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'Proud day' as Suir Blueway Tipperary officially opens

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The launch of Suir Blueway Tipperary last Friday marked a "proud day" for the county.

Suir Blueway Tipperary, which consists of 53 kilometres of walking, cycling and watersports trails, follows a six-year process and an investment of €5.6 million.

It was formally launched by Irish Olympian and Sport Ireland CEO John Treacy.

Opening proceedings, MC and Clonmel Borough District administrator Anthony Coleman described Suir Blueway as a "fabulous" facility. "This is a very important day for Tipperary County Council in terms of the investment in the county in tourism, sport and the future," he said.

Cllr Michael Murphy said Suir Blueway has "great potential" to increase visitor numbers and economic opportunities along the entire route from Cahir to Carrick-on-Suir and the surrounding communities. "We are so excited to see the efforts of Tipperary County Council and



Carrick-on-Suir River Rescue members enjoying Suir Blueway festivities in Kilsheelan last weekend

Tipperary Sports Partnership come to fruition and see the investment in our latest tourism offering come to life," he said.

"Tourism is a substantial growth area for Tipperary. We have so much to offer in terms of our beautiful landscapes, fascinating cultural and historical sites, stories,

and indeed some of the best food produced in Ireland."

Cllr Murphy said the section of Suir Blueway from Clonmel to Carrick-on-Suir was in previous generations a towpath for bargages to transport goods and materials along the river, a route of trade and commerce. "Today, Suir Blueway provides oppor-

tunities for new and existing businesses to benefit from growing numbers of visitors and tourists. Already, one new business has opened because of the Blueway, and the council looks forward to welcoming and supporting more new businesses in the coming months and years."

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'Tipperary can become a real player in tourism industry'

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He said Suir Blueway will provide a "fantastic facility" for cyclists, walkers, canoeists, paddle boarders and kayakers. "Opening the towpath and providing people with easy access to the river means that local communities and visitors can escape the hustle and bustle of everyday life and enjoy the relaxing leisure opportunities it provides.

"It will be a key link for other tourism products which are currently being planned including the redevelopment of Kickham

Barracks and the Sports Hub, both of which are commencing this year. It is a hugely significant asset to the county and region, and the council has no doubt that it will have positive economic, social, recreational and health impacts."

Cllr Murphy and Tipperary County Council chief executive Joe MacGrath acknowledged the late council senior engineer Peter Britton, whose Suir Blueway Tipperary "vision" was instrumental before his passing in 2014.

Mr MacGrath said Suir Blueway Tipperary is a state-

ment of ambition, aimed at driving tourism, recreation and amenities, and hotels in the county. Funding for the project came from the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport, Tipperary County Council, Sport Ireland, Interreg, and the Department of Rural and Community Development.

"Without their support, this project would not have gotten off the ground. We will be continuing to invest and improve the facilities along the river, and look forward to welcoming more overseas and domestic visitors to this wonderful experience as a new

product in Tipperary, Munster Vales and Ireland's Ancient East," Mr MacGrath said.

Mr MacGrath said Suir Blueway will complement other projects including the €5 million Clonmel Flight to Discovery project, which will deliver a cluster of tourism experiences capable of attracting over 100,000 visitors annually to the area. This consists of the redevelopment of Tipperary County Museum, a Bulmers visitor experience at Dowd's Lane, the development of a visitor experience at the West Gate and the complete redevelopment of Suir Island.

He said a new digital hub recently opened in Tipperary County Library, and that contracts have been signed for the design of a new public realm streetscape for Clonmel and to commence development at Kickham Barracks. He added that funding has also been secured for the Clonmel Sports Hub, with contracts set to be signed to commence planning and design.

"Tipperary has the capacity, resources, the capabilities and ambition to become a real player in the tourism industry.

"We must work together to cross sell each others offer-

ings and offer a cluster of experiences to our target markets.

"We have the plans in place and we want to make them a reality," he added.

Mayor of Clonmel Borough District Cllr Richie Molloy described the official launch of Suir Blueway as a "proud day" for Tipperary. He also said Suir Blueway will make more people aware of the importance of protecting biodiversity and water sources. "We are living in a fabulous place and we have to promote it as strongly as we can to bring in much needed business to the area," Mayor Molloy added.



Locals walked from Carrick-on-Suir to Kilsheelan on Suir Blueway over the weekend



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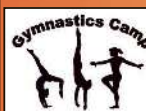
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Suir Blueway 'absolutely huge' for Tipperary

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"This is a real vision and you will see the benefits of Suir Blueway Tipperary for the next 50 years," Irish Olympian and Sport Ireland CEO John Treacy told the gathering at the Suir Blueway Tipperary launch in Hotel Minella last Friday.

Mr Treacy described counties Tipperary and Waterford as the "most beautiful part of the country", underlining that Suir Blueway is "absolutely huge" for the area. Visitors can experience guided tours of Cahir Castle before strolling or paddling down to the romantic Swiss Cottage. Suir Blueway continues through the Ardfinnan and Newcastles, as the River Suir meanders to Clonmel. Walkers, cyclists, canoeists, kayakers and paddle boarders can enjoy the beautiful scenery as they follow the river for 21 kilometres along the refurbished historic towpath from the Monument car park in Clonmel to Sean Healy Park in Carrick-on-Suir.

Accomplished paddlers can take on the challenge of the 300-metre Canoe Slalom Course in Clonmel, which was constructed in 2016 as

part of the investment in the project. The longest slalom course in Ireland offers a unique sporting and leisure opportunity for both local users and visitors, and is used by Canoeing Ireland as a training base for the Irish national squad.

Refurbished pathways and multiple new access points to make it easier to get onto the river have been created in several places along the route. These include at Inch Field in Cahir, Ardfinnan, Sandybanks at Marlfield, Suir Island and Denis Burke Park in Clonmel, Kilsheelan, and Sean Healy Park in Carrick-on-Suir. New Blueway map boards and signage has been developed and erected to guide and improve visitor experiences.

"It will increase tourism in Tipperary, and it will increase the physical activity of people living in Tipperary and Waterford. Nothing can compare to the sense of well-being you get from exercise. Get out on the Blueway, do a bit of exercise and increase your quality of life," he added.

Cathaoirleach of Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District Cllr Louise McLoughlin and director Pat Slattery praised council tourism officer Marie Phelan for doing "great work" in promoting tourism and business in the county.



Sport Ireland CEO John Treacy with Clonmel Canoe Club's Lauren Connolly (9) and Jack O'Brien (10)

Mr Slattery then delivered an insightful presentation into the process of constructing Suir Blueway. He praised Deputy Alan Kelly for securing funding when he was minister, which kick-started planning, design and construction. He said Suir Blueway is "not perfect", but that the council strives to secure more funding and make improvements each year.

"We will have to learn together how to use it. Naturally, if you have fly fishermen coming in from Germany or America, we have to be conscious of kayakers who will be

coming down the river to meet them. That interaction has to be managed. Cyclists, walkers, children and the elderly all using the track at the same time is going to lead to behavioural challenges. We will be asking for the cooperation of people, and will be using signage and education to get the message across," he said.

Locals celebrated the launch of Suir Blueway over the weekend by taking part in walks and festivities. Mr Slattery described the "rich experience" of Suir Blueway as simply "wonderful". Ac-

cording to Waterways Ireland, he highlighted that almost one in five waterway users are overseas visitors, 49% are domestic and 34% are local visitors. He said approximately 158,433 have used Suir Blueway since last August. Attracting 5,000 overseas visitors into the area could generate over €700,000. More than 1,500 people have already taken part in a number of activities on the Suir Blueway route, including the National Canoe Slalom events and National Club Canoeing Championships, the PaddleUp Pro-

gramme, the Suir Descent, kayaking camps, canoeing training and education courses, 10km walks, heritage walks, cycling tours from castle to castle, and triathlon events.

"For those who are used to doing a 100km/h on a racer or 40km across the mountain, this is a completely different experience. It's about nature, the sound of the water, the interaction with people. It's a much slower, easy-going pace of life and you could easily spend a couple of hours down there," Mr Slattery smiled.



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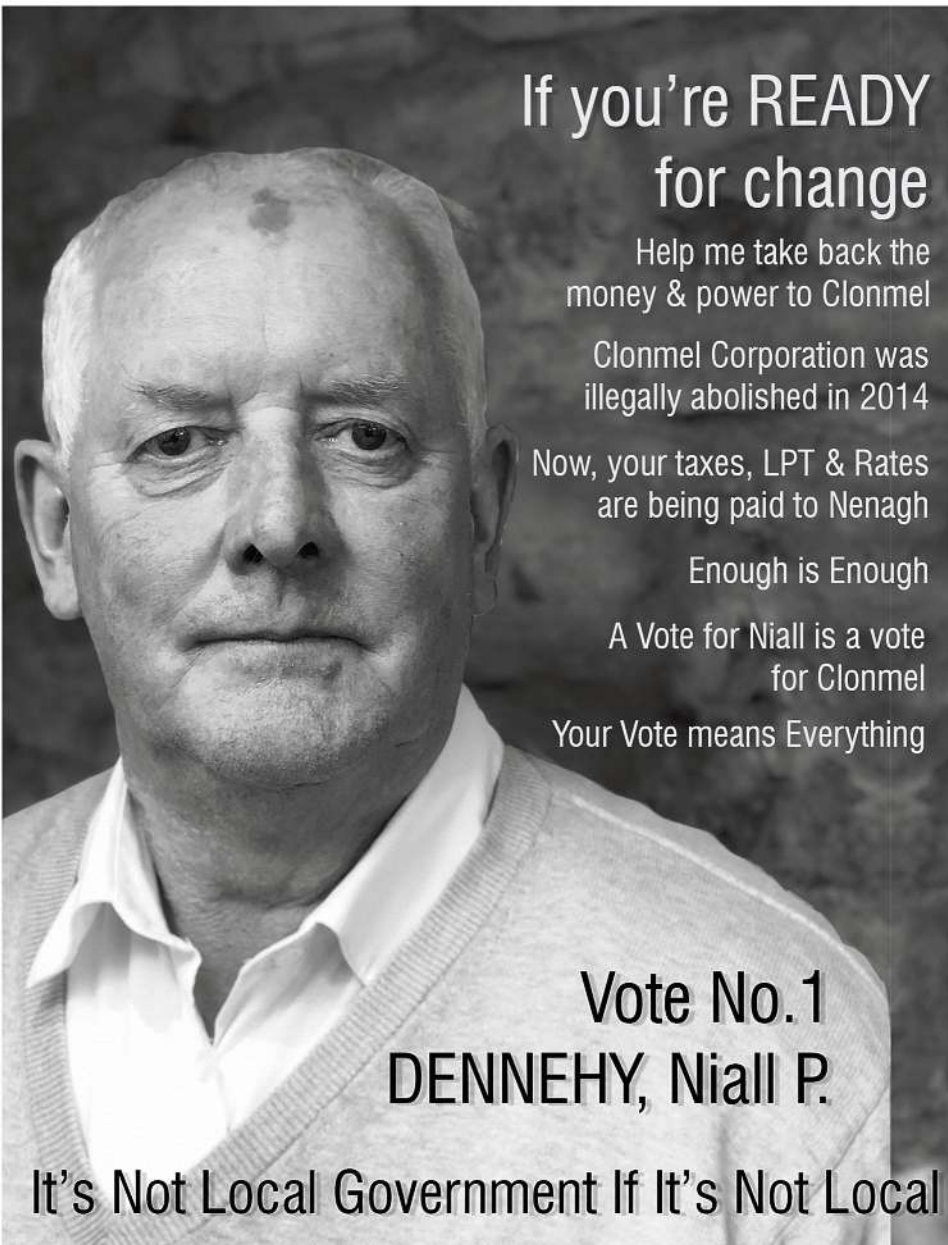
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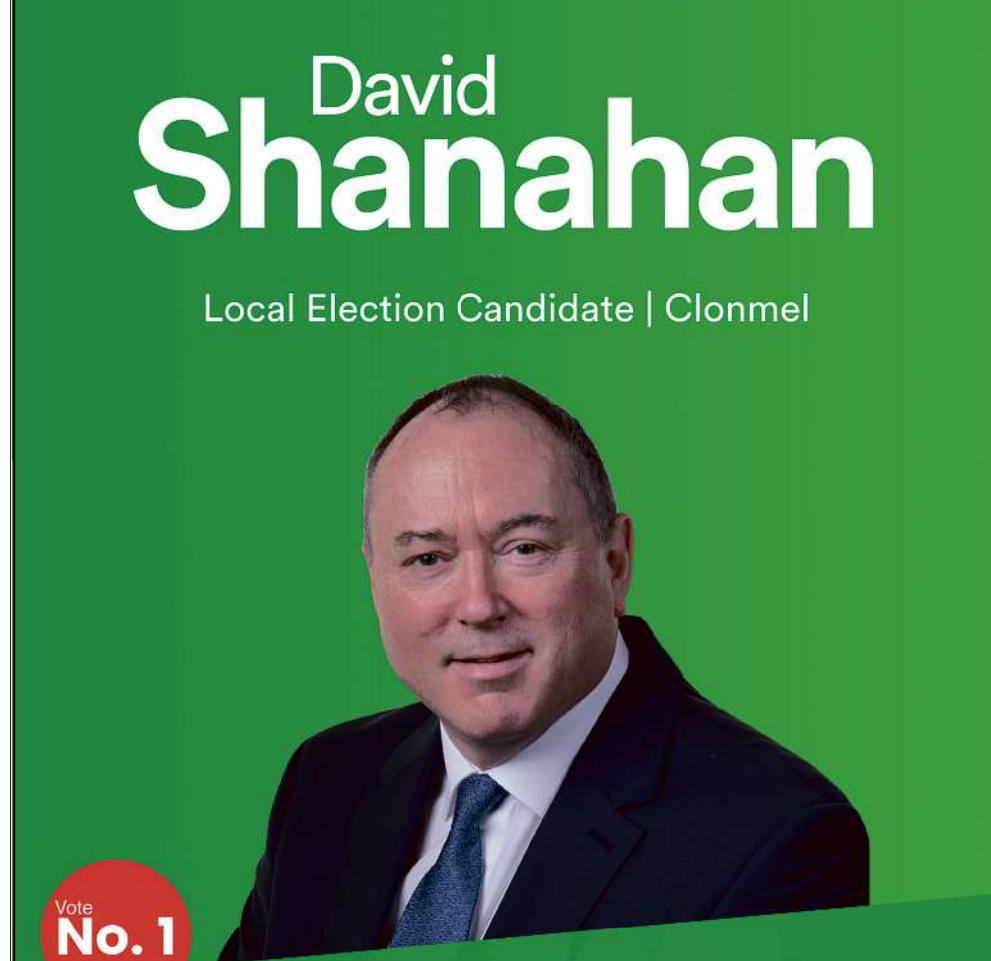
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Fundraising walk for Ashleigh raises €10,750

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A fundraising walk to support a local girl set to undergo spinal surgery has raised €10,750.

Ashleigh Prout was born with nervous system genetic disorder neurofibromatosis and later developed scoliosis.

The 11-year-old has double curvature of the spine and a totally deformed back, confining her to a wheelchair as she struggles to walk. She was in sixth class at St Oliver's National School when she suffered a stroke last October, which led to brain damage and severe Tourette syndrome.

A 10km fundraising walk took place in Cahir last month, raising €10,750 which will go towards keeping the family afloat. Ashleigh was presented with the cheque at

Tesco Clonmel on May 14 by store manager Martin Allen, whose organisational skills were instrumental to the walk's success, and Mayor of Clonmel Borough District Cllr Richie Molloy. "It's amazing what the community can achieve when it pulls together," Mr Allen told the gathering which included Ashleigh's family, Tesco Clonmel staff, local representatives along with staff from Eishtec Clonmel and the Society of St Vincent de Paul.

Mr Allen said Ashleigh's blue token appeal is currently taking place at Tesco stores in Clonmel, Tipperary Town and Thurles. "I hope the funds being raised will help Ashleigh and ease the family's burden," he added.

Mayor Molloy said the town of Cahir was "buzzing with activity" the day of the walk. "It's very hard to raise funds and it's incredible that



Tesco Clonmel store manager Martin Allen and Mayor Richie Molloy presenting Ashleigh with the cheque

€10,750 was raised in such a short space of time," he

praised.

Eishtec Clonmel also

raised €650 for Ashleigh as part of the fundraiser. As part

of Eishtec's casual dress at work for the summer initiative, the entire team wore red for Ashleigh. Head of site Shane Foley said Eishtec was delighted to support such a worthy cause, highlighting that Ashleigh's uncle, Martin, is a team member at the centre.

Society of St Vincent de Paul's Clonmel store manager Chris Butler said the organisation was also proud to help the family in their time of need. "It was great to see the community come together and lend a helping hand to Ashleigh and her family," he added.

