

Drumbeat Parish**Knockanaher Townland****1838 map**

The Drumrat, Toomour and parts of Kilshalvy Parish Townland Information sheets bring together the first bits of information that inquisitive people ask about when looking for a relation and where they lived. These pages provide some name and place lists and online sources to introduce you to those who lived hereabouts in the recent, and not so recent, past.

Our hope is that your search fosters an appreciation for the past and its peoples and the lands they called home.

Our goal is to be helpful. Welcome to the neighbourhood.



The red numbers in the map note the specific Griffith's Valuation (GV) fields/parcels of land. See the GV list for this town land below to match with tenants and owners holding these fields in 1857.

Lands boundaries have been redone since over the years, and of course land has changed hands. Information from the Land and Tenant Rate books at the Valuation Office will be a good source for more information about the people living on and working the land after this 1857 information. See the section below re Valuations.

We begin with the Down Survey of Ireland and other descriptive information about the townland below to get our bearings. Some sheets may contain estate records we were able to locate to give names of tenants early in the 1800s. We move on to the Tithe Applotment listings which tell us the heads of families in the town land in 1833. The Census records of 1901 and 1911 tell us who was in the houses in the townland on Census night. By visiting and searching other web sites, URL addresses provided, you may be able to track people via church records and civil records of births, marriages and deaths. Hint: The more information you have before searching, the better.

The Down Survey of Ireland

Taken in the years 1656-1658, the Down Survey of Ireland is the first ever detailed land survey on a national scale anywhere in the world. The survey sought to measure all the land to be forfeited by the Catholic Irish in order to facilitate its redistribution to Merchant Adventurers and English soldiers. For more information and to view the maps, go to <http://downsurvey.tcd.ie/index.html> and explore the site.

Townland of KNOCKANAGHER

Down Survey Name: Knockmayer & Tullaghmore

1641 Owner(s): [McDonnogh, Roger \(Catholic\)](#)

1670 Owner(s): [Taaffe, Theobald earl of Carlingford \(Catholic\)](#)

County: Sligo

Barony: Corran

Parish: Drumratt

Profitable land: 91 plantation acres

Forfeited: 91 plantation acres

The Ordnance Survey Name Book John O'Donovan 1836

John O'Donovan (1806-1861) led the Ordnance Survey project collecting information about the topography of Ireland. The work was carried out by sundry surveyors visiting every parish in Ireland. O'Donovan wrote the place name reports based on the data the surveyors collected.

For more information: <http://www.askaboutireland.ie/reading-room/history-heritage/irish-ge-nealogy/what-is-griffiths-valuati/>

Knockanaher Townland Cnoc (Croc) a neatair, hill of the boat. The north end of the townland is called Tullymore by the inhabitants.

Situated on the W. side of the parish, on the N. and S. sides of the road from Ballymote to Boyle, about three and a half miles S. of the former place. It is bounded on the N. by Berocash and Carrickrathmullin; on the E. by Rooskymore and Rooskybeg; on the S. by Knocknagower and on the W. by the Parish of Kilshalvey.

This townland contains 192 acres of which 137 are cultivated and 55 of bog. The proprietor Thomas Jones Esq. has granted to the tenantry a lease of one life or 21 years at the yearly rent of 1 pound 10s per acre. County Cess is paid by the acre and generally amounts to 1/10. The soil is a red heavy earth and the general produce are oats, flax and potatoes. There is one good farm house near the centre of the townland and a hill on which there is a Trig. station 307 feet above sea level.

Townland Place names

Knockanaher / **Cnoc an Eathair** (192—39)

Knockinaher, Knockenahir, *CPR* 331b (1617), Knockanaer, *Str* 168, Knockanaer, *Str* 189, ? Knocanurhar, *Cen.*, K:anay, *HD*, Knockanahir, *Co. Map/OSNB*

This information from "The Placenames of Corran," by Nollaig O Muraile, given in a lecture at the 2008 Ballymote Heritage Weekend.

