Neolithic farming activities and environmental change. We will conclude the day with dinner at Hooked in Sligo at 7 pm (€39.95/person).

Sunday, 24 April 2022: We will visit the archaeological sites Magheraboy and Carrowmore in the morning. Lunch will be served at the Nook Café (€12/person) in Collooney. The last stop of the field meeting will be Lough Dargan where chironomid-based research will be presented, examining lake water changes in response to Neolithic farming activities and relate those to the archaeology in the area. The field meeting will conclude around 3 pm.

LOGISTICS

Accommodation: Attendees are invited to make their own reservations.

Transport: Please make your own travel arrangements. Car sharing is encouraged for site visits.

Cost: The field trip fee is €20 for IQUA members and €10 for student or unwaged members. Non-IQUA members pay €25 or €15, respectively. Every participant will receive a hard copy of the field guidebook. Lunch and dinner are not covered by the fee as they are optional.

PRESENTERS

Ed Danaher, Austin McTiernan, Pádraig Meehan, Thomas Monecke, Aaron Potito, Susann Stolze



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