

Welcome

Welcome to Union Hall. We hope you will enjoy walking around our village, and through some of our outstanding countryside and coastal areas. We have tried to make it easy for you to follow some of our favourite walks, and learn some of our local history as you go. We use these walks ourselves, both for the health benefit, and because they are wonderful places to walk, quiet and beautiful in all seasons. You can buy everything you need for a picnic at Fullers/Centra, or the Coffee Shop before you set out. And don't miss the chance to relax after your walk in our cheerful pub/restaurants, Casey's, Dinty's or the Boatman. You could take advantage of being in Union Hall to go fishing, whale watching or Kayaking. And if you like it here as much as we do, why not stay a while at one of our B and B's, Casey's, Shearwater, Seascope, or Lis-Ardagh. Finally, before you go, you can buy the fish our fishermen catch at the Fish Shop, one of the best in the country.

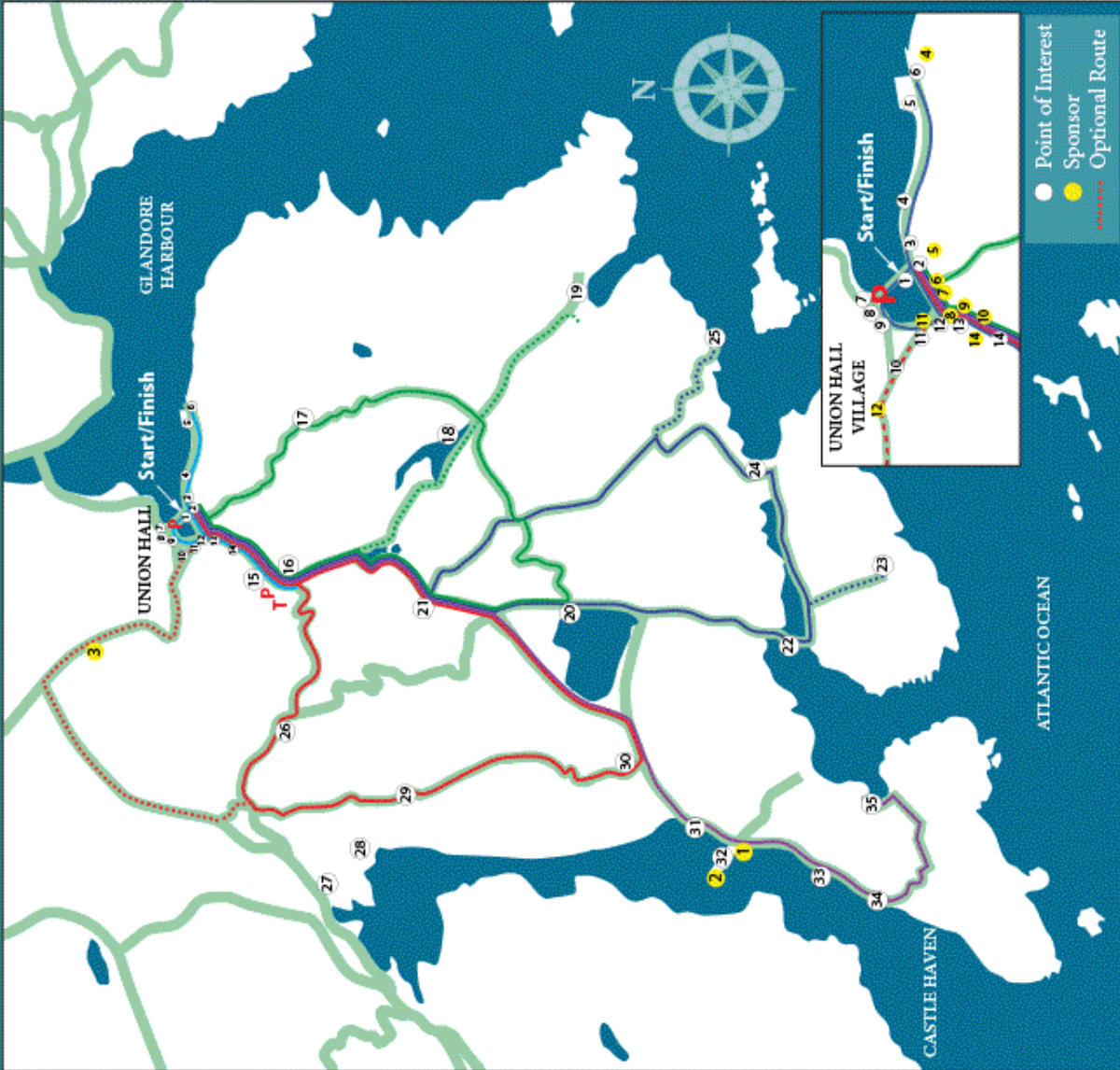
Caution

The five trails on this brochure are all on Public Roads. All walkers are responsible for their own safety. Please be mindful of traffic, and obey the rules of the road. The Union Hall Walks Project does not take any responsibility for walkers on these roads. Please take extra care on the first section of the Red Stags View Walk, and the optional route which are both on busy roads for the first ten minutes walking.

This is a community initiative by members of Union Hall Women's Group, our Tidy Towns committee, our Local Development Committee, and local businesses. Great advice and help was provided by West Cork Development Project, and Cork County Council. We are very grateful for the funding for the project provided by our sponsors shown on this brochure.

All walks start and end at the village causeway, beside the Map board.

- Heritage Walk.** Light blue. 2.9 kms, Time 1 hour. Easy, suitable for baby pushchairs/wheel chairs. Learn some of the history of Union Hall, and visit Keelbeg Pier, a busy fishing harbour.
