

The Coonans of Roscrea

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Introduction

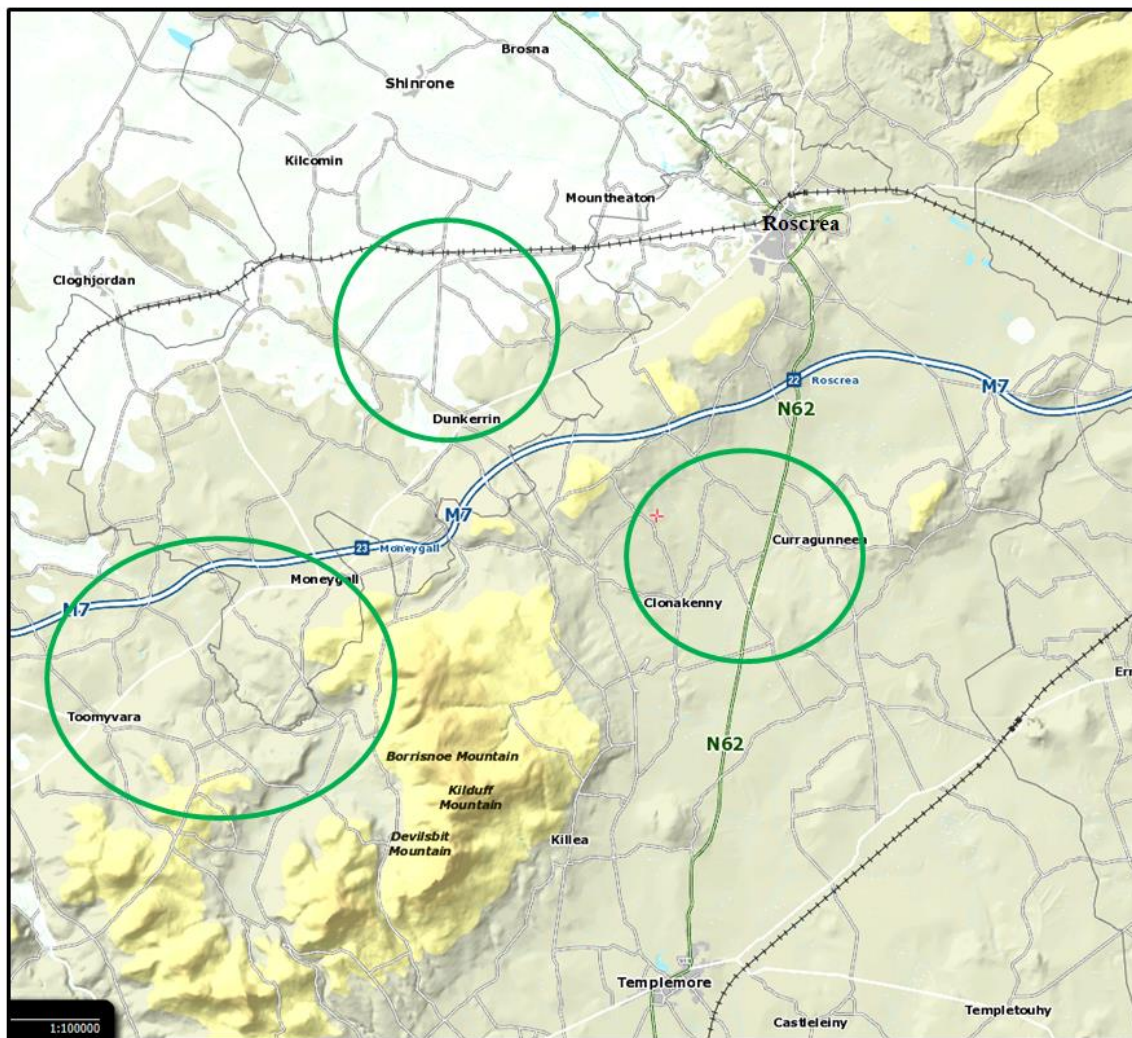
This continues the effort to organize, consolidate and extend the research of Robert Conan. The following paper concerns the Coonan families found in the area of Ireland around Roscrea, Co. Tipperary. The material found in Conan's notes pertaining to this subject consists of two parts: (1) a structured family report covering five generations and (2) a set of interviews conducted by Robert Conan in Ireland in 1970 and 1972. The data in the structured family report covers the period from the mid-1700s to the early 1800s and is discussed in Part I of this paper. Information was also found on a Roscrea family which had immigrated to Australia in 1865; they are also included in this part of the paper. The Robert Conan interviews covered the then current generation of Coonan descendants and went back one or two generations and which forms Part II of the paper. The overall goal is to connect the earlier Coonan generations with the more recent descendants, where possible. As many church and civil records as possible were collected to complement those collected by Robert Conan during his visits to Ireland. The information has been structured as family trees to achieve a concentration of the information and to increase the probability of discovering other family connections. The geographic proximity of the families described in this paper holds the promise of finding connections among them. A more long range goal is to find connections with the Upperchurch Coonan families, which were described in an earlier paper. During the course of writing this paper additional information was found on Coonan families from Co. Kilkenny and they became Part III of this paper. An appendix was added which includes four additional Coonan families, only one of which at this time has any obvious connections to the other Coonan families already described.

The Coonan Connection to Roscrea

The following was found in a letter to Robert J. Conan, Jr., Ph.D. from William Coonan of Dangan Hill House, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny, dated June 12, 1972.

"In the library (County) Thurles there is a copy of a local history, 'Roscrea Town and Parish' by Dermot F. Gleeson, a Nenaghman, which was published in 1947. The book is out of print. The Author says inter alia: 'Roscrea has never been without a Coonan: A great many of the parish priests who held offices in the surrounding parishes were Coonans. One has a tombstone erected to his memory in Shanross Abbey (ruin) outside the town. The first Prior of the monastery there was an O'Cuanain and during his term, circa 900, the 'Book of Dimma' was written. The book is now in the library of Trinity College. He had the Celtic/Romanesque carving done over the old doorway, and it is believed to be the only

specimen now to be found in this island. When the monasteries were being plundered the Dimma book was taken away for safety, and about 1839 some boys who were birdnesting in the Devil's Bit mountain, just south of Moneygall found the book in a cave. The fact that a family of Coonans lived and still live, on the slope of the mountain at Gortagarry, not far away, has significance in this context. The comhdagh, or in English, cover, bears the inscription, 'Donal O'Cuanain, Lord Senior of Munster Had me Repaired this Last Time,' i.e. (around 1100) Eachtus O'Cuanain, a monk in the Sean Ross Abbey around 900, was involved in the writing of a book of 'Exhortations and Rules for the Penitential Life.' It was written during Ireland's 'Green Age,' and is now in the Royal Library in Brussels. Isaac O'Cuanain was the first and only Bishop of Roscrea. When he died the area was absorbed into the present Diocese of Killaloe, around 1150 or so. Quote: 'the family name is inseparably associated with the Church in Roscrea'”



The green ovals shown on the map above designate the approximate areas where the Coonan families described in this paper were living. They are all located generally south and southwest

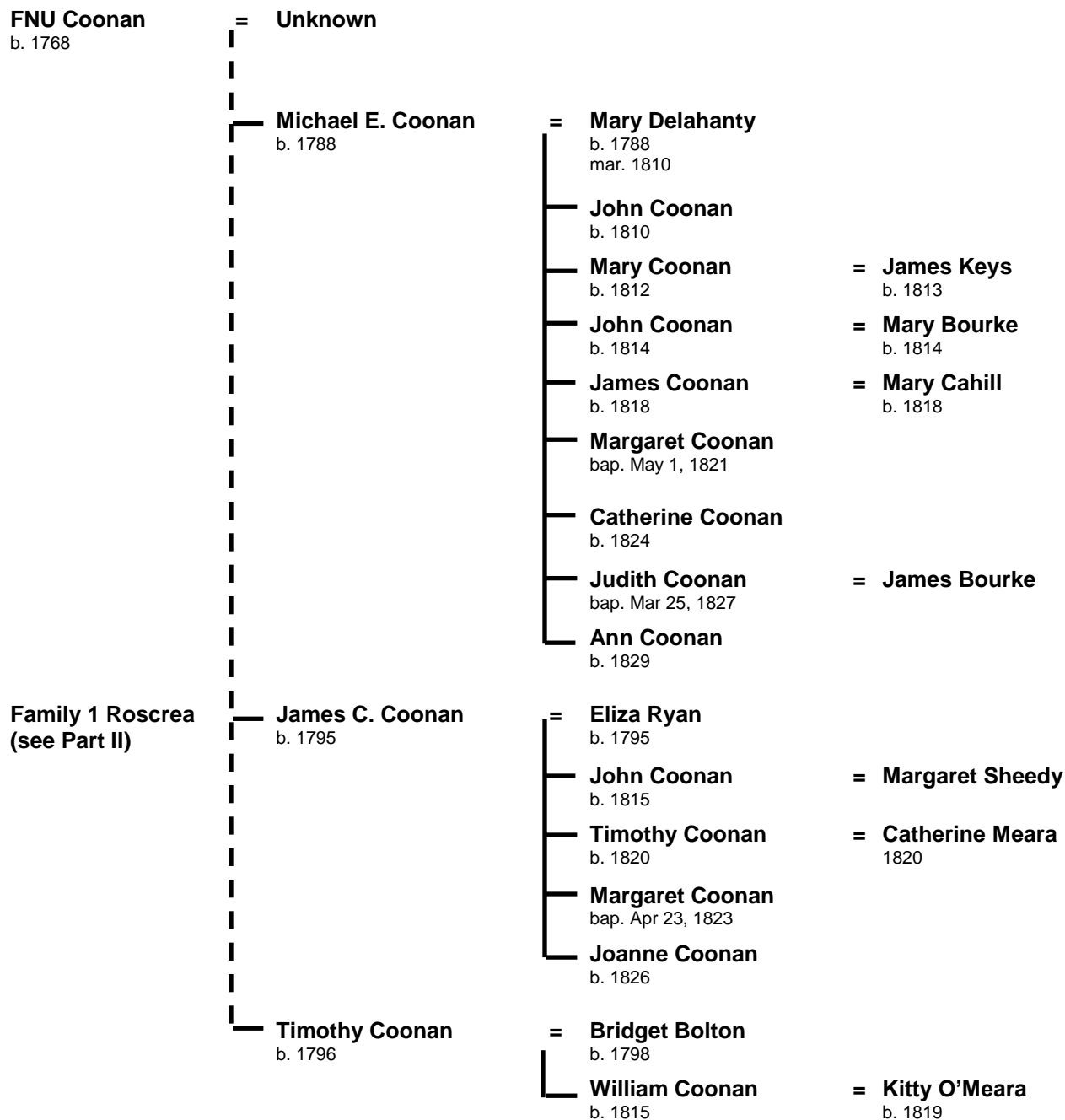
of the town of Roscrea. Starting at the uppermost circle and proceeding clockwise they are named Dunkerrin, Roscrea, and Moneygall. Note: The red cross inside the Roscrea oval is an artifact from the map web site; it was used for centering the image and can be ignored.

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Part I - Coonan Families of Roscrea



Information for this is from the research of Robert J. Conan, Jr. The data report generated by Frasier W. Mountain was dated December 2, 1998. Since Michael, James and Timothy were all from the Templemore area and are within eight years of the same age it is possible that they are siblings.

Robert Conan had a good friend in Brooksville, Florida named Frasier Mountain, whose wife, Nancy Johnson, was related to the Atkinsons, who are related to the Conans. Mountain produced the report, upon which this part of the paper is based, from Conan's research. Frasier died on October 4, 2016.

Michael Coonan and Mary Delahunty

(s/o FNU Coonan and Mother)

(d/o Father and Mother)

Michael E. Coonan
b. 1788

Doesn't belong in this family.
Jeremiah was placed here in
information from Robert Coonan

= **Mary Delahunty**

b. 1788
mar. Mar 4, 1810, Killavinoge,
Killavinoge par.

= **Jeremiah Coonan**

b. 1808
d. 1858

= **Winifred Walsh**

b. 1808

= **John Coonan**

bap. Nov 4, 1810, Dromard,
Killavinoge par

Died young

= **Mary Coonan**

bap. Mar 4, 1812, Dromard,
Killavinoge par

= **James Keys**

b. 1813

= **John Coonan**

bap. Nov 26, 1814, Dromard,
Killavinoge par

= **Mary Bourke**

b. 1814

= **James Coonan**

bap. Aug 16, 1818, Dromard
Hill, Killavinoge par

= **Mary Cahill**

b. 1818

= **Margaret Coonan**

bap. May 1, 1821, Old Town,
Killavinoge par

= **Catherine Coonan**

bap. Jan 20, 1824, Dromard,
Killavinoge par

= **Judith Coonan**

bap. Mar 25, 1827, Dromard,
Killavinoge par

= **James Bourke**

(Tentative)

= **Ann Coonan**

bap. Sep 6, 1829, Dromard,
Killavinoge par

Problem

Jeremiah Coonan doesn't appear to fit in this family. Michael Coonan and Mary Delahunty were married on March 4, 1810. Their son John was baptized on November 4, 1810. There is no room for Jeremiah Coonan (b. 1808). Jeremiah Coonan and Winifred Walsh were the parents of the Conans who settled in Pompey, Onondaga Co., NY in the early 1850s. The placement of Jeremiah Coonan in this family represents an early attempt by Robert Conan to find Jeremiah Coonan's ancestors and was contained in the Frasier Mountain report. This family is detailed in "The Conan Family of Foilagoule" on the mcgrathsearch.com web site. Its connection to other Upperchurch Coonan families is found in "The Upperchurch Families" on the same web site. <http://mcgrathsearch.com/Conan%20Family/The%20Conan%20Family%20of%20Foilagoule.html>

Church Records - Coonan and Delahunty - Templemore RC Parish

The numbers in parentheses following some of the dates are from record data sets found in Bob's Binder_02-01, pp 31-2. The record numbers in this binder run from 1 to 703. In some sections of this paper, numbers higher than 703 will be found. These higher numbers are also from Robert Conan but the exact binder in which these records appear has not been determined.

Marriage

March 4, 1810 - **Michael Coonan** married **Mary Delahunty** - Rev. Thomas Lalor
Res (Both): Kilvengue (Killavinoge), Wit. Ed Comerford, Patrick Coonan and John Ryan

Baptism

November 4, 1810 - (669) - **John Coonan**, Par. Mike Coonan and Mary Delahunty
Res: Dromard, Sps. Darby Quigley and Elizabeth Connors

March 4, 1812 - (673) - **Mary Coonan**, Par. Mike Coonan and Mary Delahunty
Res: Dromard, Sps. Patrick Coonan and Catherine Barber.

November 26, 1814 - (676) - **John Coonan**, Par. Mike Coonan and Mary Delahunty
Res: Dromard, Sps. Laurence Bourke and Allice Meagher.

August 16, 1818 - (683) - **James Coonan**, Par. Mike Coonan and Mary Delahunty
Res: Dromard Hill, Sps. Jerry Carroll and Mary Morrissey.

May 1, 1821 - (687) - **Margaret Coonan**, Par. Michael Coonan and Mary Delanty
Res: Old Town, Sps. Mary Meagher.

January 20, 1824 - (688) - **Catherine Coonan**, Par. Michael Coonan and Mary Delanty
Res: Dromard, Sps. John Gleeson and Margaret Bray.

March 25, 1827 - **Judith Coonan**, Par. Michael Coonan and Mary Dullanty
Res: Dromard, Sps. Catherine Doyle.

September 6, 1829 - (690) - **Ann Coonan**, Par. Michael Coonan and Margaret Dalarty
Res: Dromard, Sps. John Maher and Mary Davy?

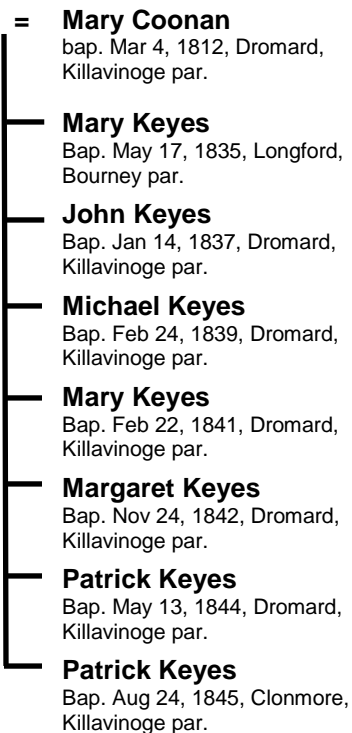
James Keyes and Mary Coonan

(s/o Father and Mother)

(d/o Michael Coonan and Mary Delahunty)

James Keyes

b. 1813



Marriages

For Templemore there is a gap in the marriage records: 14 Jan 1820 to 9 Jan 1835

No marriage record found in Templemore or elsewhere.

Baptisms

May 17, 1835 - **Mary Keys**, Par. James Keys and Mary Coonan, Templemore RC,
Res: Ballynaffad, Sps. James Keys and Mary Delahunty.

January 14, 1837 - **John Keys**, Par. James Keys and Mary Coonan, Templemore RC,
Res: Dromard, Sps. Martin Shelly and Judith Maher.

February 24, 1839 - **Michael Keys**, Par. James Keyes and Mary Coonan, Templemore RC,
Res: Dromard, Sps: William Keys and Margaret Connors.

February 22, 1841 - **Mary Keys**, Par. James Keys and Mary Coonan, Templemore RC,
Res: Dromard, Sps. Patrick Ryan and Margaret Moloney.

November 24, 1842 - **Margaret Keys**, Par. James Keys and Mary Coonan, Templemore RC,
Res: Dromard, Sps. Denis Burns and Catherine Coonan.

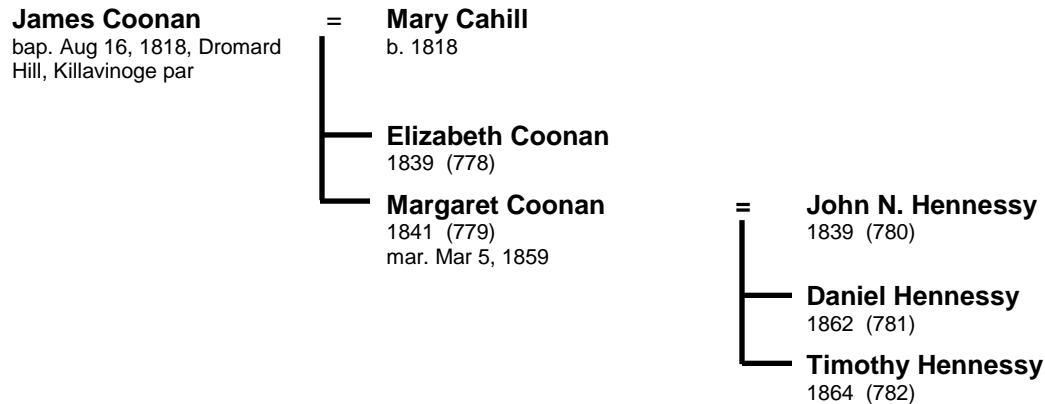
May 13, 1844 - **Patrick Keys**, Par. James Keys and Mary Coonan, Templemore RC,
Res: Dromard, Sps. Michael Mihan and Anne Carroll.

August 24, 1845 - **Patrick Keys**, Par. James Keys and Mary Coonan, Templemore RC,
Res: Clonmore, Sps. William Keys and Margaret Coonan

James Coonan and Mary Cahill

From Frasier Mountain Coonan Family Report

(s/o Michael Coonan and Mary Delahunty)
(d/o Father and Mother)



Church Records - Hennessy

March 5, 1859 - **John Hennessy** married **Margaret Coonan**, Bournea and Corbally RC
Res: None, Wit: Dan Hennessy and Mary Creary, Priest: A. J. Scanlan.

The Frasier Mountain report contains names, relationships, birth/baptism dates and sometimes dates of death. The number in parentheses following the date indicates that Robert Conan had found a church record for that individual. So far only records up to and including #703 have been found in Conan's notes. After searching the church records in and around the Roscrea area no records have been found for this family with the exception of the marriage record shown above. None of the Hennessy records were found in the civil records of Roscrea or the other surrounding registration districts.

John Coonan and Margaret Bourke

(s/o Michael Coonan and Mary Delahunty)

(d/o Father and Mother)

John Coonan

bap. Nov 26, 1814, Dromard,
Killavinoge par

=

Margaret Bourke

b. 1814
mar. Aug 15, 1839, Clonmore,
Killavinoge par

James Coonan

bap. Jul 20, 1840, Longford, Bourney
par

Patrick Coonan

bap. Mar 13, 1842, Longford,
Bourney par.

Eliza Coonan

bap. May 3, 1843, Dromard,
Killavinoge par.

Catherine Coonan

bap. Jun 15, 1846, Templemore,
Templemore par.

Margaret Coonan (Twin)

bap. Jul 31, 1849, Dromard,
Killavinoge par.

Michael Coonan (Twin)

bap. Jul 31, 1849, Dromard,
Killavinoge par.

Johanna Connan

bap. May 25, 1851, Longford,
Bourney par

Margaret Coonan

bap. Jul 9, 1854, Dromard,
Killavinoge par.

Michael Coonan

bap. Apr 30, 1857, Dromard,
Killavinoge par.

John Coonan and Mary Bourke

The numbers in parentheses following the dates are from record data sets found in Bob's Binder_02-01, pp 31-2. Others were from a letter to Robert Conan from Rev. L. Gleeson C.C., Templemore, Co. Tipperary. There were a few errors but these were fixed by reference to the online Parish Registers.

August 15, 1839 - **John Coonan** (Clonmore) married **Margaret Bourke** (Templetuohy), Moyne and Templetuohy RC, Res: Clonmore, Wit: Michael Bot..., John Coonan, and Judy Lahey. Married by Rev. Mr. Lanigan.

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Clonmore		1,235	Tipperary, N.R.	Ikerrin	Killavinoge	Roscrea	Munster
TEMPLETOUHY T.		xx	Tipperary, N.R.	Ikerrin	Templetuohy	Thurles	Munster

Church Records - Baptisms - Templemore RC

July 20, 1840 - (698) - **James Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Peggy Bourke - Templemore
Res: Ballynafad (Longford), Sps. Catherine Bourke.

March 13, 1842 - **Patrick Coonan**, Par. John Conan and Margaret Bourke, Templemore RC,
Res: Ballinafad, Sps. John Mahar and Honora Thorp.

May 3, 1843 - (699) - **Eliza Conan**, Par. John Coonan and Margaret Bourke - Templemore
Res: Domard, Sps. Patrick MacGrath and Margaret Coonan.

July 18, 1844 - **Thomas Coonan** - Not found. There was a July 21, 1844 Thomas Coonan in the same parish but his mother was Catherine Wallace.

June 15, 1846 - (700) - **Catherine Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Margaret Bourke
Res: Templemore, Wit Thomas Holmes and Johanna Keyes?

July 31, 1849 - (702) - **Margaret Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Margaret Bourke
Res: Dromard, Sps. Martin Key and Margaret Meehan.

July 31, 1849 - (702) - **Michael Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Margaret Bourke
Res: Dromard, Sps. Martin Key and Margaret Meehan

At the beginning of this section were partial results for these twins who were children of John Coonan and Margaret Bourke. In Binder_02-01 p. 32 these twins were assigned to Martin Keyes and Margaret Meehan. In the Parish Registers for Templemore RC parish on the NLI site there is a gap in the baptism records.

Microfilm 02492/02 Baptisms: 10 Jan. 1836 - 04 June 1848.

Microfilm 02492/03 Baptisms: 04 Nov 1849 to 04 Mar. 1881.

There is a gap from 05 June 1848 until 04 Nov. 1849, a period of about 17 months. Included in this gap is the July 31, 1849 baptism of the twins: Margaret and Michael Coonan.

Found record - Image 184/185 (Ancestry) - bottom of page inverted - just the remainder of July 1849.

From NLI - Microfilm 02492/02 Marriages 11 Feb. 1834 to 23 Oct. 1849, Page 184, Apr 1849 - Oct 1849

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Dromard Beg		842	Tipperary, N.R.	Ikerrin	Killavinoge	Roscrea	Munster
Dromard More		1,085	Tipperary, N.R.	Ikerrin	Killavinoge	Roscrea	Munster

Continued Records - Coonan and Bourke

May 25, 1851 - **Johanna Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Margaret Bourke - Templemore
Res; Ballinafad (Longford), Sps. Mary Bourke

July 9, 1854 - **Margaret Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Margaret Bourke
Res.: Dromard, Sps. Richard and Hanna Bourke, Rev. J. O'Connor C.C.

September 30, 1854 - **Michael Coonan** - not found in online Parish Registers. From Fr.
Gleeson's letter - possibly a transcription error.

April 30, 1857 - **Michael Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Margaret Bourke
Res: Drumard, Sps. Both illegible. A 2nd Michael in the family would indicate that the older
Michael had died.

James Bourke and Judith Coonan

(s/o Father and Mother)

(d/o Michael Coonan and Mary Delahunty)

James Bourke	=	Judith Coonan Mar. Mar 7, 1848, Bournea and Corbally RC
	—	William Bourke bap. Sep 7, 1851
	—	John Bourke bap May 11, 1854, Dangan
	—	Mary Bourke bap. Jan 22, 1856
	—	Margaret Bourke bap. Sep 9, 1858, Dangan

Church Records - Bourke and Coonan

Marriage: March 7, 1848 - **James Bourke** married **Judy Coonan**, Bournea and Corbally RC, Wit. Tim Lahy and James Monahan.

September 7, 1851 - **William Bourke**, Par. James Bourke and Judy Coonan, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: None, Sps. Michael Hunt and Mary Tierney.

May 11, 1854 - **John Bourke**, Par. James Bourke and Judy Coonan, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: **Dangan**, Sps. Michael Coonan and Nanny Fox.

January 22, 1856 - **Mary Bourke**, Par. James Bourke and Judy Coonan, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: None, Sps. Maurice Scanlan and Judy Lahy.

September 9, 1858 - **Margaret Bourke**, Par. James Bourke and Judy Coonan, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: **Dangan**, Sps. John Kennedy and Margaret Fox.

