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Derelict Naas Shopping Centre for sale with guide price of €4.8 million

By Henry Bauress

The derelict Naas Shopping Centre has been put up for sale. A guide price of €4.8 million has been set by selling agent Cushman & Wakefield on the major commercial site.

The 44-unit unfinished building is up for sale, along with four existing retail properties fronting onto Naas Main Street. These include the Five Lamps and The Forge Inn pubs, 50 Main Street and the Tully's Bookmakers site.

The centre, developed at a cost of in excess of €50m, was originally due to open some 10 years ago, but it never happened partly because of the economic collapse affecting developers and retailers.

Talks had been taking place for some time between the interested parties — the National Asset Management Agency, the property's receiver Duff and Phelps and Kildare County Council.

The standing structure of the shopping complex extends to 22,760sq m (245,000 sq ft) on two levels with parking spaces for 747 cars. The shopping centre had a proposed pedestrian entrance via the Bank of Ireland on the Main Street, to provide direct access from the main street into the

ground-floor commercial space.

The original design provided for an anchor store of just over 7,150 sq m (76,961 sq ft) along with 43 retail units, but both levels of commercial space are currently laid out as open plan, according to the selling agents. Loading facilities and car parking are at basement level through Corban's Lane to the east of the property.

Commenting on the sale, Kildare North TD James Lawless said that the news marked some progress for Naas. "There has been a number of false starts and this is really significant," he said.

Number of approaches

Deputy Lawless said he did not think there will be difficulty getting a buyer. "I have been approached by a number of people who have been interested," he said.

He said he would prefer if it became a shopping centre but office and cultural options or mixed use would be acceptable. A significant element of any new use would be the availability of the car park spaces, said Deputy Lawless.

Allan Shine, chief executive of County Kildare Chamber, also welcomed the sale notice. "We are delighted to see that. It will be a further boost to the town and give confidence to it."



The derelict Naas Shopping Centre site. PICTURE: TONY KEANE

He said they did not think the centre would end up 100% in retail use because a lot of retail has gone online. "It could be a mixed use with a residential element. That would be great because we want people living in the town."

Mr Shine said another use could be private education but "ultimately the market will dictate".

He said the County Kildare Chamber had engaged with two

parties were interested in the site. "We would hoped that a sale could go through in the next three to six months. We would like the buyer to start work immediately. We don't want to delay it be it mixed use or private education."

Naas based Cllr Seamie Moore said the cited €4.8 million guide figure was a "good price".

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Tributes pour in for Kildare victim of aircraft crash

By Conor McHugh

John Finnan, the Kildare man and respected agricultural expert who died in a light aircraft crash in Wexford on Sunday evening was laid to rest in Athy yesterday, Wednesday, October 9.

Mr Finnan, who was in his fifties and lived in Naas and Athy, was a well-known senior research officer in Teagasc, based in County Carlow. A Teagasc statement described Mr Finnan as a “fantastic colleague and friend”.

His father, also John, had been manager in Minch Norton in Athy.

He lost his life in the tragic incident in the Ambrosetown area, near Duncormick in south County Wexford at 5.45pm on Sunday.

Former manager at Waterford Regional Airport, Peter Tawse (62), also died in the crash. An Englishman, he had lived in Ireland since the 1980s and was a passionate flier.

Mr Finnan was laid to rest in St Michael’s New Cemetery, Athy, following Requiem Mass in St Michael’s Parish Church at 12 noon yesterday.

The crash is being investigated by the Air Accident Investigation Unit (AAIU) and a preliminary report is expected within 30 days.

The AAIU deployed four inspectors to Giblestown, near Duncormick, on Sunday evening. In a statement, the AAIU said that the “wreckage is understood to be spread over a wide area and the AAIU is conducting an initial inspection of the wreckage”.

They intend to recover the wreckage to their facility at Gormanston, Co Meath.

The aircraft was a vintage two-seater plane with one engine that was primarily used for leisure flying.

Mr Finnan was a well-known senior research officer in Teagasc and was based in its Oak Park base in County Carlow. In a touching statement issued on Monday, John Spink, Head of Crops,

Environment and Land Use Programme at Teagasc in Oak Park said that it was “with the deepest regret and sadness that we heard this morning that our dear colleague and friend John Finnan was on board the plane that crashed in County Wexford yesterday afternoon.

“Our thoughts and prayers are with John’s family, his parents and his three sisters, at this time of loss.

“John was a senior research officer in the Teagasc Crops Research Department in Oak Park, Carlow. His research specialised on energy crops, and more recently oats, his publication record was second to none and will leave a lasting legacy in Ireland and across Europe.

Colleague and mentor

“John was a fantastic colleague and friend, and a mentor to many PhD students.

“It was an honour and privilege to know and work with John and we remember a colleague who impacted so positively on people’s lives.”

Teagasc director Prof Gerry Boyle said the organisation had lost an “exceptionally intelligent scientist” and “a great friend”.

“John’s colleagues at Oak Park are completely devastated. We have lost a really, really, top-quality scientist.

“On a personal level, John was the absolute definition of a gentleman. He was exceptionally quiet spoken and always had a warm word for everyone when he met them. A calm individual.

“He was universally highly regarded — not only because of his scientific and professional expertise, but because of his personality,” said Prof Boyle.

Mr Finnan is survived by his parents John and Claire, his sisters Emer, Ciara and Mary, his brothers-in-law Eoin, Ken and Steven, his nephew’s Alastair, Jack, Archie, Joshua and Toby, his niece Hannah, relatives and many friends.



The late John Finnan

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However, he was surprised it included the number of shopping units, which are not now segregated but in an open plan. The price, he said, seemed a “giveaway.”

Cllr Moore said he believed Kildare County Council were owed as much for its investment as NAMA were looking for the entire site. “The most important thing is the 770 car spaces.”

He believed the Council should bid for it and keep the multi storey car park and sell off the rest of the site. He understood that one option being considered for the site was an outreach centre for Maynooth University.

Cllr Moore said that with 95% of Naas Leaving Cert students heading to third level education, it would be a good investment for the centre, which could include retail and a good multi-storey car park.

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€36,000 win for Intel worker on Winning Streak

By Sarah Peppard

A Kildare resident, who went on Winning Streak for his mum, won her a massive €36,000 on last Saturday's show, October 5.

Tommy Gallagher, who lives in Broadford but is originally from Achill, Co Mayo, played in place of his mother Moira Kilbane Gallagher.

Tommy's sister Maura, who lives in Killiney, was the one who bought her mother the lucky scratch card with three stars which resulted in her being selected for the show. Tommy left Achill and moved across the country in 1999 and began working in Intel in Kildare, where he is employed in the factory automation department.

He is married to Linda and the couple have two children, Grace and Henry. In his spare time, Tommy helps to coach the Balyna GAA Under 10 and 11s girls football team and enjoys cycling.



Tommy Gallagher from Broadford pictured at the presentation of the winners cheques with Sinead Kennedy, Winning Streak game show co-host; Declan Murray, National Lottery and Marty Whelan, Winning Streak Game Show co-host. PICTURE: MAC INNES PHOTOGRAPHY

CRIMEBRIEFS

Handbag snatched from car

A woman's handbag was snatched from her car as she drove into a supermarket car park in Maynooth yesterday afternoon, October 8.

At approximately 12.30pm, the injured party drove her grey Toyota Avensis into the car park of Lidl on the Straffan road when the suspect opened the passenger door and removed her handbag, which had personal belongings inside.

Any witnesses are asked to contact Leixlip gardai on 01 666 7800.

Gardai investigating arson attack

Gardai are appealing for information on an arson attack that happened in Kilmegue.

The incident took place in the Oaklands area on Sunday, October 6 at 5.30am.

A black Toyota Corolla, with a 2011 OY registration plate, was set on fire.

Gardai say extensive damage was done.

Criminal damage in Rathangan

Gardai are appealing for information on a group of men allegedly involved in an incident of criminal damage in Rathangan.

On Saturday October 5, extensive damage was done to a house and car in the Tannery Warf area between 10.30pm and 10.45pm.

Gardai believe up to seven males were involved in the incident.

According to a garda spokesperson, the men were wearing balaclavas and dark clothing, and may have been carrying baseball bats.

Anyone with information is asked to contact gardai on 045 524 353.

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Senior citizens concerned about safe access to homes

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Elderly residents living in a cul de sac in Monasterevin feel they have been treated like second-hand citizens when it comes to access and safety from their single storey houses.

Liam Buckley, 82, is one of the residents living in six of the two-bed cottages at St Evin's Park.

"It is mainly senior citizens living here; we have a 50 yard road behind the houses with no footpath, very poor road surfacing and worst of all, mature ash trees opposite. The trees might not seem like an issue but they are. They are very overgrown — at least 30 feet tall — and make the cul de sac very dark, even blocking the street lighting.

"They also result in heavy foliage falling on the roadway, which is treacherous for us during wet and wintery conditions."

Mr Buckley says he made an attempt himself during the summer to trim the branches.

"Kildare County Council sowed the ash trees" he claimed, "And they cause drains to be blocked by leaves and branches in the winter. One of our residents uses a mobility scooter which is hard to use on the broken road surface, and there isn't a footpath on either side."

Mr Buckley said he contacted and persuaded Kildare County Council's roadsweeper to visit the cul de sac.

"He wasn't even aware of the laneway, and comes in now about once a month which is great but will not be enough

to keep the laneway clear in winter."

The cottages were built after the main estate of St Evin's Park, and the cul de sac leads onto the Rathangan Road.

"We've age-related health issues here and I really feel we've been left on the scrap heap. Once the national and local elections are over, we are forgotten about. I've worked all my life since I was 10 years old, and now I feel sidelined and thrown on the muck heap," said Mr Buckley.

"People say that Ireland is on the up and up, but say that to my neighbours next January, when the frost and snow and leaves are caked on this boreen."

Kildare County Council was contacted for comment on the matter, but had not yet responded at time of going to print.



TOP: A picture taken after heavy rainfall shows how water gathers on the cul-de-sac road. ABOVE LEFT: Liam Buckley, 82, outside his home. RIGHT: An overgrown drain on the road

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Mum: I hope Maxine's death saves other lives

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A Newbridge mum whose daughter took her own life will be protesting outside the Dáil for better mental health services.

Kathy Maguire said that any changes in the current system will be too late for Maxine, who died aged 25 in February 2017 — but may save the lives of others.

The demonstration is taking place outside Dáil Éireann at 1pm on October 16.

Kathy told the Kildare Post: "Mental health needs to be prioritized by our government.

"We have lost too many young, beautiful lives to suicide. Had we an adequate system, our loved ones would still be with us."

The grieving mother claimed that many recommendations made by the HSE review into her



The late Maxine Maguire

daughter's death have not been implemented.

Kathy and other families affected by suicide want legislation brought in to make

it easier for patients who have previously been in the mental health system to re-enter it.

They are also calling for a chief clinician to review each

patient before discharge and new technology to simplify access to patients' files.

Kathy said: "Unfortunately it will all be too late for my beautiful Maxine but we hope changes will be made that will safeguard many more lives."

Kathy added: "With the largest ever budget for the HSE — €17billion — why are our children still waiting on €55million to be allocated to mental health?"

Maxine was a graduate of Maynooth University and was studying for a Masters in Child, Youth & Family studies.

After her death, friends celebrated her life and love of music with a special gig A Night in Memory" in Newbridge.

* If you have been affected by any of the issues raised in this article please contact Samaritans helpline 116123, Aware helpline 1800 804848 or Pieta House on 1800 247247.

Call for more support for Naas retailers

Paul O'Meara

There has been a call for more support for retailers in the Naas area.

A local councillor wants a grant aid scheme approved by Kildare County Council.

Cllr Vincent P Martin will seek approval for a grant aid support scheme in the area at the Naas Municipal District next Tuesday.

He wants shop owners encouraged to construct traditional type wooden shopfronts.

He also wants Irish language signs/signage on the shop fronts, using if at all

possible, painting sign writers to do the proposed work.

Eyesore claim

Meanwhile, a public litter bin in Naas has been described as an eyesore. Local councillor Anne Breen wants Kildare County Council to confirm when will the litter bin at the top of Ballycane Hill will be taken away.

Cllr Breen said the bin has been out of service for a considerable time and should be replaced or removed as it "continues to be an eyesore."

Actors needed for Monasterevin show

A call has gone out seeking actors in Monasterevin.

Monasterevin Drama Group is putting out a casting call out for their first production called Hens, directed by Tom Noone.

The characters include five women and three men, with ages ranging from their mid 20s to early 70s.

This farcical play is about a group of women who are planning a hen party and all

the shenanigans that go with it.

Tryouts

Readings for the casting will be held today, Thursday October 10 at 8pm in Monasterevin Community Centre (eircode W34FH24).

No acting experience is necessary and all are welcome to try out. For more information, call Coleman on 086 8528654.

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Newbridge radio presenter Keith Walsh shocked by climate change devastation in Malawi

By Conor McHugh

Newbridge man Keith Walsh travelled to Malawi with Trócaire in recent times to get a first-hand glimpse at the devastating effects of climate change and to raise awareness of the issue.

Keith, a former host of 2fm's Breakfast Republic, who now presents his own weekend show on the station, visited a number of Trócaire partners and projects during his short trip last month.

He explained that "you come back and try and tell people: this climate change thing is real. You can be one more voice. I went over there as a factfinder to come back and say, 'this is definitely happening!'"

His trip marked six months since Cyclone Idai hit the region of East Africa, leaving over 1,300 people dead. More than 850,000 people were affected in Malawi with 59 deaths and nearly 87,000 people having to leave their homes.

The trip offered Keith a first-hand glimpse of the effects of climate change, which has had a devastating impact on the lives of locals:

"Where I was, in a place called Zomba, there was an area that was like swamplands, but it had dried up so much it had gone right back to the lake and they were telling me the year before that the lake completely dried up.

"You're driving through this dirt road and you see a boat beside a house... and I was like, 'where are they fishing!?' You get to a few kilometres away and the lake has receded so much that there's not much of a lake anymore.

"These are the things that are happening, and they just have to rethink it. Now the fishermen don't have the fish to eat or sell, so fishermen are now growing crops as well so they aren't depending on one thing."

"I don't know if the trip made me want to campaign more, but it makes me more willing to support things like the Friday School Strikes and to be more encouraging of young people and to be that

40-something-year-old man that isn't having a go at them.

"[Criticising them] is such an obvious white, male thing to do, so just shut up and listen to yourself."

The Irish public donated €414,840 to Trócaire's emergency appeal since the cyclone, which was used to offer food supplies and shelter in the immediate aftermath. This included

addressing long-term issues and educating people on how to respond to future climate change emergencies

Keith visited small-farming projects and Climate Advocacy initiatives which are benefiting local communities in addition to meeting young people fighting for equality through Gender Based Violence education.



Keith Walsh in Malawi with Trocaire

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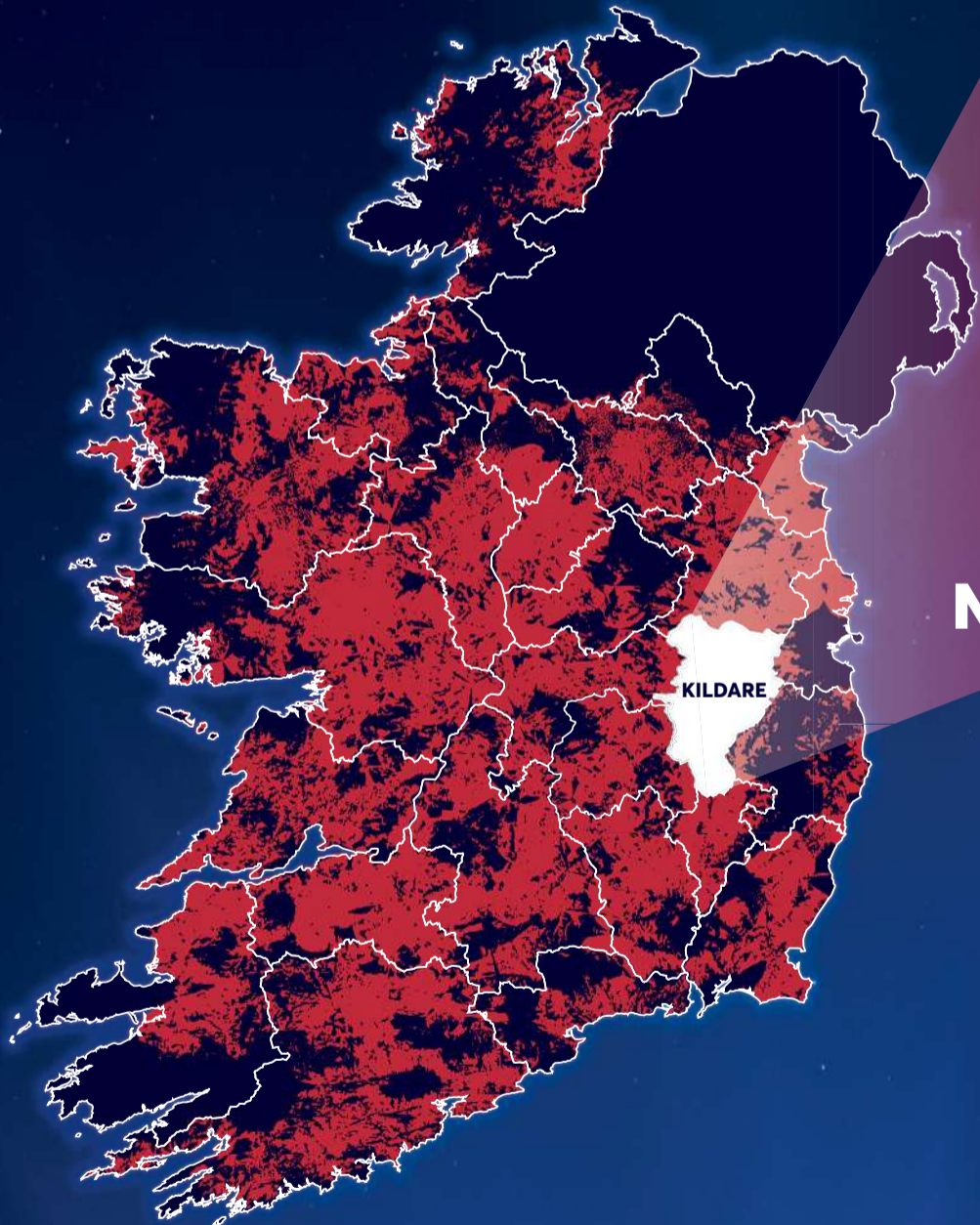
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Charity event to remember tragic Newbridge biker Tucker

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A sixth annual charity event in memory of a Newbridge man takes place next weekend.

The Flintstones Scooter Club is hosting the Tucker Carbery Memorial Night in the Judge Roy Beans venue in Newbridge at 8pm on Saturday, October 19.

All proceeds will be kindly donated to the Friends of St Brigid's Hospice in the Curragh.

Entertainment on the night includes the best of ska, soul and alternative tunes by DJs Marin Bradshaw, Alan Mullins and JP of Ska Patrol.

There will also be a club ride-out during the day — weather permitting.

The event includes a raffle with prizes. Free finger food will be provided on the night.

