



CONGRESS SURVEY INF-FNI CONGRESS 2014

QUESTION - What did we do well?

- Everything. The food was good, the staff were amazing, the location and accommodation were very good and the facilities were excellent.
- The simplicity and courtesy that we were welcomed.
- Just about everything was done well. I have no complaints about the organizing of the congress.
- Everything was done to a very high standard.
- Overall organisation of the congress
- Transfer from Carrick on Shannon to the hotel, - accommodation was nice (I shared an apartment with Croatian delegate), - well-equipped meeting/congress room - breakfast was delicious - friendly receptionists and all staff from INA - evening music animation! - Fire-fighters - exterior terrace and access to the lake without our clothes on!
- The Irish people.
- The translating was first class. Easily the best I have experienced. The German>English translation was really sharp, thus avoiding the usual 2 sentences lag, which has always been a big problem in the past. This is really important if we have meetings chaired in German. The press involvement went well. The 'inappropriate censorship' workshop worked well with some good output.

QUESTION - What could be better?

- The congresses were to be naturists. People should be naked. Never seen such a congress dress.
- As a naturist I would have preferred to have the congress at a naturist venue. I was also a bit disappointed that the second workgroup did not take place and disappointed that the workgroup, which did take place (about censorship), did not have any „action“ afterwards - such as a decision that the INF contact Facebook to allow naturist/nude photos.
- Nothing comes to mind!
- Personnel at the breakfast should be more relaxed, with their smiles ON, and not showing their worries (that weren't connected with breakfast)... One older lady-waitress had really bad breath of cigarettes! - Sauna zone should be ALWAYS nudist! It is so not healthy to be with your clothes on in 90°C... - There were 2 men with erection or half erection in sauna zone and there was no one from hotel / wellness staff to throw them out. So we pretended we didn't notice it. And we were all ok. - Food should be better. - It was way too expensive comparing to what we got and to other congress locations that I visited before!
- Choosing the menu, with vegetarian alternatives; more joy and interactivity in musical part.
- The Gala dinner was not very social (beyond your own table). It really only consisted of the meal and with there being no entertainment it fizzled out after the meal so opportunity to socialise and network was lost. Inputs to discussions were not taken in turn and if you were at the far end of the room you were left until last, thus making it impossible to respond to the previous comment. Time keeping by the delegates was very good with few unnecessarily long inputs. However the chair could have made better progress on the first full day. This ultimately led to the second workshop needing to be cancelled, which was a pity as the first one had been good.



UNOFFICIAL NATURIST LOCATIONS IN IRELAND

There are no officially approved naturist beaches or sites in Ireland. Nude swimming or sunbathing on a public beach or in a public place is, therefore, illegal. Please bear this in mind at all times.

However, provided you use discretion and common sense, you should have no problems. No member of the Irish Naturist Association has ever been prosecuted for naturist activities.

Here are details of some beaches and bathing places where naturism is tolerated. Apart from those listed, there are many more secluded beaches, particularly along western and south-western coasts, where you could have the beach to yourself all day.

Some of the beaches and bathing places are recommended with reservations - please take care and heed all warnings given. Please also be discreet. Naturism is not as accepted in Ireland as it is in many other European countries. The Irish Naturist Association accepts no responsibility if you encounter problems.

CONNAUGHT

CO. CLARE

Kilkee Beach

This beach is on the Atlantic coast of Clare. The northern end of the beach towards the cliffs is a traditional naturist spot and is used mainly, but no longer exclusively, by men.

Directions: Take the N68 from Ennis to Kilrush. Continue for approximately 8 miles to Kilkee.

Lough Greany

This lake has three small sandy beaches. The first beach is used as a picnic area. The second beach is reached by walking along the path on the right hand side of the lake. A third hidden beach can be reached by wading across a small stretch of shallow water. This is ideal for naturism. It is also very safe for children.

Directions: Approximately one mile north of the village of Flagmount, which is not far from the Clare / Galway border, turn into the forest at the picnic area sign and continue until you reach the first beach.

CO. GALWAY

Silver Strand

This beach is halfway between Galway and Barna.