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Dangan		409	Kilkenny	Gowran	Columbkille	Thomastown	Leinster
Dangansallagh		330	Tipperary, N.R.	Ikerrin	Bourney	Roscrea	Munster

[Dangansallagh](#) (*Daingean Salach*) , Bourney Civil Parish, Barony of Ikerrin, Co. Tipperary
Daingean = fortress.

Sallagh = “place of the willows”; Sail (also: saileach) willow-(tree)

Although two of the church records showed a residence of Dangan it was probably an abbreviation of Dangansallagh. The only Dangan in the area is located in the central portion of Co. Kilkenny, southeast of Kilkenny city. Dangansallagh is located in Bourney civil parish which is consistent with a family having their children baptized in Bournea and Corbally RC parish.

James Coonan and Eliza Ryan

(s/o FNU Coonan and Mother)

(d/o Father and Mother)

James C. Coonan

b. 1795

= **Eliza Ryan**

b. 1795

— **John Coonan**

bap. Jun 24, 1815, Dromard,
Killavinoge par

= **Margaret Sheedy** (757)

b. 1815

— **Timothy Coonan** (735)

bap. Mar 29, 1820, Dromard,
Killavinoge par

= **Catherine Meara** (742)

— **Margaret Coonan**

bap. Apr 27, 1823, Longford,
Bourney par

— **Joanne Coonan**

bap. Apr 16, 1826, Longford,
Bourney par

Church Records - Coonan and Ryan

The numbers in parentheses following the dates are from record data sets found in Bob's Binder_02-01, pp 31-2.

Marriage

None found

Baptisms

June 24, 1815 - (680) - **John Coonan**, Par. James Coonan and Elizabeth Ryan, Templemore RC,
Res: Dromard, Sps. Jeremy Carroll and Judy Hughes

March 29, 1820 - (686) - **Timothy Coonan**, Par. James Coonan and Eliza Ryan, Templemore RC,
Res: Drumard Hill, Sps. Michael Coonan and Mary Dolohanty

April 27, 1823 - **Margaret Coonan**, Par. James Coonan and Betty Ryan, Templemore RC,
Res: Ballinford, Sps. William Kelly and Mary Fogarty

April 16, 1826 - (689) - **Joanna Coonan**, Par. James Coonan and Eliza Ryan, Templemore RC,
Res: Ballynafad, Sps. Patrick Quinlan and Catherine Conen.

Townlands

Ballinafad means Béal an Átha Fada. The approach of the Long Ford

Béal - approach; Átha - ford; Fada - long

Drumard Hill, Killavinoge parish is inside the townland of Drumard More where there exists a hill

Longford and **Drumard Hill** are about 10 km apart spaced equally along an approximately East-West line on either side of N62. The East-West line being located about 9-10 km north of Templemore town.

John Coonan and Margaret Sheedy

(s/o James Coonan and Eliza Ryan)

(d/o Patrick Sheedy and Mary Hamel)

John Coonan

Jun 24, 1815, Dromard,
Killavinoge par.

= Margaret Sheedy

bap. Sep 11, 1811, Templemore
RC par
1815 (757) - From Bob Conan
mar. Jan 21, 1846, Templemore
RC par

Michael Coonan

bap. Dec 20, 1846 (748)

= Honora Carey

b. 1846
mar. Aug 1, 1870, Of Lismakin
d. Dec 20, 1925, Loran

John Coonan

b. Jun 29, 1848, Behaghglass,
Bourney

Mary Coonan

bap. Jul 7, 1850, Behaghglass,
Bourney

Mary Coonan

1852

Margaret Coonan

bap. Jul 5, 1854, Behaghglass,
Bourney

Daniel Coonan

bap. Feb 17, 1856 (747),
Behaghglass, Bourney

Timothy Coonan

bap. Jan 25, 1860 (750)

Not found in Church
records.

Church Records - Coonan and Sheedy

September 11, 1811 - **Margaret Sheedy**, Par. Patrick Sheedy (Farmer) and Mary Hamel,
Templemore RC, Res: Barnane, Sps. William Maher and Ellen Sheedy

There is a large discrepancy here between the baptism records and the date found in Bob
Conan's notes.

June 24, 1815 - **John Coonan**, Par. James Coonan (Farmer) and Elizabeth Ryan, Templemore
RC, Res: Drumard, Sps. Jerry Carroll and Judy Hughs

January 21, 1846 - **John Coonan** married **Margaret Sheedy**, Templemore RC
Res: Ashbrook, Wit: Edward Coonan and Margaret Sheedy.

The closest **Ashbrook** (aka Aghamore, 22a.), Kilmanman civil par., Tinnahinch bar., Co.
Leix (formerly Queen's Co.)

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Barnane		2,166	Tipperary, N.R.	Ikerrin	Barnane-ely	Roscrea	Munster
Barnane		191	Tipperary, N.R.	Ikerrin	Killea	Roscrea	Munster
Ashbrook	Aghamore	22	Queen's	Tinnahinch	Kilmanman	Mountmellick	Leinster
Tullamaine (Ashbrook)		670	Kilkenny	Shillelogher	Tullamaine	Callan	Leinster
Behaghglass		363	Tipperary, N.R.	Ikerrin	Bourney	Roscrea	Munster

December 20, 1846 - **Michael Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and **Margaret Sheedy**, Bourney & Corbally RC, Res: None, Sps. Jno (John) Sheedy and Margaret Sheedy. Baptism was “conditional”

July 1, 1848 - **John Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Peggy Sheedy, Bournea and Corbally RC. Res: Behaglass, Sps. Matt Farrell and Peggy Lahy. (born June 29, 1848).

July 7, 1850 - **Mary Connan**, Par. John Connan and Margaret Sheedy, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: Behaghglass, Sps. Dan Sheedy and Judy Lahy

July 5, 1854 - **Margaret Coonan**, Par. John Connan and Margaret Sheedy, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: Behaglass, Sps. Pat Moylan and Ellen Dellong

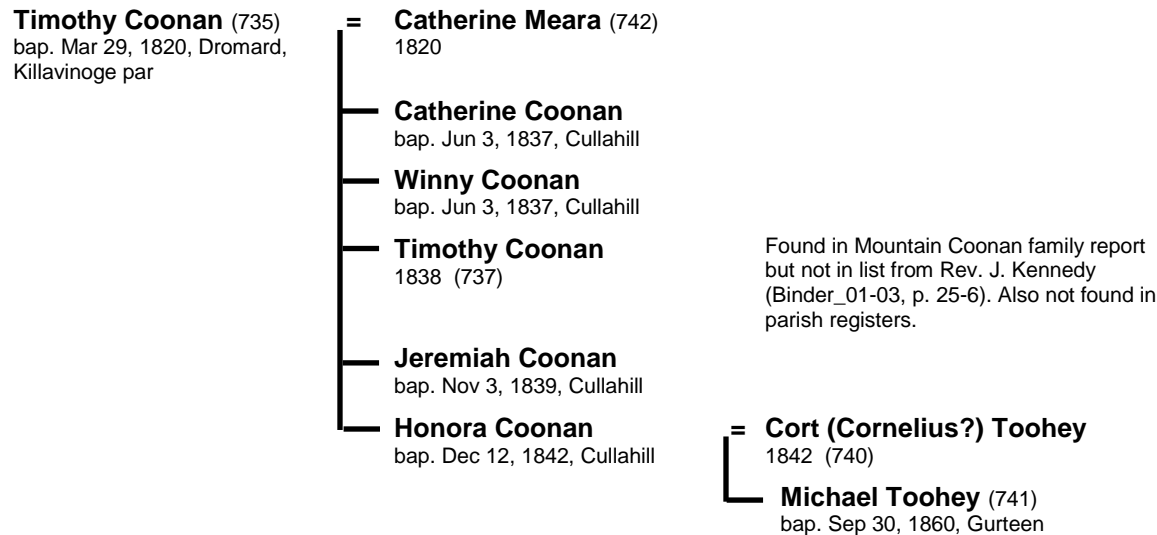
February 17, 1856 - **Illegible Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and **Margaret Sheedy**, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: Beheglass, Sps. FNU Sheedy and Eliza Moylan. (Might be **Daniel**)

January 25, 1860 - **Tim Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Margaret Sheedy, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: None, Sps. Martin Moylan and Mary Sheedy

Timothy Coonan and Catherine Meara

(s/o James C. Coonan and Eliza Ryan)

(d/o Father and Mother)



Church Records - Timothy Coonan and Catherine Meara

June 3, 1837 - **Catherine Coonan**, Par. Tady Coonan and Cath Mara, Bournea and Corbally RC,
Res: Cullohill, Sps. Mary Sheedy. (Born June 3, 1837)

June 3, 1837 - **Winnie Coonan**, Par. Tady Coonan and Cath Mara, Bournea and Corbally RC,
Res: Cullohill, Sps. James Mullaley and Mary Gundana?. (Born June 3, 1837)

November 3, 1839 - **Jeremiah Coonan**, Par. Timothy Coonan and Catherine Meara, Bournea
and Corbally RC, Res: Coollohill, Sps. Michael Sheedy and Bridget Fitzpatrick (Born October
31, 1839)

December 12, 1842 - **Honora Coonan**, Par. Tim Coonan and Catherine Mara, Bournea and
Corbally RC, Res: Coolohile, Sps. James Tracy and Mary Fitzpatrick (Born December 11, 1842)

September 30, 1860 - **Michael Toohey**, Par. Carl (Cornelius?) Toohey and Honoria Coonan,
Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: Gorteen, Sps. John Moton and Honoria Coonan

Cullahill is in the Electoral Division of Bourney East, in Civil Parish of Bourney, in the
Barony of Ikerrin, in the County of Tipperary. The Irish name for Cullahill is An
Chúlchoill. Located a few km northeast of Dromard More

Gorteen is in the Electoral Division of Bourney West, in Civil Parish of Bourney, in the
Barony of Ikerrin, in the County of Tipperary. The Irish name for Gorteen is An Goirtín.

Timothy Coonan and Bridget Bolton

(s/o FNU Coonan and Mother)

(d/o Father and Mother)

Timothy Coonan

b. 1796

= **Bridget Bolton**

b. 1798

└─ **William Coonan** (681)
bap. Jan 17, 1815, Manna
North, Templemore par.

= **Kitty O'Meara**

b. 1819

└─ **Mary C. Coonan** (772) = **Jeremiah Tracey** (773)
1837 1828

All of the above information, with the exception of William's baptism, came from the Frasier Mountain Coonan family report. As shown below this is a poorly documented family whose records appear to have been cobbled together without sufficient linkages among the various individuals.

Church Records - William Coonan and Kitty O'Meara

The numbers in parentheses following the dates are from record data sets found in Bob's Binders. While the baptism record for William (681) was found (Binder_02-01, pp. 31-2.), the records associated with numbers over 703 were not found among Robert Conan's records even though they were referenced in Frasier Mountain's Conan family report. This one baptism record furnished the names of William's parents but is unlikely that any individual records of theirs were found. Their birth years are usually determined by finding the oldest child and subtracting 20-25 years off the baptism date.

Marriage

No marriage records found for Timothy or his son William.

February 1, 1849 - **Jeremiah Tracey** married **Mary Coonan**, Bournea and Corbally RC
Res: None, Wit: Thadeus Coonan and Martin Tracey.

There is a problem with Mary Coonan's birth year. At 1837 it is a comfortable distance from her mother's birth year of 1819. However, 1837 pushes her too close to the 1849 marriage year in the record above. If this marriage record is assumed to be correct then Mary Coonan's birth year should be around 1829 which means that her mother's birth year needs to go back to about 1809. This will work for now since there are no records available to cause a contradiction.

Baptisms

January 17, 1815 - (681) - **William Coonan**, Par. Timothy Coney and Bridget Bolton,
Templemore RC, Res: Manna North, Sps. Michael Grady and Mary Devan.

No more children were found for the above William Coonan and Kitty O'Meara.

No baptism records found for Mary Coonan (772) or Jeremiah Tracey (773).

No baptism records were found for any children of William Coonan and Kitty O'Meara.

This is possibly the wife of William Coonan

April 25, 1821 - **Catherine O'Meara**, Par. Daniel O'Meara and Ann Tierney, Moneygall RC,
Res: Ballingurrane, Sps. Nicholas Tracy and Margaret Tierney.

Ballingorraun (603 a.) is in the Electoral Division of Cullenwaine, in Civil Parish of Cullenwaine, in the Barony of Clonlisk, in the County of Offaly. The Irish name for Ballingorraun is Baile an Gharráin. This townland is located northwest of the town of Moneygall.

No other children of Daniel O'Meara and Ann Tierney were found in the Parish Registers.

Coonan Family to Australia

Thomas Coonan and Honora Tuohy

To Australia in 1865

(s/o Father and Mother)

(d/o Michael Tuohy and Catherine Meara)

Thomas Coonan

b. abt 1830, Roscrea
Immigrated to Australia -
1865

=

Honora Tuohy

b. Jul 1830, Moneygall
mar. May 15, 1854, Bournea
and Corbally RC

Mary Anne Sweeney parents:

James Sweeney and
Bridget McGerry

Michael Coonan

bap. Nov 22, 1854, Clonakenny,
Bourney par
d. Apr 9, 1937, Brisbane Hospital

= Mary Anne Sweeney

b. Strokestown, Co. Roscommon
mar. Apr 2, 1888, Yatala, Queensland,
Australia

Bedelia Mary Coonan

b. 1890

Kate Coonan

b. 1892

Margaret May Coonan

b. 1893

Annie Coonan

b. 1895

James Coonan

b. 1897

Honora Coonan

b. 1898

Thomas Jeremiah Coonan

b. 1899

Cornelius Coonan

b. 1902

Con Coonan

bap. Sep 18, 1858, Clonakenny,
Bourney par

Pat Coonan

bap. Jul 23, 1860, Clonakenny,
Bourney par

Thomas Coonan

Probably born in Australia

Yatala is about 25 miles SE of Brisbane.

Church Records - Coonan - Tuohy (To Australia - 1865))

July 1830 - **Honor Touhy**, Par. Michael Touhy and Catherine Mara, Moneygall RC, Res:
Illegible, Sps.: William Cunnan and Annie Kean.

May 15, 1853 - **Thomas Coonan** married **Honora Twohy**, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res:
None, Wit: William Mulally and Mary Tracy.

November 22, 1854 - **Michael Connan**, Par. Tom Connan and Oney Twohy, Bournea and
Corbally RC. Res: Clonakenny, Sps.: John Coonan and Eliza Bray.

September 18, 1858 - **Con Coonan**, Par. *Tom Coonan and Oney Tuohy*, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: Clonakenny, Sps. Con Tuohy and Mary Conners.

Clonakenny is in the Electoral Division of Bourney West, in Civil Parish of Bourney, in the Barony of Ikerrin, in the County of Tipperary, The Irish name for Clonakenny is Cluain Uí Chionaoith.

July 23, 1860 - **Pat Coonan**, Par. Tom Coonan and Honor Toohy, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: CKenny, Sps. John Kennedy and Mrs. Betty Toohy.

Possible Thomas Coonans Back in the Irish Records

Baptism Record Years - National Library of Ireland (online)

Roscrea RC - 1810-1880

Bournea and Corbally RC - 1836-1883

Moneygall RC - 1820-1873

Toomevara RC - 1831-1883

Templemore RC - 1807-1881

September 23, 1833 - **Thomas Conen**, Par. John Conen and Ellen Tierney, Toomevara RC, Res: Toomevara, Sps. Thomas Tierney and Judy Collins.

April 25, 1835 - **Thomas Coonan**, Par. Edward Coonan and Bess Maher, Roscrea RC Res: None, Sps. Catherine Maher.

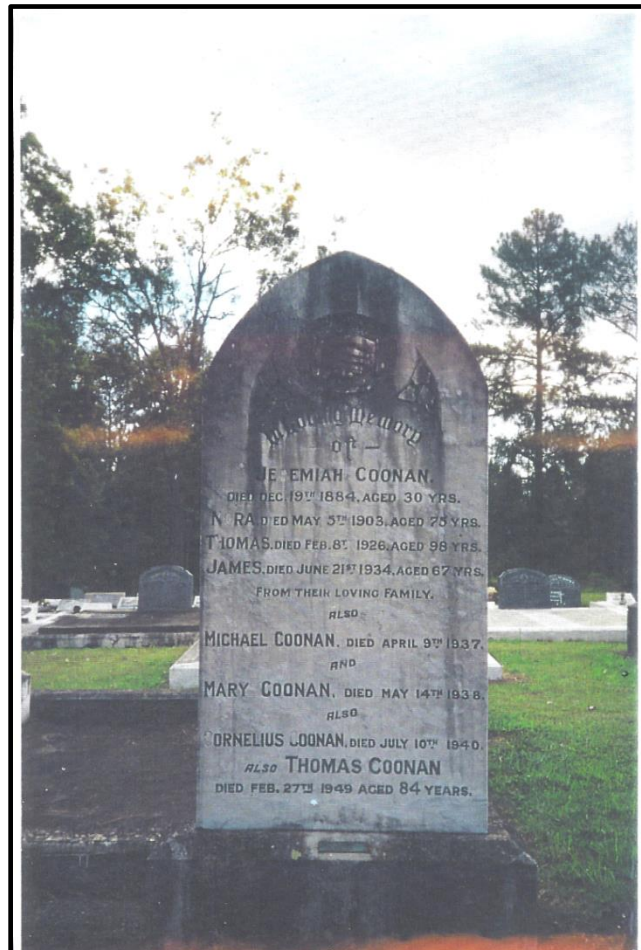
December 17, 1837 - **Thomas Cunin**, Par. John Cunin and Bridget Illegible, Toomevara RC, Res: Clashm..., Sps. James Gleeson and Ellen Coffy

The third Thomas (1837) is too young to be the Thomas being sought. However, Bournea and Corbally RC and Toomevara RC had records that might have commenced after the birth of the Thomas Coonan being sought. Therefore it isn't known with certainty if one of the two Thomas Coonans found is the one being sought.

Tombstone Inscriptions: Gleneagle Cemetery, Beaudesert, Queensland

Name	Died	Age at death	Birth	Connection
Jeremiah Coonan	Dec. 19, 1884	30	1854	Father: Thomas; Mother Norah Toohey
Nora Coonan	May 5, 1903	75	1828	Wife of Thomas
Thomas Coonan	Feb. 8, 1926	98	1828	Husband of Nora
James Coonan	June 21, 1934	67	1867	Father: Thomas; Mother Honora Toohey
Michael Coonan	April 9, 1937			Son of Thomas & Nora Husband of Mary
Mary Coonan	May 14, 1938			Wife of Michael
Cornelius Coonan	July 10, 1940			Son of Thomas & Nora
Thomas Coonan	Feb. 27, 1949	84	1865	Son of Thomas & Nora

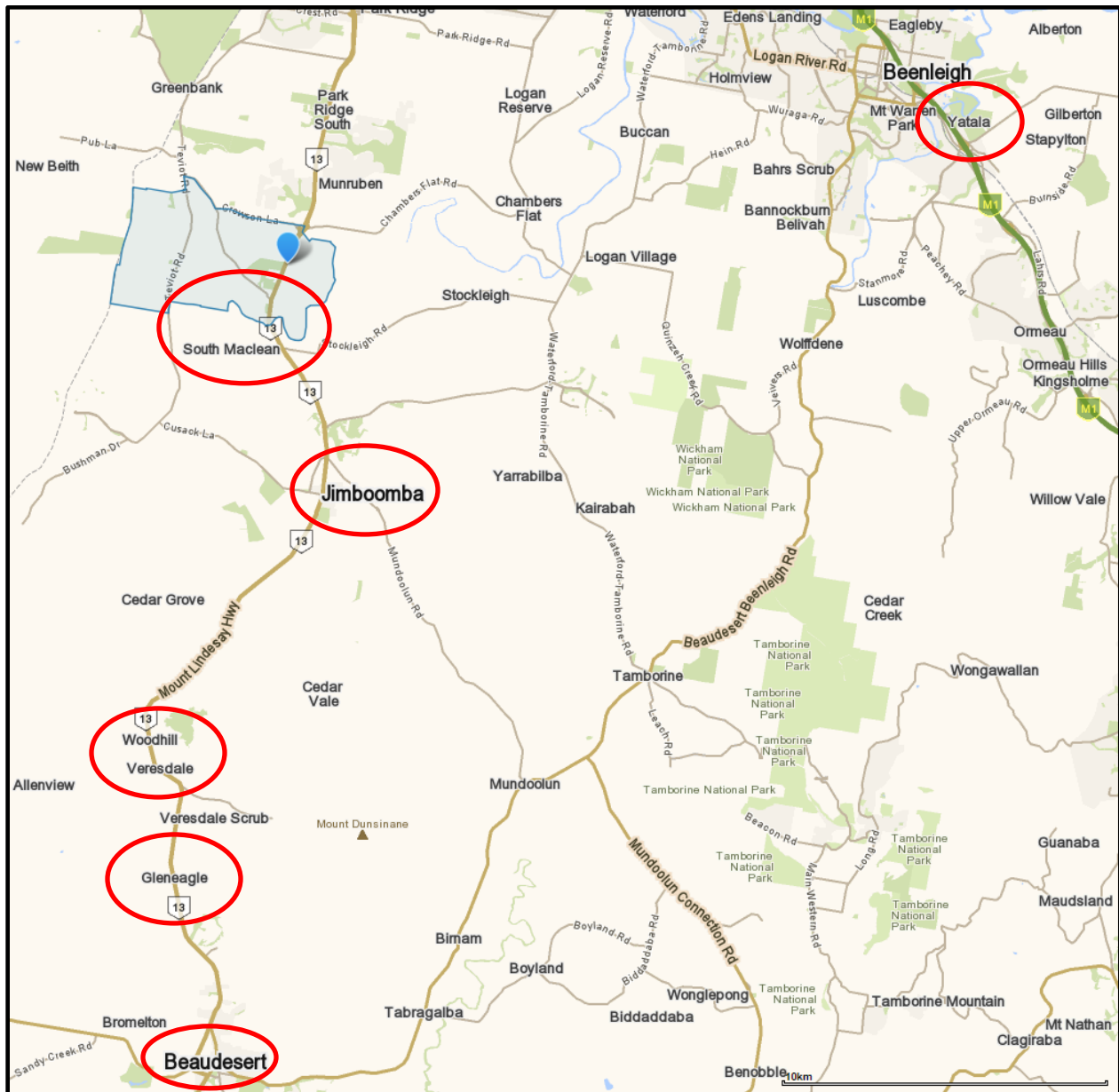
The information in the first three columns of the above table are from the tombstone inscription and came from the trip diary of Paul B. Conan, Jr. from a 1999 visit to Ireland.



Australia - Coonan reunion, Coonan tombstone in Gleneagle Cemetery, Mount Lindesay Highway, Beaudesert Shire, Queensland, Australia

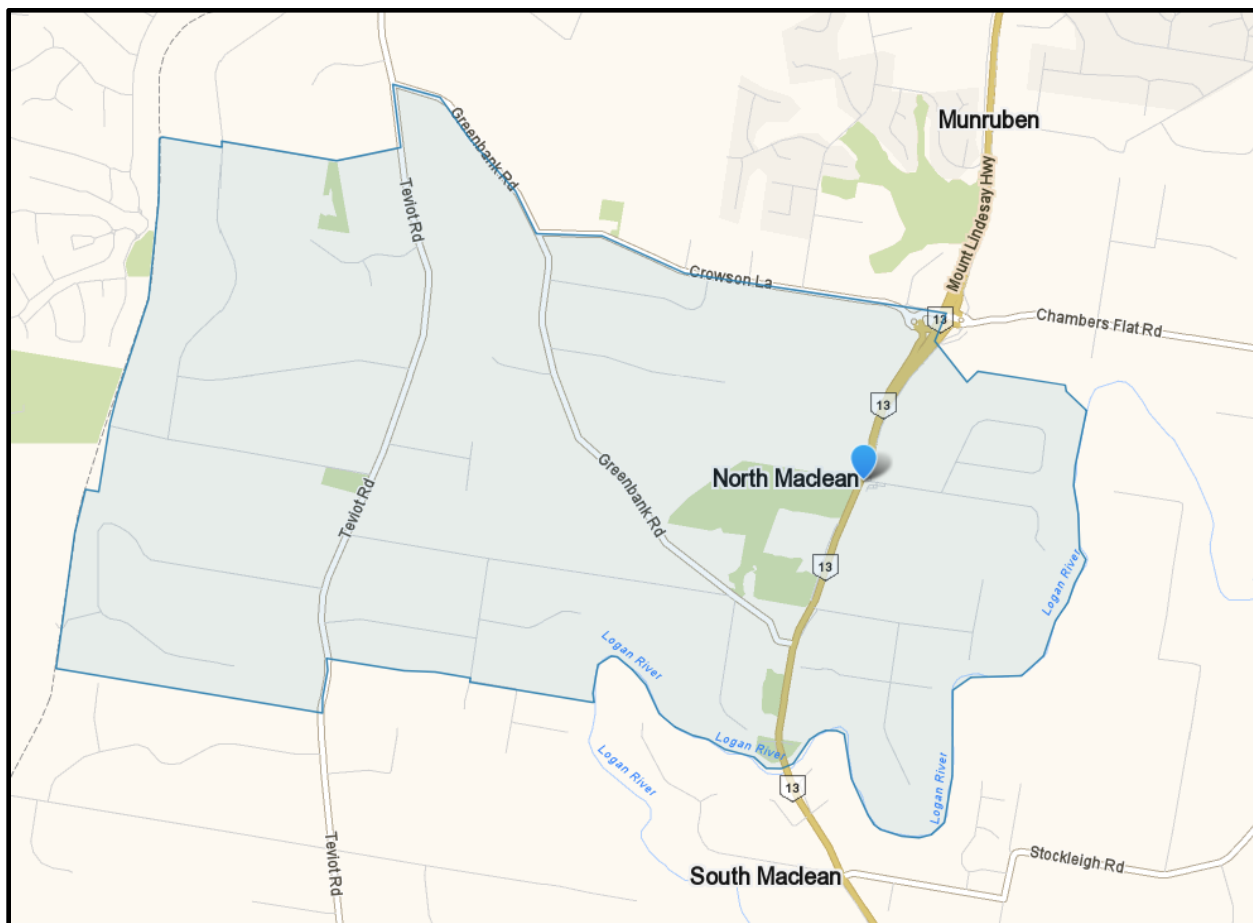
Coonan Related Locations

When Michael Coonan and Mary Anne Sweeney were married in 1888, he was from **Logan's Bridge in Maclean** and she was from **Yatala**, just south of Beenleigh, both just south of Brisbane. On Michael's 1937 death certificate his brother Thomas Coonan was from **Jimboomba** and Michael was buried in Gleneagle Cemetery in **Gleneagle**, Beaudesert shire.



