If you’ve read *A Course Called Ireland*, you know that this event is long overdue. Come play some of Ireland’s hidden gems with the guy that found them nearly 10 years ago. Saint Joseph’s own, *New York Times* Best Selling Author and The World’s leading authority on links golf, Tom Coyne, will be hosting the inaugural edition of The Hawk Cup in August of 2017.

Tournament headquarters will be the Mt. Falcon Lodge in Ballina. Mt. Falcon is one of Ireland’s leading estate properties featuring river and lake fishing, clay’s, archery, biking, falconry and of course, a driving range.
Tournament Overview:

**Thursday, August 10th** – Luxury coaches will be waiting for you at Shannon Airport. Those that get in early will be able to play an 18 hole warm-up round at Enniscrone. Later arrivals will play the nine hole Scurmore course at Enniscrone. Following your round we’ll head to Mt. Falcon for dinner and player draft to form the two teams that will be competing for the Hawk Cup.

**Friday, August 11th** – After a morning Falconry Demonstration we’ll be loading up the buses for an 8:30 AM departure. Rosses Point will be the destination today with tee times starting at 10:00 AM. Following your round we’ll have some appetizers available in the clubhouse bar. After the days points are tabulated and announced it’s off to the Beach Bar which was one of just three pubs in Ireland to win the prestigious “4 Pint Pub” in the afore-to-mentioned ACCI. Buses back to Mt. Falcon will be separated by at least an hour to allow those that want to linger to can do so.
Saturday, August 12th – Following breakfast we’ll load the coaches again, this time heading west to a very special course, Carne. If you read his book you know, Professor Coyne loved “every inch of the place”. We suspect that you will also. Although we will be playing 27 today, the Team Captains will have the option to allow an opt out for players not willing or able to battle the entire three nines. Following golf there will be some appetizers in the clubhouse to sustain you until you get back to Mount Falcon.

Sunday, August 13th – We head back to Belmullet and the Carne Golf Links this morning for the Final Round of the Hawk Cup. Appetizers will again be provided in the Clubhouse Bar following the round. After some post round snacks and beverages the buses will be waiting to take us back to Mt. Falcon for the awards banquet where the first ever Hawk Cup will be awarded!
Monday, August 14th – The earliest flight that you will be able to catch today is at 11:30 AM out of Shannon. The bus will be leaving at around 6:30 AM. If you plan to stay for the trip extension, you will be headed to Galway Bay Golf Resort this morning leaving before 9:00 AM for our noon tee times.

What’s included?

- Transportation to and from Shannon airport at the times indicated above.
- Transportation to and from the golf courses noted in the schedule.
- One round of golf at Enniscrone Golf Club.
- One round of golf at Rosses Point. Appetizers in the clubhouse to follow the round.
- Transportation to the Beach Bar and back to Mt. Falcon following the round.
- Two rounds of golf at Carne. Appetizers in the clubhouse to follow the round.
- Four nights lodging at Mt. Falcon including a Full Irish breakfast each morning.
- A Falconry demonstration at a time to be determined.
- Dinner on both the first and final nights.

In order to participate in the tournament you’ll need to send a $500 deposit check ($800 if you are participating in the trip extension) to Tom Casey at Old Sod Travel by the end of January 2017. The deposit becomes non-refundable on 2/1/2017. The balance of $1800 (total cost of $2300 per person sharing) will be due on June 1st. The supplement for a single room is $390. If the final payment is not received by June 1st, the initial deposit will be forfeited and your slot will be given to someone from the tournament waiting list.

The tournament field will be limited to the first 48 people to complete the tournament registration form and submit a deposit. We currently only have enough tee times for 48 golfers. If however we are able to secure more tee times we will offer slots to people on the waiting list in the order that their checks were received.

To get any other information on the event you should contact Tom Casey at Tom@OldSodTravel.com or (443) 454-1332.

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Trip Extension – We are scheduled to play Galway Bay Golf Resort on Monday, August 14th, with times starting at noon. We’ll be staying for the next three nights at the four star Dunraven Arms in Adare. On Tuesday, August 15th we’ll be headed 1 ½ hours south to Dooks Golf Club with tee times starting at 10:00 AM. The final round on Wednesday, August 16th at Ballybunion Golf Club will start at 7:24 AM. Transportation to Shannon Airport the morning of August 17th will be provided. The cost for the extension is $1600 per player sharing a room. The single supplement is $375. To participate in the trip extension you will need to add $300 to your deposit for the tournament.