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ANGER AT ABUSE OF DISABLED PARKING BAYS IN NAAS TOWN

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Motorists who park in disabled parking bays in Naas have come under fire.

Calling for an urgent clampdown, Cllr Bill Clear wants the spaces to be policed to prevent abuse.

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RIGHT: Vehicles that park in a disabled parking space must have a Disabled Parking Permit



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NEWS

Call for disabled parking spaces to be policed to stop abuse



File Photo: Only vehicles with a valid Disabled Person's Parking Permit can park in disabled parking bays

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Motorists who park in the disabled parking bays at Kildare County Council's offices (Aras Chill Dara) and at the K Leisure centre have come under fire.

A call for action to be taken against people who use the spaces despite not being entitled to was made by Naas councillor Bill Clear at a Naas Municipal District meeting on Tuesday of this week.

He said he had himself been verbally abused by motorists when he challenged them about using the spaces without permission.

He wanted Kildare County Council to instruct APCOA, the parking management company contracted by the council, to police the bays at both locations.

Cllr Clear said the Naas Access and Disability Group, which campaigns on behalf of disabled people, had expressed concern about people parking in two sites, and he added:

"people shouldn't be doing it."

Cllr Clear also said K Leisure had tried to tackle the issue and it may be that it could be dealt with by erecting signs.

He suggested that stickers be placed on vehicles if parking tickets cannot be issued.

However it emerged that because both car parks are legally defined as private car parks (staff car parks) and not public car parks for the general public, they cannot be regulated by KCC's roads section.

Instead, that regulation is done by the Facilities Section.

Naas district manager Eoghan Ryan said it may be possible to use stickers and if a staff member parks "it is followed up".

He said there was a case of a ticket being issued by a garda in one of the car parks who was not legally empowered to do so.

Cllr Anne Breen, who is on the board of K Leisure, said she would raise the issue with the board at the next earliest opportunity.

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CRIMEBRIEFS

Burglary in Kilcullen

A burglary took place in Old Kilcullen on Friday, December 6, between 8am and 8pm. Gardai said a rear window of the home was forced. Kilcullen Gardai appealed for information about any suspicious behaviour in the area.

Break-in at Naas

Four men were seen fleeing a property in The Gallops in Naas on Saturday, December 7 at 7.30pm. They were seen leaving the area in a black BMW, possibly a 2004 to 2010 model. The vehicle had distinctive alloy wheels.

Burglary in Newbridge

Four men were seen fleeing a house on the Standhouse Road in Newbridge on Tuesday of this week at 7pm. Anybody with information is asked to contact gardai.

Garda car rammed

A Garda patrol car was rammed by another vehicle in Chapel Lane, Sallins on Saturday, December 7 after 11pm. The estate-style vehicle was later abandoned in the Castlewarden area of Kill. Gardai said the suspects had earlier intruded on a property.

Cannabis seized in Monasterevin

Gardai have arrested a man in

his 30s and seized a quantity of cannabis in an operation in Monasterevin, on Monday December 9, shortly after 10pm.

Gardai attached to Kildare Drugs Unit carried out the search on foot of a warrant at a house at Old Grange Wood, Monasterevin.

"In the attic of the house Gardai discovered a number of mature cannabis plants and a number of seedling plants growing in tents. The estimated street value of the drugs is in excess of €11,000," a garda spokesperson said. A man in his 30s was arrested at the scene and taken to Kildare Garda Station where he was detained under Section 4 of the Criminal Justice Act, 1984. He has been released without charge and a file will be prepared for the Director of Public Prosecution.

Quads stolen in Hollywood

Three bikes worth an estimated €15,000 were stolen from a shed in Hollywood area on the Kildare/Wicklow border in the early hours of Monday morning.

The vehicles were two kids' quad bikes and an adult's Honda motorbike. Five men were involved in the robbery which began at around 3am.

CCTV images show the men entering via the back wall of the galvanised shed and then unlocking the front door. The Honda was later driven towards the Ballymore Eustace / Dunlavin direction at 3.40am followed by a black-coloured hatchback car. The owners said: "If anybody comes across these bikes

please let us know. The kids are beyond devastated."

The family said it offering a 'large reward' for information leading to the recovery of the bikes.

The stolen bikes are: a Honda CRF 250cc (2016), a King Cobra (2012) and a Yamaha PW 50.

Warning about burglaries

Gardai are advising people to Lock Up and Light Up as most burglaries occur between 5pm and 11pm in winter months and over 50% of burglaries take place either through the front or back door.

Operation Thor is a multi-strand approach to tackling burglaries with an emphasis on preventing the crime from happening in the first instance.

Operation Thor actively targets organised crime gangs and repeat offenders through co-ordinated crime prevention and enforcement activity based on intelligence and the latest burglary trends. Analysis from the Garda Analysis Services shows that residential burglaries increase between the hours of 5pm and 10pm during winter. On average 1 in 5 intruders enter through an unsecured door or window. Homes that look unoccupied are more vulnerable to burglary. The most likely entry point for a burglar is a door - 27% of burglaries take place through the front door and 25% through a rear door. Access through a rear window accounts for 28%. Burglars tend to target cash and jewellery when breaking into homes.



Lock Up and Light Up - Gardai

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NEWS

Garda appeal over M9 crash which killed dad

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Gardaí have renewed appeals for information on a collision in which a pedestrian died near Kilkullen late on Saturday night last.

Tragic father-of-one Stephen O'Driscoll, aged 34, was walking on the M9 southbound motorway at Greenhills when he was struck by a vehicle.

The male driver of the car, who was aged in his 20s, was uninjured.

The M9 Southbound was closed between Junction 1 and Junction 2 for a Garda forensic investigation for several hours afterwards.

Gardaí renewed appeals yesterday (Wednesday) for information on the incident. Gardaí are appealing to any motorists who may have travelled on the M9 southbound between Junction 1 and Junction 2 prior to the collision or who may have witnessed the collision or who may have camera footage of the incident.

Mr O'Driscoll of The Laurels, Tullow Road, Carlow was laid to rest



Stephen O'Driscoll who died following a collision on the M9 last Saturday



yesterday.

Mr O'Driscoll is mourned by parents Barry and Julie, his sister Chloe and child Cáil. He will also be sadly missed by grandparents Paddy and Anne O'Driscoll, Tom

Kelly and the late Sheila Kelly. His remains reposed at Carpenter Bros Funeral Home, Barrack Street, Carlow on Tuesday evening.

The Funeral Mass took place in The Holy Family Church, Askea. He

was buried afterwards in Skeoughvosteen Cemetery, Kilkenny.

The family kindly requested that donations in lieu of flowers be made to St Vincent's Hospital, Dublin.

Anybody with information on the collision is asked to contact Naas Garda Station on (045) 884300, the Garda Confidential Line 1800 666 111 or any Garda Station.



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Young Baltinglass motorsport racer to make international debut at Formula 4 event in Malaysia

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Eighteen-year-old Max Hart from Baltinglass has been handed the chance of a lifetime by fellow Irishman Peter Thompson and will make his International F4 debut at the Sepang Formula One circuit in Malaysia this weekend on December 14 and 15.

The talented young motorsport racer, who finished second in the UK Monoposto series in 2019, driving for the Irish based Leastone Racing team, is also in the final three for the prestigious Young Driver Of The Year award.

Backed by Sport Ireland and Team Ireland, it carries an award of €50,000 towards a young driver's career.

Unfortunately Max missed out in the Young Driver of the Year category at the Motorsport Ireland Awards Lunch at Citywest Hotel on Tuesday.

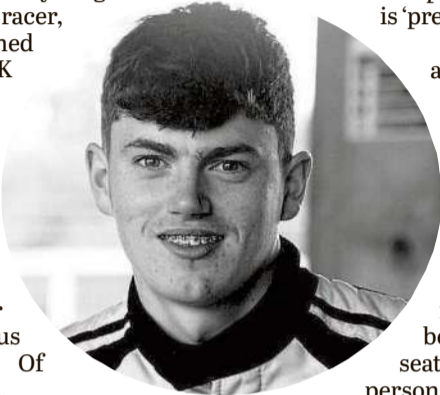
However the award went to another Kildare man - Sallins driver James Row Jnr.

Speaking to the Kildare Post ahead of the prestigious competition, Max's proud mum Lorraine said: "He is super excited, as it is a very last-minute decision to fly to Malaysia. He has been training hard since the season finished in the UK as he would need to keep fitness up at all times so he is 'prepared'.

The race will be at the weekend, live on Eurosport. He leaves for straight after the Young Driver of the Year awards, where he is a finalist. He will be fitted for his seat (as they are personalised) when he lands and he will have a chance to try out the car for the first time.

Nothing phases him though, he is competent and confident so hopefully that will help him.

Meritus.GP runs the Formula 4 South East Asia series and team principal and founder Peter



Max Hart (left) and (above) in action on the tarmac

Thompson, who is originally from Wexford, having followed the Scoil Chonglais Baltinglass student's progress in the UK this season, made contact.

Peter Thompson, Meritus.GP, said, "It's great to have one of the Motorsport Ireland young driver

finalists join us in Formula 4 South East Asia. I have been following Max for the past year and we were keen for him to try out for our Grand Finals event at Sepang. Max will join fellow Irishman Lucca Allen on the grid, Lucca won 3 of the 4 races at the last event and is one of the two

drivers fighting for the 2019 title." Max is backed by Selco Hygiene Supplies, Adapt Paper Products and Little Dragon Supplements and Max is also thankful for the support of family members who have helped out in any way possible over the last few seasons.

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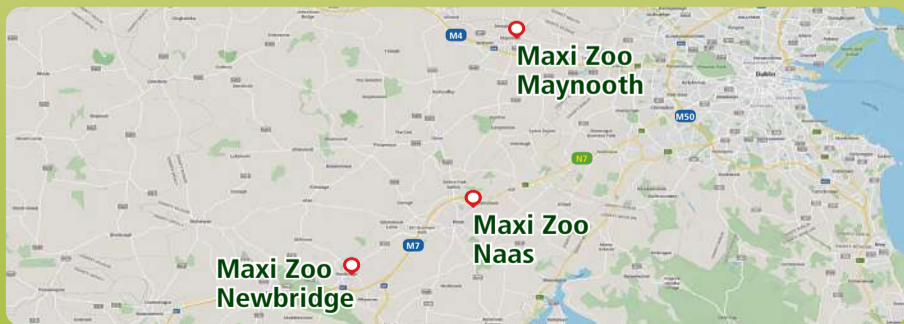
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NEWS



Nás na Rí singers to perform Christmas concert in aid of homeless care

ABOVE: Members of the Nás na Rí singers at a recent event at Kildare Co Council in Naas

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In a continuing tradition of helping Naas charities, the Nás na Rí Singers are busy rehearsing for their Christmas Concert next Friday December 13, in aid of Homeless Care CLG.

Work has begun on-site, near the Bundle of Sticks roundabout, for 12 studio apartments along with a community hub.

This will help vulnerable young people to develop skills for independent living, in a kind and supportive environment.

The Nás na Rí Singers donated the proceeds from their 2018 Christmas concert and are delighted to help again, by staging a traditional concert

featuring pupils from Gael Choláiste Chill Dara and Naas Community College.

The Vivaldi Ensemble Orchestra and up to 100 singers will provide a rich sound for a truly memorable night.

The venue of the Church of Our Lady and St. David, on the Sallins Road was packed to capacity last year.

This year the Nás na Rí singers are looking forward to rewarding Naas people with a concert full of traditional Christmas spirit in the same beautiful surroundings this December 13 at 8pm, in the Church of Our Lady and St David in Naas.

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NEWS



ABOVE:Johanne Murphy of The Waterfall Clinic from Kildare Town was awarded the Overall County Winner LEFT: Eleanor Finn and Karen Murray of Finesse Movement Ltd, Winners of the Maynooth Clane MD with Emma Farrelly and Rebecca Southern from Farrelly & Southern Estate Agents of Maynooth

Kildare town clinic scoops 'Pride of Business Premises' award

Kildare County Council hosted the first of what is to be an annual event the 'Pride of Business Premises' on Tuesday, December 3, in the Kildare County Council Chamber. Independently judged, the celebration aims to recognise local property

owners who maintain a high level of visual appearance to their premises.

Launched in July, the competition acknowledged over 30 businesses across the five Municipal Districts

The Waterfall Clinic from Kildare Town was awarded

the Overall County Winner for its balance between tradition and modernity and its demonstration of what can be achieved with a relatively small frontage and restricted height.

Edward Harrigan & Sons from Newbridge took home

the award for Best Shopfront Accessibility, due to its inviting entrance, double doors that can be tied back and its level access.

First place winners included; Moda Beauty Salon in Athy, French Estates of Celbridge/Leixlip, The Waterfall Clinic from Kildare/Newbridge, Ski Interiors Ltd of Naas and Finesse Movement from Maynooth MD.

The runner up winners of the competition are as

follows; Kane's Pub in Athy, Da Vinci's Italian Restaurant of Celbridge/ Leixlip, Forget Me Not Flowers & Gifts of Newbridge/Kildare, Sticky Fingers Childcare Centre in Naas and Bob & Kates Gift Shop from Maynooth MD.

Congratulating all those shortlisted, Sonya Kavanagh Director of Services at Kildare County Council said "We want to instil an increased sense of pride in our towns and encourage both business owners and

locals to view our towns as places worth promoting and visiting".

Acknowledging excellence in shopfront premises presentation, The Pride of Business Premises Awards will become an annual competition and is open to all businesses and shops in towns across the five Municipal Districts in County Kildare.

Applications for next year's competition will open in July 2020.

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Cllr. Peggy O'Dwyer with Cassandra Brogan of the Local Enterprise Office



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Johanne Murphy of The Waterfall Clinic from Kildare Town was awarded the Overall County Winner. Here she is pictured outside her winning premises



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Debate about 2019's unspent Local Property Tax money

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There was much debate at this month's Kildare-Newbridge Municipal District meeting about the allocation of 2019 unspent Local Property Tax (LPT).

According to Director of Services, Joe Boland, €292,000 of LPT was not spent, and on the agenda councillors were asked to approve the transfer of this money to the 2020 fund.

However, Cllr Fiona McLoughlin Healy proposed a motion that money be allocated to Building and Development Control to carry out work required to bring a number of estates in the Municipal District area up to a standard to be taken in charge by the council.

She proposed the remaining money be allocated to emergency works before the end of the year, like Christmas lights for Eyre Street in Newbridge.

The Development Control Section asked that a €15,000 investment be allocated to Walshestown Abbey, Newbridge; €10,000 be allocated for Beechmount, Newbridge; and €10,000 be allocated for White Abbey Court in Kildare.

A report issued by Chief Fire Officer, Celina Barrett said Millfield Manor in Newbridge is more complex than the

other developments above and would require funding over two to three years to resolve an issue with a retaining wall.

"The Development Control section are in the process of getting quotes for this work at the moment.

"Millfield also has a management company in place for the whole development and this company would have to be reduced to cover just the apartments before the estate could be taken in charge. A request to take the estate in charge has not yet been received."

Cllr Fiona McLoughlin Healy said this is an opportunity to help estates where the developers and bonds are gone.

Cllr Kevin Duffy said his preference would be that the money be allocated to the roads department, saying it was a bigger benefit to the community.

Cllr Peggy O'Dwyer said there are estates where roads need to be fixed, and added that she was in favour of the money going to roads.

Cllr Rob Power said he would be keen to see where the money could be spent before finalising. He proposed the money be transferred over to the 2020 fund.

Cllr Noel Heavey proposed that the €35,000 be allocated to the three estates in question.

Cllr Mark Stafford said the issue with



File photo

Millfield Manor is that it is a mixed development and this causes severe problems.

Cllr Stafford said he would require further information on the estates proposed for LPT funds in relation to bonds and levis outstanding. He added that the issue needs further consideration and discussion.

A spokesman for Building Control said if they got extra money, they would have to look and see how they would spend it.

He said a lot of money is required to resolve

the issue in Millfield Manor, estimating that it could cost €120,000 to 130,000.

Cllr McLoughlin Healy said Millfield Manor houses have been "abandoned" because of the State's failure to make them safe. She said the issue of the retaining wall is a big obstacle to the estate being taken in charge.