The final word of the day went to Ashleigh, whose smile lit up the room when she was presented with the proceeds of the fundraiser. She enjoyed taking part in the walk, expressing gratitude to everyone who has supported her ahead of surgery.

Plans to buy property marking machine to deter thieves

Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District is planning to purchase a property marking machine to enable homes, businesses and land owners to mark their valuables to deter thieves.

The property marking machines are being lauded as a new weapon in the battle against rural crime and have been successfully piloted in counties along the border.

Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District director Pat Slattery told the monthly

meeting of the district's councillors that the council was going to purchase one of these machines.

"We have been engaging with the providers with a view to purchasing one for the Carrick district. We are going to go ahead with that," he said.

Mr Slattery added the company offered to manage the administration of the scheme and he indicated the council will try that for a while.

The local authority is

taking this step after Fianna Fail Cllr Imelda Goldsboro from Ballingarry and Independent Cllr Andy Moloney from Poulmucka tabled motions at recent county council and Tipperary Joint Policing Committee meetings requesting the council purchase five property marking machines that would be loaned to Community Alert Groups throughout the county.

Cllr Goldsboro asked if it was possible for active Community Text Alert groups to

seek funding to purchase a property marking machine. She pointed out there were about 25 parishes in Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District. It was a huge area and it would take a long time for the property marking machine to reach the rural villages, she pointed out.

She suggested that several Text Alert groups could join together to purchase a machine.

Mr Slattery said it was a good suggestion to have community based funding for this

initiative and promised to look into Cllr Goldsboro's proposal. He outlined that a property marking machine cost about €6,000 and training to use the machine would be an extra cost.

Cloneen councillor Mark Fitzgerald, who organised two public meetings in Fethard and Cloneen last month about the property marking initiative, said the property machines will be welcomed in this county.

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'We need to care more for people with dementia'

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A new dementia support group for South Tipperary was officially launched at Clonmel Town Hall this month.

Let's Talk Tipperary Memory Support Group will offer people in the early stages of dementia and their families/friends a chance to get together in a social setting to chat, share practical advice, discuss interests and support each other.

The group meet every Wednesday between 10am and 12.30pm at Place4u on Morton Street, Clonmel.

Mayor of Clonmel Borough District Cllr Richie Molloy was delighted to launch the "exciting" initiative.

Based at the Memory Technology Library on the grounds of South Tipperary General Hospital, dementia nurse specialist Anne Quinn said the project follows on from the HSE-funded Five steps to Living Well with Dementia in South Tipperary pilot which sought the best practices for dealing with dementia.

Anne and the team at the Living Well with Dementia service, which is based at the Memory Technology Library, are helping to set up the group. The service is funded by the HSE and managed by Family Carers Ireland. It was one of 17 sites nationwide that got additional funding from the National Dementia Office this year to support people following a dementia diagnosis. With this funding, the service runs a six-week memory rehabilitation programme for people who are newly diagnosed.



Let's Talk Tipperary Memory Support Group takes place every Wednesday at Place4u. It was launched at Clonmel Town Hall earlier this month

The new support group was launched following requests from people attending the memory rehabilitation programmes to set up a forum to continue meeting once the six-week initiatives had finished. Let's Talk Tipperary Memory Support Group is open to anybody with early-stage dementia.

"We are seeing people aged 40 to 80 - dementia can affect anyone. There are a lot of people here today that know someone with dementia and there are very few people unaffected by it," Anne said.

"People in the early stages are generally managing well and may not need formal supports, but many consistently say that having somebody to talk to in a similar position to

themselves would be very helpful if it were available. Attending a support group is one way of meeting people in a similar position. The value of peer support is recognised as key to adapting to a diagnosis and living well with dementia.

"It is the local people from Clonmel and the surrounding areas that are taking the lead with this support group. We are just the facilitators and are here to help. The group are very enthusiastic and passionate about driving it forward. These are people who have only been diagnosed with dementia in the last year or two, are still very independent and don't need the formal supports that others do. The group will create a space

where people can make connections that can support involvement in community groups, clubs and activities. We really hope the community gets behind them," she added.

Anne said there are currently 55,000 living with dementia nationwide and that 11 people are diagnosed daily. There are approximately 1,100 with dementia in South Tipperary, a figure expected to rise to 2,087 by the year 2031.

Geraldine Parsons was diagnosed with dementia last year. Geraldine told the gathering about the "fantastic" care she received at the Memory Technology Library. "It is a great place and we are all like a family. And I now enjoy supporting others with dementia. It's not a life sen-

tence," she said.

Family Carers Ireland regional manager Pat Grogan said the Memory Technology Library is an "unique and great facility". He praised the new support group for keeping people with dementia involved in the community for as long as possible.

"All carers are under stress and are trying to provide the best support that they can to families. In general, it's about bringing people back to humanity. We must be tolerant and caring of each other - that's lost in a society that becomes overwhelmed by the trappings of life. We have to support people in the community. Everyone wants to be part of the community for as long as

they can and our focus should be to educate the population. The more you talk, the more you learn.

"We have to get into the schools to educate people to be more understanding of others. Children learn very quickly. Other than that, we are always going to be lobbying politicians, the HSE and wasting money," he added.

Deputy Mattie McGrath supported Mr. Grogan's call to educate school children about dementia. "They are the leaders of the future and can help break down the barriers," Deputy McGrath added.

Anyone interested in attending the Let's Talk Tipperary Memory Support Group is asked to contact Anne/Mary on 087-0550050.

Council to review repair works on Carrick-on-Suir bridge

A senior county council engineer has promised to review recently completed repairs to the exterior of Carrick-on-Suir's Dillon Bridge in the wake of a councillor's criticism of the standard of the work.

Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District engineer Willie Corby defended the quality of the pointing work carried out on the bridge structure by the contractor the council en-

gaged at Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District's monthly meeting.

IT WILL BE A GOOD JOB

Responding to criticism from Carrick-on-Suir Cllr David Dunne, he said he believed the work was pretty good and believed when the rest of the repair works on the bridge are completed it will be regarded as a good job.

However, he gave a commitment to review the repair

works before paying the contractor.

Cllr Dunne told the meeting Dillon Bridge looked well after the repairs and it was great to see the vegetation removed from it. However, he was very disappointed with the standard of the pointing work. He complained a number of people with expertise in this area had looked at the repairs done on the bridge and they

believed the standard of the work was "disgraceful".

He said the same contractor did similar work on the town's Old Bridge but weeds were now growing back on the bridge's structure.

Cllr Dunne said he hoped the council will bring back the contractor to look at the bridge again and get him to re-do what needed to be done before paying him.

Mr Corby explained there was a lot of clay and debris in the middle of Dillon Bridge's walls and the structure was quite porous in places. These bridges were of their time and it was hard to take these structures down and replace them, he said.

Mr Corby said he was disappointed there were people who felt it was not a good job. He disagreed and believed Dillon Bridge was now much

better than it was previously.

The second phase of the renovations on Dillon Bridge is due to take place this summer.

It will involve scour damage repairs.

Scouring is the removal of river sediment from around the abutments and piers of bridges by fast moving water, which can compromise the integrity of the bridge's structure.

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WILD ABOUT SOUTH TIPP

Close encounters with Foxes

Wildlife Matters

by Albert Nolan

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I was driving home, after a morning of birdwatching when out of the corner of my eye I saw a fox dart out from the gate of a field. He ran across in front of the car ahead of me and I don't know he avoided been hit and killed.

The other car had started to speed up, even though we were in a residential area, and been Saturday there were lots of kids out playing. The driver slammed on the brakes, and thankfully, I had left plenty of room. I got out, and I saw driver of the other car, looking back at me, and he suddenly drove away quickly.

While I regained my composure, I saw the fox equally shocked, looking over the garden wall. We remained like this for a few moments, till he disappeared, into some mature shrubs.

Next a man appeared from the house, and he was very irate. He had watching from his living room window, and was sick of the speed, at which thoughtless drivers, come through his neighbour.

The fox was on its way to his house to be fed. A few years ago, a vixen had brought her three cubs into his garden. His wife has just passed away, and the fox provided a welcome distraction, and he even named the mother, after his late wife.



Although since retired, he was a butcher and could bring back tasty meat treats, for his new family. His own kids are well reared, but know his grandkids love to stay over with grandad. I loved how he explained how they have really bonded around nature, and feeding the fox. He was well aware that this is a wild creature, and he encourages his grandkids, to enjoy and watch, but not touch.

The kids now know to be quite and still. This was really hard at first, as excitement got the better of them, but this is perfectly understandable. They have done a project for school on foxes. One of his proudest days was when he was invited into the school to talk about his fox. They spent a weekend compiling all their photos and videos, and this is natural education at its very best.

He apologised for his initial irate reaction, as he has lost two of the cubs to traffic, and has even tried feeding them across the road, but the neighbour's dog eats the food

and chases away the fox.

Most cubs are born between March and April, and with a hungry family to feed, foxes can often be seen out during the day in May. They are normally active during the night, or have a crepuscular nature, active at dawn and dusk.

Diet is very varied and adapted to the local habitat that the fox hunts in. Foxes living in coastal areas scavenge, along the beach. They will also eat berries, caterpillars, roots and carrion on roads. This is a useful clean up service, and helps prevent the spread of diseases.

Rabbits were a major part of the diet of foxes, but when their population declined, foxes had to find different prey. They will also hunt rats and mice.

The female gives birth to an average of five cubs, but up to 14 have been recorded. Until the cubs can keep themselves warm, she stays with them. The male or dog, is kept busy hunting for food. He drops this at the entrance. If the area has plenty of prey, and the male is a good hunter, the cubs will take their first steps outside in May.

By October the cubs are fully weaned, and will have to leave their parents territory, and make their own way, in the world.

Comments/Questions to albert.nolan@rocketmail.com or 089-4230502. Albert is also available to give walks/talks to schools, tidy towns, youth and community groups.

New puppy in the family

Good breeders usually give a puppy their first essentials for when they arrive at their new residence – such as a toy, favourite treat or food so that they have a great start.

The Pet Experts at Maxi Zoo have put together a list of essentials to set you and your new family member up.

For a puppy, buy a cushion or bed that will be big enough when they're fully grown. While they're still small, you can surround the spot where they sleep with a soft blanket to create a feeling of security.

Dogs need a food and water bowl. A non-slip base makes eating easier for impatient puppies.

Your pups collar should be size appropriate, adjustable and lined if possible so that it doesn't hurt your four-legged friend. A harness is also practical and prevents puppies from slipping out. We recommend short nylon leads for walking. The lighter and softer the material the better.

Toys should always be appropriate for your pet's age.

Young dogs require extremely high quality food spe-

cially formulated for the puppies needs. The three important components for healthy growth are protein, minerals and energy. Speak to your local Maxi Zoo Pet Expert about these.

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The Divorce Referendum - what will change?

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WHAT WILL CHANGE?

This Friday's divorce referendum is asking voters whether or not to ease the restrictions on divorce in Ireland and remove the minimum waiting period of four years from the Constitution.

What is proposed is the removal entirely of the waiting period to apply for divorce from the Constitution, and for its regulation to be positioned within the remit of the Oireachtas.

DIVORCE LAWS NOW

Under the current regime, the Constitution only allows divorce where spouses have lived apart for four years out of the previous five.

WHAT THIS REFERENDUM IS ASKING

If Ireland votes 'Yes', then the Constitution will change.

The Constitution will no longer require a person ap-

plying for a divorce to have lived apart from his or her spouse for at least four years.

If a No vote is passed, the minimum period of four years of living apart set out in the Family Law (Divorce) Act 1996 will continue to apply

THE TIME MAY CHANGE BUT ISSUES REMAIN THE SAME

While couples who are navigating their way through the a divorce may welcome a change to wait times for divorce, the main sticking points will remain the same.

WHO GETS WHAT?

When going through a divorce, rational discussion about division of assets can be extremely difficult. If a divorcing couple cannot decide between themselves how best to split their assets, the Court will still have to step in as final arbitrator and take the decision away from them. What will a court consider

if it comes to a fight?

The courts will still have look to make what is called "proper provision" for the parties involved.

This will continue to include looking at:

1. Income, earning capacity and other financial resources;
2. Financial needs and obligations;
3. Age, duration of the marriage and length of time living together;
4. Standard of living;
5. Any relevant special needs;
6. Contributions made to the welfare of the family;
7. Accommodation needs;

HOW CAN WE HELP?

For further advice or if you wish to discuss any other legal area please contact reception@lynchsolicitors.ie or telephone 052-6124344.

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30,000 Tipp homes to benefit from €120m county broadband investment

According to the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment, digital technology is transforming how we live, learn and work. Broadband is the key to unlocking a vast amount of potential for the people living in rural Ireland. With smart farming, the connected home, the digital school, the possibilities are endless.

"If rural Ireland continues to struggle without access to high quality broadband, it will miss out on these opportunities that technology is creating. Worse still, it could be left trailing in the backwash as economic and social activity is sucked into the cities, hollowing out towns and villages across rural Ireland.

"There are currently over 30,000 homes in Tipperary without access to high speed broadband who will benefit from this plan. Rural Ireland is a priority for this government. This decision is the largest commitment to rural Ireland by any government since rural electrification.

"The government have agreed to invest up to a maximum €3 billion (including €545m conditional subsidy and €354m in VAT) to lay down 150,000km of fibre using 1.7 million poles to deliver future proofed broadband to 540,000 homes, farms, schools and businesses in the country over the next 25 years. €120m of that will go to County Tipperary, to make sure that 100% of premises in this county have access to state of the art broadband, regardless of how remote or rural they live or work.

"Broadband is the key to unlocking a vast amount of potential for the people living in rural Ireland. Individuals will be able to take advantage of more flexible working arrangements and access to remote GP and nursing services, medical monitoring and other medical and well-being services. Businesses will be able to take advantage of the enterprise opportunities in the digital economy and enhance their existing offering. Finally they can

have confidence in taking electronic payments and bookings.

"Farmers, already acutely aware of the benefits that smart farming methods can have on their livelihoods, will have confidence in the reliability of their access to a high speed internet connection. Technology is also transforming our education system. Our students will now be able to participate fully in the digital revolution, regardless of where they go to school.

"In 1999, our telecoms infrastructure was sold to the private sector. Private investors have committed to deliver high speed broadband to homes in built-up areas. However, for 25% of our population, such a future proofed service will not be available without the government's investment.

"This government are investing in rural Ireland. For all the reasons above and all those we haven't even thought about yet, we believe this investment is one worth making."

Forty seats to be decided by Tipp voters

Tipperary voters will have a choice of seventy nine candidates to fill forty county council seats when they go to the polls on Friday.

They will also be voting in the Ireland South constituency for the European Parliament where there are twenty one candidates, and a third vote will be a referendum on changes to the Thirty-eighth Amendment of the Constitution (Dissolution of Marriage) Bill 2016.

Unlike five years ago when voting in the council election was confined to five electoral areas, this time voters are divided between eight electoral areas following changes announced in the last six

months.

They are Clonmel, Cahir, Cashel-Tipperary, Carrick-on-Suir, Thurles, Nenagh, Newport and Roscrea-Templemore.

While some divisional boundaries have changed, the final number of seats remains at forty.

And in the case of Carrick-on-Suir, the electoral area has lost one seat with six sitting councillors among a field of eleven candidates chasing just five seats.

Counting of votes takes place in the Presentation Secondary School, Thurles, with the first boxes opened at 9am, and if the 2014 count is an indicator, it is likely to continue into Sunday. The

European election count takes place in Nemo Rangers GAA Club in Cork.

MORE ELECTION COVERAGE IN THIS WEEK'S THE NATIONALIST AND ON TIPPERARYLIVE.IE.



Anthony Hewitt, Danny Doyle and Paul Deady at the Poulmucka run/walk



PJ English and Andy Moloney at the Poulmucka run/walk



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Fethard's Conor Kane lands RTÉ South East Correspondent role

RTÉ News is pleased to announce the appointment of Fethard's Conor Kane as South East Correspondent.

Currently a freelance journalist in the South East region, Conor has reported on news and sport for national and local media, including RTÉ, over the last number of years.

He has previously worked as South East Correspondent for the Irish Independent and a senior news reporter for The Irish Examiner. Prior to this, he worked with The Roscommon Herald, Wicklow People and People Group



Newspapers (Wexford), and The Nationalist in Clonmel.

He is a journalism graduate from DIT with over 25 years media experience and has a wide range of contacts across the region.

Commenting on his new role, Conor said: "I am delighted to be joining RTÉ and to be given this exciting opportunity. It's great to be based in the South East of the country, the most beautiful part of Ireland. It's where I'm from and where I have worked for much of my career in journalism. I am looking forward to working with the brilliant team in RTÉ Waterford and my new colleagues in the RTÉ newsroom."

