

## Running order for Policeman's Lot

	Points to be made	Image
	→	<b>Dublin Crest</b>
	→ Father's side of family → Themes, stories, myths, approaches	<b>A Policeman's lot</b>
	→ Grandfather's people → Tenant farmers, Cappanahanagh, Barrington Estate → Focussing on Grandfather & his children	<b>Map</b>
	→ Item on sources out of the way first	<b>Holy ©</b>
	→ NLI, Murroe parish registers → Can't give you, ask Bishop → Bishop says NO >> Heritage Centre €80 → Got around via relative >> printouts in parish offices >> whole family >> 100yrs few pages → Needed to check if Maly was Hely >> jigsaw piece Ellen → NLI had outfaced Bishop >> Bingo	
	→ <i>Don't let these guys get you down</i> → <i>Need to see originals (refer also Census forms)</i>	<b>Learn</b>
	→ Cappanahanagh, no original pictures, this while still there	<b>Homestead</b>
	→ Still in family ownership	<b>No Homestead</b>
	→ Cousin John minds ancestors and offers me a space	<b>Cemetery</b>
	→ Be referring to 3 RIC → Michael (Granda) & brother William & father in law Luke → Eldest son gets farm, others need other occupations >> RIC	<b>RIC</b>
	→ Eyes and ears of British → Enforcers of British policy → Also local policeforce	<b>Eviction</b>
	→ <b>Michael</b> (granda) → RIC 1881 – 1911 → Only recruited single men – can't marry for 7 years → Competitive disadvantage chasing a spouse → Stashed Granny in Liverpool → Continue in wife's county (influence Luke – retired 1884!?) → Resigned 1911, avoid transfer (Luke died 1910)	<b>Granda</b>
	→ Couldn't resist this montage	<b>RIC Uniforms</b>
	→ Granny's father <b>Luke</b> → RIC 1853 – 1884	<b>Luke Reilly</b>
	→ Land agitation, Davitt, Irishtown → Knock 1879, reports (Kiltimagh)	<b>Knock</b>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ <b>William</b> (Granda's older brother)</li> <li>→ Short lived inglorious career (5 yrs) in RIC (1882-7)</li> <li>→ Fined 15/- 1884, 30/- 1887</li> <li>→ Left supposedly to “emigrate” ??</li> <li>→ Married 1887 (5yrs) [1911 Census]</li> <li>→ Became publican + “RIC pensioner” in Crowle</li> </ul>	<b>RIC ledger</b>
→	<b>Learn</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ <i>Check out RIC records – use Herlihy's book</i></li> <li>→ <i>One of the most boring books ever written but a vital key</i></li> </ul>	<b>Herlihy's Book cover</b>
→ <i>Which Michael (i) date for service no. (ii) check ledger</i>	<b>Herlihy's Book detail</b>
→ <i>Always look at census pdf</i>	<b>Census x2</b>
→ <i>Another example [Mick Dwyer's inlaws]</i>	<b>Origins</b>
→	<b>No Tanks</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ <b>John P Dwyer</b> (uncle) 1894-1916</li> <li>→ Mayo Feis 1903 – book prize</li> <li>→ Worked in Civil Service in London</li> </ul>	<b>John P</b>
→ This was my only knowledge of him	<b>Memoriam Card</b>
→ Civil Service Rifles – from cousin via Military History Society lecturer	<b>Crest &amp; Particulars</b>
→ Jill Knight's book brilliant - bottom up – photos & diaries	<b>Knight's Book</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ First use of tanks</li> <li>→ Tank commanders and General Barter advised against – fallen trees and shellholes, uneven terrain. Overruled by Corps Commander.</li> <li>→ Tanks late, so would have followed rather than preceded the men</li> <li>→ But got lost, stuck and went on fire – Useless</li> <li>→ High Wood was taken, but reliance on tanks meant no artillery cover, tanks useless, and casualties higher.</li> </ul>	<b>High Wood 1916</b>
→ General Barter summarily relieved of his command.(IN SECRET) Died 1931. Vindicated 1938	<b>Headline re Tanks</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Cemetery sarcastically named Caterpillar Valley? Tanks?</li> <li>→ Commemorated Thiepval, Island Bridge, Castlebar</li> </ul>	<b>High Wood today</b>