Sponsors include Judge Roy Beans, Chicken America Diner, Old County Barbers and Joe Rooney Cabs.



The late Tucker Carbery

Tucker passed away at Waterford Regional Hospital, aged just 40 years, old on February 20, 2014.

Thomas (Tucker) Carbery was a former resident of Standhouse Lawns in Newbridge but was living in

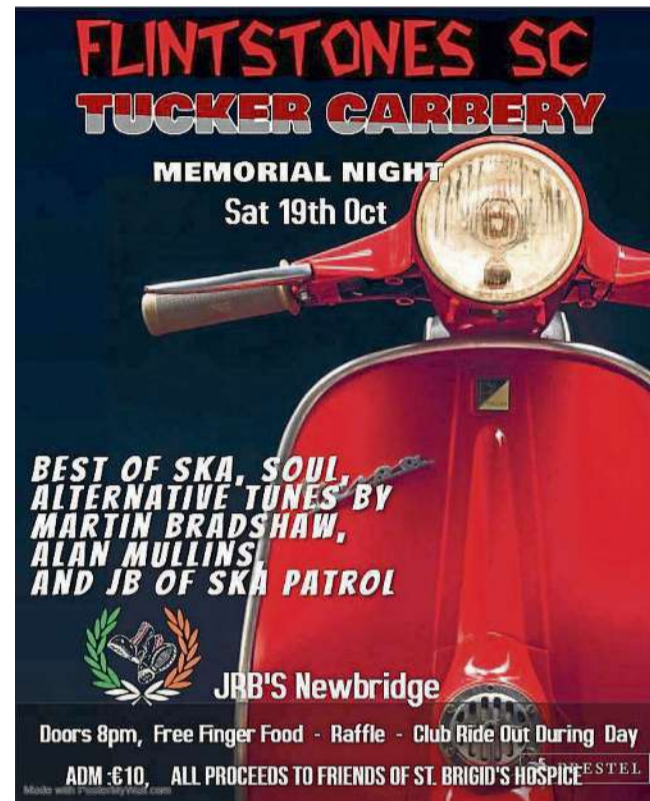
Mount Leinster Park in Carlow at the time of his death.

He was mourned by his wife Dervla (nee Hoey) and children Isabella, Shannon and Caitlin as well as stepchildren Jennifer and

Daniel.

The family kindly asked at the time that donations be given to the Carlow/Kilkenny Home Care Team.

Based in Co Kildare, the Flintstones Scooter Club we are an active rally-going club



which is passionate about keeping the iconic Vespa and Lambretta vehicles on the road.

KILDARE MODEL BIDS FOR IRISH MISS BIKINI TITLE



Nicole Gill, 22, from Killina in Carbury, will bid to take the title of Miss Bikini Ireland in the national contest, to be staged at the Red Cow Hotel on October 20. The preschool teacher is in her third year at Maynooth University, studying early childhood care and education. Her dream career is to be a model or go on reality TV. She is the daughter of Tommy and Triona and has a sister Emily, and brothers Michael and Tommy. "I've been shocked with how many people are backing me since entering the competition! I've received so many nice messages and comments and I really appreciate it," she said. Picture: Ralph McKeon



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Gardaí still investigating an alleged assault on Leixlip woman at Four Courts

A Garda investigation is continuing into a violent incident in the Four Courts last July when a Leixlip woman, who was a defendant in a defamation action, was attacked and injured by several individuals.

London-based Nigerian business-woman Rosala Uvbi Mku-Atu claims she was defamed and threatened in social media posts by Ms Ester Esabod Aboderin, who has an address in Leixlip.

Shortly before Ms Justice Leonie Reynolds considered the defamation action on July 31 last, Ms Aboderin claims she was assaulted by persons unknown to her who had attended at the Four Courts.

The defendant claimed she suffered injuries including "cuts and bruises" to her face and body in the incident.

The matter required the intervention of the gardaí and the Court Service own staff, who after restoring order escorted several persons off the precincts of the Four

Courts complex.

Following the incident, Ms Uvbi Mku-Atu's lawyers said their client had no knowledge about the person's involvement in the alleged assault, and did not condone what had occurred.

Last July the plaintiff secured a High Court order requiring Ms Ester Esabod Aboderin to remove threatening and defamatory comments allegedly posted on social media by the defendant.

The comments relate to the plaintiff's businesses, her philanthropy, and her personal reputation.

Other comments, it is claimed, include threats to kill Ms Uvbi Mku-Atu.

The Judge also made orders under Section 33 of the 2009 Defamation Act which prohibits the reporting of the allegedly defamatory comments.

When the matter returned before Ms Justice Reynolds on Tuesday, October 8, Patrick O'Brien Bl for the

plaintiff said Ms Esabod Aboderin had breached the terms of the order with a post published on social media in mid-August.

The court heard that the recent post contained comments and statements including wishing the plaintiff "a sudden death."

Rory Kennedy Bl for Ester Esabod Aboderin said the alleged breach was contested.

Counsel said a post could not be removed from Facebook because Facebook had frozen his client's account.

Counsel said there is an on-going Garda investigation into his client's assault in the Four Courts.

One person had been arrested, counsel said. He also told the court that his client had been threatened, and expressed his concerns for her safety, especially when she has to return to court.

Ms Justice Reynolds, in adjourning the case to a date



The Four Courts, where a Leixlip woman claims she was assaulted

later this month, expressed her concerns over the alleged breach of the injunction.

She said that Facebook should be written to immediately by the defendant's lawyers and

asked to unfreeze the account and remove what the judge said could be a potential breach of the injunction.

Noting an undertaking not to post any further material about Ms Uvbi Mku-Atu the

Judge said Ms Esabod Aboderin should be advised of the serious consequences of breaching court orders.

The Judge thanked gardaí for their attendance during the court on Tuesday.

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Swimmer's Olympic prospects bright

Kim O'Leary

Talented Kildare swimmer Aoife Doran, 12, has been selected as a bright swimming prospect with a chance of taking part in the 2024 Olympics which will take place in Paris, France.

Aoife Doran, 12, is from Broadford, and has had a love of swimming since she was a small child growing up with

her three older brothers. The talented swimmer is in first year at Maynooth Post Primary and she holds a number of records with the Aer Lingus Swim Club, which she joined at a young age.

In September, Aoife received the good news that she had been selected to the Swim Ireland Leinster Regional Development Squad for the 2019-2020 season, which means she could be potentially called up to the

Swim Ireland International team as well as competing in regional competitions taking place around the country throughout the year.

Over the weekend, Aoife received the exciting news that she has also been selected for the 2024 Irish Olympic programme, making her the youngest Kildare native to be selected for an Olympic Games.

Speaking to the Kildare Post this week, Aoife's proud

father David Doran said: "We found out on Friday (5 October) after a two week wait after assessment day for F4_24. The Irish Head coach told them this is their best chance of getting to the Olympics. There are three hubs, Limerick, Bangor and Dublin, with 12 swimmers in each. They will have to maintain their high standards to stay in the squad, we're glad the wait is over and Aoife will start training on Saturday, October 20."



Aoife Doran

Paris 2024 Olympics, the first such Irish entry since 1972 Munich," he explained.

Next Sunday, October 13, Aoife will compete in the

Senior Schools gala for her school, Maynooth PP, as well as participating in a Leinster short course championship in a few weeks.

Training camp

Meanwhile Aoife is still with the development squad and she has a four-day training camp in the National Aquatics Centre over the mid-term.

According to her proud dad David, Aoife is working exceptionally hard, training seven times a week to maintain her high level of fitness. "She's obviously delighted to have been chosen but is far too modest to admit it. This is an example of the results based approach now by Swim Ireland, and this programme is the plan to enter four young Irish female swimmers as a relay team in





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Appeal for information on tenth anniversary of Newbridge man's murder

By Conor McHugh

An Garda Síochána have made a renewed appeal for assistance in relation to the murder of a Newbridge man, 81-year-old Michael Crowe, on the tenth anniversary of the house fire in which he died.

At approximately 6am on the morning of Sunday, October 4, 2009, a fire broke out in the Crowe family home in Pairc Mhuire, Newbridge, which resulted in the death of Michael. Two other residents of the house escaped the property with non-life threatening injuries.

Earlier that night, at approximately 2.15am, a brick was thrown through the front porch window of the house.

Gardai are appealing to any witnesses or any person who has any information about the



Michael Crowe

murder to contact Newbridge Garda Station on 045 431212, the Garda Confidential Line on 1800 666 111.

It is the second time in recent years that gardaí have

issued an appeal for information. In 2017, they stated that they hoped that the passage of time would "price the conscience" of anyone with knowledge of the fire.

Call for underground cabling in Ballymore Eustace

Paul O'Meara

Kildare County Council has been asked to investigate the possibility of placing some overhead utility cables beneath the ground in Ballymore Eustace.

Local politician Evie Sammon has asked KCC to establish the cost of undergrounding the cables at Chapel Street. The council will reply at a Naas Municipal District meeting next Tuesday

Cllr Sammon said the

undergrounding of the cables on Chapel Street has been a request of Ballymore Tidy Towns for some time now.

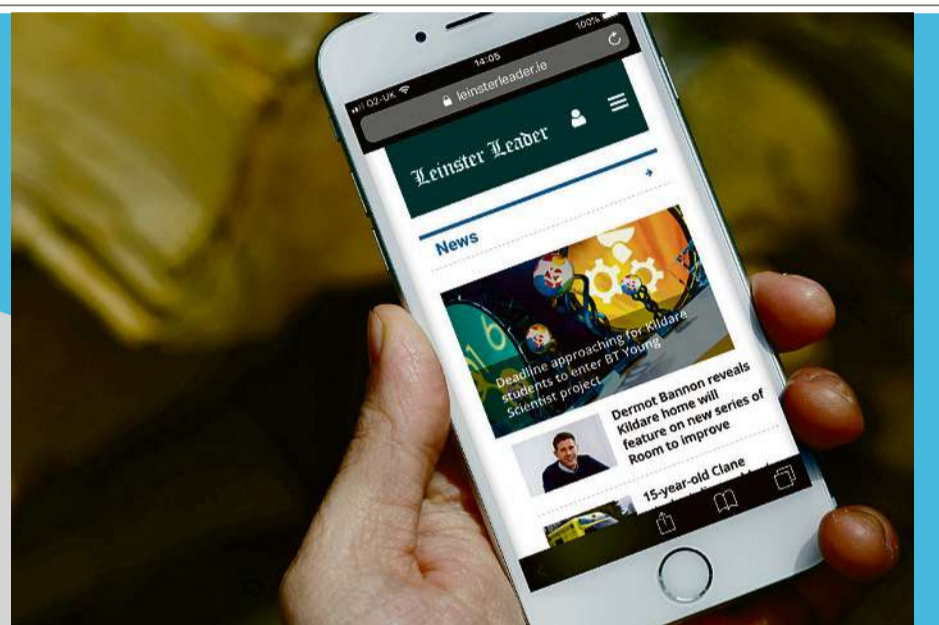
"It keeps coming up in their Tidy Towns reports after the judges visit and it was raised in their Ireland's Best Kept Towns report. I raised this previously and was told the council doesn't have the money. Now I'm looking to get it costed. In the future I hope it might be an Local Property Tax funded project that my colleagues in the Naas MD would support,"

said Cllr Sammon.

Earlier this year the cost of putting utility cables under the ground in Naas was reported to work out at roughly at €1,000 a metre.

The undergrounding of cables in the town was undertaken in two phases at a cost of €600,000.

Town Engineer David Reel also told a Naas Municipal District meeting three months ago that the project is expensive because it entails digging up footpaths and necessitates a significant input from the ESB.



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Baltinglass Leaving Cert student is blazing trail in motorsport world

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Eighteen-year-old Max Hart has been selected as the third nominee for the 2019 Motorsport Ireland Young Racing Driver of the Year for his performances in the month of June.

Hailing from Baltinglass, Co Wicklow, Max has elected to compete in the UK this season with Leastone Racing in the British Monoposto 1000 Championship where he has secured numerous podiums, including a brace of wins, which secured him second in the championship on his first full season racing outside Ireland.

In 2018, Max won the Irish Formula Vee Star of Tomorrow Championship, taking 8 wins from 12 starts in his first season in the series.

It was at the end of that season that he then decided

to sample the Monoposto 1000 class in the UK. In his first race outside Ireland at Brands Hatch, without any testing at the track, Hart finished 2nd.

This gave him the encouragement to proceed with this series for 2019 and with the main championship finished, he intends to complete the six round Tiedeman Trophy Championship which takes place over the autumn and winter months of this year.

Racing and school

Like many young racers, Max has had to balance his racing with education and he is currently a sixth year student in Scoil Chonglais in Baltinglass.

Away from racing and his studies, Max will continue his fitness and training work as well as working with his family to secure sponsorship

for 2020.

Like any single seater racer, Max would love to reach F1 but understands the barriers that exist in following that path, however carving out a career as a professional driver is definitely his aim.

The racer is backed by Selco Hygiene Supplies, Adapt Paper Products and Little Dragon Supplements and as well as their backing, Max is also thankful for the support of family members who have helped out in any way possible over the last few seasons.

Having been selected as the third nominee for the 2019 season, Max is now a contender for the prestigious Motorsport Ireland Young Racing Driver of the Year Award and the historic Sexton Trophy. This award is presented annually and is supported by Sport Ireland and Motorsport Ireland.



ABOVE AND BELOW: Max Hart will be juggling his school work with competing on the motorsport track this season





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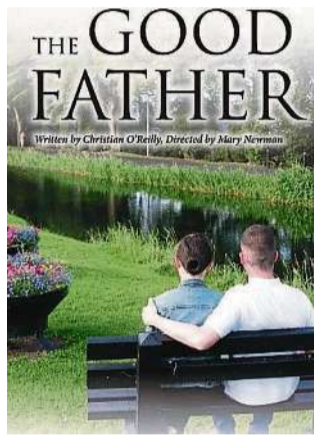
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The Moat Theatre in Naas has something for everyone during the busy days ahead as it gets ready for its panto season.

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Sera Sera, Just a Song at Twilight and Edelweiss to name just a few.

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Story of Kildare legends brought to life in new 3D virtual reality exhibition

Paula Campbell

Visitors are already enjoying the new Legends of Kildare virtual reality experience which was launched last Monday at the Kildare Town Heritage Centre.

The 3D virtual reality experience is getting a big reaction from overseas and local visitors alike ranging from "it left me on a high" to "it was my favourite thing to do in Ireland" and an "amazing immersive experience. I wish I could bring it home to our Brigidine school in Australia".

The centre manager Tom McCutcheon said his favourite description to date was that it offers the visitor "a little piece of magic".

The launch, which took place in Studio One in Kildare town on Monday, October 7, also offered those in attendance a chance to experience the magic for themselves. The 20 minute virtual reality experience transports visitors back in time to discover the rich heritage and mythology associated with Kildare including the story of St Brigid, Strongbow and the Viking invasion.

It is a new departure for the centre and is expected to draw an additional 30,000

visitors to Kildare Town Heritage Centre over the next five years, generating up to €1.3m in revenue for the local area.

The visitor, via a virtual reality headset and ear phones, is taken on a 3D historical story and journey through the history of Kildare town. The experience is so life like and immersive that it is like having a front row seat to history as it unfolds.

It was funded as a result of an investment of €156,000 by Fáilte Ireland alongside financial support of €44,000 from Kildare County Council. It was funded under Ireland's Ancient East Storytelling and Interpretation Grants Scheme.

"This is a new journey for us and a big investment for the centre," said Mr McCutcheon.

"This new and exciting experience tells the story of the Fianna, an ancient fire temple, the emergence of one of Ireland's key monastic sites, medieval mayhem, Viking raids and the arrival of the Normans. It is an emotional journey of highs and lows that takes the visitor through thousands of years of the story of one of Ireland's oldest towns, Kildare. It is a virtual journey that ignites the feeling of wanting to explore and see more."

According to Derek Dolan of

Failte Ireland it is one of 19 new technology-driven visitor experiences to open over the coming year including The Race Day Experience, due to open next spring in the Irish National Stud museum.

"It will enhance the visitor experience to Kildare town by transporting you back in time to the story that is Kildare, Saint Brigid and Fionn Mac Cumhail," said Derek Dolan. "It offers a unique tourist experience and a huge amount of work has gone in to it from Tom and his team at the Heritage Centre. The experience will be made available in French, German and Chinese which will help to draw more visitors here."

Meanwhile the band Kila, who produced the score for the experience, played a sample of their work at the launch. The piece played was written specifically for the Legends of Kildare. Project Manager Brian Hickey said the experience is a celebration of Kildare's history, which is also reflected in the music.

"We gave Kila a brief of what we wanted their music to express and they put together the soundtrack to Legends of Kildare," he said.



Beza Brady, Paul Hyland, Paul Brady and Emily O'Connor, pictured at the Kildare Town Heritage Centre Legends of Kildare launch. PICTURES: TONY KEANE



Charlie Talbot, and Anne O'Keeffe, Co. Kildare Fáilte, and Tom McCutcheon of Kildare Heritage Centre



Joe Boland, Kildare Co. Co.; Áine Mangan, Kildare Fáilte; and Sr. Rita Minehan of Solas Bride, Kildare



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Run, walk or jog with Marie Keating Foundation in support of women with breast cancer

The Marie Keating Foundation's annual Pigsback 5/10K is back for another year in the Phoenix Park, to be hosted on Sunday, October 13. The Marie Keating Foundation encourages people to run, jog or walk, so as to help raise vital funds for their breast cancer awareness and support services.

The event is suitable for all levels of fitness and ability, with individual tickets as well as family passes available.

Linda Keating, director of Fundraising at the Marie Keating Foundation, said "The run is a fun day out for all the family and is a great way to get out, get active and support a great cause. One in ten women will be diagnosed with breast cancer at some point in their lives, and over 3,215 women are diagnosed with breast cancer each year.

"The funds raised from our Pigsback 5/10K go towards supporting our vital breast cancer

awareness and support services, for women newly diagnosed, living with a breast cancer diagnosis, or those that have come out the other side of treatment."

Just two weeks before the Dublin City Marathon, it is a great opportunity to get some last-minute kilometres in for any serious runners taking on the challenge. Registration at Furze Road and Chesterfield Avenue opens at 8am on October 13, and all participants are encouraged to arrive early in time to properly stretch and prepare for the day.

The 10K route will commence at 10am, with the 5K route starting close behind at 10.20am.

There will be water stations all around the route to keep those running, jogging or walking going, and everyone will receive a medal at the finish line with a chipped time. Tickets are just €25 each, or €50 for a family pass and you can sign up at mariekeating.ie/ events or on the day.



Ronan and Storm Keating, son and daughter-in-law of the late Marie Keating, launched the upcoming Pigsback.com 5k/10k run in association with the Marie Keating Foundation, which takes place in the Phoenix Park this weekend. PICTURE: AISHLING CONWAY

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TV star Glenda Gilson launches Give Paw for Dogs Trust

This October, Ireland's largest pet retailer, Maxi Zoo, which has three branches in Kildare, will raise funds to help their furry friends in Dogs Trust through their annual Friendship Connects, Give Paw fundraising campaign.

The initiative was recently launched by top Irish model and TV personality Glenda Gilson, together with her dog, Yazz.