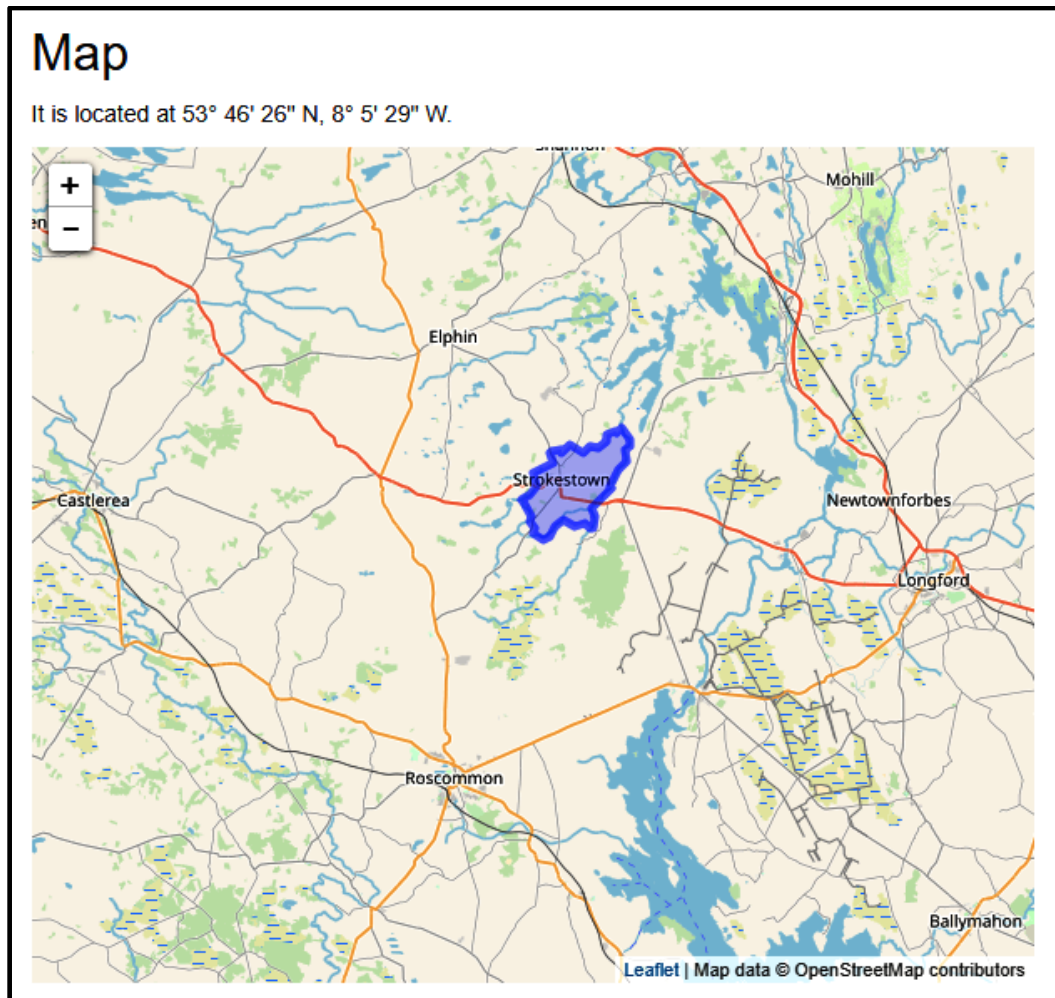
This map shows several sites associated with the Coonan family located just south of Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.

<https://www.whereis.com/qld/north-maclean-4280>



This enlarged view of the Maclean area shows that between North and South Maclean there is a river called Logan's River. In 1888 when Michael Coonan married Mary Anne Sweeney his residence was given as Logan's Bridge in Maclean.

Sweeney of Strokestown, Co. Roscommon



This map shows the Electoral Division of Strokestown, Co. Roscommon.

Church Records - Sweeney

April 1, 1860 - **Pat Sweeney**, Par. James Sweeny and Bridget McGarry, Elphin RC, Co. Roscommon, Res: None, Sps. Pat Flanagan and Margaret Sweeny. Elphin RC is located on the northwest side of Strokestown RC.

July 23, 1854 - **Ann Sweeny**, Par. James (and) Bridget Sweeny, Turlough RC, Tuam Diocese, Co. Mayo, Res: None, Sps. Pat Hopkins and Margaret Smyth.

Townlands in Strokestown Electoral Division, Co. Roscommon			
Townland	Area	Townland	Area
Ballyhammon	145 A, 1 R, 24 P	Farnbeg	181 A, 1 R, 6 P
Bumlin	251 A, 1 R, 27 P	Farnmore	235 A, 2 R, 3 P
Carrowclogher	259 A, 1 R, 36 P	Kildalloge	204 A, 3 R, 35 P
Carrowntryla	128 A, 0 R, 36 P	Kilmore	217 A, 1 R, 8 P
Castlenode	182 A, 2 R, 16 P	Lavally	160 A, 3 R, 37 P
Clooneen (Hartland)	454 A, 3 R, 14 P	Lisroyne	437 A, 3 R, 5 P
Cloonrabrackan	248 A, 1 R, 3 P	Newtown	368 A, 2 R, 35 P
Cloonradoon	420 A, 2 R, 1 P	Vesnoy	185 A, 3 R, 15 P
Cloonslanor	385 A, 1 R, 4 P		



Map showing Elphin RC parish and Strokestown RC parish, both in Elphin Diocese, Co. Roscommon.

The units of land area are A (Acre), R (Rood), and P (Perche). The units Rood and Perche are linear measures and when used in quantifying an area it is implied that they are squared units. The acres are standard acres, as opposed to Irish acres, which are larger. There are 40 (squared) Perches in a Rood and 4 (squared) Roods in an acre.

Coonan's Found in "Pugh's for 1927", Powells and Pughs Limited, 98-100 Edwards Street, Brisbane, 1927

The occupations listed below were ones where Coonans were found in the Pugh directory.

Death - February 8, 1927 -**Mr. Michael Coonan**, a respected resident of Logan Bridge, Maclean, aged 98.

NOTE: The Michael Coonan born in 1854 in Clonakenny, Bourney parish died on April 9, 1937 at age 82. His residence was given as Logan's Bridge in Maclean at the time of his 1888 marriage. The Mr. Michael Coonan above was also living at Logan's Bridge at the time of his death in 1927 at the age of 98. He would have been born in 1829, most likely in Ireland. This might have been Michael's uncle.

Kullingah Downs, St. George, **Coonan Family** 40 horses, 40 cattle and 1,208 sheep.

NOTE: St. George, Balonne shire, Queensland is located 513 km (219 mi) due west of Brisbane and sits just inside the region of Southwest Queensland. Why this item was placed in a Brisbane directory is not known.

There is a Michael Pierce Coonan, died January 18, 1923, age 54 who is buried in St. George Cemetery. "The St George Cemetery is on the Carnarvon Highway about 2.5km north of the town and 1.2km past the St George Hospital." (See Appendix - Australia Cemetery Extras)

BLACKSMITHS, WHEELWRIGHTS,

Etc. -Oliver Harding, J. Cunningham, M. Coonan,
W. A. Costigan, Box Bros.

BOOKSELLERS- C. J. Coonan, E. Swanson, C. M. Young

MOTOR BUSES AND LORRIES -

Thos. A. Bourne, E. T. Bowtell (lorry), P. Caflerky, A. G. Campbell, **J. Coonan**, L. S. Dommett, G. Larsen (lorry), Lewis gyros. (lorry), G. A. Lewis, B. H. Lewis, C. Mossettor, E. F. Naumann, W. It. Wright (lorry), D. Yesberg.

MOTOR CAR SERVICES

COUNTRY- J. Coonan' s (Toowoomba and Milmerran): Leaving at 3 p.m., arriving Milmerran at 6.30 p.m. Places served by this line are Drayton , Yreema, Umbiram, Southbrook, Broxburn W, Pittaworth, Yaranlea, Pampas, Yandilla, Milmerran. Fares, from 1s. to 8s. 8d, Coonan 's (Toowoomba to Allora): Leaving Toowoomba at 8 am., arriving at Allora at 5.45 p.m. Places served are Finney, Eton Vale East Green mount, Greenmount, Nobby, King 's Creek, Clifton, Allora. Fares, from 10d to 6s. 6d. .

TANNERS- R. Cloake, Coonan Bros., W. F. C. Schmidtchen.

DARLING DOWNS DISTRICT (Twenty-four Lodges.)

PRIDE OF WAHOON : Coonan's Hall, Haden. Saturday,

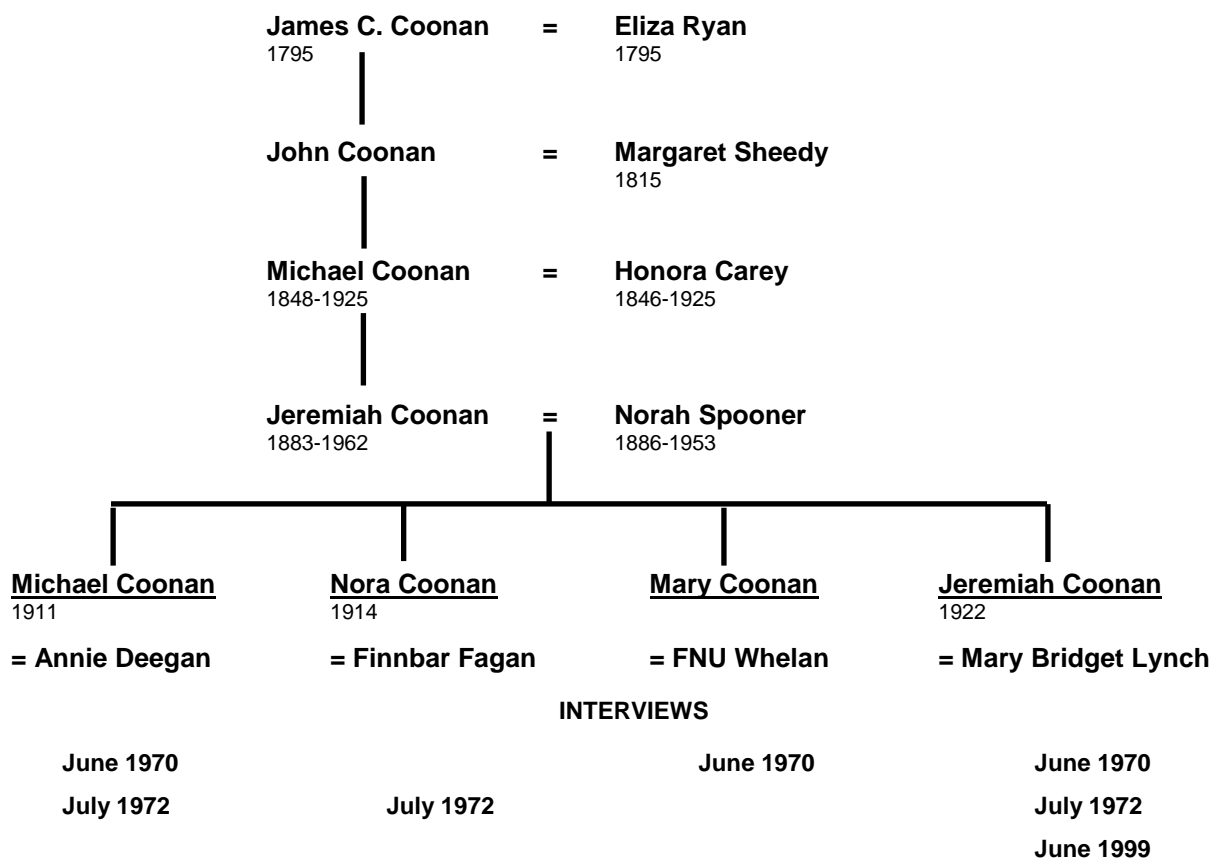
Part II - The Roscrea Coonan Family Interviews

Introduction

In June 1970 Robert J. Conan, Jr. conducted five interviews with persons whose surnames were Coonan and who were living in the general area of Roscrea, Co. Tipperary, Ireland. Those interviews were listed numerically in his notes and it developed that the persons in interviews No. 1, 2, and 3 were siblings. They are referred to as Family 1 in this paper. The persons in interviews No. 4 and 5 were not related to each other or to the persons in the first three interviews. The persons in these last two interviews are referred to as Family 2 and Family 3, respectively, in this paper. In July 1972 Bob re-interviewed members of Family 1 from the 1970 interviews and in June, 1999 Bob visited the Jeremiah Coonan family again, this time with his brother, his nephew and his nephew's wife.

The detailed interview information on the three different families is developed into several family trees in this paper. Additional information about each of these families was extracted from the civil records and the church records. The names of the persons that Robert Conan interviewed are displayed with an underline.

The Coonans of Roscrea - Family 1 - Interviews 1, 2, and 3

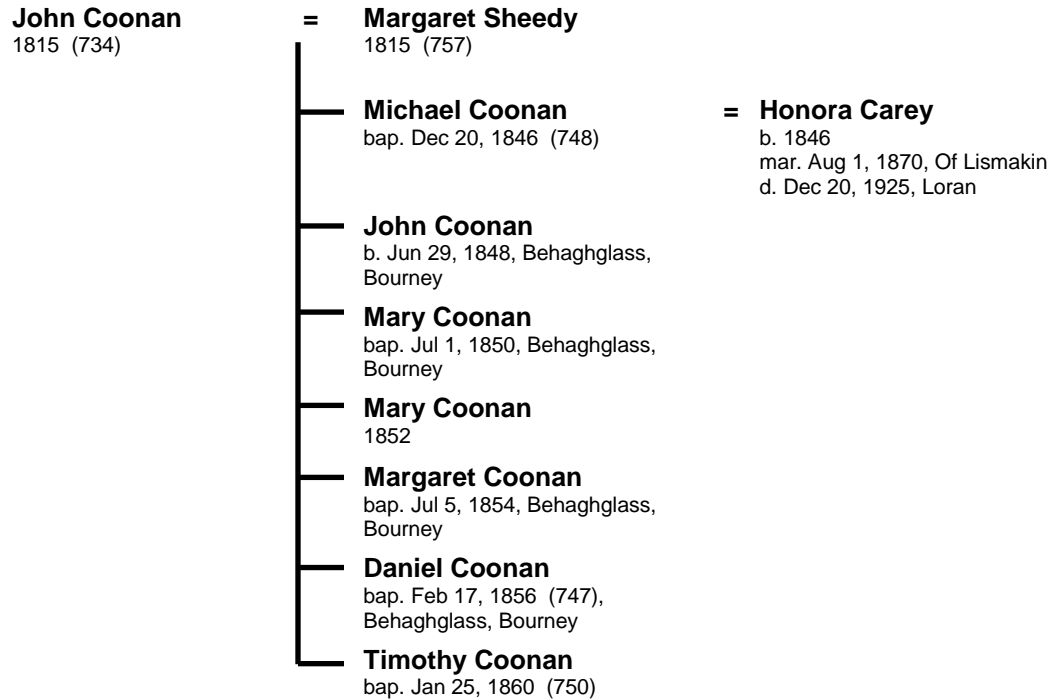


The notes from the interviews can be found in the Conan Archival Project. These are contained in Binder_01-05, pp. 5-6 for the 1970 interviews and the 1972 interviews are on p. 2.

John Coonan and Margaret Sheedy

(s/o John C. Coonan and Eliza Ryan)

(d/o Father and Mother)



Church Records - Coonan and Sheedy

September 11, 1811 - **Margaret Sheedy**, Par. Patrick Sheedy (Farmer) and Mary Hamel, Templemore RC, Res: Barnane, Sps. William Maher and Ellen Sheedy

June 24, 1815 - **John Coonan**, Par. James Coonan (Farmer) and Elizabeth Ryan, Templemore RC, Res: Drumard, Sps. Jerry Carroll and Judy Hughs

January 21, 1846 - **John Coonan** married **Margaret Sheedy**, Templemore RC

Res: Ashbrook, Wit: Edward Coonan and Margaret Sheedy.

The closest **Ashbrook** (aka Aghamore, 22a.), Kilmanman civil par., Tinnahinch bar., Co. Leix (formerly Queen's Co.)

December 20, 1846 - **Michael Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and **Margaret Sheedy**, Bourney & Corbally RC, Res: None, Sps. Jno (John) Sheedy and Margaret Sheedy. Baptism was "conditional"

July 1, 1848 - **John Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Peggy Sheady, Bournea and Corbally RC. Res: Behaglass, Sps. Matt Farrell and Peggy Lahy. (born June 29, 1848).

July 7, 1850 - **Mary Connan**, Par. John Connan and Margaret Sheedy, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: Behaghglass, Sps. Dan Sheedy and Judy Lahy

July 5, 1854 - **Margaret Coonan**, Par. John Connan and Margaret Sheedy, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: Behaglass, Sps. Pat Moylan and Ellen Dellong

February 17, 1856 - **Illegible Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and **Margaret Sheedy**, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: Beheglass, Sps. FNU Sheedy and Eliza Moylan. (Might be **Daniel**)

January 25, 1860 - **Tim Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Margaret Sheedy, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: None, Sps. Martin Moylan and Mary Sheedy

Michael Coonan and Honora Carey

(s/o John Coonan and Margaret Sheedy)

(d/o Michael Carey and Mother)

Michael Coonan
b. Sep, 1848, Lismacken
Of Behaghglass
d. Dec 22, 1925, Loran

= **Honora Carey**
b. 1846
mar. Aug 1, 1870
Of Lismakin
d. Dec 20, 1925, Loran

John Coonan
1871 (750)

Margaret Coonan
1874 (751)

Timothy Coonan
b. Aug 26, 1877, Ballykenney
d. Sep 3, 1878, Lismakin

Mary Coonan
b. Apr 26, 1879 (752)

Daniel Coonan
1881 (753)

6 girls in family, Joe (died
by 1970), Mike and Jerry

Jerry Coonan
b. Nov 7, 1883, Lismakin
d. Aug 21, 1962, Gortnagowna

= **Norah Spooner**
b. 1886
d. Oct 12, 1953, Gortnagowna

Bridget Coonan
1885 (755)

Michael Coonan was related to the Sheedys from Cullahill and also connected to the Lahy family. Mike Coonan said that the Lorrha Coonans are related to them - "he knew them from a child." Michael Coonan was also related to the Brays in Curragunneen and to the Twohys but Bob Conan was not able to find them.

Church Record - Coonan - Toohy

May 1862 - Thomas Coonan, Par. Thomas Coonan and Honora Toohy, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: None, Sps.: Con Toohy and Mary Kennedy

Marriage: Michael Coonan & Honora Carey - Behaghglass

August 1, 1870 - married at Courrigareen RC chapel

Husband: **Michael Coonan**, 23, Bachelor, Cottier, Behaghglass

Father: John Coonan, Cottier

Wife: **Honora Carey**, 24, Spinster, Cottier, Lismakin

Father: Michael Carey, Cottier

Witnesses: Patt Dwyer and Catherine Farrell

Priest: John Howard, C. C.

Reg: Certified Copy Made: November 8, 1870 (Roscrea, Bourney)

Behaghglass, Electoral Division of Rathnaveoge, Civil Parish of Bourney, Barony of Ikerrin, County of Tipperary. The Irish name for Behaghglass is An Bheitheach Ghlas.

Death: Timothy Coonan - 9 months - 1878

Date: September 4, 1878 - Location: Lismacking

Name: **Timothy Coonan**

Condition: Bachelor

Age at last Birthday: 9 months

Occupation: Small farmer

Cause of Death: Hopping cough, three weeks, Uncertified

Informant: Honora Coonan, present at death, Lismacking

Reg: September 16, 1878 (Roscrea)

Civil Records - Michael Coonan and Honora Carey

August 26, 1877 - **Timothy Coonen**, Par. Michael (John) Coonen and Honora Carey, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: Ballykenny, Sps. James Fody? and Kate White.

April 26, 1879 - **Mary Coonan**, Par. Michael (John) Coonan and Honoria Carey, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: None, Sps. James Smith and Margaret Conners.

From Super Reg Dist Roscrea, Reg Dist Roscrea

November 7, 1883 - **Jeremiah Coonan**, Par. Michael Coonan (Laborer) and Honora Carey

Res: Lisinachin, Roscrea, Reg: November 9, 1883

Lismakin, Electoral Division of Rathnaveoge, Civil Parish of Corbally, Barony of Ikerrin, County of Tipperary. The Irish name for Lismakin is Lios Macáin.

From Sup Reg Dist Roscrea, Reg Dist Bourney

December 12, 1912 - **Joseph Coonan**, Par. Jeremiah Coonan (Labourer) and Hanora Spooner,

Res: Gortnagowna, Reg: January 22, 1913

Deaths

From Sup Reg Dist Roscrea, Reg Dist Bourney

Joseph Coonan died July 16 1923, Bachelor, age 10, Labourer's son, Cause of Death: Brain tumour, two years, Asthenia certified, Father Jeremiah Coonan of Gortnagowna present at death, Reg: October 3, 1923

From Sup Reg Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist - Roscrea No. 1

August 21, 1962 - **Jeremiah Coonan**, Gurnagoona, Roscrea died, widower, retired, Co. council labourer, Cause of death: Exhaustion, Obstructive jaundice, carcinoma of pancreas - certified, Informant: Rita O'Grady, occupier, Our Lady's Hospital, Roscrea; Reg: August 23, 1962

Jerry Coonan and Norah Spooner

(s/o Michael Coonan and Honora Carey)

(d/o Father and Mother)

Jerry Coonan

b. Nov 7, 1883, Lismakin
d. Aug 21, 1962,
Gortnagowna

6 girls in family, Joe (died
by 1970), Mike and Jerry

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Norah Spooner

b. Jan 22, 1886, Gortnagowna
mar. May 9, 1909, Templemore
d. Oct 12, 1953, Gortnagowna

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Michael Coonan

b. Apr 7, 1911, Gortnagowna
d. June 27, 1975, Gortderryboy

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Annie Deegan

mar. Jan 3, 1932, Roscrea

—

Joseph Coonan

b. Dec 12, 1912, Gortnagowna
d. Jul 16, 1923, Gortnagowna

Died young

—

Nora Coonan

b. Dec 9, 1914, Gortnagowna

=

Finnbar Fagan

—

Mary Coonan

=

FNU Whelan

—

Bridget Coonan

Died young

—

Jeremiah Coonan

b. 1922
Gortnagowna

=

Mary Bridget Lynch

—

Margaret Coonan

In Gortnagowna

—

Theresa Coonan

—

Jack Coonan

Never married

—

Daniel Coonan

Never married

The following are all from: Bob's Binder_01-05, p. 2.

All children were under 60 at the time of the July 1970 interviews.

Nora Coonan Fagan stated that a Mrs. Ryan (a May Coonan [probably Mary] lives at 25 Brickfield Dr., Dublin) her father was John Coonan [actually Dennis] and grandfather was also John (Jackie) from Upperchurch, grandmother's name was Long - g.g.p. not known.

Note: Her name was Johanna Long. Great grandparents were Denis Coonan and Mary Ryan. See: "The Upperchurch Coonan Families"

<http://mcgrathsearch.com/Conan%20Family/The%20Conan%20Family%20of%20Foilgoule.html>

Nora knew of this Upperchurch family above, but she did not say they were related to her family.

Nora Spooner Coonan had a 1st cousin named Joseph Leo Reid. There was a reference to a photograph in which Reid appeared. On the back of the photograph was the following: Westphal Studios, 260 Broadway, Buffalo, NY.

Jeremiah knew of other Coonans in Coolderry.

Marriage: Jerry Coonan & Norah Spooner - Behaghglass

MARRIAGE - Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Union of Thurles

May 9, 1909 - married at Templemore RC chapel

Husband: **Jerry Coonan**, 24, Bachelor, Laborer, Behaghglass, Bourney parish

Father: Michael Coonan, Laborer

Wife: **Norah Spooner**, 23, Spinster, Servant, Gortnagowna, Templemore parish

Father: Joseph Spooner, Laborer

Witnesses: William Reid and Mary Quinlan

Priest: William Canon Meagher, P. P.

Reg: May 30, 1909 (Thurles)

Civil Records

Sup Reg Dist - Roscrea; Reg Dist - Bourney

287 - April 7, 1911 - **Michael Coonan**, Par. Jeremiah Coonan (Labourer) and Hanora Spuner,

Res: Gortnagowna, Reg: May 8, 1911

Super Reg Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist - Bourney

360 - December 12, 1912 - **Joseph Coonan**, Par. Jeremiah Coonan (Laborer, Gortnagowna) and Honora Spooner, Res: Gortnagowna, Reg: January 22, 1913.

Super Reg Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist - Bourney

450 - December 9, 1914 - **Norah Coonan**, Par. Jeremiah Coonan (Labourer) and Norah Spooner, Res: Gortnagowna, Reg: January 25, 1915

Death: Norah Coonan - 67 - 1953

October 12, 1953 - Location: Gortnagowna, Roscrea

Name: **Norah Coonan**

Condition: Laborer's wife

Age at last Birthday: 67

Occupation:

Cause of Death: Cardiac disease, cardiac failure

Informant: **Margaret Coonan**, daughter, present at death, Gortnagowna,

Reg: October 19, 1953 (Bourney)

Gortnagowna is in the Electoral Division of Bourney East, in Civil Parish of Killavinoge, in the Barony of Ikerrin, in the County of Tipperary. The Irish name for Gortnagowna is Gort na nGamhna.

