

Joining Instructions - Rush & Lambay Rally

Introduction

Rush Sailing Club is located on the south shore, at Rogerstown Estuary. The club has kindly agreed to allow Barbecues, use of the slipway, bar, toilet facilities and camping on the grounds. The club has undergone recent investment to upgrade the facilities and is an ideal launching point for a visit to Lambay Island.

Lambay Island is privately owned by the Baring family and has until recently been closed to visitors. The idyllic island, which extends to some 240 hectares, is an important breeding ground for sea birds, including puffins, razorbills, kittiwakes and Manx shearwaters, and is renowned for its herds of wallabies. The island has unprotected cliffs which make it unsuitable for small children.

There is a castle which was created from a 15th century fort under the direction of the famous architect Sir Edwin Lutyens, and boasts a walled garden. The island has a small church and one of the few existing "Real Tennis" courts. Another structure, called the White House, was built closer to the island's harbour in 1930. We will be welcomed to the island and be free to roam the wild areas of the island with an option to receive a guided tour of the castle and gardens (donation €30pp). There is a beach suitable for swimming in the small harbour and shelter will be available in one of the adjacent buildings.

Fees

The island requires financial support so donations of a landing fee of €50 pp and a castle tour fee of €30 pp is requested for this unique opportunity. This is in addition to the €5 standard DA fee per boat.