Councillors voted on the motion; seven members voted in favour of Rob Power's proposal to have all the unspent LPT monies transferred to the 2020 fund.

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NEWS

Murder trial hears baby died from head injuries in Clane home

A 20-month-old baby died from head injuries which were most likely caused from his head impacting at least three or four times against a hard surface such as a wall or floor, a murder trial has heard.

The jury was also told that the nature and severity of the toddler's head injuries could not have been caused accidentally such as by a fall.

Former Northern Ireland State Pathologist, Professor Jack Crane, was giving evidence yesterday (Wednesday, December 11) in the trial of Yusuf Ali Abdi, who is charged with murdering 20-month-old Nathan Baraka Andrew Ali at The Elms, College Road, Clane, Co Kildare on April 17, 2001. Mr Abdi (46), with an address at Charleville Road, Phibsboro, Dublin 7 has pleaded not guilty to the charge.

The Central Criminal Court has previously heard that Mr Abdi came from Somalia to Ireland in 1997 and was granted refugee status in 2000. He married Irish woman Amanda Bailey and they had a son Nathan, who was born in August 1999.

The trial is being heard before Mr Justice Alexander Owens and a jury of seven men and five women.

The State has told the jury that the matter of insanity is at issue in the case but that there is a large amount of agreement between both the prosecution and defence in relation to this.

Prof Crane told prosecution counsel Seamus Clarke SC that he is a consultant pathologist and was instructed to prepare his own report having reviewed an autopsy report prepared by former State Pathologist Dr John Harbison.

The witness testified that baby Nathan was just over one-and-a-half years of age when he died. The mother and child had slept upstairs on the night of the killing and the accused was sleeping downstairs, said Prof Crane. At some stage during the night, the accused man brought his son downstairs, he remarked.

In his evidence, Prof Crane said Dr Harbison had carried out a post-mortem on the deceased on April 17, 2001 and noted the child was well nourished. The child's scalp was swollen in two areas above the ears and there was bruising on the right side of his forehead, remarked Prof Crane. There was also swelling and bleeding

underneath the child's scalp at the back of the head, he said.

Prof Crane said there was multiple fractures on the deceased's skull and death had occurred rapidly.

The witness said that Dr Harbison had concluded that Nathan died from "gross brain damage with disruption of the brain" and the internal head injuries were consistent with the head impacting against a hard surface.

Prof Crane said it was his opinion that death was due to head injuries and the nature and severity of the child's head injuries could not have been caused accidentally by a fall. They were most likely caused by the head impacting against a hard, unyielding surface such as a wall or floor, he explained. In summary, the witness said there were at least three or four "forceful impacts" of the child's head against this hard surface.

Seirse O' Dunlaing BL, prosecuting, read the statement of Pat O'Brien, who worked for the ambulance service in Naas. Mr O'Brien said he received a call from a male non-national on the night of April 17. The man said he wanted an

ambulance for his child, who had fallen. An ambulance arrived at the scene at 4.43am, said the witness, adding that he later rang Naas Garda Station to inform gardai about suspicious circumstances surrounding the call.

Barry White SC, defending the accused, made a number of admissions of fact to the court yesterday (Tues) on behalf of his client including that the accused man caused fatal injuries to his son on April 17, 2001.

The court has heard that on the night of the killing, Ms Bailey and Nathan visited Mr Abdi in his apartment at Clane. Mr Abdi removed his son from his mother's bed around 4am and took him to the living room, where he locked the door and a number of loud bangs were subsequently heard. When Ms Bailey gained access to the room, the child's body was limp, his head was swollen and he had blood in his nose. Ms Bailey failed to find a pulse on her son.

In his opening address, prosecution counsel Seamus Clarke SC said Mr Abdi was tried before the Central Criminal Court in 2003 for the murder of his son and found him

guilty by a majority verdict.

Dr Damian Mohan, a consultant psychiatrist at the Central Mental Hospital (CMH), had given evidence on behalf of the prosecution at Mr Abdi's trial in 2003 and was not of the view he was suffering from paranoid schizophrenia, said Mr Clarke.

RETRIAL ORDERED

In February 2019, his appeal was heard in the Court of Appeal and a retrial was ordered on the basis of newly discovered facts, outlined Mr Clarke. Mr Clarke said these newly discovered facts were that when Mr Abdi was imprisoned for this offence in 2001, he was later brought to the CMH on a number of occasions, where in October 2013 it was determined that Mr Abdi was diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia.

"In the meantime, Dr Mohan has looked at the case and is of the view that Mr Abdi had early signs of paranoid schizophrenia in 2001," emphasised Mr Clarke, adding that the jury will hear evidence that the accused was legally insane in 2001.

The trial continues this week in Dublin.

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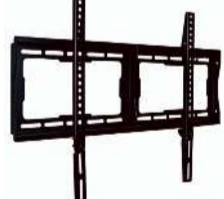






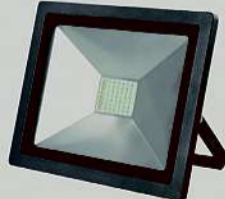

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NEWS

Shopper dashes her way to €580 of Christmas groceries in Lidl

Lucky Emma Dungan from Newbridge grabbed more than €580 worth of their Christmas shopping in a Lidl Trolley Dash at the Newbridge Store this week.

The Lidl Trolley Dash winner had just two minutes to do a 'Supermarket Sweep' style dash around the store, grabbing as much of their Christmas shopping as they could.

Among the items Emma selected was a large turkey as well as Deluxe Serrano Ham.

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Tickets were on sale for just €1 at Lidl checkouts across Ireland since November, with all proceeds going to Lidl's charity partner Jigsaw - the National Centre for Youth Mental Health.

As the National Centre for Youth Mental Health, Jigsaw provide a range of free mental health support services for young people between the ages of 12 and 25.

Jigsaw is an early intervention service, working with young people to prevent mental health issues. With services in 13 communities across Ireland and a dedicated advice and information website, young people, parents and their



Emma Dungan and her sister Linda Kane from Newbridge grabbed more than €582.60 worth of their Christmas shopping in a Lidl Trolley Dash at the Newbridge Store this week..

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guardians can benefit from the supports that Jigsaw provides.

To date, Jigsaw has supported over 26,000 young people across Ireland. Lidl Ireland's 2018 Trolley Dash raised a total of €213,045 for Jigsaw.

Deirdre Ryan, Head of Corporate Social Responsibility at Lidl Ireland & Northern Ireland said: "We are thrilled with the result of our Lidl Trolley Dash this year." Over four weeks, 162 Lidl stores

across the country have raised a significant amount of funds, 100% of which will be donated to our charity partner, Jigsaw.

"The proceeds will support the crucial work Jigsaw are doing with young people facing mental health issues, as well as their parents and guardians.

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NEWS

Intel supports Leixlip Meals on Wheels

Over 70 members of the Leixlip Meals on Wheels organisation visited Intel's campus for a special Christmas lunch last week.

The community meals were prepared at the Intel canteen and delivered by Intel volunteers so that each of the regular Meals and Wheels volunteers had a day off from their usual duties.

After the lunch, to coincide with the 30th anniversary celebration of Intel in Ireland, a special donation of €5000 was presented by Intel to the Leixlip Meals on Wheels group to help support their running cost over the coming year.

Intel Ireland General Manager, Eamonn Sinnott, joined the Meals on Wheels volunteers and remarked that the Meals on Wheels organisation is such a vital part of the local community.

Addressing the Meals on Wheels group, he added: "Each of you give so generously of your time to provide this important service to local people.

"We are delighted to be able to support your efforts and to recognise the wonderful work that you do all year

round".

This tradition between Intel and the local Meals on Wheels group began some 18 years ago and recognises the significant contribution that volunteer members of the Meals on Wheels organisation make all year round.

Meals on Wheels is a community based initiative that delivers meals to individuals in their homes who are unable to purchase or prepare their own meals.

Local volunteers come together to both prepare and deliver the food a number of times each week ensuring that hot, nutritious meals make their way from community kitchens to nearby homes.

Often those who are supported by Meals on Wheels are the elderly and vulnerable in a community for who this service is invaluable.

The Leixlip Meals on Wheels chapter was set up in 1977 and each week they cook and deliver over 100 dinners in the Leixlip and Confey areas.



ABOVE: Volunteers Hannah O'Hara and Lauren Carey

RIGHT: Pat Ryan and Jim Carroll



Young Conor Ryan from Naas pictured with Santa and his helper, Freya Cullen at Santa's visit and Christmas Party at Naas GAA, on Saturday, December 7



The Dempsey family, Damien and Gwen with kids, Ollie, Megan, and Emmeline



Megan and Damien Dempsey

SANTA VISITS NAAS GAA

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LEFT: Eamon, Katie, and Fionn Callaghan, with the Leinster Leader Cup



RIGHT: Leah and Andre Weinforth.



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NEWS

Sallins road safety group wins major national award

The Sallins Road Safety Action Group has won a major national award from the Road Safety Authority (RSA).

The group was victorious in the Education Community category and beat off competition from other entries around the country.

Road safety is a significant issue in the village due to the volumes of traffic passing through every day.

In 2018, Sallins Community Council set up a

Road Safety Action Group to educate the key audiences in the community — such as local residents, passing motorists, local authorities and the media — about the issue of road safety and to protect road users locally.

A total of 17 awards were presented by the RSA to individuals and organisations in recognition of their commitment and dedication to road safety at the ceremony. Master of Ceremonies at the event was

RTÉ's 'How's your Driving?', 'Now You See Me?' and Ireland AM presenter Simon Delaney.

Minister for Transport Shane Ross said: "Huge congratulations to everyone who received an award today, I'd also like to thank you for your passion and commitment to road safety."

"I recently attended the launch of the Christmas and New Year's road safety appeal at the National Rehabilitation Hospital, where we heard

from survivors of road traffic collisions. This served as an additional reminder of why it is so important that people embrace road safety education efforts in their communities.

"I would particularly like to commend Gráinne Kealy, not only in dealing with the aftermath and recovery from such a life-changing incident but in using her experience to raise awareness of road safety among young people. She is exceptionally brave and as such is so deserving of this award."

Liz O'Donnell, Chairperson of the RSA presented the awards said: "Every year, we at the Road Safety Authority are delighted to be given this opportunity to recognise those doing inspiring work and ensuring the road safety message is spread throughout schools, communities, organisations and beyond."

"I want to thank this year's winners for all they have accomplished to date. They are great reminders that small actions can make a big difference on our roads and can save lives — no matter how

old or young you are you can make a difference.

"Daniel Daly, a secondary school student from Co. Offaly, is an example of this. Despite his visual impairment he has found a way to make his community appreciate the needs of road users with specific challenges and made it a safer place. He is truly inspiring and is already a leader in his community."

Moyagh Murdock, CEO, Road Safety Authority said over 100 nominations were received from all over the country.

She added: "I'd like to thank each and every person that sent in an entry for an individual, schools, organisation or community initiative. Over the past few years, the judging panel and I have had the pleasure of reviewing the entries sent in from all over the country to our annual 'Leading Lights in Road Safety' Awards. The number and calibre of entries this year was outstanding and the judges had a very difficult task to select one winner in each category."

She continued: "Road safety is about keeping our

local communities safe. That's why we are recognising the great work being celebrated here today. From the roll out of a clever safe cycling initiative by Galway Cycle Bus, to the work done in Learn Early pre-school by teacher Claire Barden and her team, which ensures children learn road safety at a very young age. It is also important to recognise the work emergency services continue to do in educating communities about the harsh realities of road crashes. We honour them all today."

This year, 'Leading Lights in Road Safety Awards' were presented in the following categories: Education (Preschool, Primary, Secondary, Third Level, Community), Business, Emergency Services, Media, Road Safety Champion, Public Sector, CPC Trainer of the Year, Approved Driving Instructor, and the new category Sustainable Travel. The RSA also presented 'Special Recognition' Awards to a number of people or organisations who have demonstrated a commitment to road safety in their communities.

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Kildare man John O'Haire outside Focus Ireland's Coffee Shop, Temple Bar

A record total of 10,514 people are now homeless across Ireland and nearly 4,000 of these are children. Focus Ireland Services Strategy Manager and Kildare native **John O'Haire** writes about the deepening housing and homelessness crisis facing the country.

What does home mean to you? Many would say their home means comfort, safety, security.

Sadly, not everyone has this.

The harsh reality is that three families lost their home in Ireland today.

A number of individuals will have also become homeless on the same day. It's shocking that a record total of 10,514 people are now homeless and that nearly 4,000 are children.

There are now 184 adults homeless in Kildare, with 86 families homeless, including 191 children, in the Mid-East region, which includes Kildare, Meath and Wicklow. It is wrong that any family or individual has to suffer the trauma caused by losing their home.

One young mother Louise, who tells her story in our Christmas Appeal campaign tells how her family lost their home while she was pregnant. She was then homeless when her baby boy was born.

She said: "My little Luke was born at 5.02am. But the first call I made wasn't to family. It was to Focus Ireland."

I did not ever think that things could get this bad but they sadly have done.

I am glad to say we were able to help Louise and her family to find a home, but it is truly shocking that we are now seeing babies being born into homelessness. Hotel rooms are no place for newborn babies. The solution to this crisis is, in some ways, very simple- we need more housing and we need it now.

I know that thousands of people in Kildare are struggling to pay ever-rising rents and are finding it hard to save for a mortgage.

The building of more social and affordable housing in Kildare is vital if we are to help free up supply of private rented accommodation and reduce these skyrocketing costs.

Focus Ireland is not sitting on the sidelines of this crisis; we make a difference. In partnership with the State, and our generous supporters, we helped over 1,200 families to escape from homelessness and to secure a home in the last two years, much of this through the work of our Family Homeless Action Team.

We helped over 15,500 people in 2018 who were homeless or at risk and we're on track to help

even more this year. We also provide over 80 vital services nationwide and over 1,100 homes, including 26 homes in Kildare.

I am particularly proud as a Johnstownbridge-native that we been able to provide support services across Kildare, including essential mental health support services for people who are homeless or at risk.

We are also working hard to continue to develop realistic policy solutions to help end homelessness.

The current situation would be even worse without the vital services and housing we provide.

This means we really need public support now more than ever so we can be there when people need help the most. I am asking people to please give what they can afford to support our urgent Christmas appeal.

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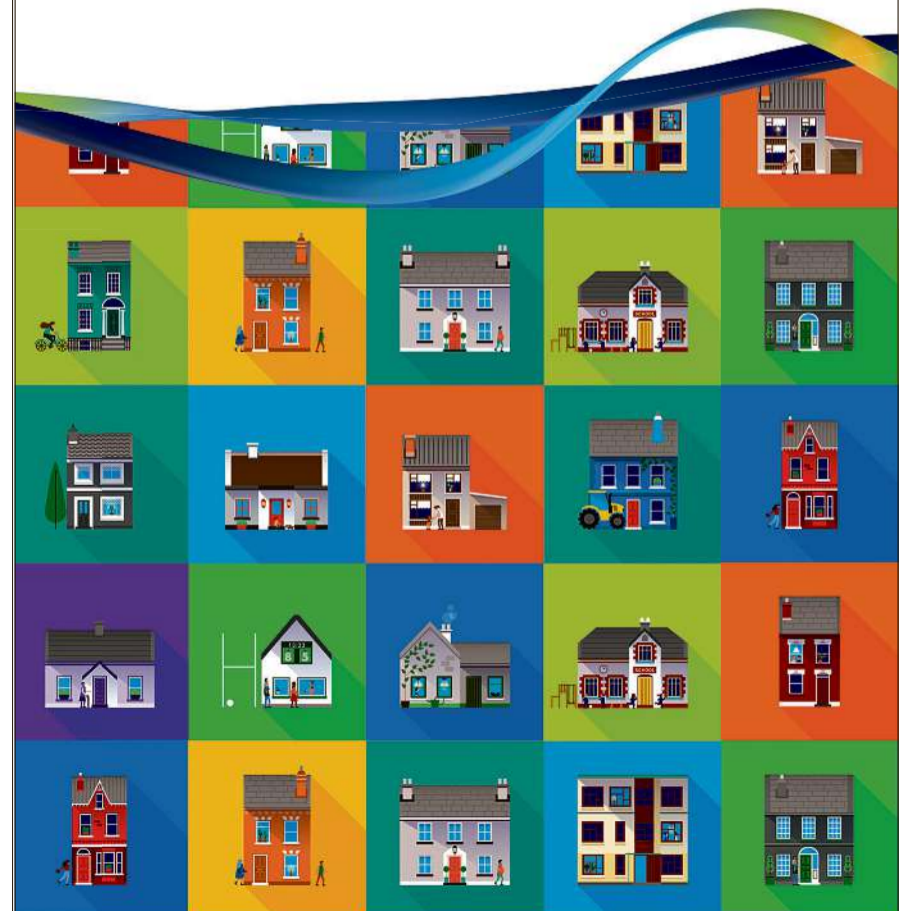
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The Fitzsimons family, Niamh and Robbie and Liam, Shay, and Eoin

SALLINS LIGHTS UP FOR CHRISTMAS

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It is a great market to visit and all the family will find something of interest. At the market, which is located entirely in the cosy warm lounge of Christy's, there will be a variety of local traders and crafters, with all kinds of goodies on sale at very reasonable prices.