Conor Kane will commence his role with RTÉ in mid-June.



Martin Quinn, Minister for Rural and Community Development Minister Ring, local election candidate Garret Ahearn and Cllr Michael Fitzgerald at the official opening of the refurbished Canon Hayes Recreation Centre tennis courts and 3G pitches. Canon Hayes chairperson Mr Quinn said the facilities are of "major significance" to Tipperary Town and surrounding areas

Appeal to council to restore skip to cemetery

The county council has been urged to reinstate a rubbish skip it removed from Carrick-on-Suir's St Mary's Cemetery because a corner of the graveyard has become a dump site.

Carrick-on-Suir Cllr Kieran Bourke appealed to the council to revisit its decision at the monthly meeting

of Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District councillors.

He said an unbelievable amount of rubbish and decaying flowers from the graves had built up in a corner of the cemetery where the skip used to be situated. He suggested some people may have placed the rubbish there "in all innocence" be-

lieving the skip would return.

If restoring the skip was not an option, the Fianna Fáil councillor suggested the council erect a sign requesting people to bring home any rubbish from cleaning up graves.

Fellow Carrick councillor David Dunne (SF) supported

his comments and proposed the skip be restored with a camera attached to it to record anyone who illegally dumped rubbish in it.

"We are punishing the vast majority of the good people because of a few illegal dumpers. It would stop if there were cameras there."

Carrick-on-Suir Muni-

cipal District engineer Willie Corby responded the skip was removed from the cemetery because there was a lot of abuse of it, referring to the illegal dumping of household waste. "It was taken away for a good reason. We will look at it again but it's costly to provide skips and take them away," he told

councillors.

In relation to Cllr Dunne's proposal to erect a camera on the skip, he said it would be costly to do that and to monitor the CCTV. "We would like to think that the public would take away most of their own waste. That would generally be the rule," he said.

Derelict site making life miserable for residents

Tipp County Council has been urged to intervene to get a derelict building site in a Carrick-on-Suir housing estate attracting illegal dumping, bonfires, drinking parties and other anti-social behaviour cleaned up and made safe.

A motion was passed at Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District's monthly meeting urging the council to write to the owners of the building site next to Hazel Close in Greenhill Village and ask

them to clean it up and make it safe.

It was tabled by Carrick-on-Suir Sinn Féin Cllr David Dunne and seconded by fellow Carrick-on-Suir councillor Kieran Bourke, who both condemned the condition of the site and highlighted the impact it was having on neighbouring residents in Hazel Close.

The council responded that it would investigate the matter under the 1990 Derelict Sites Act as its staff

resources allowed.

According to Cllr Dunne, the derelict site comprises about 11 vacant houses, which are boarded up and a building site comprising the foundations for about eight further homes. Two of the 11 vacant houses are significantly fire damaged.

Cllr Dunne said he sent an email, via the council, to the new owners of the vacant houses and building site months ago requesting the clean up.

He told the municipal district meeting he was informed kids had gained entry again into the two fire damaged and boarded up houses. He said in the building site people were drinking, abusing drugs and lighting bonfires. Horses were wandering on the site and there was illegal dumping of rubbish there close to a creche.

He pointed out the council owned a number of houses in Hazel Close.

Cllr Dunne said he under-

stood the new owners were good and were working through issues in a number of estates in the Carrick Municipal District. "I am asking that they come and clean up this site. This is going on well over five years," he declared.

Cllr Bourke said he totally supported Cllr Dunne's appeal. He said he was in this estate the previous day and was "absolutely shocked and horrified" at the situation.

He said the council owned six houses in Hazel Close.

While the houses were fabulous, the tenants were living in deplorable conditions because of this building site next to them.

He argued the council as a landlord had a duty of care to these tenants. "I totally and utterly sympathise with the misfortunate people who have to rear children in this particular area. We really have to get tough on these people," he said referring to the owners of the vacant houses and building site.

Fethard priest dies days short of his 95th birthday

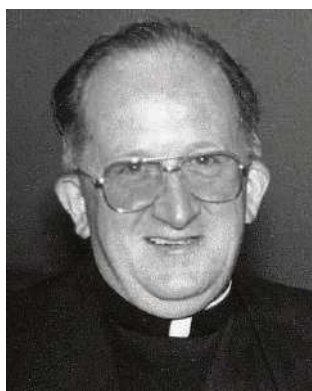
The death occurred on April 27 of Canon Matthew Hayes, priest of the English diocese of Clifton and a native of Rathcoole, Fethard.

He was in his 95th year, and died following a brief illness, just eleven days short of his 95th birthday.

For the last four years, Canon Hayes was in the care of St Joseph's Home in Bristol, run by the Little Sisters of the Poor. Up to almost the day before his peaceful death, he was up practically

every day and able to move slowly around the home and its garden with the support of a walking aid.

He was blessed to have enjoyed good health, and he spent only a few short spells in hospital over the stretch of his long life. He was also blessed to have had clear mind up to his death and to have retained a remarkable memory recall, even of his early boyhood days going to the boys national school in Fethard run by the Patrician



The late Canon Mattie Hayes

Brothers.

He was a son of Tom and May Hayes of Rathcoole, being the eldest of a family of seven boys and one girl. He received his early secondary education in Rockwell College and when he indicated his wish to go on for the priesthood, he was sent to Prior Park College in Bath. This led to his decision to become a priest for the diocese of Clifton and eventually to be ordained in the diocesan cathedral in Bristol in July

1948.

He continued to be active in his priestly ministry up to the end of 2014, including some years doing weekend supply work in parishes in and around Bath where he was then living in retirement.

Last July, he celebrated the 70th anniversary of his ordination, concelebrating the Jubilee mass with a gathering of his fellow diocesan priests and giving the homily on that notable occasion.

By that time, he was the longest serving and oldest of the priests of Clifton Diocese.

Following his requiem mass on May 15 in St John's Church in Bath, his burial took place in Perrymead Cemetery.

Canon Hayes is survived by his two brothers, Willie who resides in Roscrea, and Denis who resides in Australia.

'Tipperary is a great place to do business'

Prestigious Tipperary business awards will be presented at a gala function in Clonmel in October.

Now in their third year, the County Tipperary Chamber Business Awards were launched at the Questum Acceleration Centre at Ballingarrane in Clonmel.

Among those to pay tribute to the importance of the awards were a former winner and a leading third level college.

Media partners for the awards are The Nationalist, Tipperary Star and TipperaryLive.ie. Awards will be presented across a range of categories, while there will also be an overall business of the year award and a special president's award to a person who has made a significant contribution to enterprise, innovation and business in the county and beyond.

Previous winners of this award include horseracing magnate John Magnier from Coolmore Stud and fashion designer Louise Kennedy.

A previous winner of the overall business of the year award, ABP Food Group,

Cahir, is now the event's main sponsor and a huge supporter of the awards.

ABP environmental and sustainability manager John Durkan said winning the top award in its inaugural year proved a huge boost for the company. He said ABP is a large company now but was small once and received great support from County Tipperary Chamber during its growth.

Now in its role as sponsor, it was delighted to be able to help other companies grow and flourish through the business awards. "Tipperary is a great place to do business and these awards showcase the expertise and confidence that exists in the county. Small businesses face a lot of challenges and we need to support them to grow," Mr Durkan said.

He said his company was delighted to support the venture. "Together we all grow stronger," he added.

County Tipperary Chamber vice president Emma Lacy described the business awards as a crucial platform for business growth. She remarked that



Back: Frank McGrath (AIB), Mayor of Clonmel Borough District Cllr Richie Molloy, Gillian Barry (LIT), Anne O'Grady and Noreen Condon (Tipperary Star), Celine Kennedy and Michael Heverin (The Nationalist), John Durkan (ABP Food Group). **Seated:** David Shanahan (Tipperary Chamber), Laura Jones (Clonmel Park Hotel), Emma Lacy (Horan Automation)

speaking from personal experience, her own company, Horan Automation in Drangan, benefited hugely from winning an award for

best SME and emerging business.

"Our business has grown in many ways from the experience. Our brand has grown

much stronger from the publicity we received following the award and it also gave us the confidence to apply for other awards.

"It encourage companies to be proud of their story and how far the business has come and gives a vehicle to celebrate it.

"In 2018, after winning the Tipperary award, our company went on to win three other awards, culminating in the small business of the year award, which we were overwhelmed to win."

Ms Lacy described Tipperary Chamber as not just a business group but a community of like-minded people who support each other. She said the world for SMEs and self-employed people can be lonely, but the chamber can provide support and guidance for business and she encouraged all businesses to take advantage of this opportunity.

Clonmel Park Hotel sales manager and chair of the awards committee Laura Jones and Chamber chief executive David Shanahan welcomed all who attended the launch, including Mayor of Clonmel Richie Molloy, and said they hoped to see everyone back for the awards ceremony itself on October 18 at Clonmel Park Hotel.

'We are all in this together to celebrate great companies'

One of the key players in the County Tipperary Business Awards is LIT Tipperary as innovation and education partner.

LIT's Gillian Barry paid glowing tribute to the importance of the awards. The head of innovation and enterprise said the value of the

awards cannot be overestimated. "It is important to recognise and celebrate the value of the great companies in this county, across two regions, in the direct and indirect employment and the positive social, cultural and environmental impact they have in Tipperary," she said.

Ms Barry said the awards

reflect the county's collective drive to celebrate companies that set the benchmark in terms of innovation and creativity and giving back to the community.

"This is great encouragement for the young people of Tipperary that they don't have to leave the county because there are great job op-

portunities here for them to stay."

She added that it also encouraged other companies to locate to Tipperary and create more employment. She remarked that it was a very competitive market for business across a wide range of sectors and the extent of the award categories re-

flected that spread.

The LIT head said they were delighted to be associated with such prestigious awards. Their research, innovation and enterprise department wanted to work with companies across Tipperary to help grow and overcome any problems they may have.

She pointed out the role that LIT play in association with Tipperary County Council in the Questum Centre. "We are all in this together to celebrate great companies, big and small, in this great county, and we look forward to another great awards night."

'Women's network in the fire service is a very positive move'

Women in the fire service was promoted recently at the Chief Fire Officers Association (CFOA) conference in Monaghan.

Less than 2% of the retained fire service comprise of women and less than 8% of the full time fire service are women, according to a recent study undertaken by the CFOA.

Most women begin their career in the fire service at firefighter level, while some start in the fire prevention or graduate sector of the service.

For one firefighter, working up to sub officer rank took nine years, but as the only female firefighter in Tipperary for 16 of her 18 years in the brigade, Cashel sub officer Anthea Browne says she has enjoyed the challenges she faced along the way and believes the women's network in the fire service is a positive move. "As many women as possible attended the initial event launch. It was amazing. It was the first time there were more women in a room than men. Usually I'm the only woman in the room and this time it was reversed. There was only one man in the room among 40 or 50 women from all different parts of the fire service, from senior officers to junior and firefighters and people from fire con-



Cashel Fire Station sub officer Anthea Browne

trol too.

"The women's network in the fire service is a very positive move by the chiefs," she says.

Career wise, joining the fire service may not be something which pops into many

women's heads, especially years ago and there was a perception that the fire service might not be suitable for women or women may not be fit enough for the work of a firefighter.

Sub officer Browne quashes some of those

myths. "People look at me - I'm small and people think I wouldn't be able to carry them down the stairs, but team effort does that.

"I do work hard to keep fit and make sure I am fit and strong enough to be able to carry out my duties the same as anyone else."

Asked whether female firefighters have to work that much harder to prove themselves to their male colleagues, Anthea says that's not always the case. "Maybe I had to work a bit harder than some of the guys at the start, but it's something I really wanted and it's something I worked really hard for. Apart from that, I've a great working relationship with all the guys in my station and it has been a very good 18 years of service.

"From my point of view, I want to show that I am a woman, yes, but I'm as good as any man in the job. I can do what they can do, there's no need to 'mind me' or protect me because I am a woman.

"There's no need for them to say 'no, you don't do that, I'll take it from here'. That's my own experience personally but it's also for other guys or girls coming into the service for the men to say 'yes, she's one of us, she has the same capabilities as us' and let me do my job, but overall it's equal among us all."

Award a 'huge honour' for devoted Charlotte

A Clonmel teacher has been presented with an international Rotary award in recognition of her volunteerism role in the community.

Charlotte Keane accepted her Rotary Young Citizen Award in Nottingham, accompanied by her parents Martin and Edel Keane and Rotary Ireland district governor Monica Robertson.

The Ss Peter and Paul's Primary School teacher was nominated by her friend Emma Lacey for the work she has done since The Emma Lacey Trust was established last August and for her dedication to volunteering in her parish and community from a young age.

Charlotte accepted her Britain and Ireland Rotary Young Citizen Award trophy at a ceremony in the Royal Concert Hall in Nottingham from BBC presenter Ellie Crisell. "It was an amazing experience. I really enjoyed meeting the other award winners and hearing about their activities in their com-

munities, which were recognised by Rotary," said Charlotte.

Rotary recognised Charlotte for her "selfless and unwavering friendship and support" to her friend and former Loreto Secondary school classmate Emma, who has been battling life-changing spine and brain conditions for over six years.

"Receiving this award is a huge honour as it represents a whole community of people who came together to support Emma and her family. Being involved with such an inspiring, devoted and compassionate team has been an extremely moving experience for me," said Charlotte.

"Emma is surrounded by wonderful friends who continue to support her. Our faith has brought Emma and I together, and I hope that this award will motivate young people to practice their faith, become involved in their communities and be kind to one another."

Charlotte and Emma were then interviewed by BBC News from Clonmel to speak

about the Rotary award and the community spirit that was created with the establishment of The Emma Lacey Trust. The trust was set up last August to provide a downstairs accessible bedroom / wet room and living area for Emma.

The fundraising drive will come to a conclusion on May 25 with a pop up clothes sale To Emma with Love event at the Showgrounds in Clonmel, with a concert taking place that evening in Bru Boru in Cashel.

Since the age of ten, Charlotte has been heavily involved in her local community and has encouraged other young people to volunteer in various activities, including setting up junior choirs and a playgroup in St Mary's parish. Her inspirational achievements have been recognised by her receiving bronze, silver and gold awards in the President of Ireland's Gaisce Awards.

Charlotte is a daughter of Edel and Martin Keane. She has one brother, Joseph, and they live in St. Patrick's Ter-



Charlotte Keane with her parents Martin and Edel celebrating the award

race in Clonmel.

Clonmel Rotary PRO Gerry Flynn said all of the members were immensely proud of Charlotte and her

achievements. "We are absolutely delighted with Charlotte's success. It is an honour that is well deserved for her work with The Emma Lacey

Trust and for the many years before that for her sense of volunteerism within the Clonmel community that was evident from a young age."

Clonmel entrepreneurs win national recognition

Students from the Presentation and Loreto secondary schools in Clonmel have won awards at the Student Enterprise Programme National Finals at Croke Park.

Organised by the Local Enterprise Offices (LEOs), the students from the Presentation won a Special Merit Prize for their business 'Me, Myself and I' in the junior category. The students from the Loreto were awarded a €250 voucher for their business Plug Pics, which won Most Creative Use of Social Media in the senior category. Both teams were presented with their awards

on stage by the Minister for Trade, Employment, Business, EU Digital Single Market and Data Protection Pat Breen along LEOs' Oisín Geoghegan and Michael Nevin.

The winning students from the Presentation were Ada Hennessy, Anniemae Walsh, Hazel Brennan and Molly O'Brien, who worked under the guidance of their teacher Donna O'Neill. Their student enterprise is a well-being book aimed at secondary school students which can be used as part of their school day to help them feel better about themselves.

Teacher Sinead Grant from the Loreto guided students

Roise Flaherty, Sinead Bond, Emma Reilly, Erin LeBlanc and Brid Moynihan throughout the programme with their enterprise Plug Pics, which are personalised stickers used to identify and decorate your plugs and chargers.

The programme, funded by the Government of Ireland through Enterprise Ireland and delivered by the LEOs, had a total of 222 teenage entrepreneurs, aged between 13 and 18, from 78 different enterprises, competing at the national final.

This year's Student Enterprise Programme attracted over 26,000 student participants from 480 secondary schools around the country.



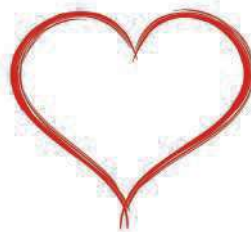
Loreto students Roise Flaherty, Sinead Bond, Emma Reilly, Erin LeBlanc and Brid Moynihan being presented with their award in Croke Park, Dublin.