Directions: Take the Galway-Spiddal road (R336) until you come to Barna, approximately four miles

from Galway city, where there is a petrol station beside a caravan park. The road swings to the left. On the bend you will see a sign for Silver

Strand. Take this turn and drive to the end of the road. The area used for naturism is to the right where you can see a small point or headland. To get there walk for 15 or 20 minutes along the stones or on the rough path behind the wall nearby.

CO. MAYO

Bartraw

This beach is in Westport Bay and is approximately five miles from Westport. **Directions:** Take the R335 from Westport towards Louisburgh. After passing the village of Murrisk take the next turn to Bartraw Beach which is on a small peninsula. Use the eastern side of the peninsula.

Trawmore Sand

This long beach is on Achill Island. It was sandy but has now become very rocky. Use the eastern end of the beach at Dookinelly.

Directions: Take the R319 from Achill Sound towards Keel for approximately five miles. There is a turn off for Dookinelly. You can also get there from Keel by a long walk up the beach.

Keem Strand

This fine beach is also on Achill Island. Although it is not secluded it is frequently used by naturist foreign visitors. A small area among the rocks at the northern end of the beach is suitable.

Directions: Keem lies at the very end of the R319 from Achill Sound. Park in the car park and walk onto the beach.

Old Head

This beach is in Clew Bay near Louisburgh, approximately ten miles west of Westport. There is a small secluded cove north of the main beach which is used by naturists.

Directions: Take the R335 from Westport towards Louisburgh. The road follows the coastline. Watch for the turn to Old Head before Louisburgh.

CO. SLIGO

Yellow Strand

This fine long beach is on the northern side of Sligo Bay, near Drumcliff Bay.

Directions: Take the N15 from Sligo for approximately 6 miles. Turn off just past Drumcliff towards the village of Carney. Just before Carney take the minor road in the direction of Knocklane which is on the tip of the headland. About half a

mile before the Road ends at Knocklane, which has only a few cottages and caravans, take a left turn. Continue on straight until the road ends at a gate beside a barn. Park here and walk up the beach.

CAUTION: Beware of currents.

Trawalua Strand

This long beach is on the western side of Mullaghmore Head, south of Roskeragh Point. Naturists use the more secluded northern and southern ends, particularly during the week. Discretion is required at weekends.

Directions: Take the main N15 Sligo - Bundoran road for approximately 15 miles until you come to the village of Cliffony. Turn off onto the R279 towards Mullaghmore. Just after this road veers to the right there is a small turn left which leads to the beach. Park at the end of the road near a football pitch and walk over the sand dunes onto the beach.

CAUTION: Beware of currents.

LEINSTER

CO. DUBLIN

Corballis

This fine beach is near the village of Donabate in north Co. Dublin, off the main Dublin-Belfast M1 motorway. Driving from Dublin go past the Airport and past the town of Swords. Leave the motorway at Junction 4 and follow the signs for Donabate. This road leads through the village of Donabate and on to the beach. Drive onto the beach and park as far down as possible. Beware of soft sand. Walk further down the beach for 15 to 20 minutes. This area is known as CORBALLIS and is used by naturists. Alternatively: Two miles down the road to Donabate turn right at the signpost for the Island Golf Club and Corballis Golf Club. Continue for about 1 mile until you see a small green gate just before the entrance to the Island Golf Club. Walk through the gate and follow the path over the dunes until you reach the beach. Turn right and walk for 10 15 minutes.

Vico Road

This is a small bathing place just outside the village of Dalkey, not far from Dun Laoghaire. In Dalkey turn onto Sorrento Rd. and then turn right onto the coast road (Vico Rd). The bathing place is signposted. Walk across the footbridge and follow the path. To the left is the path down to the changing huts and diving board. This area is not used by naturists except very early in the morning. When textile bathers start to arrive, naturists must move around the rocks to a small cove.

CAUTION: Because of recent erosion, access to the cove is now difficult. It is necessary to climb through a wooden fence where a sign says

„Dangerous area“. The path is steep and narrow, so be very careful. It is not suitable for children or for elderly or disabled people.

Another bathing spot on the Vico Road is White Rock Beach. This is accessed from the parking area further along the Vico Road. Follow any of the paths leading from the parking area down to the pedestrian bridge over the railway and take the steps down to the beach from there. Again this area not used by naturist except very early in the morning.