Now, in its fourth year, the campaign sees Maxi Zoo sell limited edition Friendship Connects, Give Paw bracelets for €2.50 each in their Naas, Newbridge and Maynooth stores. 100% of proceeds from the sale of these bracelets will go towards Dogs Trust, where the fund will be used to provide food, dog treats and interactive toys for all the dogs and puppies in their Rehoming Centre.

Launching the campaign, Glenda said "I am so delighted to be teaming up with Maxi Zoo to help raise awareness



Glenda Gilson and her dog, Yazz, recently launched the Maxi Zoo Friendship Connects, Give Paw, campaign

for the campaign which will raise vital funds for Dogs Trust. I am a huge dog lover and I can't ever imagine having to, or choosing to give up my dog.

Glenda added: "Dogs Trust does so much to help broken hearted and homeless dogs feel loved and safe in their

care. As the full cost of each bracelet sold throughout the campaign will be donated directly to Dogs Trust, purchasing a bracelet will help make a huge difference in so many dog's lives."

Louise Sherwin, Philanthropy and Corporate Fundraising at Dogs Trust

added "We are delighted to partner with Maxi Zoo, a loyal supporter of Dogs Trust and a company that is dedicated to serving their customers and their beloved pets.

"Every cent raised will allow us to continue to keep all of our dogs and puppies happy and content while they wait

for their Forever Homes."

Anthony Cremin, marketing manager of Maxi Zoo Ireland, said "Our 'Friendship Connects, Give Paw' campaign has raised €41,000 for worthy animal charities since its inception, and our fundraising target for this year is €55,000 for our chosen charity partner, Dogs Trust.

"We're encouraging pet lovers nationwide to call into our Naas, Newbridge and Maynooth stores this October and help us help Dogs Trust to bring about a day when all dogs can enjoy a happy life, free from the threat of unnecessary destruction."

For further information about Maxi Zoo's Friendship Connects, Give Paw campaign, chat to the pet experts at the Maxi Zoo Naas, Newbridge and Maynooth stores, visit @MaxiZooIreland on Facebook, or www.maxizoo.ie and www.dogstrust.ie

World record attempt in Kill

On Saturday, November 30, The Dew Drop kill in conjunction with Crumlin Children's hospital will attempt to break the Guinness world record for the largest gathering of people dressed as Disney animated characters. The attempt will take place in the carpark of The Dew Drop in the afternoon at 3pm.

"We need as many people as possible to dress up, so find those princess dresses, prince charming suits and come out to be part of something unique and special," said a spokesperson. Adults and kids are welcome to take part. The magic number to beat is 361.

On the day there will be a small Christmas market with stalls, food vans, plenty of games, a small cinema room, some special guests and music.

Upon arrival complimentary Dew Drop Brewhouse mulled cider, tea/coffee will be available as well as hot chocolate for the kiddies!

For further information on this event or to register to attend go to www.dewdropinnguinnessworldrecord.eventbrite.ie.



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Be our guest! Visit the Curragh for free racing day this Sunday



New Curragh CEO Pat Keogh

On Sunday next, October 13, the newly developed Curragh Racecourse opens its doors with complementary entry for everyone.

Speaking about the initiative, new Curragh CEO Pat Keogh said: "We felt it was important that everyone in our local community and beyond, should have an opportunity to come visit what is a world class venue.

"There is no doubt we had some teething problems around Derby Day back in June but we learned from that and have introduced a number of changes to improve the customer's experience.

"Longines Irish Champions Weekend, a couple of weeks back, was a brilliant day and over 10,000 race-goers got to experience the new venue.

"What we are saying is — if you have not been to the new Curragh yet, why not visit, even for a couple of hours, on Sunday and enjoy a day's racing as our guest!"



Richard Rudovic enjoying the recent Newbridge Parish Race Day at the Curragh. Picture: Aishling Conway

It promises to be an enjoyable day for all the family.

There will be a number of activities for children and

there will be musical entertainment around the venue.

Musical entertainment will be by Ladlane in the

Champions Hall from 2pm to 4pm, and Gordon Turner will be in teh Derby Bar from 2.30pm to 4.30pm.

There will also be lots to do

for young racegoers, with face painting and tattoo glitter for all the kids — and the outdoor playground will be open too.

The Curragh always offers top quality racing and on Sunday there will be an eight race card with the Waterford Testimonial Stakes, Tote Irish Cesarewitch & The Staffordstown Stud Stakes taking pride of place.

Travel free to the racetrack

As well as complimentary admittance, the Curragh are laying on a free bus shuttle service from both Kildare and Newbridge train stations as well as free shuttle buses from Naas (Naas Post Office), Kilcullen (Applegreen Bus Eireann Stop) Newbridge (Whitewater — Bus Eireann Stop) & Kildare (Silken Thomas).

For more detailed information, including timings, and to avail of your complimentary tickets, log onto www.curragh.ie

Life-enhancing fundraiser for Alan Kavanagh

Newbridge man Alan Kavanagh was diagnosed with liver cancer in November 2017, and after 22 months of chemotherapy with no major progress, he has been accepted for a life enhancing operation in Holland by one of the world's leading liver specialists.

To help contribute to the cost of Alan's operation and treatment in Holland, a fundraiser has been organised at the Curragh Racecourse season finale this Sunday, October 13. Join Alan's friends and family for what promises to be a great day at the track. Tickets for the fundraiser are €20 which will include a special draw on the day and are available from the Kavanagh and Murray families, his friends and McDonnell's Bar, Newbridge.

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Most ambitious hen rescue runs yet for Kildare animal sanctuary

Kildare-based charity, LittleHill Animal Rescue and Sanctuary, will host another series of hen rescue runs during October, their biggest ever chicken run to date, writes Nelly Berg.

Over the weekends of Saturday 12 and Sunday 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27 October, LittleHill's volunteers will bring rescued chickens to over 100 towns and villages, reaching every county in Ireland, in what will be their most ambitious re-homing effort to date.

The rescue run continues over bank holiday Monday, 28 October.

So, where do these hens come from, and why do they need to be rescued?

Commercial egg-laying hens are routinely culled at just over one-year-old, when their egg production wanes slightly.

"This might mean that they lay five or six eggs per week, rather than seven," said Susan Anderson, founder of LittleHill Animal Rescue and Sanctuary.

"To you or I, this wouldn't make any difference, but to a commercial farm, this could be the difference between making profit or making a loss."

The charity saves hens from several egg farms in Ireland, so that the birds can experience long and happy lives, outside the cage. "The majority of our hens have a few more years in them after we rescue them," Susan said, "they continue laying, and they make the best little companions and great house pets."

"My rescue hens follow me everywhere," said Delia Leonard, based near Straffan, Co Kildare.

"When I drive in after being out, they come flying for the car to welcome me home!"

Samantha Kenny, a hen keeper near Clane, described how her rescued hens transformed from frightened, scrawny birds, into fluffy, confident divas with distinct personalities.

"They went from shy and scared of the outdoors to being confident and outgoing," she exclaimed.

"Now they strut around the place and love hanging out around the yard with us. They are really comfortable with the dogs and cats, and they even chase the horses!"

To acquire feathered friends of your very own,

consult the pinned post at the top of the charity's Facebook page, LittleHill Animal Rescue & Sanctuary, where all of the drop-off locations are listed, including Naas, Kildare, Leixlip, Newbridge, Monasterevin and Kilcullen.

You can then send a private message to the page, stating the pick-up location, date and the number of hens you wish to adopt. Those without a Facebook account can ask a relative or friend to make the booking on their behalf.

To prepare for your new arrivals, Samantha recommends first buying a

chicken coop, which can be purchased online from many merchants throughout the country, or a shed that can be locked to keep the hens safe from night-time predators.

"Hens are so easy to care for," she concludes. "They love scraps from our table, they produce the most delicious eggs and give lovely cuddles!"

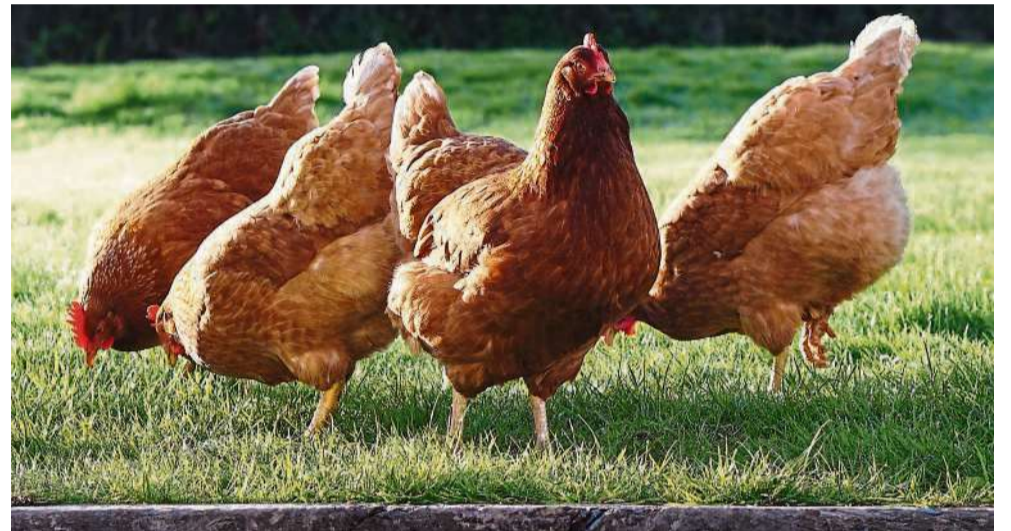
Please note, there is a charge per hen of €6; LittleHills do not give or encourage hens or animals for free. The full list of countrywide drops are on LittleHills Facebook page.

PM the town or village and the number of hens you require. Cages or cartons with air vents must be supplied for hens being collected.

Some of the nearer venues include: Saturday 12, Naas, Carlow, Gorey and Enniscorthy; Sunday 13, Blessington, Baltinglass and Bunclody; Saturday 19, Naas; Sunday 20, Blessington and Tallaght; Saturday 26, Kildare town and Carlow; Sunday 27, Athy and Newbridge; Bank holiday Monday, Naas, Kilcullen and Monasterevin. Full nationwide listing on the FB page.



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Rescued hens returned to full health PHOTO: NIAMH CUBIE

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Michelin stars for new Kildare restaurant

By Conor McHugh

A new Kildare restaurant has stunned the gastronomic world by winning two Michelin stars, just five months into its existence.

The announcement came only two weeks after they were named Restaurant of the Year by the Georgina Campbell Irish Food and Hospitality Awards.

Aimsir, is based at Cliff at Lyons near Ardclough, and is lead by Cornwall-born chef Jordan Bailey and his Danish front of house manager and wife Majken Bech-Bailey.

"I don't know what to say. I was not expecting that. I am blown away. We are very thankful to everyone. It means so much," chef Jordan Bailey said at the ceremony to announce the new Michelin guide.

According to their website they only moved to Ireland early in 2018 to explore food producers and ingredients. They also got married in their first six months here.

The pair have considerable experience. Jordan was the



Jordan Bailey and Majken Bech-Bailey accept the award

head chef at 3-star Michelin Maaemo in Oslo, and honed his skills at the 2-star Michelin Henne Kirkeby Kr, also in Denmark.

The restaurant has only six tables and only opens four nights a week.

"As much as possible, everything served in Aimsir is grown or produced on the island of Ireland. An all-island restaurant, the best producers and growers from all over Ireland have been invited to be part of this new celebration of the most powerful, significant and influential force in this country – the weather," they say on their website.

"At Aimsir we serve a single set menu of around 15 individual servings starting with a series of snacks, then on to savoury dishes from both land and sea, finishing with the sweet section of desserts and petits fours."

The seasonal tasting menu is €115, with an additional €95 for beverage pairing, or €50 for non-alcoholic beverage pairing.

Meanwhile, Two Cooks in Sallins has retained its Bib Gourmand status in this year's guide, which recognises establishments offering good food at affordable prices of €40 or less for a three-course meal.



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ANIMALS IN NEED

Homes needed for 15 kittens dumped in Athy yard

Sally McCaffrey of the KWWSPCA said 15 kittens came into its care this week after being dumped in someone's yard in the Rheban area outside Athy.

Sally added; "They range from 5 to 12 weeks old.

"Some are rather nervous but some are super friendly. The poor woman in whose home they were dumped was horrified but she contacted the KWWSPCA and we were able to help her.

"This could have been avoided if whoever it was that owned the mothers had bothered to neuter them. All these kittens will be assessed by the vets over the next few days and some will be available for rehoming shortly. Call

Shauna on 086 175 1841 if you would like to give one of them a home".

Go back to the 90s for animal charity

This Saturday — reunion night of the Underground Nightclub with Big Generator.

Do whatever you have to do to make sure you are in Naas on Saturday, October 12. For one night only, we are going back to the mid-'90s to relive those days at the



Saturday next, October 12, go back to the 90s with Reunion Night at One New Row, Naas featuring Big Generator

Underground Nightclub with Big Generator.

Date: Saturday, October 12, 2019 from 9pm. Venue: Encore Nightclub, One New Row, Naas.

"Big Generator followed by 90's party with DJ Brian Brett. Thank you to all the guys at One New Row, Big Generator and DJ Brian Brett for making this happen" said Sally McCaffrey of the KWWSPCA. "If you haven't been to Encore Nightclub before, you are in

for a treat — it's amazing! Proceeds from the night will be going to the KWWSPCA Shelter Fund". Tickets are available from Jam Music in Naas or online at www.ticketstop.ie.

Annual Pet Blessing Service

The Annual Pet Blessing Service at Christ Church, Celbridge, last Sunday was a huge success. A large number of pet owners brought their pets to be blessed by the

rector of Christ Church, Stephen Neill, and the local parish priest, Father Joe McDonnell. "Most of the pets were dogs, but there were two cats and a guinea pig as well" said Sally. "Many thanks to the local parishioners and KWWSPCA supporters who attended the service and who gave so generously to the KWWSPCA".

Dog of the Week - Sakura

Sakura is about 7 years old and has recently come into the care of the KWWSPCA from the Kildare Dog Pound. It is so sad that an older dog like Sakura could have been abandoned and left to fend for herself. She is friendly, well-mannered and is very good on the lead. She has been spayed, microchipped and vaccinated and is living at the KWWSPCA Shelter near Athgarvan. She can be visited there Monday to Saturday, 1-3 pm, or by appointment if you contact 087 1279835 or email kwwspca@gmail.com. We ask for a minimum

Dog of the Week



Seven year old Sakura

adoption donation of €150 and a collar tag and dog licence need to be purchased to complete the adoption. A home visit will also be made before the adoption can be completed.

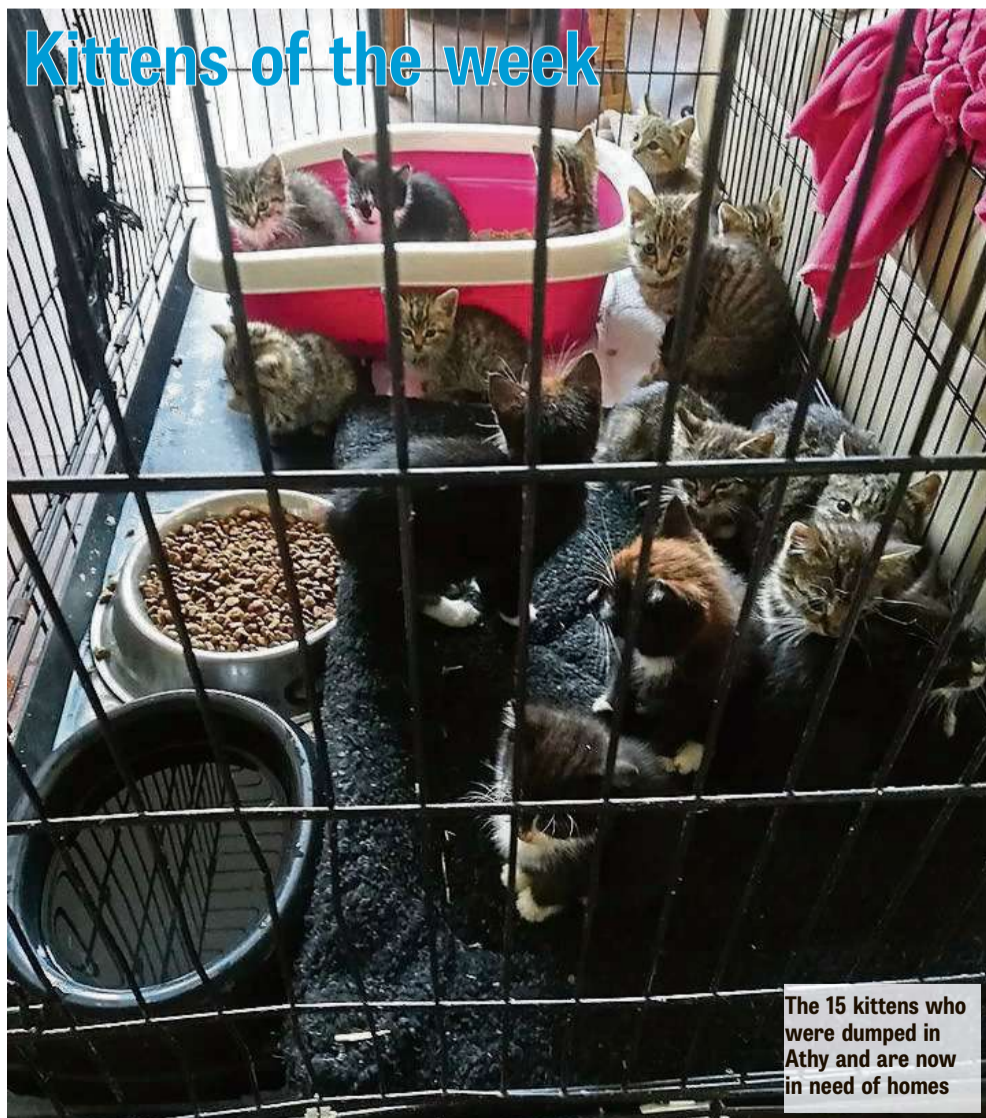
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The Society is run entirely on a voluntary basis, there are no paid employees.

Kittens of the week



The 15 kittens who were dumped in Athy and are now in need of homes



Rector Stephen Neill with Sally McCaffrey and Yvonne McGuinness from the KWWSPCA and Amber the greyhound at last Sunday's Pet Blessing in Christ Church, Celbridge

LOCAL
EVENTS

PHOTOS: TONY KEANE

Affidea ExpressCare clinic official launch on Friday, October 4



The team at Affidea Express Care pictured at the opening of the centre



Radiographer, Jess O'Neill, in the X-Ray room



Muireann Feirtéir and Breda Brown at the opening event

New Affidea ExpressCare launches in Naas

Last Friday, Thomas Barr, the Irish Olympic 400 metre hurdler, was at the launch of the new Affidea Express medical centre, which offers "walk-in" services at the Vista campus, Naas.

Only a few days earlier, he was in Doha at the 2019 World Athletics Championships, where temperatures sat

somewhere between 35 and 40 degrees with high humidity. "You actually had to take your jacket off when you went outside!" he reflected, looking at the teeming rain outside.

Barr joined Affidea after the Rio Olympics and explains that they look after his medical needs at home.

