

Social Farming Ireland is excited to announce they are holding a **Social Farming Awareness Week**, to promote social farming as a viable option for both those in need of this support and for farmers.



This week will take place from the **3rd of October to the 7th of October** with one of our farms hosting an open morning each day of the week.

The open days are Donegal, Cork, Meath, Galway & Waterford in a variety of different farm settings.

- We start the week on Monday on a busy dairy farm near Ballyshannon in Donegal where Andrew and Elspeth host participants and offer many other activities on their varied farm overlooking the Erne estuary and Donegal Bay.
- On Tuesday we have the Batemans family farm in Crookstown in Cork. Michael, Shirley and their children run a large dairy farm and milk over 600 cows on a rotary milker. There is a vegetable garden and many other opportunities for inclusion with this couple who have much experience in helping people throughout their life together.
- On Wednesday it's over to Athboy in Meath where Emma Jane hosts participants on her small holding where they offer activities with horses and gardening.
- On Thursday a farm near Athenry in Galway opens, this is a sheep farm where Mary and her son Niall host participants who can engage in growing fruit and vegetables as well as with the animals which include some fancy fowl.
- Friday, we wrap up the week in Dungarvan in Waterford on the O'Grady farm. On the farm, Gerard primarily has sheep and cattle, and also has a garden and polytunnel for growing fruit and veg.

We would be delighted if you could join us on one of these days to see a sample of what our farms offer and hear some stories of people's experiences on these farms.

All participants, families, farmers, service providers, or anyone interested in learning about the benefits of social farming are welcome!

Please see flyer for booking information.



SOCIAL FARMING AWARENESS WEEK 2022
3RD OCTOBER - 7TH OCTOBER
Open days on Social Farms around the Country

OCT 3RD
OPEN DAY ON ANDREW & ELSPETH VAUGHAN FARM - DONEGAL
TIME: 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Please RSVP: Caoimhe at 086 0651138 or email Admin@socialfarmingireland.ie

OCT 4TH
OPEN DAY ON SHIRLEY & MICHAEL BATEMANS FARM - CORK
TIME: 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Please RSVP: Eadaoin O'Connell at 087 3863842 or by email: eoconnell@wrl.ie

OCT 5TH
OPEN DAY ON EMMA JANE CLARKES FARM - MEATH
TIME: 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Please RSVP: Caoimhe at 086 0651138 or email: Admin@socialfarmingireland.ie

OCT 6TH
OPEN DAY ON MARY & NIALL MURPHY FARM - GALWAY
TIME: 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Please RSVP: Deirdre Fahey at 087 6253862 or by email: dfahay@southmayo.com

OCT 7TH
OPEN DAY ON GERARD O'GRADY'S FARM - WATERFORD
TIME: 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Please RSVP: Gillian McCarthy at 087 2310661 or email: gillian.mccarthy@wfp.ie

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