This year, the organisers are especially pleased to announce that a new children's book has been published by one of their best supporters and committee members, Mary Grace, and that this (if you're lucky enough to get one!) beautiful illustrated book will have some autographed copies available — collectors' items for sure, telling the

adventures of a mischievous Irish Teddy Bear. Please drop in if you are passing, a warm welcome awaits you and the KWWSPCA will appreciate your support.

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On this weekend, Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 December, you can have a great family day out and choose your own Christmas tree at Moone Christmas Tree Farm in Moone, Co. Kildare, from 10am-4pm each day. Head down or up the Old Carlow Road to Moone and Timolin and you will see the signs. Phone 087 680 3295 for more information. The proceeds from the sale of these trees will be divided between the KWWSPCA and My Lovely Horse Rescue.

ART FOR ANIMALS

The KWWSPCA would like to thank the Ballymore Eustace Art Group for choosing the Society as its charity for its exhibition this year. At the Opening last Wednesday night there was a great buzz in the Ballymore

Inn, where the art work on display was amazing. Thanks to Tracy Piggott, a long time supporter of the KWWSPCA, who opened the exhibition and to the marvellous artists in Ballymore and beyond who have donated €1,000 so far resulting from sales' commission and the raffle.

"So much talent, and so supportive of our charity, thank you Ballymore Eustace Art Group!" said Sally McCaffrey of the KWWSPCA.

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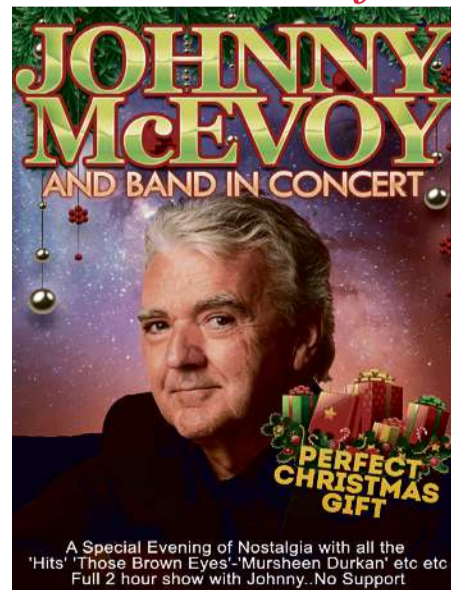
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NEWS

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There was a large attendance on Monday for an event to celebrate 65 years in business for Mary and Joe Fitzpatrick of Monasterevin.

The gathering was hosted at Killashee Hotel in Naas and included company management, staff and friends.

The Fitzpatrick company began with the foundation of Monasterevin Motors in 1954 and both Mary and Joe are still actively involved in the motor business to this day.

The family company has expanded and now includes several businesses in the Kildare and Dublin areas.

As well as Monasterevin Motors, the business empire also comprises JH Fitzpatrick Farm Machinery and Fitzpatrick's New Lodge in Monasterevin and Crossings Motor Centre - Toyota in Naas.

Also part of the group is Junction 14 Mayfield, Monread Fare, M3 Mulhuddart and the Lidon Group.

Sport commentator Mícheál Ó Muircheartaigh joined the celebrations to make a special presentation to Joe on the day



The anniversary cake



Above: Joe and Mary Fitzpatrick
Left: Management, staff and friends at the event

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OUT & ABOUT



Karen Wade, Miriam Fagan, Roisin Kehoe and Dave Smyth, carol singing with Naas Musical Society at Punchestown Racecourse last Sunday

NAAS MUSICAL SOCIETY GOES CAROLLING AT PUNCHESTOWN

Pictures: Aishling Conway



Jules and Scarlet McDermott



Mia De Bromhead and Pippa Roche



Members of Naas Musical Society who were out in Punchestown singing Christmas Carols



John Dooley and Dave O'Dowd from Naas Musical Society



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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PARKING ENFORCEMENT

Celbridge, Leixlip and Maynooth	There will be no general suspension of Pay Parking in Celbridge, Leixlip or Maynooth. Normal parking enforcement will continue over the Christmas period.
Newbridge	There will be no general suspension of Pay Parking in Newbridge except for the GAA car park ONLY where there will be free parking on Saturday 14, Friday 20 and Saturday 21 December 2019. Illegal parking will continue to be enforced in all areas over the Christmas period.
Kildare Town	There will be no general suspension of Pay Parking in Kildare Town, however, there will be three hours free parking (on street and Kildare County Council off-street car parks) between 9.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m. Monday - Friday, commencing Monday, 16 December until 9.00 a.m. on Thursday, 2 of January 2020. Payment for parking from 12.00 p.m. is required. Normal enforcement times of 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. Monday to Friday will recommence at 9.00 a.m. on Thursday, 2 January 2020. Illegal parking will continue to be enforced in all areas over the Christmas period.
Naas	There will be no general suspension of Pay Parking in Naas except at all Kildare County Council car parks (New Row, Fairgreen, Abbey Street, Hederman's car parks and Boyle's/Friary Road car park) where there will be free parking from 9.30 a.m. on Sunday, 1 December to Saturday, 29 December 2019 inclusive. Illegal parking will continue to be enforced in all areas over the Christmas period.
Athy	There will be free parking in Athy from 8.30 a.m. on Monday, 2 December 2019 until 8.30 a.m. on Thursday, 2 January 2020. Illegal parking will continue to be enforced in all areas over the Christmas period.

PARKING FINE PAYMENTS

Payment for fines issued on or after Tuesday, 24 December will not be available at the cash office, on-line or using the automated telephone service until Monday, 30 December 2019. Payment of fines issued on Wednesday, 1 January 2020 will not be available at the cash office, on-line or using the automated telephone service until Thursday, 2 January 2020. After this date, payments return to normal.

The members and staff of Kildare County Council wish all the people of the County a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

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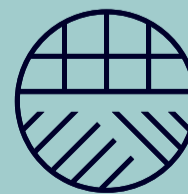


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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR ARRANGEMENTS

Our essential and emergency services will continue in operation all through the Christmas and New Year holiday period, protecting the health and safety of County Kildare's citizens. Some services will be subject to restrictions, and details of these appear below.

OFFICES OPENING HOURS

Friday, 20 December	Open from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Monday, 23 December	Open from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Tuesday, 24 – Friday, 27 December	Closed
Monday, 30 December	Open from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Tuesday, 31 December	Open from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Wednesday, 1 January	Closed
Thursday, 2 January – Friday, 3 January	Open From 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

EMERGENCIES

Should you need to contact us in an emergency or if you need our services outside of our opening hours you can reach us on **1890 500 333**

HOMELESS SERVICES OFFICE HOURS

Friday, 20 December	Open from 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.
Monday, 23 December	Open from 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.
Tuesday, 24 – Friday, 27 December	Closed
Monday, 30 December	Open from 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.
Tuesday, 31 December	Open from 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.
Wednesday, 1 January	Closed
Thursday, 2 January – Friday, 3 January	Open from 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.

HOMELESS SERVICES EMERGENCY NUMBER HOURS (1800 804 307)

Friday, 20 December	Operational 5.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.
Saturday, 21 – Sunday, 22 December	Operational 12.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Monday, 23 December	Operational 5.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.
Tuesday, 24 – Sunday, 29 December	Operational 12.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Monday, 30 to Tuesday, 31 December	Operational 5.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.
Wednesday, 1 January	Operational 12.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Thursday, 2 January – Friday, 3 January	Operational 5.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.

HAP CLINIC

Monday, 23 December	9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.
Tuesday, 24 – Friday, 27 December	Closed
Monday, 30 – Tuesday, 31 December	No clinic – all HAP enquiries to go to Level 3 Housing 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.
Wednesday, 1 January	Closed
Thursday, 2 – Friday, 3 January	9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.

LIBRARIES

Library Headquarters and all main libraries	
Monday, 23 December	Closed at 5.00 p.m.
Tuesday, 24 – Friday, 27 December	Closed
Saturday, 28 December	Normal Opening Hours
Monday, 30 – Tuesday, 31 December	Open until 5.00 p.m.
Wednesday, 1 January	Closed
Thursday, 2 – Friday, 3 January	Normal Opening Hours
For opening arrangements for part-time libraries please contact your local library directly or visit our website www.kildare.ie/library	

PLANNING

Please Note: The public planning counter will be open on **Monday, 30 December and Tuesday, 31 December between 9.30 a.m. and 12 noon** each day, but **CANNOT** accept planning applications, submissions etc. on these dates.

Monday, 23 December	9.30 a.m. to 12.00 (Noon)
Tuesday, 24 – Friday, 27 December	Closed
Monday, 30 – Tuesday, 31 December	9.30 a.m. to 12.00 (Noon)
Wednesday, 1 January	Closed
Thursday, 2 – Friday, 3 January	9.30 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

MOTOR TAX

Monday, 23 December	Open from 9.00 a.m. to 3.15 p.m.
Tuesday, 24 – Friday, 27 December	Closed
Monday, 30 December	Open from 9.00 a.m. to 3.15 p.m.
Tuesday, 31 December	Closed to public for annual stock-take
Wednesday, 1 January	Closed
Thursday, 2 – Friday, 3 January	Open from 9.15 a.m. to 3.15 p.m.

FINANCE / CASH OFFICE

Monday, 23 December	Open from 9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.
Tuesday, 24 – Friday, 27 December	Closed
Monday, 30 December	Open from 10.00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.
Tuesday, 31 December	Open from 10.00 a.m. to 3.30 p.m.
Wednesday, 1 January	Closed
Thursday, 2 – Friday, 3 January	Open from 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS RECYCLING

Christmas trees can be left for recycling at the following locations from Saturday, 4 January to Saturday, 18 January 2020:

- Athy, Meeting Lane
- Clane, GAA Club
- Maynooth, Council Depot, Leinster Street
- Naas, Fairgreen
- Newbridge, Council Nursery, Naas Road
- Monasterevin Soccer Club, Barrett Park, Canal Road (**open to the public on Saturday, 4 and Saturday, 11 January only**)

The two Kildare recycling centres operated by A.E.S. (Bord na Mona) will open as follows:

Date	Silliot Hill (Kilcullen) (Tel: 045 482229)	Athy (Gallows Hill) (Tel: 059 8640657)
Monday, 23 December	8.00 a.m. to 3.45 p.m.	Closed
Tuesday, 24 December	8.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.	Closed
Wednesday, 25 – Thursday, 26 December	Closed	Closed
Friday, 27 – Saturday, 28 December	8.00 a.m. to 3.45 p.m.	9 a.m. to 3.45 p.m.
Sunday, 29 December	Closed	Closed
Monday, 30 January	8.00 a.m. to 3.45 p.m.	Closed

Don't forget to recycle all your glass bottles, jars and drink cans at your nearest recycling bank- check www.mywaste.ie for all sites. Please remember not to leave any boxes or bags at these sites and if the banks are full, do not leave any glass or cans around the banks. We will be working to maintain these sites over the Christmas period but need your assistance in doing so.

If you want to report banks that are full, or to report any littering incidents, call the FREEPHONE Litter Line on 1800 243 143.



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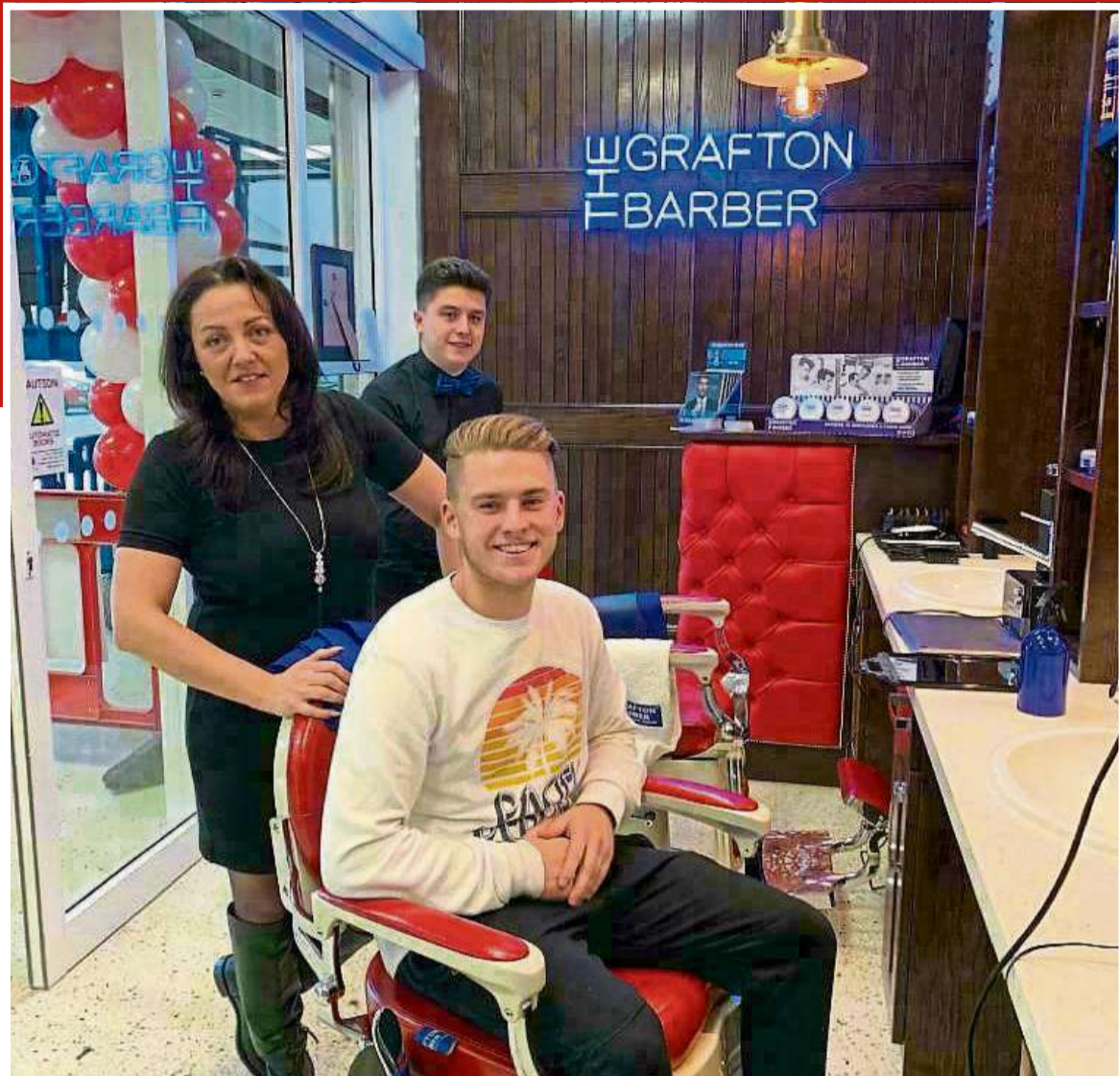
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Tel: 01 629 3528. Opening Times: Monday – Wednesday: 9:30am – 6:30pm; Thursday: 9:30am – 7:30pm; Friday: 9:30am – 6:30pm; Saturday: 9am – 6pm; Sunday: 11pm – 5pm.