→ Wear for Uncle, personal, reclaim from Unionists & Warmongers	<b>Poppy</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ <i>Started with memoriam card &gt; ask questions</i></li> <li>→ <i>Trawl internet &gt; Jill Knight's book</i></li> </ul>	<b>Learn</b>
→ Paddy in drapers Ballinasloe	<b>Skinny Dipping</b>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Béaloideas: Colette's story</li> <li>→ Not in GRO records nor Irish Newspaper Archive</li> <li>→ Found likely candidate but killed by train &amp; father farmer</li> <li>→ Shortcircuited via tombstone in Ballyhaunis [May 1922]</li> <li>→ Back to INA &amp; Connaught Tribune of the day</li> <li>→ Inquest – full page in broadsheet</li> <li>→ Mrs. Finnegan's – Irish House, Ballinasloe, in photo</li> </ul>	<b>Street</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Sun. pm skinny dipping &gt;&gt; in trouble &gt;&gt; mate to rescue</li> <li>→ Boat – rower + 2 women &gt;&gt; stories diverge</li> </ul>	<b>Tribune 1</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Boatman's version vs Spectator's version</li> <li>→ Granda seething: Sacrificed son's life for the modesty of two women.</li> <li>→ NB: Boatman reprimanded - Protestant</li> </ul>	<b>Tribune 2</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ No mention of parents</li> <li>→ RIC being shot in Ballinasloe &amp; Ballyhaunis</li> </ul>	<b>Death Notice</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ <i>Absence of name in register not unusual particularly in times of community stress - Ballinasloe in turmoil, occupied by irregulars</i></li> <li>→ <i>Helpful if GRO released digitised even if only indexes</i></li> <li>→ <i>Work round it &gt;&gt; gravestone</i></li> <li>→ <i>Newspapers often carried verbatim reports – good source</i></li> <li>→ <i>Béaloideas almost right</i></li> <li>→ <i>Would not have chased story without it</i></li> </ul>	<b>Learn</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Sculpture, evocative, Sally McKenna</li> <li>→ Touched most families</li> <li>→ West went to USA</li> <li>→ Leahardane (11/14 down on Titanic)</li> <li>→ Couldn't find in 1901/11 Censuses (pre digitisation)</li> <li>→ Brian said Michael said she didn't exist.</li> <li>→ Nora Meehan &gt; Jane with grand parents &gt; farmed out?</li> </ul>	<b>Emigration</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Found via Ellis Island. Baltic, then (1908) largest ship afloat</li> <li>→ Travelled with group from Ballyhaunis &amp; to Uncle/Aunt</li> <li>→ Granny's sister married to McBride in Bronx</li> </ul>	<b>Baltic</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Kathe (grand-daughter) found me on internet</li> <li>→ Whacks of material &amp; stories</li> </ul>	<b>Coalyard</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Jane married John O'Connor, Longford</li> <li>→ Raised 5 lads, during Depression, all High School, 4 College.</li> <li>→ &gt;&gt; just two illustrations</li> </ul>	<b>Jane &amp; lads</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ WWII Lieutenant. - Jane proud – &gt;cadet school &lt; education</li> <li>→ Jane proud American – Irish &gt; NYPD or NYFD</li> <li>→ How became lawyer rather than fireman</li> </ul>	<b>Bill</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Highest lawyer in the State of NY (76<sup>th</sup> floor)</li> </ul>	<b>Empire State</b>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Very bad speech disability, but got through high school</li> <li>➔ Part of Dr. Sacks's experiment in late 1960s</li> <li>➔ Treating victims of 1920s epidemic encephalitis lethargica with L-Dopa</li> <li>➔ Short term cure (Kathe's phonecall) &amp; reversion</li> </ul>	<b>Joe</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Robin Williams Robert de Niro - Awakenings</li> </ul>	<b>Awakenings</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ <i>Never give up – park if you have to</i></li> <li>➔ <i>Get a presence on the internet (Nora &amp; Kathe found me)</i></li> </ul>	<b>Learn</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Told