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imaging and outpatient services, and has invested €500,000 in the establishment of this, its fourth ExpressCare clinic at the Vista Primary Care campus, Ballymore Road.

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Killashee Hotel to host Gala Christmas dinner for Peter McVerry Trust

Kim O'Leary

A very special Gala Christmas Dinner is being organised at the Killashee House Hotel in Naas on December 5 in aid of fundraising for the Peter McVerry Trust.

The launch of this year's event took place at

Osberstown House, Naas on Friday, September 20.

CEO of the Peter McVerry Fund, Pat Doyle has recently announced an extra 25 beds for Naas, which are under construction, and also a family hub opening in Prosperous. The charity has also unveiled beautiful gardens

in Athy and Newbridge, perfect for families with children to play in.

Chair of the organising UMBRELLA committee Jackie Lavin said: "As the winter days and nights close in, we are even more conscious of homeless families throughout the

country including over 3,000 children and those people who are sleeping rough on our streets and in tents along the canal banks in our cities. It is incumbent on us all to try to help in any way we can."

The event raised over €57,000 last year, through the support of prominent Kildare companies and friends.

This year's event will include a 4-course dinner and auction, as well as live music from Something Happens with lead singer Tom Dunne from Newstalk to provide the entertainment on the night for the Christmas Gala. The target this year is to raise €60,000 but nothing happens without the work of the organising

committee members and friends, Siobhan Warfield Beatty Margaret Beere, Sheila Zebedee, Aileen Morrin, Libby Sheehy, Linda Blanchfield, Aoife Brophy and Jenni Skelton.

Tickets cost €100 and the Peter McVerry Christmas Gala Dinner will take place in the Killashee House Hotel in Naas on Thursday 5 December from 7.30pm.



Mary and Robert



Prosperous Family Hub



Above, right, below and below right: Peter McVerry accommodation



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A photograph of a woman's legs from the waist down to the feet. She is wearing black, pointed-toe, high-heeled pumps. On her feet are sparkly, grey, ribbed ankle tights. The background is a plain, light grey color.

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Dress the legs and you're feet ahead of the style posse!

Now that autumn has well and truly hit, there's a fashion-forward way to update your wardrobe — that's with a pair of tights. Not just any tights, but with patterned tights, pale as skin tights, ankle tights and classic opaques.

Irish brands Marie Claire and Andrea Bucci at Dunnes Stores have the perfect denier, colour and design for you this season.

Catwalk brands including Gucci, Versace and Saint Laurent have all sent out untraditional tights in recent seasons, with bright colours, loud logo designs, and subtle geometric shapes. The high street has followed suit, swapping those mega price tags for much more affordable ones with just as much style.

Wear them with everything you own this season — mini skirts and dresses, maxi styles, even under a pair of jeans if you feel like it. Ankle tights in lurex, polka dots and prints are worn with courts. Rules no longer apply.

Tights not only bring warmth but can really add style to your look. Barely-there tights in a really natural shade allow for the bare leg look throughout winter. Contrast this with the 200 denier thermal tights for snowy days ahead.

Stylish support for fliers

For frequent flyers, a totally new product this year from Andrea Bucci is the 10 and 15 denier firm support tights. A new yarn, Invista, has full support and factor 10 compression avoiding the traditional support tights heavy look.

A silicone bubble added to knee high and ankle highs ensure they won't slip down — another fabric development from Andrea Bucci. Ladder resist tights from Marie Claire use a revolutionary Lycra fusion with extra life, which prevents ladders developing even when snagged. Patterned tights are reminiscent of the catwalk but at only €4, are definitely high street.

Marie Claire is available nationwide in leading independents as well as Debenhams, Shaw's and Pamela Scotts.

Andrea Bucci is available nationwide in Dunnes Stores.



Ladder Resist tights from Andrea Bucci from Dunnes Stores, €7



Marie Claire patterned ankle tights €5 . Available from Debenhams, Shaws and stores nationwide



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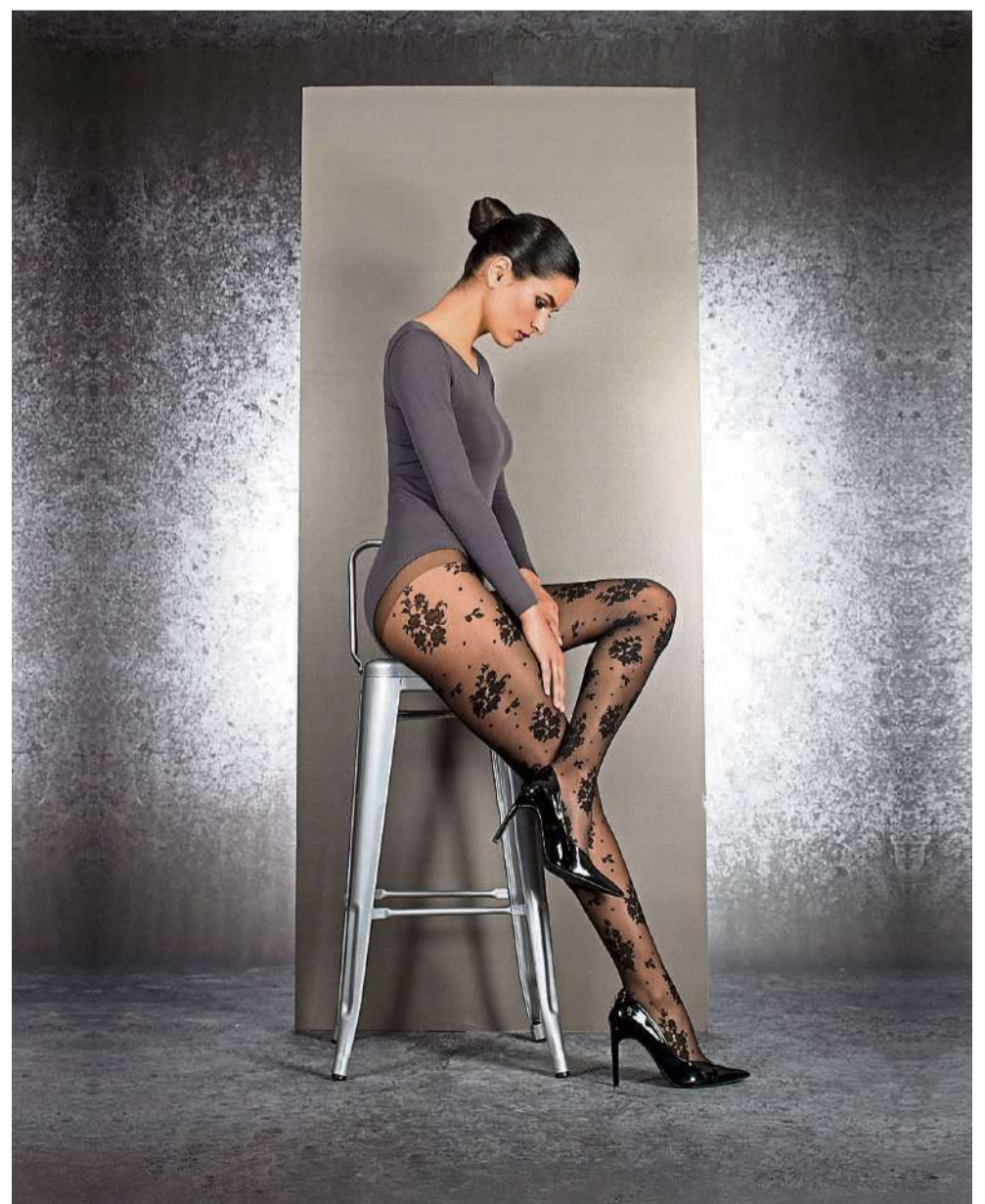
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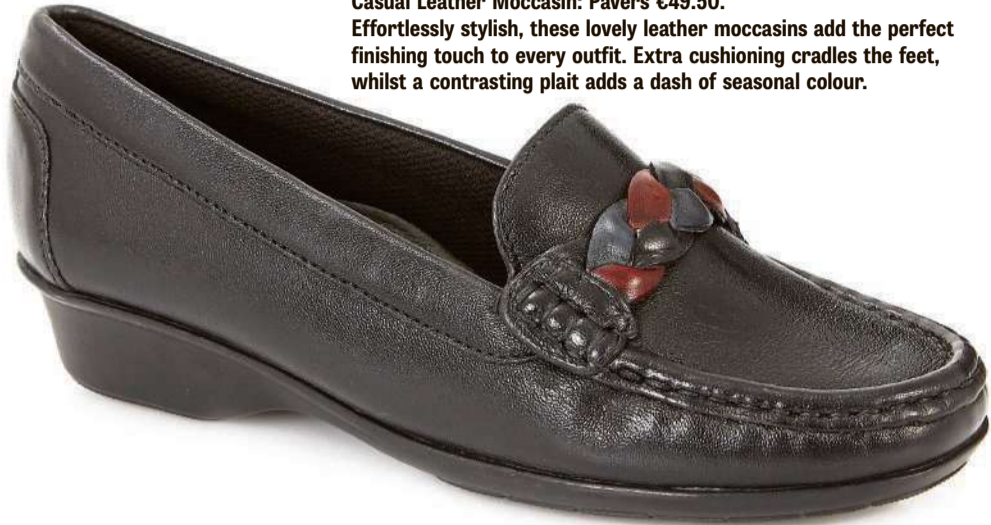
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WAVE OF LIGHT

PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS REMEMBRANCE DAY

Tuesday @ 7pm
15 October 2019



"There is no footprint too small that it cannot leave an imprint on this world."

Remembrance ceremony gives voice to loss

Buildings light up for awareness

Pregnancy or infant loss is a devastating experience for everyone who was looking forward to welcoming a new member to the family.

Yet, while everyone talks ad infinitum about most things pregnancy- and baby-related, many keep mum when it comes to loss. This silence masks not only how common loss actually is (an estimated one in four pregnancies ends in miscarriage, and one in 200 ends in stillbirth), but can make those who experience it feel utterly alone.

Next Tuesday, October 15th, is international Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day. It is a day for people to grieve visibly, to seek support and to unite around the world by creating a global 'Wave of Light' as families light candles at 7pm local time.

This year, for the first time in Ireland, prominent buildings across the country will also light up in pink and blue as part of an international 'Wave of Light'.

"We want everyone to feel that their baby matters"

Nina Doyle is the main organiser of the Irish leg of 'Wave of Light' on behalf of Féileacáin (Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Association of Ireland). Nina and her husband Alan lost their twins Liam and Grace last March after Nina went into premature labour. She was 22 weeks and six days into her pregnancy.

Féileacáin hopes that the lighting up of landmark buildings, such as Dublin City Council Civic Offices, Heuston Station and Holles Street Maternity Hospital, will spark conversations about baby loss and the support available for people affected by stillbirth, neonatal death and miscarriage.

"Lighting up the buildings is for all babies who have passed on. Prior to Liam and Grace, I had three miscarriages. When you have a miscarriage that sense of loss and grief is there. I wouldn't compare it to losing Liam and Grace but it is still a very significant and traumatic loss for everybody. So the buildings being lit up are for people with miscarriages, stillbirths, neonatal deaths. We want everyone to feel that the buildings are lighting up for their baby, that their baby matters. It's for everybody," Nina explains.

About Féileacáin

Féileacáin was formed by bereaved parents in 2009. Its volunteers provide a range of services, including support meetings, memory boxes (over 800 were given out to families last year) and free counseling for parents and siblings.

It has also funded the provision of cuddle cots in every maternity unit in the country. A chilled bassinet, a cuddle cot extends the amount of time that grieving parents can spend with their child. Many parents use the cuddle cot to bring their baby home to wake them.

Marie Cregan is the chairperson and one of the founding members of Féileacáin. She was moved to establish the charity due to the lack of support available when her daughter Liliana died in January 2006, just a day before she was due.

The historical stigma attached to stillbirths and neonatal deaths in this country may be largely gone; a stigma that included a refusal in many parts of the country to bury stillborn babies on consecrated ground. However, Ms Cregan says that many people are still uncomfortable sympathising with grieving parents.

"That's what we are trying to do [with the International Wave of Light] - have a national conversation about this. People need to realise that it's okay to go up to someone and say 'I'm sorry your baby died' or 'What was your baby's name?'"

"If the person cries maybe they have tears in their eyes but they have music in their heart because you mentioned their child and acknowledge their loss. You are not upsetting people. You are giving them a chance to mourn and to grieve.

"Some people also think that because it's a baby it can't be as bad a loss. All we can say is that when your baby dies you are forever dreaming of what might have been. Also, the baby isn't connected to a lot of other people so you are mourning alone. It can be a very isolating experience. It is incredibly difficult.

"It is probably one of the most traumatic deaths any family will go through but that isn't recognised."

For more information on events happening countrywide for Wave of Light please visit www.facebook.com/feileacain or if you would like to make a donation to the charity please contact Féileacáin at www.feileacain.ie or call (028) 513 01.



1 in 4

An estimated 1 in 4 pregnancies ends in miscarriage in Ireland.

1 in 8

As many as one in eight men whose partners have miscarried suffer from depression.

1 in 200

One in every 200 pregnancies in Ireland ends in stillbirth.

200+

More than 200 cooling 'cuddle cots' supplied to bereaved families in 2018.

200+

More than 200 hand and footprints taken by volunteers last year.

700+

More than 700 personalised memorial candles are delivered to bereaved families by Féileacáin annually.

852

The number of Féileacáin memory boxes given to maternity hospitals in 2018.

1,800

The number of 'Big Brother' and 'Big Sister' teddies supplied annually to bereaved siblings.

€180,000

The amount raised through fundraising events organised by families helped by Féileacáin in 2018.

'The happiest and hardest day'

When Nina Doyle had her 20 week pregnancy scan and was told by her consultant in Holles Street that her twins were thriving, she and her husband Alan were elated. The Doyles had suffered three miscarriages and had gone through several rounds of IVF. To have reached this pregnancy milestone for the first time and to be able to tell people their good news was both "terrifying and magical", she says.

For parents who suffer a miscarriage, stillbirth or neonatal death subsequent pregnancies can be anxiety filled affairs, but Nina says that after the scan her and Alan "dared to dream". Their dream lasted a little under three weeks. On March 23rd last year, when she was 22 weeks and six days into her pregnancy, Nina went into premature labour.

Their son Liam was stillborn, while his younger sister Grace lived for 31 minutes and spent all of her short life on Nina's chest. Nina says that the day her twins were born was both the happiest and hardest day of her life. "It can be both at once. The hardest part was finding out that they were going to be born and wouldn't live, but the absolute second I saw Liam it became the best day.

"I thought: 'Oh my God, look at my perfect, gorgeous baby. It didn't matter that he wasn't breathing. He was just beautiful. Then when Grace was lying beside him, it was that sense of completeness. It was me, Alan, Liam, and Grace. I don't think it is any different from how any parent would feel when their baby was born in that moment."

Nina and Alan got to bring Liam and Grace home to wake them thanks to the cuddle cots provided to bereaved parents by Féileacáin, the Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Association of Ireland. A chilled bassinet, cuddle cots enable parents to spend longer with their children.

"My family got to meet them and Marie



Nina and Alan Doyle with two butterflies at the annual summer remembrance service organised by Féileacáin.

[Cregan, the founder of Féileacáin] came to do their prints. I didn't cry much at all, I was beaming. There were times I would look at them and it was heartbreaking but I loved it while they were there. I stayed up the whole night and played 'This Little Piggie' and 'All Around The Garden' on their feet, and took videos. It was such a special time and it's hard for people to understand."

Nina is the main organiser of the lighting up of Irish buildings for international 'Wave of Light', which will see maternity hospitals and other prominent buildings all over Ireland lit up at 7pm on October 15th - Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day.

Stigma

While the stigma attached to stillbirths or neonatal death is not what it was in previous generations, many people still don't know how to react when someone they know suffers a bereavement of this type.

"I've experienced people crossing the

roads and people not being able to look you in the eye and talk to you. People who congratulated me when I was pregnant and then pretended nothing at all happened."

It can be hurtful at times, but Nina understands why some people behave that way. "We are living their worst nightmare really aren't we? It's uncomfortable for them. It's the reality that this happens. No one really wants to think about it. It's nearly too much. I genuinely don't believe that people don't care. I think they absolutely do. It's just awkward. They want you to be better as well. Sometimes it can be that awkward question: 'Are you going to go again?' That's not going to fix you. It's very hard for people to understand that.

"In many ways, I feel that I am lucky that we are in this as day and age, as tough as it still is and the stigma that still exists around baby loss. I am still aware that it is better than it was. People were told to get on with it and didn't get to talk about their babies. I talk about Liam and Grace all the time. I write a blog. I connect with people. We get to share our stories whereas long ago bereaved parents were told to go home and get over it. I really want them to feel that the building being lit in their county is lighting up for their baby and to feel a connection and feel like their baby matters.

"You are hoping that it starts conversations, that it will get people talking. It might just give people an in to say 'this happened to me'.

"Holles Street is lighting up, which is where Liam and Grace were born. I just think it's amazing. You have very few places that mean something to you when a baby dies, so the hospital they were born in means a lot.

"How significant is it to feel that your baby is lighting up the sky and people telling you that your baby matters? That's what I think the Wave of Light is."

'Say their name'

Nina's blog can be found at <https://thewarriorandtheprincess.home.blog/>

On her blog dedicated to Liam and Grace, Nina offers advice on how to support a loved one who has suffered a stillbirth or neonatal death.

Say the baby's name - Don't be afraid. **Let them tell their story** - All I wanted to do was talk about Liam and Grace. In the beginning especially because you are terrified you are going to forget details. **Don't dismiss their loss because it was a baby** - I am so grateful for the three days that I got to spend with Liam and Grace. You can't compare that to losing a child at

8 or 9 and I never would, but I don't think people should dismiss my grief either.

Acknowledge special days - Cards or messages that say: 'Thinking of you and Liam and Grace.' If you can just say the baby's name in it, it means so much. If someone says that they are thinking of Liam and Grace, I would rather than them saying they are thinking of me.

Don't be afraid of people's pain - You can't make it better and I say that hoping that people will feel less pressure. I get that it's hard. You just have to be able to comfort them. You can't make it better. If

you can accept that and just sit there with someone in pain it's the best thing you can do.

Never tell a bereaved parent that they are lucky - I remember people telling me I was lucky to have two angels to look after me. But I never wanted two angels, I wanted two babies to be here with me, two babies that I would love and protect, no one would ever choose to have two angels in Heaven. Of course, I know that people were being kind but in the early days especially it can seem particularly cruel when people say you are lucky.