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Slippers:

If you treasure your down time, the Toms range of slippers will not disappoint. The understated yet stylish birch sweater knit Ivy slippers (€49.99) are like a cosy jumper on your feet, and the Ivy Rose cloud pom pom slippers come in rose and black for a dash of fun (€49.99).

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Party feet:

A high sandal works perfectly for those Christmas looks that are all about glamour. Take a look at Unisa's black satin sandal with corsage (€129.99) or Menbur's silver high heel

sandal (€69.99). If a classic pointed toe is your preferred style Unisa Black patent pointed toe court will be your go to shoe right through the party season, at just €109.99.

For an instant injection of colour and glamour, Marian's suede court comes in the jewel tones of Kelly green and cobalt blue (€139.99) – it also comes in classic black. The leopard court comes in two heel heights, perfect for day or night (€129.99).

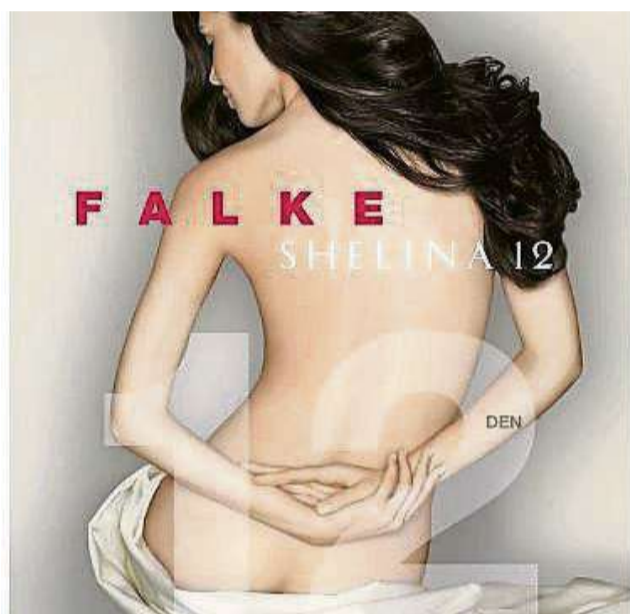
Or if you prefer flat shoes for a Christmas dinner, or to dance the night away, take a look at Fabucci's fab Marco Moreo leather loafers at €185.



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Olga Berg black leopard sequin clutch Kaela €69.99



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LIFESTYLE



Rosanna Davison will judge the Best Dressed at Naas Racecourse on January 5

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Rosanna Davison's top tips for the best glamorous fashion and style on the turf at Naas Racecourse

Model, best-selling author, nutritionist and new mother — she and husband Wes Quirke recently welcomed their first baby Sophia via surrogacy — Rosanna Davison has given her top tips ahead of one of the biggest winter racing fashion events of the new year, as she prepares to take a central role in the Grade 1 Lawlor's of Naas Novice Hurdle and Winter's Ladies Day at Naas Racecourse on Sunday, January 5.

The Grade 1 Lawlor's of Naas Novice Hurdle is the first major race of 2020 and will have a total prize fund of €90,000. It is a great indicator of what horses are set to make waves on the racing scene over the remainder of the season.

Rosanna will be the celebrity judge for the Best Dressed Lady competition on the day, which promises to deliver some amazing prizes to the lucky winner and those who are named as runner-up.

The best dressed lady on the day will win a luxurious Suite stay at Lawlor's of Naas Town Centre Hotel, €1,500 worth of hairdressing and accessories from Alan Keville for Hair and a €1,500 voucher from Residence Day Spa in Naas. There will also be hair and spa vouchers

from the two fashion partners for four runners up on the day as well as a voucher for lunch for two in Lawlor's Bistro.

Rosanna will be supported in her search for stylish, 'winter glam' outfits by a representative of each of the fashion sponsors and by Anna Fortune, commercial manager of the Leinster Leader and Kildare Post who is the media partner for the race day.

Speaking ahead of the big day, Rosanna said "Due to the time of year, I will be keeping an eye out for those who are able to combine comfort and warmth with style. I think people always look their best when they are at ease in what they are wearing".

Here are Rosanna's five top tips ahead of the Grade 1 Lawlor's of Naas Novice Hurdle and Winter's Ladies Day.

Dress for the weather

Wear something that you know you will be comfortable in for a winter race meet. Racewear should be elegant and classy and keep you warm. Always remember that a dress isn't your only choice when it comes to dressing for the races, you can always opt for an elegant



jumpsuit or a trouser suit.

Accessories

Ladies should take advantage of

accessories such as hats, scarves and gloves to top off their outfit with some 'winter glam'.

Wear something on your head

The style of hat for this time of year can vary greatly so you can have a bit of fun with that, but if hats aren't your thing you could possibly wear a fascinator, head piece or elegant hair accessory.

Colour

It might be January, but you can always bring a little colour to the track. Garments such as a nice bright scarf can provide colour and a little warmth.

Think about your footwear

Choosing footwear for the races is always one of the most important decisions. Do not wear anything with a taller heel than you're used to.

Winter boots can be stylish, warm and elegant, as can classic court shoes. Maybe best to avoid strappy sandals, think about the weather and your own comfort!

There are seven races on the card on January 5. The first race goes to post at 12.50pm. Admission tickets are €15 and a range of hospitality packages are also available. For further information, to purchase tickets or hospitality packages call Naas Racecourse on 045 897391 or visit www.naasracecourse.com



Sarah McDermott, Aoife Byrne



Ellis O'Brien, Siobhan Logan. pictured at Renew Skin Clinic, Naas, Christmas celebration on Thursday night, December 5, at the clinic's new premises in the Moat Mall

RENEW SKIN CLINIC CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS AT ITS NEW NAAS PREMISES

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GALA CONCERT IN TOUGHERS IN SUPPORT OF PAT TINSLEY PICTURES: AISHLING CONWAY



Leinster Academy of Dance performing at the night for Pat Tinsley in Tougher's last Saturday. Well-known photographer Pat, from Newbridge, has been diagnosed with a hereditary form of amyloidosis. The night, organised by his friend David Timmons, featured a 'who's who' of Newbridge entertainment with singers, musicians and a raffle.



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OUT & ABOUT

Ballymore Eustace community celebrates with centenarian Eithne Daly

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The red carpet was literally laid out for Ballymore woman, Eithne Daly, last weekend as she celebrated her 100th birthday on December 5. Saturday last saw the local Resource Centre dressed for a community reception for Eithne, where a red carpet, royal chair and photographic display were laid out by local business woman, Elizabeth Deegan. An open invitation was issued to the wider community and from 2-5.30pm, hundreds of people drifted into the parish hall to pay tribute to this remarkable woman.

Eithne is remarkable in that she is still hale and hearty, lives independently, keeps a little flock of hens – and is still washing the club jerseys (three sets) for Ballymore Eustace GFC! Only last year, she told the Kildare Post, her son said “The battery is running flat, Ma – well it’s never been replaced. I think they just wanted me off the road!”

Indeed, Eithne’s late introduction to driving is hilarious; after her husband Joe died, she finally plucked up the courage and put the key into the ignition of the car locked up in the garage. “All I did the first day was turn on the engine. A few days later, I moved the gear stick and found reverse. It was ages before I tried to move it but eventually I did and into the field behind. I’d say Cookes up the road could smell the clutch being burnt out as I did some ‘practice’. I probably burnt out a few clutches since!”

But drive she did, and as with every phase of her life, she tackled whatever came her way and never wanted for ought nor felt she missed out on anything.

Born Eithne Mulvanny to parents Mary and John, she grew up in Paddenstown, three miles from Ballynacargy, Co Westmeath, with four brothers and two sisters. Joe hailed from Mabrista, in Ballinagore, near Kilbeggan.

Hilariously, her first date with her future husband, the late Joe Daly, was an accidental double date.

“I was helping my sister out after she gave birth to twins. A grand chap, McLoughlin I think was his name, asked me to a dance and I agreed. But he got delayed attending to a job on the farm. Joe Daly came into my sister’s house in the

meantime, he was going to the dance too so Joe says ‘come with me’. I didn’t care who I went with, we were dancing away when the other fella arrived and glared at me.

“Out of good manners, I went home with my original date, and passed a polite 10 minutes chatting to him while Joe hid up in the loft and after yer man left, Joe came down and we stayed yapping for an hour. There was no hanky panky in them days so don’t go thinking that! We dated for seven years before we married, and up to the day he died, we were still a couple of lovebirds, we were happy out. Lord, I miss him still”.

Eithne’s childhood and all her life is a tale of self sufficiency. Growing up, she says the family grew turnips, potatoes, onions, mangles for the cattles, oats, etc. “We had our own wheat, made our own brown bread on the open fire; I was a dab hand at making the butter – my brothers all took off when they saw my mother take out the hand churn, it was hard work but I enjoyed it”.

After marrying Joe, the couple went to work on a farm, not far from Tallaght, which was all farmlands in those days, before they eventually came to work at Booth’s in Ballymore Eustace.

“At that time we had Tommy, our eldest son. Joe ran the farm and I did the milking, about 50-70 cows. I had a name for everyone of them, I brought them in three by three, washed their udders and linked them up to the milking machines. I’d have the next three ready, and sure they knew me so well, they were like pets, the minute they’d see the light switched

on in the milking parlour, they’d queue up in line.

“I’d prepare the next three, and I did that twice a day, at 5am and again in the evening. Hard work never killed anyone and I honestly believe the reason I have such good health is that I spent so much time outside in the great outdoors”.

A second son arrived, Liam, and both were keen GAA fans, the late Joe also having been a talented hurler. When Tommy complained one day that a jersey he played in felt damp, Eithne offered to wash the children’s jerseys. Within a few years, Michael Lawlor asked her to wash the senior jerseys “with a few bob in it for you”. At one stage, she washed six sets of jerseys for the club and she was renowned for her ferocious care of the local GAA jerseys –

woe betide anyone who had a number missing or an item returned with a tear! She still looks after the senior jerseys to this day.

Her life is one of hard work and she utilised her skills to boost the family income, renowned for her knitting. Her son Liam noted she often stayed up all night contract knitting. After she and the late Joe bought a family home at Morganstown, she took up the role as housekeeper to a neighbouring widower, the late Brendan Headon of Sillagh and his four children.

When Brendan remarried, and young Mark and Laura arrived, Eithne continued in her role as housekeeper. At last Saturday’s community celebration, she was joined by her sons Tommy and Liam, her six grandchildren,

daughter in law Jackie, and tribe of great grandchildren, along with family from Westmeath. Notably, the extended Headon family were present, as were her many friends from Ballymore Eustace GFC. The senior team arrived clad in their jerseys as washed by Mrs

Daly; she was totally overcome when club Chair Natasha Graham presented her with a framed club jersey, Number 100.

A fitting end to the celebrations for 100 year old Eithne Daly, who is regarded so highly within the parish.



Eithne Daly with her two sons Tommy and Liam Daly



Mrs Eithne Daly is presented with a club jersey on the week of her 100th birthday from Ballymore Eustace GFC. Photographed here with the senior team at a community reception in the Resource Centre



Eithne Daly with Fiona Kerr, Anne Smith, Laura Smith, Mark Headon, Ann Headon and Victor Croke and Hayden Smith



Eithne Daly with her grandchildren Ed, Max, Fiona, Holly, Katy and Erica Flynn

PICTURES: AISHLING CONWAY



Eithne Daly from Ballymore Eustace 100th Birthday with family members



The youngest member of the community Meabh Robothom held by Eithne Daly who turned 100



Eithne Daly pictured with her friends and neighbours



Eithne Daly with Coleman Mooney, Mary Foster and Margaret Mooney



Eithne Daly and Maggie Dowling



Rose Barrett O'Donoghue (Editor Kildare Post and Kildare Now) with Garda Jim Lacey



Eithne Daly with Aidan and Matthew McNamara



Garda Jim Lacey with Eithne Daly



Edrina Browne with Mrs Daly and Elizabeth Deegan, hairdresser and the person responsible for dressing the hall on Saturday for Mrs Daly community reception



Eithne Daly and John Murphy

LIFESTYLE

New high-tech chair offers relaxation for body and mind at revamped Osprey Spa

Laura Coates enjoyed a relaxing session in the new BrainLight chair at the revamped Osprey Spa in Naas

“Fancy a brain massage?”

The invitation from the Osprey Spa bounced into the office — and, in fairness — who could turn down a summons like that? Out of curiosity, if nothing else, dear reader, I felt it was my duty to go investigate this new form of relaxation for body and mind which has landed at the newly-revamped Naas spa.

The Osprey Spa has recently installed a BrainLight 4D Shiatsu Massage Chair. When you use it, you'll get to experience some deep Shiatsu and Swedish massage, combined with a mind experience that promises to decrease stress and anxiety, help your long-term memory, relax you and which claims to be a substitute for up to two hours of sleep.

If you haven't been at the Osprey Spa for a couple of years, it's definitely worth a fresh look. Sure, it's a noted destination for weekend girlie breaks and hen parties, but this urban retreat has got quite a lot to offer Kildare locals nipping in too.

It was given a €1.2 million makeover under celebrity architect Hugh Wallace, which opened last year, and is now a quiet oasis of gorgeous-smelling luxury with a mix of Irish and Scandi-style design. These days it's even got a separate elevator upstairs from the leisure centre, so you don't get the guilts passing the treadmills or weights room while on the way to your luxury spa treatment!

Robe and fluffy slippers on, I slathered myself in the complimentary Voya handcream in the dressing

room — it's great to see them supporting Irish with the liberal use of this Sligo brand everywhere in the spa. Before my treatment, I wound down for a bit while tucked up in a fluffy blanket on a day bed in the relaxation room — I'll be honest, I could have nodded off and stayed there for a couple of hours.

But it was time to get introduced to the BrainLight chair. It's tucked into a small, private treatment room just off the reception area, which is reassuring, as you are alone during your session, but in easy earshot of assistance if you need it.

And then the chair itself. It's huge — no recliner with a back roller this.

I was handed some large, comfortable headphones and a special eye mask, before I sat down into the chair and was tucked up warm with a blanket.

I sat down. In fact, I was rather enveloped legs, head, back and sides by this high-tech chair.

The treatment, which lasts around half an hour, starts with a Shiatsu massage. Again, it's not a

mechanical back roll like you'd get at the hairdressers. It was like nothing I'd experienced before. The chair seems to adjust itself to your proportions — enveloping and squeezing and kneading, firm but never to the point where it feels strange or uncomfortable. As an aside, I tested to see if I could get out of the chair quickly if I felt uncomfortable — which would be an important thing to note for someone who might worry about becoming claustrophobic — and that wasn't a problem.

But back to that glorious massage. My legs were squeezed, my back kneaded with nobbles and my bottom occasionally wobbled from side to side (does that sound dodgy? It wasn't!). Great for getting out knots and strains.

All the while, soothing natural water-type sounds were playing on the headphones. You can pick your own programme to target different areas or needs, and I enjoyed the general chill-out and relaxation one.

Then the second part of the programme kicked in. Having been nicely kneaded and relaxed, the chair then reclined automatically and I stretched out, and lights started flickering behind the mask. You're told to keep your eyes closed for the whole treatment, so it looks like there's sparks or fireflies dancing behind your eyelids.

You can discern patterns and waves, and it's certainly different — like having your own fireworks show behind your eyes.

Whatever about the



The BrainLight chair at the Osprey Spa, Naas

chair's claims to aid your memory and help you access your subconscious, I can certainly attest that I floated out of the Osprey Spa on a little cloud of relaxation.

It definitely leaves you feeling mentally well rested and reinvigorated for the rest of the day — and the Shiatsu massage chair worked wonders on those knots in my back and legs.

The experts recommend a series of sessions in the chair to see long-term sustained benefits.

The Osprey Spa has an introductory offer of three sessions in the BrainLight chair for €60, which works out at a very fair €20 a go — it's a great-value way to spend a couple of hours, particularly when combined with some 'me' relaxing with a magazine in the Spa's relaxation room. Alternatively, if you're pressed for time you could be in-and-out in around half an hour, and feel rejuvenated for the rest of the day at the end of it.

