

Cloughjordan
Community Farm
presents

Growing Together

17th, 18th & 19th of February * Cloughjordan, Tipperary

*An all-Ireland conference on
(CSA) Community Supported Agriculture*

The aim of this weekend conference is to introduce the CSA concept to communities and growers on the island of Ireland. The event will bring together food producers and emerging Irish CSA's while creating networking and learning opportunities with experienced initiatives from across Europe.

*Producing Food Together – Sharing the Risk
Case Studies from Successful CSAs,
Can CSA Increase Community Resilience?
Diversification for Farmers and Growers
Getting Started
Sustainable Food Communities
Access to Land
Lifelong Learning and Training*

Hosted by Cloughjordan Community Farm in association with the National Organic Training Skillnet (NOTS), The Soil Association, Irish Organic Farmers and Growers Association (IOFGA), URGENCI, Global Network of CSA's, Cloughjordan Ecovillage, Cultivate, and FEASTA

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Speakers and Panelists

Ella Mc Sweeney, RTE

Presenter of Ear to the Ground

Peter Young, Farmer and
Journalist with Farmers Journal

Mick Kelly, GIY, Social
Entrepreneur, and Founder of
Grow It Yourself Ireland

Amanda Daniel, CSA and
Organic Buying Groups, Soil
Association (UK)

Judith Hitchman,
International Consultant in
Emerging Trends in Local
Development

Andrea Calori, President of
Urgenci, International CSA
Network

Bruce Darrell, Grower,
Food Systems Specialist,
FEASTA Executive Committee

Sarah Fleming, Local Food
Consultant, formally Slow
Food International and GIY
Ireland

Pat Malone, Producer at
Cloughjordan Community
Farm

Ollie Moore, Food and
agriculture journalist and food
researcher

Grace Maher, Development
Officer with IOFGA

Kevin Dudley, Former
Orchard Manager at Irish Seed
Savers and Biodynamic Grower

Mimi Pearson,
Cloughjordan Community
Farm

Davie Philip, Community
Resilience Manager at Cultivate

Yvonne O'Donovan,
Hazelhurst CSA, UK

Friday 17th

Django's Hostel, Cloughjordan Ecovillage

19.30 - **Introduction** - Welcome to the Ecovillage and Cloughjordan

20.00 - **Voices from the Cloughjordan Community Farm**

An introduction to what the local CSA is doing.

21.00 - **Networking** - Speed dating for Food Initiatives

22.00 - **Close**

Saturday 18th

St Kieran's Hall Cloughjordan

09.00 - **Tea and Coffee**

09.30 - **How can CSA's increase community resilience and food sovereignty?**

Bruce Darrell, Judith Hitchman and Davie Philip lead a discussion on resilience and local food systems

11.00 - **Break**

11.30 - **Growing Together, Why CSAs play a vital role in the future of food production.**

Panel discussion led by Ella McSweeney featuring the Soil Association (UK) Yvonne O'Donovan, Andrea Calori and representatives from other UK and Irish CSA's,

13.30 - **Lunch**

14.30 - **Farm Walk** - Cloughjordan Community Farm

15.30 - Growing for Your Community

Special session supported by NOTS, facilitated by

Peter Young with Soil Association, IOFGA, Cloughjordan Community Farm and others

- **Diversification for farmers and growers**

- **Different models of CSAs**

- **Education and Training Options**

- **Working with communities**

18.00 - **Close**

Saturday Social - an evening together

Sunday 19th

The Parochial Hall, Step Road

10.00 - **Coffee**

10.30 - **CSA, The Nuts and Bolts of Setting Up and Maintaining a CSA**

13.30 - **Lunch**

St Kieran's Hall

14.30 - **Open Space**, Have your Say on CSAs

15.40 - **Mick Kelly** founder of Grow It Yourself Ireland

16.00 - **Close**

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Costs

Weekend ticket €40 (€35 Members of any of the partner organisations)

Does not include accommodation

If you wish to participate but cannot attend the full weekend, all sessions are also priced individually

Friday 17th 7-10pm €5

Saturday 18th 9 - 6pm €20

Growers session only €10 (3 hours)

Sunday 20th €20



The Cloughjordan Community Farm is an example of community supported agriculture (CSA). We currently provide fresh vegetables, milk and meat to over sixty member households on 40 acres of land in Cloughjordan.



Accommodation

Djangos Hostel - Special CSA

Weekend Rate €30, One Night €20.

(Mention CSA event when you book)

Book through Pa Funucane at 087 2569348

or at <pafinucane@gmail.com>

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