

WINE GEESE FESTIVAL 2025 EVENTS IN BOTH DATE AND TIME ORDER 20/05/25

EVENT TITLE	Enniskillen Streetscapes II
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 111
DESCRIPTION	What was our old town like at the time of the Bartons? Using old records and photos, we have re-created 18 th - 19 th Century Enniskillen
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Simply turn up during opening hours
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Enniskillen Library, Halls Lane Enniskillen
START DATE	31 May 2025 onwards
END DATE	28 June 2025
START TIME	09:30
END TIME	16:35
NOTES	Please check the NI Libraries website for its up to date opening hours. There is parking available adjacent to the library.
EVENT TITLE	The Bartons @ War Exhibition
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 077
DESCRIPTION	The history of the British Isles is synonymous with that of the Barton dynasty. They were always there at historically significant events. Roughly 1 in 3 of the Barton men served in the armed forces. Many of them died in battle and so gained little recognition in their lifetime.
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Not necessary, simply turn up
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Enniskillen Library, Halls Lane, Enniskillen
START DATE	31 May 2025 onwards
END DATE	28 June 2025
START TIME	09:30 hours
END TIME	16:35 (approx.)
NOTES	This exhibition is produced in tandem with the Enniskillen Military Museum on Lough Shore Road. We recommend that you visit both. There is parking adjacent to the library.
EVENT TITLE	Visit to the Artists' Quarter
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 042
DESCRIPTION	Enniskillen's Artists' Quarter comprises artist studios where Visitors can see paintings of Co. Fermanagh scenes as well as scenes in the West of Ireland
COST IN £ STERLING	Free to visit
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Not required
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Enniskillen Buttermarket, just off High Stret and Church Street
START DATE	31 May 2025 onwards
END DATE	28 June 2025
START TIME	10:00
END TIME	17:00

NOTES	There is also an excellent café in the Buttermarket: Rebecca's
EVENT TITLE	The Wine Geese Exhibition
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 073
DESCRIPTION	The main exhibition regarding the Irish Wine Geese of 1715
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Simply turn up
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Visitors' Reception building at Enniskillen County Museum, Lough Shore Road Enniskillen
START DATE	31 May 2025 onwards
END DATE	15 June 2025
START TIME	10:00 hours
END TIME	16:45
NOTES	1 st Floor via the stairs or lift. There is a café as well.
EVENT TITLE	Visit to the Enniskillen Military Museum
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 028
DESCRIPTION	Visiting this museum complements the Bartons @ War exhibition, because it holds the insignia of the local regiments mentioned in the exhibition.
COST IN £ STERLING	5.00 (approx.) – there are different prices for admission depending on status – for example: senior citizens
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Please pay at the entrance to the museum complex
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	The Visitors' Centre of the Enniskillen Castle Museum, Lough Shore Road.
START DATE	31 May 2025 onwards
END DATE	28 June 2025
START TIME	10:00
END TIME	16:30
NOTES	Monday - Saturday
EVENT TITLE	Barton Great Houses – Southern Tour
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 033
DESCRIPTION	This is a self-directed tour in the footsteps of the Barton dynasty, which left admirable legacy items such as Straffan House
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge Guides are available: please inquire (Kesh2Cask@outlook.com)
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Simply email Kesh2Cask@outlook.com We will send you're a documented tour guide booklet with locations to visit.
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Your choice – but the directions begin at the Enniskillen Castle Museum Visitor Reception Centre on Lough Shore Road.
START DATE	03 June 2025 or thereafter
END DATE	28 June 2025
START TIME	Suggest 09:00 hours
END TIME	21:00 hours, depending on where you want to spend the night.
NOTES	This is a cross-border event so you may need to amend your hire car insurance. As it is self-directed, you are expected to provide your own transport.
EVENT TITLE	Visit to Ballyshannon

REFERENCE NO.	WGF 053
DESCRIPTION	Ballyshannon – Ireland's oldest town – is synonymous with the Barton's, as you will see. This is a GUIDED tour
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Please email Kesh2Cask@outlook.com For added information.
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Outside Ballyshannon Museum on the High Street Please ask at the Museum for a guided tour (if available), see the Visit Notes we provide (Kesh2Cask@outlook.com)
START DATE	03 June 2025 onwards
END DATE	28 June 2025
START TIME	Suggest 10:00 a.m.
END TIME	12 Noon
NOTES	This is a cross-border tour so you may need additional hire car insurance.
EVENT TITLE	The self-directed Tubrid Tour
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 006
DESCRIPTION	You can follow a pre-planned route through South Donegal/North Fermanagh that is linked to the history of the Barton family – including churches where ancestors are remembered.
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Simply email us at Kesh2Cask@outlook.com We will send you the way points and tour highlight destinations to follow in your own time.
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Your choice, but the briefing papers assume a start from Muckros Road Car Park in Kesh town.
START DATE	3 June 2025 onwards
END DATE	29 June 2025
START TIME	Suggest Noon of your chosen day
END TIME	15:00 approx.
NOTES	This will be a cross-border tour so you may need to amend your hire car insurance.
EVENT TITLE	Barton Great Houses – Northern Tour
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 303
DESCRIPTION	A tour starting in Enniskillen to the northernmost Great House at Portsalon Co. Donegal
COST IN £ STERLING	£ 150, depending entirely upon your individual requirements esp. overnight stays. Potentially free- if you drive home the same day.
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Please email your expression of interest to Kesh2Cask@outlook.com
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Suggested: The Visitors' Reception Centre at Enniskillen Castle Museum
START DATE	04 June 2025 or thereafter
END DATE	28/06/25
START TIME	Suggest 09:00 hours
END TIME	Depends on your chosen accommodation. 22:00 hours estimated
NOTES	This is a cross-border event so you need to factor this in. If you are travelling by hire car you may need to amend its insurance policy. There is parking at the Museum car park.