Death: Hanora Coonan - 82 - 1925

Date: December 20, 1925 - Location: Loran

Name: **Hanora Coonan**

Condition: Married

Age at last Birthday: 82

Occupation: Labourer's wife

Cause of Death: Old age, fourteen days, asthenia, certified

Informant: **Dan Coonan**, son, present at death

Reg: March 9, 1926 (Bourney)

Loran is in the Electoral Division of Bourney East, in Civil Parish of Bourney, in the Barony of Ikerrin, in the County of Tipperary (South of Roscrea on N62)
The Irish name for Loran is Lóthrán

Death: Michael Coonan - 80 - 1925

Date: December 22, 1925 - Location: Loran

Name: **Michael Coonan**

Condition: Widower

Age at last Birthday: 80 years

Occupation: Labourer

Cause of Death: Old age, fourteen days, asthenia, certified

Informant: Dan Coonan, son, present at death, Loran

Reg: March 9, 1926 (Bourney)

Townlands

Toomyvara town is in Aghnameadle civil parish, Upper Ormond barony, Co. Tipperary N.R., Nenagh PLU

Dunkerrin is a town in Dunkerrin civil parish in Offaly Co. (formerly King's), Clonlisk barony, Roscrea PLU.

Michael Coonan and Annie Deegan

(s/o Jerry Coonan and Norah Spooner)

(d/o Patrick Deegan and Mother)

Michael Coonan

b. Apr 7, 1911, Gortnagowna
d. June 27, 1975,
Gurtderrybeg, Roscrea.

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Annie Deegan

mar. Jan 3, 1932, Roscrea

— **Mary Coonan**

— **Anne Coonan**

— **Bridget Coonan**

— **Jeremiah Coonan**

— **Patrick Coonan**

— **Margaret Coonan**

— **Joe Coonan (Twin)**

— **John Coonan (Twin)**
Died before 1972

— **Theresa Coonan**

= **Michael Muldowney**

— **Philomena Coonan**

— **Michael Coonan**

Marriage: Male & Female - Townland

January 3, 1932 - married at Roscrea RC chapel

Husband: **Michael Coonan**, 21, Bachelor, Laborer, Roscrea

Father: Jeremiah Coonan, Laborer

Wife: **Annie Deegan**, Full age, Spinster, Blank, Camblin

Father: Patrick Deegan, Laborer

Witnesses: John Fitzpatrick and Mary Maloney

Priest: Thomas O'Molloy, C. C.

Reg: January 4, 1932 (Roscrea)

Camblin is on M7 just west of the intersection with N62, at Roscrea.

The Wedding of Theresa Coonan and Michael Muldowney



The Michael and Ann Deegan Coonan family. From left to right: Joseph (son), Mary (daughter), Michael (son), Ann, Michael Muldowney (groom), Theresa (bride & daughter), Michael, Philomena (daughter), Patrick (son) and Ann (daughter). This wedding took place in the early 1970s. Photo from Michael Coonan, Sr. via the Conan Archive Project, Binder_01-04, p. 21.

Jeremiah Coonan and Mary Bridget Lynch

(s/o Jerry Coonan and Norah Spooner)

(d/o Father and Mother)

Jeremiah Coonan

b. 1922

Gortnagowna

=

Mary Bridget Lynch



Olive Coonan

In Australia for a while

Noel Coonan

Patricia Coonan

Diarmuid Coonan

Seamus Coonan

Died before 1972 at 15 months old.

= **Enda MacDonough**

3 or 4 children

= **Pauline Kelly**

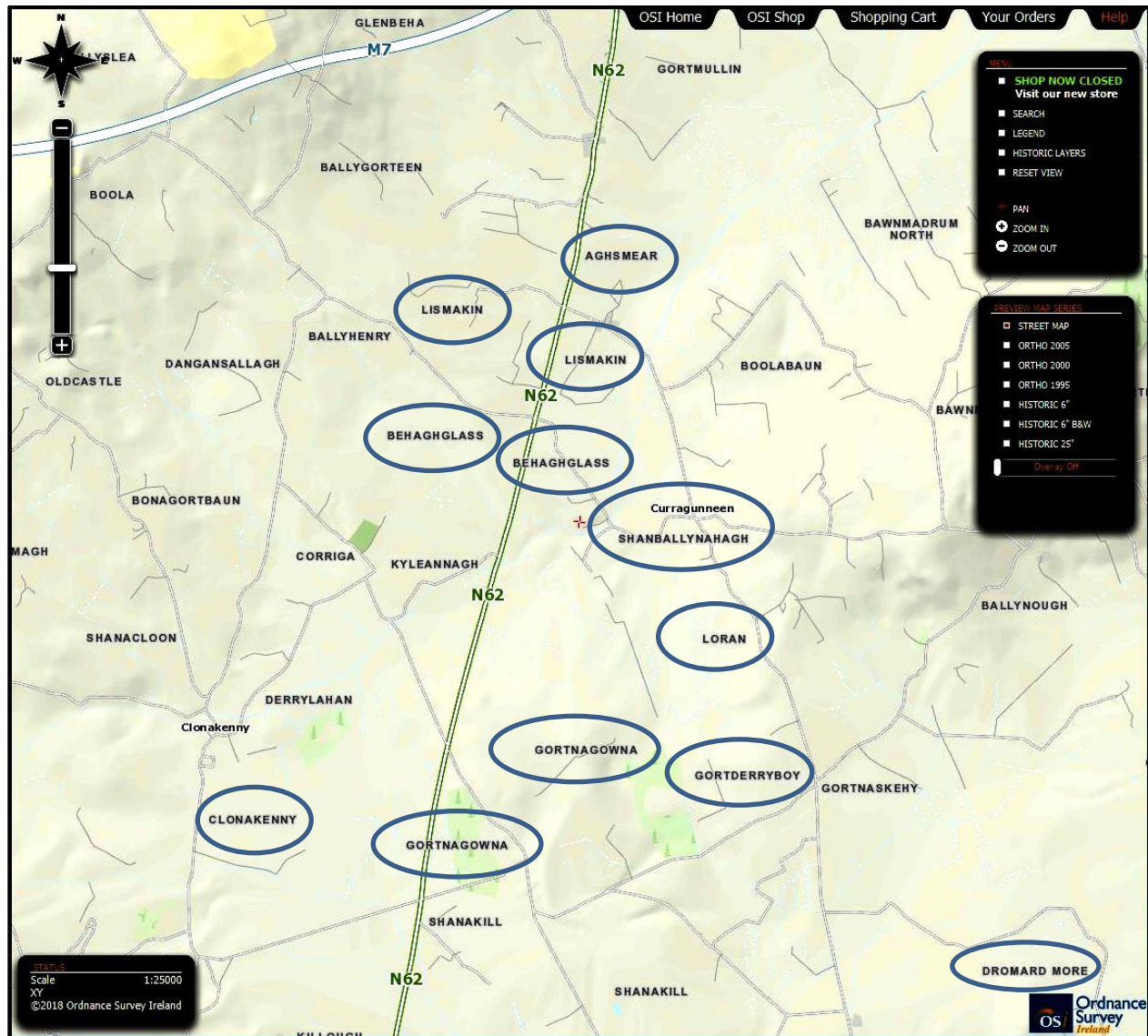
d. Oct 24, 2016, Gortnagowna,
Killavinoge par.

Not married by 1999

= **Terri (Theresa) Meagher**

Two children

The Roscrea Coonan Townlands



The area displayed in the above map is approximately 12 km x 12 km. Curragunneen is referred to as a “locality,” and sometimes would be called a sub-townland or it would be considered a neighborhood name. The townland is the smallest administrative unit in Ireland but the locals would sometimes give names to regions within a townland. According to one authority Curragunneen is within the civil parish of Lismakin, however it appears to be closer to the townland of Shanballynahagh.

Michael Coonan (1848-1925) was associated with three townlands: Lismakin, Behaghglass and Loran. On the map it can be seen that these three townlands are separated by only a few kilometers. When Robert Conan interviewed Michael and Jeremiah Coonan in 1972 one of them stated that their grandfather Michael Coonan had lived at Aghsmear where he “had a little piece of land.” This was located about 1 km north of Lismakin. The lesson here is that in Ireland it is possible to move around a bit and yet not go very far. There are three townlands that appear twice on this map: Lismakin, Behaghglass, and Gortnagowna. The reason for this duplication of the names could not be determined with certainty but those three townlands all extended over the highway N62. The placement of the names are all within the boundaries of the respective townlands.

Visit to Ireland - June 1999

In June of 1999 Paul Conan Sr., Paul Jr., Robert Conan, and Laurie Conan traveled from New York State in the US to Ireland. They visited the Nenagh and Templemore areas of Co. Tipperary, doing some sightseeing and searching for Coonan families, both old and new. In Nenagh they met a man who told them about a Noel Coonan who had just won an election in the Templemore area, more specifically, Gortnagowna (just north of the city). Paul Jr. remembered that his uncle Bob had told him that this was the townland of Jerry Coonan's family. Paul's uncle had visited Jerry Conan in the early 1970s and Jerry had also visited Bob in Syracuse, NY during the 1970s. This Jerry Coonan also had a son named Noel. They were told that there was a Coonan Jewelry store, owned by Noel, in Templemore. This was all the information they needed to help them locate the Coonans of Gortnagowna.

The next morning they drove to Templemore looking for Noel Coonan's jewelry store, which they found in downtown Templemore. The store had Noel's name on it, but it was a real estate office. They found out later that Noel had recently received his real estate license and would be pursuing that field.



L to R - Conans: Paul Jr. & Laurie, Pauline, Bob, Paul Sr. in 1999.
Photo courtesy of Paul B. Conan, Jr.

The store next to Noel's real estate office was a jewelry store which was owned by Noel's wife, Pauline. The first stop in Templemore was the jewelry store and they went inside where Uncle Bob Conan asked the woman about the Coonans. She told them that she was Pauline Coonan and said, "You must be Bob". They hugged, and she said she was very happy to see them. Pauline insisted on having lunch together with the group, which they did down the street.

Pauline's husband, Noel, had just recently run for two political offices and had won both positions. Noel wasn't there when the photos were taken, but he had a beard and had recently broken his left arm near the wrist while working with some farm equipment. It appeared that Noel's main occupation was farming related.

The Coonans live in the townland of Gortnagowna (pronounced by Jerry as 'Gortnagoona'), located about midway between the towns of Roscrea and Templemore. Pauline led the group back to her house in Gortnagowna and said she would invite her father-in-law, who lived next door and north of her house, to visit. She called her father-in-law, Jerry Coonan, who was the person that uncle Bob had known from his visits to Ireland in the 1960s and early 1970s.



L to R - Conans: Bob, Jerry, Olive, Paul Sr. & Jr., Pauline at her house in Gortnagowna.
Photo courtesy of Paul B. Conan, Jr.

That's when they met Pauline's husband, Noel Coonan. Noel's sister Olive also stopped by. Olive also lived next door, on the other side of her father Jerry's house, and was also very nice. Olive gave Paul Jr. some photos and information from the Coonan family reunion in Brisbane, Australia that had been held in the early 1990s.

After that they went next door to Jerry's house. Later Jerry took them to a nearby peat bog which was the bog where he got his fuel. These ancient peat bogs still supply many of the Irish with the fuel to heat their homes. It was a very "Irish" experience for the group of American visitors. At the peat bog the group met a man named Jack Fogarty, who owned the bog and also worked there. Bob Conan took a picture of himself and Jack Fogarty and all the rest of the group at the

peat bog. Jack told them that his great-great grandmother was a Peggy Coonan, who had married a Fogarty.



At the local peat bog. L to R - Laurie, Jack Fogarty (peat bog owner), Jerry, Paul Sr., Bob - Gortnagowna 1999.

Photo courtesy of Paul B. Conan, Jr.

The death has occurred of Pauline COONAN (née Kelly)

Gortnagonna, Roscrea, Tipperary / Templemore, Tipperary

Pauline Coonan



Date of Death: Monday 24th October 2016

Coonan, (Nee Kelly) (Gortnagoona, Roscrea and Main Street, Templemore, Co. Tipperary. October 24th 2016 (peacefully) at home; Margaret Pauline. Predeceased by Svetta and her nephew John Patrick, deeply regretted by Noel and Tanya, her brother Jim, sisters Bridie, Mary, and Eileen, nephews, nieces, grand-nephews, grand-nieces, relatives and a large circle of friends especially Marie, Kathleen, Annmarie and Tom, all her colleagues in The Thanks Shop and Voluntary Housing Templemore.

May She Rest In Peace

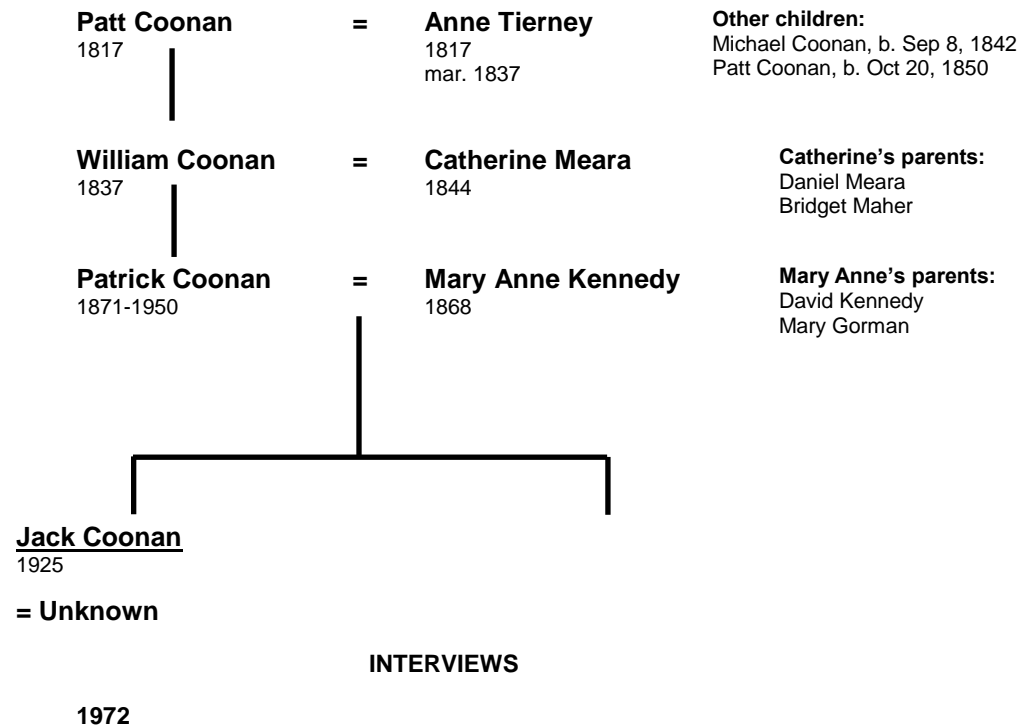
Reposing in Grey's Funeral Home Templemore, Wednesday evening from 4.30 pm to 8.30 pm with removal to The Sacred Heart Church Templemore arriving at 9 pm. Mass of the Resurrection Thursday morning at 11.30 am followed by private cremation.

‘Ar dheis Dé go raibh a h-anam dílis’

No flowers by request, donations in lieu to Pauline's chosen charity Droichead. c/o Grey's Funeral Home, Templemore.

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The Coonans of Dunkerrin - Family 2 - Interview 4



William Coonan and Catherine Meara of Clonymohan

(s/o Patt Coonan and Anne Tierney)
(d/o Daniel Meara and Bridget Maher)

William Coonan
bap. Dec 30, 1837,
Clonymohan

= **Catherine Meara**
bap. Jan 1, 1844, Clonakenny
mar. Aug 20, 1864, Moneygall

— **Mary Anne Coonan**
b. May 6, 1865, Clonamohan

— **Daniel Coonan**
bap. Oct 23, 1866, Clonymohan

— **Elizabeth Coonan**
bap. Jul 29, 1868, Clonamohan

— **Thomas Coonan**
b. Dec 28, 1869, Clonymohan

— **Patrick Coonan**
b. Jul 27, 1871, Clonymohan
d. 1950

— **Margaret Coonan**
b. Aug 23, 1873, Clonamohan

— **Catherine Coonan**
b. Jan 15, 1875, Clonamohan

— **William Coonan**
b. Sep 16, 1876, Clonamohan

— **Michael Coonan**
b. Dec 27, 1878, Clonymohan

= **Mary Anne Kennedy**
b. Jun 21, 1868, Cloghan, Ettagh, Co.
Offaly
mar. Feb 20, 1917, Roscrea

— **Jack Coonan**
b. 1925
Was interviewed by Robert Conan in 1970
He was living on Main St., in Moneygall,
across from the church

William (1837) had a brother Pat who went to the US.

This family has connections: Glasshouse, Kilcomin, Co. Offaly. A Ned Coonan is a 3rd cousin.

Glasshouse (838a,) is in the Electoral Division of Mountheaton, in Civil Parish of Kilcomin, in the Barony of Clonlisk, in the County of Offaly. The Irish name for Glasshouse is Teach na Gloine.

This might be William's brother Patrick who went to the US

October 20, 1850 - **Patt Coonan**, Par. Patt Coonan and Anne Tierney, Moneygall RC
Res: Clonamohan, Sps. (Illegible) Lahy and Margaret Fitzgerald

Clonymohan is a townland in Castleownely civil parish, in Offaly Co. (formerly King's), Clonlisk barony, Roscrea PLU. It is located just west of the town of Dunkerrin.

Dunkerrin is a town in Dunkerrin civil parish in Offaly Co. (formerly King's), Clonlisk barony, Roscrea PLU.

William Coonan and Catherine Meara

Church Records -

January 1, 1844 - **Catherine Meara**, Par. Daniel Meara and Bridget Maher, Bournea and Corbally RC, Res: Clonakenny, Sps. John Maher and Catherine Kennedy

April 20, 1864 - **William Coonan** married **Kate Meara**, Moneygall RC, Res: None, Wit: Daniel Maher and Anne Maher, Priest D. Clery.

October 23, 1866 - **Daniel Coonan**, Par. William Coonan and Catherine Mara, Moneygall RC, Res: Clonamohan, Sps. Daniel Maher and Mary Brien, Priest: T. Phelan.

July 29, 1868 - **Elizabeth Coonan**, Par. Will Coonan and Cath Meara, Moneygall RC, Res: Clonamohan, Sps. Thomas Meara and Bridget Coonan, Priest: T. Phelan.

Civil Records - William Coonan and Catherine Meara

In the case of the children Daniel and Elizabeth the church records overlap with the civil records. As has been sometimes seen before, the baptismal dates precede the birth dates found in the civil records for both Daniel and Elizabeth. The dates have been checked and re-checked in both sources - they are just different. So far an explanation for this situation has not been found.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist - Shinrone (2)

May 6, 1865 - **Mary Anne Coonan**, Par. William Coonan (Farmer) and Catherine Mara
Res: Clonamohan, Barna, Reg: May 20, 1865.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist. - Shinrone (2)

November 3, 1866 - **Daniel Coonan**, Par. William Coonan (Laborer) and Catherine Meara, Res: Clonamohan, Reg: November 13, 1866.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist. - Shinrone (2)

August 12, 1868 - **Elizabeth Coonan**, Par. William Coonan (Laborer) and Catherine Meara,
Res: Clonamohan, Reg: August 22, 1868.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist. - Shinrone (2)

December 28, 1869 - **Thomas Coonan**, Par. William Coonan (Farmer) and Catherine Meara,
Res: Clonamohan, Reg: January 8, 1870.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist. - Shinrone (2)

July 27, 1871 - **Patrick Coonan**, Par. William Coonan (Farmer) and Catherine Meara,
Res: Clonamohan, Reg: August 15, 1871.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist. - Shinrone

August 23, 1873 - **Margaret Coonan**, Par. William Coonan (Farmer) and Catherine Meara,
Res: Clonamohan, Reg: September 9, 1873.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist. - Shinrone

January 15, 1875 - **Catherine Coonan**, Par. William Coonan (Farmer) and Catherine Meara,
Res: Clonamohan, Reg: January 26, 1875.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist. - Shinrone

September 16, 1876 - **William Coonan**, Par. William Coonan (Farmer) and Catherine Meare,
Res: Clonamohan, Reg: November 21, 1876.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist. - Shinrone

December 27, 1878 - **Michael Coonan**, Par. William Coonan (Farmer) and Catherine Meare,
Res: Clonamohan, Reg: January 14, 1879.

Patt Coonan and Anne Tierney

Church Records -

February 6, 1837 - **Patt Coonan** married **Anne Tierney**, Moneygall RC

Res: None, Wit: Michael Tierney and William Toohy

December 30, 1837 - **William Coonan**, Par. Patt Coonan and Anne Tierney, Moneygall RC

Res: Clonamohan, Sps. John Coonan and Mary Tierney

Clonymohan, Electoral Division of Templeharry, Civil Parish of Castletownely, Barony of Clonlisk, County of Offaly. The Irish name for **Clonymohan** is Cluain Ó mBuacháin. It is located just west of the town of Dunkerrin.

September 8, 1842 - **Michael Coonan**, Par. **Patt Coonan and Anne Tierney**, Moneygall RC,

Res: Castleroan, Sps. Thomas Tracy and Ellen Tierney.

Castleroan, Electoral Division of Dunkerrin, Civil Parish of Dunkerrin, Barony of Clonlisk, County of Offaly. The Irish name for Castleroan is Caiseal Ruáin.

October 20, 1850 - **Patt Coonan**, Par. Patt Coonan and Anne Tierney, Moneygall RC

Res: Clonamohan, Sps. (Illegible) Lahy and Margaret Fitzgerald

Possible Mary Kennedys

Civil Records -

August 16, 1874 - **Mary Kennedy**, Par. John Kennedy and Margaret Fogarty, Sup Reg Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist - Roscrea, Res: Barnane, Reg: September 12, 1874.

Barnane, Barnane-ely civil par., Ikerrin bar., Co. Tipp. N.R.

March 27, 1876 - **Mary Kennedy**, Par. James Kennedy and Margaret Flanagan, Sup Reg Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist - Shinrone, Res: Clonaganna, Reg: May 15, 1876.

Clonagannagh, Dunkerrin civil par., Clonlisk bar., Co. King's (Offaly).

June 21, 1868 - **Mary Anne Kennedy**, Par. David Kennedy (Farmer, Cloughan) and Mary Gorman, Sup Reg Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist - Roscrea, No. 2 Dis - Ballybritt, Reg: July 18, 1868.

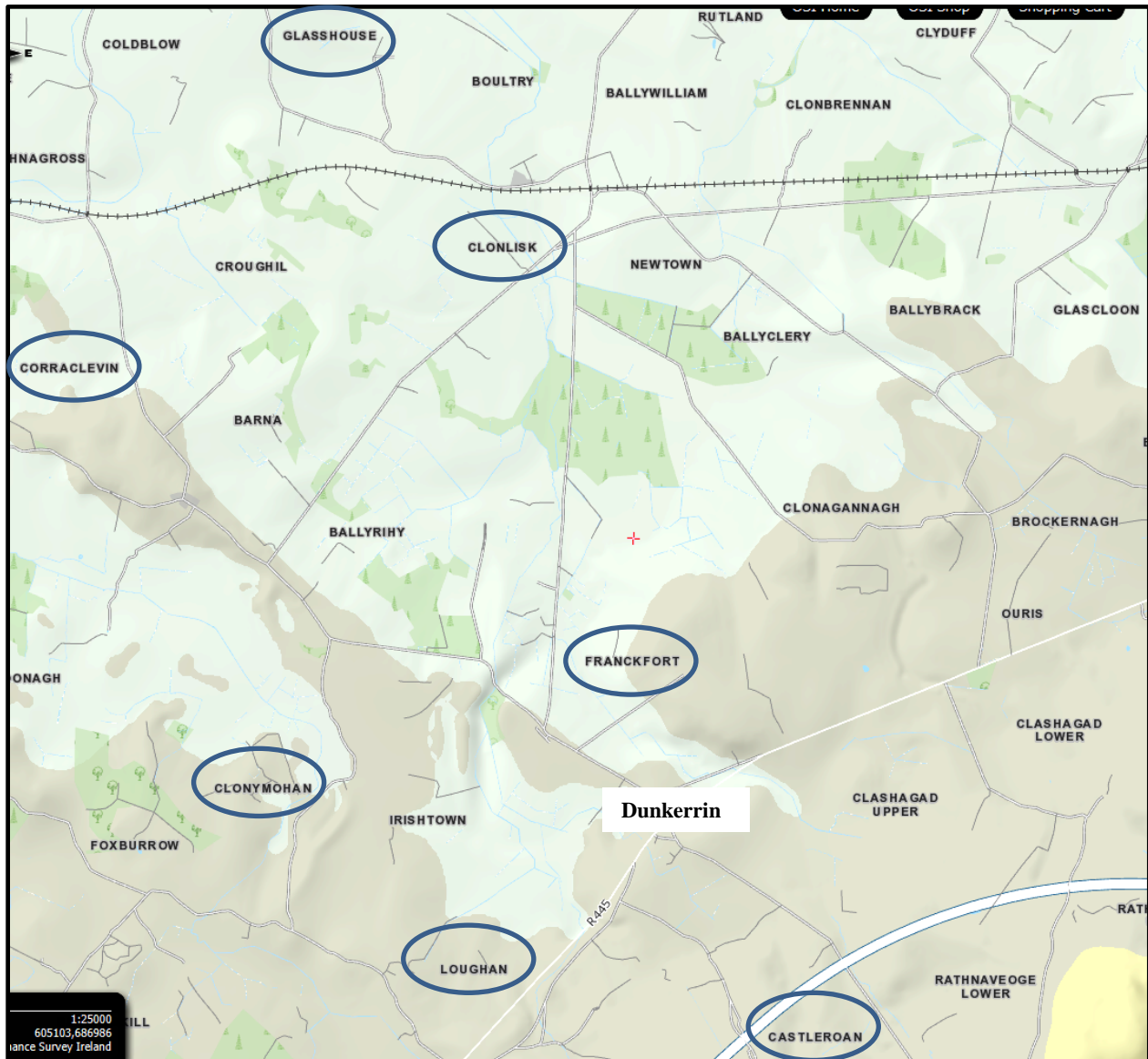
(the Kennedy's lived in the northern portion of Ettagh parish which was in Clonlisk barony, but they registered Mary Anne's birth in Ballybritt Registrar's Dist.)

