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## MORE GARDA RESOURCES DEMANDED

**Senan Hogan**  
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Two new Garda cars were allocated this week to the Newbridge and Kildare Town policing areas amid concerns that sweeping new Garda reforms could impact on the Kildare Division.

Cllr Fiona McLoughlin Healy, who sits on the Joint Policing Committee forum, is concerned that adequate resources won't be deployed to the Kildare Division when it merges with the Laois/Offaly Division.

It emerged this week that two marked Garda vehicles were withdrawn from Newbridge in the past month due to separate issues.

One car had engine problems and while another vehicle went over the 300,000km mark and had to be withdrawn from service as is normal practice.

However, two newly-assigned patrol cars for the Kildare District

were due to be collected in Dublin on Tuesday.

Defending the level of Garda resources, Garda Supt Martin Walker, who has policing responsibility for Newbridge and Kildare Town, said Newbridge is also served by two unmarked Garda cars attached to the Drugs Unit and the Detective Unit respectively.

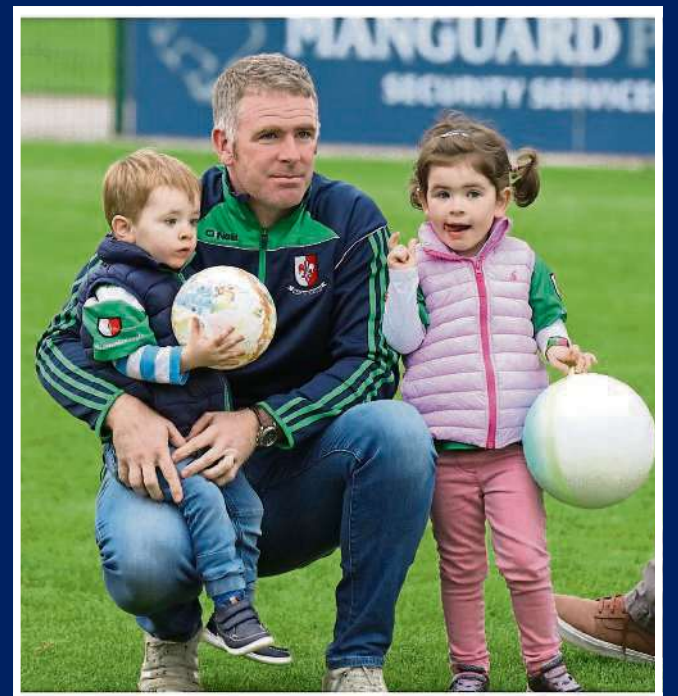
In addition, he said there is an ongoing visible policing presence with four Regional Support Unit vehicles which are based in the area.

Garda Inspector James Molloy of Newbridge also maintained this week that there were sufficient marked and unmarked vehicles attached to Newbridge Garda Station to allow Gardai there carry out their duties fully.

Under the new Garda reforms, the Kildare Division will become part of the expanded Kildare/Laois/Offaly Division.

Cllr McLoughlin Healy claimed Kildare already has one of the

## Sash smiles!



Niall O'Callaghan with son Liam and daughter Sorcha were at Manguard Hawkfield Centre of Excellence last Sunday to see Sarsfields defeat Naas in the Joe Fox Tool and Plant Hire Reserve A Football Final. PHOTO: Pat Tinsley

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lowest ratios of Garda per head of population in the country.

She went on: "Without doubt, Gardai in Kildare have been 'fire-fighting' in Newbridge for far too long."

She added: "No evidence has been offered that any extra resources will accompany the restructuring to ensure that each Division will and can be

self-sufficient."

Justice Minister Charlie Flanagan insisted the model being introduced is the norm in other countries and he's confident it will lead to a more agile and responsive police service.

Some 1,800 more Gardai are to be deployed to the frontline by 2021 as part of radical changes to the way the force operates, he added.



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# "I'm exhausted but incredibly happy!" - Naas mum of quads

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A Naas mum who gave birth to quadruplets over two weeks ago has shared the first photographs of her babies - Grace, Johnny, Amelia and Layla.

Last month Ciara Flynn (34) and her fiance Shane Magee went public about their story of struggling to successfully conceive and how they underwent follicle stimulating hormone treatment.

Then accounts manager Ciara, who lives in Mountrath, announced that the babies were delivered at the Coombe Hospital in Dublin on August 23.

Sharing photographs with the Kildare Post yesterday, Ciara said: "I am exhausted but incredibly happy!"

She added: "As you can imagine, Mammy and Daddy have been super busy since our gorgeous little miracles arrived so we thought we would give you a quick little update."



New arrivals - Grace, Johnny, Amelia and Layla

She added: "Grace, Johnny, Amelia and Layla are all doing amazing."

"They are little Magee warriors and are getting bigger and stronger everyday."

"We love them so much already and cannot wait to get them home to our house so we can start our life as a family."

The tots were born at nearly

31 weeks on Friday, August 23.

Speaking about the birth Ciara said on her Facebook account: "We really have had the best week of our lives getting to know our new little family and having lots of cuddles and love."

"We still can't believe we have had four babies."

Ciara also said that partner Shane was adjusting very to

his busy new role.

"Watching the 'Quad Father' with our three daughters and son has made me fall in love with him all over again."

"We feel like the luckiest people in the world."

Ciara and Shane opened a Gofundme account under 'Irish Quadruplets' to fundraise for the costs involved in raising the tots.

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Precious bonding time for Daddy and Mammy in hospital



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### Dad spotting



Young Oisin O'Neill getting help from Megan Grufferty to spot his dad Tommy O'Neill playing for the Larries against Confey in St. Conleth's Park PHOTO: PAT TINSLEY

### Shouting for their uncle



Cheering for St Laurence's goalkeeper Shane Connolly in St Conleth's Park last Sunday were Senan and Cara Connolly PHOTO: PAT TINSLEY

### Hail Paddy full of Grace



Paddy Dunne from Kilcullen was blessed with a kiss from Louise Grace at the All Ireland Inter County Pitch and Putt Championships PHOTO: PAT TINSLEY

### CRIMEBRIEFS

#### Arrest in Naas

Gardaí in Naas have arrested a juvenile after valuables were stolen from a car. The incident occurred between Sunday night/Monday morning last when a car parked in the town was broken into and valuables were stolen. As part of their investigation Gardaí arrested a juvenile and they are also reviewing CCTV.

Gardaí are warning car owners not to leave valuables such as phones and laptops and money on the back seats of their cars and to ensure their vehicle is locked at all times. Anyone with information or who may have witnessed any suspicious activity in the area on the night is asked to contact Naas Garda Station on 045 884 300.

#### Bike stolen near train station

Gardaí in Leixlip have launched an investigation after a bike was stolen outside a train station. The theft occurred at Louisa Bridge Railway Station on Monday, 9 September during the afternoon and the stolen bike is described as a white, hybrid trek bike. Bicycle owners are urged to take note of the serial numbers on their bikes and to also make sure that bikes are secured with a lock.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Gardaí in Leixlip on 01 666 7800.

#### Pedestrian safety this Winter

Gardaí are urging pedestrians to wear high-visibility vests during the daylight hours as well as night time to alert motorists to their presence as Winter approaches. Pedestrians are encouraged to wear high visibility vests and carry a flashlight when out walking as the days grow shorter. Gardaí are also reminding motorists to be aware of other road users this Winter and for all road users to exercise caution.

#### Safety advise to college students

Gardaí are reminding students heading to college for the first time to plan their nights out. Gardaí are offering advice on their website [www.garda.ie](http://www.garda.ie). Top tips include planning how to get there and how you are going to return. Let people know where you are going and for how long. Gardaí advise students to let friends know if they are leaving with someone outside of the group. Students are also warned to not take drugs and to never drink and drive.



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# Kildare people among tax defaulters in latest quarterly list from Revenue

**A PAYE employee from Naas and a motor dealer from Carbury are listed on the latest list from the Revenue of defaulters.**

A Naas resident has been penalised €11,035 for falling to not declaring income tax of €27,587.

Kieran Cooney of Aylmer Park, Monread Road, Naas is first on a list of tax defaulters released by revenue in the last few moments.

Mr Cooney is listed as being a PAYE employee. John McCaul of Ardkill, Carbury, a motor vehicle dealer owes, as of June 30, €459,440.85 as a result of the under-declaration of VAT, having already paid back €32,000.

This comprised of tax of €245,387, interest of €64,364.85 and penalties of €181,689.00.

This was as a result of a Revenue Investigation Case.

Meanwhile Darragh Troy of Ballymakealey Lawns, Celbridge is listed as a contractor who was fined €1,250 for failing to lodge

income tax returns.

A resident of Sunday's Well, Naas, Octavian Golban, was fined €2,500 for cigarette smuggling.

And Revenue lists Copperpot Ltd, Cooldrinagh, Leixlip, a publican as having been fined €2,500 for illegal betting.

Anthony Harvey of Mooretown, Kildare town was fined €3,000 for misuse of marked mineral oil (using agricultural diesel).

Wayne Leonard of Ballinakill was fined €3,000 and John Wall of Ballylinan, Athy, a farmer, was also fined €2,500 for the same offence.

Nationally, Revenue said there were 96 cases of failure to file a tax return, failure to file a VAT return, failure to lodge a P35 return, or failure to deliver a statement of affairs.

Court fines of up to €32,500 were imposed in these cases.

There were 38 cases of misuse of marked mineral oil, in respect of which court fines of between €2,500 and €24,000 were imposed.

Other court penalties for these offences included a 7-day closure order and a 240-hour community service order.

There were 39 cases of excise, licencing and VRT offences including cigarette smuggling, illegal selling of cigarettes, failure to hold a current liquor licence, illegal betting, and possession of an unregistered vehicle.

Court fines of up to €3,000 were imposed and other court penalties included custodial sentences some of which were partly suspended, suspended sentences and community service orders.

## Obstructing officer

There were cases of obstruction of a Revenue Officer and failing to keep a vehicle stationary in respect of which court fines of between €1,250 and €3,000 were imposed.

The Tax Defaulter list is published every quarter by Revenue officers.



Revenue published the List of Tax Defaulters for the period April 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019 under Section 1086 of the Taxes Consolidation Act, 1997.

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# Nurney GAA star who died in Holland being laid to rest today

A young Kildare Town native, who died in an accident abroad, is being laid to rest today [Thursday].

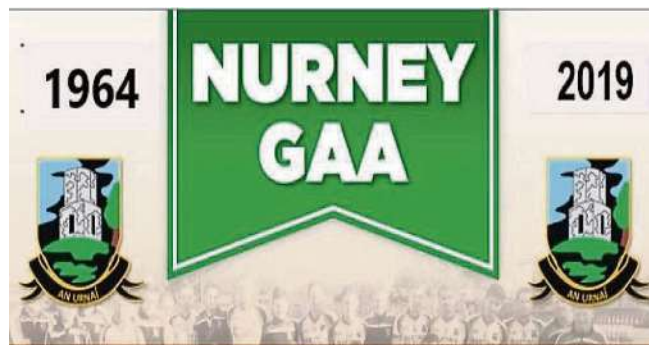
Tragic Pat Kelly, who was aged in his early 20s, passed away on Thursday following the incident in Tilburg in Holland.

## Deeply regretted

The young man from Sillott is deeply regretted by his parents David and Jane as well as his brother Mark, his sisters Eimir and Orla and their partners Andrina, David and Steven.

## Sadly missed

He is also sadly missed by his grandmother Anna, his aunts, uncles, cousins, neighbours and his many many friends, his work colleagues and friends in



Pfizer and The Killashee Hotel.

In a tribute posted on social media, Nurney GAA said: "It is with deep regret that we announce the untimely passing of our former underage and adult player Pat Kelly.

"Our deepest sympathies are with the Kelly Family at this time."

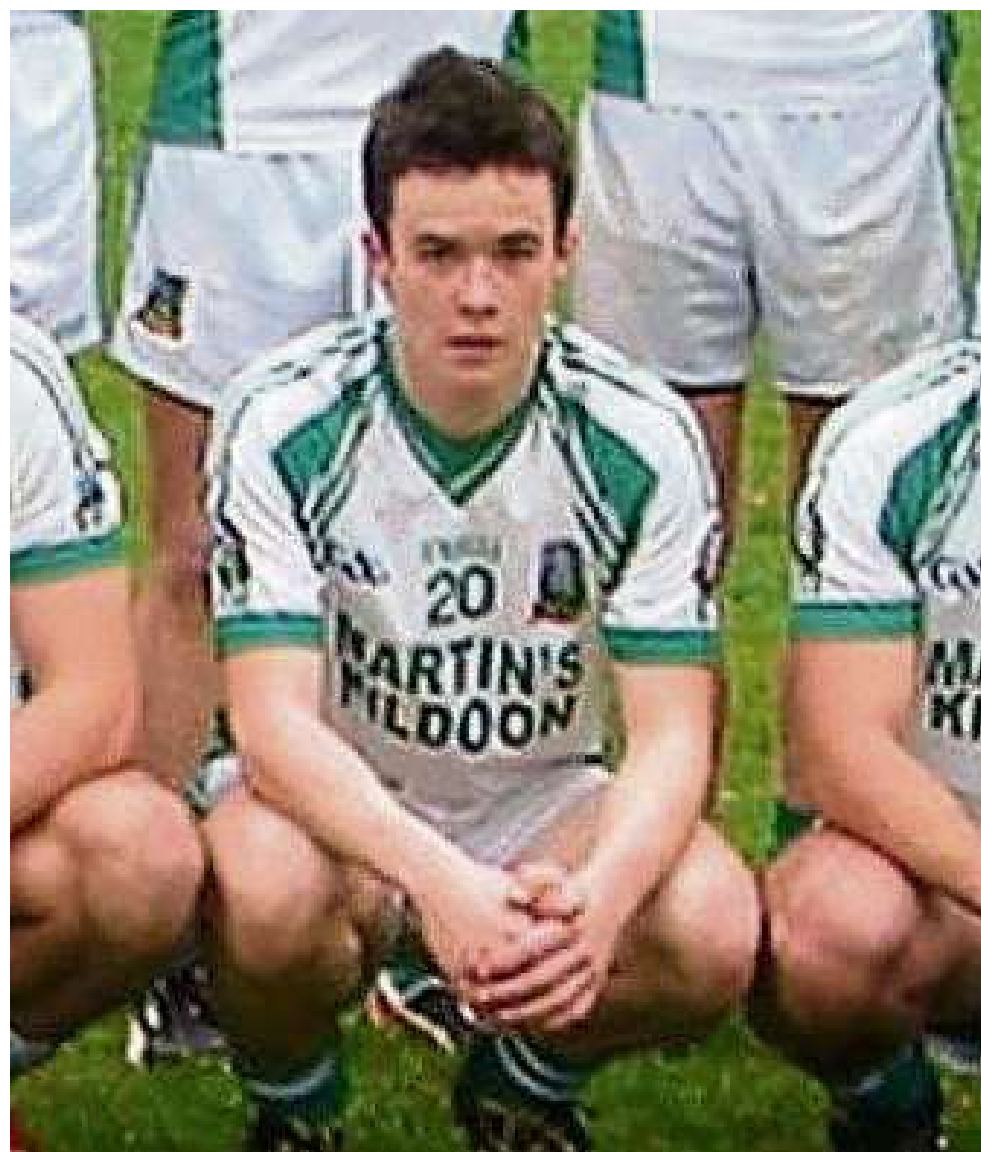
"You are all in our thoughts and prayers at this most

difficult time, Ar dheis De go raibh a anam."

Pat's remains reposed at his home on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

## Funeral details

The Funeral Mass takes place on Thursday at 12 noon in the Carmelite Church, Kildare Town. Burial afterwards in St Brigid's Cemetery, Nurney.



Pat was injured in an accident while visiting Holland and later passed away on Thursday, September 4. PHOTO: NURNEY GAA CLUB

A woman is lying down, receiving a facial massage. Her eyes are closed, and she has a serene expression. Her hands are being held up to her face by the masseuse.

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# Naas Wild Food Festival a resounding success

Naas Food Festival 2019 proved to be yet another resounding success, with crowds filling the Harbour area, sampling the best of local purveyors and food producers, all delivering unusual wild dishes and samples.

Mike Mulvey, long time resident of Naas contacted the Kildare Post to say how well he thought the festival was managed from start to finish.

"The stage podium at Poplar Square did not impede the disabled parking spaces, the traffic plan was excellent with special note of praise to the organisers and to Naas Tidy Towns who were early on Sunday morning to begin the big clean up.

"You'd never think on Monday driving through Naas that a major festival had taken place here.

"It's a credit to all involved". Mike Gleeson similarly praised the festival on social media.

He stated: "Huge crowds... and hats off to Gerry Kehoe, Bill Clear and the whole Tidy Towns Naas, Kildare County Council plus all the sponsors — what a great weekend in Naas!"



Stewart, Donna, Hannah, Saoirse and Rory Scott



The Wild Food Fest Trial guests ending their three day dining experience in Naas



Naas Community Mens Shed band playing to the food festival visitors



Naas Tidy Towns members Roddy McNamee, Pat Clear, Annie O'Shea, Michael Clear and Cllr Bill Clear



Aisling and Mary Roche feeding their wild taste buds at the festival.

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# Clane community turn out to give fond farewell to popular student

By Conor McHugh

Last Saturday morning saw the funeral of 15-year-old Clane schoolboy, Ademidun (Ade) Adeleke who died after he became ill in the gym at Scoil Mhuire school on Tuesday, September 3.

His classmates, all in uniform, formed a guard of honour for the schoolboy, described by school principal Pdraig Nolan as a diligent student who had a great passion for athletics, soccer and Liverpool football club.

The Clane community observed a dignified and respectful silence as the hearse was brought into the entrance of The Church of St Patrick and St Brigid on the main street of the town, where an ecumenical ceremony took place.

Ade and his family are members of the Open Arms Community Church congregation. Fr Paul O'Boyle welcomed everyone. School

chaplain Pat Breslin described Ade as "a treasured member of the school community," adding that his "quiet and gentle approach to life was guided by his love of scripture."

His other love was of Liverpool football club. "We as a school community will forever hold Ade in our hearts and thoughts" added Fr O'Boyle.

There were also readings from school mates and Ade's sister Eniola, before his father Bayo spoke briefly to thank all those who had reached out to support the family since the death of his son.

"Ade was a son which every parent would wish to have," he told the packed congregation.

"He was an angel. He brought peace, love and comfort to us for the 15 years he was with us."

Pastor PJ Booth addressed the congregation, highlighting Ade's love of



Funeral of 15 year old Ademidun Adeleke (Ade) who became unwell in the school gym. Ademidun Adeleke, known as Ade, was a popular third-year student at Scoil Mhuire in Clane, Co Kildare on Saturday last. PHOTO AISHLING CONWAY.

scripture which, the pastor explained, Ade read from every night. He assured the congregation that Ade was now with his saviour, Jesus. Following the service, Ade's remains were brought to Mainham cemetery for burial.

#### Support appreciated

A family friend told local media that the parents and family of Ade wish to thank the following people: Fr Paul, Pastor PJ and Pastor Sean, Reilly's Funeral Home, Pdraig Nolan, the principal of Scoil Mhuire where Ade was a student; as well as the pupils, teachers and staff of

the school, the Lonesome Boatman pub who provided catering after the funeral, the residents of Clane and the residents association of the Ottomy Estate where Ade's family live.

They also thanked Marron's Chemist which has established a donation box in

their premises, and all those who have reached out to the family to offer their support and condolences including the Open Arm Church, Clane Gardaí, all the medics and doctors at Our Lady's Children's Hospital Crumlin who cared for Ade. May he rest in peace, amen.

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# Littlehill on the run again!

