

Fracking Matters Newsletter ⁽¹¹⁾ – 22 October 2011



Information letter for whom fracking does matter and (some) updates on the website www.frackingfreeireland.org, with links to other (Irish) fracking websites

Upcoming events:

IRELAND FRACKING WEEK 14-20 November
Public meetings and events to be organised

- **Bundoran:** Tuesday **25th October** at 8.00pm in the Astoria Wharf in Bundoran, County Donegal. It's being organised by Tracy Murray and Greg Gorman. Aedín McLoughlin is giving the presentation.

- **Cliffony Hall** presentation night on **18 Nov** (Meg&Ursi)- presentation by Aedin Mc Loughlin (more details from Meg Rybicki youthmardingo@gmail.com 086 3840254

- **Sligo IT** presentation night on **21Nov at 6 pm** in Students Union building presentation by Aedin Mc Loughlin and (to be confirmed) Rob Doyle- invited by Paul Gibson (more info kinloughnoracking@gmail.com) and (to be confirmed) Sonya O'Dwyer meeting open for the general public. invitations for media and local authorities, businesses, etc. Posters&flyers to be published when ready(details to be confirmed) contact: Magda gajesia@gmail.com 0863255986, Meg youthmardingo@gmail.com, Agnieszka Lee (IT Student) a_lee@wp.pl, Paul Gibson kinloughnofracking@gmail.com help and suggestions greatly appreciated

- **Ballinamore/West Cavan**
A group of us from Ballinamore/west Cavan, are organising a major **Fund Raising 'Concert'**, because we expect that ultimately the campaign might have to go through The Courts - maybe

the European Courts. This would entail legal and Specialist Witnesses and costs. Hence the need to begin to fund-raise. The Event will take place **from Noon to Mid-night on 12 Nov** next, in McGil's, Ballinamore. Numerous national artists are already agreed to perform. These include Eleanor Shanley, Charlie McGettigan, **members** of KILA, and at 3pm "The Kings of Comedy", i.e., Kevin McAleer, Barry Murphy and Joe Rooney. Other confirmations are confidently expected. Full details are planned to be revealed on the **Fracking Free fringe Concert** page on leitrimfestival.com, but at this stage we would like fellow minded people to begin to know and promote this event. This campaign will need all the funds it can get!

GAZILLION AT DUBLIN CONTEMPORARY

Ireland is the size of Egypt if you count its sea. This Tuesday 25th Oct @ 7pm as part of Dublin Contemporary, **film maker** Colum Stapleton will use word & image to delve the coy world of Irish hydrocarbons. For the past two years he has been trying to figure whether or not we have shed loads of gas beneath 900,000sq km of Sea, or but a hiss. Nobody declares to know but across the past half century there have been rumours of El Dorado? This event is to create a bigger and better wondering about how our seas are being prospected. Where do you look? Whose opinion do you trust?

Gazillion.ie and its endeavour to win a license for a block of Atlantic is aired. Gazillion didn't win but she is fixing to

give it another go if she can get ever clever people involved... so geophysicists, hydrologists, diviners, chancers..... ALL WELCOME

Taking the plunge – seminar on water management Dublin 9 November 2011 with international speakers
<http://www.iaea.com/events/taking-the-plunge-a-new-era-in-irish-water-management>
Ireland's water sector faces multiple challenges and is responding with a major transformation. Drawing from the EU-IMF Memorandum of Understanding and the National Recovery Plan, the Government has committed to establish a state water utility and a water regulator. Please visit website for full programme.

(Rough) **Minutes Kinlough meeting** by Magda Fracking Fleadh - A music event in spring of next year to highlight the fracking issue. Brian & Paul S. think a lineup of good musicians could raise a bit of coin for the cause (paying for promo material etc).

Change of meeting venue: - As the cold nights are coming some of the group feel the room in the community centre is unsuitable. It's been suggested that we meet in a Kinlough pub instead. Preferably one with a good fire! We'll let you know when this is confirmed.