Cloghan, Ettagh civil par., Clonlisk bar., Co King's (Offaly).
Ballybritt, Aghancon civil par., Ballybritt bar., Co. King's (Offaly)

Marriage: Patrick Coonan & Mary Anne Kennedy - Roscrea

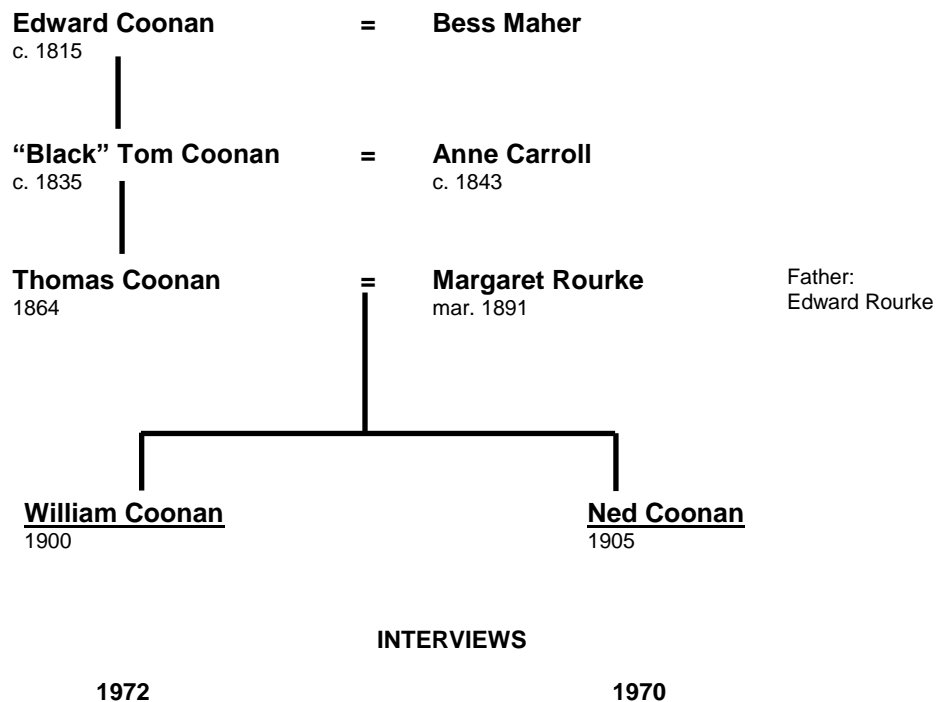
February 20, 1917 - Patrick Coonan married Mary A. Kennedy at Roscrea
Reg: Grp Reg ID: 1588127 - No image

The Dunkerrin Coonan Townlands



The Coonans described in this section of the paper are connected with area around Dunkerrin in the following townlands: Glasshouse, Corraclevin, Clonmohan, Loughan, Franckfort, and Castleroan

The Coonans of Moneygall - Family 3 - Interview 5



Records - Early Family Members

A possible candidate for "Black" Tom

April 21, 1835 - **Thomas Coonan**, Par. Edward Coonan and Bess Maher, Roscrea RC

Res: None, Sps. Catherine Maher

A possible sister of Thomas Coonan (b. 1864)

November 30, 1852 - **Margaret Coonan**, Par. Thomas Coonan and Anne Carroll, Toomevara RC, Res: Barnagrotty, Sps. Michael Coonan and Maria Carroll

From Super Reg Dist Roscrea, Reg Dist Shinrone

10 - March 6, 1864 - **Thomas Connan**, Par. Thomas Coonan (Farmer) and Anne Carroll, Reg:

March 12, 1864, Res: Barnagrotty

Thomas Coonan and Margaret Rourke of Moneygall

(s/o “Black” Tom Coonan and Anne Carroll)

(d/o Edward Rourke and Mother)

Thomas Coonan

b. March 6, 1864, Barnagrotty,
Moneygall
A cattle dealer
Had 3 sisters

See Binder_01-04, p. 8-12 for
letters from William Coonan

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Margaret Rourke

Of Aghnameadle
mar. Jan 31, 1891,
Toomyvara

Barnagrotty and Agnameadle are less
than 1 km apart and are located 4 km due
east of the town of Toomyvara.

Thomas Coonan

b. Jan 10, 1895, Moneygall

William Coonan

b. Jun 12, 1900, Moneygall
In 1970 living in the MillHouse,
Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny

Ned Coonan

b. 1905
Ned was interviewed by Robert
Conan in 1970. He was living in
Moneygall

William Coonan wasn't certain but he thought his grandfather Black Tom had been born in the parish of Templeberry. Source: Binder_01-40, p. 8

Ned Coonan didn't believe he was related to the William Coonan family of Clonmohan. This Thomas Coonan family came from Mountkinnan (Moankeenane) near Borrisoleigh. They had friends in Upperchurch. (NOTE: There was no indication as to when the family had moved. A baptism record was found (see below) that could be “Black” Tom. He was baptized in 1835 in the Roscrea RC parish, so the family move possibly occurred prior to 1835)

Moankeenane (243 a.), Electoral Division of Glenkeen, Civil Parish of Glenkeen, Barony of Kilnamanagh Upper, County of Tipperary, N.R., Thurles PLU. The Irish name for **Moankeenane** is Móin Chanáin. Moankeenane is located 4 km northwest of the town of Borrisoleigh and about 8 km north of the village of Upperchurch.

According to Fr. Comeford - Kilbarron, Bob was told to see Fr. Cosgrove, P.P., Dunkerrin for information on Moneygall Coonans. He was told to also check the Cistercian Abbey, Mt. St. Joseph, between Roscrea and Templemore. Robert also heard of a John Coonan in Roscrea, a tailor, but he was unable to find him.

Civil Records - Coonan and Rourke

From Super Reg Dist Roscrea, Reg Dist Shinrone

January 10, 1895 - **Thomas Coonan**, Par. Thomas Coonan (Butcher) and Margaret Rourke,
Reg: January 22, 1895, Res: Moneygall

From Super Reg Dist Roscrea, Reg Dist Shinrone

June 12, 1900 - **William Coonan**, Par. Thomas Coonan (Cattle dealer) and Margaret Rourke,
Reg: July 10, 1900, Res: Moneygall

Marriage: Thomas Coonan & Margaret Rourke - Bangrotty

January 31, 1891 - married at Toomavara RC chapel

Husband: **Thomas Coonan**, of full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Bangrotty

Father: Thomas Coonan, Farmer

Wife: **Margaret Rourke**, of full age, Spinster, Daughter of tradesman, Annameadle

Father: Edward Rourke, Smith

Witnesses: John Brien and Maria Rourke

Priest: James Daly, C. C.

Reg: February 2, 1891 (Toomavara)

The townlands of **Barnagrotty** and **Aghnameadle** are less than 1 km apart and are located about 3-1/2 km due east of the town of Toomyvara.

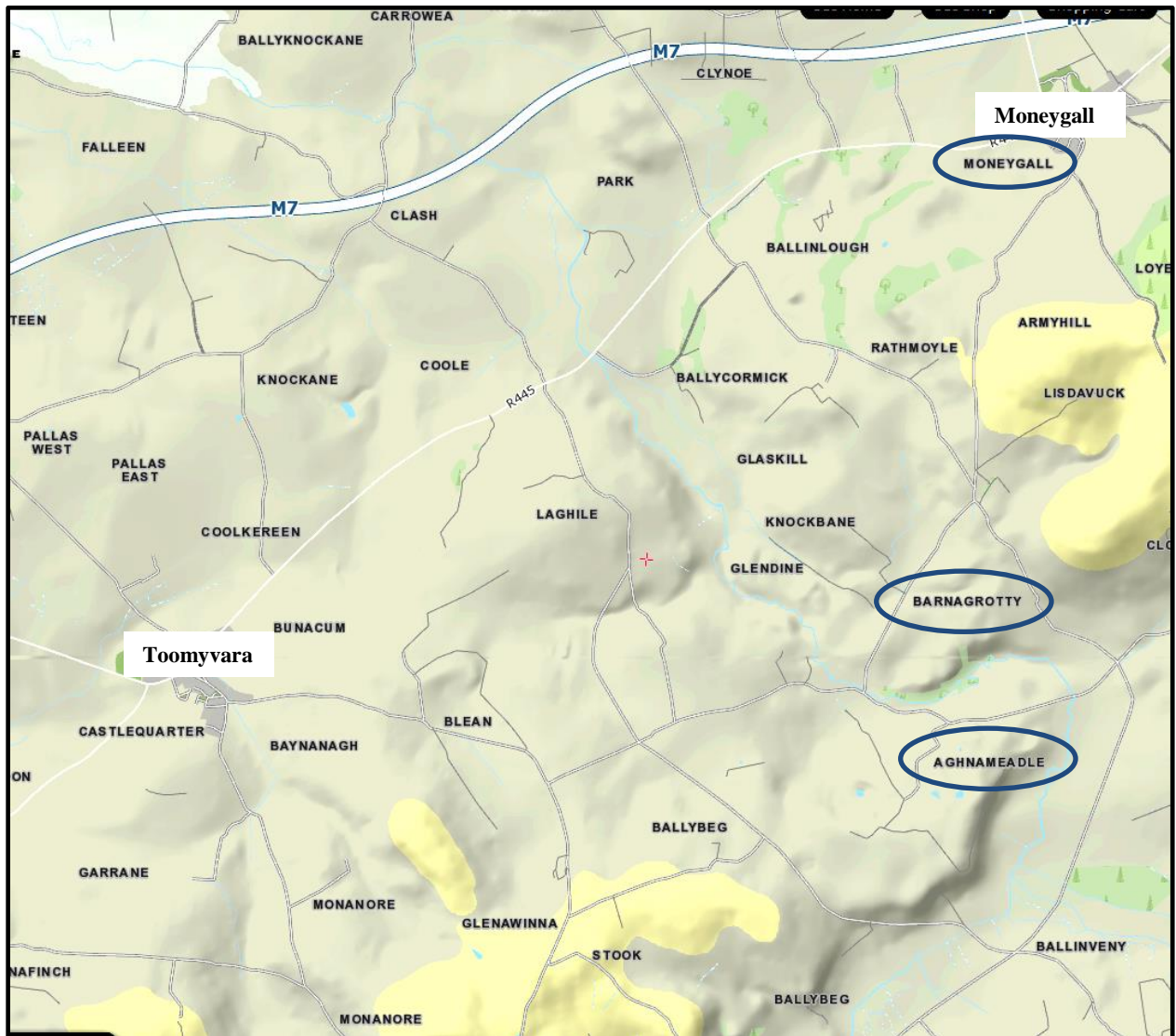
Civil Records - Others

From Super Reg Dist Roscrea, Reg Dist Shinrone

454 - March 12, 1905 - **Edward Coonan**, Par. Edward Coonan (Farmer) and Johanna Kenny,

Reg: April 28, 1905, Res: Glasshouse

The Moneygall Coonan Townlands



Townlands connected with the Moneygall Coonan family: Toomyvara, Barnagrotty, Aghnameadle

Roscrea Coonan Deaths

Copied by Bill Conan from the Custom House in Dublin

Table from Conan Binder_01-04, p. 12

Name	Date of Death	Comment
Thomas Coonan	Jan 31, 1890, age 70	At Barnagrotty, Cattle dealer
Anne Coonan	Mar 27, 1890, age 65	At Barnagrotty
Bridget Coonan	Mar 1893	
Catherine Coonan	Dec 1893	
Eva Coonan	Mar 1894	Not found in civil records
Michael Coonan	Feb 1, 1894, age 63	Cullahill, Farmer
Cornelius Coonan	June 23, 1894, age 75	Coolroe, Stone mason
Edward Coonan	Sept 1894	

The records below represent an effort to back up the death records in the table above. The highlighted areas are those items that are in conflict.

Civil Records - Roscrea Coonans

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg. Dist - Shinrone

January 31, 1890 - **Thomas Coonan** died. Age 70, married Jobber of Barnagrotty, Cause of Death: Influenza, 3 weeks, no medical attendant. Informant: **Judith Nolan**, cousin, present at death at Barnagrotty. Reg: February 8, 1890.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg. Dist - Shinrone

March 27, 1890 - **Anne Coonan** died. Age 65, farmer's widow of Barnagrotty, Cause of Death: Chronic Rheumatism, 8 years, no medical attendant. Informant: Thomas Coonan, son, present at death at Barnagrotty. Reg: March 31, 1890.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg. Dist - Roscrea

December 11, 1890 - **Catherine Coonan** died. Age 32, married to Labourer of Mill Park, Co. Tipperary, Cause of Death: Acute pneumonia, 8 days, Certified, Informant: Michael Coonan, husband, present at death at Millpark, Reg: December 17, 1890

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg. Dist - Roscrea No. 2

January 10, 1893 - **Bridget Coonan** died. Age 79, widow of mason of Golden Grove, Cause of Death: Old age, uncertified, Informant: John Coonan, son, Present at death at Golden Grove, Reg: January 16, 1893.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg. Dist - Roscrea

December 28, 1893 - **Edward Coonan** died. Age 70, Bachelor Labourer of Roscrea Workhouse, Cause of Death: Senile Debility Certified, Informant: Robt. White, Occupier, Workhouse, Roscrea, Reg: January 3, 1894.

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg. Dist - Bourney

February 1, 1894 - **Michael Coonan** died. Age 63, Bachelor farmer of Cullahill, Bourney. Cause of Death: Probably Heart Disease, one hour, no medical attendant. Informant: Thomas Coonan, brother, present at death at Cullahill, Bourney. Reg: February 10, 1894

Sup. Reg. Dist - Roscrea, Reg. Dist - Roscrea No. 2

June 23, 1894 - **Cornelius Coonan** died. Age 75, married, stone mason of Coolroe. Cause of Death: Illegible, one year, uncertified, no medical attendant. Informant: Michael Coonan, son, present at death at Coolroe. Reg: June 30, 1894.

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Coolroe		203	King's Co.	Clonlisk	Dunkerrin	Roscrea	Leinster
Coolroe		320	King's Co.	Clonlisk	Ettagh	Roscrea	Leinster

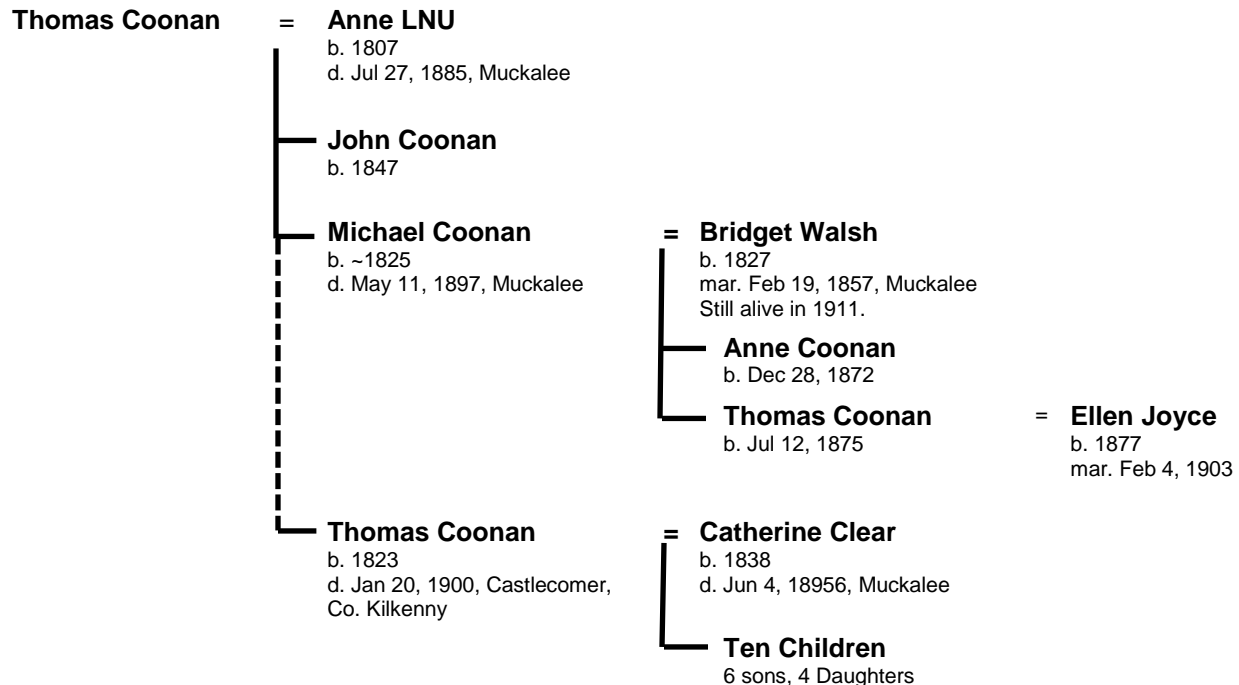
Part III - The Coonans of Kilkenny

Possible Coonan Connections - Three brothers?

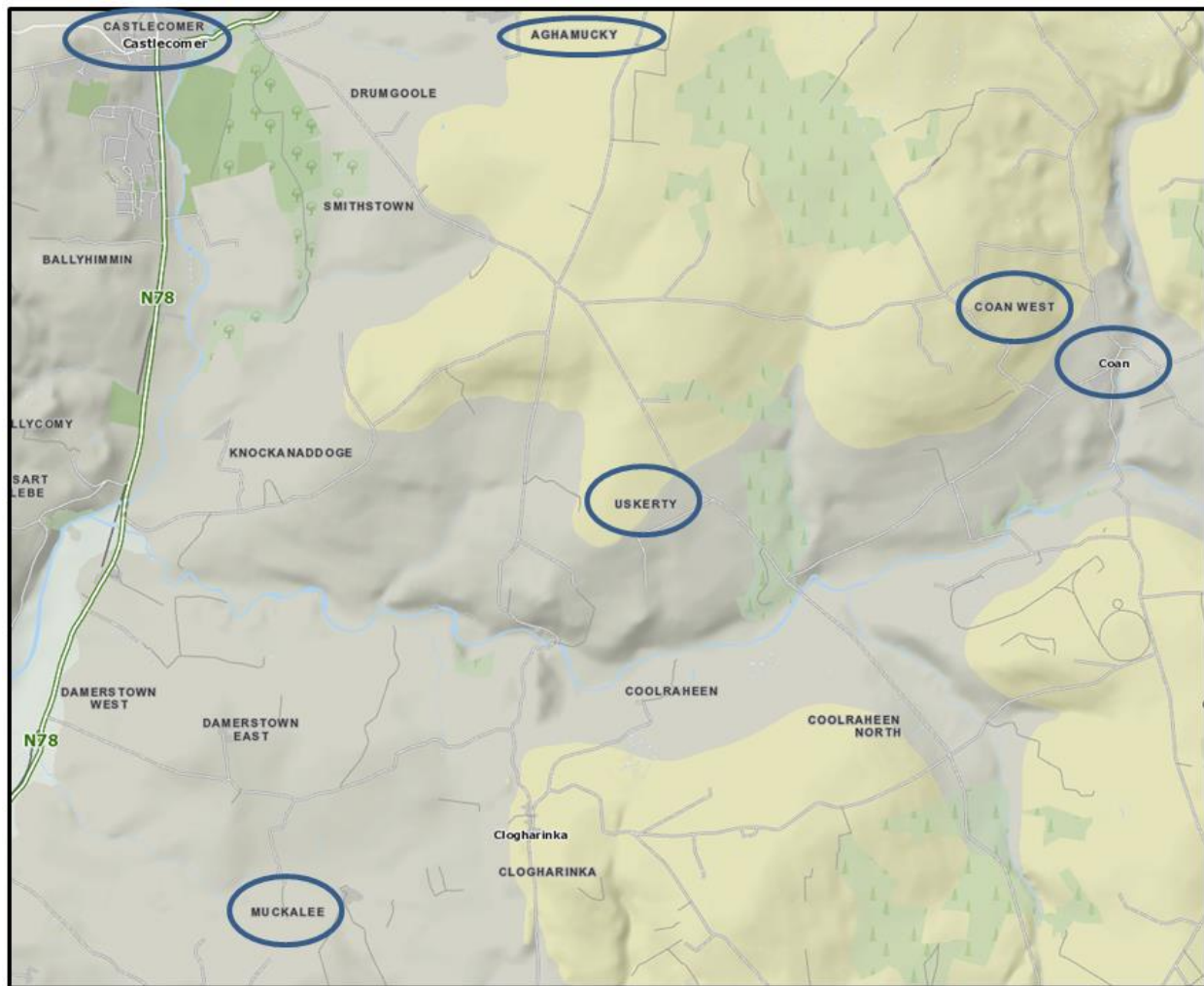
Husband		Wife	1 st Son	1 st Daughter
Thomas Coonan (1823)	=	Catherine Clear (1838)	Thomas	Anne
Michael Coonan (~1825)	=	Bridget Walsh (1827)	Thomas	Anne
John Coonan (1847)		Probably never married		

John and Michael were determined to be brothers via the 1901 and 1911 census records. Parents possibly Thomas and Ann based on names of Michael and Bridget's first son and daughter.

Thomas and Ann Coonan

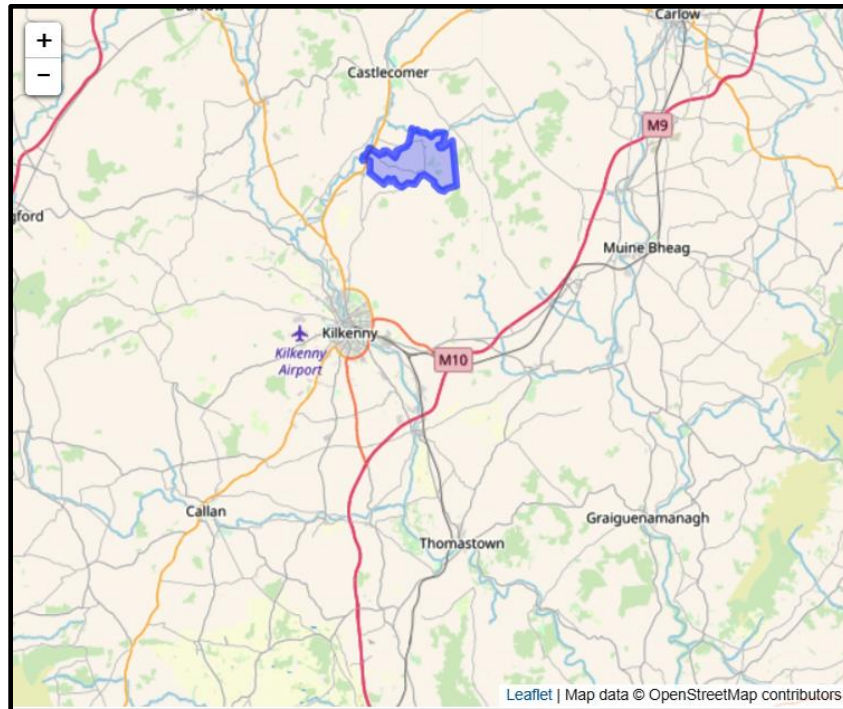


The Castlecomer Coonan Townlands

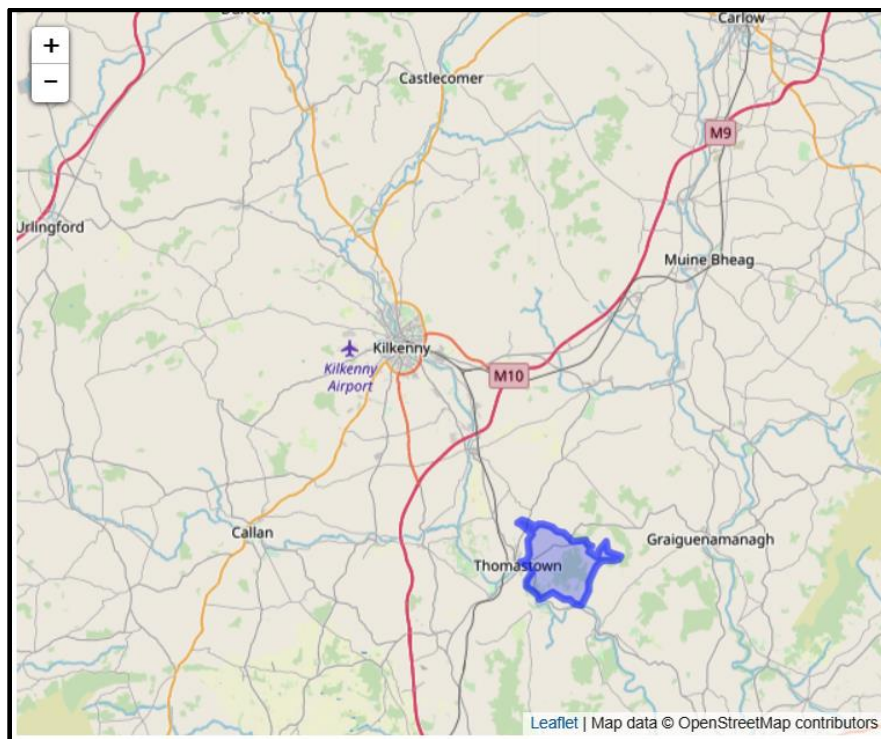


This map shows an area just south of the town of Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny. The townlands in the blue ovals are the various locations found in the records associated with the Coonan families of Kilkenny.

Coonan Areas in Co. Kilkenny



This map shows the relative position of Muckalee parish, which contains Muckalee townland.