Presentation students Ada Hennessy, Anniemae Walsh, Hazel Brennan and Molly O'Brien being presented with their award

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FOOTCARE TIPS FOR SUMMER

By **ANDREA KEENAN**
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Walking, a sun holiday or just relaxing at home, keep these tips in mind to avoid foot health issues and enjoy the summer with family and friends. Exposure to the sun and hot surfaces like sand and concrete can leave the soles of your feet dry and rough. Here's how to protect them from the elements so they stay picture-perfect for the entire season.

Don't forget to apply Sunscreen. People neglect to apply a good SPF to their feet. Remember to apply sunscreen all over your feet, especially to the tops and front of ankles.

Limit walking barefoot as it exposes feet to sunburn, athlete's foot, verruca and other infections and increases the risk of injury to your feet. Protect your feet by wearing flip-flops (or similar type footwear) in communal



changing rooms and to the pool edge. However, don't be tempted to wear flip-flops all through the summer as they provide little arch support, heel cushioning or shock absorption and encourage you to grip the flip-flop with your toes.

Hard, cracked skin around the heels is very common in summer, often caused by open-backed sandals and flip-flops rubbing around the edge of the heel. Use a foot file, emery board or pumice stone to gently rub away the hard

skin, then apply a rich moisturising cream such as E45 to soften the skin

If you are a diabetic or have a high-risk foot, shoes should be worn at ALL times to avoid any injury. Even the slightest cut can be cause for alarm among people with diabetes, where healing can be difficult

Footwear Some activities may require different types of footwear and to protect your feet, ensure you have the correct shoe for the activity. If your shoes get wet, dry them

out completely before you wear them again to prevent bacteria or fungus growth. Try on new footwear in the afternoon when your feet are slightly swollen so that you purchase the most comfortable fitting shoe.

AND, of course, if you injure your foot at any time, contact your Foot Health Practitioner who can assist you with any problem you may have. Call into The Foot Care Centre for a FREE 10 minute assessment to discuss any issues you may have. An-

drea Keenan is the proprietor of The Foot Care Centre, The Coach House, Kickham Street, Clonmel (opposite Oakville Shopping Centre). She holds a Diploma in Foot Health and is an Associate Member of the Institute of Chiropodists & Podiatrists. Ph 6121013 Mob. 083 8718010, www.footcare-centreclonmel.com, Email: footcarecentre-clonmel@gmail.com

versity studying Podiatric Medicine and are Registered members of the Society of Chiropodists and Podiatrists. Remember to check that your footcare specialist has these qualifications!

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AIMS success for Clonmel's St. Mary's Choral Society

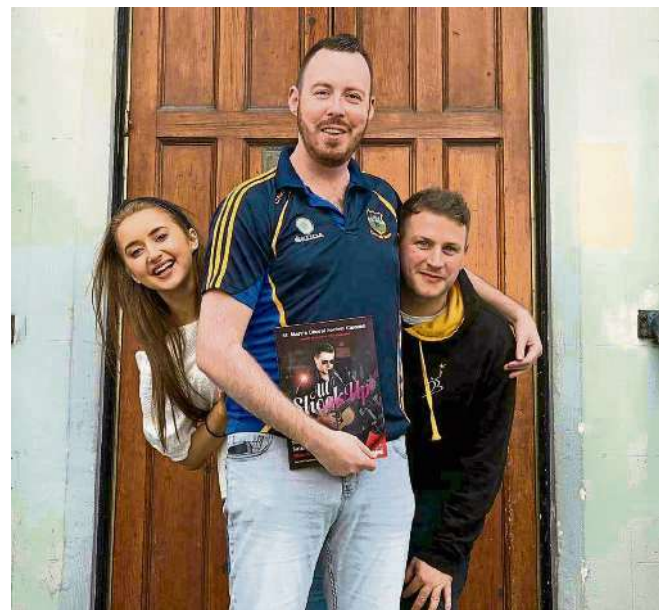
Members of St. Mary's Choral Society are on cloud nine this week after their recent production of All Shook Up was nominated for two AIMS awards.

On Sunday afternoon, the AIM's nominations were streamed live around the country from New Ross. The first nomination announced for St. Mary's was the AIMS Best Programme Award, which went to PRO Jason Ryan for his All Shook Up

programme. Loud cheers again filled the White Memorial Theatre where members had gathered to watch the nomination announcements when Emma Sunderland was nominated for the AIMS Best Actress Award for her portrayal as Natalie in All Shook Up. Chairperson Diarmuid Vaughan started the congratulations and said he was extremely proud of the two nominations the society received. Diarmuid also congratulated society member

Emmet Donlan, who was nominated for the AIMS Best Actor in a Supporting Role for his portrayal of Judas in Jesus Christ Superstar with Tipperary Musical Society. AIMS provides a voice to musical theatre in Ireland. Over 130 musical societies throughout the whole of Ireland are members of AIMS – this relates to around 14,000 people directly involved with musical theatre and an audience base of around 1.2 million. Every musical performed by these societies

over the course of the musical season is adjudicated by the AIMS adjudicator. At the end of each musical season in May, the adjudicator then draws up nominations for the awards based on the shows they have seen. In true Oscar fashion, the nominations cover all aspects of a performance, from best actor to best stage management. The AIMS Awards weekend is celebrated annually in June.



Jason Ryan, Emma Sunderland and Emmet Donlan are all set for the AIMS Awards in June

Garden festival the pinnacle of a Munster summer

When the Mediterranean comes to Cork and gardeners wish to take a short break from their hobby, there's the enjoyable business of garden visiting to indulge in.

Along with these garden visits, there are shows to attend and what better way to spend a whole day out than at the annual Mallow Homes and Garden Festival, which takes place at Mallow Racecourse from May 24-26. This is the only garden show in the country run entirely without sponsorship, yet it continues to enlarge and improve a collection of permanent gardens, many of which undergo complete

makeovers from one year to the next. The festival includes free hourly lectures and presentations. Gardening experts Peter Dowdall and Paraic Horkan, resident garden presenter on Newstalks Pat Kenny Show and Ireland AM, will be on hand to share their knowledge of all things garden related. EnergyWise are back again this year, always proving popular with homeowners as they share information on the latest home heating technology available for your home. New to the show this year is interior designer Nina Kati, who will be imparting her top tips on how to make the most of your home. Other attractions this year

include a pet show, vintage car collection, flower arranging demonstrations with Margaret Mulchinock, an artisan food market, and a lifestyle and leisure expo.

The emphasis this year is once again on colour, with lots of new and unusual flowering and foliage plants. There will be ample free parking will be available just

outside the venue and a shuttle bus service will operate from Mallow Rail Station during the day. Full catering is available at the show, along with crèche facil-

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Tipp students conquer Hard Rock Challenge

CBS High School, Clonmel, and Scoil Ruain, Killenaule, traveled to Rockwell College to compete for the title of Tipperary's fittest male and female transition year students.

Over 150 students took part in the Hard Rock Challenge

initially in a team orienteering style challenge with the students navigating their way around the grounds of the college. To be successful, each team member had to work together to negotiate their way through water hazards and heavily wooded areas. On arrival at the finish line,

another series of team challenges faced them before they were complete.

The second part of the day saw the individual aspect of the competition take place. This was a knockout style event that involved the whittling down of 115 males and 35 females to finals of seven ladies and 14 gents. This was

achieved through a series of short workouts, testing every element of their fitness. The three schools ended up with participants in the finals, which was hugely competitive. The male final was won by Rockwell's Tom Tobin, while Ava Russell took the female final.

During the presentation,

Rockwell transition year co-ordinator Pat Egan thanked Phoenix Strength and Conditioning, Clonmel, for its hard work in preparing the students for the day, setting up the course and running the Hard Rock Challenge.

This was the fifth year of the competition and the most successful yet. Next year, the

plan is to have an even bigger turnout from transitions years from across the county. Together with Phoenix Strength and Conditioning, these schools have been leading the way with putting the health and wellbeing of their students to the forefront.



Tom Tobin (centre) won the men's Hard Rock Challenge



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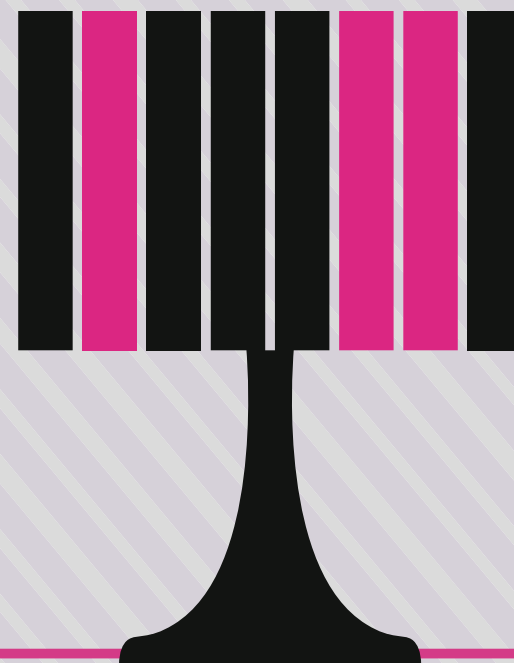
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The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding a reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority during public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the Planning Authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee of € 20 within a period of five 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.

TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL

Vincent Shields is applying for permission for repairs and refurbishment including; slating, rain water goods, repairs to renders and chimneys, upgrade wall linings, replace aluminium windows with hardwood windows, replace timber doors with new timber doors, new internal doorway, new attic hatches, reinstate bottom of stairs to original configuration, new wiring and plumbing, repairs to ceilings and walls and associated works at Barrack Street, Cahir E21 WR02. The property is protected structure number S1022.

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TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
I Ken O'Brien intend to apply to the above Authority for Planning Permission to increase the height of the existing roofs and install 2no. dormer roof windows on each of the 3 houses located at No's 30, 31 & 32 Mountain Road, Cahir, Co. Tipperary – and all associated site works.
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TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
We Josef & Marianne Finke intend to apply to the above Authority for Retention Planning Permission for an existing extension to an existing dwelling (The dwelling is listed on the record of protected structures, reference number S159) – and all associated site development works @ Ballybrada, Cahir, Co. Tipperary.
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TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
Significant Further Information:

Under Planning Reference Number 19/600040, We Michael & Celine Kennedy intend to apply to the above Authority for Retention Planning Permission for (i) an existing porch to an existing dwelling as well as planning permission (ii) to extend an existing dwelling - and all associated site works at Cahir Abbey Upper, Cahir, Co. Tipperary.
in relation to the application has been furnished to the planning authority 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.
The significant further information includes for the demolition of an existing outbuilding and associated site development works.
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TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
Take notice that we, Donie & Breda Cahill, intend to apply to the above Authority for Planning Permission for Retention of (i) Rear Extension & 2 no. Roof lights to Eastern wing of Dwelling (ii) Detached Domestic Garage/Store - at Coolagarranroe, Burncourt, Cahir, Co. Tipperary. This 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 this application may be made to the authority in writing 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 wish to apply to the above authority for retention of planning permission for an existing cattle underpass and approach farm roadways as are constructed under the public roadway along with existing soiled water collection tank all in accordance with documents submitted and all associated site works at Mountwilliam, Curraheen, Drangan. Signed John Gleeson
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TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
Eddie Kennedy is applying to the above Authority on behalf of Cahir Park Golf Club for Retention permission for: a) Entrance signage b) Flag poles, c) Illuminated golf club sign, d) two information signs, all at Kilcommon More, Cahir, County Tipperary. 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 to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, 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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TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
We Liam & Mary Barry intend to apply to the above Authority for Retention Planning Permission for an existing attic store conversion complete with roof windows and all associated site works at 13 Beechwood Drive, Silversprings, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary.
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TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
We Gene & Karen Kelleher intend to apply to the above authority for Planning Permission to change the design of the proposed extension to our existing dwelling as granted under planning application reference number 18601325 and all associated site development works at No. 3 Derravoher, Ballylooby, Cahir, Co. Tipperary.
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I Mary Stapleton intend to apply to the above Authority for Planning Permission to (i) extend an existing dwelling & (ii) install a new waste water treatment system - all associated site works at Darcys Cross, Clerihan, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary.
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PLANNING NOTICES

TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
I, Denis English, intend to apply for planning permission for construction of dwelling, including office, rear sunroom, rear living accommodation, and all associated site works at Main Street Ballyporeen, Co. Tipperary. 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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Our sincere thanks to the Clonmel Garda, the Paramedics and all who helped at the scene. Thanks to the Intensive Care Unit in South Tipperary General Hospital and to Mary's nephew Niall and his partner Donna for all their help. Thanks to Noel's GP Dr. Gerry Sullivan for his care of Noel over many years.

Thanks to Fr. Hegarty who celebrated the Funeral Mass and for being there for our family. To Condon's Undertakers and to Andrea Ruth-Houlihan who sang so beautifully at the Mass. Our thanks also to the Management and staff of Raheen House Hotel.

To our wonderful neighbours and friends and to the Callanan family for their kindness and support.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgement as a token of our appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

"With tearful eyes we watched you and then you passed away. Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay"

Anniversary Mass offered.

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(21st Birthday Remembrance)



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There will always be a big void in our lives and a hole in our hearts that will never heal. However hard it is though we'll take comfort and are grateful for the all the good memories we have and the happiness you brought.

As your 21st is upon us, oh, how our hearts still hurt but even as we mourn your death we will always celebrate your birth.

Happy Birthday Ciano

Love always Mam, Dad and Jade xxx

GREENE

(Birthday Remembrance & Anniversary)



In remembrance of my brother Edward and my father Peter Greene, whose birthday and anniversary occur on 15th and 21st May.

You are both thought of and dearly missed every single day.

Forever in our prayers - Tina and family.

IN MEMORIAM

CONDON

(9th Anniversary)



Cherished memories of our beloved mother Phyllis (Philly), late of Plunkett Tce, Clonmel, who died on 23rd May 2010. R.I.P.

Mam, you were always there when we needed you, no task too great or small, with a loving heart and willing hands, for us you did it all.

Mam, you walk with us down quiet paths, you speak in wind and rain, for the wonderful memories we recall, bring you back to us again.

Mam, in our garden of remembrance, one rose will grow forever, especially for you x.

Forever in our hearts - your loving sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mass offered

CROWE

(17th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Eddie Crowe, late of Puddingfield, Tipperary who died 27th May 2002. RIP

In our hearts and minds you will always be, with our inner eyes, will we always see, the blowing wind lets us know you're around.

All laughter and joy, will carry the sound, the words never come right to help ease the blow.....always be with us, we'll never let go.

- Paul, Bernadette and Ann.

Mass offered

IN MEMORIAM

DEE

(2nd Anniversary)



In loving memory of Margaret (Peg) Dee, late of 8 Barron Park, Clonmel, who died on 16th May 2017. RIP

It's been a lonely time without you, and nothing is the same; all we have are memories, and your picture in a frame. We travel to your resting place, and flowers we place with care, but no-one knows the heartache, as we turn and leave you there.

Sadly missed by your husband Michael, daughters Joan and Kit, sons Tom and Pat, daughters-in-law Patsy and Tracy, son-in-law John, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on 1st June in St. Oliver's Church at 11.30am.

DELANY

(1st Anniversary)



In loving memory of our mother Catherine (Kitty) Nee Wall, late of Parsonshill, Fethard, who died on 25th May 2018.

We hold you close within our hearts and there you shall remain, to walk with us throughout our lives, until we meet again.

So Rest in Peace dear Mother, and thanks for all you've done. We pray that God has given you the crown you've truly won.

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Anniversary Mass on Saturday May 25th in the Holy Trinity Church, Fethard at 7pm.

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Always in
our memory.



Another Leaf Has Fallen

Another leaf has fallen,
another soul has gone.
But still we have God's promises,
in every robin's song.
For he is in His heaven,
and though He takes away,
He always leaves to mortals,
the bright sun's kindly ray.
He leaves the fragrant blossoms,
and lovely forest, green.
And gives us new found comfort,
when we on Him will lean.

Rest in Peace



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IN MEMORIAM

FARRELL
(14th Anniversary)



In loving memory of our Father Billy Farrell, late of Slievenamon Rd, Clonmel whose anniversary occurs on 25th May.

Those we love are never more than a thought away.

Remembered by his sons and daughters, Noel, Danny, P.J., Michael, Francis, Thomas, Denis (Henry), Josephine, Winnie, Mary, Eileen, Ann and Rose.

GARDINER
(9th Anniversary)

In loving memory of a beloved son and brother Conor, late of Elm Park, Clonmel on his 9th anniversary

No matter what we do, no morning dawns, no evening falls without a thought of you. Of all the special gifts in life, however great or small, to have a son and brother like you was the greatest gift of all.

Forever in our hearts, love Mam, brother, sisters and their families.

Mass offered.



Light a Candle...

A candle to remember, may it burn ever so bright

As we look to the heavens on this very night.