Join in the global 'Wave of Light' by keeping a candle burning for an hour from 7pm on Tuesday, October 15th. Tag your photos with #feileacainwaveoflight

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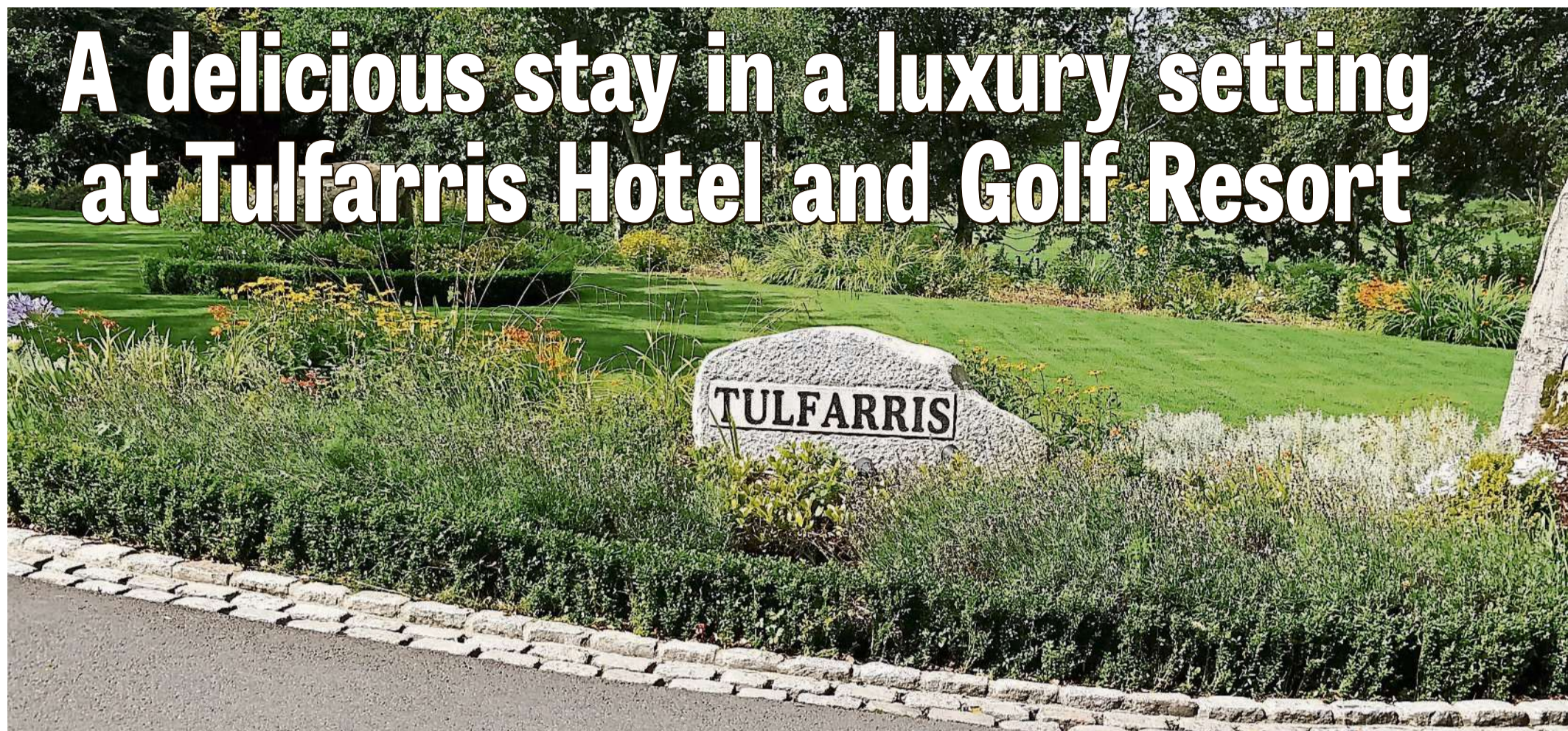


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A delicious stay in a luxury setting at Tulfarris Hotel and Golf Resort



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Located among the West Wicklow hills and lake district, Tulfarris Hotel and Golf Resort offers the most spectacular backdrop of natural views across three peninsulas, wonderful wild scenery which blends beautifully with the manicured greens and landscaped features in the hotel grounds.

It recently hosted the PGA EuroPro Tour event, and the event showcased not only the challenges of the 18 hole golf course, as designed by Patrick J Merrigan, but also the massive investment of PREM Group into the upgrade of the hotel, accommodation, catering and dining (€6m in total spent, €1m on the golf course alone).

The Lime Tree Restaurant

The evening dinner menu at the Lime Tree Restaurant presents a sumptuous blend of tastes and flavours where world cuisine meets the best of Irish. As much as they can,

Tulfarris sources as many ingredients locally from Irish farmers and suppliers, from high quality meats to organic vegetables and products from cheesemongers, etc. Local and Irish sourced suppliers are their priority - and the restaurant serves up delicious pork belly from Tipperary, fresh fish off the boats in Howth, organic creamy cheese from Cork and freshly laid eggs from the farm up the road. The wine list is impressive, with a selection from large and small vineyards around the world.

For our starters during a recent visit, I chose a Treacle Cured Salmon starter, which was an organic salmon served with delicious shallots, fennel, lemon preserve and caviar.

My partner chose a starter called Fivemiletown Goats Cheese



A little welcome in the bedroom on arrival at Tulfarris



Fresh fruit salad and ice cream



Toons Bridge Farm 'Fior de Latte' Mozzarella



Irish Oak Smoked Salmon starter and, right, delicious chicken



Mousseline, which was a block of delicious goats cheese, served with smokey bacon, blackberry, apple, pain d'Epices, walnut and watercress. Both starters were absolutely delicious.

For the mains, we chose beef and chicken. My Pot Roasted Feather Blade of Irish Beef was slow cooked for at least two hours, which

resulted in melt in your mouth beef, served with zesty fried pickled onions, squash, wild mushroom, shallots, watercress and port jus, and it was kicking with flavour and depth.

My companion's dish of Lemon and Tarragon Butter Baked Chicken Breast I will try for myself the next time, because the chicken

breast was so tasty and moist. It was served with Beluga lentils, kale, carrot, red onion and jus.

Both dishes were infused with so many flavours, and there were no complaints from either of us - we were equally entertained trying to identify the underlying flavours and herbs.

Dee-licious!

A Star Service

A winning feature here at the Lime Tree Restaurant was the service of Derek and Edita. There were seven other couples dining in the Lime Tree Restaurant on the same night, plus a table of four, and a large group from ESB Dublin South Golf Society who held their Captain's Prize event that day.



Members of ESB Dublin South Golf Society enjoying their annual Captain's Prize last month at Tulfarris



PREM have invested €6m in the complete upgrade of the hotel, grounds and golf course, with stunning views of the surrounding countryside



Outdoor social and catering area outside the Elk Bar is popular with golfers and guests



Martin McNamara presenting the South Dublin GS Captain's Prize to Brendan Malone



12 Hour Pot Roasted Feather Blade of Irish Beef with roast veg and pickled onions



Derek watched the room like a hawk, no diners were left unattended for a moment and he was fluent on all queries regarding the menu, ingredients, wine list, etc. So flavour and service at the Lime Tree were excellent.

Elsewhere at Tulfarris, the Elk Bar offers a great selection of international dishes, with small and large portions available including patatas bravas, queso fundido, chicken wings, pizzas, BLTS, sandwiches, baps and soups.

Golf Events

I got chatting with the members of the ESB Dublin South Golf Society, and Captain Martin McNamara was high in his praise of the hotel and golf facilities. "Norma and Simon

from the golf shop here are ace," he said. "You get the best of attention and support, I cannot praise them highly enough. This is our third year coming here, and as Tulfarris is only 30 minutes down the road from Dublin, we are regulars on the golf course".

Winner on the day was Brendan Malone, with a crew from County Clare joining the society for the outing and it was thumbs up from all of them for Tulfarris Hotel and Golf Society. Afterwards, they retired to the Elk Bar where there were several locals and guests relaxing - a busy night for a Friday in September.

Accommodation

The investment by PREM in Tulfarris is clearly evidenced in the

accommodation, with bedrooms finished to a high standard, and bathrooms too. They have classic, clean lines of decor; and each bedroom has a private balcony with views of the manicured greens and lakes. A nice personal touch was a selection of handmade treats and sweets with 'Welcome to Tulfarris' scripted in chocolate sauce.

Sunday morning saw the same high standard of service for breakfast, with staff aplenty to deal with any extra queries or dietary requirements.

Landscaped grounds

After so much eating, we took a walk of the grounds and this for me was as good as the standard of cuisine. The views at Tulfarris can

be enjoyed by guests, not just golfers, with so many landscaped features throughout the hotel grounds. We couldn't resist a go on the swing, before dropping into Norma in the golf shop for a cup of coffee. Everywhere was buzzing with golfers checking in and out. Others enjoyed the good weather outside the Elk Bar which has an extensive outdoor catering and BBQ area.

Weddings and Corporate Functions

Tulfarris caters for all private and corporate events, with a selection of options and packages. The grounds here are ideal for weddings, and the options for photographic backdrops are endless.

Wedding Masterclass on November 3

The Tulfarris Wedding Masterclass and Style Edit will be hosted on Sunday, November 3. The event will be hosted by Virgin Media One's award-winning anchor Anna Daly and feature a beauty demonstration with makeup artist and skincare expert Suzie O'Neill of AYU Make-Up.

Running from 2-5pm, tickets are €55 pp, subject to availability. To purchase log onto www.tulfarrisweddings.com

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LOCAL
EVENTS

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Gail's Style Studio at the Celbridge Manor Hotel in aid of the NCBI



Doreen O'Connor and Linda Connolly



Gail, centre, with her mother Ann and sister Shirley



Gina Farrell (Accessory Fairy)



Gail with model Tricia Millar



Linda Doyle of Linda Doyle Beauty

Gail Murphy of Gail's Rails takes to the stage for the Gail's Style Studio event, which she organised in aid of the National Council for the Blind at the Celbridge Manor Hotel on Sunday, October 6



Newbridge Gospel Choir



Gail's models show off the latest evening wear fashion from NCBI Naas



Aoife Doran, (NCBI Area Manager)



Gail Murphy with her daughter Emma

LOCAL
EVENTS

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Gail's Style Studio at the Celbridge Manor
Hotel in aid of the NCBI



Orla Buckley and Sarah Lyons



Gail's models show off the latest racing fashion from Buy Design Boutique in Crookstown



Eve Byrne, Pauline Byrne (volunteer coordinator), Aoife White, Daithi Martin and Laura Meehan (NCBI Celbridge)



Bridal style on show



Gail Murphy, centre, with Eileen Trappe and Majella Stapleton



Hostess Gail Murphy of Gail's Rails



Levi and Linda Doyle from Kilcullen



Aoife Doran, (NCBI Area Manager), Sarah Spencer, Daithi Martin and Carol Allen



Sandra Flood, Brenda Flood, Aileen Sleith and Wilhemina Ryan



Dawn and Davina Knight

LOCAL
EVENTS

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**Wedding Showcase at Keadeen Hotel,
Newbridge, on Thursday, October 3**



Janet, Samantha, and Sandra O'Connor, and Susan Bowden, at the Keadeen Hotel, Newbridge, Wedding Showcase Open Evening, on Thursday, October 3



Linda and Cameron Brandon, Cameron and Julie Molloy pictured at the Keadeen Hotel, Newbridge, Wedding Showcase Open Evening



Paul Talbot and Sharon Murphy with Aneta Miteva of the Keadeen Hotel at their Wedding Showcase Open Evening



Shane Nolan, Samantha Burke



Anna O'Loughlin of the Keadeen Hotel, with Lee Galbraith and Lisa Flaherty

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STARRING:
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GENRE:
Fantasy

RUN TIME:
97 minutes

RELEASE DATE:
October 11



LOCAL
EVENTS

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Dance Extravaganza at Sallins Tradfest on
Saturday afternoon, October 5



Sarah MacNamee, Anna Lowen, Niamh McClean, Sutton School of Irish Dance, at the Dance Extravaganza which was held as part of Sallins Tradfest last weekend



Zosia Klonica, Lauren Anderson, Sutton School of Irish Dance, Sallins



Áine Crampsie, and Elena Mohan



Amalia MacNamee, and Rachel Roberts, of the Sutton School of Irish Dance



Donal Knight, Dara Ó Maitiú



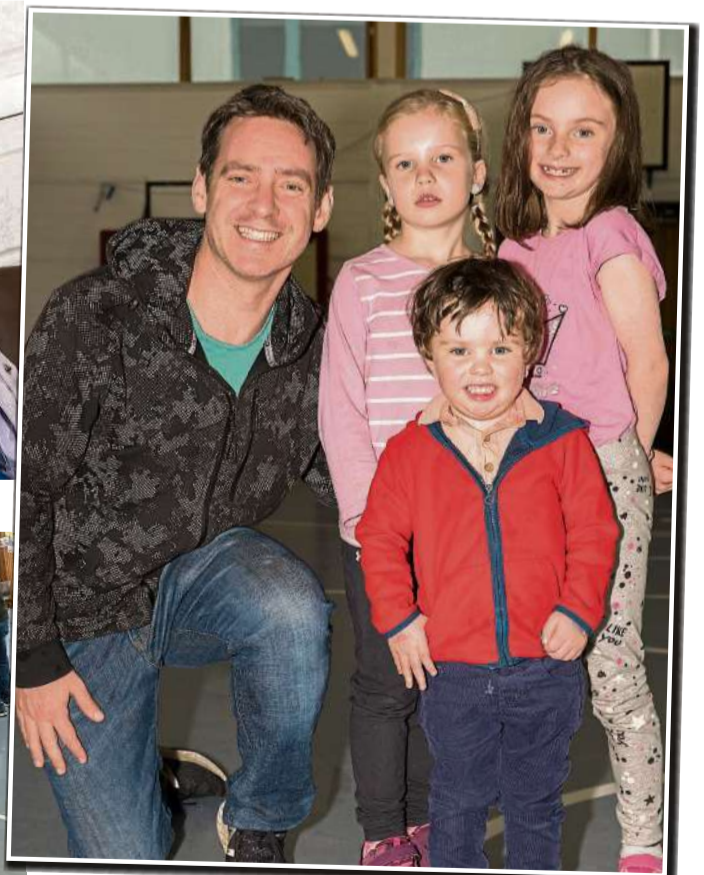
Archie O'Leary and Aoife Hilliard



Molly and Abbie Lambe



Dance Extravaganza fun at Sallins Tradfest 2019



Enda Walsh with Aoife Cunnie, Andrew and Libby Walsh

Ballymore Eustace GFC to hold celebratory reunion this weekend

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Having recently won a couple of national handball titles and the Tom Cross Junior Football Championship, Ballymore Eustace GFC have another major celebration weekend approaching.

On Saturday, October 19, the local sides who were crowned Intermediate A+B Championship winners in 1994 will host a reunion night at Paddy Murphy's.

Author of *From Leahy's Field to Bishopslane, A History of Ballymore Eustace GAA*, Henry Murphy was a key member on the 1994 B team (and a sub on the A side). Henry is also one of the committee members organising a joint celebration on Saturday week.

"It is hard to believe that 25 years have passed since that historic day" said Henry. "A day when the club brought two titles home. The B team lined out first with a mixture of youth and experience and came out winners against a resolute St Kevin's with just two points the margin when the referee blew the final whistle (BME 0 6; St Kevin's 0 4). An exhausted but thrilled captain Pat Doyle raised the cup aloft. Then the A team went to war with a seasoned Castledermot side who fought fiercely for every ball.

He continued: "After a poor first half, Ballymore got down to business and when the wily substitute Simon Murphy had drawn the foul in the closing minutes, Man of the Match Joe Murphy stepped up and kicked the winning score to the delight of the large Ballymore crowd. Captain Paul Murphy was presented with the cup and we headed for home with two cups and two titles!"

The final scoreline was Ballymore 2-10, Castledermot 2-09.

He continued: "There we were lauded as heroes and driven up through the town on tractor and trailer as is tradition, with Tim Grace the proud navigator. Many of our supporters from those days are sadly gone to their eternal reward, one being the late Pat Browne senior, former Chairman and wonderful clubman who was manager of the 1994 B team. Also sadly deceased is our teammate and friend Ger Mahon, who played a pivotal role in ensuring victory for the A team".



The Intermediate A Team from 1994, BACK l-r: Simon Murphy, Fergus Byrne, Joe Murphy, John Browne, Peter Barrett, Tony Mahon, Kieran Mooney, Mark Murphy, Pat Gallagher, Robbie Allen, Jarlath Gilroy. FRONT, l-r: Peter Horan, Jer Mahon, Joe Dooley, Peter Kavanagh, Paul Murphy, Alan Gilroy, Andrew Dooley, Brian Fisher, Mick Moore (manager), Eugene Gilroy (selector) with inset, Henry Murphy and Pat Browne Junior. RIGHT: Henry Murphy and Pat Browne who were missing for the team photo



Proud father Eugene Gilroy with sons Alan, left and Jarlath, right on the A team. Eugene's sons Vincent and Michael were part of the winning B team



BACK l-r: Pat Browne (Manager), Tim Gorman (selector/player), Gavin Grace, Vincent Gilroy, Dominic Redmond, Tommy Murphy, John Herbert, Henry Murphy, Patrick Fisher, Jack Doyle, Noel Winder, Michael Murphy (selector/payer), Vincent Kelly, Michael Horan (selector). FRONT, l-r: Frank Murphy, Liam Sammon, Mickey Dowling, P.J. McGrath, Patrick Doyle (Captain), Christy Browne, Michael Gilroy, Seamus Browne, John Sweeney. Pat Browne RIP on far left.



Tim Gorman left holds the cup at Captain Ballymore A team makes his acceptance speech wit Jack Wall, right



Patrick Murphy, captain of the Ballymore B side raises the cup, with Jack Wall, former Chair of Co Kildare GAA Board on the right

Peter Barrett of the A team also recalled the sheer joy in the village that day on their return.

"What I remember most from the day was going onto the pitch getting a guard of honour from the victorious B team — that was great inspiration before our game.

It gave us a huge lift and desire to do the double and even though we fell behind very early and were losing at half time, I always felt that we'd peg them back".

"Saturday October 19 gives us another chance to 'line out' again as teammates and supporters of Ballymore"

said Henry. "We can watch the DVD of both matches, with our families, some food and music and much anticipated craic and reminiscing! We expect the video of both games to start circa 6pm as per tickets given to players. The earlier part of the evening is for families so

please, come early and watch the videos if you wish. "We the 1994 Reunion Committee hope to see you all there," concluded Henry on behalf of the reunion committee Alan Gilroy, Christy Browne, Frank Murphy, Noel Winder, Paddy Doyle, Paul Murphy, Peter Barrett, Simon Murphy

and Tony Mahon. "Each player will receive a copy of the video and a commemorative tie on the night". All ARE welcome on Saturday, October 19, at Paddy Murphy's, Ballymore Eustace for the reunion of Ballymore A and B championship wins, 1994.

Charity run planned for Clane in aid of Acquired Brain Injury Ireland

Paul O'Meara

The upcoming Clane 10k run on November 9 organised is in aid of Acquired Brain Injury Ireland.

This marks the fourth year of this sell-out event sponsored by T&I Fitouts. Runners are strongly advised to register as soon as possible to secure a place and avoid disappointment.

More than 750 participants took part in the event last year and this year, it is expected to grow even bigger.

The Clane 10k has already become a firm favourite on the Irish running calendar and generated incredible support, with almost €60,000 raised to date to make life better for brain injury survivors in Ireland.

Additionally, to ensure there is something for everyone and to cater for all levels, a 5k Family Fun Run will also take place on the day.

