NEW IRELAND FUND INC Form N-Q September 27, 2010

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM N-O

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-05984

The New Ireland Fund, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Bank of Ireland Asset Management (U.S.) Limited
40 Mespil Road
Dublin 4, Ireland
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

BNY Mellon Investment Servicing (US) Inc.
99 High Street, 27th Floor
Boston, MA 02110
(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 508 871 8500

Date of fiscal year end: October 31

Date of reporting period: July 31, 2010

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ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS.

The Schedule of Investments is attached herewith.

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THIRD QUARTER REPORT JULY 31, 2010

INVESTMENT SUMMARY (UNAUDITED)

TOTAL RETURN (%)

	MARKET V	ALUE (a)	NET ASSET	VALUE (a)	
	CUMULATIVE	AVERAGE ANNUAL(b)	CUMULATIVE	AVERAGE ANNUAL (b)	
Current Quarter	(15.55)	(15.55)	(15.17)	(15.17)	
One Year Three Year	(3.52) (55.87)	(3.52) (23.87)	0.54 (54.65)	0.54 (23.17)	
Five Year Ten Year	(33.54) 31.35	(7.85) 2.76	(32.26) 16.36	(7.49) 1.53	

PER SHARE INFORMATION AND RETURNS

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Net Asset Value (\$)	20.06	13.28	11.04	16.29	20.74	24.36	32.55	30.95	10.18	8.2
Income Dividends (\$)	(0.13)	(0.01)	(0.03)		(0.09)	(0.03)	(0.16)	(0.24)	(0.36)	(0.3
Capital Gains Other										
Distributions (\$)	(1.60)	(2.65)	(0.69)				(1.77)	(2.40)	(4.86)	(2.7
Total										
Return (%) (a) (b)	12.86	(20.99)	(11.44)	47.55	28.14	17.51	45.97	2.88	(58.62)	26.9

NOTES

- (a) Total Market Value returns reflect changes in share market prices and assume reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions, if any, at the price obtained under the Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan ("the Plan"). Total Net Asset Value returns reflect changes in share net asset value and assume reinvestment of dividends and capital gain distributions, if any, at the price obtained under the Plan. For more information with regard to the Plan, see the most recent annual report filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- (b) Periods less than one year are not annualized.

PAST RESULTS ARE NOT NECESSARILY INDICATIVE OF FUTURE PERFORMANCE OF THE FUND.

PORTFOLIO BY MARKET SECTOR AS OF JULY 31, 2010

(PERCENTAGE OF NET ASSETS)
(UNAUDITED)

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Construction and Building Materials	25.89%
Food and Beverages	14.39%
Transportation	14.20%
Other Assets	13.46%
Health Care Services	8.07%
Business Services	6.22%
Diversified Financial Services	4.91%
Energy	4.28%
Financial	4.43%
Leisure and Hotels	4.15%

TOP 10 HOLDINGS BY ISSUER AS OF JULY 31, 2010 (UNAUDITED)

HOLDING	SECTOR	% OF NET ASSETS	
CRH PLC	Construction and Building Materials	18.51%	
Ryanair Holdings PLC	Transportation	9.92%	
DCC PLC	Business Services	6.22%	
Kerry Group PLC, Series A	Food and Beverages	5.51%	
C&C Group PLC	Food and Beverages	5.09%	
Dragon Oil PLC	Energy	4.28%	
Paddy Power PLC	Leisure and Hotels	4.15%	
Aryzta AG	Food and Agriculture	3.97%	
Kingspan Group PLC	Construction and Building Materials	3.95%	
Elan Corp. PLC-Sponsored ADR	Health Care Services	3.58%	

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PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS (UNAUDITED)

July 31, 2010	Shares	Value (U.S.) (Note A)
COMMON STOCKS (99.98%) COMMON STOCKS OF IRISH COMPANIES (99.77%)		
AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS (3.32%) Origin Enterprises PLC	494,801	\$ 1,650,239
BUSINESS SERVICES (6.22%)		

DCC PLC	125,820	3,089,850
BUSINESS SUPPORT SERVICES (2.83%) CPL Resources PLC	454,107	1,405,071
CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING MATERIALS (25.89%) CRH PLC Grafton Group PLC-UTS Kingspan Group PLC*		9,189,674 1,701,937 1,959,034
DIVERSIFIED FINANCIAL SERVICES (4.91%) FBD Holdings PLC IFG Group PLC TVC Holdings PLC* Worldspreads Group PLC*	•	454,432 936,087 584,676 464,323
ENERGY (4.28%) Dragon Oil PLC*	319,386	2,126,661
FINANCIAL (4.22%) Allied Irish Banks PLC* Irish Life & Permanent Group Holdings PLC*	849,471 462,216	1,039,180 1,053,803 2,092,983
FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (3.97%) Aryzta AG	48,191	1,968,248
FOOD AND BEVERAGES (14.39%) C&C Group PLC Glanbia PLC Kerry Group PLC, Series A Total Produce PLC	378,488	2,525,821 1,622,275 2,737,951 259,013 7,145,060

