

# 2KM FROM HOME

killagoola

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# John Geoghegan

John was born in 1893 and was the eldest boy in the family, he had 7 siblings. He grew up on a farm in moycullen. He liked football, hurling and the Irish language.

John was on the team when moycullen won their first trophy. He played goalie for football and was right cornerback in hurling.

This is his medal :





John was part of Conradh Na Gaeilge, he joined in 1915.

He also joined the Irish Volunteers and fought in the 1916 Easter Rising

John was murdered by the black and tans in the early morning when they came knocking on his door, they brought him out to a field and apparently there were 2 witnesses of his death.

This is a memorial that marks the spot in which he was murdered.

This can be found in the killagoola area.

A few years ago 6th class did a full project on him here is a link

[https://www.ouririshheritage.org/content/archive/people/people-general/john\\_geoghegan](https://www.ouririshheritage.org/content/archive/people/people-general/john_geoghegan)



# The clydagh bridge

Clydagh bridge was built by the famous architect Alexander Nimmo unfortunately due to the widening of the N59 the bridge had to be replaced.

Here is the old bridge:



## Anvil from Lydon's Forge

None of the forge exists any more but here is a picture of an anvil used by the old forge





# Blake census of moycullen

- In 1792-1825 the parish priest **Francis Xavier Blake**, held a census.
- It had the name of every married man that was in the parish.
- Every new married man had his name put on the list and when he was married.

## Tobar & Teampall Éanna

In the 5th century St. Enda built a church, you can see the remains of the old church on the Killagoola trail. (it's the one with the broken window)

Tobar Éanna is a holy well it was believed to cure eye sores.

The picture is a ballaun that is in the church ruins and was used for baptism.



I cycled Killagoola history trail with my mum  
Here are some of the pictures we took







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