

## Blogs

### Background reasons for collection

Blogs have now become synonymous with the internet, and the word itself may well be an abbreviation of the word ‘weblog’. It is a type of online journal or diary, which is updated regularly. It is typically maintained by one individual or a small number of individuals containing personal observations, and possibly links to other sources in relation to a particular subject matter. The ‘blogs’ collection as described below is compiled of websites that were deliberately collected under a ‘blog’ collection heading in recognition of the document type, but also contains blogs that are part of other collections, in particular those associated with political events such as elections and referendums. For more information in relation to these blogs please consult the collection description and list of captures of the relevant event.

### Site selection

Maria O’Shea, Maria Ryan, Catherine Ryan, Siobhan O Donovan, Della Murphy and Joanna Finegan have been involved in site selection over the years. All were or are members of staff of the NLI.

### Crawl parameters

There are instances of blogs in the web archive every year since 2011. The web archive contains over 50 titles, a number of which have been crawled on multiple occasions. Two specific ‘blog’ collections were created in November 2013 and November 2014.

### Scope and content of resulting collection

- From a web-archiving point of view, the archiving of blogs provides an online record of more personal and informal content, compared to ‘official’ content websites.
- In the context of the NLI web archive, blogs are normally collected to provide alternative more personal and less factual content in relation to the subject matter of the collection. For example, we collect political blogs as part of election web archive collections to offer an alternative record of opinions in relation to candidates, election issues etc. We actively try to do this when resources allow, and high quality current content is available.
- We have also deliberately created two collections of blog only websites, in recognition of the importance of the format itself, particularly as an emerging literary format.

- There are a number of political bloggers whose sites we have collected over a number of years such as Maman Poulet, Slugger O'Toole, Jason O' Mahony and Jude Collins.
- Other subject areas covered by blogs include law, genealogy, cooking, economics, history, visual arts, movies, health, emigration

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A Long Way to Go For A Sun Tan	<a href="http://longwaytogoforasuntan.blogspot.ie/">http://longwaytogoforasuntan.blogspot.ie/</a>	<a href="http://collection.europarchive.org/nli/*/http://longwaytogoforasuntan.blogspot.ie/">http://collection.europarchive.org/nli/*/http://longwaytogoforasuntan.blogspot.ie/</a>
A Mexican Cook	<a href="http://amexicancook.ie/">http://amexicancook.ie/</a>	<a href="http://collection.europarchive.org/nli/*/http://amexicancook.ie/">http://collection.europarchive.org/nli/*/http://amexicancook.ie/</a>
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