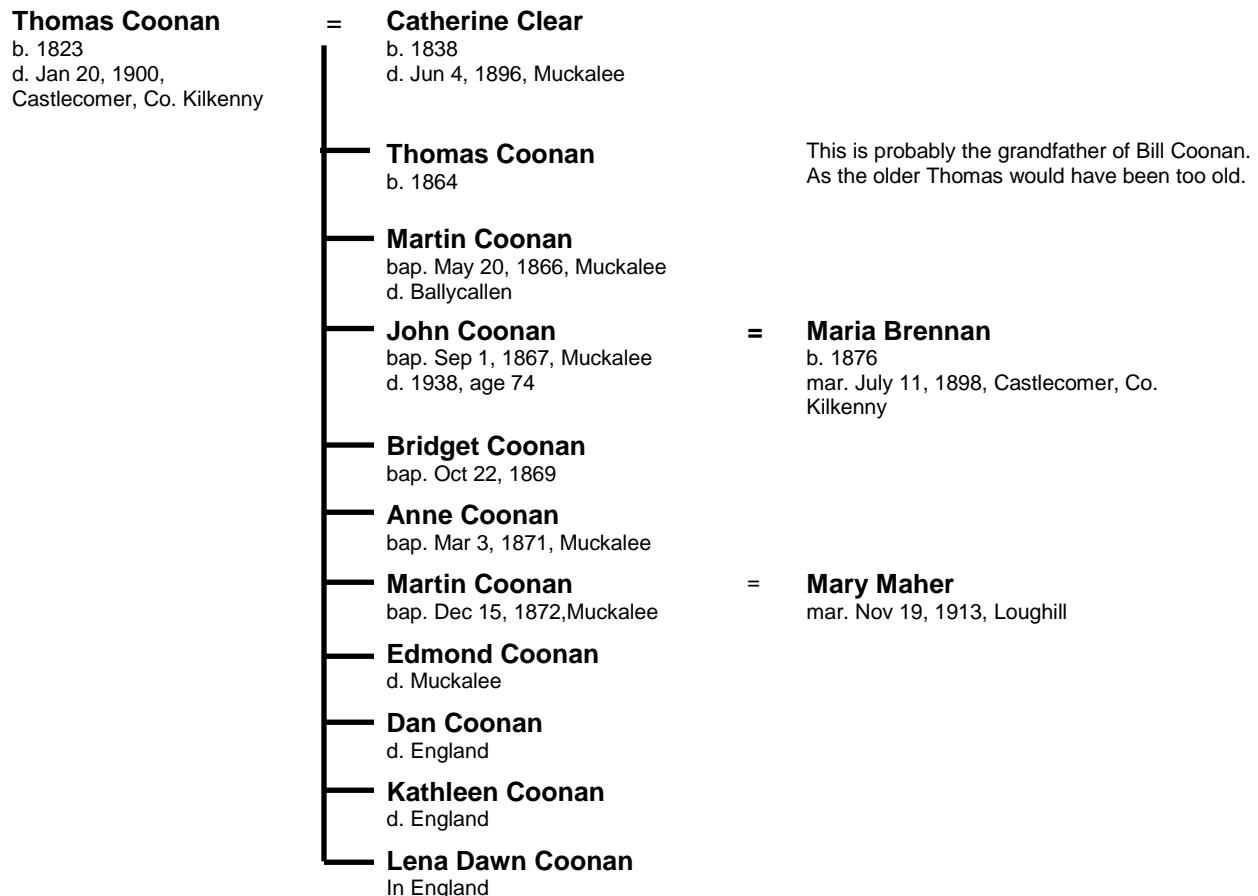


This map shows the relative location of Columkille civil parish. This parish contains the townland of Dangan which was the home of William Coonan of Dangan Hill House, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny. His material to Robert Coonan is found in the next section.

SOURCE: The outline and some basic information for the Kilkenny Coonans in this section came from Bill Coonan, Dangan Hill House, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny. Robert Conan's Binder_01-04, p. 12

Thomas Coonan and Catherine Clear

(s/o Father and Mother)
(d/o Father and Mother)



According to Bill Coonan the Thomas Coonan above was his grandfather. This Thomas was born about 1815 in Toomevara. Note - the parish registers for Toomevara begin in 1831 so this Thomas' baptism records would not be found. The list of children is a composite of the names given by Bill Coonan and those found in the parish registers.

There is a problem with the two Martins: Martin (1866) and the later Martin (1872). Normally a second child of the same names implies that the former had died. However there was some additional information added to the elder Martin's (1866) baptismal record. "Married November 19, 1913 to Mary Maher at Loughill." Therefore the elder Martin (1866) did not die and it remains to explain the existence of the second Martin (1872). A possible explanation follows: For a short period of time in the early part of the 2nd decade of the 20th century the parish register baptism records contain additional information concerning the subsequent marriage of the person who had been baptized. This required the 20th century priest to look through the register and find that

earlier baptism and this priest might not be aware of an earlier death of a person of that same name in the family. So the simple explanation is that the priest added the marriage information to the wrong Martin Coonan.

Church Records - Coonan and Clear

May 20, 1866 - **Martin Coonan**, Par. Thomas Coonan and Catherine Clear, Muckalee RC, Res: Muckalee, Sps. Patt Coonan and Statia Gorman.

“Married November 19, 1913 to Mary Maher at Loghill” - This should have been added to the Martin Coonan below (bap. Dec 15, 1872) - see explanation above.

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Loughill		431	Kilkenny	Fassadinin	Abbeyleix	Castlecomer	Leinster
Loughill		599	Kilkenny	Fassadinin	Attanagh	Castlecomer	Leinster
Loughill		48	Kilkenny	Fassadinin	Rosconnell	Castlecomer	Leinster

September 1, 1867 - **John Coonan**, Par. Thomas Coonan and Catherine Clear, Muckalee RC, Res: Muckalee, Sps. Michael Gorman and Maria Clear.

October 22, 1869 - **Bridget Coonan**, Par. Thomas Coonan and Catherine Clear, Muckalee RC, Res: None, Sps. William Byrne and Kate Coonan.

March 3, 1871 - **Anne Coonan**, Par. Thomas Coonan and Catherine Clear, Muckalee RC, Res: Muckalee, Sps. Matt Malone and Anne Malone.

December 15, 1872 - **Martin Coonan**, Par. Thomas Coonan and Catherine Clear, Muckalee RC, Res: Muchala, Sps. Michael Byrne and Kate Butler (Birth: December 10, 1872).

Civil Records: Deaths - Thomas Coonan and Kate Clear

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer

January 10, 1900 - **Thomas Coonan** died. Age 77, Widower, Farmer of Muckalee, Cause of death: Morbus Cordis - 6 weeks, Certified, Informant: Martin Coonan, son, present at death, Muckalee, Reg: January 16, 1900.

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer

June 4, 1896 - **Kate Coonan** died. Age 58, married wife of farmer in Muckalee. Cause of death: Morbus Cordis, 3 days no medical attendant. Informant: Martin Coonan, son in attendance at Muckalee. Reg: June 16, 1896.

John Conan and Maria Brennan

(s/o Thomas Coonan and Catherine Clear)

(d/o Martin Brennan and Mother (possibly Kathleen))

John Coonan

bap. Sep 1, 1867, Muckalee
d. 1938, age 74

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Maria Brennan

b. 1876
mar. July 11, 1898, Castlecomer, Co.
Kilkenny

Thomas Coonan

b. Feb 24, 1900, Muckalee

Catherine Coonan

b. Mar 29, 1901, Muckalee

Martin Coonan

b. Oct 19, 1903, Muckalee

Edmond Coonan

b. Nov 26, 1904

John Coonan

b. Jun 1, 1906, Muckalee

Kathleen Coonan

b. Aug 10, 1907, Muckalee

Mary Anne Coonan

b. May 27, 1909, Muckalee

Marriage: John Coonan and Maria Brennan

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer

July 11, 1898 - married at Muckalee RC chapel

Husband: **John Coonan**, Of age, Bachelor, Farmer, Muckalee, Ballyoole

Father: Thomas Coonan, Farmer

Wife: **Maria Brennan**, Of age, Spinster, Farmer, Uskerty, Castlecomer

Father: Martin Brennan, Farmer

Witnesses: Martin Coonan and Bridget Brennan

Priest: Daniel O'Halloran, P. P.

Reg: July 12, 1898 (Castlecomer)

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Ballyvoole		467	Kilkenny	Gowran	Inistioge	Thomastown	Leinster
Uskerty		1,222	Kilkenny	Fassadinin	Dysart	Castlecomer	Leinster

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer

Febraury 24, 1900 - **Thomas Coonan**, Par. John Coonan (Farmer, Muckalee) and Maria

Brennan, Res: Muckalee, Informant: John Coonan, Father, Muckalee, Reg: March 2, 1900

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer
 March 29, 1901 - **Catherine Coonan**, Par. John Coonan (Farmer, Muckalee) and Maria Brennan, Res: Muckalee, Informant: John Coonan, Father, Muckalee, Reg: March 29, 1901.

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer
 October 19, 1903 - **Martin Coonan**, Par. John Coonan (Farmer, Muckalee) and Maria Brennan, Res: Muckalee, Informant: John Coonan, Father, Muckalee, Reg: October 30, 1903.

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer
 November 26, 1904 - **Edmond Coonan**, Par. John Coonan (Farmer, Muckalee) and Maria Brennan, Res: Muckalee, Informant: John Coonan, Father, Muckalee, Reg: November 29, 1904.

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer
 June 1, 1906 - **John Coonan**, Par. John Coonan (Farmer, Muckalee) and Maria Brennan, Res: Muckalee, Informant: John Coonan, Father, Muckalee, Reg: June 5, 1906.

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer
 August 10, 1907 - **Kathleen Coonan**, Par. John Coonan (Farmer, Muckalee) and Maria Brennan, Res: Muckalee, Informant: John Coonan, Father, Muckalee, Reg: August 13, 1907.

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer
 May 27, 1909 - **Mary Anne Coonan**, Par. John Coonan (Farmer, Muckalee) and Maria Brennan, Res: Muckalee, Informant: John Coonan, Father, Muckalee, Reg: June 29, 1909.

Now more birth records out to 1920.

1901 - Residents of a house 7 in Muckalee (Muckalee, Kilkenny)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head
Coonan	John	33	Male	Head of Family
Coonan	Maria	25	Female	Wife
Coonan	Thomas	1	Male	Son
Coonan	Catherine		Female	Daughter
Folly	Mary	60	Female	Visitor

1911 - Residents of a house 10 in Muckalee (Muckalee, Kilkenny)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head
Coonan	John	42	Male	Husband
Coonan	Maria	30	Female	Wife
Coonan	Tom	9	Male	Son
Coonan	Lenia	8	Female	Daughter
Coonan	Martin	7	Male	Son
Coonan	Edmond	6	Male	Son

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head
Coonan	John	5	Male	Son
Coonan	Kathleen	4	Female	Daughter
Coonan	Mary Annie	3	Female	Daughter

Michael Coonan and Bridget Walsh

Church Records - Coonan and Walsh

February 19, 1857 - **Michael Coonan** married **Bridget Walsh**, Muckalee RC

Res: Muckalee, Wit: Thomas Coonan and Mary, Rev. Birch.

December 28, 1872 - **Anne Coonan**, Par. Michael Coonan and Bridget Walsh, Muckalee RC,
Res: Muckalee, Sps. Patt Nowlan and Margaret Walsh, Born: December 25, 1872.

July 12, 1875 - **Thomas Coonan**, Par. Michael Coonan and Bridget Walsh, Muckalee RC, Res:
Muckalee, Wit: James Brennan and Margaret Brennan, Born July 11, 1875.

Census Records - Bridget Walsh Coonan

1901 - Residents of a house 6 in Muckalee (Muckalee, Kilkenny)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head
Coonan	Bridget	74	Female	Head of Family
Coonan	Thomas	27	Male	Son
Coonan	John	54	Male	Brother in Law

1911 - Residents of a house 9 in Muckalee (Muckalee, Kilkenny)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Coonan	Thomas	36	Male	Head of Family	Roman Cathorlic
Coonan	Ellen	34	Female	Wife	Roman Cathorlic
Coonan	Bridget	80	Female	Mother	Roman Cathorlic
Coonan	John	68	Male	Uncle	Roman Cathorlic
Deleany	Michael	30	Male	Servant	Roman Cathorlic

Coonan Family Death Records

In the two death records below Michael Coonan (1828-1897) appears to be the son of Anne Coonan (1807-1885). Bridget Coonan was the wife of Michael and the daughter-in-law of Anne.

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer

May 11, 1897 - **Michael Coonan** died. Age 69, married farmer of Muckalee. Cause of death: Paralysis, 1 year, no medical attendant. Informant: Bridget Coonan, widow of deceased, present at death at Muckalee. Reg: May 21, 1897.

Sup Reg Dist - Castlecomer, Reg Dist - Castlecomer

July 27, 1885 - **Anne Coonan**, Age 78, widow of farmer at Muckalee, Cause of death: Old age, no medical attendant. Informant: Bridget Coonan, daughter-in-law, present at death at Muckalee. Reg: August 3, 1885.

Marriage: Thomas Coonan and Ellen Joyce

Sup Reg Dist - Kilkenny, Reg Dist - Castlecomer

February 4, 1903 (Wednesday) - married at Coon RC chapel

Husband: **Thomas Coonan**, Full, Bachelor, Farmer, Muckalee, Co. Kilkenny

Father: Michael Coonan, Farmer

Wife: **Ellen Joyce**, Full, Spinster, Aughamucky, Castlecomer

Father: James Joyce, Farmer

Witnesses: William Ryan and Lizzie Joyce

Priest: William Delany

Reg: February 5, 1903.

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Aghamucky		1,061	Kilkenny	Fassadinin	Castlecomer	Castlecomer	Leinster
Coan East		1,720	Kilkenny	Fassadinin	Dysart	Castlecomer	Leinster
Coan West		1,496	Kilkenny	Fassadinin	Dysart	Castlecomer	Leinster

Extra Marriage Record

Sup Reg Dist - Kilkenny, Reg Dist - Kilkenny

September 29, 1904 - married at St. Mary's Cathedral RC chapel

Husband: **William Coonan**, Full, Bachelor, Law clerk, Ormonde Road, Kilkenny

Father: Patrick Coonan (Deceased), Clerk

Wife: **Ellen Ledsham**, Full, Widow, Blank, Aquies Street, Kilkenny

Father: Patrick **Tompkins** (Deceased), Mason

Witnesses: Edward Hogan and Josephine Fahey

Priest: John Dollard

Reg: September 30, 1904

Martin Coonan and Mary Maher - Co. Queens

This family was found while researching the Coonans of Co. Kilkenny

Marriage: Martin Coonan and Mary Maher

Sup Reg Dist - Athy, Reg Dist - Ballylinan

November 19, 1913 - married at Wolfhill RC chapel

Husband: **Martin Coonan**, Full, Widower, Farmer, Dromegh (Mayo)

Father: Thomas Coonan (Deceased), Farmer

Wife: **Mary Maher**, Full, Spinster, Blank, Slatt, Wolfhill

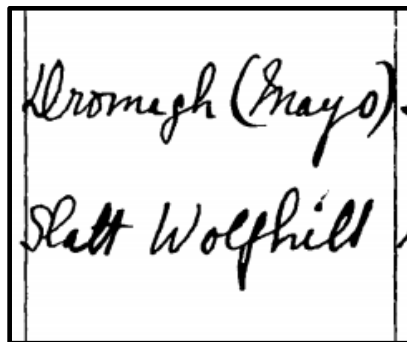
Father: Martin Maher, Farmer

Witnesses: James Lalor and Margaret Maher

Priest: William Wilson, C. C.

Reg: November 23, 1913

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Wolfhill		156	Queen's Co.	Ballyadams	Rathaspick	Athy	Leinster
Slatt Lower		896	Queen's Co.	Slievemargy	Rathaspick	Carlow	Leinster
Slatt Upper		857	Queen's Co.	Slievemargy	Rathaspick	Carlow	Leinster
BALLYLYNAN T.		xx	Queen's Co.	Ballyadams	Killabban	Athy	Leinster



Appendix

Coonan Area Townlands

Hub Town (Location)	Townlands
Dunkerrin (Northwest of town)	Castleroan, Dunkerrin par, Clonlisk bar, Co. Offaly Clonagannagh, Dunkerrin par, Clonlisk bar. , Co. Offaly Clonymohan, Castleownely par, Clonlisk bar, Co. Offaly Corraclevin, Dunkerrin par, Clonlisk bar. , Co. Offaly Dunkerrin, Dunkerrin par, Clonlisk bar. , Co. Offaly Franckfort, Dunkerrin par, Clonlisk bar. , Co. Offaly Glasshouse, Kilcomin par., Clonlisk bar., Co. Offaly Loughan, Finglas par., Clonlisk bar., Co. Offaly - southwest of Dunkerrin town
Roscrea (South of town)	Aghsmear, Corbally par., Ikerrin bar, Co. Tipp. Ballykelly, Bourney par., Ikerrin bar., Co. Tipp - SE of Roscrea town. Ballynaffad (Longford), Bourney par., Ikerrin bar., Co. Tipp. Behaghglass, Bourney par., Ikerrin bar. , Co. Tipp. Camlin, Corbally par., Ikerrin bar., Co. Tipp - On M7 just west of the intersection with N62, at Roscrea. Clonakenny, Bourney par., Ikerrin bar., Co. Tipp. Cullahill, Bourney par., Ikerrin bar., Co. Tipp Dromard Beg, Killavinoge par, Ikerrin bar. , Co. Tipp. Dromard More, Killavinoge par, Ikerrin bar. , Co. Tipp. Gortnagowna, Killavinoge par., Ikerrin bar. , Co. Tipp. Gorteen, Bourney par, Ikerrin bar., Co. Tipp. Lismakin, Corbally par., Ikerrin bar. , Co. Tipp. Loran, Bourney par., Ikerrin bar., Co. Tipp. Clonmore, Killavinoge par., Ikerrin bar., Co. Tipp, - NE of Templemore town Killavinoge, Killavinoge par., Ikerrin bar., Co. Tipp. Old Town just west of Templemore town, Co. Tipp.
Moneygall (Southwest of town)	Aghnameadle, Aghnameadle par., Upper Ormond bar., Co. Tipp. Ballingorraun, Cullenwaine par, Clonlisk bar, Co. Offaly Barnagrotty, Borrisnafarney par., Clonlisk bar., Co. Offaly Toomyvara, Aghnameadle par, Upper Ormond bar, Co. Tipp.
Kilkenny	Dangan, - see below, Columkille par., Gowran bar., Co. Kilkenny Muckalee, Muckalee par., Fassadinin bar., Co. Kilkenny

The majority of the townlands in a given group are within the green ovals which are labeled according to the nearest town. Occasionally a townland will be included in a group even though it might be located outside the circle but it is still closer to the associated town than to the other towns.

Townlands

The townlands of **Barnagrotty** and **Aghnameadle** are less than 1 km apart and are located about 3-1/2 km due east of the town of Toomyvara.

Cullahill is in the Electoral Division of Bourney East, in Civil Parish of Bourney, in the Barony of Ikerrin, in the County of Tipperary. The Irish name for Cullahill is An Chúlchoill. Located a few km northeast of Dromard More and directly east of Gortnagowna.

There is a Dangan Hill House in Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny

Townland	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Muckalee		1,123	Kilkenny	Fassadinin	Muckalee	Castlecomer
Dangan	409	Kilkenny	Gowran	Columbkille	Thomastown	Leinster

Dangan is near Thomastown, southeast of Kilkenny town.

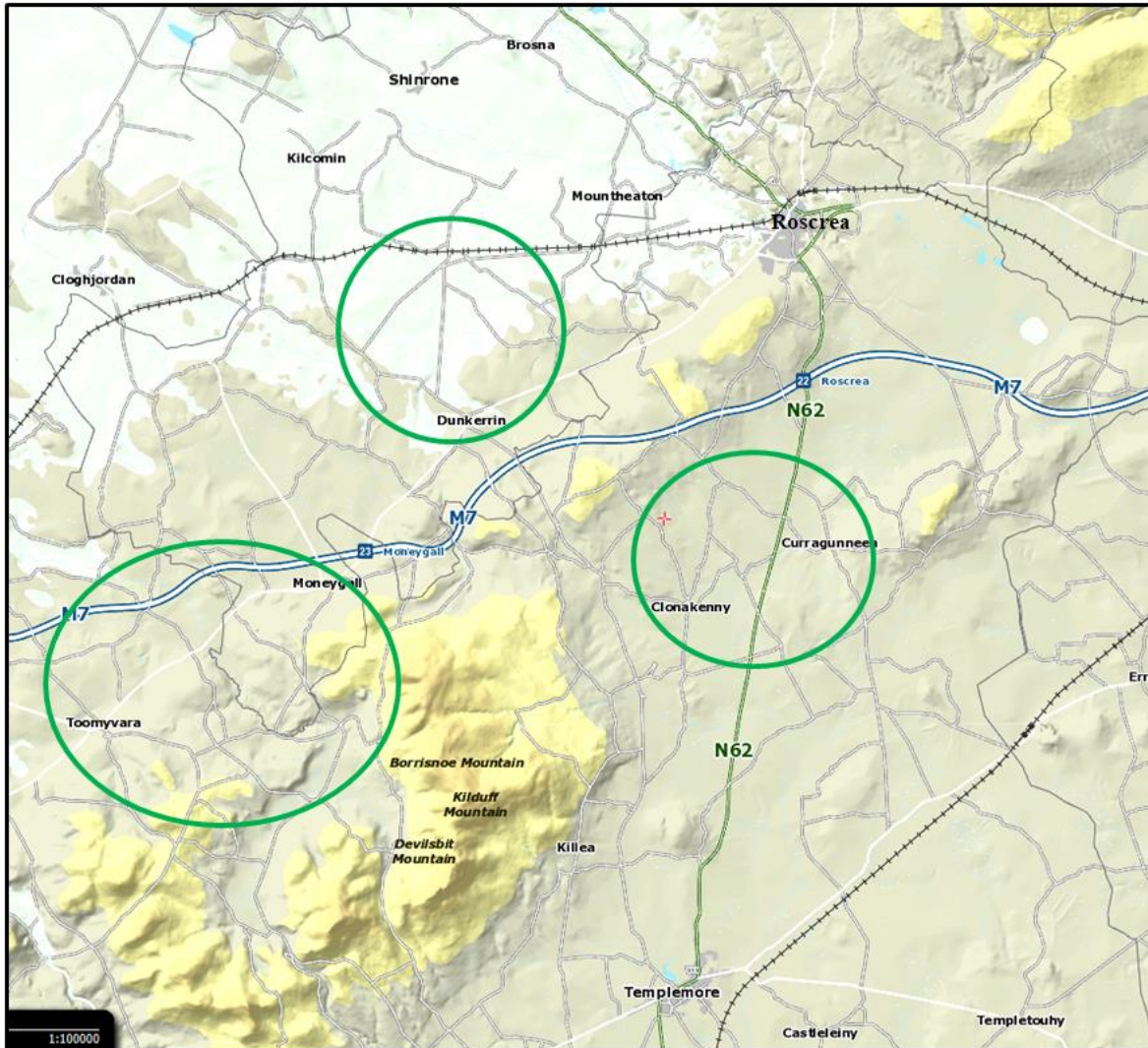
[Dangan](#) (*An Daingean*) , Columbkille Civil Parish, Barony of Gowran, Co. Kilkenny

Muckalee is a townland between Caastlecomer and Kilkenny. It is located 1/3 of the way south of Castlecomer and 2/3 of the way north of Kilkenny.

There are too many townlands named Coolderry in the area to be able to make a choice without further information.

Townland	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Coolderry	310	King's Co.	Clonlisk	Ettagh	Roscrea	Leinster
Coolderry	236	King's Co.	Garrycastle	Reynagh	Parsonstown	Leinster
Coolderry	318	Tipperary, N.R.	Lower Ormond	Ardcrony	Nenagh	Munster
Coolderry	585	Tipperary, N.R.	Upper Ormond	Ballymackey	Nenagh	Munster
Coolderry	150	Tipperary, N.R.	Kilnamanagh Upper	Glenkeen	Thurles	Munster
Coolderry	52	Tipperary, N.R.	Owney and Arra	Kilcomenty	Nenagh	Munster
Coolderry	108	Tipperary, N.R.	Lower Ormond	Loughkeen	Parsonstown	Munster
Coolderry	131	Tipperary, N.R.	Lower Ormond	Modreeny	Borrisokane	Munster

All Three Coonan Areas Close to Roscrea



Where is Ballinafad?

The assumed townland of Ballinafad was not found on the OSI street map, in the IreAtlas townland database, in the Townlands website (www.townlands.ie) or in just a plain Google search. In the Griffith's Valuation place search Ballinafad only shows up in Co. Mayo, Sligo, Galway and Roscommon. These are nowhere near Templemore RC parish in Co. Tipperary.

The 1901 census only showed Ballinafad in Co. Mayo, Sligo, Galway and Roscommon.

Townland	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Derryfadda	901	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Moyne	Thurles	Munster

The townland of Derryfadda is somewhat similar in appearance to Ballinafad and is located southwest of Templetuohy. It might be thought that the spelling of Ballinafad could have changed over the years, however that can be proved to be wrong, at least as far as Derryfadda is concerned. A badly spelled version of Ballinafad was found in the 1840 baptism record of John Coonan in the Templemore RC parish records. The OS maps from 1840-41, that are associated with the Griffith's Valuation (1848-1864), show that the townland of Derryfadda was known by that name at the time that surveys were conducted for those maps.

