

Points of Interest Myross/Squinice/Ardra

1. **Old Weigh Bridge:** This was used to weigh the cart loads of coal unloaded at this quay and at the pier in Keelbeg.
2. **Site of R.I.C. Barracks (now Fish Shop),** burned down during the War of Independence.
3. **Site of Unionhall House:** The house stood behind these gates where the present bungalow now stands. It was built circa 1800 by a member of the Limrick family and burned down by the I.R.A. in 1921. At that stage it was occupied by Colonel Speight and his wife Lucy (nee Limrick). The house was named after the Act of Union of 1801 and this in turn gave its name to the village. The Irish for Union Hall is Bréan Trá or Trá an Bhróin meaning "Strand of Lamentation".
13. **Old Water Tank:** Water from Tobar na gCaoláin flowed into this tank was then piped to the houses and to the village pumps up to the early 1960's.
14. **Site of Methodist Church:** The village's Methodist Church or the "Preaching House" as it was affectionately known. Built in 1893 on land donated by Captain Townsend, it was often used by Cornish and Manx fishermen. It finally closed in 1955.
15. **The Blackfield/GAA pitch:** It is so named as it was once the site of a cutaway bog. In former years flax was grown here and in 1970 the Land Commission handed it over to the local community to be developed for the good of all.
16. **St. Bridget's Church:** Built 1831 it was completely reconstructed in 1927. It was designed by Ashlin Coleman Architects of Dublin and rebuilt by Coffey Builders of Midleton.
17. **View point over Rabbit Island:** Great view back to Leap and the Pollgorm/Metal bridge, and out to sea over Rabbit Island.
18. **Carrighilly Lake:** Lake full of water lilies and king cups in summer. Breeding place for swans, mallards, coots, and moorhens.
19. **Carrighilly Harbour:** Once a fishing village with over 700 inhabitants. Note memorial for those drowned at sea.
20. **Lough Cluhir :** Local legend says that every seven years a three masted ship can be seen on the lake, but bad luck falls to those who see it.
21. **Old National School:** Former national school, opened in 1885 with separate boys and girls schools.