- Lake Walk.** Green. 7.6 Kms. Time 1-2.5 hours, Moderate. Loop walk of 6 kms, with optional shortcut reducing walk to 3.8kms, and optional 1.6 km extension to beach. Quiet country roads, beautiful coastal and farmland views. Carrighilly Harbour and Lough Cluhir. Steep gradient for first 15 minutes.
- Three Islands Walk.** Dark Blue. 10.2 Kms. Time 2.5-3 hours. Moderate. Loop road. Country roads, Myross causeway and graveyard, Squinice beach, steep ascent to Andra farmlands, and return. Optional 600 m extension descend to beautiful Tra an Oilleain beach and views of Rabbit Island.



Points of Interest

1. Old Weigh Bridge
2. Site of R.I.C. Barracks (now Fish Shop)
3. Site of Unionhall House
4. View of Pollgorm/Metal Bridge
5. Keelbeg Harbour and Pier
6. Old Ferry Point
7. Tobar na gCapall
8. Seafarers Monument
9. Harrington's Lights
10. Village Courthouse
11. Church of Ireland
12. Site of Village Forge
13. Old Water Tank
14. Site of Methodist Church
15. The Blackfield/Community Field
16. St. Bridget's Church
17. View over Rabbit Island
18. Carrighilly Lake
19. Carrighilly Harbour
20. Lough Cluhir
21. Old National School
22. Myross Bridge
23. Myross graveyard
24. Squinice beach
25. Tra an Oilleain
26. Ancient ring fort
27. Rineen Woods
28. Fairy houses
29. View back to Rineen Mill and out to Horse Island and the Stags
30. View over Castlehaven Estuary
31. Raheen Castle
32. The League
33. Reen Pier
34. View over Castletownsend
35. Blind Harbour

4. Stags View Walk. Red. 12.5 Kms Time 3.5 hours. Moderate. Circular route with wonderful views across the West Cork coast, and over Castletownshend. Optional extension, or separate visit to Rineen Woods and fairy houses. First section is on busy road, and extreme care should be taken. Driving directly to Rineen Woods is an option for children. Parking is available.

5. Reen Walk. Purple 11.7kms. Easy. Linear walk from the village to Reen with wonderful views over Castlehaven estuary and Castletownshend Village ending in Blind Harbour

Dog Walkers- please keep dogs on leads at all times.