Sources cited: **Tax.**: Ecclesiastical Taxation, 1306; **F:** Fiants of Tudor Sovereigns (searched selectively); **CPR:** Calendar of Patent Rolls of James I; **Str:** Strafford's Inquisition, 1635 (from Wood-Martin's *Sligo*); **DS:** Down Survey, c 1655 (most citations taken from OSNB); **Cen.:** 'Census' of Ireland, c. 1659; **HMR:** Hearth Money Roll for Co. Sligo, 1665 (ed. MacLysaght); **HD:** Hiberniae Delineatio (al. Petty's Atlas), publ. 1685 (but engraved c 1663); **OSBN:** Ordnance Survey Parish Namebooks, 1837 (consulted - especially for evidence of Irish forms collected from native speakers of the language).

Population, landowners and tenants

Population figures for this townland 1841-1901

1841	1851	1861	1871	1881	1901
137	120	97	112	103	38

SLIGO TITHE APLOTMENT BOOK Parish listings

Below are the names of heads of families in the Toomour and Drumbeat parishes in 1833-4.

The Tithe Applotment Books are records compiled between 1823 and 1837 to determine the amount which occupiers of agricultural holdings over one acre should pay in tithes to the Church of Ireland. We recommend a visit to the sites below for more information.

<http://titheapplotmentbooks.nationalarchives.ie/search/tab/home.jsp>

<http://titheapplotmentbooks.nationalarchives.ie/search/tab/about.jsp>

<http://titheapplotmentbooks.nationalarchives.ie/search/tab/aboutmore.jsp>

Knockanaher Townland, Drumrat Parish, Co. Sligo 1833

[Conlon, Martin](#)

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[Healy, Kitty](#)

[Mcmanumny, John](#)

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More information may be found at the National Archives Genealogy Website. Access the Census Records for 1901 and 1911 and many other informative sites at <http://www.genealogy.nationalarchives.ie>

Parish Online Resources

Diocese of Achonry | County of Sligo Variant forms of parish name: Keash [includes townlands in Drumrat and Toomour]

This website contains images from the National Library of Ireland's collection of Catholic parish register microfilms. The registers contain records of baptisms and marriages from the majority of Catholic parishes in Ireland and Northern Ireland up to 1880. Go to <http://registers.nli.ie/about> These are incomplete but you may be surprised!

Other online resources for other denominations may be found at https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/County_Sligo_Ireland_Genealogy#Church_Records

Griffith's Valuation 1857

County of Sligo, Barony of Corran, Union of Boyle

Griffith's Valuation is the name given to the Primary Valuation of Ireland, a property tax survey carried out in the mid-nineteenth century. The survey involved the detailed valuation of every taxable piece of property and published county-by-county between 1847 and 1864.

The information with tenant and owner names for this town land is below. You can see the rest by going to the page on the GV site.

Explore Griffith's Valuation online at these sites:

<http://www.askaboutireland.ie/griffith-valuation/index.xml>

<http://www.askaboutireland.ie/reading-room/history-heritage/irish-genealogy/>

<http://www.askaboutireland.ie/reading-room/history-heritage/irish-genealogy/what-is-griffiths-valuation/>

Looking for more about properties? See the Valuation's Office web site at

http://www.valoff.ie/en/Archives_Genealogy_Public_Office/

Follow the links. Some material is online, other information is digitized at their office to view.

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	Tenant	Owner	Holding
			Land, house, offices or land
1	a Thomas McGowan	Thomas Jones	Land, house and offices
2	a John McMenamny, sen.,	Same	Land, house and offices
3	John McMenamny	Same	Land
-	a Patrick Killoran	John McMenamny, sen.	House
-	b James Killoran	same	House
-	c Michael Keenan	same	House
	d Andrew Hannan	same	House
4	a} Francis Cauley	John McMenamny, sen.	Land, house and offices
5	} "		Land
6	a Patrick KIELTY	Same	Land, house and offices
7	a Roger Savage	Same	Land, house and offices
8	a Thomas Henry	Same	Land, house and offices
9	a Bryan Dwyer	Same	Land, house and offices
-	b Hugh Conlon	Same	Garden and house
10	a Peter Walsh	Same	Land and house
11	Mark Marley	Same	Land
12	a Martin Gallagher	Same	Land, house and offices

Census of Ireland

Census pages may be accessed through The National Archives of Ireland.

This is the home page: <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie>

We recommend reading the information available to become familiar with the records. We only provide names, ages and the briefest of other information. The Census pages has more about individuals and families and their houses and land.