## Chicken rescue runs next weekend

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### Littlehill Animal Rescue is on the run again!

Next weekend, Saturday, September 14 and Sunday, September 15, Susan Anderson and her volunteers will be hosting another chicken run to save hundreds of free range laying hens which otherwise might be destroyed.

Please note, persons

interested in giving a home to these hens which will continue laying eggs, must reserve hens (citing numbers and date/venue) via private message to the Facebook page for Littlehill Animal Rescue & Sanctuary.

Susan said: "Please bring cat carriers, or adequate sturdy cardboard boxes with lots of airholes, one box per two hens, we will NOT give hens without these. We never give 'free to good home' - adoption fee is €6 per hen.

Free animals are often used to bait dogs and large numbers wanted at reduced fee are often used for future commercial purpose so we want to give these chucks good homes".

She added, "See the list of venues, and please travel a bit extra if you have to. We have a bigger Hen Rescue in mid October and we'll be going to many many more areas then". Susan asked people to check the daily noticeboard on their FB site, before you leave to collect hens next weekend, in case of delays or changes. Saturday, September 14: Longford, Claremorris; Athlone; Carrick On Shannon; Athenry;

Mullingar; Carlow; Tallaght; Bunclody; Naas; Gorey; Bray and Enniscorthy. Sunday, September 15: Portlaoise; Kildare; Rathangan; Blessington; Ballymore Eustace and Baltinglass.

The chicken runs in October commence on October 19 and run over three to four weekends, and will be distributing battery laying hens, many of whom have

never seen the light of day. These hens tend to look emaciated, with feathers often turning blue in colour due to lack of light.

However, the hens, once nurtured and free to experience the great outdoors, continue to lay eggs and live healthily for years. Contact Susan directly through private message on their Facebook page.



## Ireland's biggest coffee morning for hospice services in County Kildare

Naas Lions Club and Lawlor's of Naas will host a morning fundraiser event in aid of Friends of St Brigid's Hospice, The Curragh. The venue is Lawlor's Hotel, Naas on Thursday 19 from 10am to 11.30am.

Naas Lions Club extends an invitation to all supporters.

"Please join us on September 19; all proceeds help to support hospice/homecare palliative services in the Kildare and West Wicklow area."



Third for Ladies: Kildare Ladies Pitch and Putt team who finished third in the All Ireland Inter County Finals held at the McDonagh P&P Club on the Curragh over the weekend. Tipperary were the overall winners with Dublin the runners up. PHOTO PAT TINSLEY

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These include the Junior Einstein workshop, Arts and craft workshop, giant games and lots more.

The new-look Curragh will be alive with great music throughout the venue. The Newbridge Gospel Choir will welcome racegoers when gates open at 11.30am.

Electric Blue will perform during the afternoon in the Champions Quarter, while The Hideout and Gordon Turner will create a great atmosphere in the Derby Bar located in the grandstand.

The West End of the racecourse will be developed into an exciting location with music, bars and food available.

The nine-race programme features a superb line up with some of the world's best horses and jockeys competing with four Group 1 races including the final Classic race of the season, the Comer Group International Irish St Leger, while the Moyglare Stud Stakes, Goffs Vincent O'Brien National Stakes and Derrinstown Stud Flying Five also feature among the star studded line up of races.

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# Kildare folk heading to National Ploughing Championships

Thousands of Kildare people will be attending next week's National Ploughing Championships - Europe's largest outdoor event in Ballintrane, Fenagh, Co Carlow.

NPA Managing Director Anna May McHugh said "The Championships not only provides a national stage for showcasing all things agricultural, but also brings together people from all sectors of Irish society both rural and urban, to enjoy three days immersed in country living.

There is also serious

international appeal with exhibitors, global buyers and visitors coming from far flung countries such as Turkey, the USA, UK, Uganda, Germany, India, Poland, Ghana, Belgium, New Zealand, France, Saudi Arabia, Latvia and the Netherlands making 'Ploughing' the perfect opportunity to show the very best of Ireland's food, farming & culture."

There will be millions of euro worth of agricultural and plant machinery on display featuring an extensive range of cutting edge agricultural technology and equipment, with the opportunity

to see these in action in the machinery demonstration area. The leading manufacturers and agents will be present with specialist sales advisors and technical experts available for free consultations.

This year will see the introduction of a new 'Agritech' pavilion which will include fascinating interactive demonstrations.

Green is indeed very much the theme of the day as sustainability is key at this year's Championships with zero percent of the event's waste going to landfill.



The NPA in partnership with Carlow County Council, the Southern Regional Waste Management Office and AES have agreed a segregated waste collection for the 'Ploughing'.

Visitors will be presented with a three-bin system including; food waste (which will be converted into electricity by an anaerobic digester), mixed dry recyclables and general waste.

NPA Assistant MD Anna Marie McHugh said 'Watch out for the clear signage in our catering areas and have a chat with the 'Green Bin angels' who will be on-hand to give you advice and help you dispose of your waste in the right place. We will also have bottle recycling units throughout the site.

Our catering partners are ensuring that as much as possible of their single use items are made from compostable materials and are also offering a 50 cent 'reusable cup discount' on all teas and coffees. And Coca-Cola as one of our partners has committed to eliminate more than 3.5 tonnes of virgin PET over the three-day event with their new recyclable packaging initiative."

There is no doubt that the entrepreneurial spark is alive and well in Ireland with an unprecedented number of diverse and exciting businesses, exhibiting at the "Local Enterprise Village" at this year's Ploughing Championships.

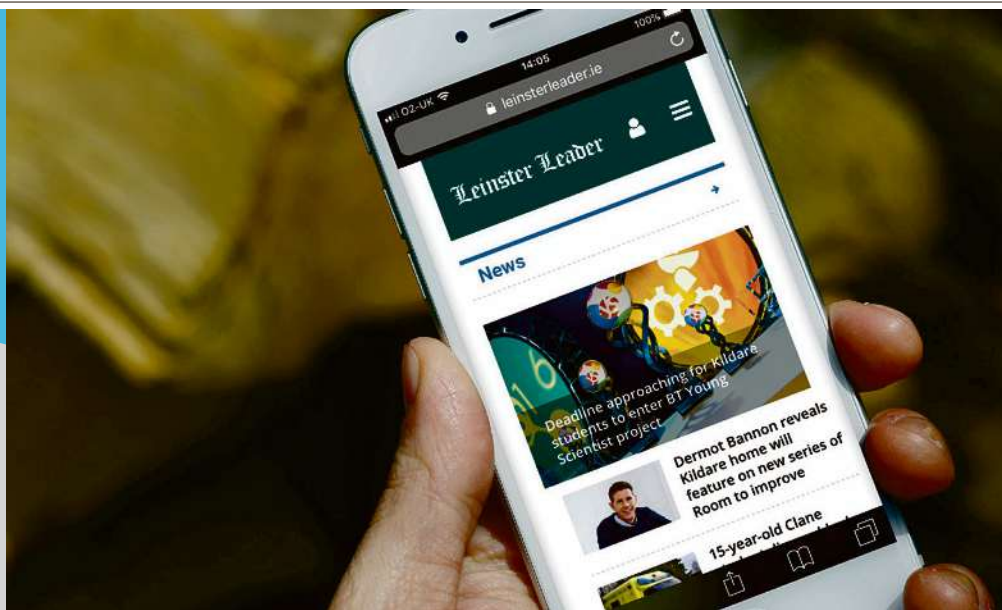
The popular Innovation Arena is set to make a very welcome return with ground breaking technologies and cutting edge ideas that will amaze.

Given the immense popularity of the Food & Lifestyle villages the huge 'Dome' marquee with over 100 exhibitors is set to return and to meet demand a new similar indoor 'Hub' marquee has been created.

The 'Ploughing' is a haven for foodies, as all sectors of the food chain are represented from producer to retailer, artisan foods, craft beers, celebrity chefs, cookery competitions and more.

In the ploughing stakes a particularly strong programme has attracted entries from all around the country and Northern Ireland bringing the number preparing to plough in Carlow to over 300 for the 3 days. This year the introduction of the new 'Novice' reversible class will attract more young people into the competition.

**All of the firm favourite attractions are set to return this year such as Fashion Shows, Meggers, Sheep Shearing, Hunt Chase, Fun Fair, Food Trail, Craft Demonstrations, Pony Games, Live Music and Dancing, Vintage Ploughing, Threshing, Fun Fair, Loy Digging, Motor Show with celebrities and well known faces everywhere Ploughing 2019 is not to be missed.**



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# Prosperous store rebranding

## TJ O'Mahonys Plus continues expansion plans



Plans are in place to rebrand McCarthy's Hardware Prosperous to TJ O'Mahonys Plus.

McCarthy's a family owned business established in the 1950's became a part of the HPC Group back in 2014. The Group which trades primarily as TJ O'Mahonys is 100% Irish owned and is Ireland's second largest Builders Merchant Group.

Since taking the business out of receivership in 2014, the Group has invested in excess of 250k into the business, which at the time secured 20 jobs. It has exciting plans to invest a further 250k some of which has already taken place with the upgrade of a brand-new café, new garden centre etc.

There are over 35 people now



employed in the business directly with a further 20 jobs created indirectly. Located in Downing's North on the Edenderry road, the

business operates on a 4 acres site. It is a one stop shop for all building, DIY home and garden improvement projects, as well as bathrooms/tiles

doors and floors showrooms.

Nestled within the store is one of Ireland's largest fishing and shooting departments,

When asked about the investment, Dennis O'Connor Group MD said "having come from the country myself, I know the importance of businesses such as McCarthy's to the wider community.

"In a time when rural post offices, creameries and Garda stations are closing it is important for a company such as ours to accept our responsibility and play our part".

"There's a deep sense of community in Prosperous and nothing is more pleasing than to see neighbours chatting to neighbours in the café, and we are looking at ways that we can help to further play our part in the community by reaching out to local clubs and organisations".

The HPC Group employs 280 people in 15 different locations throughout Ireland. Established in 2012, the Group is recognised as being one of the most progressive and innovative in the Builder's Merchant DIY sector. The Group is also a founding member of Allied Merchants the largest Builders Merchants Buying Group

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**Funds raised for Hope(D) work**

The annual 'Joe and GOW Memorial Golf Outing' was held in the Castlebarna Golf Club, Co Offaly on August 10.

The downpours on the day may have saturated the greens, but not the individuals enthusiasm who took part — as all proceeds were donated to Newbridge based charity HOPE(D) who offer psychotherapy and holistic therapies to people from 13+ who may face

mental health crisis. The organisers were Mick Meade, Emer Mooney and Siobhan McCabe who wish to thank all who sponsored the event, those who kindly donated prizes, or gave of their time as stewards on the day.

Pictured are: (left to right) Mick Meade, Emer Mooney, Siobhan McCabe (The Railway Bar), Terri Thorpe, Amy and Lucy Brennan (HOPE(D) Charity).

The charity helps people

and families suffering from depression and suicide bereavement.

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# Six Kildare women to contest national Network Ireland business awards

**Rose B O'Donoghue**  
editor@kildarepost.com

**At least six women based in Kildare will compete in this year's Network Ireland Business Woman of the Year Awards.**

This week, interviews for the prestigious awards are being hosted at AIB in Molesworth Street, Dublin.

Noreen Doyle (The Irish Biltong Company), Anita Meenahan (Mangan's Pharmacy), Jill O'Meara (Jill O'Meara Photography), Eileen Keane (Monread CRM), Margaret Mary McGrath (Kerry Group) and Jane Asple from Emma by Jane will be among the women competing for national recognition, with the final winners to be announced on September 27 at a Gala Ball in Celtic Ross Hotel, Cork.

This week, we feature two of the award winners: Noreen Doyle and Jill O'Meara — and their business ventures couldn't be more diverse!

Winner of the Small to Medium Enterprise for Co Kildare, Noreen Doyle is CEO of the Irish Biltong Company, a mother of four who has successfully created a strong market awareness of her company and their beef snacks.

Having appeared on Dragon's Den, Noreen took a brave step and turned down two offers no less, from the Dragons who wanted a bigger slice of the company than she was prepared to give for their €100,000 investment.

"With the coverage on

Dragon's Den, there was a spin off interest and we secured the funding thereafter to upscale and grow the business" said Noreen. "We now have a standalone unit where everything is manufactured inhouse from start to finish, using only locally sourced Irish grass fed beef."

Noreen's marketing and promotion of her company impressed the judges at this year's Kildare Business Woman of the Year awards.

"Being a small business, we didn't have a big marketing budget so therefore, I used whatever tools were available — and for me, that meant promoting hugely through social media. We also engage with some of the higher end sports individuals and athletes. Currently, we work with our ambassadors, David Kilcoyne (rugby) and Shane Lowry (golf)."

Clearly, Noreen's belief in the company product and it's ability to grow, encouraged her to hold firm and reject the Dragons' offers, something she hasn't regretted.

Jill O'Meara (Arts Winner) similarly believed her talents as a photographer were the key to success and to determining her future.

The award winning photographer was shooting 6 page spreads for leading magazines such as RSVP and she knew that most women would love to feel like a celebrity for a day.

Hence, she designed and introduced a personalised portrait experience, a one to one photographic session,

with a little pampering and an assurance of attention to detail. Her portrait packages are flying and she believes it is the one to one attention and quality work that give her the edge. Packages can be modified to include family photos, mother and daughter, children and business portraits. Focused, this ambitious photographer has never taken her eyes off the lens and in the direction she wanted to take her company!

"I particularly love doing children's portraiture. I pride myself in providing a safe and happy environment for the children and their families. This should be a family bonding session, a memory legacy captured on the day. I try to create authentic photos of your child, to let their personality shine, to see them relaxed and photographed, well — as themselves!

Not posing, not looking fake, just as they are. I try to make the connection and to create a timeless memory, something to be treasured forever."

Jill is evidence of someone who has methodically planned and grown her company into a successful financial venture. She is passionate about photography, and has steadily built her own company around her talents, earning a living at what she loves most.

Two Kildare women shone through last year's national awards, with Laura Maher of Reilly's SuperValu Sallins



**Noreen Doyle of the Irish Biltong Beef company bravely rejected the €100,000 investment offer on Dragon's Den**



**Jill O'Meara photographer, believes in making a connection with the child and creating 'authentic' memories of your child, "as themselves"**



**Noreen Doyle winner of Network Ireland Kildare Small to Medium Enterprise**



**Jill O'Meara, award winning photographer who will compete in the national Arts category**

announced national Employee of the Year and Laura Jayne Holton, couture designer won the national title in the Arts category.

Kildare has returned several national winners over the years, Karen Leigh of Sensational Kids among them in 2017.

Anyone wishing to join Network Ireland Kildare branch, contact Tara Lane,

PRO Network Ireland Kildare Branch at 087 978 9318. Other Kildare finalists Anita, Margaret Mary, Jane and Eileen will be featured on KildareNow and in the Kildare Post over the coming days.

Network Ireland Kildare branch is supported by media partners, the Kildare Post and KildareNow; AIB and the Local Enterprise Office.

## Looking after your mental health - Breakfast in Kildare Village

**Network Ireland Kildare Branch will host a Breakfast Morning event with a difference at Kildare Village on Tuesday, 17 September, starting at 8.30am.**

"This event is on the topic of Mental Health in line with mental health awareness month as there are lots of dots we need to connect to ensure we are looking after ourselves on a daily basis" said Emma Murphy, Network Ireland Kildare President.

"At this event in the beautiful Kildare Village, we look forward to a panel discussion to look at some key areas which can help us followed by a questions and answers session" she added.

The panel includes Margaret O'Gorman from

Ambit Financial Services and Declan Conlon, a qualified Life and Executive Coach. Emma Murphy, President of Network Ireland Kildare will be MC for the event.

Margaret O'Gorman, based in Naas, Co Kildare is a QFA and a director of Ambit Financial Services, Margaret will talk about getting your financial health in order. Declan Conlon is a Personal Change and Mindfulness teacher and will share some advice on how to look after your mental health in these busy days.

The event will start with networking over breakfast, connecting with fellow business colleagues from across the county. There will also be a soapbox presentation from member,



**MC, Emma Murphy, President of Network Ireland Kildare and Siobhan Murphy Kalberry Cookery School at a previous event.**  
PHOTO BEN KELLY.

Lorna Lawless.

"We will also be catching up with some of our award finalists ahead of our national conference and awards night in Cork on September 27, as featured above" said Emma.

The event is free to Network

Ireland members and a small charge applies to non-members who are very welcome. The event starts at 8.30am with registration, networking over breakfast and then the presentation will begin. Pre-event



**Margaret O'Gorman, a QFA and director of Ambit Financial Services, will talk about getting your financial health in order**



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The Cannonball Supercar Event arriving to Edenderry for a spectacular finish line on Sunday September 8th.

# Spectacular Cannonball Run cars draw the crowds in Edenderry

**The town of Edenderry was transformed into Monaco with a Mardi Gras twist last Sunday September 8 when €42 million worth of super cars and novelty cars roared into town just after 7pm.**

Cannonball, the action-packed supercar spectacle, had a spectacular finish line with record crowds in Edenderry on Sunday September 8th with proceeds to the Irish Cancer Society.

Top mark cars including McLaren, Lamborghini, Ferrari, Aston Martin, Porsche, Maserati, Rolls Royce and Bentley blazed a trail from Malahide to Ballymaloe, Killarney, Limerick, Ballina, Sligo and Slane this year but the biggest welcome of all was in Edenderry.

Celebrities included Love Island Star Tom Walker, Corrie Star Ryan Thomas, a frighteningly realistic President Trump, a very attractive Pope, Cardinal and Popemobile!

The awesome sight of those rare

supercars, Brazilian dancers and all the colourful Cannonballers in costume will be one that will remain in the hearts and minds of the thousands of spectators for a long time to come. It was a proud day for Edenderry.

When Edenderry Chamber of Commerce approached Cannonball Ireland to include Edenderry on the route for 2019, they were thrilled to get the green light from Alan Bannon for the overall finish line. Edenderry featured on National TV and Radio advertising and a massive promotional campaign in Ireland and abroad which put the town on the map.

Christine Traynor, Chairperson of the Edenderry Chamber of Commerce said Cannonball was "The Greatest Show" and Edenderry was at the very heart of it. Edenderry demonstrated all that is fantastic about a country-town only 50 minutes from the Capital. Putting our hands up and coming together

as a community ensured the success of Cannonball. There is so much passion and will behind the Chamber of Commerce and we will be looking to achieve more and more. Edenderry's fortunes are turning. Edenderry's JKL Street became centre stage and proved that the Main Street isn't dying, it's becoming relevant. If there was ever a sign that the Chamber of Commerce works, this is it."

Alan Bannon, founder of Cannonball Ireland said "We were absolutely blown away by the welcome we got in Edenderry. The town is a perfect 'theatre' for a large National event like this and I am extremely grateful to everyone who helped us. Helen O Dwyer from Edenderry is one of my core team here at Cannonball and this was an example of a whole town that worked together to make magic happen.

"Very special thanks to the Edenderry Chamber of Commerce

for their detailed submission promoting Edenderry and for raising the initial sponsorship to bring Cannonball to the town. Very special thanks to Bryan Dunne who co-ordinated a massive group of over 50 volunteers and stewards on the ground and was a huge support to us in the weeks leading up to the event. Nothing was a problem for him and he went the extra mile and more.

"Thanks also to Cllr Noel Cribben and Brendan Connolly for their constant help and support both on the day and the lead up to the event. Thanks to Offaly County Council, the Edenderry Municipal Members, An Garda Síochána, the Tidy Towns Committee, The Edenderry Festival Committee, Shane Loughlin and the Parade Committee, Dermott Byrne and the CE Scheme workers, Seamus Norman, The Hire Station for their equipment and thanks to all of the businesses for their wonderful window displays and for

supporting the event. Finally, "I want to personally thank each and all of the thousands of spectators who came to welcome us. It was an incredible feeling and everybody talked about the warm welcome, generosity to our charity and remarkable friendliness of the people of Edenderry.