Beyond the stars, our dear loved ones soars

Embraced by their Savior on heaven's shores.

*As the angels protect them
and sing their sweet name*

We honor their life with the glow of this flame.

So we light this candle for our loved ones tonight

As a symbol of our love and their eternal life.

IN MEMORIAM

GREENE
(8th Anniversary)



Treasured memories of a dear father, grandfather and great grandfather Peter Greene, Oakland Drive, Clonmel whose anniversary occurs on 21st May.

A million times I needed you, a million times I cried. If love alone could have saved you, you never would have died.

- Frances, Kieran, Shannon, Nicole, Brogan and Keegan. Miss you so much xxxxxxxxxx

In a beautiful home called Heaven, in that valley so precious and fair. Some day, sometime, Dad, I hope to meet you there.

Loved and remembered always Dad - your loving daughter Catherine, Jim, Jamie and Tara xxxxxxxx

Time slips by but still you stay, as near and dear as yesterday. No longer in our lives to share, but in our hearts you are always there.

Always in our thoughts, especially at this time.

Love you Dad, from your daughter Ann Marie, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.xxxxxxx

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 25th May in St. Nicholas Church, Carrick-on-Suir at 7.30pm

HACKETT
(4th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Richard Hackett, Neddans, Ardfinnan, who died on June 9th 2015 RIP

Sadly missed by Nan and family.

Anniversary Mass on Saturday, June 1st in The Holy Family Church, Ardfinnan at 6.15pm.



When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure.

Author Unknown

IN MEMORIAM

HARRIS
(9th Anniversary)



51 Highfield Grove
Clonmel

In loving memory of our dear daughter and sister Cathy, whose anniversary occurs on 22nd May.

You left us broken-hearted, not knowing what to do. But now we find such comfort in memories of you.

The legacy you left us was happiness and love, and that shines on forever from the glorious skies above.

You brought beauty, joy and happiness, from the moment of your birth. Now in Heaven you're an Angel, just as you were on earth.

We love and miss you, deeply, every single day.

Love, hugs and kisses from your loving Mam, Dad and brother Bobby.

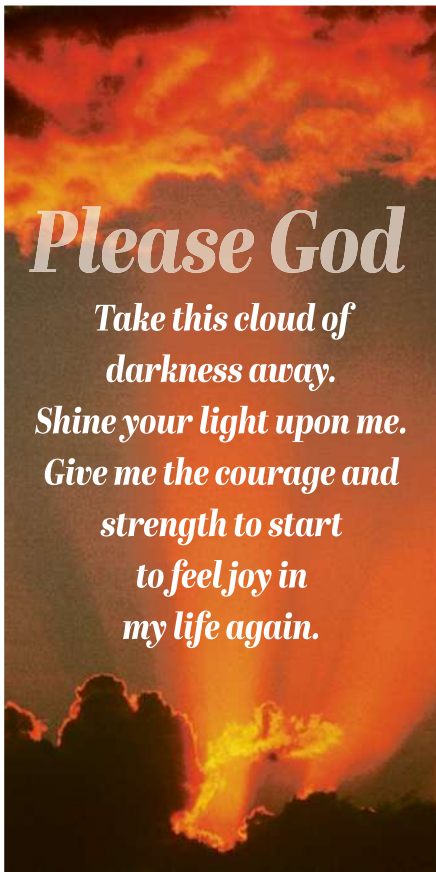
Anniversary Mass on Saturday 1st June in St. Oliver's Church at 7.30pm.

HARRIS
(9th Anniversary)
Cathy

In loving memory of a dear granddaughter and niece Cathy.

Find the softest pillow Lord to rest her head upon. Place a kiss upon her cheek and tell her who it's from.

Always loved by your grandmother Rosie and aunt Ann-Marie xx



IN MEMORIAM

HAWKINS
(1st Anniversary)



In loving memory of a beloved wife, mother and grandmother Mary Hawkins, late of 62 Collins Park, Carrick-on-Suir, whose First Anniversary occurs on May 25th.

It's lonely here without you, we miss you more each day. For life is not the same to us, since you went away. Your resting place we visit, placing flowers there with care, but no one knows the heartache as we turn and leave you there.

Sadly missed by your loving husband Jimmy.

Months have grown day by day, it's now a year since you went away. Thoughts are full and hearts do weigh, without you here to share the way. Time may dull the hand of fate, memory forever recalls the date.

Sadly missed by Samantha, Ian and Clodagh.

No farewells were spoken, no time to say goodbye. You were gone before we knew it, and only God knows why.

Always in our hearts - Leonie, Noel, Eim  ar and Leon.

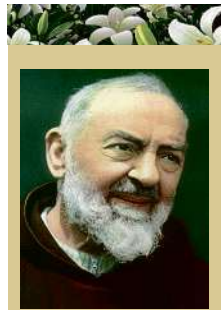
I sit and wonder everyday, why the Lord chose to call you away. I think he saw you needed rest. He only takes the very best.

Sadly missed by Jordanna, Kevin, Daire, Lorcan and Tadhg.

Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us everyday. Unseen, unheard but always near. Still loved, still missed and very dear.

Sadly missed by Gerard, Caroline, Kayleigh and Chloe.

Anniversary Mass in St. Nicholas Church, Carrick-on-Suir on Sunday 26th May at 12noon.



GOD'S GARDEN

*God looked around
His garden
And He found an
empty place
He then looked down
upon the earth
And saw your
precious face*

*He put His arms
around you
And lifted you
to rest;
God's Garden
must be beautiful
He always takes
the best.*

*He knew that you
were suffering
He knew you were
in pain
He knew you'd
never ever
Get well on earth
again.*

*So He closed your
weary eyelids
And whispered
"Peace be thine"
Then He took you
up to Heaven
With Hands so
gentle and kind.*

*It broke our
hearts to lose you
But you did not
go alone,
For part of us
went with you
The day God
welcomed you
home.*





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In loving memory of a beloved mother Mary Hawkins, late of Collins Park, Carrick-on-Suir, whose First Anniversary occurs on May 25th.

I often am awake at night, when the world is fast asleep and I think about the Mam I lost with tears upon my cheek. I can't get over losing you, no matter how I try. I will always keep you in my heart, until the day I die.

Always remembered by Annemarie, Martin, Adrienne, Shauna, Adam and Kayla.

KEARNS (14th Anniversary)



In loving memory of David Kearns, late of 4 Baron Park, whose 14th anniversary occurs on 28th May RIP.

Will those who think of him today,
a little prayer to Jesus say.

Sadly missed by
your loving family.

Mass offered.

IN MEMORIAM

KIELY (18th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Michael Kiely, Barna, Galbally, who died on 25th May, 2001.

May comes with sad regret, it brings back a time we will never forget. We watched and waited and we prayed in vain, that God would make you well again.

But it wasn't to be, God knew best, He eased your pain but broke our hearts. Dad, the memory of our times together is our greatest treasure, we will always love and miss you.

Always loved and remembered by your loving wife Bridie, daughters Geraldine and Peggy, sons John and Andrew, daughters-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Anniversary Mass Sunday 26th May at 11.30am in the Church of Christ the King, Galbally.

Rest in Peace

LAFFORD (32nd Anniversary)



In loving memory of Della, late of 16 Clarke Villas, Clonmel, who died on May 25th, 1987. RIP.

Her face is ever before us, her voice we cannot forget, her smile will linger forever, in memory we see her yet.

Sadly missed by your loving family.

LOOBY (2nd Anniversary)



Treasured memories of a wonderful mother, grandmother and great-grandmother Lily, Western Road, Clonmel who died on 2nd June 2017 RIP.

Will those who think of Lily today, a little prayer to Jesus say.

Sadly missed by her loving family.

Mass offered.

IN MEMORIAM

MULLINS (31st Anniversary)

In loving memory of our mother Bridie Mullins, late of 30 Albert St, Clonmel whose 31st Anniversary occurs on 25th May.

Sometimes a sudden thought or memory brings on the flow of tears. But the tears we shed are tears of love for all those treasured years.

Forever loved, always remembered by your loving family.

Anniversary Mass in St. Mary's Church on Saturday 25th May at 9.30am.

MURPHY (8th Anniversary)



In loving memory of my Dad, Billy Murphy, late of Toor, Ballypatrick, Clonmel whose eighth anniversary occurs on 19th May.

Dad, a whisper on a May day, you heard a gentle call. You took the hand of Jesus and quietly left us all. My heart is full of memories, with pride I speak your name. Though life goes on without you, its never been the same.

Always in our thoughts and prayers - Peter, Anne, Billy, Leah and Eabha.

O'BRIEN (4th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Tommy O'Brien, 6 Kilnockin View, Fethard, who died on 22nd May 2015 RIP

Your name is often spoken, we talk about you still; you haven't been forgotten, you know you never will. No words or verse could ever say, how much we miss you every day. Deep in our hearts your memory is kept, we love you too dearly to ever forget.

Tommy, you are loved and remembered everyday by Mam, Dad, daughters Katelyn and Tasha, brothers Paul and John, sisters Tricia, Jillian and Samantha and niece Sophia.

Tommy's Anniversary Mass will be held on Saturday 25th May in The Augustinian Abbey at 7.30pm

IN MEMORIAM

O'FARRELL (8th Anniversary)



In loving memory of beloved Una, who passed away on 27th May 2011.

Love's not Time's fool,
though rosy lips and cheeks
Within his bending sickle's compass come;
Love alters not with his
brief hours and weeks,
But bears it out even to the edge of doom.

So much loved and missed

- Dave and family.

O'MEARA (25th Anniversary)



With sad and fond memories of Bill, Glenconner, Clonmel.

Always in our thoughts.

- Patricia, Dominic, Hazel
and extended families.

THANKSGIVINGS

THE MIRACULOUS PRAYER

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked you for many favours. This time I ask You this very special one (mention request). Take it, Dear Heart of Jesus and place it within Your own broken heart where your Father sees it. Then in His merciful eyes it will become Your favour, not mine. Amen. Say this prayer for three days. Promise publication and favour will be granted, no matter how impossible (never known to fail). B.S.

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AUTHOR UNKNOWN



*I am
Still
With You*

*If it seems that I
am far away on
this empty and
solemn day,*

*Just open your
heart and know
it's true,*

*that I am still
right here with
you.*

*If during the day
things are going
wrong,*

*please don't feel
sad and alone.*

*Just open your
heart and know
it's true,*

*that I am still
right here with
you.*

*When nighttime
falls and the day
is done.*

*If you are feeling
alone and sleep
won't come,*

*Just open your
heart and know
it's true,*

*that I am still
right here with
you.*

*Close your eyes,
and feel the warm
embrace.*

*Sleep peacefully
in the wings of
grace.*

*If sadness finds
you in the
morning light, if
you feel alone,*

*don't give up
trying!*

*Hold this feather
close and know
it's true,*

*that I am always
here with you.*



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Proud day for Grange as new walkway opened

It was a proud day for Grange with the official opening of its new community walkway.

The progressive South Tipperary village provided the walkway around its community field and it has now become a vital local resource.

Tipperary County Council

vice-chairman Cllr Michael Murphy cut the ribbon to open the walkway and paid tribute to the work and initiative of the local community.

The community field was opened in 2007 following the efforts of Grange Development Association and the walkway is its latest initiative.

Unfavourable weather

conditions meant that the opening was held in Grange Community Hall and not at the community field as planned. The event was very well attended and enjoyed by all age groups in the community.

Grange Development Association chairperson Tomás O'Slatara remarked that it was a proud day for the

Grange community and the development association. He described it as very welcome good news for the community after the closure of the local shop and post office in 2017. He said the association was particularly appreciative of the generous grant of €28,500 from the Tipperary County Council and the grant of €5,000 received from the

Tony Ryan Community Foundation.

"The Grange community is also delighted to finally have the footpath in place from the village to the school, the roads resurfaced and lined, and also appreciates the significant flood alleviation and road safety measures put in place by the council," Mr O'Slatara said.

Cllr Michael Murphy acknowledged the achievement of the GDA in completing the walkway so professionally and with no debt outstanding. He had a particular association with the GDA through his involvement with Enfer Scientific who were the major sponsors of the five golf classics held to fundraise for the community field.



Grange Development Association chairman Tomas O'Slatara with school children who took part in a motto competition at the entrance to the new walkway



Members of Grange Development Association and guests at the walkway opening

Walking festival to highlight beauty of Tipperary

The Rhododendron Walking Festival will take place in Clogheen and Burncourt over the June bank holiday weekend, from May 31 to June 3.

Now in its second year, the weekend itinerary includes walks for all abilities as well as family friendly events on Sunday and Monday. The festival begins on Friday evening with a dinner theatre event at Clogheen Community Centre, which has sold out due to phenomenal demand.

On Saturday, the feature is the Knockshanahullion Loop, a wonderful looped walk around one of the peaks in the Knockmealdown Mountains. This 25km long hike starts at Clogheen Community Centre at 9am and includes a significant climb from Shanrahan to the brow of the hill overhead. It then continues along a trail behind the mountain on to Baylough and returns to Clogheen with splendid views of the valley and the blooming rhododendron plants along the way.

For those not up for a full 25km walk with a significant

climb, there is also a half-loop option at 11.30am. A bus will bring participants half way, before completing the climb to Baylough and then back to Clogheen.

If you would like a more leisurely stroll, the 8km Clogheen Loop will take place from the hall at 1pm.

No interest in walking at all? Then there will be a wellness event with Linda from Lavender Lane at the Sallows on Clogheen's Lower Main Street.

Three walks highlighting the rhododendron blooms in the Knockmealdown Moun-

tains will take place on Sunday, all three beginning from Clogheen Community Centre.

There will be 12km and 8km walks as well as a downhill stroll. The 12km event starts at 10.30am and takes in Baylough Lake and Loughglenbridge – two of the most spectacular areas for rhododendron blooms in peak season. If you don't have the energy or fitness for that, the 8km event at 11.30am runs along the foothills of the mountains and will also take in some wonderful rhododendron bedecked tracks

and trails.

If this is even a stretch, don't despair as there is also a leisurely stroll for you. At 12.30pm, a bus will take participants to the car park above Baylough lake. All involved will then descend back to the hall taking in all the beautiful vistas en-route. On return there will be refreshments for all participants and entertainment provided by the Fogues at the community hall.

Monday is family day at Glengarra Wood in Burncourt at 10.30am. Participants can take part in either

a 5km or 2km walk, the latter is suitable for outdoor buggies. On return there will be plenty of family friendly entertainment such as face painting, treasure hunt and a teddy bears picnic.

All events can be booked at www.vee.ie and you can connect with the festival on Facebook/VeeWalks and Twitter/Instagram @VeeWalks.

For manual booking, the festival office in Clogheen will open at the Vee T-junction (across from Carey's Chemist) on May 25 from 12-3pm.

Win a luxurious Furniture sofa EZ Living

EZ LIVING FURNITURE is set to launch its summer sale and will be giving away one of its Raffles yellow velvet three seater sofa.

Upholstered in sumptuous velvet, Raffles boasts a luxurious feel that will bring a touch of sophistication into any room. Whether you are first time buyers or retiring to a new house in the sun, this timeless piece promises to deliver a splash of colour into any interior.

Raffles is also full of personality and has the capacity to compliment a range of colour schemes and patterns. If you want to be in with the chance to experience summer vibes all year round, enter the competition, which goes live on EZ Living Furniture's Instagram account on May 24 at 7am. Follow @ezlivingfurniture.ie on Instagram, like the image of the Raffles post, tag two friends, and light candles and say prayers that the odds be ever in your favour.



Alina and Kaylynn cook up a treat at South East final

Carrick-on-Suir students Alina Urban and Kaylynn Broxon were two of the finalists competing for the title of Supreme Apprentice Chef at the South East final of the 2019 Apprentice Chef Schools Programme last week.

Sponsored by Flogas and Fáilte Ireland, the seventh annual event took place at Waterford Institute of Technology.

The theme of the Apprentice Chef project was 'good mood food', promoting the importance of healthy eating in overall personal, physical and mental well-being, as well as combating obesity and other health issues. Each finalist's dish had to include 'good mood foods' based on

seasonality, availability, locally produced and fresh unprocessed ingredients.

Alina impressed the judges with her dish of seared duck, crispy gnocchi, raspberry and red wine sauce. Kaylynn impressed with her chicken roulade, asparagus, chorizo and pea risotto dish.

Comeragh College's Alina and Kaylynn along with the other finalists were presented with a chef's uniform, certificate and specially monogrammed chopping board. Their schools will also receive a one-day cookery workshop from the Apprentice Chef culinary team.

This year, due to the level of interest from schools throughout Munster, it was divided into two events, with Ellie Sugrue from Mercy

Mounthawk College Tralee winning the title of Supreme Apprentice Chef at the South West final and Sophia O'Leary from Midleton College Cork winning the title at the Waterford event.