Townland	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Ballinafad	871	Galway	Ballynahinch	Moyrus	Clifden	Connaught
Ballinafad	306	Mayo	Carra	Drum	Castlebar	Connaught
Ballinafad	272	Roscommon	Roscommon	Cloonfinlough	Strokestown	Connaught
Ballinafad	124	Sligo	Tirerrill	Aghanagh	Boyle	Connaught
BALLINAFAD T.	xx	Sligo	Tirerrill	Aghanagh	Boyle	Connaught

When all else fails it is sometimes helpful to fall back on the original Irish meaning. Many townland names are based on the geography of the location. In this case:

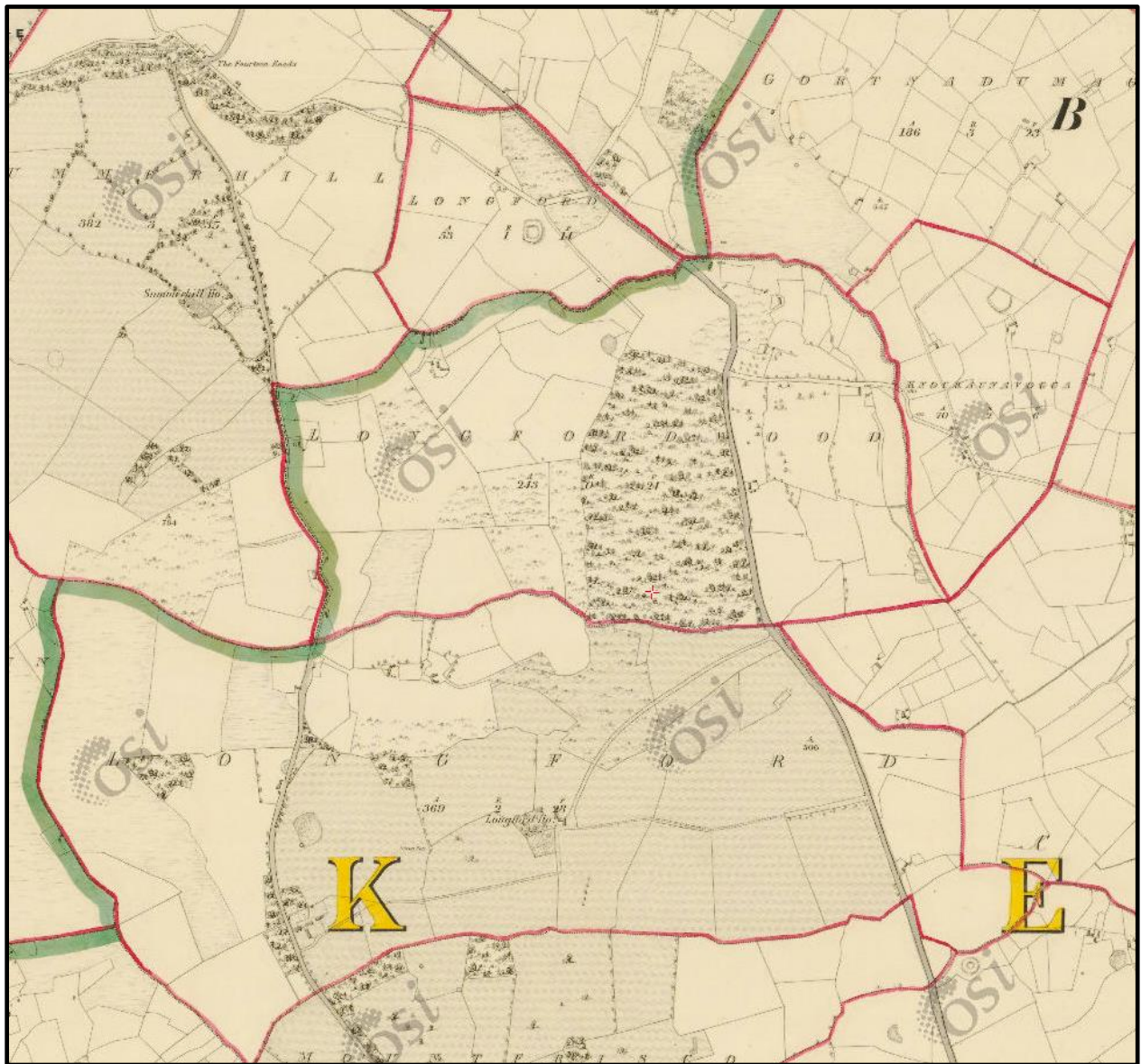
Béal - approach; Atha - ford; Fada - long

Ballinafad means Béal an Átha Fada: The approach of the Long Ford. Therefore a candidate for Ballinafad is the name Longford and there is one in the same area. Longford and Drumard Hill are about 10 km apart spaced equally along an approximately East-West line on either side of N62. The East-West line being located about 9-10 km north of Templemore town. They straddle the townland of Gortnagowna which places them in the south of Roscrea group.

Townlands

Drumard Hill, Killavinoge parish is inside the townland of Drumard More where there exists a hill

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Longford		369	Tipperary, N.R.	Ikerrin	Bourney	Roscrea	Munster
Longford		53	Tipperary, N.R.	Ikerrin	Rathnaveoge	Roscrea	Munster
Longford Wood		243	Tipperary, N.R.	Ikerrin	Bourney	Roscrea	Munster



All the Longfords; Longford Wood S 085 809; Longford S 088 800. Located 9-10 km north of Templemore town in Bourney civil parish. The map is a circa 1841 Ordnance survey map.

Ballinafad = The Approach of the Long Ford.



The map is a circa 1841 Ordnance survey map.

Superintendent Registrar Districts

These districts originally had the same boundaries as the old Poor Law Unions, centered on market towns.

Co. Kilkenny: Callan, Carrick-on-Suir, Castlecomer, Kilkenny, New Ross, Thomastown, Urlingford, Waterford.

Co. Offaly (King's): Edenderry, Mountmellick, Parsonstown (Birr), Roscrea, Tullamore.

Co. Tipperary: Borrisokane, Callan, Carrick-on-Suir, Cashel, Clogheen, Clonmel, Nenagh, Parsonstown, Roscrea, Thurles, Tipperary, Urlingford.

Co. Laois (Queen's): Abbeyleix, Athy, Carlow, Donnaghmore (dissolved after 1887 and split between Roscrea and Urlingford), Mountmellick, Roscrea, Urlingford.

Registration District	County	Dispensary Districts
Borrisokane	Tipperary	CloghJordan, Borrisokane, Terryglass
Callan	Kilkenny, Tipperary	Callan, Kilmaganny, Ballingarry, Mullinahone
Carrick on Suir	Kilkenny, Tipperary, Waterford	Carrick on Suir, Garrangibbon, Pilltown, Portlaw, Rathgormuck Carrick on Suir, Garrangibbon, Portlaw, Rathgormuck
Cashel	Tipperary	Cashel, Fethard, Killenaule, Kilpatrick, Tullamain/Tullamaine
Clogheen	Tipperary, Waterford	Ardfinnan, Caher, Clogheen
Clonmel	Tipperary, Waterford	Clonmel, Kilsheelan, Kiltinan, Marlfield, Ballymacarbry, Saint Mary's
Nenagh	Tipperary	Nenagh, Newport, Portroe, Silvermines, Toomyvara/Toomavara
Parsonstown [Birr]	King's Co., Tipperary	Banagher, Ferbane, Frankford, Killyon, Kinnitty, Parsonstown, Riverstown
Roscrea	Tipperary, King's Co., Limerick, Queen's Co.	Borris-In-Ossory, Roscrea No. 1, Roscrea No. 2, Shinrone No. 1 & 2, Bourney Bourney, Roscrea (x2), Shinrone (x2)
Thurles	Tipperary	Borrisoleigh, Holycross, Littleton, Moyne, Templemore, Thurles
Tipperary	Tipperary, Limerick	Bansha, Cappagh, Emly, Golden, Grean, Tipperary
Urlingford	Kilkenny, Tipperary	Balleen, Johnstown, Urlingford, Kilcooly

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Other Coonans in Co. Kilkenny

These Coonan records were found while researching the information for The Coonans of Kilkenny in Part III of this paper. At this time these individuals have not been connected to any of the other Coonans in this paper.

Thomas Coonan and Nancy Loughlin

Church Records - Muckalee

June 11, 1841 - **Margaret Coonan**, Par. Thomas Coonan and Nancy Loughlin, Muckalee RC, Res: Muckalee, Sps. Edmond Cahill and Mary Coonan.

May 30, 1843 - **Ellen Coonan**, Par. Thomas Coonan and Nancy Loughlin, Muckalee RC, Res: Kuikalee (Muckalee), Sps. Patt Flemming and Margaret Butler.

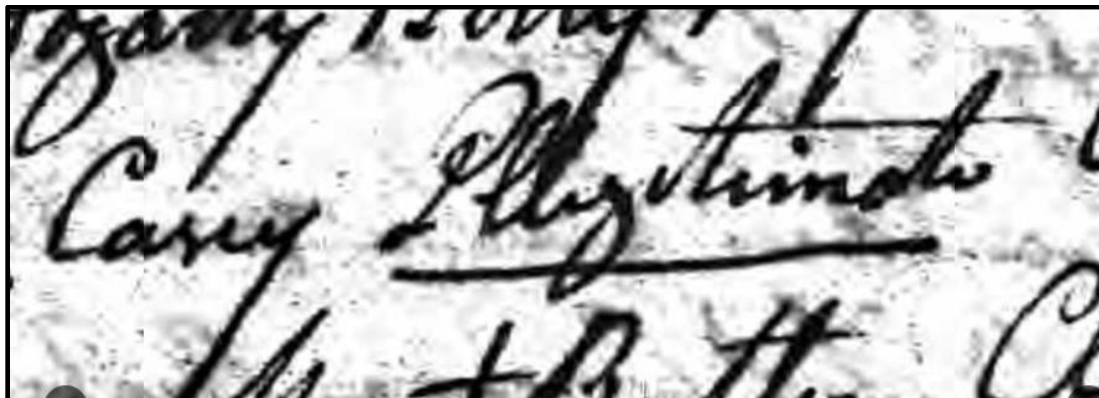
July 16, 1847 - **John Coonan**, Par. Tom Coonan and Anne Loughlin, Muckalee RC, Res: Muckalee, Sps. Thomas Coonan and Catherine Dowling.

John Conan and Margaret Kelly

Church Records - Muckalee

November 13, 1841 - **Margaret Coonan**, Par. John Coonan and Margaret Kelly, Muckalee RC, Res: Cloink, Sps. James Ryan Carey - Illegitimate

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Clogharinka		580	Kilkenny	Fassadinin	Muckalee	Castlecomer	Leinster



Martin Conan and Bridget Loughlin

Church Records - Gowran & Muckalee

Marriage - November 29, 1821 - **Martin Coonan** married **Bridget Laughlin**, Gowran RC,
Res: Rivana, Wit: John Shearman and Judith Kehoe

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Reevanagh		1,029	Kilkenny	Gowran	Tiscoffin	Kilkenny	Leinster

February 7, 1844, **Edmond Coonan**, Par. Martin Coonan and Bridget Coufilin (Loughlin),
Muckalee RC, Res: Muckalee, Sps. Thomas and Catherine Coonan.

April 4, 1849 - **James Coonan**, Par. Martin Coonan, Bridget Loughlin, Muckalee RC,
Res: Muckalee, Sps. John and Margaret Coonan.

Pat Coonan and Ellen Barry

Church Records

July 24, 1837 - **Ellen Barry**, Par. Pat Barry and Anty (Anastasia) Phelan, St. Canice's, Kilkenny
City, Kilkenny RC, Res: Greenhill, Sps. William Delahunty and Betty Folly.

Townland	AKA	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Greenhill		258	Kilkenny	Crannagh	Killahy	Urlingford	Leinster

Civil Records - Kilkenny

Sup Reg Dist - Kilkenny, Reg Dist - Kilkenny

May 4, 1864 - **John Coonan**, Par. Patrick Coonan (Laborer, Green's Bridge) and Ellen Barry,
Informant: Anastatia Barry, grandmother of child, Green Street, Reg: May 13, 1864,
Res: Greenstreet.

Sup Reg Dist - Kilkenny, Reg Dist - Kilkenny

June 22, 1865 - **Mary Coonan**, Par. Patrick Coonan (Laborer, Green Street, Kilkenny) and Ellen
Barry, Reg: July 5, 1865, Res: Green Street, Kilkenny.

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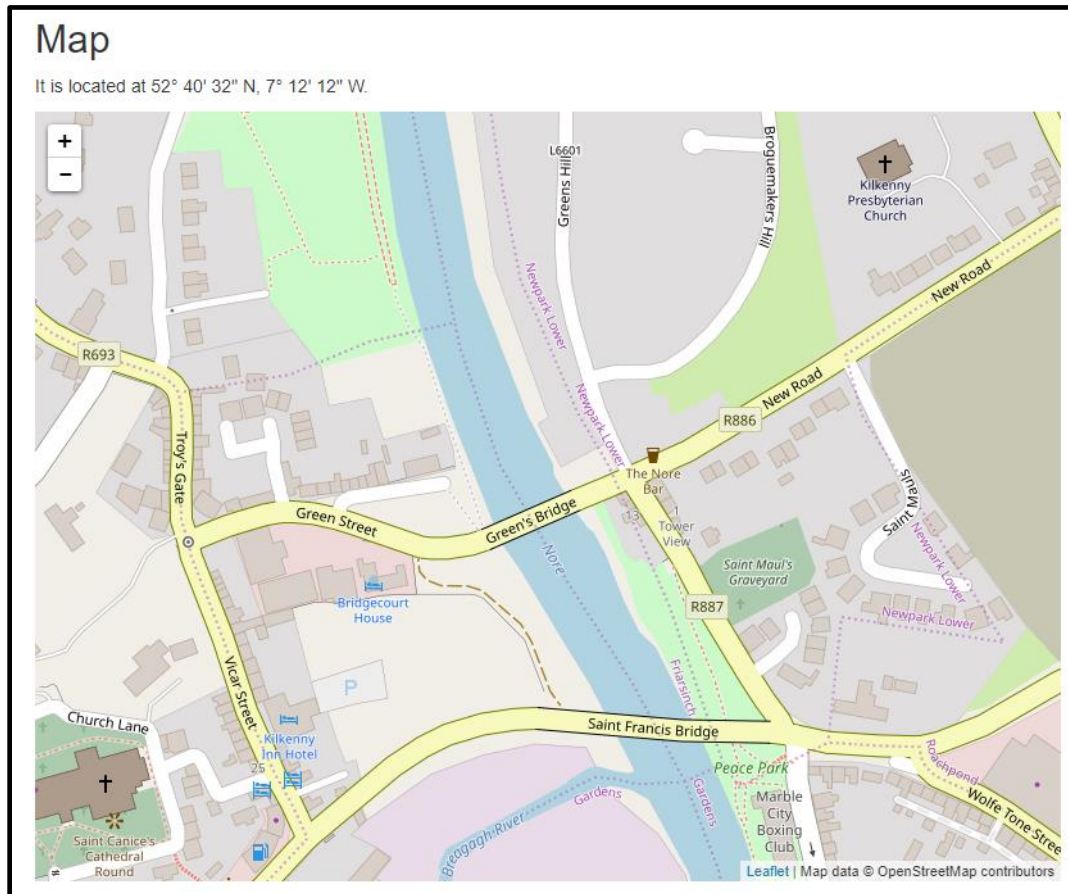
December 15, 1869 - **Edward Coonan**, Par. Patrick Coonan (Laborer) and Ellen Barry,
Reg: January 31, 1870, Res: Green's Bridge.

Sup Reg Dist - Kilkenny, Reg Dist - Kilkenny No. 1

August 21, 1874 - **Ellen Coonan**, Par. Patrick Conan (Laborer) and Ellen Barry, Reg: October
10, 1874, Informant: Thomas Murphy, Chief resident officer, Workhouse, Res: Workhouse.

Sup Reg Dist - Kilkenny, Reg Dist - Kilkenny

November 27, 1878 - **Joseph Coonan**, Par. Patrick Coonan (Laborer, Green's Bridge) and Ellen Barry, Informant: Thomas Murphy, Chief Resident Officer, Workhouse, Reg: December 23, 1878, Res: Workhouse.



Green's Street and Green's Bridge, Kilkenny City, Co. Kilkenny. This was the residence of Patrick Coonan and Ellen Barry during the period 1864 - 1878 when their children were born. So far they haven't been connected to any of the other Coonan families described in this document.

Coonan - Fogarty Connection

“After that they went next door to Jerry’s house. Later Jerry took them to a nearby peat bog which was the bog where he got his fuel. These ancient peat bogs still supply many of the Irish with the fuel to heat their homes. It was a very “Irish” experience for the group of American visitors. At the peat bog the group met a man named Jack Fogarty, who owned the bog and also worked there. Bob Conan took a picture of himself and Jack Fogarty and all the rest of the group at the peat bog. Jack told them that his great-great grandmother was a Peggy Coonan, who had married a Fogarty.” - From: “Visit to Ireland - June 1999”



At the local peat bog. L to R - Laurie Conan, Jack Fogarty (peat bog owner), Jerry Coonan, Paul Conan, Sr., Bob Conan - Gortnagowna 1999. Photo courtesy of Paul B. Conan, Jr.

Church Records: Fogerty - Coonan

February 10, 1874 - **Patrick Fogerty** married **Ellen Coonan**, Drom and Inch RC, Res: None, Wit: Thomas Ryan and Mary Ryan.

May 25, 1819 - **Joanna Fogerty** (Baliheen) married **John Morris** (North Mana), Templemore RC, Wit: Rev. Mr. O’Brien, John Fogerty and William Tracy, Priest: Rev. Patrick Fant.

Townland	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Ballyheen	156	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Templemore	Thurles	Munster

Civil Records: Fogarty - Coonan

Supt Reg Dist - Templemore; Union - Thurles

February 10, 1874 - **Patrick Fogarty** (40, Bachelor, Herd, Ballyheen) married **Ellen Coonan** (17, Spinster, Farming class, Knocka), married at the Catholic chapel at Drom. Father of Husband: John Fogarty, Herd, Father of Wife: Michael Coonan, Farmer; Patrick made his mark, Wit: Thomas Ryan and Mary Connell.

Townland	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Knockagh	1,096	Tipperary, N.R.	Eliogarty	Drom	Thurles	Munster

February 11, 1920 - **James Fogarty** (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Lengh, Thurles) married **Joanna Coonan** (Full age, Spinster, No occ., Mall, Thurles), Father of Husband: James Fogarty, Farmer, Father of Wife: John Coonan, Laborer, at the Cathedral of Thurles, Wit: John Boyle and Annie Carroll. [Note: Johanna's mother is Johanna Long]

John Coonan and Johanna Long

(s/o Denis Coonan and Mary Ryan)

(d/o Patrick Long and Mary Grant)

John Coonan

b. Dec 12, 1840, Moher,
Upperchurch
d. Jun 10, 1920, Ballyboy,
Gortkelly, Upperchurch

= **Judith (Johanna) Long**
bap. Dec 27, 1845, Upperchurch
d. Jan 28, 1883, Knockalough,
Upperchurch

Johanna Counihan

b. Feb 10, 1879, Knockalough

= James Fogarty

b. Feb 12, 1879
d. Feb 18, 1959, Fianna Road, Thurles

John and Johanna Long Coonan had ten other children who aren't shown here but can be found in "The Upperchurch Coonan Families 08-15-18"

Fitting the Data

Ancestor	Approx. birth year
GG-Grandfather	1850
G-Grandfather	1875
Grandfather	1900
Father	1925
Jack Fogarty	1950

The table above shows the approximate birth years of Jack Fogarty's ancestors based on an assumed generation gap of 25 years and by guessing that Jack was about 50 years old at the time of the 1999 photo.

Two possible Fogarty - Coonan Connections

Case 1	Patrick Fogarty b. 1834 mar. Feb 10, 1874, Drom From Ballyheen, Templemore par	=	Ellen Coonan b. 1857 From Knckagh, Drom par.	Possible GG-grandparents
Case 2	James Fogarty b. Feb 12, 1879 mar. Feb 11, 1920, Thurles	=	Johanna Coonan b. Feb 10, 1879, Knockalough, Templebeg par.	Possible G-grandparents

The puzzle pieces have been collected from the available records and it is time to assemble them. However they don't fit together nicely. Now starts the process of minimizing the inconsistencies by wiggling the input data and any necessary assumptions. The three primary areas of concern are (1) generation (i.e. age), (2) names and, (3) location. In neither case was the possible grandmother named Peggy, as Jack Fogarty had stated. Case 1 places the Fogarty-Coonan marriage in the correct GG-grandparent slot as Jack had described while the pair in Case 2 only fit into the G-grandparent slot, which is off by one generation. Both pairs were married in a location not too far from the Templemore-Roscrea area so that isn't of any real concern.

The closest candidates for Jack Fogarty's GG-grandparents are Case 1: Patrick Fogarty and Ellen Coonan with the only real discrepancy being that her name is Ellen rather than Peggy. In addition, the civil record gives Patrick's father as John Fogarty and Ellen's father as Michael Coonan so the search is now half way back to the previous generation.

Even earlier Coonan-Fogarty records from Binder_02-01, p. 29

However, here the female is a Fogarty and the male is the Coonan (Grunlon/Guinan/Ganion). February (11-15), 1846 - **Michael Ganion** married **Judy Fogarty**, Roscrea
Wit: Patrick Larkin and Patrick Carroll. Roscrea is about 20 km north of Templemore town.

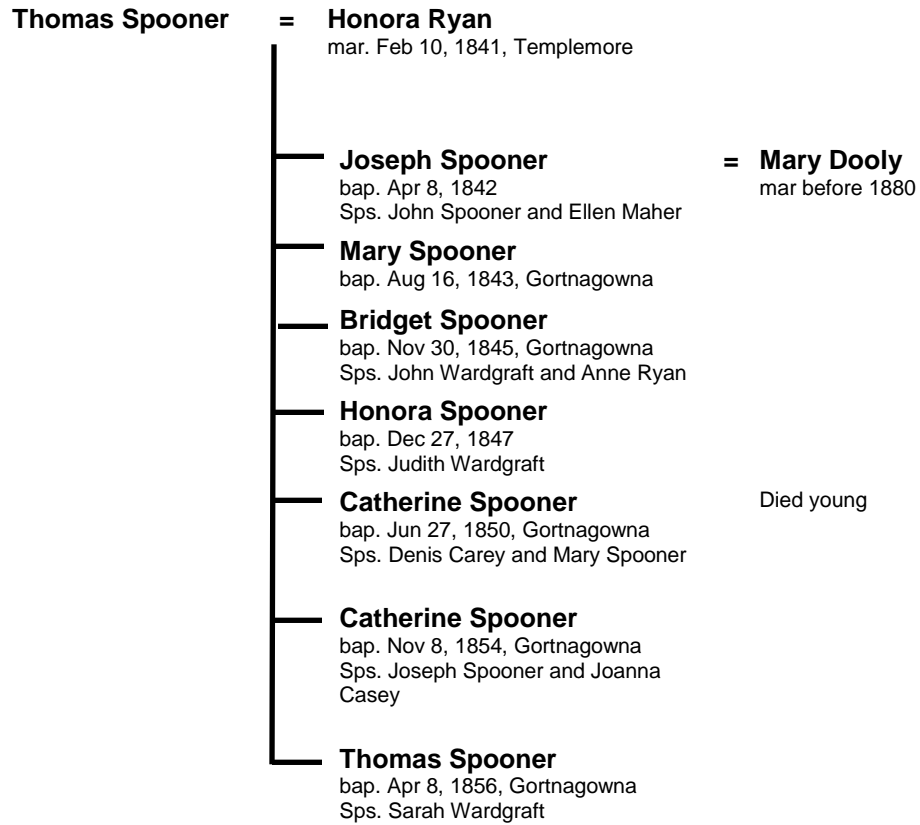
St. John the Baptist par., Bournea RC
(#621) December 11, 1846 - **John Grunlon**, par. Michael Grunlon and Judy Fogarty
Res: None, Sps. Tom Grunlon and Anne Fogherty

From NLI site
December 11, 1846 - **John** of Michael Guinan & Judy Fogarty.
Res: None, Sps. Thos Guinan & Anne Fogarty.

This Michael and Judy could possibly be the parents of Ellen Coonan (Case 1) but then there would be an embarrassment of riches with almost too many Fogartys.

The Spooner Family

Thomas Spooner and Honora Ryan



Joseph Spooner and Mary Dooly

(s/o Thomas Spooner and Honora Ryan)

(d/o Father and Mother)

Joseph Spooner
bap. Apr 8, 1842
Sps. John Spooner and
Ellen Maher

= **Mary Dooly**
mar before 1880

John Spooner
b. Apr 30, 1880, Gortnagowna
d. Sep 1901
bur. Calvary Cemetery, Memphis, TN

Michael Spooner
b. May 6, 1883, Gortnagowna
d. Jan 13, 1924, Memphis, Shelby
Co., TN
bur. Calvary Cemetery, Memphis, TN

= **Delia Bridget O'Connor**
b. Aug 24, 1887, Gortnagowna
d. Jun 1, 1856

Honora Spooner
b. Jan 22, 1886, Gortnagowna

= **Jerry Coonan**
Of Behaglass, Bourney
mar. May 9, 1909, Templemore

Joseph Spooner
b. Jul 31, 1888, Gortnagowna

Mary Spooner
b. Mar 21, 1891, Gortnagowna

= **Michael Quinlan**
Of Shanakill, Templemore
mar. Jan 16, 1908, Templemore

Daniel Spooner
b. Nov 13, 1895, Gortnagowna

Bridget Spooner
b. Nov 13, 1895, Gortnagowna

John and Michael Spooner are buried side by side in Calvary Cemetery, Memphis, TN.

Church Records - Spooner

February 10, 1841 - **Thomas Spooner** married **Honor Ryan**, Templemore RC, Res: None, Wit: John Butler and Mary Ryan.

April 8, 1842 - **Joseph Spooner**, Par. Thomas Spooner and Honora Ryan, Templemore RC, Res: None, Sps. John Spooner and Ellen Maher.

August 16, 1843 - **Mary Spooner**, Par. Thomas Spooner and Hanna Ryan, Templemore RC, Res: Gortnagowna, Sps. None

November 30, 1845 - **Bridget Spooner**, Par. Thomas Spooner and Honora Ryan, Templemore RC, Res: Gortnagowna, Sps. John Wardgraft and Anne Ryan.

December 27, 1847 - **Honora Spooner**, Par. Thomas Spooner and Honora Ryan, Templemore RC, Res: Gortnagowna, Sps. Judith Wardgraft

June 27, 1850 - **Catherine Spooner**, Par. Thomas Spooner and Hanora Ryan, Templemore RC,
Res: Gortnagowna, Sps. Denis Carey and Mary Spooner

November 8, 1853 - **Catherine Spooner**, Par. Thomas Spooner and Honara Ryan, Templemore
RC, Res: Gurnagowna, Sps. Joseph Spooner and Joanna Casey, Rev. L. Kennelly.

April 8, 1856 - **Thomas Spooner**, Par. Thomas Spooner and Hanora Ryan, Templemore RC,
Res: Gortnagowna, Sps. Sarah Wardgraft.

Civil Records - Spooner

Supt Reg Dist - Roscrea, Reg Dist - Bourney

April 30, 1880 - **John Spunner**, Par. Joseph Spooner (Farmer, Gortnagowna) and Mary Dooly,
Res: Gortnagowna, Reg: May 18, 1880

May 6, 1883 - **Michael Spunner**, Par. Joseph Spooner (Farmer, Gortnagowna) and Mary Dooly,
Res: Gortnagowna, Reg: June 29, 1883

January 22, 1886 - **Honora Spooner**, Par. Joseph Spooner (Farmer, Gortnagowna) and Mary
Dooly, Res: Gortnagowna, Reg: February 20, 1886.

July 31, 1888 - **Joseph Spooner**, Par. Joseph Spooner (Farmer, Gortnagowna) and Mary Dooly,
Res: Gortnagowna, Reg: February 19, 1889.