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PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

July 31, 2010	Shares	Value (U.S.) (Note A)
COMMON STOCKS (CONTINUED) COMMON STOCKS OF IRISH COMPANIES (CONTINUED) HEALTH CARE SERVICES (8.07%)		
Elan Corp. PLC-Sponsored ADR* ICON PLC-Sponsored ADR*	372,800 65,267	\$ 1,778,256 1,540,301

United Drug PLC	216,966	687 , 718
		4,006,275
LEISURE AND HOTELS (4.15%)		
Paddy Power PLC	56,757	2,061,525
TECHNOLOGY (3.32%)		
Norkom Group PLC*	1,089,828	1,646,995
TRANSPORTATION (14.20%)		
Aer Lingus Group PLC*	471,223	571 , 548
Irish Continental Group PLC	78 , 982	1,553,751
Ryanair Holdings PLC*		4,923,128
		7,048,427
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS OF IRISH COMPANIES		
(Cost \$62,105,017)		49,531,497
COMMON STOCKS OF FRENCH COMPANIES (0.21%)		
FINANCIAL (0.21%) BNP Paribas	1,551	106,508
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS OF FRENCH COMPANIES		
(Cost \$101,345)		106,508
TOTAL COMMON STOCKS BEFORE FOREIGN CURRENCY ON DEPOSIT		
(Cost \$62,206,362)		\$ 49,638,005

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PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS (UNAUDITED) (CONTINUED)

July 31, 2010	Face Value		Value (U.S.) (Note A)	
FOREIGN CURRENCY ON DEPOSIT (0.01%)				
British Pounds Sterling	L	600	\$	940
Euro	E	1,340		1,745
TOTAL FOREIGN CURRENCY ON DEPOSIT				
(Cost \$2,962)**				2,685
TOTAL INVESTMENTS (99.99%)				
(Cost \$62,209,324)			49,6	640,690
OTHER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (0.01%)				5 , 927
NET ASSETS (100.00%)			\$ 49,	646,617
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- * Non-income producing security.
- ** Foreign currency held on deposit at JPMorgan Chase & Co.

ADR - American Depositary Receipt traded in U.S. dollars.

UTS - Units

The summary of inputs used to value the Fund's net assets as of July 31, 2010 is as follows (See Note A - Security Valuation in the Notes to Quarterly Portfolio Holdings):

	TOTAL VALUE AT 04/30/10	LEVEL 1 QUOTED PRICE		SIGNIFICANT UNOBSERVABLE INPUTS
Investments in Securities +				
Common Stocks*				
Agricultural Operations	\$ 1,650,239	\$ 1,650,239	\$	\$
Business Services	3,089,850	3,089,850		
Business Support Services	1,405,071	1,405,071		
Construction and Building				
Materials	12,850,645	12,850,645		
Diversified Financial				
Services	2,439,518	1,975,195	464,323	
Energy	2,126,661	2,126,661		
Financial	2,199,491	2,199,491		
Food and Agriculture	1,968,248	1,968,248		
Food and Beverages	7,145,060	7,145,060		
Health Care Services	4,006,275	4,006,275		
Leisure and Hotels	2,061,525	2,061,525		
Technology	1,646,995	1,646,995		
Transportation	7,048,427	7,048,427		
Total Common Stocks	49,638,005	49,173,682	464,323	
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- + Total Investments exclude Foreign Currency on Deposit.
- * See Portfolio Holdings detail for country breakout.

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NOTES TO PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS (UNAUDITED)

A. VALUATION AND INVESTMENT PRACTICES:

SECURITY VALUATION: Securities listed on a stock exchange for which market quotations are readily available are valued at the closing prices on the date of valuation, or if no such closing prices are available, at the last bid price quoted on such day. If there are no such quotations available for the date of

valuation, the last available closing price will be used. The value of securities and other assets for which no market quotations are readily available, or whose values have been materially affected by events occurring before the Fund's pricing time but after the close of the securities' primary markets, are valued by methods deemed by the Board of Directors to represent fair value. Short-term securities that mature in 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost.

FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS: The inputs and valuations techniques used to measure fair value of the Fund's net assets are summarized into three levels as described in the hierarchy below:

- Level 1 unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access.
- Level 2 observable inputs other than quoted prices included in level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These inputs may include quoted prices for the identical instrument on an inactive market, prices for similar instruments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, yield curves, default rates and similar data.
- Level 3 unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, to the extent relevant observable inputs are not available, representing the Fund's own assumptions about the assumptions a market participant would use in valuing the asset or liability, and would be based on the best information available.