The Clane 10k is a special event inspired by young brain injury survivor Jack Fadden who suffered a bleed on the brain when he was just 21 years of age. The courage



Pictured left to right Clane 10k Organising Committee: Noel Haverty, Conor McCaffery, Danny Egan, Karle O Sullivan, Brian Keating, Jack Fadden, Marian O'Neill (Local Services Manager with Acquired Brain Injury Ireland), Karl Martin, Rachel Sweeney, Rob Eyres and Daryl Skelly.

and resilience of the young County Kildare native inspired his friends to organise a fundraiser to ensure more people like Jack get the rehabilitation they need to recover after brain injury.

Organiser Conor McCaffery said: "The Clane

10k was borne out of a need to do something to make life better for people after brain injury. As friends of Jack, we saw the struggles he went through after his injury. We also saw the incredible strides he made with support from Acquired Brain Injury Ireland and his keyworker

Aidan. He showed amazing determination to make progress in his rehabilitation. Organising this event is our way to give something back to the community and help more brain injury survivors in Ireland. Nobody ever thinks a brain injury will happen to

them. But it can happen to you or me or your family. We hope everyone will come out to join us in Clane on 9 November, for a 10k run or the 5k fun run to raise vital funds for Acquired Brain Injury Ireland. It's a great day out for all the family."

Registrations are open now

on www.popupaces.ie and search for the Clane 10k event. Entry fees cover all levels of participant: €25 per 10km entry, €20 per 5km entry and €50 per family entry (2 x adults, 2 x children).

Jonathan Power, Head of Fundraising with Acquired Brain Injury Ireland said: "Organising an event on this scale is an enormous task. We are extremely grateful to the Clane 10k organising committee for volunteering their time and energy to deliver a first-class running event that continues to grow from strength to strength."

"Every day in Ireland, 52 people acquire a brain injury from stroke, road traffic accidents, falls and assaults. We believe every brain injury is unique and we champion personalised rehabilitation plans for all our clients. Ultimately our goal is that our clients won't need us anymore. The funds raised from this event make an enormous difference to our rehabilitation services to maximise the potential of brain injury survivors to live as independently as possible."

Intel goes solar with Celbridge schools project

By Henry Bauress

Intel Ireland last week unveiled the latest installment in its Solar for Schools initiative at a special ceremony in Scoil Mochua, Celbridge.

The solar technology project enables schools and community organisations in Kildare to generate their own energy supply directly from the sun.

On Friday, October 4, in Scoil Mochua in Celbridge, it launched the receipt by five schools in the Celbridge area of a solar package which includes twelve monocrystalline solar modules per school along with a monitoring system and 40 TVs to display the live output.

The five schools are Scoil Mochua, Scoil Na Mainistreach, Primrose Hill N.S., Scoil Naomh Brid and North Kildare Educate Together.

Solar module technology has been installed in each of the participating schools allowing these energy users

to generate their own energy rather than draw down energy from the grid.

The aim of the project is to increase community focus on sustainability and create a greater understanding of how renewable energy and storage can help serve our energy needs.

This is the third installment of the Solar for Schools initiative which was first introduced by Intel in 2017

The size of the system is designed specifically so as to match generation figures with that of consumption in the school, meaning that that the schools will have very high consumption rates with very little excess energy being sent back to the grid.

Scoil Mochua principal, Christine Carragher, estimates it will save between €800 and €1,200 a year in energy bills.

In total, 60 monocrystalline solar modules have been installed at the five schools, generating a combined total of 16,000 kWhs per annum. The Scoil Mochua panels were installed in August.

By generating this green



Intel Solar Mochua (l to r) Simon Hearn, Scoil Mochua, Professor John Sweeney, and Yasmine Wong, Scoil Mochua,

energy in the schools and reducing CO2 emissions, the combined systems will offset the equivalent of 1,466,390 smartphone charges annually.

The launch was attended by students and staff from the five schools along with a number of representatives from the local community. It included former principal at Scoil Mochua, Tony Doohan and former deputy principal,

Claire Farrell.

It also included two former Scoil Mochua pupils, Conor Halpin and Ellen Redmond, now working with Intel

Prof. John Sweeney, Emeritus Professor of Geography in Maynooth University, told the students: "You each can become the new climate change leaders and there are many ways we can all work together to tackle this important challenge."



Scoil Mochua principal, Christine Carragher



Pupils from North Kildare Educate Together School at the launch

LOCAL
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**Broadway and Beyond concert with the
Owen C Lynch Vocal Ensemble**



Mark Trundle and Pat McLoughlin at the event last Saturday



Shirley Campbell, Gill O'Brien, Grace O'Brien and Helena Begley



Shauna Maguire, Fran Kehoe and Ruby Boland



Danny and Yuina Trundle



Theresa, Jenny and Arthur McGauran



Helena Begley and Shirley Campbell



Fran Kehoe and Owen C Lynch



Sean Aherne, Jason Basse, Elliot Davis and David Hannafin



Clodagh Donnelly and Helena Reynolds



Michael and Sheila Moore



Grainne Alexander, Tanya Sheridan and Eilish Prendergast



Gill and Grace O'Brien



Charming 5-bed cottage near the Curragh for €410K

Kim O'Leary

This spacious cottage located in Martinstown near the Curragh Plains is full of history dating back to its original features from the 1800s with plenty of unique features for an asking price of €410,000.

Maura Donohoe Auctioneers are delighted to present new to the market 'Bramley Cottage', Martinstown, The Curragh, Co Kildare, a unique and charming five bedroom detached cottage that boasts original features from 1850 with a stunning bright & spacious modern extension.

Inside the accommodation comprises of an entrance porch, entrance hall, open plan kitchen/dining room, two family sitting rooms, five bedrooms with master en-suite, shower room, laundry room and a main family bathroom. This beautiful family home offers spacious living and is beautifully presented by its current owners.

Outside the property sits on c. 1/3 of an acre with a large private rear garden with mature hedging, trees and

shrubs, detached shed, offers ample parking and overlooks exceptional country views. Bramley Cottage is situated in the quiet rural setting of Martinstown and it is within easy reach of the surrounding towns of Newbridge, Kicullen, and Kildare Town. With Motorway links to the M9 at Kicullen and the M7 at Newbridge and Naas, this property is a convenient location from which to commute.

There are rail links at nearby Newbridge Train Station. Nationally recognised shopping

facilities at Kildare Village and White-Water Shopping Centre in Newbridge are a short drive away. This property is also within a short drive of many quality golf clubs and is within 15 minutes of Naas, The Curragh and Punchestown Racecourse.

This is a stunning home in idyllic surroundings with uninterrupted countryside views. **Viewing of this property is highly recommended and for more information call Maura Donohoe Auctioneers Newbridge on 045 499 688.**



HomeCOOKING

by Barbara Collins



Scones with no rubbing in

I absolutely love scones. I have never met one I didn't like. This recipe uses Morton's Flour but you can use any good local self-raising flour. It is so easy. Try it!

METHOD

1. Oven preheated to 220C, 425 F or Gas 8. Mix together oil, milk, sugar and egg in a jug.. Add to the flour and salt. Pour wet ingredients onto dry and quickly mix to soft dough.
2. Turn onto surface coated sugar and pat out thick 2cm. Turn dough over to coat both sides. Cut with cutter or sharp knife. Makes about 10 large scones.
3. Place close together on baking tray lined with baking paper. Bake 10 mins.

INGREDIENTS

- 500g Morton's Self Raising + pinch salt
- 175 ml milk or buttermilk
- 4 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 egg
- 100g granulated sugar
- 3 tablesp granulated sugar



ABOVE: autumnal wreath from Meadows and Byrne €39.95, BELOW: Birdie wall books (set of 4) in burnished gold resin from Aspire Design



ABOVE: Stunning artwork by Irish artist Rachel McDermott, BELOW: Moresco coffee table, gold from Aspire Design



Awesome Autumn décor ideas

As the days and nights grow colder it's time to update your décor with some simple autumnal decorating ideas.

Here are some great décor suggestions to help you add some autumnal magic and extra warmth to your home. Let's embrace those cosy autumnal evenings in the comfort of your stylish home with these simple decorating tips

Make a good first Impression

Start as you mean to go on and add an autumnal wreath to your hall door. I'm loving this gorgeous autumnal wreath for Meadows and Byrne for €39.95. It's mix of autumnal colours woven into this wonderful wreath really sets the tone before your guests even enter your home. You could also add some lanterns and scattered autumnal leaves to create a very atmospheric porch.

Autumnal Colour



Rivello sofa rusty orange from Aspire Design

Choose the colour of your accessories carefully. A combination of any of the following colours will help create a cosy autumnal interior; — burnt oranges, golden yellows, rich burgundys and forest greens. Autumnal colours can also be added through artwork like this stunning oil canvas of a fox called "Trust" by Irish

PROPERTY FOCUS



Curragh farmhouse on 180 acres sells for €3.2 million at Kildare auction

Kim O'Leary

A Kildare farmhouse set on 180 acres has sold at auction for €3.2 million.

Jordan Auctioneers, Newbridge reported the successful auction of Newpark House, The Curragh at the Keadeen Hotel last Tuesday.

Before a packed auction room of 60 people it was obvious from the outset that this was going to a lively affair.

Paddy Jordan opened the bidding at €1.5m and with over six parties offering bids, the price quickly rose to €3m at which point a quick recess and consultation with the vendor took place.

Mr Jordan arrived back into the room and declared the property on the market and at this stage three serious bidders competed before the hammer dropped at €3,200,000 equating to an

overall price per acre of €17,700.

The purchaser was a solicitor acting in trust for an undisclosed client.

According to Mr Jordan, "Newpark House was one of the best farms he had offered for sale combining an excellent location with a superb quality holding."

The land comprised a total of 180 acres all in one large block and mostly in tillage with extensive road frontage and several access points.

It was described as suitable for any number of uses. The period house extended to 5,705 sq.ft and although in need of some modernisation was described by the selling agents as 'in generally good condition throughout'.

The yard comprised several old sheds and there was also a Gate Lodge and additional staff house which were in good condition and presently



Newpark House at the Curragh

occupied.

Jordan's had been quoting €2.5m for the entire prior to

the auction and afterwards said 'the sale had gone very well with strong interest from

the outset and steady viewings. Brexit might hang over the market, but the fact

remains that premium properties will always be in demand'.

artist Rachel McDermott.

Layer, Layer, Layer

As we like to add extra layers to our own bodies in winter, the same principle can be applied to our furniture. Layer sofas and chairs with throws and scatter cushions.

Rugs are another great way to add some warmth to your home and a super way to instantly update your room. You can even layer up rugs for additional texture and a feeling of warmth.

Texture

Texture always helps to add warmth to your space so consider using plaid patterns, textured velvet cushions or knitted wool throws to your rooms. A plaid oversized coffee table or ottoman is a great idea and it can also be used for storing those extra cushions and blankets.

We all love to wear cosy knits as the days turn cooler. The same can be applied to your décor. Think about adding chunky knit throws and cushions to your living space.

Autumnal Scents

Add some autumnal scents to your home with some stylish aromatic candles. Consider scents like pine cones, cinnamon etc. You can even add a decorative centre piece like this cinnamon



Autumnal decor



Autumnal centre piece from Home Edit

scented one from www.HomeEdit.com Simply wrap your candles in cinnamon sticks to create a lovely autumnal centre piece and allow the air to waft of warm cinnamon. Then add some nuts to the plate for additional autumnal décor

Add additional Lighting

To add more light to your rooms, I would suggest that you might like to add a new floor lamp or table lamp for extra illumination especially in dark corners that need some extra light. You could also consider swapping low wattage bulbs with brighter energy efficient bulbs to help

brighten those dark autumnal evenings.

Autumnal Accessories

When we think of autumn it's hard not to associate it with nature and the beautiful autumnal colours found all around us.

Try incorporating some of these items in your

accessories. For example, a console table could look lovely by adding some pine cones, acorns or nuts in glass jars or some lanterns with candles and scattered autumnal leaves.

I hope you found these autumnal décor ideas helpful.

If there is a topic that you would like covered in one of my weekly columns then please drop me an email with your suggestions. Many Thanks, Louise - winner of TV3's Showhouse Showdown, 086 399 9926 info@aspiredesign.ie

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Equestrian property on the Curragh for sale

Kim O'Leary

This successful equestrian property on The Curragh will appeal to horse lovers with a guide price of €449,950.

Dowling Property is delighted to present to the market, Rossmore Cottage, Friarstown, The Curragh, Co Kildare. This successful, equine residential training yard is right in the heart of the bloodstock industry on The Curragh.

Rossmore overlooks the world famous Curragh Plains and has direct access to 5,000 acres and Europe's premier training gallops.

The yard is located on two acres and is strategically laid out and includes 37 loose boxes, two horse walkers (including one water walker), large paddock and hayshed.

This property benefits from having a well maintained three bedroom bungalow extending to 111 sq.mt. with obvious extending potential (subject to planning permission) and has its own independent vehicular access.

Rossmore stables now offers its new owners the opportunity to add their stamp to this already successful yard, that has previously hosted the Group 1 winner of the Irish 1,000 Guineas.

With its location on The Curragh, extensive facilities and strategic location in the headquarters of the bloodstock industry, this property will ideally suit those with horses or ponies.

Early viewing is highly advised.

For more information call Dowling Property on 045 482 189.



Stunning five bedroom family home close to Kilcock comes on the property market

Kim O'Leary

Portgloriam, Kilcock is an exceptional five bedroom (2,690 sq. ft.) detached family home set on six acres, just 35 minutes from Dublin.

This stunning home is approached by a tree lined avenue with paddocks on both sides and surrounded by mature and beautifully landscaped gardens.

The interior is presented and maintained to the highest standard by the current owner and should appeal to most buyer tastes.

The accommodation is bright and spacious with rooms for all occasions, including a five large double

bedrooms two of which are ensuite, a gorgeous country style kitchen, a large study and sunroom overlooking the gardens.

The property also comes with a double front garage with roller shutter doors (400 sq. ft.).

The location is ideal for anyone looking rural living yet easily accessible to Dublin with the M4 just 3 kilometres away and very close to Kilcock, Maynooth and Celbridge.

It is up for sale with a guide price of €775,000.

For further information on this property please contact Michael Wright on 01 628 6128 or email mickw@coonan.com



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Spacious bungalow in Kilmeague with workshop on 1-acre site for €480K

Kim O'Leary

This four-bedroom bungalow in Kilmeague offers potential buyers many special features including a large studio/workshop, double garage and mature gardens on one acre for an asking price of €480,000.

Sherry FitzGerald Reilly are pleased to present to the market 'Rathernan', Kilmeague.

An impressive four bedroom detached residence with spacious attic rooms extending to approximately 246 sq m / 2648 sq. ft, it comes with a large studio/workshop and double detached garage/carport set on approximately one acre of grounds in a delightful rustic setting where the country atmosphere is unspoilt yet convenient to all amenities.

This lovely family home is in beautiful condition throughout with an array of excellent features and finishes adding to its undoubted appeal.

Inside the bungalow boasts an efficient spacious layout



incorporating large reception rooms which include a family/TV room, sitting room, and a bright kitchen/dining room as well as a utility room, four double bedrooms, and three bathrooms including an ensuite.

Outside, the residence is approached along a gravel driveway and is an imposing home that will impress your family and friends. It enjoys a

generous site of approximately one acre of grounds comprising spacious lawns, attractive trees/shrubs and substantial outbuildings, all of which enhance this beautiful home.

Whilst being located in an attractive rural setting, all essential amenities required for modern living are available in close proximity as you are convenient to Naas, Newbridge, Kilmeague and

Caragh. Dublin city and its surrounding areas are easily accessible via frequent bus and rail links from Naas and Newbridge combined with convenience to the M7 motorway.

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Viewing of this super family home is highly recommended and for more information call Sherry FitzGerald Reilly Clane on 045 868 412.



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Get your garden winter-ready in October

Moss is growing fast and strong this autumn and should be treated with a good moss cleaner on patios, slates, tiles, driveways and footpaths.

If you are interested in composting now is a good time to start making a garden compost heap.

Simply collect fallen leaves, lawn clippings, shredded newspapers and uncooked kitchen waste.

If you want to accelerate the composting process just apply a dressing of autumn compost maker over the layers of organic composting materials.

Garden song birds should be fed from now until late spring.

Sunflower seeds, wild bird mixes and peanuts are great feeds for your garden birds, offering high levels of protein and energy.

October is also a good time to clean out old nesting boxes for your feathered friends.

Plant hedging plants now to provide shelter and privacy in your garden.

Large, instant mature hedging plants are now

available for planting to create an instant wall of foliage up to 6 feet tall.

They come in a wide selection of heights and varieties.

Trees including liquid ambar, mountain ash, maples, sumachs and cotoneaster offer stunning autumn and early winter colours in your garden.

Fruiting trees including sorbus, pyracantha, cotoneaster and malus offer your garden song birds a natural food source of delicious berries to sustain them through the autumn and early winter.

Garden Colour

Spring flowering bulbs can be planted in your garden in October.

Spring flowering bulbs include tulips, daffodils and crocuses, all of which are easy to grow.

Plant the bulbs in patio planters and borders now for great colour in your garden next spring.

One of my favourite spring flowers is called jack the lad.



A wonderful project to complete with your children this autumn is to plant scented hyacinths

It is a daffodil that produces a brightly coloured double flower with golden yellow petals.

The woodland walk mix is another beautiful variety. The combination of the

bright yellow narcissus flowers and the blue from muscaria create a brilliant combination in spring.

Wonderful project

A wonderful project to complete with your children this autumn is to plant scented hyacinths.

Hyacinths offer you a wide range of colourful blooms. If they are planted now they will

reward you with a stunning show of colour and scent for Christmas and the New Year.

They can be planted in baskets, pots or window boxes.

What a fun and rewarding activity to get your children or grandchildren involved in.

October is also the ideal time to add winter flowering plants to your patio planters and window boxes.

Winter flowering plants

such as heather, cyclamen, pansies, violas and trailing ivy can all be planted now.

Before adding the plants place some spring flowering tulips and dwarf narcissus in the center of the pots for some additional colour next spring.

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Blue tit (*Cyanistes caeruleus*) garden bird, perched on a dogwood branch in the autumn, Cheshire, England, United Kingdom. Below: Now is the time to put out your bird feeders until Spring



Suzuki exhibits at the Tokyo Motor Show 2019

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Suzuki Motor Corporation has announced its exhibits for the 46th Tokyo Motor Show 2019 (organised by the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association), which will be held from October 24 to November 4 (open to the public from October 25) at the Tokyo Big Sight and the surrounding Odaiba area.

The theme for the Suzuki booth this year is "WAKU WAKU SWITCH for EVERYONE: Excitement for you, excitement for everyone".

Suzuki has been making efforts to create truly valuable products of automobiles, motorcycles, motorised wheelchairs, and outboard motors that delight customers. Suzuki is celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2020 and will introduce initiatives in development of products and technologies for opening up a "big future" towards the next 100 years.

The Suzuki booth will exhibit in a way that lines up our technologies as an overall mobility brand. The exhibits will include WAKU SPO, a personal compact PHEV and HANARE, an autonomous driving mobile room.

Main Automobile Concept Exhibits

WAKU SPO: a personal compact PHEV that everyone can share fun and excitement, anywhere, anytime. With this one car, the family can share fun and

excitement across generations, for daily use as well as for pleasure. Within a compact A segment body, a WAKU WAKU switch is installed to switch its body shape, front mask, and content shown on the dashboard. It proposes a sharable future "small car" that can transform to meet each and everyone's fun and excitement.