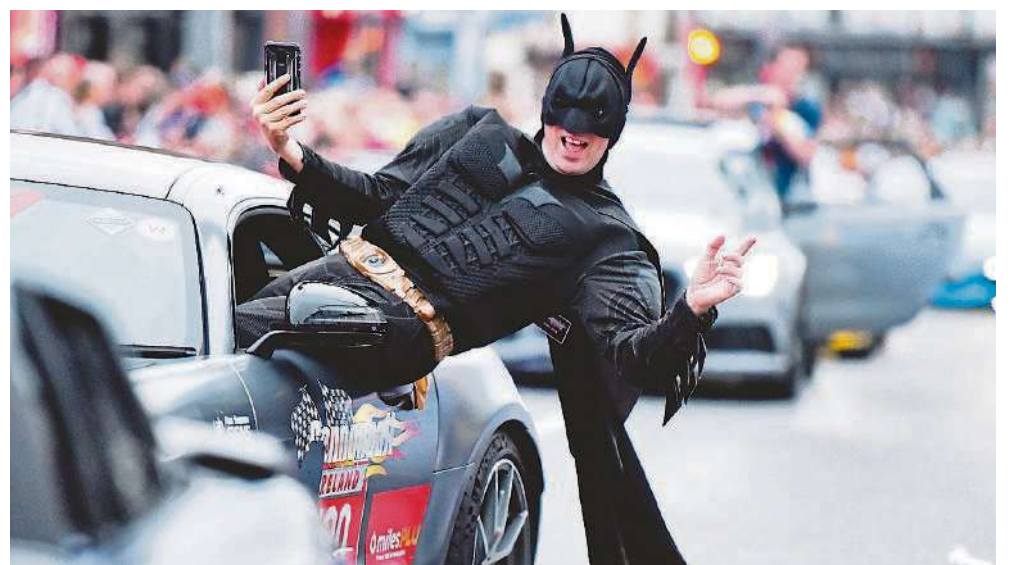
When Cannonball finally left Edenderry at close to 9pm on Sunday night, all of the drivers, cast and crew took over the Johnstown Estate Hotel in its entirety for a Gala Night and to party until the early hours.

Local Edenderry band 'Haze' performed and went down a storm. They were the best band Cannonball has ever had and they left the crowd begging for more.

If Cannonball left unforgettable memories for Edenderry, the feeling is entirely mutual because the Cannonballers will never forget Edenderry either. Who knows, we may see them again someday!



megan holdforth, 9, and matthew holdforth, 11 pictured as The Cannonball Supercar Event arrived to Edenderry for a spectacular finish line on Sunday September 8.



The Cannonball Supercar Event arriving to Edenderry for a spectacular finish line on Sunday September 8th. PHOTOS BY KASIA FARAT



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# Imagine delivers on rural high-speed broadband promise for Kildare

**Rural homes and businesses in Kildare are among the first to benefit from a €300m high-speed broadband investment.**

Reliable 150Mbps high-speed broadband is now available to over 800,000 premises across rural Ireland.

This includes 234,000 premises in areas where Imagine is the only provider.

Kildare is one of the counties to benefit most, as shown on the map.

People can check their coverage at [www.imagine.ie](http://www.imagine.ie) or call 1800 938 999.

The company has now started on phase two to deliver high-speed broadband to over 1.1 million premises by June 2020.

Imagine Commercial Director Brian O'Donoghue said: "Dedicated 5G Fixed Broadband is a game changer in the delivery of reliable high-speed broadband and this combined with the benefit of lower housing costs can have a huge impact for rural areas seeking to

attract or retain numbers in local communities'.

Imagine's coverage areas are shown in red. Eircode check available on [imagine.ie](http://imagine.ie).

This means that reliable high-speed broadband of 150Mbps is now available to over 800,000 homes and businesses across 31,000 rural townlands. This is welcome news for people in regional and rural areas who have been waiting for the upgrade of copper to fibre. The great news for rural dwellers is that Imagine's network covers 234,000 homes and businesses in some of the most remote and rural areas across the country. So, where there was previously no planned commercial investment by any other operators, people can now connect to high-speed broadband this week.

Homes and businesses in rural areas across the county, from Maynooth to Athy and from Monasterevin to Killeel, can now join the thousands who are now connected. This

means that rural homes and businesses that were facing the prospect of having to wait years will now be among the first in the country to benefit from high-speed broadband.

The company is now publishing maps on [www.imagine.ie](http://www.imagine.ie) for each local area showing where service is immediately available.

Announcing the completion of phase one of the rollout of its national broadband network, Imagine also confirmed that it is on schedule to extend coverage to over 1.1 million premises by June 2020. So, if people or businesses are not yet in coverage then they can register on [www.imagine.ie](http://www.imagine.ie) with the Eircode of the premises needing broadband.

Removing the need to bring fibre to every premise and without the need for cables and ducting, Imagine Broadband's network can now quickly extend high-speed broadband services even in more rural



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areas.

Speaking on the announcement, Imagine Commercial Director Brian O'Donoghue said: "Over the last six months Imagine has been busy rolling out a state of the art broadband network

in the areas where it's needed most. We now see people working from home being a real option in areas previously considered not viable. It was with great pleasure that we recently connected our first

customers on Inis Mór (in the Aran Islands) to a better broadband service than is available in most cities.'

With the expectation that it would take years to deliver high-speed broadband in rural areas, and with phase one of the Imagine national broadband rollout plan complete, the company is launching a country-wide awareness campaign to inform consumers of the areas where Imagine's high-speed broadband is already available as well as additional areas that will be covered by the end of 2019. With their Eircode, homes and businesses can simply check if their premises are already covered on the company's website [www.imagine.ie](http://www.imagine.ie), with new areas updated each month.

Commenting on the campaign Brian said "With thousands of rural areas already covered the message is simple, if you thought it would take years to get high-speed broadband, check again!"

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# Smackdown on the way as wrestling superstars come to Naas

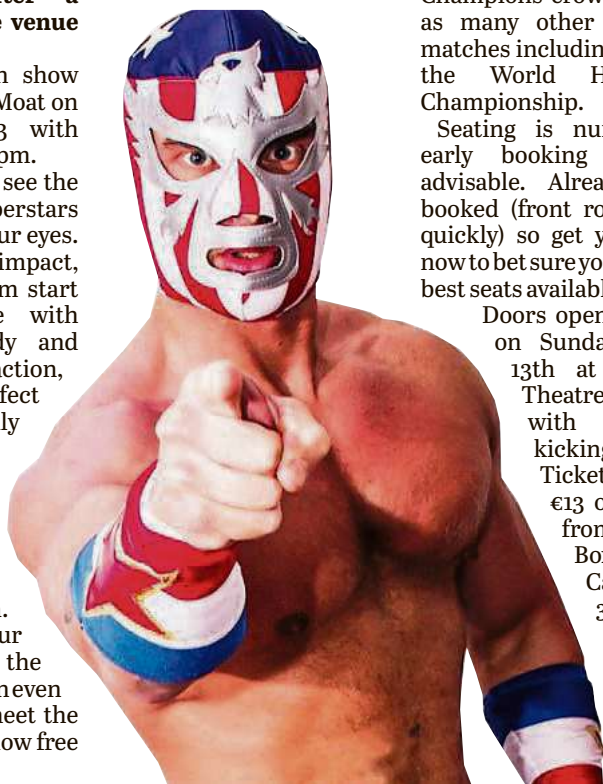
It's time to lay the smackdown as the Superstars of Wrestling return to The Moat Theatre, Naas after a sell-out show at the venue earlier this year.

The exciting action show will be hosted at the Moat on Sunday, October 13 with doors opening at 2.30pm.

On the day, you can see the larger-than-life Superstars battle it out before your eyes. This show is high-impact, fast-paced action from start to finish complete with side-splitting comedy and lots of crowd interaction, making it the perfect afternoon of family entertainment.

Going to the Superstars of Wrestling show is a chance for everyone to let their hair down and have some fun. Cheer loudly for your favourites and boo the bad guys. Everyone can even have the chance to meet the Wrestlers after the show free

BELOW: What has the American Warrior in store at the Moat Theatre next month?



of charge, and get photos and autographs.

At the upcoming show, you will see brand new Tag Team Champions crowned as well as many other high-flying matches including a fight for the World Heavyweight Championship.

Seating is numbered so early booking is highly advisable. Already heavily booked (front row sold out quickly) so get your tickets now to be sure you secure the best seats available!

Doors open at 2.30pm on Sunday, October 13th at the Moat Theatre in Naas with the show kicking off at 3pm. Tickets are just €13 on sale now from the Moat Box Office. Call (045) 88 3030 or book online at [www.moattheatre.com](http://www.moattheatre.com).



See Twisted Debbie Keitel who will be in action at the Moat Theatre in Naas on Sunday, October 13

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Pat Breen, Mary Kavanagh, Monica Prendergast, Majella Donnelly, Teresa Daly, Noel Singleton and Chris Lackey enjoying the bowls. New members are always welcome

## NEWSBRIEFS

### Grant Thornton to host quiz in aid of Sensational Kids and Animal Foundation



Grant Thornton's Kildare office are hosting a Corporate Charity Quiz early next month.

100 per cent of proceeds will go to local charities — Sensational Kids and the Kildare Animal Foundation. The event takes place on Friday, October 4 at the Osprey Hotel, Naas at 7.30pm.

Celebrity quizmaster for

the evening is 2FM DJ Keith Walsh.

There will also be entertainment on the night as well as a raffle.

The fee is €350 per table and there may be to 6 members on a team.

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Joe Byrne at Tuesday's bowling in Monread



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# Pat 'over the moon' with response from McDonnells' Appreciation Night

Rose B O'Donoghue  
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It's rare for Pat Tinsley to be rendered speechless but he was lost for words last Friday afternoon when the proceeds of a recent appreciation night at McDonnell's Bar, Newbridge were fully realised.

A cheque to the value of €15,266 was presented to the Newbridge photographer who was (briefly) silenced but "over the moon" with the community's generous response.

Pat spoke on KFM radio last week, of his condition, hATTR (hereditary Amyloidosis) and of his recent good news, that he will now receive the upgraded version of Patisiran here in Ireland, a drug which has presented positive results for patients with Amyloidosis in the UK.

Jackie Tyrrell, chief organiser and co-ordinator



Punters of McDonnells at last Friday's cheque presentation to Pat. PHOTOS: JIMMY FULHAM



Eric McDonnell senior, raffle ticket supremo, Mary Tyrrell, Jackie Tyrrell, Pat, singer Johnny Peters and Eric McDonnell junior (absent on is Ronan Sweeney, who was also one of the chief organisers).

said: "A special word of thanks to McDonnells for hosting the appreciation night. The staff were tremendous, and it was so generous of the two Erics to donate the profits from the bar. On behalf of Ronan, Eric senior and junior, and all who helped out and supported the night in any way, thank you so

much. Go raibh mile maith agaibh go léir!"

A second event will be held on Saturday, 7 December at Toughers Ballroom in Newbridge, organised by Pat's long-time friend, David Timmons, with the night to feature a 'who's who' of Newbridge entertainment with singers, musicians and a

raffle. Speaking to the Kildare Post, David Timmons said: "We've got a good line-up of singers and musicians from Newbridge like singer Lorraine Nolan and Newbridge Musical Society and the Gospel Choir to name a few. Initially we had hoped for 200 people to attend but now it's looking like as many

as 400 people will attend. It's going to be a real community night and we want Pat to know that the entire community is behind him with a huge line-up of entertainers already committed to the event."

Meanwhile David Timmons will perform his song 'Dad' which is dedicated to his

father who recently passed away. "The song is out on itunes now and on the night we're hoping to sell the CD with proceeds going to Pat and charity," he explained.

**Tickets are on sale later this month and will cost €10; available from the Parish Centre and the Kiosk Flower Shop.**



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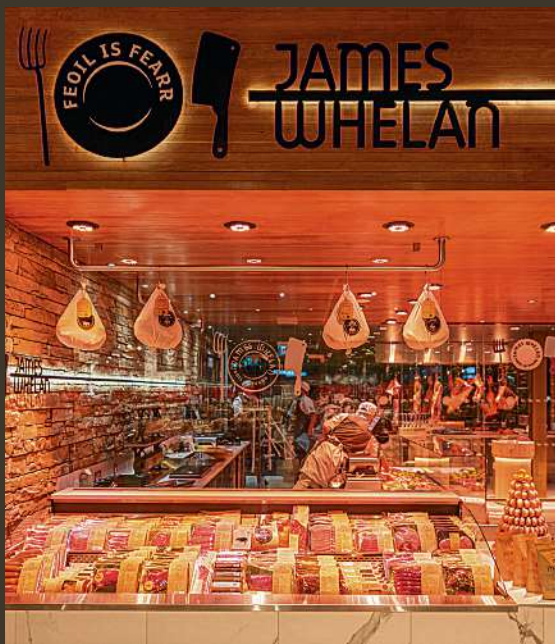
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Imagine her plight if she had not been found and had to give birth all on her own. Probably none of the puppies, nor Yvette herself, would have survived. Mother and babies are all doing well in their KWWSPCA foster home.

### Colleen's Kitty Cottage

Every Saturday, while there are kittens in the care of the KWWSPCA, Colleen's Kitty Cottage will be open from 1-3pm at the KWWSPCA Shelter in Athgarvan. Some of our adorable kittens will be on show there and can be booked on the day for a non-refundable deposit of €20. All our kittens are normally in foster homes and



Adele and Zane, our kittens of the week

are not kept at the Shelter, but they will be on show on Saturdays for a short period in the afternoon, so anyone interested in adopting a kitten can come to see them at play.

### Kittens of the Week - Zane And Adele

These two kittens, Zane and Adele, whom we believe are brother and sister, were found abandoned and have come into the care of the KWWSPCA. They are about 5 months old and are very playful and affectionate. Zane is really handsome and he loves to chill and watch what is going on but playtime is

where he shines.

Adele is very pretty; her coat is semi-long and very silky. She is stunning and knows it but she does not have the diva attitude which makes her a very sweet and loving kitten. They are both ready for their forever homes having been fully vaccinated, neutered, wormed and treated for fleas. We ask for an €80 adoption fee when a cat or kitten is adopted which goes towards their veterinary treatment and a home check applies. Zane and Adele are both living in a foster home near Kilcullen so please call 087 251 7381 if you would like to offer either of them, or



Colleen's Kitty Cottage will be open from 1-3pm at the KWWSPCA Shelter in Athgarvan

perhaps both of them, a good home.

### Dog of the Week - Rocky

Rocky is a two-year-old male collie cross who is looking for a new home. Rocky is a lovely boy; he can be a little cautious at first when he meets someone new, but once he gets to know that person, he is very happy and affectionate. He walks very well on the lead and loves his walks. He is sharing his

kennel and run with another very laid back and easy going dog and gets on very well with her, but he would be uneasy in a home with a bouncy, loud or boisterous dog.

His home should not have a cat. We would recommend a family without very young children. He is house trained, neutered, microchipped and vaccinated and you can meet him at our Shelter near Athgarvan Mondays to Saturdays, 1-3pm.

We ask a minimum €150 donation when a dog is rehomed to partly offset their veterinary expenses, a dog licence and collar tag are required to complete the adoption and a secure garden is a must. A home visit applies. Please contact 087 127 9835 or email [kwwspca@gmail.com](mailto:kwwspca@gmail.com) if you would like to find out more about Rocky or any of the dogs in the care of the KWWSPCA.

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**Talented Kids Performing Arts School and MVW Talent Agency, Ireland will recommence classes from Friday, September 13, and Saturday, September 14 in Scoil Mhuire School Hall, Convent Road, Clondalkin, and also, at Kilcullen Community Centre on Saturday, September 14.**

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**VARIETY SHOWS:** Gaiety Theatre, Olympia Theatre, The Helix, Bord Gais,



Johnny Ward, who starred in Fair City, also a finalist with dance partner Emily Barker in last year's Dancing with the Stars

Belfast Opera House, Cork Opera House, Her Majestys Theatre London. Fashion shows and leading catwalk show.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS:

Our students are multiple winners and recipients of scholarships for full and part time training Including: Millenium Dance Complex Usa, New York Conservatory Of Drama and New York Film Academy.

Maureen added: "We have had actors and actresses win and or/be nominated for best actor/actress for film and TV drama. We also have had participants in Oscar and Golden Globe award winning films, with clients in leading roles in "Philomena", "Alber Nobbs", etc." Amongst the successful videos, clients



Aleah Lennon, a student of MTW, has been in several major productions including The Man Who Invented Christmas and BBC's Little Women, along with starring in a SVP campaign ad

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A Day for Edel draws huge attendance  
Funds raised in aid of Sensational Kids



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The start of the 5 and 10k runs



Paul Delaney and Anna Mary Minch



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Denise, Chris and Glen Fox



Runners and walkers begin their journey



Tadhg, Kevin and Saoirse Bowen



# Family praise participants and volunteers who supported a Day for Edel

Rose B O'Donoghue  
editor@kildarepost.com



It was a bittersweet experience for the Delaney family last Saturday when they hosted their second event in memory the late Edel (nee Delaney) Slicker.

'A Day for Edel' this year drew up to 500 walkers and marathon runners, who took to the road this year, with a 3k buggy push, 5 and 10k runs undertaken.

Liam Fitzpatrick of Toyota Crossings Naas provided safety cars and Defence Forces vehicles also turned out to support.

"We changed the route this year and staggered the starting times so that everyone would merge and finish together" said Frank Delaney, father of the late Edel. "Even people who didn't know Edel told us they felt 'the love for Edel' on the day.

"It was so emotional, a hard day for the family too, but also wonderful to see Edel thus remembered. I couldn't speak, I felt so emotional after the event so my son, Frank junior addressed the crowd, and he got a rousing applause afterwards".

The event was organised in aid of Sensational Kids, but the full amount raised will not be realised until all monies have been gathered. A spinathon at Whitewater Shopping Centre and an auction at the officer's mess in the Curragh Camp were also hosted in conjunction with A Day for Edel.

Yvonne O'Hare, a sister of the late Edel stated: "It would be impossible to thank each person individually who



Frank Sr, Paula, Anna, Paul and Niall Delaney

helped to make the day possible. You are all amazing, no matter what your contribution was, we sincerely thank you. Such a huge amount of work goes into organising an event like ours but we had a committee ensuring that our event went off with military precision - and so it did".

## Countless hours

Yvonne added that since May 7 last up to last Saturday, September 7, Brian McGrogan, Lorraine Whyte, Ciara Byrne, Peter Whyte, Paul Delaney and Simone Lennon gave up countless hours of their time and energy.

"They, in turn, roped in so much help from other people and that is the main reason why the event was such an amazing day. The second reason it was such a wonderful tribute to our sister and daughter was because of those who turned up to participate.

"An event like that is nothing without the people who loved her turning up to

remember her; for that, for the support and love we've been shown from our friends who travelled near and far, we are truly grateful.

"They travelled down from the North, up from Wexford, from Dublin, Wicklow and Limerick and from all over Kildare.

"Many thanks to those who helped with placing road markers, water stations, road marshals, traffic controllers, registrations and giving out t-shirts, blowing up balloons, decorating the 40ft container, making tea and coffee, making and giving out deserts, entertaining the kiddies, adults and everyone.

"Thanks to those who gave out medals and water, looking after our Facebook live, the big tidy up in the aftermath and a special thought of thanks to our Edel who kept us dry and safe!

