

WEST INISHOWEN SUMMER SCHOOL 2016

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Join us once again in Buncrana for the 6th West Inishowen Summer School.

This year's event is organised by the West Inishowen History & Heritage Society in association with the Irish Labour History Society. The theme for 2016 explores the legacy of John Doherty, a young mill worker from Buncrana who rose through the ranks of the English Labour movement to become a leading campaigner for workers' rights in the early nineteenth century. Throughout the week we will explore the life of John Doherty, the lives of workers in the north west of Ireland, and the fortunes of the many Irish people who went to find work in Britain. Join us to learn more about the histories of Irish working people through a range of talks, films, book sales and walks.

Tuesday 21 June, 7.30 – 9.30 pm: Launch Night & Documentary Screenings

Launch and information on local shirt factories oral history project, followed by documentary films relating to the summer school theme.

Wednesday 22 June, 7.00 – 7.50 pm: Talk

Adrian Grant, 'The Voice of the People: John Doherty - trade unionist, factory reformer and radical publisher'. Starting 7pm sharp to finish before football.

Thursday 23 June, 8.00 – 10.00 pm: Talks

Emmet O Connor, 'The Derry Labour movement, 1889-1923'.
Ultan Cowley, 'Voices of the men who built Britain'.

Saturday 25 June, 1.30 – 3.00 pm: Guided Walk

Join local historian Mari McLaughlin for an afternoon walk to explore the mills and factories of Buncrana. Commencing and finishing at The Exchange.

Sunday 26 June, Mamore Gap, 2.00 – 4.00 pm: Archeological walk

Survey/walk from Mamore Gap to explore undocumented Boolie Huts with archaeologist John Hegarty. Parking at the Urris side of Mamore Gap.
See buncranahistory.com for more.

Tuesday 21 - Saturday 25 June: Book Sale

A book sale will be held during all events at The Exchange. Here you will be able to purchase books and pamphlets published by the Irish Labour History Society.

Tea & Coffee will be provided at all events in The Exchange.

BYOB for the film and launch night on 21 June.

All events take place at The Exchange, Castle Avenue, Buncrana, unless otherwise stated.