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George McGrath, MC of Pallas Marketing putting Danny Boland through his paces



BALLYMORE EUSTACE GFC PRESENTS THE CHASER

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Beaming smiles from Amy Horan and Oonagh Deegan, BME ladies team



Jasmin McCaul and Danny Gorman, senior club player

Cinta and Tom O'Rourke who was one of the Chasers on the night



Brendan and Jason Sinclair with Sheena Hubbard, senior ladies player



Alan Fahey and Alan Gilroy at Tulfarris on Friday 29 November for the Ballymore Eustace Chaser fundraiser



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Rooney family, Annmarie and Shane with kids, Adam, Dylan, and Rian enjoying Christmas fun at the Clanard Court Hotel, Athy, o last weekend

Out & About

SANTA'S MAGICAL TRAIL AT THE CLANARD COURT HOTEL

Pictures: TONY KEANE



Santa's Elves, Caoimhe Kelly, Jessica Mageean, and Zoe Harris, at Santa's Magical Trail, Christmas 2019, at the Clanard Court Hotel, Athy, Friday, December 6. PHOTO TONY KEANE



James, Vicky, and Robert Levis



Santa's helper, 'Bubbles McJingles' with Sarah Hurley and Suzanne Kelly



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Classic Blue is Colour of the Year

The 'Pantone Colour Institute' is a world leader in the world of colour and provides colour trend forecasting and colour insights for both the Fashion and Interiors sectors. Every year the Pantone Institute announce their colour in December for the following year.

This year Pantone followed up on 2019's 'Living Coral' by selecting 'Classic Blue' as the colour of the year for 2020. Pantone's 'Classic Blue' is described by Pantone as a "reassuring presence instilling calm, confidence and connection". Personally, I'm very excited about this colour as it's a colour I already love to specify in my interior design schemes. It's versatile and works well as a bold statement in a painted kitchen or bookcase but also equally well as an accent colour.

Announced on the 4th December, Pantone add that "associated with the return of another day, this universal favourite is comfortably embraced" as it "brings a sense of peace and tranquillity to the human spirit, offering refuge, according to Pantone.

Leatrice Eiseman, Executive Director of the Pantone Colour Institute



Akina Indigo Rug from Aspire Design

describes colour as "a boundless blue evocative of the cast and infinite evening sky, Pantone 19-4052 Classic Blue encourages us to look beyond the obvious and expand our thinking.; challenging is to think more deeply, increase our perspective and open the flow of communication".

"We are living in a time that requires trust and faith" Leatrice added. "It is this kind of constancy and confidence that is expressed by Pantone 19-4052 Classic Blue, a solid dependable blue hue we can always rely on".

The annual colour announced every December by Pantone is chosen based on "what is taking place in our global culture at a moment in time". For over 20 years, Pantone's Colour of the Year has influenced product development and purchasing decisions in multiple industries, including fashion, home furnishings, and industrial design, as well as product packaging and graphic design.

If you are wondering how to incorporate this colour in your home, then you could consider using this colour in upholstery like sofas and headboards.

Classic Blue is also the perfect colour choice for a kitchen island or for a stylish dresser.

Another way to introduce this colour is a statement wallpaper, like our Sumba wallcovering in cobalt with its eye-catching exotic bamboo and flashes of sophisticated metallic.

Accessories like scatter cushions, rugs, artwork, bedlinen and glassware are also great ways to add Pantone's Colour of the Year 'Pantone 19-4052 Classic Blue' into your existing interior schemes.

INSPIRATION

I hope you have found this week's column interesting and that I have given you some inspiration on how you can introduce 'Pantone 19-4052 Classic Blue' into your home in 2020. Remember if there is a topic that you would like covered in my weekly interiors column in 2020 then please drop me a line with your suggestions.

Thanks, Louise. Winner of TV3's Showhouse Showdown, 0863999926 info@aspire design.ie or info@perfectheadboards.ie



Home Library by Aspire Design using Classic Blue



Home Office by Aspire Design in Classic Blue



Pantone Colour of the Year 2020 - Classic Blue



Pantone Colour of the Year 2020 - Classic Blue Swatch



Sumba Wallcovering from Aspire Design at €127.50 per roll



Sudari Indigo Rug from Aspire Design



Kitchen island in Classic Blue

Long-standing Christmas tradition glistens at TJ O'Mahony Plus Prosperous

Festive cheer was in full swing at TJ O'Mahony Plus (formally McCarthy's Hardware) in Prosperous, where they hosted their annual Christmas event in store on Thursday, November 28.

A bumper crowd enjoyed festive nibbles from the new in-store café, while a visit from the Snow Queen was a huge favourite amongst the kids. Added to that there was an exquisite choir performance from the One Voice Allenwood Contemporary Choir, which certainly set the festive tone for the night that officially marks the start of Christmas.

SENSE OF COMMUNITY

Store manager Eugene Williams said: "There is a deep sense of community in Prosperous and we look forward to this event every year, where amongst the beautiful surroundings of our Christmas shop we get the opportunity to share an evening of festivities with our Customers.

"Thanks to everyone who joined us on the night".



Young Jack Cregg from Naas tries on a Christmas hat. PICTURES: TONY KEANE



Eileen McNamee, Ballyteague, and Mary Brennan, Robertstown.



Willow Smullen



Barry and Noleen Cregg with kids Jack and Conor from Naas



Maureen and Pierre Moore, Prosperous



Niamh O'Mahony, Anna Price, Aoileann and Orlaith O'Mahony.



Colm and Sarah Creaven with kids, Cara and Conor, Coll Dubh.



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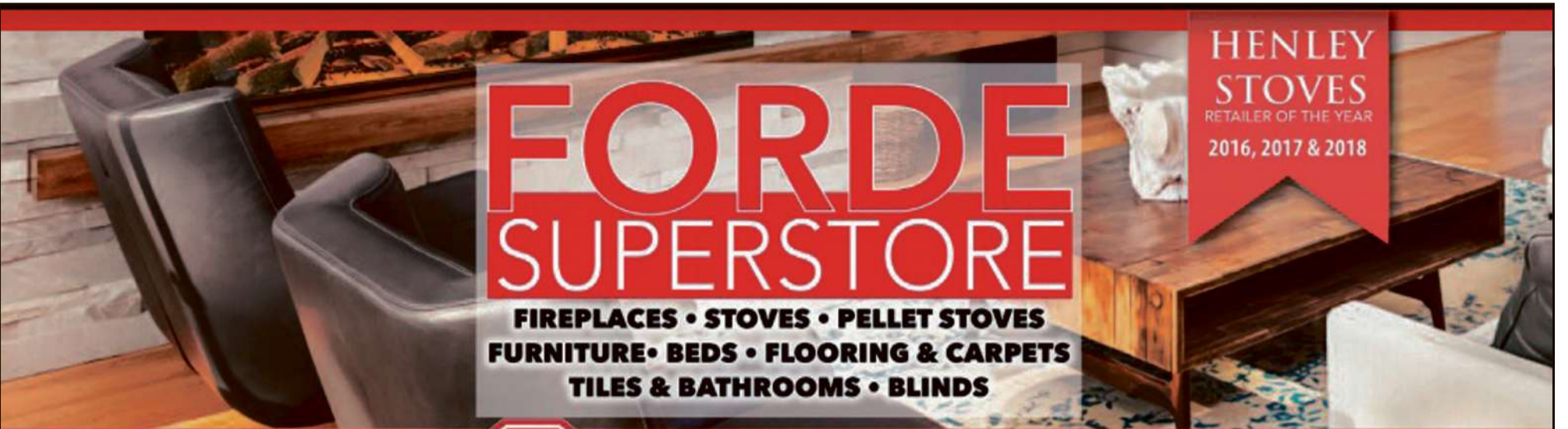
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A busy but very satisfying year

We are going to end this year the way it started, on a real high note, thoroughly exhausted but extremely happy and especially proud of all the team as we are running in towards the festive period aiming to keep all our customers happy with some beautiful gardens, lots of deliveries around the country still to do before now and then and a nursery packed to the gills with some beautiful trees, hedging and lots of specimens.

Looking back on this year it has been our biggest and best to date with some real highlights, working with lots of our wonderful clients on their residential gardens and also working with some fabulous designers and architects on their projects.

Working with interior designers which was new for us but when you think about it, they do the same as we do inside and working with them, seeing how they do such amazing work on the interiors of houses and taking that to the next step and bringing some of that same style to the garden was amazing, it meant we had to take the lead from the interior architect as their colour palette and style could then flow from inside to out and this tested us sometimes and made us think outside the box but we thoroughly enjoyed it.

We worked on some very prestigious gardens too as well as working all around Ireland from gardens in Cork and Clare to Wexford and up to Belfast.

We worked on plenty more hotels, which we always really love. Back to The Galgorm in Ballymena as they are always working on their gardens, we put in new gardens at hotels and restaurants from Ballina to Citywest, we redesigned some of the gardens at the Mullingar Park Hotel, built a new garden at the Westgrove Hotel, we worked with The Conrad Hotel and Palmerstown Hotel as well as some of our favourites that we have worked on for plenty of years including Killashee House Hotel.

In the last couple of weeks we worked with a designer on Powerscourt Hotel in Wicklow which was just a pleasure and we also supplied our plants into a private Castle.

This year we have worked with more racecourses than ever before — Naas Racecourse which we work with every year and supplying the Curragh as part of their

redevelopment. We also did a wonderful project alongside a local landscape architect, Anthony Ryan, with Punchestown Racecourse, and the project was not only great to work on but it really is looking stunning.

We opened our Nursery Park too this year which has been probably one of our biggest success stories to date and we took on another designer and opened our train into a new design studio and we had the pleasure of welcoming so many of our customers past and present to be at the opening of these in July - what a year!

We always take pleasure in working with our chosen charity Barretstown and this year we have built them a new garden and

supplied them with colour and greenery for events leading up to and around their birthday celebrations and was lucky enough to be invited to this event where we met no other than Hillary Rodham Clinton amongst others. We are just about to start another project with Barretstown which we can't wait to show you in the coming weeks.

It is always great to look back on the year, when it happens it goes by in the blink of an eye but when you get chance to sit back and look at what we have achieved in the year it does fill us with pride and we are not finished yet - still some wonderful gardens to show you over the next week few weeks before we take a break for the Christmas and New year period!



A rooftop garden in Dublin city



Rugby star Jamie Heaslip helps to launch the Nursery Park at Caragh Nurseries

Mercedes-Benz GLB brings seven-seat option to compact SUV segment

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With the launch of their new GLB – which arrives on the market here early 2020 – Mercedes-Benz has raised its SUV range offering to an entirely new level of desirability.

One of 22 newcomers from the luxury carmaker that are set to arrive here in 2020, its appeal has been made even greater with the availability of a 7-seater version that is likely to prove attractive to families with children to transport.

Whilst remaining within the current eight-strong Mercedes-Benz compact car family – alongside the A-Class, A-Class Saloon, B-Class, CLA Coupé, CLA Shooting Brake and GLA – the new GLB blows open the definition of a compact car by offering exceptional levels of spaciousness and passenger capacity not naturally associated with its category.

The first Mercedes-Benz in its class to offer a third row, 7-seat option, the additional two bucket seats, both fully retractable, provide comfortable seating for

passengers up to a height of 1.68m. Second row seats split 40:60.

In the same spaciousness vein, the GLB has plenty of room in all dimensions. At 2,829 millimetres, it has the longest wheelbase of Mercedes-Benz's current compact generation. Front headroom is 1,069mm. At 967mm, rear legroom in the five-seat version is said to be 'especially comfortable'.

Powerful proportions - distinctive exterior design

Poised to become a potent contender in its segment, the new GLB is helped by its many unique and attractive characteristics – not least a pedigree that has energised the sales of Mercedes-Benz generally and led to some seven million vehicles in its class being delivered since the A-Class was introduced twenty-two years ago.

Powerful in its proportions, the GLB comes with a distinctive exterior that points to the off-road focus of its design. This is evident in its upright front section, striking headlamps, and short front and rear overhangs. Optional is 4MATIC all-wheel drive and a special



off-road light which helps detect obstacles in front of the vehicle at low speeds.

Available in three design and equipment lines, Style, Progressive and AMG, the various GLB model options also include a Night Package in which high-gloss black highlights are applied give it a distinctive allure.

An exclusive boldly coloured Edition 1 model is also available in

the first year after market launch. Inside, GLB will have a distinctly high-quality interior whose off-road design influences are reflected in its instrumentation and controls elements, steering column, aluminium-look dashboard, doors and centre console highlights.

Fitted with the acclaimed MBUX user experience system, its various other features include two 7-inch

instrument cluster and media displays with touch screen facility; a sports steering wheel with touch control buttons, and a USB port and Bluetooth connection for telephone and audio.

Optional feel-good comfort elements include lighting, musical moods and seat massages feature.

Contact **Fitzpatrick's Mercedes-Benz in Kildare town on 045 533333.**

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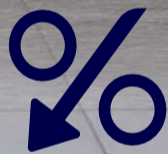
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Significant Further Information/Revised Plans have been furnished to the Planning Authority in respect of this proposed development and are available for inspection or purchase at the offices of the planning authority during its public open hours. A submission or observation in relation to the significant further information or revised plans may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee within 2 weeks (within 5 weeks if the application is accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment Report) from receipt of new notices by the Planning Authority (this fee is not applicable to persons who made original observations/submissions).

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Celebrating the birth of the iconic Mazda MX-5, Mazda unveiled a 30th Anniversary Edition MX-5 at the 2019 Chicago Motor Show, three decades after its debut at the very same motor show in 1989. With global production limited to 3000 models, only 10 units will be available in Ireland, and these will be sold in selected authorised Mazda dealerships.

Strikingly Unique

After 30 years and more than one million units sold, Mazda feels that the MX-5 has grown into more than simply Mazda's creation. It now belongs to the enthusiasts around the world who have supported the development of the model and helped it become the world's best-selling two-seater roadster. Launched as both a tribute to these MX-5 fans and as a mark of the high hopes the firm has for the future of its sports car, the 30th Anniversary Edition is exclusively offered in the newly developed Racing Orange body paint, a strikingly vivid colour that marks out this special MX-5.

Distinctive Features

In addition to Racing Orange, the MX-5 30th Anniversary Edition features forged aluminium 'Rays' wheels developed exclusively for the MX-5 in co-operation with Rays Co Ltd. and a 30th anniversary badge displaying the model's serial number. Other unique features include orange brake calipers with Nissin brakes on the rear, and Brembo brakes on



the front wheels. Inside, the bespoke feel continues with orange accents on the seats, door trim, dashboard, steering wheel, air vents and gear lever, while Recaro seats and Alcantara on the door trim and instrument panel add a sense of exclusivity. The 30th Anniversary Edition also features Apple Carplay and Android Auto as standard.

Outstanding Petrol Engine;

The 30th Anniversary MX-5 features the new 184PS (181bhp) version of the 2.0-litre Skyactiv-G petrol engine, and is available only as the roadster body-type. This engine is one of the greatest four-cylinder

motors you can buy. Silky-smooth, it starts up with a fruity growl and is likeable in everyday use, but really comes alive when the accelerator pedal is pushed towards the floor. The engine revs all the way around the rev-counter to 7,500rpm, and is responsible for making a superb car even better than ever before. This range-topping special edition comes with a six-speed manual gearbox, Bilstein dampers, strut-brace and a limited slip differential.

Pure Driving Enjoyment

The Mazda MX-5 enhances the pure joy of driving with a superior power-to-weight ratio,



rear-wheel drive, and more comfort and technology than ever before. Mazda's signature KODO (Soul of Motion) design gives the new Mazda MX-5 a more aggressive and sculptured look, while retaining the classic coupe cues of a sleek bonnet, set-back seating and a short rear overhang. In fact, one look at the new Mazda MX-5 is enough to set pulses racing. The new Mazda MX-5 has perfect 50:50 weight balance, and a lower centre of gravity, giving it the advantage of responding precisely as the driver intends.