**"It's too hard to predict what next year will bring or where we'll all be but no decisions are being made just yet. So for now - it's not goodbye, it's just a see ye all later, thanks so much and keep on running!"**



Jamie and Paul O'Hare, Yvonne (O'Hare) Delaney, Frank and Ursula Delaney (Edel's parents), Eva, Frank, Ali and Frankie Delaney.



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# Naas Pacemakers encouraging people to get active with weekly walk

Kim O'Leary

**A new walking group specifically for Kildare people who have suffered heart attacks and other cardiovascular illnesses is looking for new members.**

Naas Pacemakers was recently set up by Dublin native Leo Cluxton, who also previously ran a physiotherapy clinic in Athgarvan.

Following his own health scare in June 2018 when he suffered a heart attack, Leo mostly retired from his work as a physiotherapist but he still wanted to encourage others who had similar experiences to his own to get their confidence back through weekly walks.

Speaking to The Kildare Post this week, Leo Cluxton explained: "The group is called Naas Pace Makers and it was set up with the assistance of Kildare Sports Partnership. It's a weekly walking group for cardiac rehab participants.

"We walk around Naas lakes every Tuesday, meeting at 10am in the morning



opposite the Vista centre. We walk for around 40-45 minutes and then we all go to get a coffee before heading our separate ways.

"It's free to join and the people who currently walk with us seem happy with it, they find it therapeutic and they can discuss their health and medication with people who understand having been through the same thing themselves."

Indeed, the cardiac rehabilitation group which was set up last February, is

thus greatly benefiting the lives of its members. "One of our members was a hockey coach and he'd taken a heart attack one day at work, then afterwards he joined us at Naas Pacemakers for our weekly walks. He recently went back to work and it's great to see that the group is helping people get their confidence back," explained Leo.

While the group does not participate in any races or competitions, instead enjoying leisurely walks at a pace to suit everyone, eight of its members were recently honoured with gold pins from the Irish Heart Foundation after they completed 500km.

The ceremony took place earlier this week on Tuesday 10 September at Kildare County Council offices in Naas, with the members facilitated by Kildare Sports Partnership and awarded the gold pins by the Irish Heart Foundation.

"The ceremony was facilitated by the Kildare Sports Partnership and presented by the Irish Heart Foundation. Also, I'd like to



John Doran, Kildare Sports Partnership on left with Syl Merrins Kildare Sports Partnership on right, Ger Hogan Rehab Unit Naas Hospital with members of Naas Pacemakers.

thank the Cardiac Rehab Unit at Naas Hospital which does fantastic work and Heart 2 Heart in Kilkullen which plays an important part in the rehabilitation process," said Leo.

Naas Pacemakers is also welcoming new members

and encouraging people to get active. "When you've had a heart attack your confidence takes a hit.

"The group offers members a chance to talk about whatever is troubling you, go for a walk and then go for a coffee together

afterward," added Leo.

**Naas Pacemakers meet every Tuesday at 10am opposite the Vista Centre, Naas, and new members are welcome. For more information contact walk leader Leo Cluxton on 085 851 4099.**

## The Other Side of the Coin

### Acupuncture for absence of period (Amenorrhoea)

Sharing the ancient wisdom that is Chinese medicine



The absence of menstruation is called amenorrhoea. If you have missed three periods in a row and you are not pregnant or menopausal, this is a matter of serious concern.

You should be especially concerned if you are dealing with infertility issues. If menstruation has not begun by the age 16, it is called "primary amenorrhoea. If previously normal menstruation stops for more than three months in a woman who is not pregnant or breast feeding and is not nearing menopause, it is called "secondary amenorrhoea."

Secondary amenorrhea can be caused by any of the following disorders: pituitary dysfunction; ovarian dysfunction; adrenal gland dysfunction; thyroid dysfunction, etc.

Quite a few hormones are involved in the absence of menstruation, including follicle-stimulating hormone

(FSH), luteinizing hormone (LH), prolactin, estrogen, progesterone, androgen, and gonadotropin-releasing hormone (GnRH).

#### Western Medicine

Because menstrual irregularities are so strongly linked to hormone imbalances, it is natural for Western doctors to prescribe hormone therapy to regulate menstrual cycles.

Progesterone and oestrogen are given to start or restart the periods. But because of recent alarms concerning adverse side effects it is imperative to seek an alternative treatment to restore the period.

In my own practice I often treat this problem and it is has a very high rate of success, in my years of practice I have never yet failed to successfully treat this problem, Chinese medicine way excels Western medication in the successful treatment of amenorrhoea

#### Chinese Medicine

In traditional Chinese



medicine, the most important organs that regulate Blood and menstruation are the Liver, Spleen, and Kidneys; and the key Fundamental Substances are Qi (pronounced chee) and Blood. The Liver "stores the Blood," and is responsible for maintaining a smooth and even flow of Blood, Qi, and emotions through the body.

Emotions such as anger, irritation, resentment, and anxiety can lead to stagnation of Liver Qi, which in turn can lead to Blood Stasis (especially in the lower body).

A main function of the Spleen is to produce Qi and

Blood.

If the Spleen is weak, there will eventually be a deficiency of Qi and/or Blood, so there will not be enough blood for normal menstruation, or enough Qi to regulate normal cycles.

Also, if the Spleen is too weak, it can lead to a condition of Dampness in the body, and Phlegm-Damp can obstruct the uterus. The Kidneys are the organ responsible for conception, reproduction, and aging over time. Kidney-essence is the ultimate origin of menstrual blood.

With all this in mind it is very important to get a proper

diagnosis from a qualified Chinese Medical Practitioner.

From the information gathered the Chinese medical practitioner will choose a prescription of acupuncture points and herbs most suited to the particular patient's pattern of deficiency or excess.

#### Lifestyle

Besides the mechanisms discussed above, some lifestyle factors can cause amenorrhoea.

Long-term use of contraceptive pills can mess up the hormones and bring about Blood Deficiency or Kidney Qi Deficiency.

Excessive physical exercise or participation in sports, with over-use of the muscles and sinews, can lead to a deficiency condition of the Spleen and Liver.

The Spleen fails to produce adequate amounts of Blood, and the Liver fails to store Blood properly, which leads to amenorrhoea.

Herbal medicine and

Acupuncture and are the two widely used healing tools in traditional Chinese medicine to restore the period. Although both traditional Chinese medicine and conventional Western medicine aim to achieve the same goal --- restart the periods and restore the normal cycle, a significant difference exists between these two modalities.

Acupuncture stimulates the body to regulate its naturally occurring hormones and restore the normal hormone function, while conventional Western medicine restores the function of the thalamus-pituitary-ovary axis through the use of artificial hormones which have many nasty side effects.

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# PEP&CO bring a zesty pep to your winter wardrobe – without denting the family budget!

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PEP&CO has established itself as a firm rival to competitor discount fashion brands, offering quality kidswear, womenswear and menswear collections, not to mention their designer footwear and fashion dupes and are now available in 40 Dealz stores nationwide.

Prices at PEP&CO start at €1.50 for quality products, with almost 60% of items at €50. Looking to build a business of real scale and volume, Dealz pepped up the Irish high street earlier this year by introducing PEP&CO into all of its stores across Ireland by introducing edited bays of key seasonal clothing items. Their cosmetic range is ace too, most lippies, blushers and powders from only €1.50, unbelievable prices, and honestly, they're great, I just love their eye pencils!

Their AW collection is now available in stores nationwide, with PEP&CO carrying a host of key transitional pieces that will fast become this season's wardrobe staples.

When it comes to menswear this season, knitwear is a key player. The autumn colour palette focuses on ochre being a pop colour with warm flannel check shirts and texture shown through the collection's

two tone knitwear. The winter colour palette and trends are more earthy with colours like khaki, blue and burgundy. The very much on-trend padded parka is a key item for this phase – forming the basis of the collection.

Other hero items to look out for include pleated longline t-shirts, tattoo print t-shirts and hoody and jogger sets.

Knits are all in this season for womenswear too, appearing in the form of chunky knitted jumpers and 'coatigans'. Coats and long line structured blazers are also the go-to pieces for the perfect wardrobe staples.

Look out for hero products such as colour block jumpers, fair isle tunics, pleated skirts, tie neck peasant tops and all over broderie tops. Not forgetting the PEP&CO party range, consisting of all over sequin and sparkle dresses, cami's and jumpers.

Count on quality and affordability across the kidswear collection, with no compromise on style. Camo print, layering blue pops across brushed checks and marl based fabrications make up the AW collection.

Check out the matching camo sets, pin tuck detailing joggers, and trendy sweats and tees orientating around fun Gorilla, Dino and skull printS.

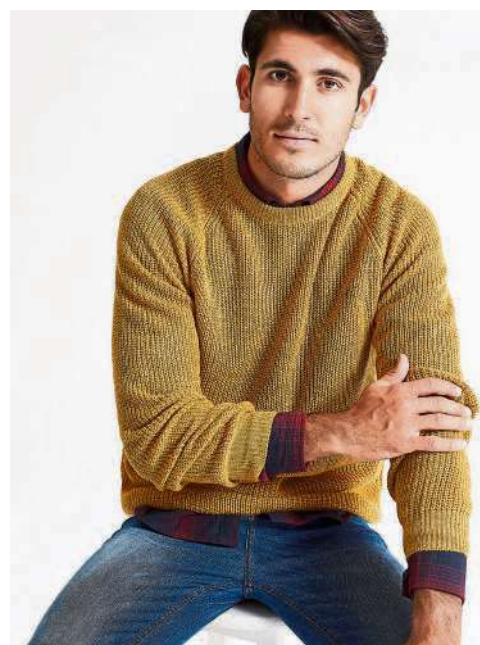
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Out & About

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Eadestown Family Fun Day  
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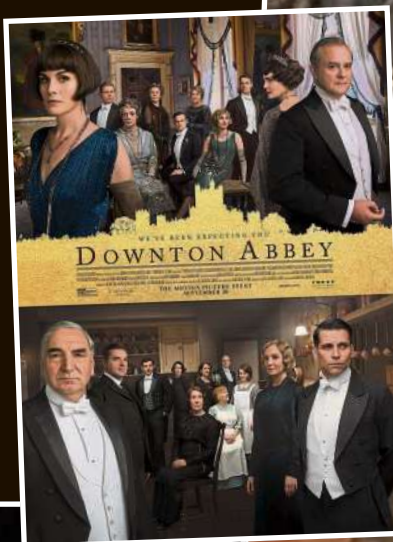
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Drama

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# Aoibheann wins at Eadestown Family Fun Field Day

Kim O'Leary

There was no 'horsing around' for young rider Aoibheann McGee as she won 2nd and 6th place rosettes at the Eadestown Family Fun Field Day on Sunday, last.

Little Aoibheann, who will be three next week, rode her beloved rescue pony Eliza on the day winning 2nd in the Lead Pony Rein Ugs and 6th out of a class of 21 in the Lead Reins U4.

Speaking to The Kildare Post, Aoibheann's proud mum Suzanne McGee said: "Aoibheann has been riding since she was about a year old, she is horse mad and she loves Eliza. We got Eliza off My Lovely Horse Rescue back in April and she was very nervous at first, but she's settled right in. She's very gentle with Aoibheann."



Two-year-old Aoibheann McGee being led by her mum Susie on Eliza at Sunday's show at Punchestown

Meanwhile organiser Anne O'Sullivan has hailed this year's event a rousing success, which saw a wonderful afternoon of family fun, kiddies' challenges, with all the traditional fun of a fete including the wheel of fortune, brick a brac stalls, bottle and book stalls, art exhibition, kiddies art plus a scarecrow design competition.

"It was a fantastic day and

there was a wonderful turn-out, the weather was even great on the day. We would like to thank all of the volunteers and supporters for a wonderful day which saw an even bigger crowd turn out compared to last year," said Anne O'Sullivan.

Preparations for next year's event will commence in January and the organisers are hoping that the event will be a success in 2020.



Little Aoibheann was chuffed with her rosettes and prizes on Sunday

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Official visit by President Michael D Higgins and wife Sabina to the Holy Family School in Newbridge.



President arriving at Holy Family Secondary School Newbridge



Principal Sarah Allen with President Higgins and his wife Sabina



The President meeting the school sports team



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Music teacher Annemarie Lawlor greets the President

LOCAL  
EVENTS

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Launch of 'The Lifestyle of Elizabeth Taylor' exhibition at The Museum of Style Icons, Newbridge Silverware on Tuesday 10.



Michelle Hanley and Aisling O'Toole at 'The Lifestyle of Elizabeth Taylor' exhibition



Lorraine Keane, fashion expert and former TV presenter at the launch



Model, Michele McGrath



Stephanie Buckley and Sarah Bathe





# MONASTEREVIN COMMUNITY CENTRE



## Fundraising urgently needed to proceed with next level of works at the centre

Jason Doyle, Administrator at Monasterevin Community Centre is calling on the wider community to support the first of their upcoming fundraising events, the Monasterevin Blue way Fun Run /Walk on Sunday, September 29.

"The work to date on the community centre has been incredible, with a disability toilet to be added to the Annex, and the back stage facilities next to be upgraded." said Jason. "However, the biggest challenge we face is to address the roof.

"Our Blueway Fun Run/Walk, will be the first of many fundraisers towards the new roof. We have applied for a Leader grant of €200,000 which means we

must raise 10% of that, €20,000 ourselves".

And the work at the centre is on-going. Once the CYMS Hall which had lain dormant for several years, the centre was gifted to the community from the Church and a local committee established in 2012 to manage the centre. Monasterevin Community Centre (MCC) has huge potential for the local community, especially for the voluntary and sporting sector.

"The hall was in a poor state at the time it was gifted" said Jason. "With the roof leaking and pools of water everywhere. We started with the main hall and the Annex, and carried out major refurbishment there. We currently have the two halls in use, along with the John



Monasterevin Community Centre offers limitless possibilities to the benefit of the local community. Photo Ben Kelly

McCormack Room and the Paddy Donohoe Room also widely used.

"But the potential of this building is huge. On the second floor, there is another large hall and three more rooms, with a further two rooms on the top floor".

So the Blueway Fun Run/Walk on September 29 will be the first of many fundraising events for the community centre and the possibilities it can offer to Monasterevin and future generations.

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# MONASTEREVIN COMMUNITY CENTRE



## MCC currently facilitates many local groups

**At the moment, the centre caters for so many groups and associations, meetings, etc.**

"We proudly sponsor the Monasterevin and Kildangan Community First Responders, providing them a space to have committee meetings and training" said Jason Doyle, Centre Administrator.

"The Peoples Market, residents' associations, mother and baby groups, Irish dancing schools, Shotokan Karate are hosted here, along with art and guitar lessons, yoga for all ages and abilities, Zumba, Zumbini, Pilates, ballet, bowling, drama, Council clinics, community meetings, birthday parties, Baby Wearing Ireland group—you name it, we host it!"

The local Men's Shed use the facility, along with CE Scheme courses, plus the Irish Blood Bank which will have a blood donation day on September 23 from 2-9pm. And all groups pay a nominal

fee for the hire of room or hall, which go towards the running costs of the centre. Given the size of the building, and the number of rooms yet to be restored and refurbished, the centre has huge possibilities and offers huge potential to Monasterevin's growing voluntary sector and groups.

**Committee Members:**  
Marce Lee-Gorman — Chairperson;  
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Brid Reardon — Treasurer  
Tom Mahon — Vice Treasurer;  
Jason Doyle — PRO. John Dowling, Brendan Brereton, Andaluzia Rampelt, Paschal O'Brien, Cllr Patricia Ryan and Cllr Kevin Duffy.

"Special mention to Richard O'Rourke, who retired from the committee this year" said Jason.

"Richard was a major driving force in the formation of Monasterevin Community Centre having been involved from the beginning.

He was awarded the title of Honorary Secretary in the



The Fun Run/Walk on September 29 will work its way along the waterways of Monasterevin PHOTO: BEN KELLY

community awards at this year's Monasterevin Streetfest".

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## MCC upcoming events

### Culture Night: Abstract and Classical with artist Paul Woods.

On Friday, September 20, from 6.30m-9pm there's an Abstract and Classical night hosted by Paul Woods Art and two others. Paul will present a talk and workshop exploring abstract art. He will introduce different painting techniques and guide the participants in the use of various painting tools, with a selected classical music soundtrack to complement the process of painting.

MCC are thrilled Paul has chosen to hold this event in our building. Paul is the artist behind our amazing mural on Main St, and we hope to continue to collaborate with him for years to come.

### Action Your Mind - Saturday, September 21

Monasterevin Youth Association (MYA) will host a one day festival on Saturday, September 21 at Monasterevin Community Centre. On the day, many

leading experts from Kildare Youth Services and Chomhairle Na nÓg will address the attendance. The event is open to both parents and young people from 12 years upwards, covering a wide variety of topics identified by local youth members as the key issues affecting their peers. Running from 11am to 5pm, the event will include an open mic session for any budding or established artists out there. There's even a Zumba session (good for body and mind) provided free of charge by Fit & Joy Ireland..

Find our amazing mural on Main St, and we hope to continue to collaborate with him for years to come.

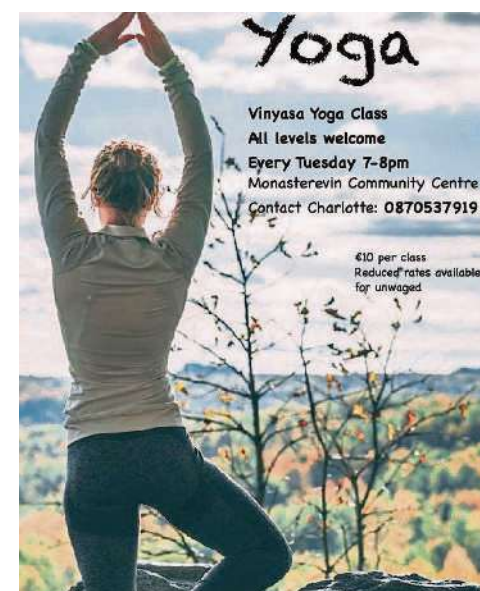
### Monasterevin Blueway Fun Run/Walk 2019 - Sunday, September 29, from 12.30pm

Monasterevin Community Centre will host its first Monasterevin Blueway Fun Run/Walk. Beginning from the centre, the route is along the banks of the canal, (on

and off road) crossing many bridges that give Monasterevin its Venice of Ireland reputation, experience the natural beauty of our waterways and the soon to be developed Blueway.

Refreshments will be provided at MCC after the Run, All monies raised will go towards the Monasterevin Community Centre development fund, with the roof being the most urgent issues to address on the committee's redevelopment list. See [www.monasterevincommunitycentre.ie](http://www.monasterevincommunitycentre.ie) for more details or register at [www.justrunevents.com/registration/php](http://www.justrunevents.com/registration/php).

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# MONASTEREVIN COMMUNITY CENTRE



## Blueway has potential to transform Monasterevin

**Senan Hogan**  
editor@kildarepost.com



Local communities as well as public representatives in Monasterevin are hopeful of a cash injection for the Barrow Blueway from the Rural Regeneration Fund under Project Ireland 2040, a recent meeting in the Monasterevin Community Centre heard.

The proposed Barrow Blueway is a 46km walking and cycling trail along the towpath of the Grand Canal Barrow line from Lowtown in Robertstown through Rathangan, Monasterevin and Athy.

The Minister with responsibility for Waterways Ireland Josepha Madigan attended as well as senior representatives from Kildare Co Council and Waterways Ireland.