CO. WICKLOW

Sallymount near Brittas Bay

Brittas Bay is a popular camping and caravanning resort. The main beach is textile. The naturist beach, which is long and sandy, is south of the main beach. Put Sallymount into Google Maps for directions or alternatively turn off the main Dublin - Wexford (N11) road nine miles south of Rathnew at the signpost at Jack Whites Cross. Go down this road until you can go no further. Turn right and follow the coast for about 1• mile until you come to a collection of fir trees and gateposts marked Buckrooney at a road junction. At the junction there is a small green gate. Walk through the gate and follow the path to the naturist part of the beach. Alternatively you can drive on until you come to a small car park beside a path down to the beach. Once you are on the beach turn left and walk until you see fencing up on the dunes past the sixth in a line of lifebuoys. Between the fencing and the stream further along the beach is the naturist area. You can swim, sunbathe and walk around in comfort on the beach or in the dunes.

CO. WEXFORD

Curracloe

The village of Curracloe is approximately 5 miles north of Wexford town or 10 miles from Enniscorthy. From Wexford access is via the R741/742 road. From Enniscorthy take the R744 road to Blackwater and then south on the L304. The coastline in this area is one long beach. There is a wooded area at the south end of Curracloe beach.

Park in the car park and walk south along the edge of the wood for 10 or 15 minutes. This secluded part of the beach is regularly used by naturists. Discretion is required at weekends.

MUNSTER

CO. CORK

Clonakilty Bay

There are a number of quiet and secluded coves on the eastern and western sides of Clonakilty Bay which are very suitable for naturism. DUNOWEN also called DUNEEN ends at a rocky cliff, so there are very few passers by. Further out are DUNNY COVE and SANDS COVE. Further west towards Glandore lies the rocky PRISON COVE.

On the eastern side there is a suitable cove near the village of RING. Turn right over the bridge in the village and follow the road along the coast with Inchadoney Island across the channel on the right. After a while the road turns inland and uphill. Half way up this hill is a narrow lane on your right which leads almost to a sheltered rocky cove. Park and take the footpath leading around to the left and down.

Further along this hilly road is a sign for SIMON'S COVE which is along the headland to South Ring where a small lane leads to the sea. The Cove is protected by a reef but can be thick with stringy seaweed.

The shores of Roaring Water Bay past Lough Hyne, which is past Skibbereen, and the Beara peninsula have many deserted beaches.

CAUTION: Beware of strong currents in this area.

Long Strand

This beach is west of Clonakilty Bay. Take the N71 road from Clonakilty towards Skibbereen for approximately six miles. Turn at the signpost for Owenachna and follow the sign for Long Strand. Go through the Hotel area and caravan park and continue on the coast road. As you come to the top of the hill you will see the beach stretching out before you. The beach and the dunes behind it are used by naturists. Discretion required especially at weekends.

CAUTION: Beware of strong currents.

CO. KERRY

The next 4 beaches are on the DINGLE PENINSULA:

Inch

This beach is on the southern side of the peninsula and is one of the best in Ireland. It is more than two miles long and is backed by sand dunes. Walk for about half a mile until you are past the textile bathers.

Directions: Turn off the N70 road from Tralee at Castlemaine onto the R561. Continue for approximately 12 miles until you reach the village of Inch.

Clogher Beach

Clogher Head is on the tip of the Dingle Peninsula and is approximately 10 miles along the coast road (R559) from the town of Dingle. Nude bathing takes place on the southern side of the Head, and also just north of Clogher Beach about one mile away around the Head.

Another suitable place is a small bay between Clogher Head and Sybil Point. Access is by a narrow road off the R 559 leading to Dun An Oir.

Murreagh Strand

This beach is near the tip of the peninsula, on the northern side, approximately 6 miles from Clogher Head along the R559. The area on the western (Ballyferriter) side of a small stream is used by naturists.

Stradbally Strand

Stradbally is in Brandon Bay, on the northern side of the Peninsula.

Directions: Take the R559 and continue where it becomes the R560 to Castlegregory. Watch for the turn to Stradbally. Walk down the beach about 1 mile past the sign which says „Stradbally Strand“.

Banna Strand

This beach is in Ballyheige Bay, north of the Dingle Peninsula.