EVENT TITLE	Ciné Viné
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 080
DESCRIPTION	The world premiere of a new film from Director Frank Mannion . It is entitled ' <i>A sip of Irish</i> '. The film concerns the Irish Wild Geese of Bordeaux, and French Tom Barton in particular. Barton wine is served during the performance.
COST IN £ STERLING	£13 per person. Please pay at the desk adjacent to the viewing room Over 18's only please
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Please email an expression of interest to Kesh2Cask@outlook.com We will then add you to the list.
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Fermanagh House, Broadmeadow Place Enniskillen. There is car parking adjacent to the building. There is a digital display board in the foyer to indicate the room.
START DATE	04 June 2025
END DATE	A one-off event
START TIME	Doors open 18:00 and the film starts at 19:00 hours followed by a Question & Answer session with Frank Mannion
END TIME	21:00 approx.

EVENT TITLE	FRENCH WINES, IRISH CHEESES AND LOCAL ARTS
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 086
DESCRIPTION	This wine and dining option is co-organised by Rotary Club Enniskillen and, the Cassidy Hospitality Group of Fermanagh. The co-emphasis is upon local artists and their paintings.
COST IN £ STERLING	Guide Price: £ 30
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	https://www.cassidyhospitality.com/winegeesefestival Over 18's only as wines will be served.
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	The Gourmet Grocer 10 High Street ENNISKILLEN BT74 7EH
START DATE	Wed. 4 JUNE
END DATE	Same – a one-off event.
START TIME	20:30
END TIME	22:30 (approx.)
NOTES	The evening will end with an art auction. The event will be accompanied by canapés for guests.

EVENT TITLE	The Barton Great Houses – Southern Tour
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 043
DESCRIPTION	A visit to places and houses linked to the Barton dynasty
COST IN £ STERLING FOR GUIDANCE ONLY	It depends on your schedule. You can do it all and return to Fermanagh in a (tough) day. It is best to stay the night en route.
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Please email your expression of interest to Kesh2Casdk@outlook.com
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Visitor Reception Centre at Enniskillen Castle Museum, Lough Shore Road
START DATE	05 June 2025 onwards
END DATE	28/06/25
START TIME	09:00 suggested
END TIME	22:00

NOTES	There is a tour-pack of information including way points and distances. This is a cross-border tour.
EVENT TITLE	Pub Crawl
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 036
DESCRIPTION	A visit to 3 bars along Enniskillen's ' <i>wild goose trail</i> '. Visitors will be guided by locals.
COST IN £ STERLING	Free to join. If you wish to buy drinks in any of the bars, please bring a credit or debit card – and just 'tap'.
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Please email Kesh2Cask@outlook.com Depending on the numbers, we will be allocating Visitors to successive groups of 10.
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	The Diamond, Enniskillen. This main square is opposite Enniskillen Townhall.
START DATE	05 June 2025
END DATE	A one-off event, but if popular we will run the pub crawl again (in June).
START TIME	For those wanting a meal first: 18:00 hours, otherwise: 19:00 hours
END TIME	22:00 hours (approx.)
NOTES	18 and over only please. We will collect you from the Diamond Enniskillen.
EVENT TITLE	Visit to the Barton boys' school: Portora Royal Sch.
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 066A
DESCRIPTION	Over the roughly 300 years they were here, the males of the Barton families went to a variety of schools – including Portora Royal School in Enniskillen. This guided tour will examine both the school's history as well as list some of the Bartons who went there.
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge. A contribution towards the School's charity would be appreciated. Details will be provided.
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Simply email an expression of interest to Kesh2Cask@outlook.com
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Please meet up at the Round 'O' jetty close to the school, where you will be picked up for the tour. There is ample car parking available.
START DATE	07 June 2025 CONFIRMED date
END DATE	A one-off event
START TIME	11:00 hours
END TIME	12:15 approx.
EVENT TITLE	The Tubrid Tour - Guided
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 061
DESCRIPTION	You will be taken on a tour of sites in North Fermanagh/South Donegal of direct relevance to the Barton dynasty.
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Simply email Kesh2Cask@outlook.com
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	The main car park in KESH Co. Fermanagh. This is on Muckros Road, where you will be gathered together as a group and given a pre-briefing by your Guide.
START DATE	09 June 2025
END DATE	A one-off event
START TIME	12 Noon at the car park
END TIME	Approx. 15:00 hours