Cllr Kevin Duffy said: "It was a fantastic meeting last night for the proposed Barrow Blueway. It was a great opportunity for

Monasterevin to have Minister Josepha Madigan, Martin Heydon, John Boyle Waterways Ireland, and Joe Boland, Kildare County Council welcomed by our community and hear of the potential this development will have for South Kildare. A huge thanks to the community groups including Monasterevin Community Centre, Monasterevin Tidy Towns & Monasterevin Blueway Kayaking Club who highlighted the Town's community spirit, existing amenities, and what potential the Blueway would bring."

Cllr Duffy added: "We anticipate a positive announcement in relation to the project funding by the end of 2019."

### Benefits

The meeting was chaired by Kildare South TD Martin Heydon who said that the completed Blueway will allow both locals and visitors to travel from Athy to meet the Grand Canal greenway and onwards to Grand Canal dock



Pictured at the meeting were: Colman Hynes (Monasterevin Blueway group), Cllr Anne Connolly (FF) Mary and Jenny Millar and Dáil TD Fiona O'Loughlin (FF). PHOTO: MARTIN CONNELLY

in Dublin.

He added: "The project will bring new energy to areas along the route and help to retain people in rural Ireland as well as bringing tourists to stay in South Kildare."

Towns and villages on the Waterford Greenway have been transformed - like Kilmacthomas and Dungarvan - as they have had a resurgence of economic activity attracting thousands

of visitors weekly.

The proposed Barrow Blueway will run along the towpath of the Grand Canal Barrow line from Lowtown in Robertstown through Rathangan, Monasterevin

and Athy.

Cllr Brian Dooley said: "This is an exciting project that could impact with great positivity the rural communities economies along the route."

"I hope they are successful with the funding application €6.8 million, and if this funding is forthcoming the 46km stretch from Lowtown to the Horsebridge in Athy could be open within 18 months to 2 years."

Mayor of Kildare Cllr Suzanne Doyle said: "Excellent meeting in Athy library on Blueway project following similar meeting in Athy last week."

"This has enormous potential to be a key economic driver for South Kildare, with the scope to underpin and support the SME sector, which if successful is the most valuable sector in turns of money turning within the county."

"I would encourage everyone to work together to be ambassadors for this project and explore all the potential opportunities."

## Home COOKING

by Barbara Collins



### INGREDIENTS

6 rashers smoked back bacon, rind trimmed off  
1 tbsp rapeseed oil  
1 large onion, peeled and chopped  
1 carrot, peeled and chopped  
2 celery sticks, chopped  
2 garlic cloves, crushed  
150g red lentils, rinsed and drained  
400g tin chopped tomatoes  
1 litre (1 3/4 pints) vegetable stock

## LENTIL AND BACON SOUP

Now that the weather has taken a more autumnal turn, it is time to reach into the storecupboard for pulses to make hearty soups. This one is one of my favourites. It is quick and easy and makes you feel safe and nourished which is what a soup should do.

### METHOD

Cut the trimmed bacon into 2cm pieces. Put the rapeseed oil in a large saucepan set over a low-medium heat and add the bacon, onion, carrot and celery.

Cook gently for 10 minutes, until soft and sweet. Stir in the garlic and cook for 5 minutes more.

Add the red lentils, followed by the tinned tomatoes and stock. Bring to the boil then reduce the heat slightly. Cover with a lid and leave the soup to simmer for 25-30 minutes, stirring occasionally, until the lentils are very soft and the soup has thickened.

If it looks too thick or starts to catch on the base, add a little water. Season to taste, remembering the bacon and stock are already quite salty. At this stage you can liquidise the soup, if you like, or leave it chunky.





# Sophisticated 6-bed home in Clane on the market for 545K

Kim O'Leary

**This sophisticated 6-bedroom home in Clane will appeal to those seeking plenty of space both indoors and outdoors, and it also benefits from a detached office/utility room for an asking price of €545,000.**

DNG McCormack is delighted to present to the market 'Knapton', Loughanure Commons, Clane, Co. Kildare

The appeal of this fabulous 6-bedroom, 5-bathroom home is evident as you approach through wooden-gates, along curved pea-shingle driveway and through beautifully mature gardens.

Extending to an extremely generous 279 m<sup>2</sup>, every spacious room boasts bright

modern decor and impeccable finish. Inside the property comprises of 6 good-sized bedrooms, 5 bathrooms (3 en suite), a kitchen, dining room, living room, and an office.

Quality wood flooring features throughout and is complimented by all solid pine internal doors, shaker-style kitchen, a selection of built-in wardrobes and storage solutions,

Situated on a 0.7 acre site, much of which is under manicured lawn, the property is bounded by mature trees offering the lucky occupiers lots of privacy. It also benefits from a fully wired, plumbed, and finished, detached block-built building that houses an office and utility room.

Knapton is ideally situated for full enjoyment of peaceful countryside living, yet only 5 minutes from Clane's excellent local amenities.

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# Lovely 3-bed bungalow in Prosperous for €295K

Kim O'Leary

**This attractive 3-bedroom bungalow in Prosperous would ideally suit a family and it is on the market for an asking price of €295,000.**

Sherry FitzGerald Reilly are pleased to present 'Curryhills,' Prosperous, Co Kildare, an attractive 3 bedroomed detached bungalow with attic rooms and a detached garage / shed on mature, landscaped grounds.

This lovely family home is tastefully presented throughout with a host of

attractive features, bright airy rooms and an efficient spacious layout adding to its appeal. Inside the property comprises of 3 good-sized bedrooms and bathroom, an entrance hallway, lounge, family/tv room, a kitchen/dining room and a utility room.

The bungalow occupies a generous, mature site with attractive trees and shrubs providing both privacy and shelter in a most convenient setting adjacent to Prosperous village.

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# Substantial equestrian property near Rathangan on the market for €750K

Kim O'Leary

**This spacious equestrian property near Rathangan is set on 11 acres with 27 loose horse boxes, a managers house, tack and feed rooms and much more for an asking price of €750,000.**

Conway Auctioneers is delighted to present to the market 'Cottage Rake House,' Boston Hill, Rathangan, Co Kildare, a substantial equestrian property set on 4.63 Hectares (11.44 Acres) and is less than a 15 minute drive to the world famous Curragh Race Course and Training Grounds.

The property includes principal house, managers house, staff house, 27 loose boxes, lunging arena, sand arena, 2-furlong circular gallop, 2 furlong hill gallop, 6 bay horse walker, tack & feed rooms and American style barn.

Inside the main property comprises of an entrance

hall, kitchen/dining area, utility room, dining room, sitting room, living room, a playroom, an office, 4 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms including en suite.

Meanwhile the manager's residence includes 3 bedrooms and a good-sized bathroom, with a kitchen/dining area as well as a double garage to the rear.

Outside the residence benefits from 27 loose horse boxes, lunging arena, sand arena, 2-furlong circular gallop, 2-furlong hill gallop, 6 bay horse walker, tack and feed rooms and an American style barn with plenty of room for future expansion if desired.

The property is just 10km from Newbridge and 8km from Kildare, with plenty of local amenities to appeal to the entire family.

**Early viewing is strictly by appointment with Conway Auctioneers - contact them on 045 522 622.**



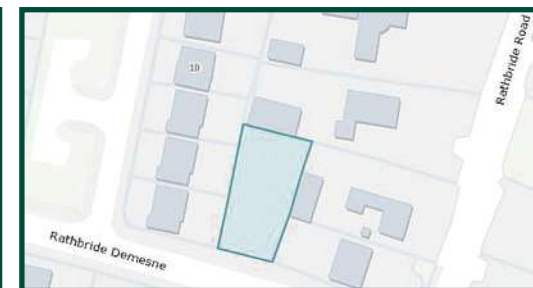
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# Make gardening your passion and not your stress load!

Earlier this week, while mindlessly scrolling through my news feed which includes lots of international garden designers/builders/growers mixed with a splattering of home and garden influencers, an image hit me, it was nothing special and had probably been reproduced so many times before...

Here's what it read "Working hard for something we don't care about is called stress. Working hard for something we love is called passion".

It stopped me in my tracks as I realised how lucky Ian and I are, we have a real love for what we do, we love growing, we love designing and we love creating beautiful gardens and without getting all sentimental, which I really very rarely do, we are able to do that together and usually do so very harmoniously. So now I can refer to what I do as a passion and this passion has kept me exceptionally busy this last week.

We finished a large high

profile project this week, planting in a highly visible location that I will, I promise to share with you in the coming weeks but we are announcing it with a press release so unfortunately, I can't share that location just yet but needless to say the pressure was on and some very large, mature trees were planted along with some mature hedging and some really spectacular cones to show off the area.

We also planted an array of tulips for the Spring. The mature trees we planted were the Evergreen Oaks which are just the most magnificent trees for giving instant year round impact, we use them for screening and for blocking views but in this instance, they were to create impact and height but were particularly used because they don't mind at all this windy position.

Another recent completed project was being photographed and videoed this week. Our photographer was on site for several hours on a roof garden right in the



Another high profile garden finished this week, with spectacular photos over the coming weeks in the Kildare Post

WORKING HARD FOR SOMETHING WE DON'T CARE ABOUT IS CALLED STRESS. WORKING HARD FOR SOMETHING WE LOVE IS CALLED PASSION.



A new tree nursery has been added to Caragh Nurseries this week

centre of Dublin with such amazing views! We had some of these shots but mainly the garden which was exactly as we had hoped it would be, it featured lots of pots and dramatic planting and I am reliably told that the images will be with me in the next day or so, just in time to share them with you next week.

Our last large project this week was in our own nursery, we had one area of the nursery that had become a bit of a no-go area, it was our smaller tree unit, when I say smaller we don't really do small trees but these were all around 10-16 feet tall, the trees were perfect there was nothing wrong with those just we couldn't take our clients down to this area, it was built some 15 years ago when we did sell smaller trees and as what we had got bigger the lines became too small and the area wasn't draining as it should so there was some standing water and loads and loads of moss and slippery surfaces.

So over the last two weeks we have moved off all the trees and bulldozed the entire section, put in new water collection drains and re-surfaced the entire area. We are now in the process of putting up posts and putting in much more suitable tree lines and adding footpaths so the area is now completely accessible to everyone and the trees have much more room and by the end of next week, we will have a lovely new tree unit to show you and anyone who comes to the nursery can browse the trees.

So a busy week, not much standing still but lots of interesting projects, we are just ready to start another couple and we have some designs coming off the printer today to show another client so exciting times - Jo.

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# Being Sent to the Bench in style

In the world of interiors being sent to the bench is certainly a good thing. There are so many ways that a bench can be utilised in home interiors today to create a stylish addition with multiple functionality. From stunning hall benches, bed end benches and dining table benches they can create a real statement piece. This week I thought I would share some of our beautiful bench collections with you and offer some assistance on where best to place a bench in your home.



Kensington Townhouse Oak Bench €600



Rodeo Storage Bench €357



Allure bench asymmetric buttoned bench €427



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Clarence blue velvet bench €350

### Bed End Benches

When choosing a bed end bench there are many styles to consider from deep buttoned benches, ottoman style with built in storage or you can even opt for two small stools placed side by side at the end of the bed to create a stunning statement. A bed end bench is not only lovely to look at but is also practical as it can be used for tying shoes or for holding your extra scatter cushions whilst you sleep.

### Dining Table Benches

Benches are a super solution for dining tables where additional seating needs to be maximised. It's also great for young families to enable parents to sit with their young children to easily assist them at mealtimes. From leather to deep buttoned benches there are lots of styles and fabrics to choose from depending on how practical or opulent you want your dining room to look.

### Hall Benches

Sometimes hallways can look vast or lack character. A beautifully styled bench will not only add interest to your hall, but it can also be a very useful addition. Consider hall benches with room for baskets underneath for additional storage. Add coat hooks or a mirror above your bench for additional functionality.

### Living Room

A low bench can look lovely when placed in front of a window in a living room as it maximises light whilst also providing much needed additional seating when guests arrive. Benches are often used instead of coffee tables in today's modern interiors. Consider using mirror server trays for resting coffee cups or a pretty

box for holding remote controls. A bench can also be a useful piece of furniture to help zone a larger living room as it can act as a room divider.

### Walk in Wardrobe or Bathroom

A bench is a great addition for a walk-in wardrobe as it can be useful for dressing and putting on footwear. In addition, a water-resistant bench can also be very useful in a bathroom for holding clothing, towels, books or even that glass of wine whilst you have a relaxing soak in the bath.

With all these wonderful ways to utilise a bench it is a piece of furniture that we should all have in our homes. I hope you found this column informative and helpful. If you would like any additional information or if you would like to order one of these stunning benches, then please drop me an email to [info@aspiredesign.ie](mailto:info@aspiredesign.ie) and I will be happy to assist you.

Feel free to drop me an email to [info@aspiredesign.ie](mailto:info@aspiredesign.ie) or phone 086 399 9926 with any suggestions you might have for future columns. Thanks,



Marlow white sheepskin bench €1,168

### Bench Styles and Fabrics

There are so many different style benches to consider like Scandi, French provincial, modern, classic and eclectic. For example, these fun faux cowhide benches are fun for an eclectic interior scheme. Alternatively, the Clarence natural fur effect would also look fabulous in an eclectic home. Likewise, the opulent velvet if the Kensington Townhouse bench would be perfect for a timeless scheme.



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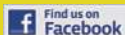
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# All-New Mazda 3 – a new Era

By Breda Corrigan

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The much-anticipated All-New Mazda3 Hatchback was recently launched in Ireland, and with it comes a whole new era in stunning car design, and cutting-edge engine technology.

The first model in Mazda's next generation of cars, the new Mazda 3 takes the sense of togetherness you feel only with a Mazda to a new level, creating a unique oneness between car and driver. From the way it looks to the way it moves, and the way it feels, it is the result of designing and engineering - not just to a specification - but to a feeling.

## Confident & Energised

A powerful statement in design, the new Mazda 3 is confident, invigorated and energised in equal measure, while also creating a sense of vitality. Additionally, no detail or consideration has been overlooked in terms of interior quality, and ambience, with a driver-informed cabin taking pride of place.

## Superior Safety

In terms of safety, Mazda's ethos is that avoiding an accident in the first place is always the safest route. With the available i-Activeness suite of safety features, sophisticated safety innovations alert the driver to hazards to help avoid collisions or lessen their impact. Features such as Advanced Blind Spot Monitoring and Rear Cross Traffic Alert help improve your visibility and awareness of the road, and are amazingly effective.

## Work of Art

The new Mazda 3 is one of those cars that stirs every one of your senses, even before you drive, as it strikes you with its powerful, seductive presence and strong, sporty appeal. It is designed to make you feel like you are looking at a work of art - not just a car. The way light plays on its flowing lines gives the impression that it is moving, even when standing still. There is no denying that this is a handsome car, with similarity to the striking Alfa Romeo Giulietta in its proportions. It is a design language that works extremely well, and is sure to turn heads everywhere it goes.

## Engine and Transmission Options

Just two engines are available in the new Mazda 3 - a 2.0-litre SKYACTIV-G 120bhp petrol (naturally



aspirated, as opposed to the turbo trend) and a 1.8-litre SKYACTIV-D 116bhp diesel with a variable geometry turbo. Both engines have a mild hybrid system that runs the electrics from brake regeneration, and is a system that works seamlessly in practice.

Later this year, Mazda's much anticipated Skyactiv-X compression ignition petrol engine will make its debut in the 3. Alongside it there will be a four-wheel-drive option, which is proof that Mazda is likely to build more than a hatchback using these underpinnings.

Transmission options include a slick six-speed manual gearbox, or a conventional automatic, with all models coming in front-wheel-drive format.

## Four Trim Levels

There are four trim levels available in the new Mazda 3 Hatchback - GS, GS-L, GT, and range-topping GT Sport, all of which are extremely well specified. Standard equipment across the entire range includes key features, such as LED headlights with high beam control, Mazda radar cruise control, Bluetooth™ with Mazda MZD Connect, Lane Keep Assist with Lane Departure Warning, Blind Spot Monitoring, Rear Cross Traffic Alert, Driver Attention Alert, rear parking sensors, alarm & immobiliser, 8.8" colour centre console display & multimedia commander, 7" TFT digital dashboard, Apple CarPlay™ & Android Auto™, multiple airbags, ISOFIX brackets, auto wipers, engine start/stop button, traffic sign recognition, Ecall with GPS, Smart City Brake Support with pedestrian recognition, and many more quality

features.

## My Test Car

My test car was a Mazda 3 Hatchback 2.0-litre SKYACTIV-G model in GT Sport specification, and was finished in Polymetal Grey metallic paint. Upgrade features in this flagship trim level include black leather interior with heated front seats, adaptive front lighting system, signature LED daytime running lights, keyless entry, rear camera, front parking sensors, CD player, 12 speaker BOSE™ sound system with BaseMatch, 8-way power driver seat with memory function (including mirror and Active Driving Display), 18" grey alloy wheels, steering wheel heater, rear privacy glass, metallic paint, dual-zone climate control, frameless auto-dimming rear-view mirror, and auto-dimming wing mirror with reverse dipping.

Producing 122bhp and 213Nm of torque, the refined petrol engine in my test car is capable of sprinting from 0-100km/h in 10.4-seconds, can achieve a top speed of 197km/h (where permitted), and can consume as little as 6.3-litres of petrol for every 100km's driven on a combined driving cycle.

## Ont the road

On the road, the new Mazda 3 proves itself to be a terrific car to drive. The instinctive firmness of the car's platform ensures that the car can be driven briskly with total confidence, while remaining superbly composed, and retaining excellent ride quality. The six-speed manual gearbox is a pleasure to use, with a short, accurate throw, while the car's fantastic steering set-up provides great feedback to the driver at all times. Height

and telescopic adjustment of the multi-function steering wheel, along with excellent adjustment options on the driver seat ensures that a comfortable driving position is readily available.

## Impressive Interior

The cabin of the new Mazda 3 is very impressive, with soft-touch materials in all the important areas, leading to a high standard of finish throughout, while the leather seats in my test car were supportive and comfortable in equal measure. Importantly, the car benefits from a new infotainment system, and brings the new Mazda 3 right up-to-date in terms of cutting-edge technology.

## Pricing and Verdict

Overall, the new Mazda 3 is a genuinely impressive car in every way. It feels solid on the road, is extremely well equipped across all trim levels, possesses a terrific suite of safety features, and is a very handsome car into the bargain. When Mazda revealed the Kai concept some two years ago - the all-new Mazda 3 is based on that car's striking, sporty design - reaction to it was overwhelmingly positive. With prices starting at just €26,295 (ex-works), the new Mazda 3 possesses all the necessary ingredients for outright success - Breda.