Cliffony meeting:

- polish documentary screening 'Shale gas in Poland- behind the scenes'

http://superwizjer.tvn.pl/52144_gaz-lupkowy--kulisy-intratnych-inwestycji,aktualnosc.html

not translated yet, hoping to do that soon. Poland is facing a real disaster now- in Ireland we still got a chance- for people in Poland is too late - 71 licences granted and people are already suffering from contaminated water, tremors, etc... very disturbing for me.

-Ursi is going to meet minister for Agriculture and Tourism over the weekend- she wanted some help with preparing a list of questions to him about the shale gas extraction plans and licences for Leitrim....please contact Meg or Ursi for more details- help from others greatly appreciated.

Special note:

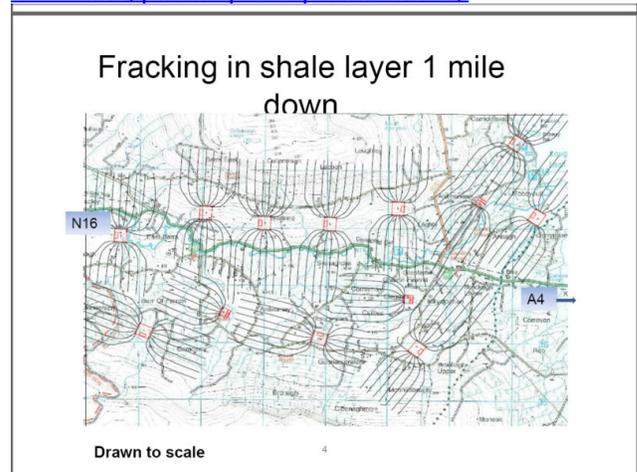
please share **the black shamrock** logo idea with the others- people are buying and wearing those in bulks. they attract attention and it's very easy to start the conversation. wherever we go wearing them people ask and are getting informed and involved- working really well :-)
smaller than t-shirts and match any outfit ;-)

would love it if the other 'groups' would pick the idea :-)



Added to the web FFI

- Fracking=spiderweb-slides from Aedin **are added to** <http://frackingfreeireland.org/info-to-download/power-point-presentation/>



- Tamboran U turn on crucial submission
<http://frackingfreeireland.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/08/Tamboran-U-turn-on-crucial-submission-pdf.pdf>

- Offshore intention licence and map (web FFI Political issues)

<http://www.dcenr.gov.ie/Natural/Petroleum+Affairs+Division/Licensing+Applications/Notices+of+Intention+to+Grant+Petroleum+Prospecting+Licences.htm>

- map:

http://www.dcenr.gov.ie/NR/rdoonlyres/DC9B38F3-3D4C-4F1B-A644-B455ADD7F78F/0/A0_Concession_Map_Jun2011.pdf



-Irish Times: Reply Pat Rabbitte on Norwegian style-taxes (web FFI Irish Press- scroll to bottom)
<http://www.irishtimes.com/newspaper/opinion/2011/0818/1224302638286.html?via=rel>

- Irish Times: Offshore exploration permits granted
<http://www.irishtimes.com/newspaper/breaking/2011/1017/breaking17.html> Inclusive referring to visit **Helmut Fehr**. (Web FFI Irish press)

- Guardian: groundbraking data tracks **carbon emissions** back to their source
<http://www.guardian.co.uk/environment/blog/2011/oct/21/data-tracks-carbon-emissions-source>

- UK regulations:
<http://frackingfreeireland.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/09/TheGuardian1.jpg>

- Reuters: North Sea drilling hits eight years low
<http://uk.news.yahoo.com/north-sea-drilling-hits-eight-low-182455954.html>

LOCAL NEWS – OVERVIEW OF GROUPS/NETWORKS

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Ardcarne Against Fracking
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A **research** and information group is working on a Presentation about gains and losses and lots of figures to be held in November
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Process research group -

Power Point Presentations

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