NOTES	You will be expected to have or to hire your own mode of transport for this cross-country tour. As it is cross-border you may need to amend your hire car insurance,
EVENT TITLE	New book launch by Author : Dr Charles Ludington, NYU.
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 44A
DESCRIPTION	The paperback entitled 'THE IRISH IN EIGHTEENTH CENTURY BORDEAUX' is to be formally launched at this Festival. The event will highlight the relative importance of this seminal book.
BOOK COST IN £ STERLING	Book's Guide price – depending on the particular buying channel - £40. You are under no obligation to buy a copy.
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Please email Kesh2Cask@outlook.com Price to attend: FOC (free of charge)
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Fermanagh House, Broadmeadow Place, Enniskillen. The digital display board in the foyer will indicate the room.
START DATE	10 June 2025
END DATE	A one-off event
START TIME	19:00 hours
END TIME	21:00 hours (approx..)
NOTES	This is the same event as the Formal Festival Lecture below.
EVENT TITLE	The Festival's Formal Lecture
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 44B
DESCRIPTION	Lecture title: 'IRISH MERCHANTS AND THE INVENTION OF MODERN BORDEAUX WINES' Speaker: Dr Charles Ludington, New York University
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Please email Kesh2Cask@outlook.com This lecture replaces one previously advertised: The Bartons Wilderness Years , which will be announced later.
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Fermanagh House, Broadmeadow Place, Enniskillen. The digital display board in the foyer will indicate the room.
START DATE	10 June 2025
END DATE	A one-off event
START TIME	19:00 hours
END TIME	21:00 hours (approx..)
NOTES	This is the same event as the Book Launch.
EVENT TITLE	Enniskillen 3 Dragon Boats Race
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 037
DESCRIPTION	Self-explanatory. The boats are owned and run by the Charity: CancerConnect NI.
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge although a contribution to CCNI would be welcome
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	It will be broadcast via as many media channels as possible including the Fermanagh Lakelands website. You are also welcome to drop us an email Kesh2Cask@outlook.com
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	The race begins at Moonlight Bay on Lower Lough Erne, close to Portora Castle, and finishes at the jetty at the Round O park at The Brook, in Enniskillen
START DATE	Saturday 14/06/25
END DATE	A one-off event
START TIME	TBD

END TIME	TBD
NOTES	Based on weather forecasts, we will inform you of exact details.
EVENT TITLE	Kesh2Cask Exhibition
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 099
DESCRIPTION	Come and see an exhibition regarding the relationship between Kesh Forest and, the Bordeaux Wine Geese. It focuses on the Barton Family of French Tom.
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Not necessary; simply turn up
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	PARKING: Kesh's main car park on Muckros Road. Parking is free. The Kesh Courthouse Café is a short walk up main street,
START DATE	16 June 2025 onwards
END DATE	28 June 2025
START TIME	Normal café hours: 10:00
END TIME	Around 16:00 each day on which the café is open (Monday – Saturdays)
NOTES	There is an excellent café on the GROUND floor. The exhibition is in the First Floor gallery.
EVENT TITLE	Opening Ceremony – Kesh 2 Cask Exhibition
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 004
DESCRIPTION	Self-explanatory
COST IN £ STERLING	Free of charge
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Not required, simply turn up
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Kesh Courthouse Café, Main Street Kesh town, Co. Fermanagh
START DATE	Monday 16 June 2025
END DATE	A one-off event
START TIME	12 Noon
END TIME	12:20 hours (approx.)
NOTES	The exhibition adopts the same opening hours as the ground floor café. Generally apart from Holidays: Mon-Sat and 10:00 – 16:30 There is free parking at the Muckros Road car park a short walk away, just off main street.
EVENT TITLE	VIA SENSORIA
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 066B
DESCRIPTION	A tour of Bordeaux from where the Bartons emerged as a force, in the wine trade
COST IN £ STERLING	Guide price, depending on preference: £400 mostly for hotels and flights.
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Please email Kesh2Cask@outlook.com If you are interested in this Enniskillen to Bordeaux trip. Not really suitable for children. Over 18's advised.
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	The Visitors' Centre, Fermanagh County Museum, Lough Shore Road, Enniskillen, BT74 7HL
START DATE	20/June/2025 and thereafter
END DATE	22/June/2025
START TIME	12 Noon (depending on which flight)
END TIME	20:00 hours

NOTES	If you would like to visit Bordeaux's two historic wine museums, please contact us above. We will arrange specific coaches, flights and hotels based on your preferences.
EVENT TITLE	Wine Tasting Event for Friends of the Fermanagh County Museum society
REFERENCE NO.	WGF 029
DESCRIPTION	Self-explanatory
COST IN £ STERLING	TBD
HOW TO BOOK EVENT	Please email Kesh2Cask@outlook.com We will forward your request accordingly. Over 18's only.
LOCATION OR RENDEZVOUS POINT	Visitors' Centre at Fermanagh County Museum, Lough Shore Road Enniskillen
START DATE	TBD (in June)
END DATE	A one-off event
START TIME	19:00
END TIME	21:00
NOTES	As soon as the above details are confirmed, we can update those who expressed interest in attending. Parking is available.