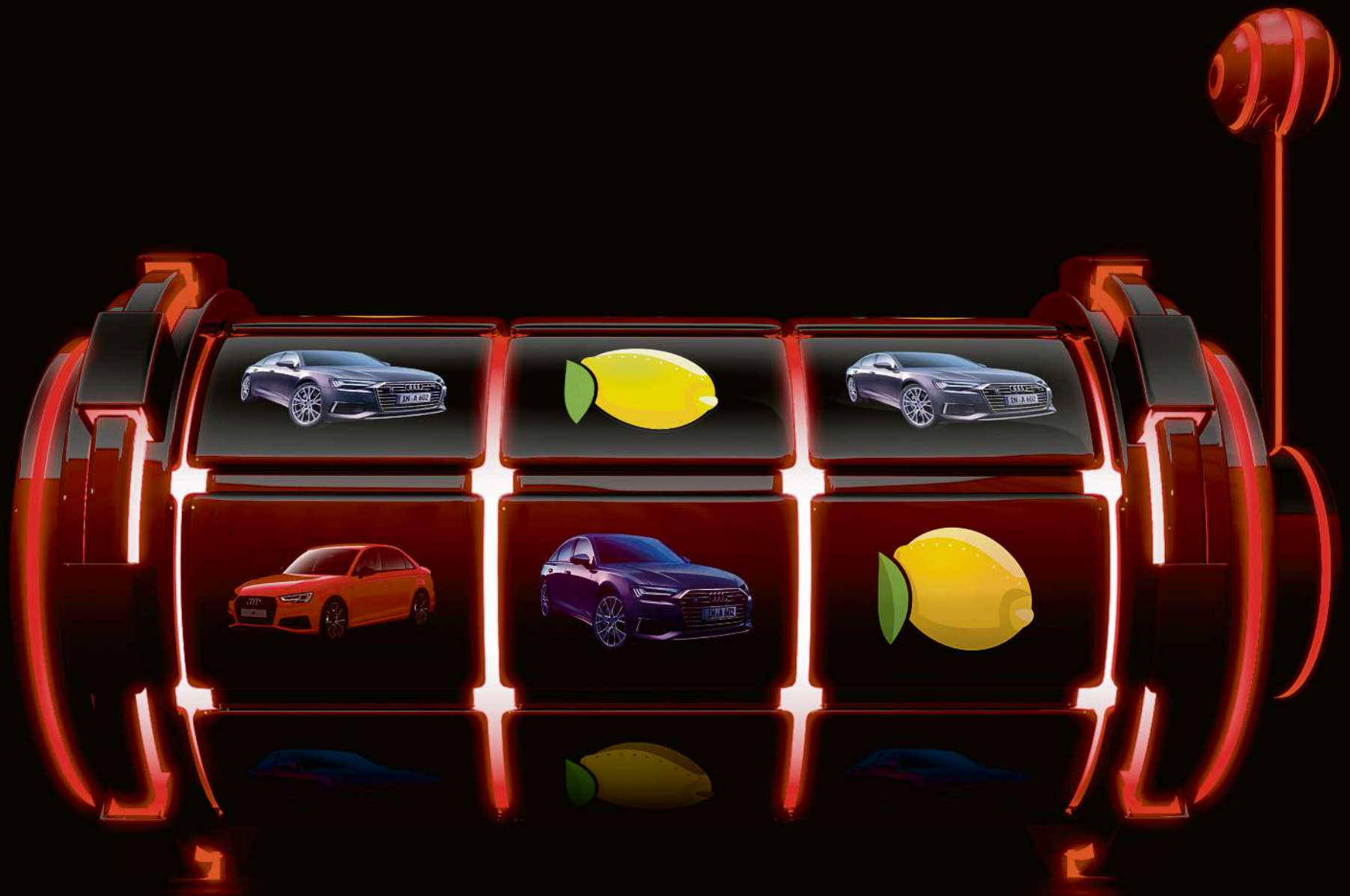
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# All-new Nissan JUKE redefines compact crossovers

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Almost a decade after it set the bar for compact crossovers through its distinctive personality and emphasis on fun, the next-generation Nissan JUKE arrives to reinvent the segment once again. Fun to drive as ever, the all-new JUKE delivers new levels of performance and technology, within a striking yet roomier coupe crossover body.

With almost 1 million on the road in Europe, the Nissan JUKE has resonated with European customers thanks to its stand-out design. The next-generation JUKE – which was unveiled on September 3, 2019 in London, Paris, Milan, Barcelona and Cologne – appeals to European drivers, who value design, technology and performance, in addition to practicality, in the crossover segment.

With ProPILOT and striking connectivity, JUKE brings Nissan Intelligent Mobility - Nissan's vision for changing how cars are powered, driven and integrated into society - one step further.

"Nissan JUKE is back with its unique identity, even more character, exciting performance and advanced technology that responds to drivers' needs," said Ponz Pandikuthira, Nissan Europe Vice President, Product Planning.

"The new design and exciting driving experience will appeal to the growing number of customers opting for compact crossovers. The JUKE has grown up, while still retaining the fun-to-drive qualities that have always made it stand out."

## Athletic Design

Nissan JUKE returns to set a new standard in the B-crossover segment with larger dimensions and an athletic stance, striking 19-inch alloy wheels and coupe style 'floating roof' design. Equipped with full LED technology as standard, the latest JUKE retains its iconic circular headlamps with a new Y-shaped signature which complements Nissan's V-Motion grille. An exclusive body colour, Fuji Sunset, now completes the line-up of 11 colours.

## Bigger, 'roomier'

Transformed on the inside as well, new JUKE is roomier for both passengers and their belongings, with rear-seat knee room increased by 5.8 cm, rear head room by 1.1 cm

and a boot capacity of 422 litres – providing 20% more storage room. A reimagined interior offers style and comfort boosted by improved driver positions, increased rear roominess and more user-friendly controls and storage.

New soft-touch materials on the dashboard, door trim and footwells offer a premium feel, complemented by standard monoform sporty seats and optional Alcantara® or leather upholstery.

Offering a new level of personalisation, the all-new N-Design grade package ensures that customers can truly make their JUKE their own.

Multiple colour combinations for body, roof and interior upholstery are available – bringing out the urban, premium and sporty character of the JUKE. Exterior personalisation is also offered, with customisable bumpers, side sills and 19-inch alloy wheels.

## Agile Performance

The sporty JUKE is designed for agility, but the all-new coupe crossover has also grown up. Dimensions are now 4,210 mm length; 1,595 mm height; and a width of 1,800 mm for better roominess while remaining compact and lighter by 23 kg. Thanks to high strength steel, the new model features a more rigid platform that offers better stability, performance and cornering capabilities, and new levels of confidence and control.

The JUKE is powered by an efficient 1.0-liter three-cylinder DIG-T turbocharged petrol engine with 117 PS, giving drivers improved performance, fuel economy and refinement. Available with an engaging 6-speed manual or sporty 7-speed dual-clutch (DCT) paddle-shift transmission, and a driving mode selector (Eco, Standard, Sport), drivers can effortlessly match their driving style to any driving scenario for maximum fun on the road.

## Advanced Technologies

The JUKE is now loaded with Nissan's infotainment and driver assistance technology. Featuring Nissan Intelligent Mobility technology, the new model is the most connected Nissan ever.

## Nissan Intelligent Mobility

Nissan's advance ProPILOT technology, which offers electronically assisted steering, acceleration and braking, will be available on the JUKE for the first time. Designed for highway use in

single-lane traffic, the ProPILOT system accelerates and slows down for the driver to maintain the right distance and speed and also keeps the car centred within the lane.

In addition, JUKE offers a full package of safety technologies, including Intelligent Emergency Braking with Pedestrian and Cyclist Recognition, Traffic Sign Recognition, Intelligent Lane Intervention, Rear Cross Traffic Alert, and Blind Spot Intervention as a Nissan premiere that is unique to the segment. Blind Spot Intervention warns the driver when a car gets into its blind spot and brings JUKE back in the lane.

## Connectivity, Infotainment, and BOSE Personal Plus

With the new NissanConnect infotainment system, customers can use Apple CarPlay® and Android Auto to mirror their favourite smartphone apps on the 8-inch touch screen display. Drivers can also access TomTom Maps & Live Traffic or activate their In-Car WiFi to allow passengers connecting their laptops or tablets.

The NissanConnect Services app is the perfect mobile companion, offering customers control over multiple aspects of their car.

Nissan JUKE owners can now check the door-lock status of their vehicle and lock or unlock their Nissan directly from their smartphone. For increased safety, drivers can also check their tyre pressure and oil level before departing on a trip.

To make JUKE drivers' lives even easier, Google Assistant compatibility gives them control over functions including vehicle lights and sending destinations to the car's navigation system by talking to their smart device.

Drivers and passengers can also play louder with the Bose Personal Plus sound system.

With eight powerful speakers – including two sets of Bose UltraNearfield speakers integrated into both front seats headrests – listeners can enjoy immersive music in ultra-clear definition.

The all-new Nissan JUKE will continue to be produced at Nissan's award-winning manufacturing plant in Sunderland, UK. The first customer deliveries will take place at the end of November in European markets – contact Naas Nissan, Newhall, Naas Newhall, Phone: (045) 888 438.



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Ellen Dowling intends to apply for Planning Permission for a development at Ballyshannon, Kilkullen, Co Kildare.

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I MICHAEL DALY intend to apply for PERMISSION for development at this site at TIRMOGHAN COMMON, TIRMOGHAN, DONADEA, CO. KILDARE.

The development will consist/consists of:

CONSTRUCTION OF A RURAL HOUSING CLUSTER CONSISTING OF 5 No DETACHED SINGLE STOREY BUNGALOWS, WITH INDIVIDUAL SECONDARY EFFLUENT TREATMENT SYSTEMS, RECESSED ENTRANCE, ACCESS ROAD TO SERVE THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AND ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS.

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**KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL**

I, Mairead Byrne intend to apply for Planning Permission for a development on this site at Brockagh, Robertstown, Naas, Co. Kildare. The development consists of (a) Erection of 9 No. horse stables for rearing and training of horses with tackroom, rug room, feed store, toilet, (b) Hay storage shed, covered dungstead and effluent holding tank and (c) The installation of proprietary wastewater treatment plant with percolation area to serve the proposed works and all associated site works

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**KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL**

I Nuala Boylan intend to apply for permission for a development at Pipers Hall, Crosschapel, County Kildare. The development consists of the construction of a two bedroom storey and a half dwelling, effluent treatment system, new site entrance and all associated site works. The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

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I Myles Wilson intend to apply to Kildare County Council for Planning Permission at Boswell Kilmalum Blessington Co Kildare W91 HFD7 for

(a) For single storey side extension to existing dormer house and all associated site development works.

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**PLANNING NOTICES**

**KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL**

I, John Switzer, am applying to Kildare County Council for outline planning permission for a new detached two / three storey dwelling house to the west of existing two storey dwelling house together with new site entrance and all associated site development works at 21 Great Southern, Newbridge, Co. Kildare. The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

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LISA MALONE intend to apply for PERMISSION and RETENTION PERMISSION for development at this site at BARRETTSTOWN, NEWBRIDGE, CO. KILDARE. The development will consist/consists of:

PERMISSION FOR SUB-DIVISION OF EXISTING SITE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A ONE AND HALF STOREY DETACHED HOUSE WITH DORMER ELEMENT, SINGLE STOREY DOMESTIC GARAGE, SECONDARY EFFLUENT TREATMENT SYSTEM, RECESSED ENTRANCE AND ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS. RETENTION PERMISSION FOR THE TEMPORARY USE OF MOBILE HOME ON SITE FOR A PERIOD OF 2 YEARS.

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I, Kathleen Riordan, intend to apply for permission for development at this site Castlekealy, Caragh, Co. Kildare. The development will consist of a proposed bungalow, a detached garage, a new wastewater treatment system and percolation area, a new entrance, the upgrading of the existing access road, and all ancillary site works. The planning application may be inspected, or purchased, at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours, and a submission, or observation, in relation to the application may be made to the authority, in writing, on payment of the prescribed fee, within the period of five weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application. D.C. Turley & Associates, Planning Consultants 045-876220.

**PLANNING NOTICES**

**KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL**

Brian and Gillian Devane intends to apply for planning permission for the development of: a single storey extension to the rear of an existing single storey dwelling house, new front porch, conversion of existing attic space into a bedroom with dormer and velux windows, a new site entrance and associated site development works above and below ground on a site at Killeenmore, Straffan, Co. Kildare The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

**PLANNING NOTICES**

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DAVE AND ANNE MAHONEY intend to apply for RETENTION PERMISSION for development at this site at ELM LODGE, MOYGLARE ROAD, MAYNOOTH, CO. KILDARE. The development will consist/consists of:

RETENTION PERMISSION FOR EXISTING DETACHED GARAGE STYLE STRUCTURE WITH ATTIC CONVERSION AS CONSTRUCTED ON SITE FOR PARTIAL DOMESTIC USE ANCILLARY TO MAIN RESIDENTIAL HOUSE ON SITE AND PARTIAL USE FOR HOME OFFICE AND ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS.

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ND CONSTRUCTION PARTNERSHIP intend to apply for PERMISSION for development at this site at BALLYFAIR, CUT BUSH, THE CURRAGH, CO. KILDARE.

The development will consist/consists of:

CHANGE OF HOUSE TYPE FROM PREVIOUSLY GRANTED TYPE A (4 BED DETACHED BUNGALOW) TO TYPE B (3 BED DETACHED BUNGALOW), GRANTED UNDER 18/490, CONNECTION TO EXISTING AND PERMITTED FOUL SEWAGE SYSTEM AND ALL ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS.

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## Joe Fox Tool &amp; Plant Hire Reserve A Final

# McHugh kicks Sash to Reserve A title

Sarsfields 2-10  
Kildare 1-11

## Reserve A Football Championship final

By Robert Cribbin

**Two second half goals from Darragh McHugh helped Sarsfields regain the Reserve A Football Championship with a two point victory over Naas in Manguard Plus Hawkfield on Sunday evening.**

Naas were the defending champions, having easily got the better of the same opponents in the 2018 final. They had won the League after getting past Moorefield in the semi-final so they would have been warm favourites but a big second half from Sarsfields helped turn the tables.

Sarsfields got to this stage by beating Athy a few weeks ago and they will be hoping it proves to be a stepping stone for a bigger prize later in the year.

Sarsfields looked in real trouble early on as they trailed by three points but they eventually steadied the ship with a point from team captain Ross Connor but Naas were able to kick on again.

Despite losing a couple of players from the semi-final

that have since gone on to play with the Senior Team Naas looked to have the Sash's number and they went into the break with a double score advantage leading 0-8 to 0-4.

Naas really struggled in the second period though and only got 1-3 on the board and with a rampant Sarsfields side coming at them it was always going to be hard to hang on.

The defending Champions did get a goal in the 42nd minute to retake a two point lead after Darragh McHugh had goaled for the Newbridge side but a couple of Connor frees soon had Sarsfields within touch again.

Naas still led going into the final few minutes but McHugh proved to be the Sarsfields hero as he firstly netted a penalty before then kicking over the insurance point.

A mini melee broke out late on but nothing serious resulted as Sarsfields held on to claim the title. The final was the first of five Reserve deciders to take place in the next few weeks.

**Sarsfields captain Ross O'Connor receiving the Paddy Cummins Memorial Perpetual Cup from PJ Cummins in Hawkfield last Sunday after defeating Naas in the Joe Fox Tool and Plant Hire Reserve A Final.** PHOTO PAT TINSLEY



# Sallins turn on the style to set up repeat clash with Allenwood in IFC quarters

Sallins 0-15  
Nurney 1-9

## Pittman Traffic IFC Pre Quarter Final

By Robert Cribbin

**A dominant second half was enough for Sallins to fend off Nurney in the Pre Quarter Final of the Intermediate Championship on Saturday afternoon.**

After a competitive first half, Sallins trailed 0-7 to 0-6 at the break and even though Cathal Hagny gave Nurney a two point lead at the begging of the second period it was mostly Sallins from there on in as they took complete control.

Conor Herbert top scored for the victors with 0-7 but he

was ably assisted by Paul Farrelly, Kevin Foley and Alan Marshall in an all round fine team performance. Sallins led 0-14 to 0-9 before Cathal Hagny slotted a penalty for Nurney but it arrived too late in the day to make any impact.

The defeat brings an end to a disappointing campaign for Nurney after they went all the way to the semi-finals in 2018. Mikey Conway opened Nurney's account with a 45 in the 2nd minute and after Jack Sharkey equalised the teams went toe to toe for most of the half.

They were level on five occasions throughout the opening period with Conor Herbert and Alan Marshall getting the Sallins scores in response to Conway and Cathal Hagny. Hagny's point for Nurney could have ended up as a goal as his shot

was turned over the crossbar by Dan Sweeney.

Sallins weren't without their own chances for goal as a dropping inside ball from Cian Sharkey eventually led to his brother Jack getting the round Shaun Conway in the Nurney goal but his attempt rattled off the outside of the post.

After the teams were deadlocked at 0-5 apiece with five minutes of the half remaining a dropping Mikey Conway effort was flicked on by Cathal Hagny and like Sallins Nurney were denied by the woodwork but fortunately the ball still went over the bar. Conway and Herbert then swapped frees as Nurney took a narrow one point lead into the break.

Hagny with a brilliant individual score that brought his tally to three at that stage extended the Nurney lead to

two points at the start of the second half but the Nurney attacks were more sporadic as the game went on. Sallins points from Herbert and Kevin Foley levelled up matters six minutes after the resumption before a Conway free had Nurney back in front.

It was short lived again though as Conor Dalton pointed in the 43rd minute when his goalbound effort was tipped over by Shaun Conway. Back to back scores from Herbert and Fergal Swan then left Sallins with an 0-11 to 0-9 lead going into the final quarter.

Nurney had a couple of great opportunities to retake the lead when a well taken short free from Mikey Conway found Darren Byrne but he pulled a shot wide while minutes later Dan Sweeney saved well from Cathal

Hagny. As a result of those misses, Sallins were able to kick on via efforts from Herbert and Alan Marshall and they were almost home and hosed.

Mikey Conway and Fergal Swan both got black cards in the space of three minutes with Swan's discretion leading to a Nurney penalty which Hagny fired home. Nurney still had a chance as a result but the penalty arrived in stoppage time and they got no further scores as their campaign came to an end with Herbert landing a late insurance score for Sallins.

**Sallins:** Dano Sweeney; Ruairi O'Domhnaill, David Foley, Cian Sharkey, Daniel Caulfield, Emmet Ralph, Luke Kelly, Kevin Foley 0-2, Fergal Swan 0-1, Alan Marshall 0-2, Conor Herbert 0-7 (0-5fs), Ben Caulfield, Paul Farrelly 0-1, Jack Sharkey 0-1

(0-1f), Conor Dalton 0-1.

Subs used: Oisín Byrne for D.Caulfield 42 mins, Ian Murphy for C.Sharkey 56 mins, Aaron Carney for Dalton 62 mins.

**Nurney:** Shaun Conway; Adam Talbot, Niall Whelan, John Merrins, Steven Conway, Niall Donnelly, Kevin Conway, Peter Sunderland, William Heffernan, Darren Byrne, Eoghan Fitzpatrick, Ciaran Callan, Christopher Higginbotham, Michael Conway 0-5 (0-4fs, 0-1 45), Cathal Hagny 1-4.

Subs used: Darragh Conway for S.Conway 33 mins, Thomas Burke for Donnelly 39 mins, Brandon Foley for Whelan 45 mins, Andrew Behan for Callan 53 mins, Kevin Callan for M.Conway (Black Card) 63 mins.

**Ref:** Brendan Cawley



# Slow building St Kevin's prepare for quarter-final championship clash

St Kevin's 1-17  
Ballyteague 0-09

## Pittman Traffic IFC Pre Quarter-final

By Ian Baker

Recent momentum and an outstanding eleven-point win over Ballyteague in the preliminary quarter-final in Hawkfield on Saturday means St. Kevin's are peaking at the right time. St. Kevin's may have had to play an extra game getting into a quarter-final against Clogherinkoe, but steady progress has allowed them to gain momentum.

Despite the one-sided result, speaking after the game, manager Mark Fitzharris remarked that over the years little or nothing has separated these local derby teams. "Maybe the scoreline doesn't suggest that today, but only in the last

fifteen minutes did I feel we pulled away."

Controlling the game from the outset, but always looking over their shoulder at a resilient Ballyteague side, Fitzharris says that "it was a real battle and that's normally the way it is against Ballyteague."

"Similar to last year, we came off a poor league campaign and it took us a while to adapt to the Championship, but we're back working hard in training."

