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As part of Galway City Council's policy of making information on heritage freely available, a summary brochure like this one, with a map of each of Galway City's 28 areas is being prepared. These are being printed along with a clear, easy to use map as a guide for those who visit our graveyards. The Monuments on the maps are numbered and are linked to the historic graves.com and Galway City Council (www.galwaycity.ie) websites. This allows anyone anywhere to freely research their ancestry and kinship with those buried in Galway. Copies of the following 18 leaflets; Ballybrit, Bohermore, Bushypark, Castlegar, Castlelawn/ Terryland, Convent of Mercy Forster St. and Francis St., Franciscan Friary, Forthill, Menlo, Old Rahoon, Poor Clare Monastery, Roscam, St Columba's, St Mary's Dominican, St Patrick's, Salthill Upper and United Methodist-Presbyterian Churches are available from the Heritage Office, City Hall, College Road, Galway (Tel: 091 536547/536516) and from city library branches free of charge.



Bohermore | Reilig an Bhóthair Mhóir

Bohermore Cemetery, in the townland of Townparks and St Nicholas' Parish, Galway city, opened in 1880. The 11 acre site is divided into 4 guadrants, aligned approximately north-east, north-west, south-east and south-west. Rectangular in plan, it is bordered on all sides by a stone wall. Two identical mortuary chapels stand in the northeast guadrant; the Church of Ireland chapel to the east, and the Roman Catholic chapel to the west. Access is via a pair of iron gates in the south wall (from Bohermore Road). An attractive gatehouse stands to the east of the gates. The gates, railings and walls, the two mortuary chapels and the gate house are all listed in the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage.

Most of the cemetery is densely filled with nineteenth and twentieth century headstones, ledger slabs, pedestal tombs and crosses of different styles. The cemetery is very well cared for and maintained by Galway City Council.

Individuals interred in Bohermore are included in the Galway City Cemetery Register of Internment. The current register, copies of all historical registers and a copy of the layout plan of the cemetery are held in the cemetery site office. The original historical registers and plan of the cemetery are kept in City Hall. The following categories are filled in on the register; Christian and Surname in full, Age, Religious Persuasion, Occupation or Rank in Life, Condition whether Married, Single, Widow, Widower or Child, Last Place of Residence, Date of Death, Date of Burial, Grave Details: Section, Row & Number, Signature of the Person having the Management of Internment and Signature of Registrar. The cemetery is laid out in four quadrants (SE, SW, NW and NE) and each quadrant is subdivided into three sections (A-L). The numbering commences in the south-east corner (the first section is A) and runs clockwise to the north-east corner (the last section is L).

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Some Examples | Cuid de na Leachtaí

Katherine Martin - 1967 E1

Reference: GA-BHMR-1097 Row 35 GPS: 53° 16' 50.9" N, 9° 02' 19.5" W

E2 Walter Macken - 1967

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Walter Macken, novelist and playwright, was born in Galway city in 1915. He is best remembered for his historical trilogy Seek the Fair Land, The Silent People and The Scorching Wind and for Rain on the Wind which won the Literary Guild award.

Reference GA-BHMR-1116 Row 36 GPS: 53° 16' 50.0" N. 9° 02' 18.4" W

Michael Baron Morris – 1901

Michael Baron Morris, First Baron Killanin, is buried a family vault. The first Catholic appointed Lord Chief Justice of Ireland since the Battle of the Boyne, he was an MP from 1865-7, and held many public positions in Ireland and England.

Reference: GA-BHMR-1489 Row 47 GPS: 53° 16' 52.0" N. 9° 02' 17.6" W

First World War

HEADSTONE Regiments represented on the group of WWI memorials include the Connaught Rangers, 6th Dragoon Guards, The Royal Airforce, The Machine Gun Corps (Infantry), The Welch Regiment, The Royal Defence Corps and The 17th Lancers.

Plot of the Angels

The plot of the angels commemorates babies who died before birth or in infancy. There are a number of recumbent slabs and individual memorial markers. The plot is decorated with flowers, statues of angels and cherubs and toys.

Reference: GA-BHMR-2623 Row 78 GPS: 53° 16' 52.2" N. 9° 02' 11.2" W













Jesuits

A large limestone Celtic cross, decorated in intricately carved knotwork, was erected by a few friends as a mark of esteem and regard for the Jesuit Community in Galway. The site commemorates Fr Patrick O'Reilly, who died in 1904, in particular. Reference: GA-BHMR-4144 Row 135 GPS: 53° 16' 52.7" N. 9° 02' 20.9" W

Pádraic Ó Conaire – 1928 E7

Pádraic Ó Conaire was a pioneer in the Irish Literary Revival and author of M'asal Beag Dubh. Tourists and locals alike have been photographed sitting on the lap of Albert Power's statue of Ó Conaire, unveiled by Éamon de Valera in 1935 in Eyre Square. Reference GA-BHMR-4186 Row 137

GPS: 53° 16' 53.2" N. 9° 02' 20.7" W

The Revolutionary Period

Many people involved in the War of Independence, including Cllr Micheál Bhreathnach (U.D.C.), Cllr Alice Cashel of Cumann na mBan, and Patrick Whelan R.I.C., and others who died in the Civil War are buried in Bohermore.

Reference: GA-BHMR-4202 Row 138 GPS: 53° 16' 53.3" N. 9° 02' 20.4" W

Dutch Airline

All passengers and crew, a total of 99 people, lost their lives when the airliner Hugo De Groot crashed into the Atlantic Ocean on August 14 1958. The remains of 22 unidentified people were buried in a plot in Bohermore.