Test Car

My MX-5 30th Anniversary Edition test car turned heads wherever I drove, while performance

from the engine was never an issue. Producing 181bhp and 205Nm of torque, the car is capable of sprinting from 0-100km/h in just 6.5-seconds, and can achieve a top speed of 205km/h – where permitted. Claimed fuel consumption of 6.9l/100km on a combined driving cycle seems realistic, while an annual road tax disc will cost €570. The MX-5 is lighter than most cars on the road, and this is reflected in the precision of the steering, the light clutch, and the enjoyable short-throw gearbox. Standard specification in this special edition MX-5 is superb, and includes features such as multiple airbags, alarm, immobiliser, twin exhausts, piano black fashion bars, piano black door mirrors,

LED headlights with LED daytime running lights & auto height control, rain & light sensor, rear parking sensors, keyless entry, automatic air-conditioning, cruise control, multimedia commander, integrated Bluetooth, Apple CarPlay and Android Auto, heated Recaro seats with integrated BOSE speakers, and a multi-function steering wheel, along with a suite of advanced safety features.

Verdict & Pricing

With its unique detailing, generous equipment levels, exclusivity, and bold Racing Orange paint, the Mazda MX-5 30th Anniversary Edition is the perfect way to celebrate three decades of this iconic sports car.

Pricing for the MX-5 range starts at €28,195, while this limited edition convertible is available for €40,995 – but time is of the essence.

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The vehicle was transformed by the Prototype Department and the Dacia Special Needs team in Romania, in cooperation with coach builder Romturingia.

KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL – SIGNIFICANT FURTHER INFORMATION/REVISED PLANS – PADDY RAGGETT HOMES LIMITED HAVE SUBMITTED SIGNIFICANT FURTHER INFORMATION/REVISED PLANS TO THE PLANNING AUTHORITY, REFERENCE NUMBER 19/233 FOR DEVELOPMENT ON LANDS AT CLONMULLIN AND GALLOWSHILL, GERALDINE ROAD, ATHY, CO. KILDARE. The development originally applied for consisted of phase 3 of a three phase housing development to include (a) erection of 50 residential units comprising 2 no. two storey 100 m² 3 bedroom semi-detached dwellinghouses (House Type F), 16 no. two storey 89.5 m² 2 bedroom town houses (House Type G), 3 no. two storey apartment blocks (Block I) comprising 6 no. ground floor 73.93 m² 2 bedroom apartments and 6 no. first floor 49.76 m² 1 bedroom apartments, 5 no. three storey duplex blocks (Block H) comprising 10 no. ground floor 73.93 m² 2 bedroom apartments and 10 no. 100 m² 3 bedroom duplex apartments on first and second floors to include car parking, bin stores, bicycle stores and boundary wall, (b) new site entrance off Geraldine Road with access road, cycleway and footpath (c) provide vehicular and pedestrian access to adjoining site to the south west comprising 0.8453 hectares currently zoned “C” New Residential (d) all site development works associated with main access road and phase 3 of the three phase residential development including footpaths, roads, public lighting, attenuation ponds, surface water drains, foul sewer drains, water mains and all other utility services necessary to service the proposed development. This planning application is accompanied by a Natura Impact Statement. There is currently a valid planning application for phase 1 of this three phase housing development, planning register reference 18/921 refers. All development to take place at Clonmullin and Gallowshill, Geraldine Road, Athy, Co. Kildare. The significant further information consists of a change in the mix of residential units as well as the construction of a new creche and apartment building in Phase 3 of a three phase housing development to include (a) erection of 36 residential units, comprising 16 no. two storey 89.5 m² 2 bedroom town houses (House Type G), 1 no. two storey apartment blocks (Block I) comprising 2 no. ground floor 73.93 m² 2 bedroom apartments and 2 no. first floor 49.76 m² 1 bedroom apartments, 2 no. three storey duplex blocks (Block H) comprising 4 no. ground floor 73.93 m² 2 bedroom apartments and 4 no. 100 m² 3 bedroom duplex apartments on first and second floors to include car parking, bin stores, bicycle stores and boundary wall, 4 no. two storey 113 m² 3 bedroom semi-detached houses (Block D), 3 no. two storey 89.5 m² 2 bedroom townhouses and 1 no. two storey 107.02 m² 3 bedroom townhouse (Block J), (b) new two storey creche and apartment building comprising creche (539.95 m²) on ground floor and 3 no. 2 bedroom apartments and 2 no. 1 bedroom apartments (total floor area 390.64 m²) on first floor.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS PROPOSED IS 41.

(c) new site entrance off Geraldine Road with access road and footpath (d) provide vehicular and pedestrian access to adjoining site to the south west comprising 0.8453 hectares currently zoned “C” New Residential (e) all site development works associated with main access road and phase 3 of the three phase residential development including footpaths, roads, public lighting, attenuation ponds, surface water drains, foul sewer drains, water mains and all other utility services necessary to service the proposed development. This planning application is accompanied by a Natura Impact Statement. There is currently a valid planning application 19/234 for Phase 2 of this three phase housing development, while permission register reference 18/921 was granted permission for Phase 1 of this three phase housing development. All development to take place at Clonmullin and Gallowshill, Geraldine Road, Athy, Co. Kildare.

Significant Further Information/Revised Plans have been furnished to the Planning Authority in respect of this proposed development and are available for inspection or purchase at the offices of the planning authority during its public open hours. A submission or observation in relation to the significant further information or revised plans may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee within 2 weeks (within 5 weeks if the application is accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment Report) from receipt of new notices by the Planning Authority (this fee is not applicable to persons who made original observations/submissions).

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DAVE and ANNE MAHONEY intend to apply for RETENTION PERMISSION for development at this site at ELM LODGE, MOYGLARE ROAD, MAYNOOTH, CO. KILDARE. The development will consist/consists of: RETENTION PERMISSION FOR EXISTING DETACHED GARAGE STYLE STRUCTURE WITH ATTIC CONVERSION AS CONSTRUCTED ON SITE FOR MIXED USE - DOMESTIC STORAGE, HOME GYM, HOME OFFICE, TOOL SHED AND ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS. The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

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I PHILIP TEMPLE AND CLIODHNA O. BYRNE intend to apply for PERMISSION for development at this site at 90 HARTWELL GREEN, KILL, CO. KILDARE. The development will consist/consists of: CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE STOREY REAR EXTENSION TO EXISTING DETACHED DORMER HOUSE, PERMISSION TO RENDER THE EXISTING HOUSE IN NAPPE PLASTER AND ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS. The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

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Patrick Fadden intends to apply for retention planning permission for a development at 26 Brooklands, Dublin Road, Clane, Co. Kildare. The development consists of retaining the conversion of attic space to form a bedroom with en suite & storage, roof windows, and all associated ancillary site-works. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of Kildare County Council, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co. Kildare, during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission.

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I KENDRA KEOGH intend to apply for PERMISSION for development at this site at GRANGECLARE WEST, KILMEAGUE, CO. KILDARE. The development will consist/consists of: PERMISSION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE STOREY BUNGALOW, SINGLE STOREY DOMESTIC GARAGE, SECONDARY EFFLUENT TREATMENT SYSTEM, ACCESS ROAD TO THE PROPOSED HOUSE AND ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS. The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application. Prepared by DEREK WHYTE planning/engineering /architecture 0866001194

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I Niall Jackson intend to apply for permission for development at this site at Rahilla, Kildare Town, Co. Kildare. The development will consist of the erection of a cattle shed and feed passage, milking parlour and collecting yard, dairy, machine room, farm office, cattle handling area, slatted tanks, soiled water tank, meal bin, calf shed, concrete yards and ancillary works. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions or may refuse to grant permission. www.farmbuildings.ie

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Frank Delaney intends to apply for Planning Permission for a development at Naas East, Dublin Road, Co Kildare. Permission is sought for the construction of a single storey front & rear extension to an existing detached bungalow, ancillary alterations to all elevations, detached single storey garage, foul water to existing foul water sewer, surface water to Soakaways, vehicular access from double recessed entrance, ancillary landscape planting and all associated site works. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the planning Authority of the application. O'Loughlin Architects Ltd 087 9858836

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I, David Donoghue intend to apply for Retention Permission for a development on this site at Ballintine, Kilmeague, Naas, Co. Kildare. The development consists of (A) the retention of alterations to dormer type house previously granted under file ref. no. 04/334 consisting of increased floor area of 25 sqm, retention of lounge room to rear (east) elevation with a floor area of 28 sqm, retention of front entrance porch and retention of brick façade to all elevations. (B) retention of garage for domestic use with a floor area 40 sqm (C) retention of front entrance gates and brick piers and walls with railing. That the planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the planning authority during its public opening hours and that a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

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I, Patrick Cox, intend to apply for permission for development at this site at: Rosetown, Athgarvan, Newbridge, Co. Kildare. The development will consist of: (a) Proposed minor amendments to the dwelling design previously granted planning permission under planning register reference no.: 17/870. The minor amendments include the following:

- Revisions to the dwelling's front (north-west) facing elevation relating primarily to the protruding stairwell portion with associated minor revisions to the glazing on this elevation;
- Revisions to the first floor internal layout; and
- An increase in the proposed floor area from a currently permitted floor area of 220.2 m² to a proposed floor area of 230.5 m²; (b) The construction of a new single storey domestic garage with a floor area of 64.9 m²; and (c) All associated site development works. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of Kildare County Council, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co. Kildare, during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission. This application was prepared by O'Flynn Architects, Lower Eyre Street, Newbridge, Co. Kildare. (045) 433400.

PLANNING NOTICES

KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL

Kildare County Council Significant Further Information. Significant further information has been submitted by Darren Naughton in respect of planning ref. no. 19/982 for a proposed two-storey extension to the side of the house, and proposed single-storey extensions to the rear of the house, and all ancillary site works at 21 Willow View, Primrose Gate, Celbridge, Co. Kildare. The information comprises revisions to the proposed extensions showing greater distance from the adjoining property. The significant further information may be inspected, or purchased, at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours, and a submission, or observation, in relation to the significant further information may be made to the authority, in writing, on payment of the prescribed fee, within the period of two weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the significant further information. D.C. Turley & Associates, Planning Consultants 045-876220.

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We, Clodagh and Alan Wall, wish to apply for planning permission for a dormer dwelling, connection to existing mains services, use existing entrance and all associated siteworks at Commons West, Kilcock, Co. Kildare. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of Kildare County Council, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co. Kildare, during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. Planning application prepared by Declan Kearns & Associates Ltd., Consulting Engineers, Tullywest, Kildare. 045 520642. www.dkassociates.ie

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We Alan Kennedy and Holly Bathe intend to apply to Kildare County Council for Planning Permission at Grangemore Kilcullen Co Kildare for Single Storey Dwelling, Effluent treatment system and Percolation area and all associated site development works. That the planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and that a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application

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SIGNIFICANT FURTHER INFORMATION/REVISED PLANS KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL Significant further information and revised plans in relation to planning file 19/712 has been submitted by RACHEL CONNOLLY who intends to apply for PERMISSION for development at this site at TICKNEVIN, CARBURY, CO. KILDARE. The development will consist of: PERMISSION FOR THE RE-LOCATION OF A PROPOSED SINGLE STOREY DETACHED BUNGALOW, SECONDARY EFFLUENT TREATMENT SYSTEM, RECESSED ENTRANCE AND ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS. The development previously applied for consisted of: PERMISSION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PROPOSED SINGLE STOREY DETACHED BUNGALOW, SECONDARY EFFLUENT TREATMENT SYSTEM, RECESSED ENTRANCE AND ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS. Significant further information/ revised plans, as appropriate, in relation to the application has been furnished to the planning authority in connection to planning file 19/712 and is available for inspection or purchase at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the authority during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the significant further information, may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed fee within two weeks (within 5 weeks if the application is accompanied by an Environmental Impact Statement), from receipt of new notices by the Planning Authority (this fee is not applicable to persons who made original observations/submissions) **KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL** David & Sharon Staunton intend to apply for Planning Permission for a development at Naas East, Dublin Road, Co Kildare. Permission is sought for the construction of a detached two storey / single storey dwelling, detached single storey garage and home office, foul water to existing foul water sewer, surface water to Soakaways, vehicular access from double recessed entrance, ancillary landscape planting, alterations to existing site levels and all associated site works. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the planning Authority of the application. O'Loughlin Architects Ltd 087 9858836

PLANNING NOTICES

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We, Maple Healthcare Ltd intend to apply for retention planning permission for development at The Haven, Timahoe West, Donadea, Co. Kildare. The development consists of the retention of the following: conversion of the garage at rear to a single occupancy community dwelling in contravention of Condition 2 of permission reference 16/251, addition of entrance door to side elevation and change of window to rear elevation of garage, construction of vehicular entrance and sliding gate to front boundary with laneway access to rear along west boundary and addition of hard-standing car parking to rear of converted garage for approximately 12 cars: demolition of double garage and shed to rear: relocation of percolation area. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of Kildare County Council, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co. Kildare, during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission.

KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL

I, David Henry, am applying to Kildare County Council for full planning permission for the following: (a) removal of existing single storey roof and construction of new first floor extension to side of existing dwelling, (b) construction of a new single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling, (c) revised window arrangement to side elevation to include 1 no. new window at ground floor level and 1 no. new opaque window in landing of proposed first floor extension, (d) new roof light to rear elevation, (e) connection to all existing mains services on site and all associated development works at 38 Priory Court, St. Raphael's Manor, Celbridge, Co. Kildare. The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

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**In the matter of The Registration of Deeds and Title Acts 1964 to 2006
 In the matter of an Application of John Anthony Farrell
 For Registration as owner with an Absolute Title.**

**Application No. D2017LR069627C
 TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**

Take Notice that Coughlan White & Partners Solicitors of Moorefield Road, Newbridge in the County of Kildare have lodged an application under the above Acts for the first registration of JOHN ANTHONY FARRELL as full owner of an estate in fee simple free from encumbrances of parts of the land situated in the Townland of Blackrath and Athgarvan and Barony of Connell County Kildare known as No. 6 Whitethorn Avenue and also known as No. 61 Whitethorn, Athgarvan, Co Kildare Eircode W12 R720 as shown on the application map.

The map may be inspected at the offices of Coughlan White & Partners, Moorefield Road, Newbridge, Co. Kildare at any time during office hours.

All persons objecting to such registration are required to file their objections in writing with Coughlan White & Partners at the above mentioned address on or before close of business on the 10th day of January 2020.

In the absence of objection or in the event of any objection not being sustained the application will proceed without further notice.

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SPORT

Young Kildare jockey lands double at Cork track

Kildare conditional rider Ricky Doyle landed the third double of his career when sharing winners with Brendan Duke and Mark Fahey at Cork on Sunday.

He teamed up with Curragh trainer Duke to win the opening three-year-old maiden hurdle with Clemencia which scored a runaway success. Owned by Jim and Jackie Bolger, the 8/1 chance went clear from the third last hurdle to beat 2/5 favourite Pasley by 15 lengths.

Doyle had to work a little harder for a far bigger success on the Fahey-trained Well Set Up in the Grade 3 Kerry Group Stayers Novice Hurdle. The well-backed 2/1 favourite got the better of the Charles Byrnes-trained Alpine Cobra and Willie Mullins' Vis Ta Loi to give him the biggest winner of his career. Fahey said, "She is a very tough mare and is an out-and-out stayer. We were a little worried as they went no gallop, but she also showed a turn of foot to win and I'm delighted."

There is the Dorans Pride Novice Hurdle for her next at Limerick over Christmas or else she could for the Grade 1 Lawlor's Of Naas Novice Hurdle early in the New Year. It is a good boost for her owner/breeder Jean Corrigan who couldn't make it down today."

James Nash and Kevin Brouder combined to win the 2m handicap hurdle on the Cork card with Scheu Time which carries the colours of the Fiveohclock Syndicate. The 11/2 shot went clear from the second last to win by six and a half lengths from Goodbye Someday.

Michael Halford and Ronan Whelan got punters off to a flyer at Dundalk on Tuesday afternoon when Spelga continued his upward curve with success in the opening division of the 12f handicap. Owned by Paul Rooney, the well-backed 5/4 favourite completed a hat-trick of wins as he stepped up in trip with a two and three-quarter length win over the Gavin Cromwell-trained Early Strike. Kildare town jockey Gary Carroll and Ger Lyons landed the 7f nursery handicap with Estepona Sun. There was no shortage of support for the 7/2 favourite and he finished with a flourish to win by a short-head from the Tom Cooper-trained At War.