HANARE: an autonomous driving mobile room where everyone can use transportation time and comfortable space effectively. Even in the face of an automated and efficiency-centric future

based on advanced robotics and AI (artificial intelligence), HANARE prioritises human values of "personal connection" and "personal preferences". It is an autonomous driving car that proposes new delight in owning a car.

By traveling in a comfortable interior space much like a detached cottage ("hanare" in Japanese), it proposes the fun and excitement of a car besides driving.

In a future with further diversification of lifestyles, it will meet various usages and scenes by switching to each and everyone's excitement.



New car registrations in Ireland up 7.4% on last year

The Society of the Irish Motor Industry (SIMI) released their official new vehicle registration statistics last week, which show that the total new car registrations for September were up 7.4% (3,428) when compared with September 2018 (3,192).

New car registrations year to date are down 7.5% (113,958) on the same period last year (123,195).

New Light Commercial Vehicle (LCV) registrations are up 6.2% (1,346) on September 2018 (1,268), yet registrations year to date are down 1.7% (23,258). While New

Heavy Commercial Vehicles (HGV) decreased 22.9% (145) in comparison to September 2018 (188) and year to date are up 0.9% (2,350).

Imported Used Cars

Imported Used Cars for September saw an increase of 20.3% (10,220) on the same month last year (8,494) and year to date imports are up 6.7% (82,432) ahead of 2018 (77,278).

Electric vehicle reg

New electric vehicle registrations continue to grow month on month

with a total of 2,976 EV cars registered so far this year.

Commenting on the registration's figures Brian Cooke, SIMI Director General said: "With the announcement of Budget 2020 only a week away, we in SIMI continue to underline to Government not to increase taxation on new cars."

Brexit impact

"New car sales have fallen in each of the last three years, and with Brexit now only weeks away, business risk in our sector is at its highest level in almost a decade. In this uncertain business and

consumer environment, any taxation increase would only further undermine an already fragile new car market.

"This in turn will endanger both exchequer revenues and employment, while at the same time act as a barrier to the renewal of Ireland's car fleet which is key to reducing emissions from transport.

"Our Industry can't afford for the Government to get Budget 2020 wrong, as the impact would have far reaching consequences that could extend for many years well beyond 2020."



ŠKODA Octavia Soleil brings the sunshine

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ŠKODA has announced their latest addition to the Octavia range — the 'Soleil'.

The word 'soleil' means sun, and is derived from the ŠKODA brands association with the internationally celebrated Cirque du Soleil (circus). The ŠKODA Octavia has been a consistent best seller with 18,000 vehicles delivered to customers in the last five years and holds the position of the fourth best-selling car in Ireland over the same period. Available as a hatchback or as a Combi estate, ŠKODA are confident the new Soleil model will deliver a strong finish to the end of the year as the brand enters the top-five best-selling brands in Ireland for the first time.

Usual strengths retained

The Octavia Soleil retains all the strengths of the standard Octavia with 590 litres of boot capacity (up to 1,580 litres with the rear seat backs folded) and unrivalled interior spaciousness. Low fuel consumption is assured with a turbo charged line up of TSI petrol engines including the 1.0 TSI 115bhp; and the frugal 1.6 TDI 115bhp available with both manual and DSG (automatic) transmissions.

The ŠKODA brand for some



SKODA Octavia Fact Box

- 1) Limited Edition Model
- 2) Outstanding spaciousness
- 3) Petrol & Diesel Engines
- 4) Manual or Automatic (DSG)
- 5) Priced From €24,700 (ex-works)

twisty back road, as it is on a motorway.

Capable of a top speed of 203km/h (where permitted), the 1.6-litre turbo diesel engine can exploit its 115bhp to allow the car to sprint from 0-100km/h in 10.4-seconds. Under strict new WLTP testing procedures, fuel consumption as low as 4.8l/100km can be achieved on a combined driving cycle, while a low emissions figure of 107g/km translates into annual road tax of just €190.

Impressive fuel economy has always been one of the Octavia diesel's strengths, but when combined with excellent driving dynamics, class-leading cabin and boot space, and generous equipment levels, it is easy to see how the Octavia has been such a huge sales success for the ŠKODA brand in Ireland.

Pricing and verdict

With the ŠKODA Octavia Soleil priced from just €24,700, it really does represent outstanding value for money motoring, and with the Octavia having been recently voted one of the 'least depreciating cars in Ireland', it is a car that can be bought with the head, and the heart.

Contact Sheehy Skoda Naas, Jigginstown Road, Naas at 045 (045) 906 600 for all your Skoda sales, new or used, enquiries.

time has been leading the way in terms of infotainment and connectivity, with fewer buttons due to large colour touch-screen systems. The Soleil benefits from this technology with an 8" Bolero unit, with SmartLink featuring Apple CarPlay and Android Auto for the ultimate connectivity to the latest mobile devices.

Instantly recognisable

The Soleil builds on the Octavia's already generous specification levels with LED

headlights with AFS and headlight washers, half leather interior, heated seats, darkened rear SunSet glass and ŠKODA Care Connect all featuring as a package for the first time in the Octavia.

From the exterior the Soleil is instantly recognisable from the Soleil plaque located on the front fenders, and the 16" Velorum alloy wheels that are unique to the Octavia Soleil.

My Test Car

My test car was an Octavia

Soleil 1.6TDI DSG finished in striking Candy White paintwork, with contrasting rear privacy glass for maximum impact. The Octavia Soleil possesses a distinctive and confident look that stands out from the crowd, while exemplary safety features helped the ŠKODA Octavia to achieve a maximum 5-star NCAP safety rating for ultimate driving confidence.

Thanks to an impressive wheelbase of 2,686mm, occupants of the Octavia will

never feel cramped in terms of leg, head or shoulder room, with the rear seats capable of accommodating up to 3 full-size adults with ease.

On the road

Behind the wheel of the Octavia is where keen drivers will really appreciate just how good the car is. Overall refinement and handling characteristics are excellent, while body roll is kept to a minimum through corners, thereby making the Octavia as comfortable to drive on a



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All-new KIA XCeed – in showroom's now

By Breda Corrigan

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The Kia XCeed is a new urban crossover utility vehicle (CUV) from Kia Motors which combines compact SUV practicality with the sporty packaging and engaging handling of a hatchback.

A sporty alternative to traditional SUVs, the new CUV nevertheless offers comparable levels of space for occupants and luggage. The Kia XCeed engages drivers with its sporty handling and a comfortable, assured ride, while providing a more commanding view of the road ahead than a conventional hatchback.

The XCeed's suite of advanced safety, connectivity and infotainment features make it one of the most high-tech cars in the CUV class. Powered by a range of fast-revving, turbocharged engines, it is also one of the most efficient.

Sporty and urban

A sporty, urban alternative to the traditional SUV. Stylish, expressive and modern in design, the new



Kia XCeed represents a sporty alternative to traditional SUVs. A product of the brand's European design centre in Frankfurt, Germany, the creation of the Kia XCeed has taken place under the direction of

Gregory Guillaume, Vice President of Design for Kia Motors Europe.

"When we came to designing the new Ceed range as a whole, we didn't have a brief to design a crossover," explains Guillaume. "But as

we developed designs for other models in the range, we realised a bodystyle like this could capture the emotion and sportiness of the ProCeed, but offer something new at the same time. An urban crossover seemed to embody these values well."

Dynamic

The new Kia XCeed is more emotional and dynamic in format and appearance than its taller rivals, while offering something different to the other models in the Ceed range. The only body panels carried over from its five-door hatchback sibling are the front doors. The front

and rear of the car also represent a departure from the 'face' of the conventional Ceed model family, differentiating the Kia XCeed from its stablemates.

The headlamps are newly-designed, with the Ceed's 'ice cube' LED light signature sitting within a more angular shape, topped by a slim turn signal that flows back over the wheel arches. At the rear, new tail-lights emit a slim, highly-technical LED light signature which, when viewed from certain angles, appears to spear forward into the shoulders of the car.

The heavily-creased lines

running horizontally across the tailgate and rear bumper give the car a wider, more stable posture. The car's elevated ride height and body also present the same robust image that attracts buyers to the other SUVs in Kia's product portfolio.

Built in Europe, for Europe, the All-New Kia XCeed is in Kia showrooms NOW.

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I, Daniel Lynch intend to apply for permission for development at this site Kilgowan, Kilcullen, Co. Kildare. The development will consist of importation of inert material consisting principally of soils and stones for the infilling of former sand and gravel pit over circa 2 ha., a weighbridge, a wheelwash, the use of part of existing shed as an office and all ancillary site works. Ancillary site works include a replacement proprietary wastewater treatment system previously approved under Reg. Ref. 11/456 and landscaping that will remain after completion of proposed development. 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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Planning permission sought for the construction of bungalow, domestic garage, waste water treatment system and all site works at Littletown Roberstown, Naas. 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. Signed Michaela Ennis.

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I, James Donnelly, intend to apply for retention for development at this site, Happy Campers Playschool, 1255 Campion Crescent, Kildare, R51 DT38. The development consists of the following: Retention of alterations and construction single storey extension to rear of existing playschool building previously granted planning permission under planning ref. 03/2220, including 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 Kildare County Council, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co. Kildare, during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission. Signed on behalf of the applicant by DalyHudson Building Surveying & Architecture www.dalyhudson.com 045-530766

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Brendan Fox intends to apply for full planning permission for a development at Newtown, Donore, Naas, Co. Kildare. The development consists of constructing a bungalow with integrated domestic garage, detached domestic machinery store, effluent treatment system, and all associated ancillary site-works. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of Kildare County Council, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co. Kildare, during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission.

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Kevin Fox intends to apply for full planning permission for a development at Newtown, Donore, Naas, Co. Kildare. The development consists of constructing a bungalow, detached domestic garage, effluent treatment system, and all associated ancillary site-works. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of Kildare County Council, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co. Kildare, during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission.

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

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Significant Further Information We, Barry White Construction, have submitted Significant Further Information in relation to Planning Reference No. 19/507 at Kilboggan, Bushypark, Nurney, Co. Kildare. The development applied for consisted of the retention of alterations to existing dwelling and permission for new single storey extension to rear of existing dwelling and all ancillary site works. The significant further information consists of 1 Revision of site boundaries 2 Decommissioning of existing septic tank and installation of new wastewater treatment system. The Significant Further Information is available for inspection or purchase at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority during public opening hours of the Planning Department and a submission or observation in relation to the further information may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee within two weeks, from receipt of new notices by the planning authority, (this fee is not applicable to persons who made original observations / submissions) and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission. Signed on behalf of the applicant by DalyHudson Building Surveying & Architecture www.dalyhudson.com 045-530766.

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I, Eimear Flood intend to apply for Planning Permission & Retention Permission for a development on this site at Cappagh, Kilcock, Co. Kildare. The development consists of
(A) Erection of single storey house type to the front (south east elevation) with storey and a half type to the rear (north west elevation)
(B) the installation of a proprietary wastewater treatment plant with percolation area to serve the proposed house,
(C) the installation of a proprietary wastewater treatment plant with percolation area to serve the existing family home,
(D) Upgrading of existing entrance to a combined double vehicular recessed entrance and all associated site works and
(E) Retention permission for garage / fuel store for domestic use and planning permission for minor alterations.
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I, Shaun Leonard intend to apply for Planning Permission for a development on this site at Newtownthorland, Donadea, Co. Kildare. The development consists of (A) Erection of single storey house type to the front with storey and a half type to the rear, (B) garage / fuel store for domestic use, (C) the installation of an Oakstown BAF wastewater treatment plant with tertiary sand filter percolation area and (D) New vehicular entrance and access driveway and all associated site works.

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We, Paul and Angela Duffy intend to apply for permission for development at Boycetown, Kilcock, Co. Kildare. The development will consist of the demolition of existing shed and the erection of a storey-and-half style dwelling house to connect to existing septic tank and to install new percolation area to serve two no. dwellings. Also, to decommission existing puraflo waste water treatment system and percolation area and to use existing entrance serving Ashford House B&B and to include for revised site boundaries from that previously submitted under 13/681. 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 in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the Planning Authority of the application. Signed: Lloyd Fitzsimons, MCIQB, MSCSI, RIAI (Arch. Tech.)

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I, Michelle Curtin intend to apply for Retention Permission for a development on this site at Ballycannon, Kilcock, Co. Kildare. The development consists of (A) the retention of minor alterations to one and a half storey type house previously granted under file ref. no. 02/1878 consisting of increased floor area of 32m2 and increase overall height of 600mm to house, giving a total height of 6.9m,

(B) retention of a garage for domestic use consisting of increase floor area of 5m2 and (C) retention of steel storage shed for domestic use, having a floor area of 31m2.

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I, Marcus Nolan intend to apply for Planning Permission for a development on this site at Castlekeely, Caragh, Naas, Co. Kildare. The development consists of

(A) change of house type from that previously granted under planning file ref no: 06/949 & 11/1147 from a dormer type house, to a single storey type house to front and storey and a half type house to rear and revised garage plans with amended house and garage position on the proposed site, (B) installation of an Oakstown BAF wastewater treatment plant with polishing filter percolation area and

(C) New vehicular entrance and driveway and all associated site works. That the planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the planning authority during its public opening hours and that a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

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I, Patrick Monahan intend to apply for Planning Permission for a development on this site at Donore, Caragh, Co. Kildare. The development consists of (A) Erection of single storey type house, (B) the installation of a proprietary wastewater treatment plant with polishing filter percolation area and (C) new vehicular entrance and all associated site works.

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Conleth McCarthy intends to apply for retention planning permission and full planning permission for a development at Garavogue, Prosperous, Naas, Co. Kildare. The development consists of retaining the conversion of a domestic garage & shed approved in planning file ref. no. 07/1512 as constructed to form a dwelling, full planning permission to construct a new recessed vehicular entrance, construct a new raised percolation area to serve an existing effluent treatment system, and all associated ancillary site-works. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of Kildare County Council, Áras Chill Dara, Devoy Park, Naas, Co. Kildare, during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission.

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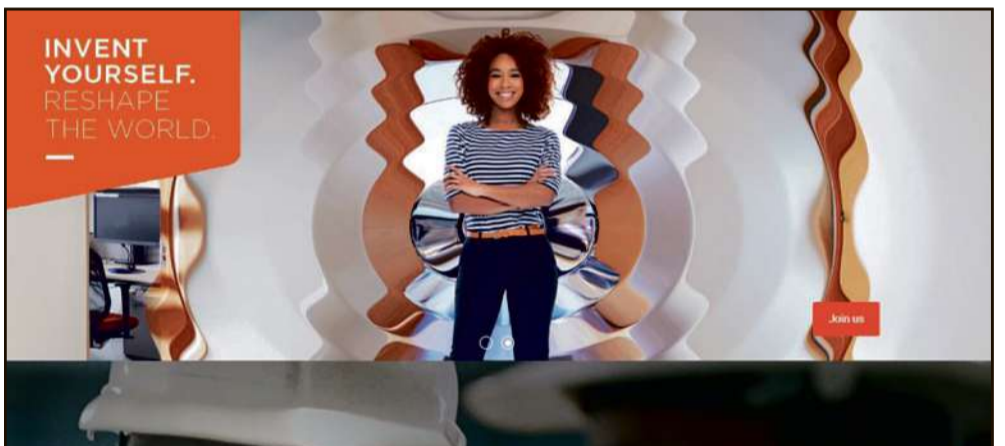
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Fans at Kildare club matches in St Conleth's Park, Newbridge, last weekend



Sarsfields mentor Brian Fogarty after his side beat Celbridge last Saturday and secured their spot in the County Final



The Tony Donohoe Trophies sponsored Man of the Match Award went to Naas No.6 Rian Boran.



Great scenes of celebration all over St.Conleth's Park last Sunday after Naas defeated Coill Dubh drought to win the Kildare Senior



Tomas Carew flew all the way from New York to support Coill Dubh in St.Conleth's Park last



These young Celbridge fans in St.Conleth's Park



Sarsfields fan Callum Kinsella



Emily Fitzsimons celebrates with her hero Jack Sheridan after Naas clinched the Kildare Senior Hurling Championship title in St.Conleth's Park last Sunday



These young Naas hurling fans were delighted with their team's win.



Johnny Doyle, Cian O'Connor and Cully Hayden celebrate after Moorefield clinched their spot in the County Final by defeating Athy last Saturday in St Conleth's Park.



Jobey McDonnell shouting for his Sash son Brian with his granddaughter Layla last Saturday at St.Conleth's Park.



It was broly time at St.Conleth's Park last Saturday for the man with the permanent sunny disposition that belies his name... Tom Cross

Racing with Horse Racing Ireland

Snow Falcon wins Champion Chase at Gowran Park

Noel Meade landed a notable early season success as Snow Falcon won the Grade 2 PWC Champion Chase at Gowran Park on Saturday afternoon.

Ridden by Sean Flanagan, the 7/1 shot was always up with the pace and was clear over the final fence, eventually winning by six and a half lengths from the game Peregrine Run for owner Patricia Hunt. A step up in class for the Grade 1 Ladbrokes Champion Chase at Down Royal is now on the cards for the successful nine-year-old.

Meade had begun the week with a winner in his own colours as Russian Bill landed the Irish Stallion Farms EBF Handicap Chase at Roscommon on Monday. Another for Sean Flanagan, the 7/2 favourite only got on top in the dying strides to pip the front-running Court Tycoon by a head. Gordon Elliott was next into the winners' enclosure when the Jack Kennedy-ridden Swordsman took the beginners' chase. A 6/1 chance, the five-year-old readily got the better of his own stable companion Flawless Escape when

winning by three-and three-quarter lengths. Gavin Cromwell took the finale at the track for the year when the Barry O'Neill-ridden Wavelength took the bumper for owner John Brennan. The 9/10 favourite got the better of the Pat Kelly-trained Lou Trek by a neck.

Tom McCourt was among the winners at Ayr on Tuesday where Stamp Of Authority recorded his fourth career success. Ridden on this occasion by Karen Kenny, the 12/1 chance made much of the running to win narrowly from the 11/2 shot, Forever A Lady.

A little closer to home, Dunboyne trainer Jack Davison landed the 5f handicap at Cork on Tuesday with Miacomet in the colours of the trainer's mother, Paula. A strong 5/1 chance, Tom Madden brought the three-year-old from well off the pace to beat Bahlwan by half a length. The winner was turning out just four days after taking second place in a maiden at the Curragh. Eddie Lynam took the 7f handicap with Romantic Proposal, another 5/1 winner on the day. Ridden by Wayne Lordan, the three-year-old went clear inside the final



Brunelle and Colin Keane wins the 5f race at Dundalk Stadium. Photo: Patrick McCann/Racing Post

furlong to beat the Michael Halford-trained Katiymann by two and a half lengths.