March 21, 1891 - **Mary Spunner**, Par. Joseph Spooner (Farmer, Gortnagowna) and Mary Dooly,
Res: Gortnagowna, Reg: June 17, 1891.

November 13, 1895 - **Daniel Spunner**, Par. Joseph Spunner (Farmer, Gortnagowna) and Mary
Dooly, Res: Gortnagowna, Reg: January 6, 1896.

November 13, 1895 - **Bridget Spunner**, Par. Joseph Spunner (Farmer, Gortnagowna) and Mary
Dooly, Res: Gortnagowna, Reg: January 6, 1896.

Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Union of Thurles

January 16, 1908 - **Michael Quinlan** (Full age, Bachelor, Laborer, Shanakill, Templemore)
married Mary Spooner (Full age, Spinster, Servant, Gortnagowna, Templemore). At the RC
church at Templemore in the Union of Thurles. Father of husband: Michael Quinlan, Laborer,
Father of wife: Joseph Spooner, Laborer. Wit: Thomas Quinlan and Norah Spooner
Priest: Thomas Godfrey C.C.

Michael Spooner and Delia Bridget O'Connor

(s/o Joseph Spooner and Mary Dooly)

(d/o Patrick James O'Connor and Ann LNU)

Michael Spooner

b. May 6, 1883, Gortnagowna
d. Jan 13, 1924, Memphis,
Shelby Co., TN
bur. Calvary Cemetery,
Memphis, TN

= Delia Bridget O'Connor

b. Aug 24, 1887, Gortnagowna
mar. Oct 6, 1913, St. Patrick's Church,
Memphis, TN
d. Jun 1, 1856

Marie Spooner

b. Jul 31, 1914, Memphis, TN
mar. Aug 3, 1936, Sacred Heart Catholic
Church, Memphis, TN
d. Nov 18, 1985, Memphis, TN

= Joseph Francis Poje

b. 1910
d. 1976
Children: 4 sons, 1 daughter

Catherine Theresa Spooner

b. Sep 6, 1917, Memphis, TN
d. Sep 1, 2002, Memphis, TN

= Unknown

Michael Joseph Spooner, Jr.

b. Sep 12, 1919, Memphis, TN
mar. Dec 1, 1945, Sacred Heart Catholic
Church, Memphis, TN
d. Apr 16, 1983, Memphis, TN

= Rose Marie Wynn

b. Dec. 14, 1922, Memphis, TN
d. Apr 16, 1983, Memphis, TN
Children: 1 son, 2 daughters

Census Records - Spooner in US

1900 - Michael Spooner not found in the 1900 census

1910 TN Shelby Memphis WD03

T624- 1519-1A

128 or 130 Adams Avenue, Residence 6, Family 12 (Firehouse), Rents home

John Carroll, Head, 60, M1, 35, KY, IR, IR, Fire man, Captain

Michal T Murphy, Guest, 29, S, IR, IR, IR, 1906, Papers, Fire man, Pipe man

Charles E. Bradford, Guest, 57, M1, 34, TN, KY, NY, Fire man, Lieutenant

Edward Doyle, Guest, 53, M1, 25, TN, IR, IR, Fire man, Driver

Andrew J. Whalen, Guest, 30, M1, 2, TN, IR, IR, Fire man, Stoker

Michael D. O'Leary, Guest, 50, M1, 18, IR, IR, IR, 1882, Na, Fire man, Engineer

James Downes, Guest, 29, M1, 1, IR, IR, IR, 1905, Papers, Fire man, Driver

Walter A. Crabtree, Guest, 32, S, MS, NC, NC, Fire man, Horseman

John Tounlon, Guest, 22, S, TN, IR, TN, Fire man,, Aid to Chief

Michael Fitzmorris, Guest, 43, M1, 11, IN, IR, IR, Fire man, Ass. Chief

Michael Spooner, Guest, 24, S, IR, IR, IR, **To US 1900**, Papers, Fire man, Driver

1910 TN Shelby Memphis WD14 ED0199

666 Provine Avenue, Residence 18, Family 22, Owns home with a mortgage

Timothy Kehoe, Head, 30, S, IR, IR, IR, 1898, Na, Detective, Railroad

Bessie Kehoe, Sister, 32, S, IR, IR, IR, 1893, None

Delia O'Connor, Boarder, 24, S, IR, IR, IR, 1905, Sales lady, Department store

1920 TN Shelby Memphis WD02 ED181 T625-1764-5B

1010 Kney Street, House 114, Family 115, Owns home with a mortgage

Michael Spooner, Head, 35, M, to US 1905, Na, 1906, Can R & W, IR, IR, IR, Clerk, Post Office

Delia Spooner, Wife, 30, M, To US 1905, Na, Can R & W, IR, IR, IR, None

Marie Spooner, Dau, 5, S, TN, IR, IR, None

Katherine Spooner, Dau, 2-3/12, S, TN, IR, IR, None

Michael Spooner, Jr., Son, 5/12, S, TN, IR, IR, None

1930 TN Shelby Memphis T626-XXX-16A

1465 Jefferson, Residence 185, Family 375, Owns home, \$4500

Delia Spooner, Head, 41, Wd, IR, IR, IR, None

Marie A. Spooner, dau, 15, S, TN, IR, IR, None

Katheryn T. Spooner, dau, 12, S, TN, IR, IR, None

Michael J. Spooner, son, 10, S, TN, IR, IR, None

Frank Smith, Boarder, 24, S, TN, US, US, Baker, Wholesale bakery, 25 wks unemployed

Joseph F. Poyes, Boarder, 19, S, TN, Austria, Austria, Mechanic, Automobile Co.

1940 TN Shelby Memphis T627-03963-10A

1469 Jefferson, Household 217, Owns home \$1,500

Delia Spooner, Head, 51, Wd, H-2, IR, Same house, None

Catherine Spooner, dau, 22, S, H-4, TN, Same house, Stenographer, City Court House

Michael Spooner, son, 20, S, H-4, TN, Same house, Lumber classer, Hardwood Co., \$960 in 1939

Joe Poje, son-in-law, 20, M, H-2, TN, Same house, Spotter, Dry Cleaning Co, \$1300 in 1939.

Marie Poje, dau, 25, M, H-4, TN, Same house, Bill Clerk, Mail Order Store, \$864 in 1939.

Ann C. Poje, granddaughter, 1, S, 0, TN

Joe Gangi, Roomer, 22, S, H-4, TN, Same town, Stock Man, Paper Warehouse, \$790 in 1939.

D. Lee Schneider, Roomer, 10, S, 3, TN, Same town, None

The boarder, Joseph F. Boyes, found in the 1930 census is probably the same person shown as Joe Poje in the 1940 census as the husband of the former Marie Spooner. Based on more recent records Poje appears to be the correct spelling.

Spooner Turner Tree - Kimberly Koett

Michael Joseph Spooner

Spouse: Delia Bridget O'Connor, b. Aug 24, 1887, Gortnagowna, d. June 1, 1956
Father: Joseph Spooner
Mother: Mary Dooley
Children: Marie, 1914-1985
Katherine Theresa, 1917-2002
Michael Joseph, Jr. Sep 12, 1919- Mar 30, 1995 - Both Memphis
Birth: 6 May 1884 Tipperary, Ireland
Death: 13 Jan 1924 Memphis, Shelby, Tennessee, USA
Residence: 1920 Memphis, Shelby Co., Tennessee, USA
Source: Spooner Turner Tree by Kimberly Koett

Michael Joseph Spooner, Jr. b. Sep 12, 1919, Memphis, TN
d. Mar 30, 1995, Memphis, TN

Married **Rose Marie Wynn**, b. Dec 14, 1922, Blythe St, Memphis, TN
d. Apr 16, 1983, Memphis, Shelby Co., TN
Married Dec 1, 1945, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Memphis, TN
Children: 1 son, 2 daughters

Marie Spooner, b. Jul 31, 1914, 1010 Kney St., Memphis, TN
d. Nov 18, 1985, Memphis, Shelby Co., TN

Married: **Joseph Francis Poje**, Aug 3, 1936, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Memphis, TN
Joseph Francis Poje 1910-1976
Children: 4 sons, 1 daughter

Catherine Theresa Spooner, b. Sep 6, 1917, Gartley-Ramsey Hospital, Memphis, TN
d. Sep 1, 2002, Memphis, Shelby Co., TN

Married: Unknown
Children: Unknown

Delia Bridget O'Connor;

Born: August 24, 1887, **Guernagoona, Co. Cavin**, IR
Died: June 1, 1956
Father: Patrick James O'Connor 1867 - ; Mother: Anne LNU 1848-?
Marriage: October 6, 1913, St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Memphis, TN

1889 - brother **Patrick Connor** born in Isleworth, Middlesex, England
Arrived in US 1905

The Spooner Turner Family Tree

<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/28946190/family?cfpid=12115919675>



Michael Joseph Spooner, Jr., Memphis, TN
1919-1995

Photo from the Spooner Turner Tree by Kimberly Koett

Coonan Families of Nenagh

Chris Coonan of Nenagh

The Green milestone in Borrisokane

The Nenagh Guardian, Thursday, 15th February, 2018 9:45am



An extra special weekend awaits in Borrisokane as popular local hostelry The Green Bar celebrates its centenary.

This milestone event holds unique weight in the fact that the pub has been in the same family for the last 100 years. Now, after five generations and six publicans, current proprietor **Eoin Coonan** is inviting everyone in the local community and beyond to join in the centenary celebrations this Friday and Saturday night.

Named after the Fair Green once located outside the premises, The Green Bar opened 100 years ago to the day on Friday February 16th 1918. Its first owner, Bridget 'Delia' Cahalan ran it for almost 30 years before handing over the baton to her son, Michael Cahalan, in 1946. Known to many as 'Wheely Bowley' because of an expression

he used, Michael was a skilled craftsman and the floor he laid in the bar is still walked on to this day.

His sister, Bridget Dennison, took on The Green Bar in 1951 and ran it until 1974. The next owner was **Bridget's daughter, Mary Coonan**, who was proprietress up to 1995. Her son, **Chris Coonan**, was in charge from then until 2013 when Eoin, his nephew, took over.

The pub has been through times thick and thin. It has seen numerous recessions as well as times of relative plenty. Structurally, it has seen many changes over the decades. The kitchen has been relocated on several occasions and the building was latterly extended to accommodate the numbers attending on weekends, a sure sign of the pub's popularity.

Census records show that The Green Bar existed long before Bridget Cahalan's time. Indeed, it seems there was a public house on the site from as early as Famine times. As was the case with most pubs of its era, The Green Bar also served as a grocery. Even as recently as 10 years ago, people would buy the likes of milk and beans at the bar, which still stocks sweets and chocolate.

It was always a good card-playing pub. There is still a tradition of drinkers playing for side of bacon in 45s.

Among other stories handed down the generations about members of the family who worked in the pub, Eoin tells of how his great-grandmother introduced a house rule whereby anyone with a glass in their hand at the 10pm closing time could remain to finish their drink. But anyone who had left their glass down had to get out – no matter how full it was.

There used to be dancing at the pub every Sunday night and this made it a big draw for people all

over the hinterland. Always known as a traditional venue, until Eoin's arrival in 2013 there were only two occasions when a TV was brought into The Green Bar. The current incumbent recalls one of these being an all-Ireland hurling final, the other a soccer World Cup match.

He changed that when he took over and The Green now screens all the big games, becoming particularly popular for rugby matches. Music and events in the pub are sometimes live-streamed on social media too.

Nowadays The Green even has a gin menu. But despite its advance into modern times, Eoin has tried to keep the pub in tune with its past and it remains popular with cardplayers, storytellers, musicians and the singers' circle that meets there every month.

The Green Bar has always been involved in the local community, whether through sponsoring the local soccer or GAA clubs or hosting fundraising events for local causes. Now everyone in the community is welcome to join in the centenary party with live music and drinks promotions this Friday and Saturday night. Friday will see a free raffle with spot prizes including 100th anniversary clothing made specially for the occasion. Saturday night will have a 1900s theme and people will be invited to dress in fashions of that period, with a prize for the best-dressed couple.

Eoin is also inviting people to this month make contributions to a time capsule that will be buried outside the pub with the intention of being dug up again 100 years from now. People can put letters, photos, or whatever memento they want into the capsule for future generations to marvel at.

The Green Bar is twinned with a pub in Rhode Island courtesy of Tara Mulroy (whose father owned The Horseman Lounge in Clonmel) and she will be among those present for the celebrations in Borrisokane this weekend. As he looks forward to this historic occasion for The Green Bar, Eoin took the opportunity to thank all his customers for their friendship and support. Visit The Green Bar Facebook page for further updates.

Christopher Coonan

Green Bar, Borrisokane, Co. Tipperary.

067-27266

Civil Records - Dennison - Cahalan

Supt Reg Dist - Borrisokane, Reg Dist - Borrisokane

July 15, 1931 - **Edmund Harold Dennison** (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Kyleneagoona) married **Bridget Cahalan** (Full age, Spinster, Shopkeeper, Borrisokane) at the Roman Catholic Church of St. Paul. Father of husband: Hugh Dennison, Farmer; Father of wife: John Cahalan, Shopkeeper; Wit: Philip Cahalan and Kathleen McKenna.

Supt Reg Dist - Borrisokane, Reg Dist - Terryglass

June 9, 1894 - **James Cahalan** (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Rodeen) married **Bridget Cahalan** (Full age, Spinster, Cluninaha) at the Roman Catholic Chapel of Terryglass. Father of Husband:

Patrick Cahalan, Farmer; Father of Wife: James Cahalan, Farmer; Wit: Pat Cahalan and Bridget Ryan. [Bridget is probably the sister of John below.]

Townland	Acres	County	Barony	Parish	PLU	Province
Rodeen Lower	263	Tipperary, N.R.	Lower Ormond	Finnoe	Borrisokane	Munster
Rodeen Upper	207	Tipperary, N.R.	Lower Ormond	Finnoe	Borrisokane	Munster
Clooninihy	572	Tipperary, N.R.	Lower Ormond	Terryglass	Borrisokane	Munster

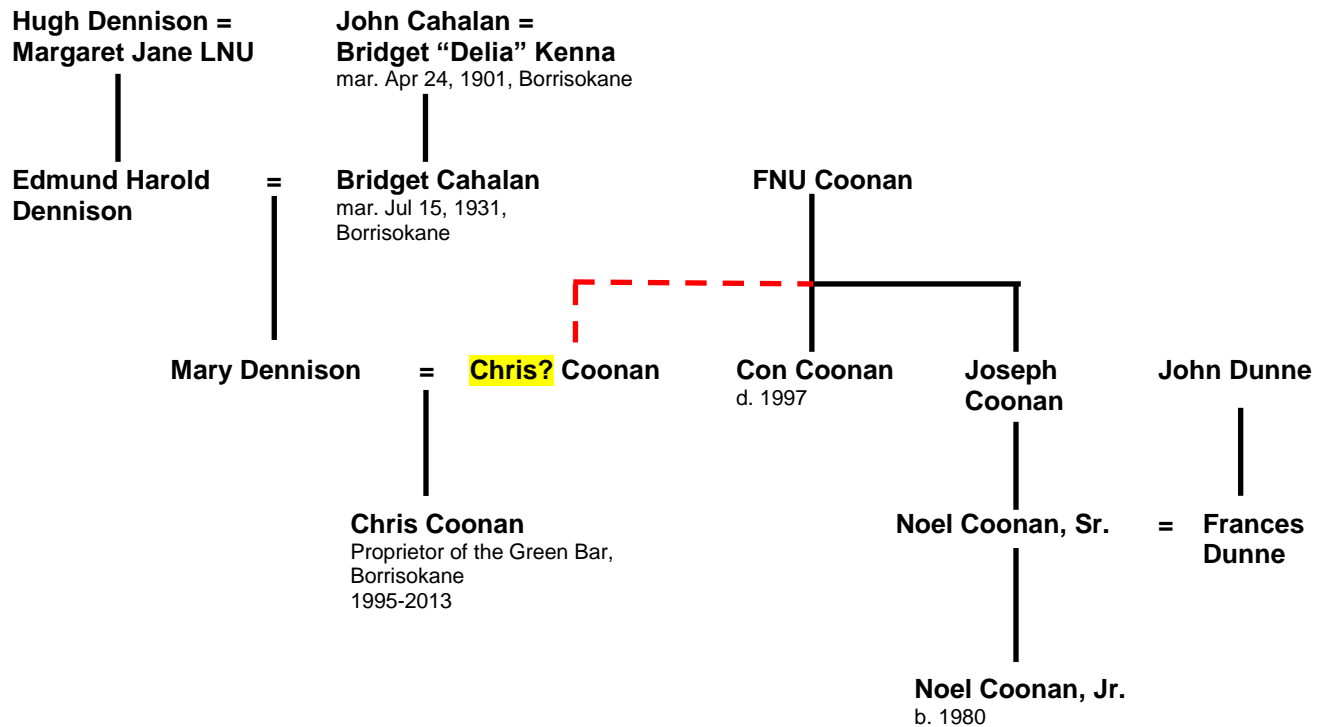
Supt Reg Dist - Borrisokane, Reg Dist - Borrisokane

April 24, 1901 - **John Cahalan** (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Clooninihy) married **Bridget Kenna** (Full age, Spinster, Shopkeeper, Borrisokane) at the Roman Catholic Chapel of Borrisokane; Father of the Husband: James Cahalan, Farmer; Father of the Wife: Philip Kenna, Farmer; Wit: Pat Cahalan and Margaret Kenna.

Census Records - Coonan

COONAN, Joseph was born ABT 1900 in Co Tipperary, (son of John Coonan) was in the **1911** census for Whitewalls Street, Nenagh West Urban, County Tipperary, Ireland

The Noel Coonan Family of Sallygrove, Nenagh

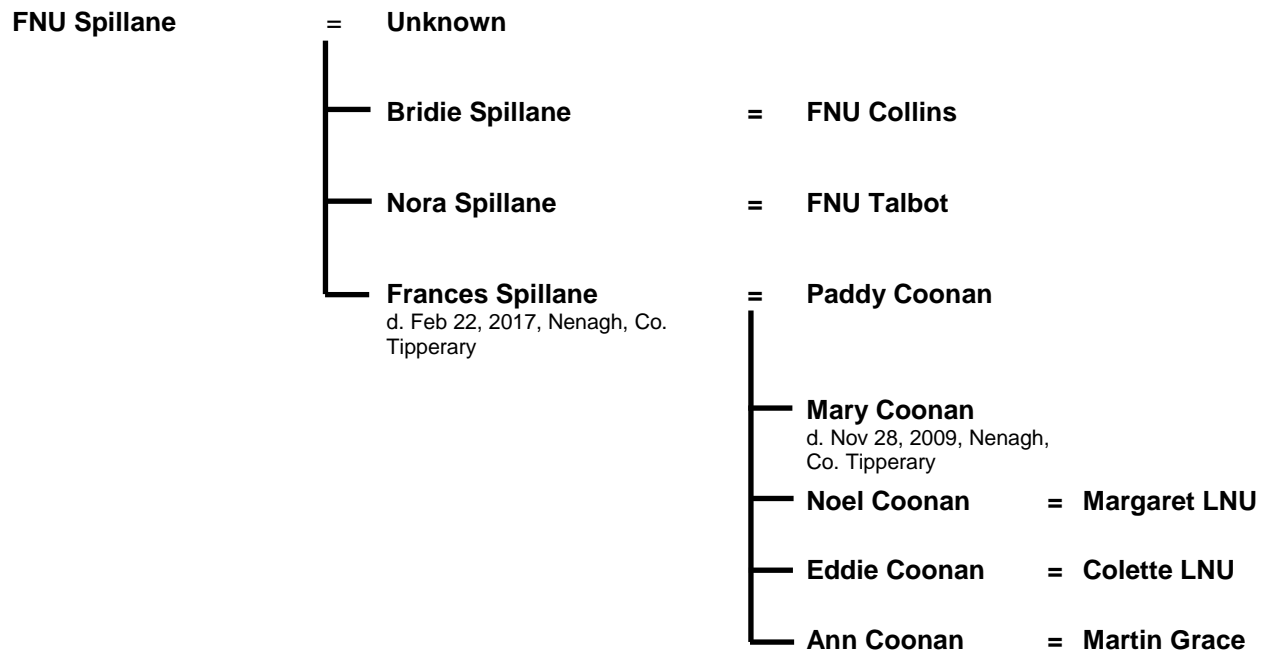


The large family tree, shown above, attempts to connect two smaller trees which were constructed from two different sources. On the right is the family of Noel Coonan whose information was contained in a 1999 diary of a trip to Ireland by Paul Conan, Jr. and his family. On the left is the family of Chris Coonan which was gleaned from an article about the Green Bar in Borrisoleigh being run continuously by the same family for 100 years, beginning with Bridget “Delia” Cahalan back in 1918. Two marriage records were found for the Cahalan family which helped establish their time line. For the Noel Coonan family it was known that Noel Coonan, Jr. was 19 in 1999 which anchors the timeline for this family. Now it was assumed that on average there are 25 years between generations. It was also known the Noel Coonan, Jr.’s grandfather, Joseph, had a brother named Chris who was living in Borrisokane (1999). From the two timelines it is readily seen that the Chris Coonan of the Green Bar is too young to be Joseph’s brother. This Chris Coonan’s mother married an unknown Coonan and it has been tentatively assumed (1) that his given name was also Chris and (2) that this older Chris was the brother of Joseph Coonan. It remains to be seen if these assumptions are proved to be true.

Reference:

“The Green milestone in Borrisokane,” The Nenagh Guardian, Thursday, February 15, 2018.
<https://www.nenaghguardian.ie/news/roundup/articles/2018/02/15/4152177-the-green-milestone-in-borrisokane/>

Another Noel Coonan in Nenagh



The family tree above was constructed from the information found in the obituaries of Frances Spillane Coonan and her daughter Mary Coonan. Although the name Noel Coonan appears in this Nenagh Coonan family it hasn't been shown that this family is related to the other Noel Coonan family of Nenagh.

The death has occurred of **Mary COONAN**

Ballythomas, Ardcroney, Nenagh, Tipperary

Saturday 28th November 2009

Late of Anna Kelly's Pharmacy. Peacefully, at Nenagh Hospital. Deeply regretted by her loving mother Frances, brothers Noel and Eddie, sister Ann (Grace), aunts, nephews, nieces, relatives and many friends.

The death has occurred of **Frances COONAN** (née Spillane)

Ballythomas Ardcroney, Nenagh, Tipperary

Date of Death: Wednesday 22nd February 2017

The death has occurred of **Frances Coonan**, Ballythomas, Ardcroney (parish), Nenagh, Co Tipperary. Beloved wife of the late **Paddy** and loving mother of the **late Mary**. Sadly missed by his her son's and daughter, **Noel, Eddie** and **Anne**. Daughters-in-law **Margaret** and **Colette**, Son-in-law **Martin**, grandchildren. Sisters **Bridie Collins** and **Nora Talbot**, nephews, nieces, relatives, neighbour's and friends. RIP

Reposing at Ryan's funeral home Nenagh on Friday evening from 5pm to 7.30 pm. Funeral Mass in St Flannan's Church, Ardcroney at 12 noon on Saturday and burial in the new Cemetery Ardcroney.

Australia Cemetery Extras



Woodhill Cemetery

Bedelia Coonan Walker, died March 24, 1915 at age 76. She was born in Ireland and was the wife of **William Tutin Walker**. She was buried at Woodhill Cemetery.

William Tutin Walker, died July 31, 1920 at age 86. It isn't known where he was born. His parent's given names were Joseph and Margaret.

In 1879 it was called Veresdale Cemetery. Woodhill Cemetery is on the southern side of Hiscock Road, 0.4km from Mount Lindesay Highway south of the village of Woodhill.

Gleneagle Cemetery

Johanna Coonan Moran, died June 6, 1974 at the age of 91. Born about 1883, probably in Australia. She was buried in Gleneagle Cemetery. Her husband was **Thomas Moran**.

Thomas Moran, died on October 28, 1947 at the age of 72. Born about 1875 probably in Australia. He was buried in Gleneagle Cemetery. His father's given name was John and his mother's was Elizabeth.

[COTIPPERARY] COONAN

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Melbourne, the city past and present www.emelbourne.net.au **Coonans Hill** - (Moreland City) Adjoining Moonee Ponds Creek north of Moreland Road, this locality in Pascoe Vale South was named after labourer **Michael Coonan** and his wife **Ellen**, natives of Tipperary.

They purchased a 62.5-acre (25 ha) farm in 1867 but sold it to a developer in 1888, living in their farmhouse on investments. Scattered housing emerged at Coonans Hill about 1920, complete coverage occurring around 1950. Alan Strange, a local farmer, purchased Lyndhurst Hall in East Brunswick, re-erecting it at Walhalla Street in 1860. This prefabricated two-storeyed wooden structure, still extant, was imported in the 1850s. Frank Strange built the adjacent 'Peace Hall' around 1920 to conduct Methodist services.

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Ayr General Cemetery, Queensland

James Jeremiah Coonan, born August 11, 1910, d. December 1, 1990

Olive Marie (No maiden name) Coonan, born January 16, 1917, died October 31, 2000

“Much beloved parents of Barbara and Geoffrey”

“Ayr General Cemetery comprises a monumental section, a lawn cemetery and columbaria. There is also a number of vaults on the site. The cemetery is maintained in good condition by Burdekin Shire Council.”

It is located on Bruce Highway in the town of Ayr, along the coast many miles north of Brisbane. Latitude -19.564100; Longitude 147.390991

St George Cemetery, St. George, Balonne shire, Queensland, Australia

Family Name	Given Names	Birth	Death	Age	Details	Row, Plot
Coonan (Heness)	Amelia May	1876?	18 Nov 1953	77	w/Michael Pierce	Ang
Coonan	Michael Pierce	1868?	18 Jan 1923	54	h/Amelia May	Ang
Coonan	Heather Mary	1936?	19 Dec 1956	20		RC
Coonan	Jean	1914?	25 Jul 1995	81		Pbn
Coonan	Michael Walter	1910?	24 Apr 1989	79		Pbn
Coonan	Murray		26 Jun 1953	0		Ang

St. George, Balonne shire, Queensland is located 513 km (219 mi) due west of Brisbane and sits just inside the region of Southwest Queensland.

This link performs a search of all the Coonan graves listed on the site.

http://austcemindex.com/?family_name=Coonan :