

GLOBAL CLOVER

March Edition



Macra na Feirme

Name of Country: Ireland



The 4-H Connection:

- Macra na Feirme is Ireland's equivalent to 4-H in the United States. Although it is not called "4-H", Macra na Feirme has a similar purpose and value as 4-H does.
- Macra na Feirme was founded in 1944 in Ireland as a voluntary rural youth organization.
- Macra na Feirme has approximately 8,000 members from all over Ireland. Members range from age 17 to 35.
- Just like 4-H, there are different competitions members in Macra na Feirme can compete in. The competitions include the following:
 1. Agriculture
 2. Sports
 3. Speaking/Debating
 4. Performing Arts
 5. Festivals



Quick Facts:

Location

Western Europe

Capital

Dublin

Population

4,939,000

Official Language

Irish and English

Fun Facts!

Saint Patrick's Day is Ireland's official national holiday. Saint Patrick's Day is celebrated on the 17th of March in Ireland and also embraced by many other countries around the world!

The Shamrock, which is a type of clover, is the national symbol of Ireland. Kind of resembles the 4-H clover, doesn't it?



Connection: Ceiliúradh! Celebrate!

In Irish "ceiliúradh" means celebrate. This month celebrate St. Patrick's Day like the Irish!

On March 17th celebrate St. Patrick's Day by wearing a **GREEN** 4-H shirt or a 4-H clover! Tell all your friends and family what you have learned about Ireland by reading this Global Clover. Have others become Global Citizens by teaching them all you know about Ireland.

Celebrate extra by creating a St. Patrick's Day craft, making a St. Patrick's Day snack to share, or even by researching facts about the four-leaf clover!



Sources:

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