

## Anach Cuain

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"Anach Cuain", also known as "Eanach Dhúin" is an Irish slow air in E Dorian. The parts are played AAB.

Jackie Small, in his notes to the tune in **CRÉ V**, says the tune was originally a song air, arranged as a dance tune. Junior Crehan has one such reworking, which he called "The Sheep in the Boat." The song was composed by the poet Raiftearaí (Blind Rafferty), although Small thinks the air probably predated it. It tells of a tragedy in which nine people were drowned in the Corrib River, several miles from Galway City, in the year 1828. They had departed from Eanach Dhúin, on the eastern shore of Lough Corrib.

It was printed in Breathnach's **CRÉ V** (1999), Flaherty's **Trip to Sligo** (1990) and Ó Canainn's **Traditional Slow Airs of Ireland** (1995).

It was recorded by Seamus and Manus McGuire on **Humours of Lissadell**.