Co-founders Mark Murphy of IT Tralee and Mark Doe of justcooking.ie are delighted with the response to date and plan to expand the programme even further over the next few years.

"Congratulations to Alina and Kaylynn on making the finals of the Apprentice Chef Schools Programme. Over 4,000 secondary school students have been involved in culinary mentoring workshops to date. It is part of a three-year strategy to target 60 schools in Munster and expanding to secondary



Alina Urban and Kaylynn Broxon with Louise Brosnan (chef and mentor), Mark Doe (mentor and co-founder of the Apprentice Chef Schools Programme), Susie Cox (nutritional consultant), and Ellie Sugrue (South West Supreme Apprentice Chef)

schools in Connacht in 2020 and a possible national event in 2021 or 2022," Mr Murphy said.

Mark Doe added: "The Ap-

prentice Chef team is committed to running an educational programme that has viable learning outcomes for all who take part. The

workshops and the mentoring process ensures that every student taking part benefits enormously from the experience."

Cashel Community School lift Dick Wood Cup

Cashel Community School beat Coláiste Dún Iascaigh, Cahir, in the Dick Wood Cup final.

This was the 11th year of the competition, which is played between both schools, Rockwell College and Scoil Ruáin in memory of the late Richard (Dick) Wood, a founder member of Cashel Town FC.

This year's final featured two very evenly matched sides, who both like to play an attractive brand of football. However, for the first 25 minutes, both defences were on top and there were no clear-cut chances until the 28th minute when Cahir's Reece Byron weaved past three Cashel players before finding low to the bottom right

hand corner to give Cahir a 1-0 lead.

Back came Cashel and ten minutes later they equalised through Evan Hynes following good approach work by Ethan Gayson Molloy. This comeback was short lived, as three minutes later, Cahir regained their one goal advantage after Thomas Burke found himself in space and finished nicely.

The scoreline remained until early in the second half when in a devastating five minute spell, Cashel scored three times through Evan Hynes, Callum Meagher and Liam McGrath.

Cahir rallied but never really recovered and with five minutes go Liam McGrath struck again to leave it 5-2 to Cashel. This proved to



The victorious Cashel Community School team that lifted the Dick Wood Cup

be the final scoreline, which meant that Cashel have now achieved three wins in a row in the competition.

A presentation of medals was made by Liam Wood, representing the Wood family, afterwards to both teams and

match officials Nicky Coughlan, Paddy Kane and Billy O'Donoghue. The final presentation of the day was to

Evan Hynes, who was awarded the man of the match trophy as selected by the match officials.

Success for Cashel Neighbourhood project at Trócaire Game Changers

Cashel Neighbourhood Youth Project were winners at the 2019 Trócaire Game Changers competition at the Helix in DCU, Dublin, last week.

Young people from across Ireland were trying out the games of fellow finalists at the event, exploring issues such as human rights, the hazardous journeys of refugees and the challenges of delivering aid to countries affected by poverty.

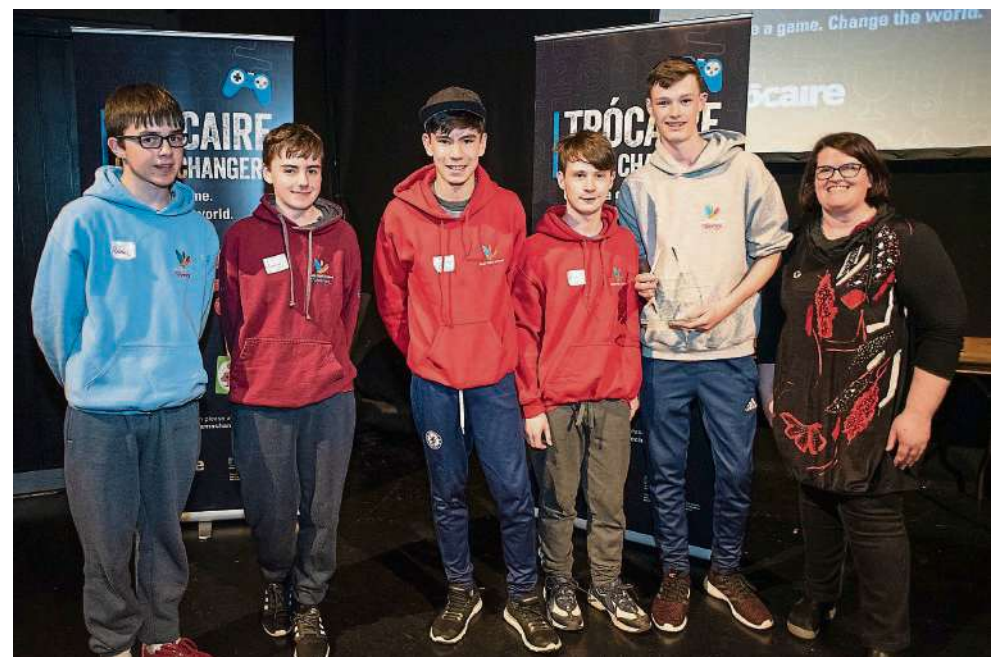
Trócaire Game Changers

is a competition for young people who want to change the world and believe games are a way to do this. On this first year of Game Changers, over 80 games were entered into the competition from primary and post-primary schools and youth groups.

The group from Cashel Neighbourhood Youth Project won the youth category of the competition. The winning team included Jonathan Ryan, Conor Sheridan, Aaron Gibson, Tom Laffey and

David O'Dwyer who were recognised for their game SDGs and me.

22 games made it through to the final, and the Trócaire judges were blown away by the quality and creativity of the games. The final prize winners on the day were chosen by the other finalists themselves. Every group got to play all the other games and then voted on their favourites.



Cashel Neighbourhood Youth Project's Jonathan Ryan, Conor Sheridan, Aaron Gibson, Tom Laffey and David O'Dwyer accepting their award

Carrick-on-Suir will be buzzing for the annual Clancy Brothers Festival

Carrick-on-Suir will be buzzing during the Clancy Brothers Festival on the June bank holiday weekend, May 29 to June 3.

This year's programme is bigger than ever before, with more concerts, walks and tours, music on the streets and in the pubs, and the popular Riverside Family Day with free open air concert featuring For the Birds, Gael Force 4 and The Backyard Band.

With concerts in Brewery Lane, Strand Theatre, the Nano Nagle Chapel and the Ormond Castle by The High Kings, John Spillane, The Clancy Family, Sionnach, Robbie O'Connell and Rose Clancy, The Wood of O featuring Breege Phelan and Will McLellan, and the Carrick-on-Suir Musical Society, the programme is bursting with music.

The Art Trail is also bigger than ever, and this year includes a nod to Woodstock '69, with crossover events, bringing together writers, musicians and artists, and adding a hippie-chic vibe. Along with exhibitions in 15 venues throughout



James Power, Bobby Walsh, Ian Hennessy and Tommy Walsh all set for the Clancy Brothers Festival

Carrick-on-Suir, there will be Co-Creating New Music and Art, street art, animation and digital gaming showcases, and pop-up arts events.

On top of all this, there's lunchtime theatre, the Youth Busking Competition, the Eoghan Power Memorial Ballad Singing Competition, youth and children's workshops, heritage walks and tours, and cycling and kayaking along the new River Suir Blueway.

Further information from the Clancy Brothers Festival Information Office, Tudor Artisan Hub, Carrick-on-Suir, on 051-640921.

CARAVAN OF LOVE

New to the festival this year, the Caravan of Love was unveiled in the Castle Park, Carrick-on-Suir, during the launch of the River Suir Blueway last Saturday.

A boho-mobile stage, the Caravan of Love will travel from venue to venue over the

course of the Clancy Brothers Festival weekend. Follow the Caravan to discover performers, music and spoken word, curated and hosted by Breege Phelan and Will McLellan from The Wood of O, and tie-dyed in with Clancy Brothers Festival Art Trail and the Tudor Artisan Hub.

The Caravan of Love Stage will feature performances by more than 20 acts including folk, trad, contemporary, classic and original music,

spoken word, and healing arts and Tai Chi sessions. And with a hippie-chic vibe inspired by the 50th anniversary of Woodstock, the stage features set design by artist Sheila Wood and artwork by Athena Made, bringing bohemian art and colour to the streets as never before.

The stage will also present the culmination of an exciting and ground-breaking arts collaboration between over 30 local visual artists, writers and songwriters, Co-Creating New Music and Art, initiated by Linda Fahy from the Tudor Artisan Hub and Margaret O'Brien from Writing Changes Lives. There will be nine new performance and visual art pieces, each inspired by interviews by Claire O'Regan with Chip Monck and Stan Goldstein, organisers of the original Woodstock Music and Art Festival in 1969. These will be performed by all the co-creators at the Caravan of Love Stage from 4pm-6pm on June 1.

The Caravan begins on May 31 at the Farmers Market in the Heritage Centre grounds (11am-2pm). On June 1, it will be at the corner of

William Street and New Street (11am-6pm). On June 2, it travels to the Main Street (12pm-3pm), and it will finish its festival run on June 3 in Castle Street (12pm-3pm).

EVOLUTION CONCERT

The curators of the Caravan of Love stage, Breege Phelan and Will McLellan, will also be playing a show in the Brewery Lane Tea Room as 'The Wood of O' on June 2 at 8.15pm.

Following a sell-out show in the Brewery Lane Theatre last year, Breege and Will return with their new show Evolution, taking a journey through the music of some of their favourite and most influential artists, from Joni Mitchell to First Aid Kit, mixed with many of their own original songs.

With Breege on vocals, guitar and ukulele and Will on guitar, keyboard, synths and vocals, The Wood of O forge a unique mix of folk acoustic, alternative and electronica. This promises to be an unmissable, spell-binding concert and a musical highlight of the festival.

Tickets are €12 from The Friary, Carrickbeg, Carrick-on-Suir. Tel: 051 600 961.

FUN AND FOOD THEATRE FOR SCHOOL AND SANIE'S TRUST

A group of experienced actors have come together to stage the hilarious comedy Run for Your Wife to raise funds for St. Mary's CBS Primary School and Sanie's Trust.

Director Patricia Harte is well known in theatre circles for her many appear-

ances both on stage and as director. The cast includes the experienced and talented Amanda Kirwan, Jen Doyle (representing school parents), Ricky Dunne, Hugh Hennessey, Paul Kelly, John Hally and Sean Scott, with cameo roles by Eoin Morrissey (school principal) and Emmet Leahy (teacher).

The play, written by Ray

Cooney, is based around a taxi driver with two wives and two lives. This dinner theatre production promises to be an evening of laughter and good food at Raheen House Hotel from June 12-14. Tickets are €30 and can be purchased from Marian's Bookshop in Clonmel.



Aisling Fitzgerald and Niamh Ryan organised a bake sale in aid of Sandra Connolly's Sanie's Trust at the entrance of Springfields estate, Clonmel, raising €442.60

'Clonmel will inspire, delight and surprise you this summer'

Clonmel Arts Festival 2019 returns from July 1-7 with a theme celebrating the mountains on the doorstep of the town.

In a programme with theatre, music, visual arts, dance and street events, the festival explores the impact of art in public places and of a sense of place for the artist.

Clonmel Junction will feature an exciting new cabaret venue, pop-up art installations in the heart of the town, a host of musical events and theatre shows, and there will be many ways to get involved, either as an audience member or a performer.

Newly-appointed artistic director Cliona Maher is delighted to be at the helm of

the biggest arts event in her native Clonmel. "I have huge plans for the festival, both to find innovative and creative ways to explore the identity of Clonmel which I consider the hidden gem of Munster, and to provide a platform for the fantastic artists, musicians, and writers living and working here," she says.

"I was involved in the very first Junction Festival in 2001

and I still love the idea of bringing together artists who grew up here with visitors from far and near, from New Zealand to Ukraine. The crossroads in mythology is a space between worlds – a magical place – and we hope that Clonmel will inspire, delight and surprise you this summer."

One of the highlights of this year's festival will be a

20th anniversary concert by acclaimed local trad band Rattle the Boards, featuring Benny McCabe on button accordion, Pat Ryan on fiddle and banjo, and John Nugent on guitar. The concert, in the White Memorial Theatre, will kick off this year's Clonmel Junction Festival in style.

Clonmel Junction Arts Festival is one of the Arts Council's strategic festivals

and one of two Premier festivals supported by Tipperary County Council. There's a responsibility to repay this support by actively developing the ecology of the arts in Clonmel and this year's festival continues this tradition. The hills on our doorstep are green too! Look up.

For further information, visit www.junctionfestival.com.

CAHIR CORNER

BEALTAINE CONTINUES AT CAHIR LIBRARY

The library is still celebrating Bealtaine and there are many events still to come before the end of the month.

Jean's Journal is on Monday, May 27 at 2.30pm.

Jean Farrell, writer of 'The Six Marys' play will visit us. Jean publishes weekly in The Westmeath Independent. Maria King will hold a workshop on Tuesday, May 28 at 11 am.

Thursday May 23 is Handy crafts with Mary Jenkins and on May 21 is Japanese Book Making with Michele Seward.

All events are FREE so please come along and spend some time with us in Cahir Library.

Cahir Library to say thank you to Cahir Mens Shed who entertained everyone from the library plaza on last Thursday last as part of Bealtaine Libraries Festival. The music brought life to the Square and was much appreciated by those who danced and those who travelled just to hear the men play.

The recent 'Dancer for Cancer' held in Cahir library raised a respectable €421.50 for Cancer Ireland. And many thanks to everyone who took part, those who came along to support the fundraiser.

We remind all that some of the magnificent paintings by local man Gerry Davis, winner of the Hennessy Portrait Prize are on exhibit in Cahir library for the month of May.

Cahir Library is a part-time library but is open five days a week including Saturday mornings. Find out more at 052 7442075 or online at www.tipperarycoco.ie.

CAHIR TIDY TOWNS

The Group are out in force these days trying to have the town looking its best for judging season. Special thanks must go to Tipperary County Council for getting the fountain in the square back in working order and to Irwin's for their sponsorship of the renovations. They were assisted by our members over the last two weekends.



Our Lady of Mercy Primary School pupils first communion last Saturday

We have the planters ready to put back on the streets and planting of the new Rose Garden also took place last week. This was hit last year by the drought so we hope for better luck this time.

We were also hit by vandals last weekend when the sword was removed from the stone in the Inch Field. This has been reported to the Gardaí and anyone with information should let them know. This sword has been photographed daily by the thousands of visitors coming to Cahir and it's a pity that somebody has chosen to remove it.

We meet as normal on Wednesday at 7pm and as it's an election week we would like to remind all candidates with posters up in town to remove the cable ties and dispose of them appropriately as soon as the election is over. It's not good enough to just leave them on the ground.

MEET & TRAIN

The Group were out in force in Poulmucka on last Friday night for the annual 5km and 8km road races. A total of 280 took part in the event that was celebrating 15 years as an official race. Road

Races in Poulmucka go back as far as the 80s when the likes of Peter Maher who lives in the area and he went on the win a Canadian Marathon. Last Friday the club gave out a special commemorative Poulmucka Pig medal to all finishers and this was a very welcome award for those who normally don't qualify for Prizes. Well done to all participants and winners.

It's back to basics this week when we meet on Tuesday night at 7.30pm in Duneske. A few will travel to the Walls of Fethard race on Thursday night, so car pool if possible.

CAHIR ACTIVE RETIREMENT

The next monthly meeting is on Wednesday June 5 in Cahir House Hotel at 2.30 pm and we will take all on the waiting list. The Group is moving the monthly meeting to Cahir House Hotel due to increased membership. Meetings will take place on the first Wednesday of each month unless otherwise notified. We have outings to Gowran Park, The Dáil and Lake District and cards continue on Friday evenings in the Parish Rooms. All welcome.

WEEE FREE RECYCLING

COLLECTION DAY IN CAHIR

Spread the word! WEEE Ireland can recycle anything with a plug or battery, so now is the time to get rid of any unwanted or broken household appliances. Any electrical, battery and lighting waste can also be recycled at your local authority recycling centres and other recycling points.

From 10am you can recycle any household waste electrical items, batteries or energy saving light bulbs accepted, large or small. From fridges to phones, laptops to lawnmowers, toys to power tools and everything in between.

The venue is the Mart Car Park in Cahir. The date is Saturday June 8 and the times are from 10am - 4pm.

PARISH NOTICES

New Offertory & Renovation boxes are available at back of Church, next weekend or from Parish Office. Please have your old number to make collection easier. If you would like to start using this system boxes are available. Thank you for your continued support.