Directions: Take the R551 from Tralee for approx. 6 miles until you come to the Banna Beach Hotel. The hotel is near the main road to the beach. Go past the car parks and turn down a small road between the sand dunes. Walk down the beach.

Beal Strand

This beach is approximately six miles north of Ballybunion. It is a big beach so pick a secluded spot.

Directions: Take the R553 from Listowel then the R551 from Ballybunion. Turn off for Beal Point.

Ventry Beach

This beach is approximately five miles west of Dingle. There are three entrances. The best one is the third entrance which is at the quiet end of the beach.

Directions: Drive through the village of Ventry and continue on until you come to a sharp right bend. On the bend there are two turns: one directly ahead and one to the left. Take the turn on the left. Follow the road until you come to the cemetery. Immediately after the cemetery there is a car park. From the car park walk onto the beach and turn right until you find a suitable place.



ZUFALLSWANDERUNGEN

On New Year's eve eight 4x4 loads of us left the Hawkes Bay Naturist

Club grounds for a day-trip to the Mangatutu Hot Springs.

Most of us enjoyed a picnic lunch and a soak in the 28 degree tubs overlooking the Mohaka River, while five keener souls hiked along the track beside the river to the Mangatainoka Springs hot-tub and back.

One free afternoon during the festival, one of the club members took some of us on a hike up the hills behind the club grounds to a vantage point which afforded an amazing view taking in the sweep of Hawkes Bay and the cities.

Then on the Sunday after the festival, a bunch of us met at Ocean Beach and enjoyed a few hours of sun-baking bliss and swimming in the surf, before going our separate ways for the coming work-week.



HOTEL NATURPLAYA

*Dear Naturist Friends,
The President of the International Naturist Federation (INF), Mrs Sieglinde Ivo, has been so kind to offer us the opportunity to present you the genesis of the first and only Naturist Beach Hotel in the Balearics, to be precise, on Mallorca at La Colònia de Sant Pere.*

The 1st April 2013 was the day when we were able to finally open the Hotel Naturplaya for all the naturists and the fans of naturism worldwide. It took a long search and it was no easy task.

But after several failed attempts, we finally found the ideal product with the ideal environment. Indeed, the Hotel Naturplaya lies at one of the last remaining pristine paradises on Mallorca. Far away from the hustle and bustle of the capital Palma and the centres of mass tourism, in a natural environment, still being peaceful and intact. Built right on the seafront (nowadays unthinkable), directly at the 1,5 km long beach, named Sa Canova, where naturism has a long tradition and is legally permitted, is our small and cosy small apartment hotel, like an oasis of peace. Ideal to spend holidays with your family and children or alone just with your partner. You should however be aware that you will not find any beach bars, shops, restaurants or other hotels, and that you are far away from the partying people. You will only hear the singing birds, the chirping crickets and the roaring waves. Total relaxation for body and mind!

Guillermo Almagro, the owner of Trasméditor and being himself a convinced naturist fan, believed in this project right from the beginning. "Happiness is a matter of attitude", was his motto, with which

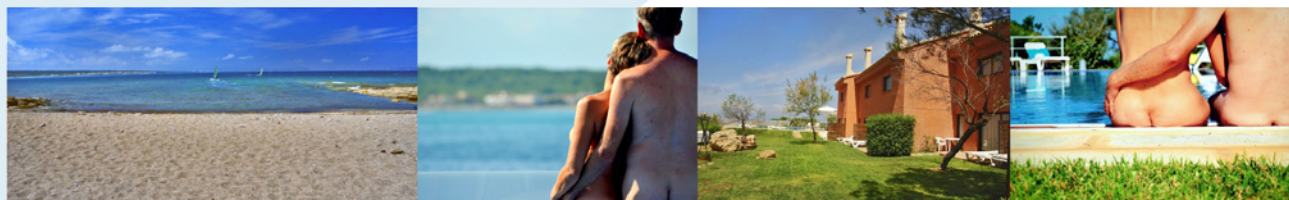
he had to fight against the initial scepticism of the tour operators and the verbosity of many a local authority, not only that, but also against elements. All this to be able to convince owners and bankers that this new project will be successful and to finally be able to present the Hotel Naturplaya to the trade press and during tourism fairs. As said, tenacity and perseverance were needed to start operation of the first and only naturist beach hotel in the Balearics. Yet the hard work has to continue, because we want to be the reference point for all our naturist friends from all naturist federations, as well as to be the first address on Mallorca where you can feel being welcome and comfortable. For this reason Trasméditor, the only and exclusive marketing agency of the hotel, would like to invite all members and associations of the INF to visit our website, where you can find our special offers for the Hotel Naturplaya for the new naturist season 2015.