Curragh trainer Padraig Roche landed his second winner in six days and Mark Walsh kept up his impressive strike rate when Marshalled won the 2m handicap hurdle at Clonmel on Thursday. Sent off a 12/1 chance in the colours of JP McManus, the five-year-old saved



Clemencia and Ricky Doyle win the Galtee 3Y0 Maiden Hurdle at Cork on December 8. PHOTO: ALAIN BARR

bookmakers a hefty pay-out as he narrowly defeated Impressive Duke, the gambled-on 6/4 favourite.

Ted Walsh's Batacio, in the colours of Luke McMahon, landed the opening division of the beginners' chase in good style. Ridden by Ian McCarthy, the 9/10 favourite was always in command and heads to Limerick for a handicap chase next.

Jessica Harrington landed further Dundalk success

when the well-backed In The Present ran away with the median auction fillies' maiden on Friday night. The 9/4 joint-favourite went clear inside the final furlong to win by four and a quarter-lengths from Sister Lola in the hands of Shane Foley.

Dunmurray trainer Martin Brassil saddled his Punchestown festival bumper winner Longhouse Poet to win the 2m4f maiden hurdle at Navan on Saturday.

The five-year-old was having his second run over hurdles and could well reappear in the Grade 1 Lawlor's Of Naas early in the New Year after readily getting the better of the Gordon Elliott-trained Column Of Fire under top amateur rider Derek O'Connor. Philip Dempsey and Mark Walsh combined to win the beginners' chase with the JP McManus-owned Ten Ten. The 9/2 shot was always travelling well and survived a

scare at the final fence to win by four and a quarter-lengths from Henry De Bromhead's Dommage Pour Toi.

Walsh partnered another winner for Willie Mullins as Elimay scored a cosy success in the Grade 3 Kerry Group Irish EBF Mares Novice Chase at Cork on Sunday.

The 9/4 chance hit the front before the second last fence to win by five lengths from Augusta Gold.

Education and training survey closes soon

HRI online survey to understand the educational and training needs of everyone working in racing and breeding closes next Monday, December 16 at 5pm.

The results of the survey will be used by HRI to provide a range of subsidised education and training services to the entire industry to upskill, re-train, recruit and retain staff.

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available to complete online at www.workinracing.ie.

In addition, every trainer and breeder has received correspondence with the survey details and HRI have been visiting race meetings, trainers' yards and thoroughbred sales.

The survey will take a maximum of five minutes to complete and all the information provided will be anonymous and treated in the strictest confidence.

Upcoming Fixtures

Dundalk – Friday, December 13 (First Race 5.45pm)

Fairyhouse – Saturday, December 14 (First Race 11.55am)

Navan – Sunday, December 15 (First Race 12.00pm)



Longhouse Poet ridden by Derek O'Connor jumping the last to win The Hotel Park St Johann Tirol Austria Maiden Hurdle at Navan on December 7

PHOTO: CAROLINENORRIS.IE

SPORT

Big win for Min in John Durkan Memorial Chase at Punchestown

The gallant Un De Sceaux was just touched off in the Tingle Creek Chase at Sandown on Saturday but Willie Mullins and Paul Townend managed to bag further Grade 1 success when Min won the John Durkan Memorial Punchestown Chase at the Kildare venue on Sunday. On his first start of the season, the classy eight-year-old made virtually all the running and while he looked a beaten horse just before the final fence, he picked up well in great style to beat Gordon Elliott's Hardline by two and a quarter lengths.

The Pat Fahy-trained Dunvegan took advantage of the fall of the Mullins-trained Broken to win the beginners' chase at Punchestown by all of 18 lengths. Sent off the well-backed 13/8 favourite, the six-year-old was left clear three fences from home under Jack Kennedy and coasted to a facile success.

At Cork on the same afternoon, Mullins and his nephew Danny landed the Grade 2 Kerry Group Hilly Way Chase with the ever-improving Cilaos Emery. In the well-known colours of owner Dubliner Luke McMahon, the 4/5 favourite tracked the front running Ballyoisin until taking over three fences from



Min ridden by Paul Townend jumping the last fence to win The John Durkan Memorial Punchestown Steeplechase at Punchestown on Sunday. PHOTO: CAROLINENORRIS.IE

home and he pulled away to win by seven lengths. Mark Walsh was in the saddle as the Mullins-trained Elimay scored a cosy success in the Grade 3 Kerry Group Irish EBF Mares Novice Chase. The

9/4 chance hit the front before the second last fence to win by five lengths from Agusta Gold.

Joseph O'Brien maintained his terrific strike rate at Dundalk when taking

the 8f handicap on the all-weather on Tuesday afternoon. Dylan Browne McMonagle did the steering on the Michael Buckley-owned 7/4 favourite which came home a length a

half clear of outsider Ballycaines, making up for an unlucky run at the track on the previous Friday.

Shane Foley and Jessica Harrington landed further Dundalk success when the

well-backed In The Present ran away with the median auction fillies' maiden on Friday night. The 9/4 joint-favourite went clear inside the final furlong to win by four and a quarter-lengths from Sister Lola. The smart Bold Approach ran out the gutsy winner of the 12f handicap for Jim Bolger and Kevin Manning. The easy-to-back 7/1 shot went to the front after two furlongs and made the rest of the running to beat Michael Halford's 11/4 favourite Sky Seven by a length and a half.

Tornado Flyer made it two wins from as many starts over fences when landing the Grade 3 Irish Stallion Farms Klairon Davis Novice Chase at Navan on Saturday. With the trainer's nephew Danny in the saddle, the 4/5 favourite looked in a spot of bother between the final two fences but picked up well on the run-in and went clear to win by four lengths from I'm A Game Changer in the colours of the TFP Partnership.

Joseph O'Brien landed a Sunday winner when Anything Will Do made it four wins from five in the rated novice hurdle. JJ Slevin was onboard as it made all the running to beat the Willie Mullins-trained Quartz Du Rheu by a length and a half.

Elliott's horses continuing good form in December

Gordon Elliott landed a double at Navan on Saturday afternoon, winning the opening maiden hurdle and the concluding bumper.

Festival D'Ex did the honours in the first of the day as he came from off the pace to nab the Henry De Bromhead-trained Fusain in the closing stages. Davy Russell got the well-backed 5/4 favourite home by a length and three-quarters in the colours of owner John Doyle. Elliott closed out the meeting with a second 5/4 winning favourite as newcomer Wide Receiver impressed in the bumper. Ridden by Lisa O'Neill, the four-year-old was at the head of affairs over two furlongs from the finish and scored by two and three parts of a length from the Mags Mullins-trained Julies Stowaway. Elliott and O'Neill also captured the bumper at Punchestown the following afternoon where 6/4 shot Grangeclare Native dug deep

to see off 5/4 favourite Jungle Junction by three-parts of a length.

The Gavin Cromwell-trained Sayesse came out on top in a tight finish to the 7f claiming race at Dundalk on Tuesday afternoon. Ridden by Conor Maxwell, the well-backed 4/1 shot swooped late to score by half a length from the Sheila Lavery's Sevenleft. The first two horses home were subsequently claimed with the winner set to join Denis Hogan for €9,000 and the runner-up heading to County Derry to join trainer Noel Kelly. Lavery enjoyed better luck in the 7f median auction race where the Robbie Colgan-ridden 2/1 shot Prince Of Naples, owned by her brother John, won from the Michael Halford-trained Balmari, the 6/4 favourite, by half a length.

A narrower winner was the Ger Lyons-trained Estepona Sun which landed the 7f

nursery handicap under Gary Carroll. A strong 7/2 favourite, he finished with a flourish to win by a short-head from the Tom Cooper-trained At War for owners, Gaelic Thoroughbreds. Damian English and apprentice rider Vanessa Maye took the second division of the 6f handicap with the nine-year-old Tribal Path. Never far off the pace, the 11/4 favourite, owned by the Tribal Path Syndicate, battled well to beat the David Marnane-trained Tynamite by three-parts of a length to give Maye here fourth success in the saddle.

Elliott was among the winners at Clonmel on Thursday when The Storyteller got on top late on to land the 3m conditions' hurdle at odds of 6/1. Ridden by Davy Russell, the eight-year-old gained his first success since last year Punchestown festival when wearing down the front-running Mary Frances

to score by a length and a half for owner Pat Sloan.

Edward Lynam was among the winners at Dundalk on Friday night where Major Power scored a narrow success in the second division of the apprentice handicap. The 9/1 chance made virtually all the running and held on to score by a short head from the gambled-on 7/2 favourite Swiss Army Officer under Ben Coen. Dubai beckons for Freescape which won the 8f handicap for David Marnane and Declan McDonogh. The 12/1 chance came from off the pace to land the valuable pot by a length and a half from the Ger Lyons-trained Kafu.

Trainer Noel Meade rounded off the night with another winner for the county as Art Of America took the 10f handicap. Ridden by Gavin Ryan, the 7/1 chance won by a head from the Rodger Sweeney-trained Muzbid in the colours of Philip Munnelly.



Festival D'Ex ridden by Davy Russell being led in by John Doyle and Katie Young after winning The Kells Maiden Hurdle for Gordon Elliott at Navan on Saturday.

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SPORT

Athy RFC women off to winning start with hard-fought victory

After a number of recent challenging fixtures Athy RFC senior women's team got their League Division 4 campaign back on track with a closely fought win away to North Meath/Swords (NMS) on a finals core line of 12-5.

This was a game played in weather conditions that made ball handling difficult for both sides and the resulting game was a bit of a stop start affair throughout.

Athy approached the match focused on playing the game on their terms and to a large extent achieved this. But for cold hands and a wet ball Athy might have registered at least two or three more scores.

As it was handling errors brought promising attacks and overlaps to a halt on a number of occasions. Overall though the visiting team will have been pleased to register the win and satisfied that their work at training was made itself felt on the field.

Athy started on the front foot and dominated territory for much of the first half. The visitors made this dominance count when the pace of full back Niamh O'Connor rounded the NMS defence before cutting back in for a fine score under the posts

after 10 minutes of play. With the try being converted by outhalf and captain Sarah Hendy Athy looked to be settling in to a period of dominance but to their credit the home side upped their defensive work rate to deny Athy some promising attacking moves.

NMS did enjoy periods of possession but the visitor defensive line speed was excellent with half backs Sonia Keegan and Sarah Hendy, centres Aileen Langton and Ger Kelly and the back row of Sabrina Mannion, Jade Molloy and Elaine Lynch leading the way in tackle count. NMS rarely established threatening field position though and while Athy did push into the home territory the attacks broke down, letting NMS off the hook.

On the occasions that NMS did manage to get the ball out wide the back three for Athy of Niamh O'Connor, Patrycja Gruba and Louise Fennelly covered the threat with some excellent tackling.

While Athy continued to have the greater share of possession in the second half NMS did enjoy a period of territory dominance in the



A determined Aileen Langton scores Athy's second try against North Meath/Swords

final quarter that had the visiting defence under pressure. A series of penalties

allowed the home side to advance towards the Athy line and eventually they

broke through to score and narrow the gap to 2. This only served to galvanise Athy

efforts and they quickly responded by bringing play deep into NMS territory through excellent phase and continuity play.

After a period of pressure on the NMS line Aileen Langton broke through for what ultimately proved to be the decisive score.

The match finished out with NMS again at the Athy line but excellent defensive discipline by the visitors held them out with the ball being held up before a relieving penalty won for NMS not releasing.

The home side had one last chance for a score after a dangerous loose ball was almost picked up with the line open but was tidied up by the quick thinking of wing Louise Fennelly.

Athy will have been very happy with the result and will know that but for some unfortunate handling errors at critical points they could have registered a more comprehensive win.

ATHY: Niamh O'Connor, Louise Fennelly, Geraldine Kelly, Aileen Langton, Sarah Hendy, Sonia Keegan, Sinead Kelly, Robyn Griffin, Geraldine O'Brien, Chrissy Farenden, Mary Phillips, Elaine Lynch, Jade Molloy, Sabrina Mannion, Kayla Leifman, Jane Morrin.

Hogan vows to bounce back after KO by champ in NY title fight

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Kilcullen native Dennis Hogan is considering his next move following his unsuccessful world title bid in Brooklyn on Saturday night.

The Australia-based boxer was knocked out in the seventh round by WBC middleweight champion Jermall Charlo at the Barclays Center having moved up a weight for his shot at glory.

Hogan said he will now take a break for Christmas and the New Year before making his next move, sometime in 2020.

He will be hoping to make it third time lucky in a world title fight, having lost out to Jaime Munguia in a WBO light middleweight world title fight last April.

Hogan said on his

Facebook account this week: "I'll be back as the mission has not been completed. I will always be proud to represent the two greatest countries on earth."

He continued: "I aimed for greatness and fell short. I am healthy and good. Thank you so much for that support. The journey isn't over yet. Time to spend a few weeks away from boxing."

Hogan said after Saturday night's fight that he could not compete with Charlo's power throughout the seven rounds of the 12-round championship bout.

"It started well, but I could really feel that middleweight power when he landed that first shot, and after that, he knew that he had an advantage, Hogan told Showtime Boxing.

Hogan normally fights in the light-middleweight



Hogan (centre) with pals and (above right) the fight poster

division but moved up from 154lbs to 160lbs to fight the champion.

"I'll go back, regroup, rest up for a while and spend some time with my daughter my partner, and then come back

down to 154lbs and start again next year," said Hogan. Hogan said he still felt comfortable after the fourth-round knockdown, which saw the challenger completing a backward roll



after the ferocious left uppercut landed.

"It didn't faze me all that much and I tried to land more and that first knockdown warmed me into the fight."

It was the first time that Hogan has been knocked down throughout his 32-fight professional career, and when he hit the canvas for the second time in the seventh round, the referee took the decision to end the contest.

"I then tried to get back into it and find ways to get

ahead but in the seventh round, that shot, I didn't even see it, it came out of nowhere.

"So big props to Charlo for catching me with that."

Hogan said that he will return to the lighter division and confirmed that he has been invited back to fight on the US Showtime network in the future.

"It won't be at middleweight for sure, it will be at light-middleweight. We gave it a shot but I was found wanting when it came to strength and power, especially against Charlo.

"Stephen Espinoza, the main guy at Showtime came up to me and said 'big props' because nobody will fight him at 160, so for me to come up from 154, it was good, and they said anytime I want to can come back and I will have a fight here anytime."

Burke looking forward to early season test against home county

Come Saturday afternoon in Aughrim there will be a familiar face in the opposition dugout when Kildare take on Wicklow as Davy Burke oversees his first home game as the Garden County Manager.

The All Ireland Under 20 winning manager with Kildare recently departed his hugely successful post with Sarsfields and now all attention is on his fortunes with Wicklow.

Predictably enough, he comes face to face with Kildare only a few weeks into his tenure and it's a challenge he's relishing.

"Kildare will be pushing hard for Super 8's this year and maybe further and certainly as a Kildare man I'd like to see them push on.

"We are Division 4 in Wicklow and we are where we are and I'm doing my best to up the ante and get them to work harder. A bit of attitude and work is important and if they do that everything will fall into place after that.

"Kildare would be a small bit ahead of us on the graph at the moment but we love a challenge too."

Like the Lilywhites, Wicklow kicked off the O'Byrne Cup with a defeat as they fell to Carlow on a 2-5 to 0-8 scoreline last weekend but there were still positives for the new boss as he tries to put plans in place for the National Football League in a couple of weeks time.

"It's a hugely important competition as in competitive games you find out who you have and you find out if lads

are up to it and the Carlow game told us a lot because Division 4 is going to be physical. The three pre-season games will be of huge value to us as a result and to most teams I would think.

"The O'Byrne Cup is particularly difficult to be ready for and even more so as a new manager and everyone is in the same boat. You are trying to put a plan together, maybe change the culture and that takes a while.

"The O'Byrne Cup is what it is and results don't matter as we will be looking to find players but still the 25th of January in the opening round of the League is very important to us and we don't have huge preparation time", Burke said.

As he did with all his previous jobs the Confey man has huge plans for Wicklow and getting out of Division 4 is his main starting point over the coming months.

"Division 4 is where we are at now and the ambition is promotion and having met all the players that's what they want. My thing is to push for Division 3 football but we need to maintain that and if we are going up we are staying up.