Cork Autism Conference 2019 - Autism: No Limits, Just possibilities, Sunday

September 22, Clayton Silversprings Hotel, Cork. The conference provides a unique forum for Parents, Families, Caregivers, Autistic Adults, Employers, Educators, Professionals, Agencies, Advocates and anyone with an interest in autism. More info here: www.book-when.com/autismcork or call 089 239 8900

ACCORD- Diocese of Waterford & Lismore are currently recruiting volunteers to train as facilitators in Marriage Preparation Courses, working as part of a team. Benefits of this training include the opportunity to work in a National Organisation, excellent personal development, develop presentation and group facilitation skills and a Certificate in Marriage Education (Accredited). If you are interested in finding out more, please call Mary at Accord on 051 878333 from Monday to Wednesday from 10am to 4pm.

Please notes there will be a second collection on the weekend of 25 & 26 May for the Priest Retirement Fund. Thank you in advance for your support.

CAHIR COMMUNITY LOTTO

There was no winner of the Draw that took place on

Wednesday May 15, 2019. The Draw was witnessed by Von Coffey. The numbers drawn were 6, 20, 24 and 28. The 4 lucky dips winners each receiving €25 were Eileen Williams, Beechpark, Cahir, Tony & Alison Lonergan, Ballydrehid, Carmel Morgan, C/o Cahir Day Care Centre and David Stapleton, Moorestown, Cahir. Congratulations to all.

CAHIR CAMOGIE

So near and yet so far! The story of our U14 girl's game last week in the County Finals of the camogie community games in Holycross. With Kate Lonergan, Caoimhe Grace and Sara Kelly taking command at centre field the Ref started the game just after 5. With great hunger for the ball from both teams it was to be Moycarkey who opened the scoring with a goal that our net keeper Emma Browne did her best to defray. Shortly after Captain Leah Flannery put Cahir on the score board with a well taken point from a free. Cahir were all the while beginning to settle and tremendous work in the back line by Robyn Halpin and Siobhain Reidy meant hard work for the Moy women who time and time again challenged the Cahir defence. Mary Delaney and Emma Guthrie were instrumental and methodical in the clearances of the sliothar while up in the forwards Katie O'Connor, Bella Healy and Aoife Quirke were piling on the pressure. Moycarkey put 3 more points over the bar but the Cahir girls kept biting at their heels and Emma Guthrie put 2 more points over leaving the score at half time Moycarkey 1-3 Cahir 0-3.

With the second half opening Kate Lonergan somehow managed to emerge from the throw in "ruck" with the sliothar in hand and passed a beauty on the Leah. Dropping the sliothar in around the square the Moy defence had no other alternative but to put the ball out for a 65. Emma Guthrie eloquently lifted the sliothar on her hurley and split the cross bar to close the gap. A



Chloe, Lorraine, Gerry and Ciara Lonergan celebrating Cillian Lonergan's first communion



The Lonergan family celebrating Issys' first communion last Saturday



The Fitzgerald family celebrating Chloe's first communion

Have you got news/photos for Cahir Corner?

Contact Maria Taylor by email caplicetaylor@hotmail.com or call 086-1022014

few minutes later the eagle eyed Ref spotted an infringement when the sliothar was taken straight from the ground by a Moycarkey player and the subsequent free was delivered with calm composure by Leah to leave only 1 point between the sides. Emma Hyland and Lucy Caplice fresh from playing music at the County Fleadh in Ballina then entered the fray and the fresh legs were putting more pressure on the opposition. However Moy again came at us and put two more points over before Katie O'Connor collected a lovely pass from the hurl of Mary Delaney and she made no mistake weaving her way through the defence line and lifting the green flag for Cahir. But straight away Moy answered back with a point despite tremendous tackling from Caoimhe Grace and Kate Lonergan. As the 6 o'clock train from Thurles to Cork passed us by we were still down by two points. Another fine point from the stick of Emma Guthrie just wasn't enough as the Ref blew the final whistle. Final score: Moycarkey 1-7 Cahir 1-6

But no shame girls - you all gave a wonderful performance and received your medals from County camogie player Megan Ryan with dignity. Well done to Manager Paddy Caplice for all your work with the team over the past few weeks. Panel: Emma Browne, Robyn Halpin, Siobhain Reidy, Mary Delaney, Emma Guthrie, Caoimhe Grace, Kate Lonergan, Sara Kelly, Leah Flannery, Bella Healy, Katie O'Connor, Aoife Quirke, Lucy Caplice, Emma Hyland, Jessica Davis and Caoimhe Leahy.

PYJAMA DAY IN CAHIR BEARS DAY CARE CENTRE

Last week the children and staff of Cahir Bears Day Care Centre participated in National Pyjama Day. There were lots of smiles and lots of different pyjamas to see and all for a well deserved cause.

Early Childhood Irelands National Pyjama Day has raised 3 million for children's charities to date. Grants are administered by The Community Foundation for Ireland in collaboration with Early Childhood Ireland. Monies raised will support social impact projects for children under six with additional needs.

2018 recipients were Down Syndrome Ireland, Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Ireland, Irish Neonatal Health Alliance, Temples Street Foundation, AsIAm and ReCreate.

See www.earlychildhoodireland.ie

CAHIR PARK AFC

TSSDL - Great soccer was played at the Under 8 TSSDL Future Soccer Stars Blitz last



The children and staff of Cahir Bears Day Care Centre enjoying National Pyjama Day

Sunday morning at Cahir Park all weather. Thanks to Bansha Celtic and Donohill FC for attending.

Cahir Park AFC were privileged to host all the TSSDL training and preparation at Cahir Park Astro for the upcoming competitions.

GAYNOR CUP SPONSORSHIP - A delighted Abby Noonan (Cahir Park AFC) received a cheque of sponsorship from Liz of Dalton Transport, Cahir. The generous sponsorship is greatly appreciated. The Club wish Abby the best of luck.

Congratulations - well done to Cahir Park Players Ben Carey, Nathan Butler & Peter Heaney who have all made it into the final 20 for this year's Kennedy Cup U14 Squad. We wish the best of luck to the 3 lads and the rest of the Squad and management.

Sports Direct FAI Summer Soccer Schools are back for 2019. Don't miss out on your place in our week-long football summer camp!

Cahir Park AFC FAI Summer Soccer School 2019 takes place from August 19-23. Over 60 places are booked up already. So book online today at www.summer-schools.ie to avoid disappointment. All will receive a Free Kit, Football & Backpack at Camp end.

New Jersey's-The U14 girls were thrilled to be presented with a new set of jerseys from Glenn Grace and family of Cahir Hygienic Solutions last week. Glenn and Jennifer have been fantastic supporters of Cahir Park AFC over the years and we thank them for their sponsorship for the girls and continued support. It is much appreciated. The jerseys were presented by Caoimhe Grace to her teammate Holly Keating.

CAHIR GAA CLUB NOTES

Senior football - We played Clonmel Commercial twice last week first in the South football and on last Friday evening in the County Football League.

The South match came first on last Wednesday evening. Commercial were the ones that got off to a good start and took command of the first half and went to the break six points up. Cahir 1-4 Commercial 1-10.

The first half of second thirty saw the Clonmel outfit go further ahead 2-12 to 1-07, but Cahir were not done yet. They seem to wake up and started going at the green and gold with some great work from the likes of Jake Kiely. They fought their way back into the game; time was the only thing that stopped the team from a complete turn over.

Final score 2-12 each.

Great heart was shown by the panel, well done lads.

Team and scorers: Aaron Wall, Keelan Looby, Ger Hally, Eoin Donaghy, Mikey O'Connor, Sean O'Connor, Ger Quinn (0-1), Eddie Kendrick, Kevin Grogan (0-2), Tommy McDonagh, Niall McKenna, Dylan Fitzgerald (0-3), Alan O'Connor, Dean Lonergan (1-4) and Shane Murphy (0-1). Subs Used: James Walsh, Eanna Heffernan, Stephen Reilly (1-0) and Jake Kiely (0-1).

Then the county football league was on last Friday evening in the Park. This game was a bit quieter than the first.

Again Commercial got the better start on a wet evening and a greasy ball but that was for bought sides. Cahir's shooting was a little off with some bad wides, and at the end of the first half the score board read 0-8 to 0-2 against us.

The second half did not improve for any team, but

with 16 minutes gone Conor O'Brien finished off a good move to raise the green flag and give our lads a glimmer of a comeback. But unfortunately it did not materialise and final score was Cahir 1-3, Clonmel Commercial 0-10.

Full team and scorers: Aaron Wall, James Walsh, Kieran O'Dwyer, Keelan Looby, Conor Casey, Ger Quinn (0-1), Darragh Howard, Mikey O'Connor, Ian Flannery, Dylan Fitzgerald, Dean Lonergan (0-2), Jake Kiely, Conor O'Brien (1-0), Shane Murphy (0-1) and Sean Murphy. Subs Used: Alan O'Connor, Eanna Heffernan, Eoin Donaghy and Stephen Reilly.

Hurling League - Last Sunday morning we played Ballygarra in the latest round of the hurling league. It was a good game of hurling and a good scoring affair. Cahir did all the work in the first half and scored 2-9 to 0-8 at the end of the first half. The second half was a calmer affair but our team came out on top on this one with the final score Cahir 2-14 Ballygarra

0-14.

Full team and scorers: Keelan Hickey, Eanna Heffernan, Ryan O'Donnell, Keelan Looby, Mikey O'Connor, Kieran O'Dwyer (0-1), Colin McEniry, Conor Casey (0-2), Conor O'Brien (0-2), Johnny B. O'Brien, Stephen Reilly (1-5), Liam Howard (0-2), Alan O'Connor (0-1), Eddie Kendrick and Aaron Condon (1-1). Subs Used: Eoin Donaghy, Eoghan Kelly and Conor Cashman.

Draw the Joker - This week our fund raising game was held in the Galtee Inn. Thanks to John and his staff for hosting us. This week's winners are as follows: Brendan Horan, John O'Gorman, Dermot O'Connor, Tommy Barrett and John Keating.

Congratulations - to Francie Delaney, who received the best and fairest award in this year's Celtic Challenge. We must also congratulate ladies football club player Aishling Moloney on being named on the first division team of the year in the league 2019.

Awards Night - We wish the best of luck to all our club players both male and female, who will be attending the Coláiste Dún Iascaigh awards night this Thursday evening. Congratulations to Stephen Grogan who was voted sports person of the year at the Rockwell College awards last Friday, well done Stephen.

Graduation Night - It's that time of year! Best of luck to all our young men and women who will graduate from Coláiste Dún Iascaigh next Monday evening, we bet ye thought it would never end. Have a great night everyone.

As this is a very busy time for awards and graduations, Holy Communion and Confirmations we love to see your photos or even a mention of the people who will receive any of them so please send an email to procahirgaa@gmail.com, thank you.

POULMUCKA SPORTS AND

SOCIAL CLUB

The Club held their annual road races on Friday last. There were 280 entrants between the 5km and 8km races. The evening was damp while athletes were entering but it cleared soon after and made ideal conditions for running.

There was great excitement when Jimmy Boland raced down Breakers Hill to record a PB and take first prize in 25.57 minutes. Second home was Tony Fogarty Templemore and third was Joey Feery from Clonmel AC. The ladies competition was won by Angela McCann Clonmel AC in 30.42. Angela is a former European Half Marathon Champion and was followed by Linda Grogan in second with Cahir woman Áine Roche in third.

There was a special medal given to all finishers in both races to mark the 15 official years of the event. Although the club have been organizing races since the 80s we became more official when we teamed up with Clonmel AC to promote the race.

The Chairman Tom Cahill would like to thank Denny Whelan Bus Hire, Glenpatrick Spring Water, Value Centre Cash & Carry, King Street, John Quirke jewellers, the ladies catering committee & Drohan's Bakery, the Red Cross, The Gardaí, Liam and Rosie Casey, the registration gang and the stewards. Special thanks to the biking stewards for their time; it was much appreciated to control the race and runners.

The road was well marked and Donal Moloney sorts this out every year. Finally, thanks to the athletes for supporting the race every year, it's a great occasion in the parish and a great night was had by all. The entertainment on the night was by MC Hughie O'Donnell and later in the evening by John McCormack. We are looking forward to next year already!



Cahir Boys National School pupils making their first communion last Saturday

LOCAL SPOTLIGHT

Send community news/photos to dylan.white@iconicnews.ie

CLONME

Pop- up shop

A pop- up shop will be at Showgrounds Shopping Centre in aid of the Emma Lacey Trust on Saturday (May 25). Doors will open at 12pm and remain open until 5pm. There will be over 1,000 items of clothing and fashion accessories - many are new with original tags. Designer brands include Abercrombie, Hollister, Superdry, and River Island. Price range from €2 to €10. Great musicians including The South Wind Folk and Trad Group and musicians from many branches of Comhaltas Ceoltoirí Éireann, including Cahir, Craobh na gComarach, Caisleán Nua and Tramore will be in attendance.

Concert

Clonmel Concert Band presents The Golden Hour, a one hour free concert on Sunday (May 26) from 3-4 pm at Old St. Mary's Church. It'll be an hour of favourites, with music by the likes of Glenn Miller, Henry Mancini, George Gershwin, movie composer John Williams and lots more. Clonmel Concert Band, conducted by Danny Carroll, is delighted to be joined by two great vocalists, Andrea Ruth-Houlihan and Emmet Donlan. They will perform standards from the Great American Songbook as well as the much loved duet The Prayer, made famous by Andrea Bocelli and Celine Dion. The concert will be followed by a retiring collection in aid of the restoration and refurbishment of Old St. Mary's Parochial Hall.

BALLYPOREEN

I.C.A. TRAVEL NEWS

Bookings are now being taken for our annual holiday in Ireland. This year our tour takes us to the Midland Counties of Leitrim, Longford, Offaly and Westmeath. We will be based in the 4* Sheraton Hotel, Athlone for 3 nights from Wednesday, 28th to Saturday, 31st August. During our stay in Athlone we will visit many places of interest in the surrounding area. The highlight of our stay will be a relaxing Cruise on the River Shannon. This coach tour will be accompanied at all times by a professional Tour Guide. Further enquiries to Mary at 086 2034948.

DRANGAN

PROGRESSIVE 25

Winners on Thursday May 16 were: Margaret Fallon & Tony Kelly; Lory Byrne & Joseph Meagher; Kieran Browne & Liam Meagher;



Ss. Peter & Paul's Primary School, Clonmel, book club members with teacher Ciara Dennehy enjoying the sunshine in their outdoor classroom

Tess Maher & Kitty Brett. Jackpot Winners for April were Kieran Browne and Liam Meagher.

New players are always welcome to our 25 games on Thursday nights.

BEREAVEMENT

St Patrick's GAA Club extend sympathy to Kathleen Quigley and family Crohane on the recent death of Jackie Quigley. RIP.

NEWCASTLE

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday morning next, May 25, will be a special Day for the boys and girls who will be making their First holy communion during the 11 o'clock mass in Newcastle Church. The children are well prepared for this important occasion, and we wish them a lovely day on Saturday.

SACRISTAN'S COLLECTION

The Sacristan's collection is taking place at this time. An envelope is available in the box of envelopes for this collection. For those not contributing through the envelopes there will be an opportunity to contribute to the collection in the church porch at masses next weekend, May 25/26.

MUINTIR NA TIRE

Community Council - Monthly draw results: 1st Prize, €300, Tommy Beary, Garrymore, Clogheen; 2nd Prize, €200, Paul O'Dwyer, Garrancasey, Newcastle; 3rd Prize, €100, John Cussen, Graigue, Clogheen.

Next draw Wednesday, June 19.

OPEN AIR MASS

The annual open air mass will be held on Wednesday, June 19 in Mollough Abbey Cemetery. Refreshments and monthly draw in the hall after mass. We look forward to seeing a good turnout.

BURNCOURT

RHODODENDRON WALKING FESTIVAL

The Rhododendron Walking Festival will take place in Clogheen and Burncourt over the June

bank holiday weekend, Friday, May, 31 - Monday, June 3. There will be Walks to cater for all levels - A, B, C, 8km, 12km and 25km on Saturday and Sunday followed by refreshments and entertainment in St Paul's Community Centre, Clogheen. The weekend will culminate with a Family Day in Gengarra Wood on Monday, June 3 with something for all the family.

No walk Thursday as it's 'Volunteers Evening' in Clogheen Hall 7.30pm, all welcome. Saturday, 9.30am, meet at Ballyporeen Community Hall, carpool to Mountain Barracks to see Ballard Waterfall (5km). No walk Sunday to keep everyone fresh for Rhododendron Walking Festival.

TIDY TOWNS / TIDY VILLAGE

Burncourt Community Council has entered Tidy Towns/Tidy Villages for 2019. As this is a first entry, it will prove a learning curve as to how best to display the potential of the village and its environs. It is hoped to set up a Tidy Village Committee. Fortunately the village is well maintained with some very attractive features. To build on this residents are encouraged to look after their immediate area and maybe help those less able to maintain their frontage.