Ireland Census 1901

Co. Sligo Knockanagher TL, Drumrat Parish, DED Drumrat, Boyle Poor Law Union

Occupants and houses (private dwellings/buildings). Ages as given in Census.

House 1 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 1 Outbuilding Bernard Davey is the landholder.

Davey	Bernard	68	Head of family	Agricultural Laborer
	Mary	59	Wife	
	Thomas	24	Son	All are Ag Labourers None are married
	John	22	Son	
	James	18	Son	
Kealty	Bridget	6	Granddaughter	Scholar

House 2 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 1 Outbuilding Landholder is Patrick Healy.

Healy	Patrick	45	Head of family	Farmer
	Mary	44	Wife	House work
	Thos John	14	Son	All but baby going to school and none married
	Patrick	12	“	
	Kate	10	Daughter	
	Margaret	8	Daughter	
	Bartholomew	9 months	Son	

House 3 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 2 Outbuildings Landholder is Anne Donegan.

Donegan	Anne	50	Head	Farmer	Widow
	Ellie	25	Daughter		Not married

House 4 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 1 Outbuilding Landholder is John Conlon.

Conlon	John	76	Head of family	Retired shoemaker	Widower
	Martin	40	Son	Shoemaker	Not married
	Mary	42	Daughter	House keeper	Not married

House 5 Stone Thatch 1 room 1 Outbuilding Landholder is Barly Donegan.

Donegan	Barly	78	Head	Agricultural Laborer	married
	Thomas	38	Son	Ag Laborer	Not married
	Margaret	70	Wife	House keeper	married

House 6 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 1 Outbuilding Landholder is Margaret Grogan

Grogan	Margaret	70	Head of family	Cottier	Widow
	Mick	28	Son	Cottier's son	Not married

House 7 Stone Thatch 1 room 1 Outbuilding Landholder is Patrick Henry.

Henery [sic]	Patrick	62	Head of family	Railway Laborer
	Margaret	58	Wife	Housekeeper

House 8 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 2 Outbuildings Landholder is Catherine Killoran.

Killoran	Catherine	72	Head of family	Cottager	Widow
	Mary	24	Daughter	Housekeeper	Not married
Hannon	Bridget	73	Lodger	Widow	

House 9 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 3 Outbuildings Landholder is Sarah McGowan.

McGowan	Sarah	55	Head of family	Farmer	Widow
	Bridget	32	Daughter	Not married	
	Catherine	26	"	"	
	Anne	23	"	"	

House 10 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 3 Outbuildings Landholder is Bridget McGowan.

McGowan	Bridget	30	Head of family	Housekeeper	None here are married.
	Winnie	26	Sister	Farmer's daughter	
	Margaret	22	Sister	"	
	John	15	Brother	Scholar	
	James	8	"	"	

House 11 Stone Thatch 2 rooms No outbuildings Landholder is John Dyer.

Dyer John Head of family Carpenter Not married

House 12 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 4 Outbuildings Landholder is John Kielty.

Keelty [sic] John 34 Head of family Farmer
 Maria 26 Wife House work
 Mary Ellen 8 Daughter Attending school
 John Joseph 2 Son
 Bernard 6 months Son

House 13 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 5 Outbuildings Landholder is Patrick Henry.

Henry Patrick 75 Head of family Farmer Widower
 Shannon Michael 34 Son-in-law Farmer
 Margaret 31 Wife Housework
 Henry Ellen 25 Daughter

House 14 Stone Thatch 3 rooms 6 Outbuildings Landholder is James McGowan.

McGowan James 56 Head of family Shepard
 Winfred 60 Wife
 James 24 Son Ag Laborer Not married
 Bridget 27 Daughter Housekeeper Not married
 Kate 20 Daughter “ “

House 15 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 3 Outbuildings landholder is Thomas Henry.

Henery [sic] Thomas 30 Head of family
 Maggie 28 Wife
 Healy John 66 Uncle Farm servant Married

Ireland Census 1911

Co. Sligo Knockanagher TL, Drumrat Parish, DED Drumrat, Boyle Poor Law Union

Occupants and houses (private dwellings/buildings). Ages as given in Census.