Reference: GA-BHMR-4294 Row 133 GPS: 53° 16' 52.9" N. 9° 02' 18.5" W

William Joyce (Lord Haw Haw) - 1946

Lord Haw Haw, a German radio broadcaster in English during WW2, was promoted by the Reich Ministry of Public Enlightenment and Propaganda to demoralise allied troops. Executed in Wandsworth prison, he was reburied here in 1976 at his daughter's request. Reference: GA-BHMR-4355 Row 146 GPS: 53° 16' 54.0" N. 9° 02' 18.8" W











George Mann MacBeth - 1992

George Mann MacBeth, a Scottish poet and novelist, joined the BBC Radio in 1955. He lived for a time at Moyne Park near Tuam. Well known for Poems from Oby (1982), a Choice of the Poetry Book Society, he also received a Geoffrey Faber Memorial Prize. Reference: GA-BHMR-4442 Row 149

Lady Augusta Gregory – 1932

One of the primary drivers of the Irish literary revival, Lady Gregory was a founder of the Irish Literary Theatre Movement which gave rise to the Abbey theatre in Dublin. She wrote over thirty plays and many books on folklore and history. Reference GA-BHMR-4661 Row 158

GPS: 53° 16' 54.0" N, 9° 02' 16.4" W

The Mortuary Chapels F1

There are two identical disused mortuary chapels within the Cemetery. The Church of Ireland one is located to the east and the Roman Catholic to the west, 100 m apart. The entrance porches face each other accross the cemetry pathway.

Reference: GA-BHMR GPS: 53° 16' 53.4" N. 9° 02' 16.2" W

F2 Gates

Vehicle access to the cemetery is via a pair of gates in the southern wall. The gates and railings on either side are wrought iron in an Art Nouveaux style. The finials on the top are wrought iron and those with the expanded heads lower down are cast iron. Reference: GA-BHMR GPS: 53° 16' 54.2" N. 9° 02' 20.3" W



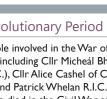
The limestone gate lodge forms an attractive landmark at the entrance to Bohermore Cemetery. It is a detached three-bay singlestorey lodge, with a dormer floor built in c. 1860. The roof is embellished with scalloped slates in contrasting colours.

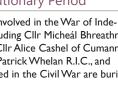
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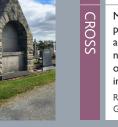




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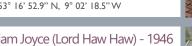




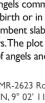


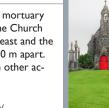














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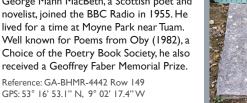
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Bohermore Memorial Numbering System

The map is derived from a drone survey of Bohermore. The rows of memorials are illustrated with a black line. The memorials were numbered sequentially starting in the south-west corner (bottom left hand side of the map) and working towards the central roadway on each row. The numbers in each of the rows work from the exterior (walls) into the interior of the cemetery. A table showing which memorial numbers appear on each row can be seen to the right. Individual memorial details can be viewed on www.historicgraves.com

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Row 21 588–624

Row 22 625–658

Row 23 659–693

Row 24 694–728

Row 20

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Row 45

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Row 73	2439-2477
Row 74	2478-2519
Row 75	2520-2554
Row 76	2555-2590
Row 77	2591-2622
Row 78	2623-2644
Row 79	2645-2667
Row 80	2668-2684
Row 81	2685-2700
Row 82	2701-2705
Row 83	2706-2711
Row 84	2712-2728
Row 85	2729-2739
Row 86	2740-2744
Row 87	2745-2747
Row 88	2748-2756
Row 89	2757-2783
Row 90	2784-2789
Row 91	2790-2796
Row 92	2797-2805
Row 93	2806-2820
Row 94	2821-2851
Row 95	2852-2882
Row 96	2883-2920
Row 97	2921-2958
Row 98	2959-2995
Row 99	2996-3031
Row 100	3032-3070
Row 101	3071-3106
Row 102	3107-3141
Row 103	3142-3156

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Row	104	3157-3193
Row	105	3194-3232
Row	106	3233-3265
Row	107	3266-3298
Row	108	3299–3334
Row	109	3335-3362
Row	110	3363-3399
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Row	112	3427–3461
Row	113	3462-3496
Row	114	3497–3531
Row	115	3532-3566
Row	116	3567-3604
Row	117	3605–3638
Row	118	3639–3675
Row	119	3676-3708
Row	120	3709–3747
Row	121	3748–3787
Row	122	3788-3819
Row	123	3820–385 I
Row	124	3852-3884
Row	125	3885-3910
Row	126	3911-3925
Row	127	3926–3947
Row	128	3948–3972
Row	129	3973–3999
Row	130	4000-4024
Row	131	4025–405 I
Row	132	4052–4071
Row	133	4072-4098
Row	134	4099-4124
Row	135	4125-4147
Row	136	4148-4174
Row	137	4175-4199
Row	138	4200-4215
Row	139	4216-4231
Row	140	4232-4245
Row	141	4246-4261

Row	142	4262-4285
Row	143	4286-4296
Row	144	4297–4309
Row	145	4310-4336
Row	146	4337-4360
Row	147	4361-4391
Row	148	4392-4416
Row	149	4417-4445
Row	150	4446-4472
Row	151	4473-4495
Row	152	4496-4511
Row	153	4512-4529
Row	154	4530-4552
Row	155	4553-4579
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Row	157	4612-4639
Row	158	4640-4662
Row	159	4663-4692
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Row	161	4729–4755
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Row	163	4791-4826
Row	164	4827–4857
Row	165	4856-4881
Row	166	4882-4897
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Row	169	4943-4967
Row	170	4968-4991
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Row	174	5064–5075
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