"Twenty of the current squad are under 21 so they need to develop. Division 4 is a big thing for us and in the championship we will be going hell for leather against Wexford in a local derby so that's the way it is."

It may be only pre-season but you get the feeling Burke would only love to get a victory over his native Kildare on Saturday as well.



Davy Burke

O'Neill and O'Sullivan take part in AFL Combine this Friday

The AFL's now annual European Combine was held on Friday and Saturday at the UCD Campus.

Among those in attendance were Carbury's Aaron O'Neill and Clane's Shane O'Sullivan and the Kildare pair were among a 20 strong group of AFL hopefuls who took part.

Aaron O'Neill is pushing strong to be Kildare's number 1 goalkeeper this year and he admitted that it was a huge honour to be classed alongside the best footballers in the country at his age grade.

"It's great to be seen up with the top lads at your own age

athleticism wise and it's great to get that recognition.

"It's a great experience above anything else as every three weeks you are doing a training session with the best footballers in the country and you get to spend the weekend with them so it's great. It's a tough couple of days as you are there from Thursday evening to midday Saturday so when you're working hard it's tough going.

"You are trying to impress so everything is at 100 miles per hour and while you do get rest periods when you're working you do it full pelt and there's no such thing as

half measures really."

The 20-year-old is hopeful that he did enough to impress the many scouts over the weekend.

"Personally, I feel I did alright and each scout would have been looking for different things on their team so it all depends whether you fit the mould for them, be it on quickness or agility etc.

"I was relatively happy with my results but at the same time I would have liked to have done a little better as you always feel you could improve. If I did it again in a few months I think could do better again," O'Neill said.

After the event AFL talent ambassador Kevin Sheehan gave an update on the progress of all the players.

"They are elite athletes and as good as what we have in Australia.

"You don't jump to conclusions based just on someone's speed time, but it does suit that they can break the lines and we are after fast athletes. It's inspiring to be in this environment. The kids want to give it their best, alongside like-minded guys from all over the country who have played against each other but never met. They're on a path that's quite uncertain but exciting."

Kildare Ladies Football Convention

The Kildare LGFA County Convention took place in Moorefield GAA last week with the following officers elected for 2020:

Chairperson: Arthur Corrigan (Naas)
 Vice Chair: Louise McGuirk (Suncroft)
 Secretary: Michelle Wyse (St. Laurences)
 Asst Sec: Sinead Brearton (Clane)
 Treasurer: Sharon Walsh (Athy)
 Registrar: Katie O'Neill (Sallins)
 PRO: Donal Fitzpatrick (Ballykelly)
 Children's Officer: Ciara Prendergast (Suncroft)
 Fixtures Secretary: James Fagan (Cappagh)
 Juvenile Fixtures Sec: Mag O'Neill (Sallins)
 Injury Fund Coordinator: Ber O'Hara
 Irish Officer: Not filled.

SPORT

Down ease to 10-point victory over Kildare in Kehoe Cup clash

LEINSTER GAA SERIES KEHOE CUP ROUND 2

KILDARE
DOWN

0-12
0-22

ROBERT CRIBBIN
at St Conleth's Park

We are yet to even reach Christmas and Kildare's interest in the Kehoe Cup is at an end after Down succumbed them to a ten point defeat on Sunday afternoon.

It is the second successive loss for David Herity's side after Offaly defeated them a week previous.

Despite it being their first game of the year Down looked much the sharper side all over the pitch as a much changed Kildare outfit struggled in terrible conditions.

Conor Dowling knocked over the opening point of the game after just a minute but Kildare couldn't build on that with Down responding in style as they knocked over five points on the trot with Oisín MacManus, Matthew Conlon, Ryan McCusker and Pearse Óg McCrickard all on target.

That left Kildare trailing by four points after only five minutes before Tadhg Forde, Shane Ryan and Caolan Smith reduced the deficit to just a point.

CONTROL

Down always had an element of control though with MacManus, Conor Woods and Eoghan Sands extending their tally.

Kildare rallied before the break with efforts from Dowling, Forde and Liam Dempsey but they still had an uphill task at the change of ends with Down ending the half on top with points from MacManus and Woods.

Kildare came out for the second half trailing on a 0-12



Conor Kielty of Kildare sends his strike goal wards as Down's PJ Donaldson slides in with an attempted block during the Kehoe Cup game

to 0-8 scoreline but they very nearly ate into that deficit when Caolan Smith fired a shot into the side netting.

That seemed to be the Lilywhites chance as after Ryan and Conlon shared scores the Ulster side eased clear with MacManus, McCrickard and Tim Prenter giving Down a 0-17 to 0-9

lead.

Kildare did finish well with a trio of points from substitute Mark Delaney but Down were much the better on the day and MacManus who finished with 0-10 scored four more points before the end as the Mourne County advanced to the next round.

SCORERS FOR KILDARE: Conor Dowling 0-3, Mark Delaney 0-3 (3 frees), Tadhg Forde 0-2, Shane Ryan 0-2, Liam Dempsey 0-1 (free), Caolan Smith 0-1.
SCORERS FOR DOWN: Oisín MacManus 0-10 (6 frees, two 65s), Conor Woods 0-3 (3 frees), Pearse Óg McCrickard 0-3, Ryan McCusker 0-2, Matthew Conlon 0-2, Eoghan Sands 0-1, Conor Woods 0-1.

KILDARE: Paddy McKenna; Conor Gordon, Rian Boran, Simon Leacy, Niall

O'Muinneachain, Ross Kelly, Sean Christiansen, Paul Divilly, Conor Kielty, Tadhg Forde, Liam Dempsey, Conor Dowling, Caolan Smith, Cian Forde, Shane Ryan.

SUBS USED: James Burke for Dempsey h-t, Aran Kelly for C.Forde h-t, Mark Delaney for Divilly 42 mins, Jack Sheridan for T.Forde 45 mins, Cathal Derivan for Christiansen 48 mins, Sean Whelan for Kielty 50 mins, Drew Costello for Dowling 55 mins.

DOWN: Stephen Keith; Tom Murray, Caolan Taggard, Mark Patterson, Marc Fisher, Conor Woods, Cathal Coulter, PJ Davidson, Matthew Conlon, Pearse Óg McCrickard, Ryan McCusker, Ronan Costello, Oisín MacManus, Eoghan Sands, Tim Prenter.

SUBS USED: Donal Óg Rooney for McCrickard 45 mins, Niall McFarlane for Davidson 52 mins, Niall Fitzsimons for McCusker 63 mins, Jordan Murphy for Prenter 69 mins.

REF: Caymon Flynn (Westmeath)X

Herity hits out at players after disappointing performance

Like the footballers a day previous the Kildare hurlers went down on home soil as Down got the better of them on a 0-22 to 0-12 scoreline in the Kehoe Cup.

The loss means Kildare exit the Kehoe Cup and can put all attention towards the National Hurling League in the new year but before that David Herity couldn't hide his frustration at the way his side performed.

"The Kehoe Cup is over

now and we have challenge games on over the next while and the next thing we have to face into is London in the first round of the National Hurling League and we now know where we are at as a team.

"We knew the level but it seems as if we thought we could drop our standards and still be able to compete at this level.

"Even last week against Offaly we were excellent at

the start but then went asleep for fifteen minutes and all of a sudden they blitzed us. At this level you cannot drop your standards or drop off for a second as you'll get destroyed and that's what happened out there. We conceded 15 frees and they scored 13 of them and that comes down to heart that's simply it. You have to play with bloody heart and it comes down to skill as well where you

execute the game and do your own work.

"They are all great lads but we have to combine in training and give us the opportunity to correct that performance and its mostly heart and skill level.

"The competition is a good wake up call of where you are at and we got two of them now and you are trying to give players enough time to prove themselves but unfortunately you are still

trying to win at the same time."

Kildare will continue training until Christmas week where they will then get some time off but for the former Kilkenny star there is no switching off as they get ready for their first League game in six weeks time.

"We will be training up to the 21st of December and then meeting up again on the 28th but I honestly don't think the Christmas break is

a big thing and it will only become that if lads shut up shop. If you spend two days without a hurl in your hand and pucking against a wall well then you are going to go backwards.

"You have to make sure you are on top of that and I know it's been along year and they need a break but we have to get together and come January its full throttle to that London game," Herity said.

SPORT

Lillies falter against Longford in opening O'Byrne Cup tie

O'BYRNE CUP GROUP 1
ROUND 1

KILDARE
LONGFORD

0-14
2-14

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Jack O'Connor's reign as Kildare manager got off to a losing start after Longford got the better of the home side in the O'Byrne Cup at St. Conleths Park on Saturday.

Kildare fielded nine debutants in total and that unfamiliarity told as Longford looked the better side throughout.

A misplaced free kick from Mark Donnellan allowed Longford to find the net in the first half with Joseph Hagan on target and it was an advantage the Midlanders held on to until Daniel Mimmagh kicked in a second effort late on.

On the Kildare side the likes of Pdraig Nash and Jack Robinson looked promising for periods but it was only brief and the Lilywhites will now look ahead to a meeting with Davy Burke's Wicklow this weekend.

Prior to throw in there were two changes for Kildare with Daniel Flynn sitting out on his return after suffering a hamstring injury in training while Mark Donnellan deputised for Aaron O'Neill between the sticks after the Carbury stopper was on duty at the AFL Combine in UCD.

It only took two minutes for Kildare to find the target with Neil Flynn knocking over a free and the sides then went score for score until

they were deadlocked at 0-4 apiece by the 15th minute.

As well as Flynn, Jack Robinson and Pdraig Nash who came in for Dan Flynn split the posts while Darren Gallagher and Joseph Hagan got two points apiece for Longford.

Neil Flynn with a free in the 17th minute then edged Kildare in front before the crucial point of the entire game arrived when a quick free from Mark Donnellan went straight to Kevin Duffley and the midfielder offloaded for Hagan to find the top corner in style.

Kildare responded with efforts from Flynn and Nash and while Liam Power fisted over he collided with Mickey Quinn which resulted in both players going off injured.

Longford did finish the half on top as after four minutes of stoppage time were played Hagan, Gallagher, Rian Brady with a mark and Daniel Mimmagh all scored to give Longford a 1-8 to 0-8 cushion at the break.

Kildare brought in Davy O'Neill and Chris Byrne at the interval for their first appearances in the white jersey and the lead was quickly reduced when Flynn knocked over his fifth free of the game.

Longford responded with three of the next four scores in the shape of the strong midfield pairing of Gallagher and Kevin Duffley.

Kildare then went on a similar run with the experienced Tommy Moolick and Paddy Brophy pointing after emerging from the bench and when Robinson



Kildare Pdraig Nash spins away from Longford Andrew Farrell during the Leinster Gaa Series O'Byrne Cup game

and Darragh Kirwan also scored there was only a point between the sides.

Kildare looked primed to strike but they only scored once more over the final thirteen minutes as Longford recaptured control.

Points from Peter Lynn and Dessie Reynolds were rebounded by a Brophy free before Daniel Mimmagh put the game beyond doubt at the

beginning of stoppage time with a goal on the break.

Rian Brady then added on an insurance score and while Chris Byrne rattled the crossbar late on the opportunity came too late in the day for Kildare as Longford ran out deserving winners.

KILDARE: Mark Donnellan; Liam Healy, Eoghan Bateman, Shea Ryan, Johnny Byrne, David Hyland, Kevin Flynn,

Paschal Connell, Liam Power 0-1, Tony Archbold, Niall Kelly, John Tracey, Jack Robinson 0-2 (0-1f), Pdraig Nash 0-2, Neil Flynn 0-5 (0-5fs).

SUBS USED: Tommy Moolick 0-1 for Power 34 mins, Davy O'Neill for Ryan h-t, Con Kavanagh for Byrne h-t, Chris Byrne for Archbold h-t, Paddy Brophy 0-2 (0-1f) for Nash 42 mins, Darragh Kirwan 0-1 for N.Flynn 50 mins, Sam Doran for Tracey 54 mins, Daragh Ryan for Robinson 64 mins, Cian O'Donoghue for Bateman 72 mins, Mark Hyland for K.Flynn 73 mins.

LONGFORD: Paddy Collum; Patrick Fox, Andrew Farrell, Barry O'Farrell, Iarla O'Sullivan, Michael Quinn, Gerard Flynn, Darren Gallagher 0-5 (0-4fs), Kevin Duffley 0-1, Peter Lynn 0-1 (0-1 mark), Daniel Mimmagh 1-1, Dessie Reynolds 0-1, Rian Brady 0-2 (0-1 mark, 0-1f), Joseph Hagan 1-3, Oran Kenny.

SUBS USED: PJ Masterson for O'Sullivan 28 mins, Darragh Doherty for Quinn 35 mins, Aidan McGuire for Doherty 45 mins, Liam Hughes for Lynn 62 mins

REF: Chris Dwyer (Offaly)

'We're just trying things out and it's a learning curve' - Jack O'Connor

From a Kildare point of view it was something of an anti climax as Jack O'Connor suffered defeat in his first game as manager at the hands of Longford.

Like Mick O'Dwyer and Kieran McGeeney who were hugely successful outside managers the result on the opening day was a negative but if O'Connor's tenure turns out like theirs not many people will remember an O'Byrne Cup game against Longford.

The Kerry native gave

debut to nine players as they tried to impress in a competitive sphere.

"We made 10 subs and the name of the game at this time of the year is to experiment and try out some new lads. Some of them did well and others underperformed but the bottom line is it's pre-season and we are just trying things out and it's a learning curve.

"It's a tight pitch and we had a lot of young lads playing and the type of game didn't suit some of them but in

general fellas tried hard and I couldn't fault their attitude.

"The whole idea at this time of year is to use everybody and give lads football as we have a lot of players on our hands and sooner or later we have to pick a panel so we have to try lads out."

The result is largely irrelevant at this time of the year and a lot of the crowd in St. Conleths Park would have been left disappointed when the return of Daniel Flynn was delayed due to injury.

"Daniel Flynn felt a twinge in his hamstring during the week and we didn't want to take any chances with him as he is a very explosive player but it's nothing major and he should be fine for this week while Liam Power got a bad cut over his eye after clashing heads with Mickey Quinn so he wasn't in a position to come back on and he had got a great score so that was a pity", O'Connor admitted.

The new manager also confirmed he is a fan of playing games at this time of

the year, while also noting that the new experiment rules will take a while to bed in.

"There's no good time to play these competitions as if you started in January you probably wouldn't get them finished before the League so it's no big deal as lads are anxious for football and conditions are good so far at this time of the year, so I think it's a positive thing. The National League started before Christmas in the past and lads want games.

"We are only getting used to the new rules and it will take a bit of time and they didn't have a huge impact on the game. A few matches will have to be played before you can make a definitive answer on how things are going."

It was revealed afterwards that O'Connor has extended his management team with Christy Byrne coming in as a goalkeeping coach and Brian Murphy in an advisory role which may lead to being a selector later in the year.

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Kilcullen's Hogan down but not out after New York defeat

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O'Connor hoping players will bloom in tricky Garden County clash



Wicklow bound: Kildare stalwart Ben McCormack in action against Longford

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A Kildare side bleeding new players will need to be at its very best against neighbours Wicklow in the O'Byrne Cup clash this weekend.

The Lilywhites take on the Garden County in Aghrim

on Saturday at 2pm.

New manager Jack O'Connor is busy trying out several new players as he endeavours to find his best team.

He said he is confident he will have a satisfactory panel at his disposal in time for the opening game in the Allianz

Football League - against Fermanagh in St Conleth's Park in Newbridge on January 26.

Kildare had a lucky escape at the hands of Wicklow in the Championship last May and they will be very cautious before they line out in Aghrim.

Former manager Cian O'Neill's side appeared to be strolling to a routine victory when they led by six points after 60 minutes on the clock.

But then a Wicklow goal threw the cat among the pigeons and they were less than convincing coming

down the final stretch adding just a single point from a free.

Kildare had only ever lost to Wicklow on two occasions in the Leinster championship in 2008 and 1990.

The 1990 defeat ushered in the glorious Mick O'Dwyer era who guided them to two

Leinster titles and an All-Ireland final appearance in 1998.

Hopefully Kildare will be ahead on the scoreboard on Saturday when Dublin referee Dan Stynes whistles for full time at the Wicklow fortress.

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