there was a Kelly's Bar in Olympia after Tom Kelly</li> </ul>	<b>Kelly's Bar</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Nora, married Tom Kelly</li> </ul>	<b>Nora</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Rescued her from indenture, Scotland, married</li> <li>➔ Back to Ireland &amp; ended up barman in Olympia</li> </ul>	<b>Tom</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Me armed with photo – only one available</li> </ul>	<b>Later Tom</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Now 86, 63 years in Olympia (1950)</li> <li>➔ There was a Kelly's Bar now Maureen's Bar</li> <li>➔ Not named after him but</li> </ul>	<b>Maureen 2</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ He trained in Maureen Grant (Photo c.1960s)</li> <li>➔ She couldn't praise him enough – complete gentleman</li> </ul>	<b>Maureen 1</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Her compliment better than a bar named after him</li> </ul>	<b>Bar</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ <i>Béaloides: family myth wrong but something more interesting</i></li> <li>➔ <i>Danger of making superficial connections via names alone</i></li> </ul>	<b>Learn</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Finally my own parents</li> <li>➔ CIE &amp; D/SW Beresford Place</li> </ul>	<b>Cis &amp; Luke</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Apparently pursued her ardently but she was reluctant</li> </ul>	<b>Labour Exchange</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ When resigning on marriage (1942), colleague (MF) wrote</li> <li>➔ Unlikely she knew of Cis's father's drowning (1918)</li> </ul>	<b>Verse</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Set up in Gem, Howth village, opposite railway station</li> </ul>	<b>Tram</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Shop was only one room to right of halldoor.</li> <li>➔ Trebled net profit and doubled value of goodwill in 1<sup>st</sup> 3 yrs</li> </ul>	<b>Gem 1959</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Whole ground floor = shop</li> </ul>	<b>Gem today 1</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Remains of tramline</li> <li>➔ Told Gordon Brewster died there in 1946</li> </ul>	<b>Gem today 3</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Checked out story</li> <li>➔ Did die there</li> <li>➔ Chief artist with Ind. Newspapers</li> <li>➔ Father GM &amp; Sec</li> </ul>	<b>Cert detail</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Fabulous collection of cartoons in NLI (Financial &amp; Political)</li> </ul>	<b>Cartoon</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ To Ballybrack (formerly CNC)</li> </ul>	<b>Dwyer's shop</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ <i>No detail is too small or insignificant in a good story</i></li> <li>➔ <i>One thing leads to another</i></li> </ul>	<b>Learn</b>

	→ Finally, finally, back to Ballyhaunis for a message from beyond the grave.	<b>Message from beyond</b>
	→ Granny Dwyer, wife of RIC Michael Dwyer → Daughter of RIC married RIC → Tough times, big family, determined lady	<b>Granny</b>
	→ Youngest (& girl) looked after her → When she died it was Molly who reported her death → Quite certain she was under earlier instructions what to say	<b>Molly</b>
	→ NO DEMENTIA – I was all there when I left	<b>Cert detail</b>
	→ One policeman's lot	<b>Policeman's lot</b>
	→	<b>Dublin Crest</b>
	→ Mayo man – like my father → Gravitas → Minister for Communications → You have to admit – he gets your attention	<b>Learn why him?</b>

Section	Timing (mins)			
Dublin Crest				
A Policeman's Lot				
Holy ©				
Homestead				
RIC				
No Tanks				
1916				
Skinny Dipping				
Emigration				
Kelly's Bar				
Paul's people				
Brewster Death				
Rathmines & Ballybrack				
Message from beyond				
Policeman's Lot				
Dublin Crest				
<b>Total</b>				