HOLY COMMUNION

Well done to all involved in last Saturday's First Communion Ceremony in Burncourt. To the teachers who prepared the children for the ceremony, to those who had the church looking so well, to Fr. Bobby for his meaningful mass. It was a very special day for Ben McGrath, Fionn Gardiner Murphy, David Guidera, Emma Butler, Aine Nugent and Isabel Roche.

FR. SHEEHY'S

Our under 6s had a football blitz in Rockwell on Saturday and our under 8s played Hurling in Ballylooby on Thursday.

Under 10's continue training in between blitzes and challenges. Our u12s are

preparing for the start of the hurling championship. Under 14s are wrapping up the group stages of the football championship. The same applies to the under 16 combination with Ballylooby.

The seniors were missing a few players but had a bad day out in the county football league against Clonmel Óg losing 2-12 to 0-5.

Our next game is hurling v Boherlahan Dualla in Clogheen on Sunday at 3.30pm.

Numbers draw in recent Lotto 8, 9, 21, 22. No winner, 2 match 3's (€75 each): Anne Burke Burncourt, Elaine English Bella Rd. Next weeks jackpot is €7,200 in Ryan's Burncourt.

MULLINAHONE

FIRST COMMUNION

Saturday last May 18 was a big day in the lives of the 2nd Class girls and boys in the three primary schools of the parish, Kilvemnon NS, Mullinahone NS and Poulacapple NS. It was the day on which about two score of them received their First Holy Communion at a special Mass in St. Michael's Church celebrated by Parish Priest, Fr. Danny O'Gorman.

HARD LUCK SCHOOL

Having won the Tipperary Schools soccer title Mullinahone NS travelled to Limerick during the week to play in the Munsters. They played brilliantly to win their way to the Munster final, but alas, luck was not with them and they lost the final by 10-9 on penalties to the Cork champions. Well done on a heroic display and congrats to all involved.

IRISH CANCER SOCIETY

The Irish Cancer Society would like to thank all those who supported their Church Gate Collection on Saturday 18 and Sunday 19. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thanks also to those who collected.

PARISH NEWS

Condolences to the ex-

tended family of Francis Hickey, Ballycullen whose death took place during the week. Following Mass on Sunday Francis was interred in St. Michael's Cemetery with his late wife, Maura nee Noonan.

FOOD FOR THE HOMELESS

A box will be left in the Church all year round. All food donations will be given to the Homeless Café in Clonmel. At a time when the homeless crisis dominates the news, this is just a little action to show our solidarity.

GRAVEYARD MASSES

The first graveyard Mass of the Summer will take place on Friday May 31 in our Church grounds. The complete list of Masses is as follows:

Church Friday May 31 at 8pm, Killaghy Friday July 12 at 8pm,

Modeshill Friday July 19 at 8pm, Kilvemnon Friday August 2 at 8pm, Isertkieran Friday August 16 at 8pm.

LEAVING AND JUNIOR CERT MASS

A Mass for the intentions of those doing exams will take place on Saturday, June 1 at 8pm.

ROSARY FOR MAY

During the month of May the Rosary will be recited Monday to Friday at 7.15pm in the Church. All are welcome.

P'TOWN/LISRONAGH

RATHKEEVIN CARDS

Winners of the weekly card game held on Thursday, May 16 were John Donovan and Kate Hallinan on 12 games; Helen Aherne and B. Egan; Dick Lonergan and John O'Connor; Paddy Franey and David Blissett; All on 10 games.

Table Prizes on 19th and 20th games Betty Collins and Michael O'Gorman with Dick Lonergan and John O'Connor.

Cards again on Thursday May 23

Beginners or seasoned card players are welcome to our well run card game.

Game starts at 8.30 pm.

LISRONAGH FIRST COMMUNION

Congratulations to the 15 children from Lisronagh School who received their First Communion in Lisronagh church on Saturday last.

It was a beautiful day and a beautiful ceremony, the highlight being the dramatisation of the story "Jairus's daughter"

The children did themselves, their families and their school proud by the way they participated in the ceremony. The gratitude of all goes to their teacher, Margaret Kiely and Maeve Moclair for all the work and effort she put into the ceremony and its preparation.

A special word of thanks to the School Choir for en-

riching the ceremony and to their teacher Carmel O'Meara for training them so well.

We thank also Maura Forristal for playing for this special mass for the children.

The ceremony ended with beautiful certificates being presented to each child as a memento of their special day.

SACRISTANS COLLECTION

The annual sacristans collection takes place next weekend.

BALLYLOOBY/DUHILL

LATE PHILIP LONERGAN

A vale of sadness descended over Duhill, Tubrid, Ballyporeen and surrounding areas on the tragic passing of Philip Lonergan (Philly).

Philly was a hard-working, much loved father and grandfather, loved his game of cards and he regularly attended all the local card drives.

He will be sadly missed by his mother Gretta, son, daughters, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, extended family and friends. The late Philly was removed from his mother's house at Tubrid for requiem mass in Ballyporeen on May 20 followed by burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, Ballyporeen.

COMMUNITY ALERT CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

A permit has been granted for a church gate collection for Ballylooby and District Community Alert in Ballylooby and Duhill on May 25 and 26 at all masses. Your generosity for this worthy cause will be appreciated.

SONGS OF PRAISE

Songs of Praise type event will be held in Mount Melleray May 26. Choirs and singers are invited from the Diocese to be part of this event. Rehearsal will be held from 2pm to 4pm with the Liturgy Celebration at 5pm.

IRISH IN THE COMMUNITY

The Irish Class with Josephine will continue in Duhill Hall on Monday nights 7 to 8pm (ina sui cois tine). Classes also in Browne's XL Clogheen Café every Saturday 11-12 noon.

RHODODENDRON WALKING FESTIVAL

Rhododendron Walking Festival June Bank Holiday week-end (May 31 to June 3) Walks cater for all abilities with a funky day in Glengarra on Bank Holiday Monday.

Further information to book a walk. Go to www.vee.ie

CONFIRMATION IN BALLYLOOBY CHURCH

The children of 5th and 6th class will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in Ballylooby Church on May 23 at 2pm.

THANK YOU DAFFODIL DAY

Duhill Community Council is delighted to announce that it raised €3,005 at their recent Daffodil Day coffee morning.

LOCAL SPOTLIGHT

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CONCERT

Tipp Mid-West Radio is proud to present Michael English and friends in concert at Golden Community Centre on May 28. Guest appearances include John Hogan, Shaun O'Dowd, P.J. Murrihy and John Glenn. Compere on the night will be Norman Morrissey of Tipp Mid-West Radio's Breakfast Show. Doors open at 7pm and concert starts at 8pm. Tickets are €25, available from Tipp Mid-West Radio (during office hours), Noel Fahy's Footwear in Cashel, Danny Ryan's Music in Tipperary Town and from Nellie O'Connor in Golden.

KILLENAULE

BALLNURRE NS

Our next clothes collection will take place on June 4. Donations can be dropped at the school anytime. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

ST. MARY'S GRAVEYARD

St. Mary's Graveyard is one of our oldest graveyards in the Parish and has a special place because it is attached to the site of our Parish Church.

We want to begin to form a Committee who will work with the FÁS CE Scheme, who will take responsibility for the graveyard and especially to restore and uplift and restore some of the headstone which have fallen over time.

We would like to invite all those interested, and who may have family buried to our meeting in Sacristy on May 23 at 7pm.

FUNDRAISER FOR NEW PARISH CARPARK

A Mid Summer's Night of Music and Song is planned for Thursday, June 20 at 8 pm Sharp. This will be a fundraiser for a new parish car park. Ticket Donation €20. More details later.

KILLENAULE MOYGLASS LADIES SOCCER

Killenaule Moyglass U16 girls hosted Peake Villa in Scoil Ruain on Sunday morning in our first outing for a number of weeks.

We took a while to settle but got off the mark when Nicole Delaney took a lovely touch to round the keeper from a cross and tap home for 1-0. Teams were fairly evenly matched and Villa got level with a cracking shot from distance.

The second half saw us getting the upper hand and creating a few more chances. A cross from Emma Farrell was misjudged by the keeper and found its way to the net for 2-1. Game finished out with some solid play from our girls to get the win.

Team: 1 M O'Loughlin, 2 N Spillane, 3 M Quigley (capt), 4 E Purcell, 5 E O'Connor, 7 A Duggan, 8 K Ryan, 9 N Delaney, 10 A Prendergast, 11 K Burke, 12 R O'Donnell, 13 E Farrell, 14 E Hayes



Ss. Peter and Paul's Primary School and Scoil Mhuire na nAingeal confirmation pupils chose Sanie's Trust as their charity project this year. They are pictured presenting Sandra McLaren with the proceeds of their confirmation donation. The pupils wish Sandra well on her trip to Mexico for MS treatment

The Senior Ladies played their first League game away to Cullen with a 3-3 draw. The girls started poorly were 2-0 down within 20 minutes. Aisling O Connor scored a great goal to bring us back into it just before half time. The second half was all Killenaule and goals from Jessica Dowling and Niamh Hayes put us in a good position with five minutes. Cullen then scored a penalty to leave the game tied.

KILLENAULE BRIDGE CLUB

The A.G.M. of Killenaule Bridge Club was held on Thursday, May 16 and the following Officers were elected: President Eileen Ryan, Vice-President, Ella Hayes, Secretary, Noreen Loughman, Assistant Secretary, Teresa O'Brien, Treasurer, Elsie Sweeney, Assistant Treasurer, Anne Boland, Tournament Director, Padraig Mullins, P.R.O. Mai O'Connell, Club Contact, Claire Ryan, Committee, Margaret Bulfin, Mary Leahy, Josephine Bulfin, Ann O'Dea, and Mairead Kelly.

The Club extends its sympathies to Noreen Loughman on the death of her brother, Edward Purcell (Ballingarry), and Judy Doyle on the recent death of her mother, Kathleen Kinsella (Carlow). May they Rest in Peace.

The Club is taking a break now for the Summer and will

resume on September 12.

KILSHEELAN COMMUNITY DAY

Kilsheelan Tidy Towns committee want to express sincere thanks to all who contributed to making last Saturday's event such an outstanding success. It was a perfect example of what can be achieved when volunteers from a number of local organisations work together. The event of course would not have been possible without the support of the Garda Siochana, Civil Defence and all the Local Authority agencies. Hopefully the launch of the Suir Blueway will result in increased tourism and commercial activity in the area.

GORTA SELF HELP AFRICA

A sincere thank you to all who contributed to the annual church gate collection for Self Help Africa last weekend - your donations were much appreciated.

GRANGEMOCKLER THANKS FROM GAA CLUB

The club would like to say a huge thank you to Patrick and Laura Tobin of Lisadobber Bar and Grocery Store for sponsoring the U10s with a new set of jerseys. It is fantastic to get support like this from local businesses.

LOCAL LOTTO

Two lucky dips Hanna Regan and Triona Walsh. Numbers drawn were 1, 6, 24 & 25.

GRANGEMOCKLER COMMUNITY PLAYSCHOOL

Grangemockler Community Playschool is now accepting enrolments for September. For further information or to view the facilities please contact Aine Sheehan 087 2624695.

COMMUNITY GATHERING - THE BIG HELLO

Sincere thanks to all who helped to make our recent Sunday afternoon gathering such a success. A very special word of thanks to the Roche family, Clonmel and to our own Ned Hanrahan who provided the entertainment. Well done to all concerned.

NEW INN

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Ten girls along with 19 boys from the Boys School will make their First Holy Communion this Saturday, May 25. Thanks to Fr. Kennedy, the "Do this in Memory" co-ordinating team, Ms Bourke (from New Inn girls' school) and Ms Hennessey (from New Inn boys' school) for preparing the children.

MAY PROCESSION

The May procession in honour of Our Lady Queen and of the Eucharistic Jesus

this Sunday, May 26 immediately after 11am Mass around New Inn Church grounds and cemetery. Holy Communion Children will lead us in procession with Parishioners carrying Our Lady's Statue on a Bier followed by Fr Kennedy carrying Blessed Sacrament in the Monstrance. Rosary and hymns concluding with Benediction.

FAMILY RUN/WALK

The Mary Doyle Memorial 5K Family Run/Walk with chipped timing will take place on Saturday, June 8 starting at Rockwell Rovers GAA field, New Inn. Registration starts from 6.30pm and the race starts at 7.30pm. Perpetual cups for first man, woman and juvenile. Refreshments afterwards. All are welcome

CAMOGIE

We would like to wish all our girls who are making holy communion this Saturday May 25, a wonderful day. We would also like to congratulate all those that made their Confirmation last Wednesday, May 15. Also best wishes also to anyone from Golden who made Communion last Saturday.

Our U8 and u10 played Hylcross last Thursday evening, some smashing goals were scored.

NEW INN TIDY TOWNS

New Inn Tidy Towns held a well-attended AGM recently at Philly Fahey's house.

The following officers were elected or returned: President: Dave Morris, Chairperson: Philly Fahey, Secretary: Carol Mohally, Ass Sec: Anne Clifford, Joint Treasurers: Mary O'Connor and Phil Ryan, PRO: Sandra English.

A big thank you to the following: outgoing Chairman Gerry Bell for his hard work and endeavour over the years, to John and Grainne of Anna-veigh Nurseries for their plants and shrubs which are on display in the village and Tipp County Council for their hard work and support!

We would love more volunteers to join us so if anyone has an hour to spare: - starting at the Grotto, the heart of the village, we meet up every Saturday from 11.30am and every Tuesday from now on from 7pm.

WOMEN'S GROUP

Trip to Bloom on Thursday, May 30. Contact Mary Francis Barron on 052 7462252 for more details.

SINCERE SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy is extended to the Nugent families, New Inn and Clerihan especially his brothers Jackie and Tom on the passing of Joe Nugent, England. A remembrance mass will be held in New Inn Church for Joe this Sunday, May 26 at 11am. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this sad time. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

LATE FR NOEL O'CONNOR

Fr Noel O'Connor, SAC, of the Pallottine Community, Dundrum, and formerly of New Inn, Greenford, East Africa and Wyandotte, Michigan. Fr Noel died peacefully at Blackrock Hospice, Dublin, on May 13. Remembered with gratitude, love and affection by his Pallottine Community, his sisters and brothers, his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, his nieces and nephews, cousins and a wide circle of friends. He laid in repose at the Church of Our Lady Queen, New Inn, on May 15. Funeral mass was on Thursday in the Pallottine College, Thurles and buried afterwards in the Pallottine Community Cemetery at St Mary's, Cabra, Thurles.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the O'Connor family at this sad time. Fr Noel was an example to us all of holiness and detachment. May God bless him with great peace and rest. Amen

COMMUNITY GAMES

Best of luck to our boys and girl representing Tipperary in The National Finals of Community Games in UL Limerick this weekend.

Our U13 Boys Swim Squad: Alex McNamara, Conor Hayes, Sean Hayes and Jack Nugent. Also Cara Hennessey in U13 Cross Country Team.

Anyone interested in taking part in Athletics County Community Games taking place on June 2, please contact Albert or Michele before May 24.

CLOGHEEN

SHANRAHAN CEMETERY

It is great to see that works are progressing well to the long-awaited extension to Shanrahan Cemetery.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY LIZZIE

We wish Lizzie Veale Clogheen a very happy 30th birthday. Lizzie was joined by family and many friends in Halleys Pub for music and refreshments.

FR SHEEHY'S GAA CLUB

Our under 6s had a football blitz in Rockwell on Saturday and our under 8s played Hurling in Ballylooby on Thursday.

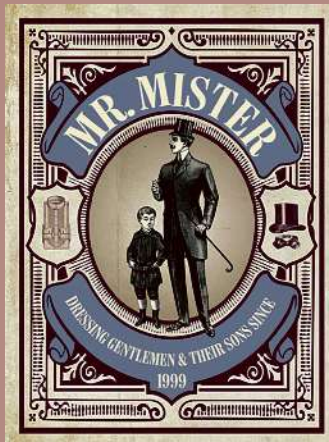
Thanks to the parents and coaches for helping out. Under 10's continue training in between blitzes and challenges. Our u12s are preparing for the start of the hurling championship. Under 14s are wrapping up the group stages of the football championship. The same applies to the under 16 combination with Ballylooby.

The seniors were missing a few players but had a bad day out in the county football league against Clonmel Óg losing 2-12 to 0-5.

Hurlers face Boherlahan in Clogheen on Sunday at 3.30pm.



Aine Ui Mhuiris, Siobhan Ceitinn and Maire Ui Oireachtaigh recently completed 10 very successful weeks of Irish language classes with May T. Keane in Cahir. Classes will resume again in September for beginners/improvers. Contact Mary on 087-2782071 for more information



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