Leading 0-4 - nil after the opening quarter, St. Kevin's got on top early in the game and stayed there. Ross Carew, Barry Noone, Ryan Casey and Declan Flaherty, who'd all had a positive bearing on the game, left Ballyteague searching for scores in the first-half.

It took Jimmy Hyland seventeen minutes to open Ballyteague's account as three early wides shook their confidence.

A long-distance Stephen Connolly free and a Fionn Murphy point closed the gap to three points by the 25th minute as Carew and Noone registered corresponding points.

Finishing the half with six wides apiece, St Kevin's made full use of their first-half wind advantage to lead by five points at the break. As Noone and Carew extended their tallies to three apiece, Seamus Hanafin's 28th minute missed goal chance might have been better served over the bar.

Nearly kicking three times more points in the first-half,



Ballyteague's Niall Moran fights hard to retain possession.

St Kevin's led 0-8 - 0-3, despite Hyland and Cian Gilligan scoring early second-half points.

These scores might have reduced the margin to three points three minutes into the second-half, but St Kevin's responded by outscoring Ballyteague by 1-9 - 0-6. When Ballyteague goalkeeper Derek Mooney fouled Carew inside the square for a penalty and a blackcard, Johnny Fitzharris' strike meant that Marc Herbert's first job was picking the ball out of the net.

Hyland and Connolly points kept a sense of hope alive, but when Flaherty and Casey

responded, it was clear which team was in the driving seat.

Keeping Ballyteague scoreless for a fourteen-minute period, which included the black carding of Hyland, further points from Mark Grace, Joe Kenny and Flaherty meant St. Kevin's led 1-13 - 0-7 by the 55th minute.

Substitutes Gavin Smullen and Brian McGrath kicked concluding points for Ballyteague, but when Flaherty kicked his fourth point and Noone his fifth, St. Kevin's progressed into the quarter-final with a handsome, if not flattering, eleven-point margin.

Scorers - St. Kevin's: B

Noone 0-6 (3f); D Flaherty 0-4; R Carew 0-3 (f); R Casey 0-2; M Grace and J Kenny 0-1 each.

**Ballyteague:** J Hyland 0-3 (f); S Connolly 0-2f; B McGrath (f), C Gilligan, F Murphy and G Smullen 0-1 each.

**ST KEVIN'S:** Keith Fitzharris; Alan Bennett, Tom Barron, Conor Gordon; Jamie Smyth, Mick Kenny, Brian Fogarty; Ciarán Smyth, Mark Grace; Cormac Noone, Barry Noone, Ryan Casey; Ross Carew, Declan Flaherty, Johnny Fitzharris.

**Subs:** Joe Kenny and Dylan Brereton for C Noone and Casey (53 mins); Paddy Walshe for J Smyth (57); Dean O'Regan for J Fitzharris (59);

Kevin O'Brien for Bennett (60).

**BALLYTEAGUE:** Derek Mooney; Conor Mullaney, David Randles, Tommy Coogan; Gerry Melia, Glen Thorpe; Niall Moran; Cian Gilligan, Cathal Hanafin; Robert McCabe, Stephen Connolly, Seamus Hanafin; Fionn Murphy, Kieran Brennan, Jimmy Hyland.

**Subs:** Marc Herbert for Mooney B/C (35); Stephen Dunne for McCabe (44); Brian McGrath for Hyland B/C (47); McCabe for Dunne B/C (53); Gavin Smullen for Gilligan (56); Barry Dempsey for Murphy (57).

**REFEREE:** Conor Daly.



Ballyteague's Conor Mullaney leaps high but is unable to prevent Joe Kenny scoring a fistid point.



Dual star Declan Flaherty, who hurls with Coill Dubh, under pressure from Jason Mooney.



St. Kevin's Barry Noone converts a handy free in front of the posts.



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# Kildare trainers and jockeys add to their success around the tracks

**Willie McCreery has the Irish Stallion Farms EBF Sovereign Path Handicap at Leopardstown on Longines Irish Champions Weekend in mind for Thiswaycadeaux which landed the 7f handicap at Roscommon on Monday evening.**

Ridden by Billy Lee, the well-backed 13/2 chance was at home in the testing conditions and scored a three-length success from Stormy Belle. Dermot Weld took the fillies and mares' maiden with 9/2 chance Askerana which was up to making a winning debut under Chris Hayes. Johnny Murtagh has his horses in the best of form and he combined with Niall McCullagh to take the 10f fillies and mares' handicap with Winiata. Another to relish the underfoot conditions, the 5/1 chance was arguably the easiest winner of the session as she beat CJ Cregg by five and a half lengths in the colours of the trainer's wife Orla.

Johnny Murtagh added to his Roscommon success when taking the training honours at Gowran Park on Wednesday where he landed three winners for three different owners. Gigginstown House Stud enjoyed a rare winner on the Flat when the Ben Coen-ridden Luminant dug

deep to beat Hidden Spark by a short head in the opening division of the apprentice handicap. Coen was also on board as the Fitzwilliam Racing 2018-owned Festina Plente took the 7f handicap at odds of 13/2 while Billy Lee wrapped up the Murtagh treble when partnering Finding Nero, the 5/1 favourite, to a narrow success over dead-heaters Major Reward and Dare To Flare for owner Valerie Osborne in the 9f handicap. Murtagh's Curragh neighbour Dermot Weld landed the three-year-old maiden with Bashiyr, the mount of Chris Hayes. The 9/10 favourite was never in any real danger after hitting the front over a furlong and a half from the finish and readily held off Miss Clash. The impressive winner of a bumper at Cork, Presto made it two wins from as many starts when taking the 14f maiden for trainer Oliver McKiernan. Ridden by Shane Foley, the 3/1 chance readily got the better of 6/4 favourite Party Playboy in a race the pair dominated in the straight.

Monasterevin trainer Peter Fahey landed the bumper at Clonmel on Thursday where Jazz Toes was three and a half lengths too good. An easy-to-back 5/1 chance, the four-year-old led at halfway under Jamie Codd and was very much in control in the



**Thiswaycadeaux and Billy Lee win the Tusk Handicap at Roscommon for Curragh trainer Willie McCreery**

PHOTO: PATRICK MCCANN/RACING POST

straight in the colours of owner Paul McKeon. Fahey was also a winner at York on Sunday where Shamad continued on his upward curve with a battling success in the 12f handicap. Oisín Orr rode the 7/2 winner.

At the final meeting of the year at Kilbeggan on Friday night, Kevin Sexton was among the winners when

teaming up with Ratoath trainer Dermot McLoughlin to win the 3m1f handicap chase with Freewheelin Dylan. The 8/1 chance had plenty in hand as he beat Kilkishen by five and a half lengths.

Gary Carroll was in double form at Navan on Saturday where he shared winners with local trainers Mick

Mulvany and Gavin Cromwell.

The Mulvany-trained Early Call, a 20/1 chance, got up in the dying strides to win the handicap over the near-6f trip while Aasleagh Fawn had a lot more in hand as she won the 14f handicap at odds of 5/1 favourite for Cromwell and the Rollx Syndicate.

The Big Lense was a big

winner at Listowel on Sunday when successful for Carbury jockey Luke Dempsey and Gordon Elliott in the 2m4f handicap chase.

The 10/1 chance worked his way into contention before the straight and gained the upper hand when the challenging Carabet Queen got it all wrong at the final fence.



**Winning owner Orla Murtagh with Niall McCullagh, Winiata and her husband Johnny at Roscommon on Monday**

## OTHER RACING NEWS

Aidan O'Brien landed further Group 1 success at Longchamp on Sunday.

Circus Maximus took the Prix Du Moulin when just getting the better of the Ken Condon-trained Romanised and held on to the race after a stewards' enquiry.

Ryan Moore's mount drifted to his left, carrying the runner-up with him and only a nose separated the pair at the line.

Connections of the second horse are to appeal the result.

## RACING FIXTURES

**Listowel - Thursday, September 12 (First Race 1.55)**

**Listowel - Friday, September 13 (First Race 1.55)**

**Listowel - Saturday, September 14 (First Race 1.45)**

**Leopardstown - Saturday, September 14 (First Race 1.55)**

**Curragh - Sunday, September 15 (First Race 1.20)**



GAA - Haven Hire SHC Quarter-Final

# Éire Óg Corra Choill dethrone champions with stunning second-half comeback

Eire Og CC 2-20  
Celbridge aet 3-14

By Ian Baker

**During an enthralling quarter-final that required extra-time in Conneff Park on Sunday, Éire Óg Corra Choill overturned a nine-point half-time deficit to dethrone last year's SHC champions.**

Level just twice over the course of eighty minutes, Éire Óg Corra Choill displayed unbelievable courage to overturn Celbridge's three first-half goals to send the game to extra-time.

Keeping Celbridge to one-point over the two ten-minute periods of extra-time, Éire Óg Corra Choill delivered a twelve-point turn around in the final fifty minutes to win by three points.

Celbridge will be disappointed to have relinquished such a comfortable lead, maybe one that was too comfortable after Tom Fitzgerald, Leo Quinn and Mark Moloney scored goals by the 14th minute.

But when Paul Kennedy's 45th minute goal injected belief into Éire Óg Corra Choill, they outscored the champions by 1-9 - 0-2 in the closing twenty minutes of

normal time.

Instrumental in extra-time, Liam Dempsey scored his tenth-point at the beginning of the second extra period to enforce Éire Óg Corra Choill's dominance and momentum.

Celbridge failed to register a score in the second period as referee Niall Colgan disallowed a Sam White point because the ball went out over the line a minute earlier.

Last year's champions may well feel aggrieved as Dempsey's sixth point in in the 56th minute of normal time came from a ball that several players and supporters felt was decidedly outside the line.

But registering seven wides in extra-time, Celbridge couldn't harness even a tenth of Éire Óg Corra Choill's second-half and extra-time momentum.

The champions just needed one or two points in the closing stages of the second-half to keep Éire Óg Corra Choill at arm's length.

Speaking after the game, Éire Óg Corra Choill manager Johnny Enright would have beamed with pride, if he wasn't emotionally drained.

Delighted with their second-half performance, "particularly the second-half of extra-time," Éire Óg Corra Choill won the game without Garry Johnson and Liam Power, while he only

introduced James Dolan late in the second-half.

Scorer of four second-half points, Conor KIELTY gave an outstanding performance, while Rory O'Neill's first-half goal and subsequent three points proved the capability of youth.

Almost dead and buried when Quinn gave Celbridge a ten-point lead in the 39th minute, bringing his tally to 1-3, Éire Óg Corra Choill's dogged resilience chipped at Celbridge's lead before an avalanche of scores started an unstoppable surge.

Suggesting that "even the first ten minutes of the second-half we weren't really going that well," Enright said that "Paul Kennedy really stepped up to the plate and really drove us on from midfield."

Praising the spirit and heart shown by his team, Enright remarked that "we just got a bit of momentum and kept on going and kept on going. I thought we had the momentum going into extra-time and we just kept at it."

"We've been trying to build a squad all year and you're going to lose players in Championship games, and some of our younger lads really stepped up today."

"But they've been training all year and they've been waiting for their chance, and



Celbridge Niall O'Muineachain races clear from EireOg Corrachoill Rory O'Neill during the Haven Hire Pre Quarter Final Senior Hurling Championship game played at Conneff Park, Clane

they took their chance. They have legs, they have energy and they have youth and they were just brilliant today."

**Scorers** - Éire Óg Corra Choill - L Dempsey 0-10 (7f); R O'Neill 1-3; P Kennedy 1-1; C KIELTY 0-4; K Connor and B Cormack 0-1 each.

**Celbridge** - L Quinn 1-3; S White 0-6 (2f, 2 '65); M Moloney 1-2; T Fitzgerald 1-0; B White 0-2; M O'Donovan 0-1.

**ÉIRE ÓG CORRA CHOILL:** Paul Dermody; Paddy Burns, Danny Boyle, Brian Fitzpatrick; Ben Noone, Kevin Connor, Cathal McGrath; Conor KIELTY, Niall Connolly; JP Crotty, Paul Kennedy, Barry Cormack; Tim Hennessy, Rory O'Neill, Liam Dempsey.

**Subs:** Ollie O'Neill for Connolly (21 mins); Daniel Murray for Burns (38); Murray O'Byrne for Hennessy (43); James Dolan for Crotty (53); Joe Dempsey for KIELTY (62+).

**CELBRIDGE:** Niall Lanigan; Patrick Curtin, Fiachra Ó'Muineacháin, Sean O'Sullivan; Kevin Murphy, Niall Ó'Muineacháin, Michael O'Donovan; Aaron Doran, Billy White; Leo Quinn, Mark Moloney, Sam White; Tom Finnerty, Fergal Conway, Tom Fitzgerald.

**Subs:** Jamie Connolly for Moloney (40 mins); Paul Hogan for Curtin (f/t); Moloney for Connolly (63+); Marcus Kinsella for Fitzgerald (69+).

**REFEREE:** Niall Colgan.

## GAA FIXTURES

### Thu 12 Sep

**2019 Pittman Traffic Intermediate Football Championship Relegation Semi Finals**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield Pitch 2, Kill V Suncroft GFC 19:45, Ref: Paraic Mc Givern 2 x 10 mins' extra time if required

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield Pitch 1, Ellistown V Kilcullen 20:00, Ref: Niall Colgan 2 x 10 mins' extra time if required

### Sat 14 Sep

**2019 Joe Mallon Renault Senior Football Championship Quarter Final**

Venue: Newbridge, Celbridge V Confey GAA 12:00, Ref: Raymond Kelly  
Venue: Newbridge, Maynooth V Moorefield 13:45, Ref: Kieran Harris

**2019 Joe Mallon Renault Senior Football Championship Relegation Semi Final**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield,

Round Towers V Two Mile House 13:30, Ref: Brendan Cawley 2 x 10 mins' extra time if required

**2019 Pittman Traffic Intermediate Football Championship Quarter Final**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield, Clogherinkoe V St Kevin's 12:00, Ref: Fergus Devereux

### Sun 15 Sep

**2019 Tom Cross Transport Junior Football Championship Semi Final**

Venue: Newbridge, Caragh V Robertstown 14:00, Ref: David Coady

**2019 Joe Mallon Renault Senior Football Championship Quarter Finals**

Venue: Newbridge, Sarsfields V Eadestown 15:45, Ref: Henry Barrett  
Venue: Newbridge, Athy V Johnstownbridge 17:30, Ref: Liam Herbert

**2019 Pittman Traffic Intermediate Football Championship Quarter Final**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield, Monasterevan V Milltown / Kilcock 14:00, Ref: Frank Delaney

**2019 Joe Mallon Renault Senior Football Championship Relegation Semi Final**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield, Naas V Raheens 15:30, Ref: Billy O Connell 2 x 10 mins' extra time if required

**2019 Tom Cross Transport Junior Football Championship**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield, Ballymore Eustace V Rathcoffey 17:00, Ref: Colin Kearney

**2019 Pittman Traffic Intermediate Football Championship Quarter Finals**

Venue: Conneff Park, Leixlip V Straffan 15:00, Ref: Paddy Mc Dermott  
Venue: Conneff Park, Allenwood V Sallins 16:30, Ref: Fergal Barry

**2019 Haven Hire Minor Hurling Championship Group A**

Venue: Ardclough, Éire Óg Corra Choill V Maynooth 18:00, Ref: Eamonn Kelly

### Tue 17 Sep

**2019 Manguard Plus Minor C Football Championship Semi Final**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield Pitch 1, Eadestown V Two Mile House 20:00, Ref: Colin Kearney

**2019 Manguard Plus Minor D Football Championship Semi Final**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield Pitch 2, Fr. Prendergast Gaels V O'Tooles 19:45, Ref: Paul Donnelly

### Wed 18 Sep

**2019 Haven Hire Minor Hurling Championship Quarter Final**

Venue: Celbridge, St Michael's V Éire Óg Corra Choill / Maynooth 19:00, Ref Tim O Sullivan 2 x 10 mins' extra time if required

**2019 Manguard Plus Minor A Football Championship Quarter Final**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield Pitch 1, Kilcullen V St. Laurence's GAA 20:00, Ref: Alan Archbold

**2019 Manguard Plus Minor D Football Championship Semi Final**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield Pitch 2, Athgarvan V Suncroft GFC 19:45, Ref: Stephen Foley

### Thu 19 Sep

**2019 Manguard Plus Minor A Football Championship Quarter Final**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield Pitch 1, Athy V Celbridge 20:00, Ref: Anthony Herbert

**2019 Manguard Plus Minor C Football Championship Quarter Final**

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield Pitch 2, Ballymore Eustace V Newtown Gaels 19:45, Ref: Eamonn Kelly



GAA - Joe Mallon Renault SFC Pre- Quarter Final

# Goal hungry Eadestown stun Castledermot

**Eadestown** 4-9  
**Castledermot** 1-10

By Robert Cribbin

**In quite the turnaround Eadestown will be in the Senior Football Championship Quarter-Finals after shocking Castledermot in St. Conleths Park on Saturday afternoon.**

It's been a struggle fighting off relegation for the last couple of years but Eadestown are now very much free of that minefield after a stunning attacking performance proved too much for an undisciplined Castledermot outfit.

Two goals in each half gave Eadestown the fully deserved success with Conor McCarthy, Conor Doherty and Cian Bolton netting as Castledermot chased the shadows of the exciting Eadestown forward line.

It's a very disappointing result for Castledermot and for a team that prides itself on its defence they will be especially annoyed how easy Eadestown opened them up.

Castledermot's growing frustration was there for all to see with Emmet O'Keefe and

Liam Cosgrave getting late red cards.

It was a rather dull opening quarter to the game as Castledermot went into a 0-4 to 0-3 lead with star forward Gavin Keating getting all the South Kildare side's scores with two from frees and two from play.

On the other side Cian Bolton was the Eadestown main man and like Keating he dominated the scoreboard with all three Eadestown points.

Eadestown had looked a threat on the counter though and Eoin Conneff rifled a half volley into the side netting during that period but the monopoly was eventually broken with well taken Emmet O'Keefe point from play giving Castledermot a two point lead.

What followed was a crazy two minute spell with the ball ending up in the net on three different occasions.

Eadestown got the ball rolling with former Tuam star Conor Doherty kicking home on the back of a pass over the top from Ronan Slattery.

You barely had time to catch your breath when Paddy Whelan scored down the other end to regain parity for

Castledermot.

Eadestown were playing with a lot of free will though and after a flowing move involving Doherty and Eoin Cummins it was Conor McCarthy who got their second goal.

Slattery and Conneff then kicked further points before the break and all of a sudden Eadestown had a 2-5 to 1-5 lead going into the dressing rooms.

O'Keefe kicked his second point at the start of the second half but yet again the Eadestown goal threat was causing Castledermot huge problems and a third goal arrived in the 39th minute when a deflected shot from Cian Bolton landed at the feet of McCarthy and he made no mistake in shooting past Shane Nolan.

O'Keefe and Keating steadied the ship with back to back scores from play but two excellent Bolton points meant Eadestown kept their noses in front.

Conor Doherty had a chance to end the game as a contest when he had a shot at goal but Shane Nolan stood tall to deny the forward.

Paraic Murphy then kicked a free for Castledermot to

reduce the gap to three points and they looked primed to strike in the final ten minutes.

That chance quickly evaporated when Cian Bolton went on a blistering run before firing a shot into the top corner on the break for a fine individual goal.

That left seven points between the sides and Castledermot lost two men late on with Liam Cosgrave and Emmet O'Keefe both getting sent off in separate incidents.

Substitute Dan Gray did kick a consolation free but rather fittingly it was Bolton who rounded off the scoring with a fine score from out wide as Eadestown battled to a fully deserved victory on a 4-9 to 1-10 scoreline.

