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Inis Oírr Co. na Gaillimhe



Currach Races in Inis Oírr

Inis Oírr is the smallest of the Aran Islands and the one closest to the mainland - Doolin in Co. Clare is only 8km away. There is a beautiful beach right beside the pier and the bars and hotel are located close to the same beach.

Áras Éanna, on the west side of the island, is the most westerly Arts and Heritage centre in Europe. It was built as a weaving factory but the local Co-op and Údarás na Gaeltachta converted it at the end of the 1990s. It has a theatre with 70 seats, an art gallery, a studio for resident artists and a little Café, as well as craft centres for local people. A number of

concerts and other arts events are organised in the centre throughout the year. www.araseanna.ie.

The people of Inis Oírr are particularly interested in renewable energy and the Co-op has been granted funds to buy a community minibus which will run on electricity. A subcommittee of the Co-op has carried out a pilot study on the use of a wood pellet burning stove in a local house and the use of solar panels instead of oil for home heating.

Inis Oírr has a secondary school, which means that young people can stay on the island until they finish

their second level education. There is also an active GAA branch and both the women's and men's teams won the All Island Football Championships this year.

If you would like further information about opportunities on Inis Oírr, contact the Co-op on 099 75008 ccteo@eircom.net www.inisoirr.ie



Facts

Population Size	247 2.5 km x 2.5 km
Nearest Port Ferry	Ros a' Mhil/ Doolin Twice a day (more frequently during the summer)
Nearest Town/city	Galway
Aer Arann	Flights three times a day - 6 minutes
Schools	Primary - 28 Secondary - 25
Childcare	Nursery 2-5 years 20 hours a week
Broadband	Group scheme
Shops	One shop Bank once a month
Health Care	Full-time nurse and doctor
Hotel Pub	One Hotel 3 pubs
Housing	Houses available for rent
Work Space	There is a limited amount of work space available
Existing Businesses Include	Builders, translation service, restaurants, weaving, crafts.
Enterprise Opportunities	Graphic design Consultancy, Traded services
Recreation	GAA, Judo Club, Youth Club, Comhaltas