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. A summary of the levels of the Fund's investments as of July 31, 2010 is included with the Fund's Portfolio of Investments.

At the end of each calendar quarter, management evaluates the Level 2 and 3 assets and liabilities for changes in liquidity, including but not limited to: whether a broker is willing to execute at the quoted price, the depth and consistency of prices from third party services, and the existence of contemporaneous, observable trades in the market. Additionally, management evaluates the Level 1 and 2 assets and liabilities on a quarterly basis for changes in listings or delistings on national exchanges.

CURRENCY TRANSLATION: The books and records of the Fund are maintained in U.S. dollars. Foreign currency amounts are translated into U.S. dollars at the spot rate of such currencies against U.S. dollars by obtaining from FT-Interactive Data Corp. ("FT-IDC") each day the current 4:00pm London time spot rate and future rate (the future rates are quoted in 30-day increments) on foreign currency contracts. Net realized foreign currency gains and losses resulting from changes in exchange rates include foreign currency gains and losses between trade date and settlement date on investment securities transactions, foreign currency transactions and the difference between the amounts of interest and dividends recorded on the

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books of the Fund and the amount actually received. The portion of foreign

currency gains and losses related to fluctuation in exchange rates between the initial purchase trade date and subsequent sale trade date is included in realized gains and losses on security transactions.

FORWARD FOREIGN CURRENCY CONTRACTS: The Fund may enter into forward foreign currency contracts for non-trading purposes in order to protect investment securities and related receivables and payables against future changes in foreign currency exchange rates. Fluctuations in the value of such contracts are recorded as unrealized gains or losses; realized gains or losses include net gains or losses on contracts which have been terminated by settlements or by entering into offsetting commitments. Risks associated with such contracts include movement in the value of the foreign currency relative to the U.S. dollar and the ability of the counterparty to perform. There were no such contracts open in the Fund as of July 31, 2010.

SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS: Securities transactions are recorded as of the trade date. Realized gains and losses from securities sold are recorded on the identified cost basis.

B. UNREALIZED APPRECIATION/(DEPRECIATION):

The aggregate cost of investments and the composition of unrealized appreciation and depreciation on investments and depreciation on assets and liabilities in foreign currencies on a tax basis as of July 31, 2010 were as follows:

				GROSS	
	GROSS	GROSS		UNREALIZED	
	UNREALIZED	UNREALIZED	NET UNREALIZED	DEPRECIATION	NET
TOTAL COST OF	APPRECIATION	DEPRECIATION	DEPRECIATION	ON FOREIGN	UNREALIZED
INVESTMENTS	ON INVESTMENTS	ON INVESTMENTS	ON INVESTMENTS	CURRENCY	DEPRECIATION
\$62,209,324	\$10,631,305	\$(23,199,662)	\$(12,568,357)	\$(277)	\$(12,568,634)

C. RISK FACTORS:

Investing in the fund may involve certain risks including, but not limited to, those described below.

The prices of securities held by the fund may decline in response to certain events, including those directly involving the companies whose securities are owned by the fund; conditions affecting the general economy; overall market changes; local, regional or global political, social or economic instability; and currency, interest rate and commodity price fluctuations. The growth-oriented, equity-type securities generally purchased by the fund may involve large price swings and potential for loss.

Investments in securities issued by entities based outside the United States may also be affected by currency controls; different accounting, auditing, financial reporting, and legal standards and practices in some countries; expropriation; changes in tax policy; greater market volatility; differing securities market structures; higher transaction costs; and various administrative difficulties, such as delays in clearing and settling portfolio transactions or in receiving payment of dividends. These risks may be heightened in connection with investments in developing countries.

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Chris Johns - PRESIDENT AND DIRECTOR
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ITEM 2. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) The registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act") (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of the report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph, based on their evaluation of these controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(b)) and Rules 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b)).
- (b) There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d)) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

ITEM 3. EXHIBITS.

Certifications pursuant to Rule 30a-2(a) under the 1940 Act and Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 are attached hereto.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

(Registrant) The New Ireland Fund, Inc.

By (Signature and Title) * /s/ Chris Johns

Chris Johns, President (principal executive officer)

Date 9/23/10

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By (Signature and Title) * /s/ Chris Johns

Chris Johns, President (principal executive officer)

Date 9/23/10

By (Signature and Title)* /s/ Lelia Long
-----Lelia Long, Treasurer
(principal financial officer)

Date 9/23/10

* Print the name and title of each signing officer under his or her signature.