

MICHAELMAS CELEBRATION FESTIVAL CLOSING CEREMONY HISTORY

At 4.30pm on Sunday, September 26 the festival closing ceremony parade will take place along the Promenade. This parade links back to a Tramore tradition circa 1920, which occurred on or around the Feast Day of St Michael the patron saint of Seafarers. The women of the town who worked the 'Bathing Boxes' on the beach made and carried seaweed dolls around the town, where they would receive a token of appreciation from the people of the town for their hard work over the summer months. They would then parade the promenade and finally cast the dolls into the sea. It was said if the dolls turned up in the Back Strand it would mean the next season would be a very good Summer!

The Tramore Oceanic Surf and Sea Festival giant Seaweed Doll affectionately named 'Molly' will be cast into the ocean just as our seaside ancestors did nearly 100 years ago.

The Celebration of St. Michael's Day originates around the Autumn equinox which in Celtic Times marked the end of the harvest and a change of season. Surfing conditions in Ireland improve in the autumn/winter days, so not only does this celebration close the summer season but it also begins a whole new term for surfing and therefore extends the tourist season in Tramore beyond the traditional summer holiday period.

All are welcome to join in the bagpipe led parade which departs the Lifeguard station after a Sea Shanty session with the brilliant Hooks and Crooks.

LADIES SURF WEEKEND SEPTEMBER, 25-26, 2010

The Ladies' Surf Weekend has now grown to encompass the Tramore Oceanic Surf and Sea Festival hosted by The Irish Surfing Association, The Women in Sport Initiative and Oceanics Surf School. Originally set up to promote and encourage women into the sport of surfing this action packed weekend includes activities from Surf Instruction to relaxing Indian head massage to Pilates. On Family Fun Sunday 'Molly' the Giant Seaweed Doll will be dressed with Seaweed outside Oceanics Surf School where she will have resided since the Festival opening. At 1pm she will be brought to the promenade and presented by the Ladies of the Surf Weekend to the public - if you would like to make a miniature seaweed doll to throw into the sea at 4.30pm, Molly's creator Cathy will be on hand on the Promenade from 1 to 4pm to show you how.

A NON ELECTRICAL PICNIC

Transition Towns Tramore in conjunction with the Tramore Oceanic Surf and Sea Festival committee have organised a 'Non Electrical Picnic' on Saturday, September 25 at the Hydro Field. This excellent fringe event aims to celebrate alternative ways of achieving a more sustainable and environmentally friendly future for Tramore. There will be funky stalls, fun events, therapies, scout demos, short media clip tent, acoustic performances and more. So come along and enjoy a great afternoon and bring a picnic for the picnic area.

MAIN SPONSORS



For a full listing of accommodation available in Tramore visit www.tramoretourism.net



PATRONS

Gold: Atlantic View Caravan Park

Silver: Dooly's Chipper, Misty's Restaurant,

Bronze: Apple Brown Betty's Cafe, The Natural Health Store, Lou's Place, Bay Spa, The Sandcastle Sandwiches Bar & Beach Shop, McCarthy's Take-Away, Lake Tour Stables.

SUPPORTED BY



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TRAMORE OCEANIC
**Surf & Sea
Festival**

PROGRAMME

**THUR 23 - SUN 26
SEPTEMBER '10
TRAMORE, CO WATERFORD**

**SURFING
ECO WORKSHOPS &
LOT'S OF FREE FAMILY FUN**

**Check out www.oceanics.ie for a full programme
or call 051 390944 for information**
Festival Special Rates available at hotels. Live Music at Tramore pub venues

THURSDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

Activity	Time & Date	Location	Detail & Pricing
Down by the Sea Art Exhibition by Claire Scott	Over the weekend	T-Bay Surf Centre	
Explorations - from the Mountains to the Sea Photography and Art Exhibition by Carmel Cleary and Sinead Ni Chionaola	7pm until Oct 2	Tramore Coastguard Station	Come along...
Poetry Reading by Aideen Henry		Tramore Coastguard Station	
Wine Tasting by Florries Fine Wines	At festival opening	Tramore Coastguard Station	
Patterns, Landscapes and People of the Western Sahara - B&W photographs from 1957-1968 by Dr Ludwig Ratschiller curated and presented by Roswitha Walsh	August 25 - Oct 1	Tramore Coastguard Station	

FRIDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

Activity	Booking	Time & Date	Location	Detail & Pricing
Festival Special Menus: Raglan Road & Esquire 051 381324 JD'S 051 390020, Sea Horse 051 386091, Pine Rooms 051 381683		Throughout the weekend	Raglan Road & Esquire, JD'S, Sea Horse, Pine Rooms	From €25
Tramore Memories with Author Johnny Rogan		5.30pm	The Seahorse Tavern	Readings
5 course Fish dinner & Seminar with Beer tasting by Dungarvan Brewery - Pre-booking necessary	051 386091	7pm	The Sea Horse	€35
Surf Movie Screening - Drive through Australia 2		7.30pm	The Vic	
Surf Movie Screening - The Occumentary	051 381414	7.30pm	The Grand Hotel	
The Grand Hotel: Jackie Owen. The Baldy Man: Tommy Commerford. O'Shea's: Noddy. The Seahorse Tavern: live music. Raglan Road: The Navigators 8.30pm				

SATURDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

Activity	Booking	Time & Date	Location	Detail & Pricing
Ladies Surf Weekend - Pre-booked & full (For 2011 call 051 390944)		Over the Weekend	Oceanics Surf School	
Mini Rugby on the Beach for kids		11am	Tramore Beach	Waterford Rugby Club
Homeopathy Workshop with Maria Byrne. Pre booking necessary 086 1228434		11am - 12noon	T-Bay Surf Centre	€10
Working with Willow for children with Cathy Hayden pre-booking 086-2011428		11am - 12noon	Coastguard station	€5 (10 years & up)
Splashworld	051 390210	11am - 4pm	Strand Road	½ Price
Run A Muck	051 390551	11am - 4pm	Riverstown Business Park	½ Price
Women's Health & Nutrition with Mary O'Sullivan. Pre-booking 051 390991		12noon	T-Bay Surf Centre	
Sea Food Foraging with Bruce MacDonald & Alan Walshe		12noon - 2pm	Meet Point - Lifeguard hut	Take along a basket!
Animation for Children 'Wipeout' with Openspace Arts pre-booking 086-2011428		12.30pm - 1.30pm	Coastguard station	€5 Art Workshop
NON Electrical Picnic with Transition Towns Tramore and Tramore Oceanic Surf and Sea Festival		12.30pm - 5.30pm	Field at back of Promenade	Activities for the Body, Mind & Soul
Cycle Tour of the lakes with Dermot Blount - Pre-book this event	051 391297	2pm - 4pm	Starting T Bay Surf Centre	½ Price
Big Wave Channel Talk with Jim Swift	051 391297	2pm	T-BAY Decking	
Surf Lessons	Pre-book necessary 051 391297	2pm - 4pm	T-Bay Surf Centre	½ Price
Nordic Walk	Pre-book necessary 086 3914908	2pm - 4pm	Starting Freedom Surf School	½ Price
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Surf Lessons	Pre-book necessary 051 391119	2pm - 4pm	Tramore Surf School	½ Price
Coastal Eco Workshop with Karin Dubsy, Coastwatch Ireland		2.30pm	From Oceanics Surf School	
Introduction to Painting Seascapes with Openspace Arts pre-booking 086-2011428		2.30pm - 3.30pm	Coastguard station	€5 Art Workshop
Sea Angling Coaching Workshop with Rinnashark Angling Club		2.30pm - 3.30pm	Coastguard station	Hook a line

The Vic: Live music, Brand New Cadillac 10.30pm. **The Grand Hotel:** Live music, Richie Halpin. **The Baldy Man:** Louise Lannigan. **Alfies:** Live music, Tony Kelly. **O'Shea's:** Live music, Tommy Commerford. **Murphs:** Live music. **The Seahorse Tavern:** Live music, The Hurricanes. **Raglan Road:** Trad Session 8.30pm

SUNDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

Activity	Booking	Time & Date	Location	Detail & Pricing
Civil Defence Information Stand			Promenade	
Monster Truck and Music		11am	Tramore Skate Park	
Farmers & Country Market - Mary Merritt 086 8156182		11am	Tramore Promenade	
Eco Walk With Grace O'Sullivan		11am - 12.30pm	Leaves from Oceanics Surf School	Wear sensible shoes!
Waterford Orienteering Club	Orienteering for all ages	11am - 3pm	Lower beach carpark gate	Give it a go!
Surf Hire & Lessons	Pre-booking for lessons 086 3914908	11am - 4pm	Freedom Surf School	½ Price
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Surf Hire & Lessons	Pre-booking for lessons 051 391 119	11am - 4pm	Tramore Surf School	½ Price
Surf Hire & Lessons	Pre-booking for lessons 051 390944	11am - 4pm	Oceanics Surf School	½ Price
Mountain Zone - Camping & Mountain Adventure Information		11am - 4pm	Promenade Area	
Dunmore East Adventure Centre - Dry Sailing Demonstrations		11am - 4pm	Promenade Area	
Tramore Cliff Rescue Team	Climbing Demonstration	11am - 4pm	Tramore Promenade	
Splash world	051 390210	11am - 4pm	Strand Road	½ Price
Run A Muck	051 390551	11am - 4pm	Tramore Industrial Park	½ Price
Martial Arts Demonstration		12noon - 2pm	Tramore beach	Waterford Martial Arts
WLR FM Live broadcast		12noon - 3pm	Promenade Area	Play a request
Facecraft Facepainting		12noon - 3pm	Promenade	Face artwork fun
Volleyball Association of Ireland - Beach volleyball for all ages		12noon - 3pm	Beach area	Come and try it!
VW Club Exhibition courtesy of Type2Ireland.org and Eircooled.com		12noon - 4pm	Promenade area	See some beautiful Vintage & Classics
Coastguards Information Stand		12noon - 4pm	Promenade	
Thunder Cats Demonstration		1pm - 2pm	Tramore Bay	
Lake Tour Stables - Pony rides	051 381958	1pm - 3pm	Beach front of prom	€3/ride
Wind Surf & Kite Surfing Demonstration	With bigsurf.ie	1pm - 3pm	Beach	
Klub Music	Battle of the Bands	1pm - 3.30pm	Pavillion	
Middle Earth Venture Scouts - Games and Rock painting		1pm - 4pm	Lifeguard Hut Slip	Join in the fun!
Minature Seaweed Doll making	With Cathy Hayden	1pm - 4pm	Promenade	Beside 'Molly' the Seaweed doll
Guided Rockpool Exploration	With Alan Walshe 051 390944	1.30pm - 3pm	Leaves from Bathing Box on beach	Take your bucket!
Irish Wildlife Trust - Seaweed work shop	Marie Power, Grace O'Sullivan & Hilary Killops	2pm	The Red Cottage @ Oceanics Surf School	Join in this information event
Tramore Tidy Towns - Litter pick		2pm - 4pm	Tramore Beach area	A big thank you!
Order of Malta - Tramore	First Aiders Stand	2pm - 5pm	Promenade Area	
RNLI Demonstration		3pm	Tramore beach	
Coast Guards Helicopter		3pm	Demonstration	
Hooks and Crooks - Sea Shanty Singers		3.30pm	Promenade	
Michaelmas Parade		4.30pm	Promenade	Join in the parade
Festival 'Thank you' BBQ with Live music		6pm	The Vic	From €4.50

The Vic live: Music with Brian Walsh and Evan Grace 7pm. **The Grand Hotel:** Trad session. **The Baldy Man:** Music with Jackie and Owen Sun. **O'Neill's:** Trad Session. **Murphs:** Live music. **Raglan Road:** Cocktails & Deems 8.30pm