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# Remembering the Future

## The Decade of Anniversaries

Mid Ulster District Council is organising a series of talks around the Decade of Anniversaries (1912-1923).

The series of talks and discussions deal with the historical facts that mark the key shifts in society that happened during this turning point in history and give meaning to the events that happened across the divide, helping to promote a deeper understanding of our shared history and culture.

For further information see  
[www.midulstercouncil.org](http://www.midulstercouncil.org)



## “The Dreary Steeples of Fermanagh and Tyrone” Partition and the Birth of Northern Ireland



**Speaker:** Dr Éamon Phoenix  
**Venue:** Ranfurly House, Dungannon  
**Date:** Wednesday 10th May 2017  
**Time:** 7.30pm

From 1913 the dark shadow of partition or ‘exclusion’ hung over the North of Ireland in face of determined Ulster Unionist resistance to Home Rule. This talk will trace the evolution of partition from the ‘County Option’ proposals of 1914 to the final the Government of Ireland Act in 1920. It will consider the impact on Irish politics of the change in the balance of power at Westminster, the ‘acreage’ question and the success of Craig in shaping the final Act. Nationalist reactions, the impact of the Treaty, the Craig–Collins Pacts of 1922 and the collapse of the Boundary Commission will be highlighted.

## ‘The Decade of Anniversaries’ Panel Discussion



**Speaker:** Dr Éamon Phoenix  
**Venue:** Ranfurly house, Dungannon  
**Date:** Wednesday 24th May 2017  
**Time:** 7.30pm

A unique opportunity to meet & engage with an invited panel of historians to discuss the ‘Decade of anniversaries’ period and its impact.

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# Events

## The Irish Revolution From Partition to Civil War 1917 – 1922



**Speaker:** Dr Éamon Phoenix  
**Venue:** Burnavon Theatre, Cookstown  
**Date:** Wednesday 29th March 2017  
**Time:** 7.30pm

This talk will examine the aftermath of the 1916 Rising, the rise of Sinn Féin, the establishment of Dail Eireann and the outbreak of the Irish War of Independence of 1919-21. It will trace the rise to prominence of de Valera, Michael Collins and Arthur Griffith, the Treaty negotiations of 1921, the Treaty split and the bitter Civil War of 1922-23. The impact of these events on Ulster and partition will be considered.

## Commemorating The Decade of Centenaries Challenges and Opportunities



**Speaker:** Fearghal Mc Garry  
**Venue:** Ranfurly House, Dungannon  
**Date:** Tuesday 4th April 2017  
**Time:** 7.30pm

Focusing on commemorations, this talk will explore past commemorations of 1916 in both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. It will compare these Anniversaries to the more conciliatory commemorations that have occurred during the present 'Decade of Anniversaries'. Looking towards some of the anniversaries that are fast approaching, the talk will offer some suggestions as to how Ireland's divided history might be commemorated without sacrificing the historical integrity of the past to the political needs of the present.

## Events In Tyrone 1917 – 1921



**Speaker:** Fearghal Mac Bhioscaidh  
**Venue:** Ranfurly house, Dungannon  
**Date:** Wednesday 26th April 2017  
**Time:** 7.30pm

This talk will focus on political parties in Tyrone after the Easter Rising. It will examine the coalition of republican and constitutional tendencies that came together before the 1918 general election and explain the political landscape at this time.

## Divided Memories

**Speaker:** John Ritchie – Friends of The Somme - Mid Ulster Branch  
**Venue:** Burnavon Theatre, Cookstown  
**Date:** Tuesday 25th April  
**Time:** 7.30pm



Exploring the impact of the First World War and The Easter Rising in Tyrone and across Ireland. Examining how our war dead are commemorated today.

## The World Upside Down, Revolutionary Ireland and Europe



**Speaker:** Shaun Harkin  
**Venue:** Bridewell, Magherafelt  
**Date:** Wednesday 3rd May 2017  
**Time:** 7.30pm

Ireland's history is often discussed in isolation. However, the 1916 Rising directly impacted European and the global political picture. The future of Ireland was directly influenced by intensifying waves of political and social radicalisation caused by the carnage of the great war.

## Registration Form

I would like to register for the following:

- The Irish Revolution From Partition To Civil War 1917 – 1922
- Commemorating The Decade of Centenaries Challenges and Opportunities
- Events In Tyrone 1917 – 1921
- Divided Memories
- The World Upside Down, Revolutionary Ireland and Europe
- "The Dreary Steeples Of Fermanagh And Tyrone" Partition and The Birth of Northern Ireland
- "The Decade of Anniversaries" Panel Discussion

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