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With best regards from Mallorca
Your Trasméditor Team



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KONRAD BRÖNNIMANN

8.1.1931 - 17.12.2014

INF - FNI TREASURER 1993 - 2002

On 29th December 2014 a large group of mourners said goodbye to Konrad Brönnimann during a memorial service in the Reformed Church in Muri, BE (CH).

In the name of the EC/CC and surely also in the name of all naturists worldwide, I, R.B. Hostettler, was allowed as the active treasurer of the INF-FNI, to present to the mourning family a flower arrangement and the sympathy to the decease of Konrad.

This in combination with words of thanks for the personal commitment of Konrad to the interest of the national and international naturism.

Konrad's activity was very various. Among others he performed following functions:

National activities:

From 1994 till 2005 Konrad was member and as of 2000 President of the Foundation Board "die neue zeit (dnz), the operator of the 2 largest naturist sites in Switzerland (Thielle and Sitzberg).

From 1981 till 2006 Committee Member (Treasurer) of the ONS (Organisation von Naturisten in der Schweiz), unfortunately no more member of the INF-FNI today.

International activities:

1993-2002 EC Member and Treasurer of the INF-FNI.

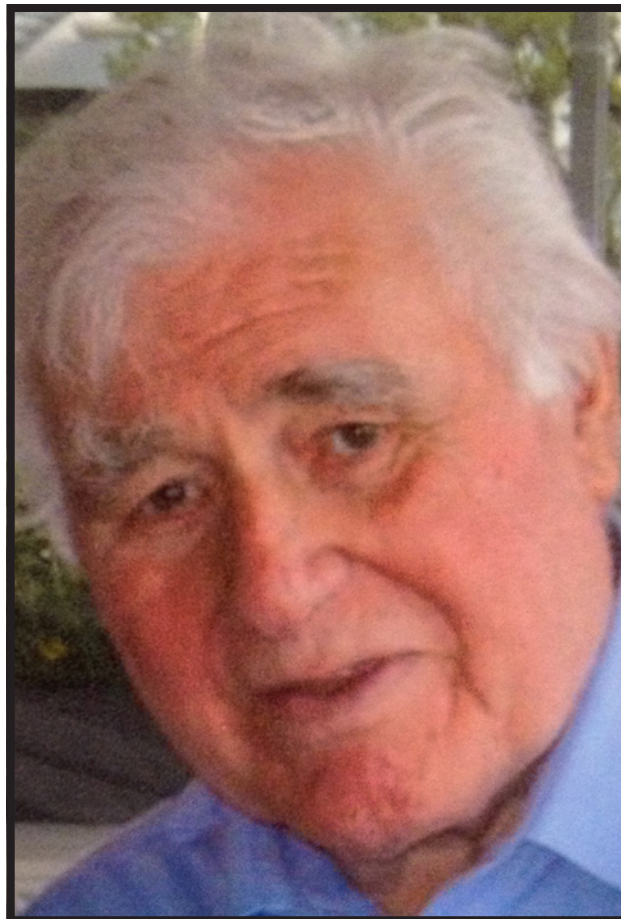
After mandatory education and business training Konrad was trained as certified accountant.

In the year 1954 he was married to Lily Bracher. They had 3 children, 2 sons (Jürgen and Stephan) and daughter Christa.

For many years Konrad was active as Chief of a cantonal financial inspectorate, and recently as independent financial consultant.

At his young age Konrad was an enthusiastic horseman. Konrad left behind his tracks even with the Swiss Army. With the rank of colonel, he was the highest quartermaster and thus responsible for the accommodation of sometimes up to 100.000 men.

On 17th December 2014 Konrad was released from his illness.



Konrad, we naturists worldwide, highly thank You for the activities to the interest of our cause. We present our sincere condolences to the bereaved family.

We will always keep You Konrad, in our honouring memories.

R. B. Hostettler (Treasurer)