House 1 Stone Thatch 2 rooms No outbuildings

Deavy Bryan 80 Head of family Laborer
 Mary 73 Wife Married 50 yrs w/ 7 children born live and 5 still living.

James 30 Son Laborer Single
 Bridget 18 Grand daughter Single

House 2 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 1 Outbuilding

Healy Patrick 56 Head of family Mason
 Mary 54 Wife Married 24 yrs w/ 5 children born live and 5 still living
 Thomas J 23 Son Laborer
 Patrick 22 Son Laborer
 Kate 20 Daughter
 Margaret 19 Daughter
 Batty 10 Son School boy

House 3 Stone Thatch 4 rooms 3 Outbuilding Landholder is Thomas Jackson.

McGowan James 70 Head Farmer
 Winnifred 74 Wife Married 46 yrs w/ 7 children born live and 6 still living
 James 35 Son Single
 Kate 33 Daughter Single

House 4 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 3 Outbuildings

Shannon Michael 46 Head of family Farmer
 Maggie 42 Wife Married 18 yrs and no children

House 5 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 5 Outbuildings

Kielty John 46 Head Farmer
 Maria 45 Wife Married 19 yrs. w/ 9 children born live and 7 still living
 Mary Ellen 18 Daughter All siblings are Single
 Bernard 10 Son Scholar
 Maggie Anne 7 Daughter Scholar
 Dennis 5 Son Scholar
 Cormac 3 Son
 Patrick Jas 6 months Son

House 6 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 1 outbuilding

Dyer John 67 Head of family Farmer Single

House 7 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 3 Outbuildings

Henry Thomas 45 Head of family Farmer
 Maggie 42 Wife Married 10 yrs. w/ 2 children born live and 2 still living

Mary Jane 8 Daughter Scholar Single
 Bridget Agnes 6 Daughter Scholar Single

House 8 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 4 Outbuildings

Conlon Martin 52 Head of family Boot and shoemaker Single
 Mary 56 Sister
 John 46 Brother Laborer

House 9 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 2 Outbuildings

Hunt Hugh 74 Head of family Laborer Widower
 Margret 28 Daughter Single

House 10 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 2 Outbuildings

Doonican Thomas 51 Head of family Laborer Single
 Healy Patrick 21 Nephew " "

House 11 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 3 Outbuildings

McGowan Sarah 69 Head of family Farmer Widow
 Bridget 47 Daughter Single
 Catherine 35 Daughter "
 Keelty Sarah Jane 3 Grand daughter
 Keelty Denis 43 Son-in-law Agricultural Laborer Widower

House 12 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 2 Outbuildings

McGowan John 25 Head of family Farmer Single
 Bridget 38 Sister Single

House 13 Stone Thatch 1 room No outbuildings

Henery Margaret 76 Head of family Widow

House 14 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 1 Outbuilding

Grogan Michael 38 Head of family
 Eliza 35 Wife

House 15 Stone Thatch 2 rooms 1 outbuilding

Landholder is Boyle Rural District Council
A private dwelling. Not occupied.

What else can we know about our old parishes and townlands?

County Sligo is long inhabited, and the folks who lived here left many reminders - like the ring-forts dotting our fields. We can now learn more of these and other monuments via the Archaeological Survey of Ireland, a unit of the National Monuments Service, and its' online database base. Go to <https://www.archaeology.ie> and look for the [Historic Environment Viewer](#) - an on-line digital service provided by the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht. Tis quite a tool. The viewer is accessible on most browsers and platforms, including smart phones.

Future additions to assist users of these Townland Information Sheets

The local people of the Keash/Culfadda Parish area will continue to refine these Townland information sheets as time goes on. With the valuable help of neighbors and relations they will add names of residents who came to live, work and pass on to others the fields and homes of these townlands for a few more years beyond the 1911 Census, to bring knowledge of the past up close to current memory and understanding. They will also do their best to name the local fields and gathering places of by-gone days - where, for instance, our ancestors used to dance at the cross-roads or meet at a well marked land mark, etc. This way, even as old places take on new meanings befitting the era, the past is not lost and our ancestors might still be seen along the roads, in the fields and their old homes - here or gone.

Questions or something to add? Contact _____