**Eadestown:** Mark Murphy; Adam Fitzsimons, Ronan Slattery 0-1, Eoin Cummins, Rian Boran, Pat O'Sullivan, Paul Doherty, Johnny Deane, Padraic Tuohy, Conor Doherty 1-0, Cian Bolton 1-7 (0-3fs), Conor McCarthy 2-0, Eoin Conneff 0-1.

**Subs used:** Eoin Woods for C.Doherty 49 mins, Eddie Conroy for Slattery 61 mins.



Eadestown Conor Doherty races clear from the out stretched arm of Castledermot Brian Nolan during the Joe Mallon Renault Pre Quarter Final SFC played at St Conleths Park, Newbridge

**Castledermot:** Shane Nolan.

Jack Flood, Barry Nolan, Thomas Murphy, William Kelly, Paraic Murphy 0-1 (0-1f), David Dooley, Gavin Farrell, David Keating, Anthony Lawlor, Emmet O'Keefe 0-3, Brian Nolan, Gavin Keating 0-5 (0-2fs), Paddy Whelan 1-0, Conor Nolan.

**Subs used:** Dan Gray 0-1 (0-1f) for C.Nolan h-t, Liam Cosgrave for Lawlor 42 mins, Niall Dooley for G.Keating (Black Card) 58 mins, Vinny Dowling for Dooley 58 mins.

**Ref:** Billy O'Connell



Sarsfields who were crowned the 2019 Joe Fox Tool and Plant Hire Reserve A Final Champions last Sunday evening in Hawkfield after they defeated Naas on a scoreline of 2-10 to 1-11. PHOTO: PAT TINSLEY



GAA - Joe Mallon Renault SFC Pre-Quarter Final

PHOTOS: Pat Tinsley

# The Bridge edge by Carbury

By Robert Cribbin

**Johnstownbridge 3-8**  
**Carbury 0-16**

It was what Championship football is supposed to be all about as Johnstownbridge yet again bested their rivals Carbury to seal a place in the Quarter-Finals of the Senior Football Championship.

It's a game and result that Carbury will have major regrets on though as they seemed to be in complete control until Flynn won a penalty which Sam Doran converted in the 31st minute which looked particularly generous.

It meant the game was level at the break after Carbury played almost all the football and further second half goals from Flynn and Doran looked to have settled the tie for Johnstownbridge.

Carbury had a glorious opportunity to snatch victory from the jaws of defeat though when a deflected shot from Dean Cummins rebounded into the path of Willie Groome and although it looked easier to score than miss the wing forward ballooned his shot over the bar and the full time whistle was blown from the resulting kickout.

You could tell Philly Wolfe had Carbury up for this from the beginning and they went into an early two point lead with scores from Andy Dermody and Jimmy Dunne.

Johnstownbridge were slow to get going and after mishitting a couple of kickouts and dropping three attempts short they eventually got on the scoreboard with a Glen Doran point in the 9th minute.

Points from Dunne and Derek McCormack followed though as Carbury ran up a 0-4 to 0-1 lead inside the first quarter.

Cathal McNally was unusually quiet for much of the game but he did score to reduce the gap but again Carbury replied with Dunne getting his third and fourth points respectively as he caused the Johnstown defence a heap of problems in the opening half.

The teams then shared efforts with a free from Kelvin McNally and a point from play by Daniel Flynn cancelled out by Carbury scores from Aaron O'Neill and Tom Colleary.

Carbury looked in control but like the flick of a switch that all changed when Daniel Flynn somehow caught a ball inside from Glen Doran and while he was surrounded by three men the Carbury defence seemed to deal with him well but referee Fergal Barry seen it differently and awarded a penalty which Sam Doran converted.

Luke Flynn was on a high from that goal and from the next attack he powered forward to point as somehow Johnstownbridge went into the break on level terms.

Johnstownbridge then had a few chances to move in front for the first time when the teams re-merged but a couple of attacks broke down and Carbury latched on that opportunity with three points in a row from James Kelly, Eoghan O'Flaherty and Justin Reilly.

You got the sense that a goal at this stage would have put the game out of reach for Johnstownbridge and Carbury nearly had it in the 40th minute when Willie Groome broke clear and passed off to James Kelly and



Wayne Cummins and Shane Flanagan 'engaged' in play.

his shot looked destined for the bottom corner but a despairing Keith Cribbin somehow kept it out.

That proved to be a real turning point as seconds later Johnstownbridge had the ball in the net when Glen Doran fired home but unfortunately for him it was disallowed and brought back for an earlier foul with his brother Sam knocking over the free.

Sam then brought his tally to 2-1 for the day when a blistering counter attack downfield resulted in the diminutive corner forward finishing on the rebound after Wayne Cummins originally saved from Niall Vaughan.

Mark Cully was on as a Carbury sub and he equalised in the 49th minute with a grandstand finish in store.

Glen Doran and Eoghan O'Flaherty then swapped points before Johnstown got goal number three with only six minutes left as Luke Flynn

used his pace to break free and when he gave the ball off to Daniel Flynn nothing seemed to be on but in his own way he managed to work the ball through the eye of the needle and into the top corner.

To their credit Carbury responded with points from Dermody and Eoghan O'Flaherty but Luke Flynn seemed to settle things with a 65th minute point.

The game still wasn't over at that stage though and there was still late drama ready to unfold as in the last attack Dean Cummins had a shot for goal but the deflection landed straight at the feet of Willie Groome and with the goal gaping he blasted over as Carbury's big chance came and went.

The final whistle blew afterwards with Johnstownbridge relieved to be in the last eight while Carbury must ponder over the winter what might have been.

**Johnstownbridge:** Padraig Hurley; Des Holton, Keith Cribbin, Ian McKeon, Shane Flanagan, James O'Connor, Aidan Higgins, Seamus McNally, Luke Flynn 0-2, Joey



Luke Flynn neatly sidefoots a point for 'The Bridge'.



McKeon times two.. JTB's Ian McKeon breaks away from Carbury namesake Stephen McKeon.



Carbury's Brian O'Flaherty just misses a high pass.

Higgins, Kelvin McNally 0-1 (0-1f), Glen Doran 0-2, Sam Doran 2-1 (0-1f), Daniel Flynn 1-1, Cathal McNally 0-1.

**Subs used:** Niall Vaughan for K.McNally 43 mins, Jimmy Farrell for Flanagan 47 mins, Eoin O'Donoghue for C.McNally 50 mins, Mikey Donnelly for G.Doran 60 mins, Mark Newman for Higgins 62 mins.

**Carbury:** Wayne Cummins; Andy Dermody 0-2, Brian O'Flaherty, Stephen McKeon, Dean Cummins, Morgan O'Flaherty, Justin Reilly 0-1, Aaron O'Neill 0-1 (0-1 45), Tom Colleary 0-1, Willie Groome 0-1, Derek McCormack 0-1, Jack Cully, James Kelly 0-1, Eoghan O'Flaherty 0-3 (0-1f), Jimmy Dunne 0-4.

**Subs used:** Mark Cully 0-1 for Kelly 51 mins, Alan Kearney for Colleary 53 mins, Stephen McGlynn for McCormack 59 mins.

**Ref:** Fergal Barry



GAA Joe Mallon Renault SFC Pre Quarter Final

PHOTOS: Pat Tinsley

# Confey overcome Larries to book quarter-final spot

**Confey** 0-16  
**St Laurences** 0-10

**Joe Mallon Renault SFC Pre-Quarter Final**

By Robert Cribbin

A much improved second half display ensured Confey a place in the Senior Football Championship Quarter-Finals as they got the better of St. Laurences on Sunday afternoon.

Kieran O'Neill's Confey team outscored the Larries 0-8 to 0-2 during that second half period as they ran out victorious with a bit to spare in the end.

Larries opened up in fine style and were three points ahead after only four minutes with a pair of Podge Fogarty frees followed by an effort on the run from Jason McHugh.

Confey soon reeled in that lead though with three points in a row themselves with scores from Ciaran Lyons,

Niall Carney and Ian Devane but they will still be wondering how they didn't find the net too as James Gately had a palmed shot saved by Shane Connolly before Devane pulled an effort wide when racing through on goal.

Larries hit back via Fogarty, James Fahey and Padraig O'Neill to reclaim their three point lead but Confey dominated for the rest of the half.

A fine score from the evergreen Barry Mackey with the outside of his right foot in the 24th minute maintained the lead for the Narraghmore based side but Confey got a lot of momentum going and with four of the next five points they were in front for the first time.

Brothers Cathal and Conor Jennings combined for a pair of points before Carney levelled the game for the third time with two efforts from play.

Mitch McCann ended with three points in total and his

first put Confey in front approaching the break.

They couldn't hold onto that lead though with a Fogarty score bringing the sides level at 0-8 apiece.

Fogarty and McCann shared scores at the start of the second half but that was nearly as good as it got for Larries as Confey gradually gained control.

A brace of frees from Carney and a third score from McCann put them into a 0-12 to 0-9 lead and that was a big margin in a game like this.

Laurences were toothless up front and they kicked their final score of the game in the 48th minute as Fogarty found the target for his sixth of the day.

Ciaran Lyons was very impressive on the long range frees for Confey and he added two of them before the end as Confey eased through the final few minutes.

Wing forwards David Slattery and Pat Griffin also got in on the act late on as Confey cruised to a six point

victory.

**Confey:** Eoin Fallon; Imad Mirza, Joey Kilbane, Eoin Dennehy, Colm Chan, Cathal Jennings 0-1, Conor Jennings 0-1, Hugh Lynch, Ciaran Lyons 0-3 (0-2 45's, 0-1f), David Slattery 0-1, James Gately, Pat Griffin 0-1, Niall Carney 0-5 (0-4fs), Ian Devane 0-1, Michael McCann 0-3.

**Subs used:** Thomas McCann for Devane 45 mins, Paul Divilly for Cathal Jennings 52 mins, Robbie McMahon for M. McCann 62 mins.

**St. Laurences:** Shane Connolly; Niall Clynch, Karl O'Brien, Mickey O'Sullivan, Stephen Mann, Tommy O'Neill, Daragh Miley, Padraig O'Neill 0-1, Mark Glynn, Jason McHugh 0-1, Adam Steed, Aaron Gorman, James Fahey 0-1, Padraig Fogarty 0-6 (0-3fs), Barry Mackey 0-1.

**Subs used:** Aaron Kennedy for Gorman 46 mins, Felix Lawlor for Fahey 48 mins. Ref: Liam Herbert



Padraig Fogarty (St. Laurences) scoring one of his trademark points from the far wing.



Barry Mackey (St. Laurences) makes a break through the Confey defence.



St. Laurence's Mark Glynn and Daragh Miley making sure one of them gains possession.



Larries midfielder Mark Glynn outjumps Confey's Hughie Lynch.



# Moorefield pushed to the limit by Clane

Moorefield 2-12  
Clane 1-10

By Robert Cribbin

Moorefield had to come behind from two sizeable deficits before eventually doing enough to get the better of Clane in a thrilling Senior Football Championship game in St. Conleths Park.

Clane led by seven points after a first half Shane O'Sullivan goal, but gradually Moorefield reeled them in with an Adam Tyrrell goal keeping them in touch before a similar Niall Hurley Lynch effort turned the tide in their favour.

The win sees Moorefield into the Quarter-Finals but their performance level will need to be much improved with a few big teams awaiting in the next round.

It was a tight opening to the game as after James Behan kicked Clane in front Adam Tyrrell replied in kind a couple of minutes later for Moorefield.

Sam McCormack edged Sean O'Dea's Clane side back

in front in the 6th minute but upon his return from injury Eanna O'Connor levelled up matters.

Clane then got a bit of momentum going with points from Danny Egan and Bernard Deay before Moorefield replied via Daryl Flynn with a shot from distance.

Clane led 0-4 to 0-3 at that stage but in the space of ten minutes they added on 1-3 without reply in a stunning period.

It started with a Danny Egan free which was followed by a fine Chris Byrne score on the run and then in the 23rd minute they got the game's opening goal when Sam McCormack ran almost half the field before offloading to Shane O'Sullivan who shot past Ian McDonnell.

Egan kicked his third free moments later and Moorefield looked in real trouble but the Newbridge side had a lifeline in the 28th minute when a long ball from David Whyte landed in the Clane square and Adam Tyrrell got up above Paddy McKenna to palm the ball to the net.



Moorefield's Aaron Masterson makes a masterful leap to block Chris Byrne's shot on goal.

Eanna O'Connor then landed a monstrous free from outside the 45 to leave just three in it but it could have been double that at the break as Shane O'Sullivan caught an inside pass from James Behan but he pulled his shot narrowly wide as Clane went in leading 1-7 to 1-4.

By the start of the second half Moorefield had sprung team captain James Murray but Clane's flow still wasn't interrupted with Egan landing a free from range.

David Whyte responded with a lovely point on the wing and the teams were soon level for the third time in a move where Clane had Moorefield under ferocious pressure but it showed how composed the Moores are as James Murray played across the square for Niall Hurley

Lynch to palm home.

The corner forward waved to the hill in celebration and it felt like a real turning point but Clane stayed competitive with a point from Chris Byrne putting them back in front.

The sense of a huge upset was still in the air but when the chips are down Moorefield come out fighting more times than not and three points in a row from O'Connor who finished with 0-7 left the Moores two to the good.

Clane were back within the minimum thanks to an effort from Tadhg Montgomery but Moorefield always had an answer with frees from Tyrrell and O'Connor giving them a 2-10 to 1-10 buffer entering the final stages.

Clane had a glorious chance to go level when Sam

McCormack got free but his shot was brilliantly saved by Ian McDonnell and with that went Clane's chance as O'Connor and Kevin Murnaghan knocked over late scores to keep Moorefield's three in a row dreams alive.

**Moorefield:** Ian McDonnell; Mark Dempsey, Sean Dempsey, Liam Callaghan, Kevin Murnaghan 0-1, Anthony Durney, Sean Healy, Aaron Masterson, David Whyte 0-1, Daryll Flynn 0-1, Eddie Heavey, Cian O'Connor, Adam Tyrrell 1-2 (0-2fs), Niall Hurley Lynch 1-0, Eanna O'Connor 0-7 (0-5fs).

**Subs used:** James Murray for C.O'Connor 29 mins, Eamonn Callaghan for Flynn 40 mins, Mark McDermott for Hurley Lynch 44 mins, Eoin

O'Connor for Heavey 56 mins, Jason Phillips for Tyrrell 61 mins, Daire Dunne for Durney 62 mins.

**Clane:** Paddy McKenna; John Lynch, Noel Haverty, Cathal Egan, Cian O'Donoghue, Robbie Phillips, Tadhg Montgomery 0-1, Eoin Naughton, Chris Byrne 0-2, Sam McCormack 0-1, Shane O'Sullivan 1-0, Shane McCormack, Bernard Deay 0-1, James Behan 0-1, Danny Egan 0-4 (0-4fs).

**Subs used:** Sean Christiansen for Byrne 22 mins, Cathal Geoghegan for Shane McCormack 45 mins, Sean Christiansen for Deay 50 mins, Paddy Regan for Naughton (Black Card) 58 mins.

**Ref:** Dave Coady



Aaron Masterson plucks the ball out of the sky for Moorefield.



Clane's dual star Bernard Deay shrugs off the challenge of Mark Dempsey.





# Getting the best players top of the agenda for new Kildare manager

Jack O'Connor outlines his plans as the new boss of Kildare senior footballers

By Robert Cribbin

**A week has come and passed since Jack O'Connor's appointment as the new manager of the Kildare senior football team and already he is eager to get going.**

Speaking to the local media recently for the first time, the former three time All-Ireland winning manager with Kerry laid his plans out on the table as he comes in to replace the departed Cian O'Neill.

After recently retiring from his day job in teaching, he has plenty of free time on his hands and despite it being a tough challenge, it's something he's ready to face head on.

"I'm looking forward to it" he said "I have plenty of energy and enthusiasm towards it as I retired from my teaching job in May so it's the first time I've had a job to do something like this properly - so looking forward to it in a big way".

"I'm at a time of my life where I like a challenge as it keeps me motivated and when I went in with Kerry in 2004, people thought I inherited a team of superstars but they kicked five points in 2001 against Meath in an All-Ireland semi-final, were then beaten in a final in 2002 and lost by six points to Tyrone in another semi-final in 2003.

"You couldn't say that was great form and we did great things and I was under pressure a lot so I feel I have much more experience now to do this job.

"The consideration was the logistics of it as Kerry is a long way from Kildare but I've been used to coming up and down anyway over the last few years being involved with Moorefield and Eanna and



Recently appointed Kildare manager, Jack O'Connor says he will be keeping a keen eye on the championship to see what talented players will emerge this year.

Cian both live up here so I'm used to that aspect".

Kildare will reside in Division 2 when the new boss starts competitive action at the back end of the year and getting promoted is something he'd like to achieve but as well as that getting the best players back playing for the County is also a priority.

"I just feel that particularly last year with the players that Kildare were missing realistically they couldn't put their best foot forward without them so we will be endeavouring to get the best players from Kildare making themselves available for the panel and take it from there".

"It will be top of the whole management teams agenda to get all the best players

playing for Kildare so you know lads can opt out for different reasons with a number of them being young and they haven't settled in their pattern of life yet.

"They may need to get it out of the system by going travelling and stuff like that and that's fine as everyone has to get their own priorities right but as I say, we certainly want the best players involved with us".

"Kildare are in Division 2 and that's not really where you want to be as you want to try and get into the top Division and compete with the big boys. Hopefully, we can get on a run as well that can get us back to Division 1".

"There are two good teams coming down from Division 1 in Cavan and Roscommon so

we know it's not going to be easy and very competitive and sometimes it can be harder to get out of Division 2 than to stay in Division 1. That's a fact but long term, that has to be a priority as ultimately, you have to be swimming with the big fish and we will be putting a lot of emphasis on getting promoted," said O'Connor.

Ross Glavin and Tom Cribbin are the two selectors he has brought in with him and despite a few murmurings regarding Kerry representation, there is no plan to extend that at the moment.

"It's not my intention to extend the Management team anyway but you'll never say never and I think three is a good number, as sometimes

decisions need to be made quickly on the sideline and if you have too many people maybe that decision gets delayed. I have good trust in the two lads.

"Tom has a lot of experience with different Inter-County teams and Ross has good experience with Moorefield over the last two or three years and I've a bit of experience as well so I think we will be ok in that regard".

"We have begun the process with regards to our physio and strength and conditioning coach as well and we hope to conclude that process in the next few weeks as backroom sizes have increased since I was last involved so there is a few bits and pieces to fix up but we are making progress there and

we should have something together in the next few weeks", the Kildare manager admitted.

Style of play and long term planning are two things that O'Connor touched on and you could sense the excitement in his voice as he knows he has the raw materials for a good side on paper.

"Every year you are involved with a team you set out to do the best that you can and with any team I was involved with in Kerry we always tried to play attacking football but the game is constantly evolving and it depends on who you are playing".

"I'd look at it that way and you try to be successful every year you go at it but you are always looking at the future by incorporating youth into the panel but you can do both if possible".

O'Connor and Tom Cribbin have been keeping an eye on the Club Championship as has Ross Glavin as Moorefield manager, and they will continue to do so over the next while as they try to put together a list of players capable of playing for Kildare.

"There's no hard or fast rule to picking players and we will see what shows up in the Championship.

"Obviously, there is a hardcore of players there from last year and the championship always throws up a couple of players as I remember when I was involved with Moorefield before, and Kevin Flynn stood out.

"We will see where we are going in a month or six weeks time and if we need to have a trial to just make up our mind we will do that before picking an initial panel" he concluded.

Exciting times lie ahead in Kildare.



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