Gordon Elliott and Jack Kennedy were winners again at Gowran Park on Friday where Abacadabras scored

an impressive success in the 2m maiden hurdle. Kennedy had an easy time of it on the 2/5 favourite, pulling away from his rivals from the second last flight to win by five and a half lengths from 7/2 chance Poseidon. The pair doubled up when Tiger Twenty Two scored a nine length success in the 2m4f handicap hurdle. The 5/2 favourite was clear between the final two flights, but he had to survive a mistake at the last when the race was in safe keeping. Elliott landed a personal treble when 11/2 chance Bigbadandbeautiful beat the Willie Mullins-trained 3/1 favourite Getaway Gorgeous by three lengths in the Listed Irish Stallion Farms EBF

Mucklemeg Mares INH Flat Race. The winner was ridden by Jamie Codd.

Ger Lyons took the opening 5f conditions' race at Dundalk on Friday evening with the Colin Keane-ridden Brunelle. Sent off the 2/1 favourite, she closed nicely early in the straight before getting to the front inside the final furlong. At the line, she had a length and a quarter to spare over the Joseph O'Brien-trained Phase After Phase. The pair doubled up when taking the nursery handicap with 9/1 chance Leadership Race. A length and a quarter was again the winning distance and Joseph O'Brien was again the man who saddled the runner-up as the Vincent Gaul-owned youngster beat

Spirit Of Sahara. Ado McGuinness landed the claiming maiden with the Shane Foley-ridden Pocotaligo which got the better of Henry De Bromhead's Royal Highness by just a short-head. The 7/2 chance was claimed back by his owners, Genesis Thoroughbreds. Noel Meade was also an all-weather winner as the Oisín Orr-ridden Buzz Killington landed the opening division of the apprentice handicap. Owned by Anthony Kaminskis, the 8/1 shot got up late on to beat the tony Martin-trained Fascinating Spirit with John McConnell's Al Batal a close third.

The Cork Grand National might be a possibility for the Keith Clarke-trained Wonderoftheworld as he scored an eight-length success in the 3m1f handicap chase at Gowran Park on Saturday. Carrying the colours of Barry Connell, the 8/1 chance was left clear by the fall of Graineyhill at the final fence and was eased in the closing stages by inform Kevin Brouder. Gordon Elliott landed the beginners' chase on the card with the classy Dallas Des Pictons, the 4/9 favourite, which won unchallenged under Jack Kennedy. His task was made all the easier by the departure of his main market rival Advantage Point at the fourth fence. Share The Honour was a winner for Tony Martin as he took the 2m handicap hurdle under Phillip Enright. The 5/1 chance scored a two and a half-length success in the colours of the Not Even Maybe Syndicate.

Tipp success for Jim Bolger and Kevin Manning

Jim Bolger and Kevin Manning landed the Group 3 Coolmore Stud Home Of Champions Concorde Stakes at Tipperary on Sunday with Yulong Gold Fairy which had won the race last year for Dermot Weld.

The four-year-old, having his first start for the Coolcullen trainer, was sent off at odds of 5/1 and got the better of the Weld-trained 7/4 favourite Imagite by three-parts of a length.

Jim Bolger and Kevin Manning combined to win the 12f fillies' maiden at Cork on Tuesday with Harriet Tubman.

The 6/1 chance ran in second place until hitting the front at the two-furlong pole and kept on well when challenged inside the final furlong to win by three quarters of a length from Angel Fish. The pair also landed the concluding 12f handicap with outsider Girolamo at Dundalk on Friday night. The 20/1 shot was never far off the pace and was well on top early inside the final furlong as he beat the Mark Fahey-trained Edification by two and three quarters of a length.

Kilmacow jockey Donagh Meyler was among the

winners at Clonmel on Thursday where he partnered Whatucallher to a cosy success in the mares' maiden hurdle. A strong 11/8 favourite, the five-year-old was never far off the pace and got on top over the final flight. He pulled nicely clear on the run in to beat his main market rival My Midnight in good style for trainer Eddie Harty. Joseph O'Brien and his cousin JJ Slevin took the 3m handicap with the well-backed 4/1 favourite Ellipsism. Owned by the No More After Hours Syndicate, the four-year-old went clear before the second last hurdle and stayed on strongly for a seven-length success over the Andrew McNamara-trained Classic Concorde.

Willie Mullins ran just one horse at the fixture and Survetta landed a cosy victory in the concluding bumper. Ridden by the trainer's son Patrick, the easy-to-back 5/2 favourite headed the Gordon Elliott-trained Lady Of Elysium early inside the final furlong and pulled clear in great style to win by four and a half lengths in the colours of the Supreme Horse Racing Club. It was the winning rider's 20th success of the season.

Donagh Meyler added to his Clonmel success with a winner for County Wexford trainer Liz Doyle at Gowran Park on Friday. Without Limites scored for the pair in the 2m4f handicap hurdle, the 12/1 chance, owned by the Goliath Syndicate, battling well to beat 11/4 favourite Unexpected Depth by a neck.

Cousins Emmet and David Mullins was an early winner at Gowran Park on Saturday afternoon where Rocket Lad took the 2m4f maiden hurdle. A strong 6/4 favourite, he readily got the better of the Willie Mullins-trained Drury, making all the running to score a five and a half length success. The champion trainer was a winner 35 minutes later as Eight And Bob took the 3m handicap hurdle under Paul Townend. The 12/1 chance was all out to win by a neck from the Declan Queally-trained Bothar Dubh. Willie Mullins and his nephew Danny were big winners at Tipperary on Sunday where Robin De Carlow won the Grade 3 Like-A-Butterfly Novice Chase. The 5/1 chance threw down her challenge over the final fence and outgunned Put The Kettle On close to the finish, winning by half a length.



Whatucallher and Donagh Meyler wins the Kilsheelan Mares Maiden Hurdle. Clonmel. Photo: Patrick McCann/Racing Post

Racing with Horse Racing Ireland

Jessica took the horse to France - and won at Longchamp!

Jessica Harrington landed her second Group 1 of the season with a juvenile filly as Albigna won the Qatar Prix Marcel Boussac at Longchamp on Sunday.

Successful in the Juddmonte Cheveley Park Stakes at Newmarket with Millisle only eight days previously, Harrington was celebrating again as the Niarchos-owned youngster finished with a flourish to win by two and a half lengths under Shane Foley. The winner is rated a 16/1 chance to win the Qipco 1,000 Guineas at Newmarket next May and could run at the Breeders' Cup early next month.

On a memorable day for the stable, Jessica Harrington landed a winner closer to home when the game six-year-old Onlyhuman won the 9f TheTote.com Handicap at Tipperary. The 8/1 chance, in the colours of Michael Cooke, had little difficulty in getting to the front over a furlong from the finish and soon had matters under control in the hands of Naas apprentice Tom Madden who was riding his second winner of the week. He won by three

lengths from the fast finishing Dare To Flare.

Cloneygath trainer Mark Fahey saddled Well Set Up to win the mares' maiden hurdle at Roscommon on Monday afternoon. Ridden by Ricky Doyle for owner/breeder Jean Corrigan, the six-year-old closed on the leaders after the third last hurdle and led over the final flight to win from Lill Smith by two and a half lengths at odds of 4/6 favourite. Aa Bee See landed the 2m handicap hurdle for Naas trainer Niall Madden and his son and namesake who steered the 14/1 chance to a nine-length success in the colours of JP McManus.

Willie McCreery struck in the opener at Cork on Tuesday afternoon where Lustown Baba made all the running to win the 6f auction fillies' maiden. Ridden by Leigh Roche, the 6/1 chance held off the challenge of Cara's Company to win by half a length in the colours of the Back Road Syndicate. The Rathbride trainer doubled up when Up Helly Aa got on top late on to win the Listed Navigation Stakes, initiating a treble for Billy Lee. The



Lustown Baba (Leigh Roche) wins the Foran Equine EBF Auction Fillies Maiden. Cork. Photo: Patrick McCann/RACING POST

well-backed 11/4 favourite looked to have a little in hand as she got the better of Pincheck inside the final 50 yards. Naas apprentice Tom

Madden notched up his 15th winner of the season when landing the 5f handicap on Miacomet. A strong 5/1 chance, he brought the Jack

Davison-trained three-year-old from well off the pace to beat Bahlwan by half a length. The winner was turning out just four days after taking second place in a maiden at the Curragh.

Curragh trainer Eddie Harty was among the winners at Clonmel on Thursday where Whatucallher landed the mares' maiden hurdle. A strong 11/8 favourite, the five-year-old was never far off the pace and got on top over the final flight. He pulled nicely clear on the run in to beat his main market

rival My Midnight in good style under Donagh Meyler.

The November meeting at Cheltenham is under consideration for Soviet Pimpernel which made a winning start to his jumping career in the 2m2f maiden hurdle at Gowran Park on Friday. Peter Fahey's exciting four-year-old didn't find a buyer at the Cheltenham Festival sales in March but he added to a bumper success when scoring a two and a quarter length victory under Kevin Sexton. The 9/10 favourite carried the colours of Direct Bloodstock.



File photo of Jessica Harrington after she won the Irish Stallion Farms EBF Maiden with Flash Gordon earlier this year

Upcoming Fixtures

Thurles - Thursday, October 10
(FIRST RACE 2.05)

Downpatrick - Friday, October 11
(FIRST RACE 1.40)

Dundalk - Friday, October 11
(FIRST RACE 5.45)

Fairyhouse - Saturday, October 12
(FIRST RACE 1.40)

Limerick - Saturday, October 12
(FIRST RACE 2.00)

Limerick - Sunday, October 13
(FIRST RACE 1.45)

Curragh - Sunday, October 13
(FIRST RACE 1.35)

A great night ahead in Sarsfields as The Chaser fundraiser is launched

By Niamh O'Donoghue

Sarsfields GAA Club, Newbridge are the first club to bring The Chaser fundraiser to County Kildare.

Last week, the club launched the new nationwide show as their major fundraiser for this year, which will be held in the Sarsfields' clubhouse on November 2.

The Chaser is run on a nationwide scale by Pallas Marketing. Each of the six selected contestants can win €1,500.

Contestants are drawn from the audience and answer seven questions with four possible answers suggested for each question. Each question is valued at €100, €200, €300, €400, €600, €800, and €1,000 as they progress.

The contestant must choose after each milestone question if they wish to bank the amount won or take another question. Contestants have two lifelines — ask the audience, and take one, which will reduce the number of possible answers by one.

Contestants then take the amount won to face the expert quiz master, The Chaser.

Shirley Mulpeter, club chairperson, paid special tribute to the nine sponsor companies who have come on board.

She said the proceeds will go towards the overall running of the club and maintaining the high standards at Sarsfields GAA.

Tickets are priced at €25, or four for €80 and can be purchased from any committee member.

They are expected to sell out

in advance and will not be on sale at the door on the night so people are encouraged to get tickets early.

Shirley also thanked the organising committee for all their hard work in organising the event and said if any company wished to support the fundraiser they should contact any committee member.



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Sarsfields GAA Club Officers Niall Sheridan (Secretary), Shirley Mulpeter (Chairman), Niall Farrell (Vice Chairman), Alison Donnelly (PRO) and Deirdre Mullalley (Registrar). Photos: Aishling Conway



Antoinette McEnerney (Sarsfields GAA Manager) and Sinead Leonard (Volunteer)



Brian Mullins, Marcus Looney and James Gardin



John Holden, Sandra Houligan, Monica Scanlon, Margaret Buckley, Helen White, Heather Murphy (Briqo Catering) and Aisling O'Callaghan



Paddy Cairns, Claire Kelly and Pat O'Brien



Liam Moore, Maureen O'Callaghan and Sean Mulpeter



Sarsfields GAA Fundraising Advertisers - Sophie Connors (Finlay Motor Group), Maggie Brennan ((Barnby & Brennan Hair and Beauty), Ian Corrigan (Surecom), Claire Kelly (Kaas Accountants), Liam Flannery (Surecom), Aileen Barnby ((Barnby & Brennan Hair and Beauty) and Jade Lawless (Chopped)



Ollie Ryan and Shirley Mulpeter from Sarsfields GAA present Christy Moran with the first ticket for the fundraiser The Chaser which takes place on November 2 at Sarsfields GAA



Sarsfields GAA Barman Vincent Miller



The fundraising committee who are organising the event in aid of Sarsfields GAA club

Kildare LGFA with Donal Fitzpatrick

LGFA Senior League Finals thrill fans at Manguard Plus Hawkfield venue

Manguard Plus Hawkfield played host to no less than seven thrilling Kildare LGFA senior league finals on Saturday afternoon.

Division 7 Final

In the Division 7 decider, a brave and gallant effort from Two Mile House saw great performances from Caoimhe Butler and Anna Kennedy in defence Sophie Carroll in midfield along with the hard working Pippa Durham and Ailbhe ó Sullivan at full forward.

But the day belonged to Castledermot making amends for their champ final loss a few weeks back at the hands of Raheens. Lisa Hickey led from full back and with great blocks from Laura Byrne and forward power from Captain Niamh Byrne and player of the match Nessa Dooley who finished with a personal scoreline of 1-9. Castledermot triumphed on. FT score: Castledermot 3.10 Two Mile House 1.09

Division 6 Final

In the Division 6 final excitement was palpable as both teams took their positions for throw in between St Laurence's and Lexlip. Unfortunately for Lexlip this game was a step to far as St Laurences controlled the game from start to finish.

While both teams boasted young sides the experience displayed by the Larries ladies was very evident with score accuracy, tackling and a very good defensive display. The game looked as if it would finish without the Lexlip side scoring but up popped Kate Cullen with a goal followed by an Aisling McCarthy point and both scores got a massive cheer from both sets of supporters.

The Lexlip girls can be proud of their display while they were out played in many departments the one thing that was very evident was that they never let the heads drop and continued to battle right to the final whistle. FT score: St. Laurence's 5-9; Lexlip 1.1

Division 5 Final

The Division 5 final between Round Towers and Milltown was riddled with frees and had three penalties awarded but it was very much down to the conditions on the pitch rather than dirty play as the game was far from that. Chloe Byrne with 1-06, and Lara Curran with 3-02 were instrumental for Milltown

while Clíodhna Malone in goals came to the rescue for her side on many occasions. Round Towers trio of Hannah Wilson 1-01, Lisa O'Dwyer 2-01 and Jackie Kelly with 0-4 were stalwarts throughout for the girls in black and Amber.

The final score was Milltown 7-10 Round Towers 3-08. Milltown our 2nd team of the day also making up for their championship loss to Kill.

Division 4 Final

In the Division 4 decider from throw in Celbridge took control of the game and after just ten minutes they led by 2-4 to 0-1. Celbridge's midfield pairing, of Grace Flynn and Ailbhe Earley were dominant throughout ensuring plenty of possession for Celbridge's dangerous forward line. The link up play between Leah Earley and Orla Gowan was a particular feature of Celbridge's play with both players scoring goals in the first half.

Athy did create more chances in the second quarter however Celbridge's resolute defending kept them to just four points in the half. Half-Time Score Celbridge 2-8 V 0-4 Athy

In the second half the deteriorating weather made playing conditions very difficult though both teams to their credit continued to display a high level of commitment and skill.

The game was played in a sporting manner throughout and the performance of the referee certainly contributed to this. Overall this was a deserved victory for Celbridge who were just too strong for their opponents in all areas of the game winning by ten points in the end (3-10 to 0-09).

Division 3 Final

In Division 3, Kilcullen Ladies captured their first ever league title at adult level with a brilliant win over Maynooth. The Ragettes were clinical in the first half, racking up 5 goals to take a 5-6 to 0-3 half-time lead. Kilcullen got off to a flyer with goals from Ruth Birchall, Molly Aspell and Jayne Peacocke from the penalty spot giving them a 3-1 to 0-1 lead after 14 minutes and it was always going to be a struggle for Maynooth to get back into the game from there. To their credit, Maynooth threw everything



Emma Dargan of St Laurence's accepts her Division 6 Cup



Kilcullen captain Eimear McBride with her Div 3 Cup



Aishling Jennings of Confey receives her Division 1 Cup



Celbridge captain Grace Flynn accepts her Division 4 Cup



Castledermot captain Niamh Byrne with her Division 7 Cup



Sarsfields captain Noelle Earley with her Division 2 Cup



Milltown captain Lisa Murphy accepts her Division 5 Cup

at Kilcullen in the second half and actually outscored the Ragettes by 1-7 to 1-3 but the damage was done in the first half and when Sydney Sheridan got up to palm the ball to the net for Kilcullen after 7 minutes of the second half, there was only going to be one winner.

Sally Murphy was outstanding for Kilcullen winning the ball in the air, carrying it and creating panic in the Maynooth defence. Grace Rogers was dominant in midfield while Jayne Peacocke, Bróna Dooley, Molly Aspell and Ruth Birchall all also excelled. Áine Caffrey, Dervla McGinn and Shauna Kinsella carried the fight for Maynooth as they endeavoured to get back in

the game in the second half, while Orlaith Kirwan's free-taking was top class.

Kilcullen making amends for last years final loss to Naas and our 3rd team on the day taking home silverware having lost the intermediate champ final a few weeks ago to Carbury the party in the spout, Kilcullen we are told went late into the night. FT score: Kilcullen 6.10 Maynooth 1.09.

Division 1 Final

In the Division 1 final Confey added another trophy to their collection with a comprehensive win over rivals Lexlip played in horrendous weather conditions. After a frantic start, Confey got a hold on the

game converted 2-6 to Lexlip single point. The Confey scores came from some lovely team play lead by captain Ashling Jennings. Nathalie Behan finished a Deirdre Gately pass with a well executed punch into the net. Aine Gately added a well taken goal to put the champions in control.

Lexlip used the final ten minutes of the half to claw the lead back and put immense pressure on the Confey back line. Karen O Shea converted a penalty for Lexlip and added two points along with it. The half time score finished 2-6 to 1-5 with the momentum swinging towards Lexlip.

The second half showed Confey in all their glory with a

hard working defence and sublime passing within the forward line. Orla Hogan shone for Confey with her ferocious tackling and leadership.

The champions added points through Ashling Jennings and Grainne Heduan. Aine Gately used her speed to catch Lexlip on the break and gain a second goal for herself, totally 2-7 on the day.

The Lexlip forwards continued to work hard led by Maria Moolick with some great support play by Emily Birch.

Pressure from the Confey defence was too great and Lexlip only scored two points in the second half. The game ended 4.13 to 1.7.

GAA - Haven Hire MHC A Final

First half goals help Naas claim minor hurling title

Naas 2-14
Maynooth 1-8

By Robert Cribbin

It's back to back minor hurling titles for Naas as they achieved a rather comfortable victory over Maynooth in St Conleth's Park on Sunday afternoon.

Naas goals in the opening half from Charlie Sheridan and Dermot Hanifin meant Maynooth were always chasing and despite fighting back in the second period they left themselves with too much to do in the end.

It's just another success at underage level for Naas as they continue to sweep all before them and a couple of the players on show will look to do a hurling and football double in a couple of weeks.

It took less than sixty seconds for the first point to be registered on the scoreboard with Naas opening their account when dual star Dermot Hanifin split the posts.

Maynooth responded with a Cathal McCabe effort from distance and the wing forward doubled his tally a

couple of minutes later to offset a score for Naas from Conan Boran.

After David Qualter missed a free for Maynooth, Naas took command with 1-3 without reply as a pair of Liam Walsh converted placed balls came either side of a Matthew Whelan score from play.

The opening goal of the game then arrived when Dermot Hanifin won a ball inside and drilled a shot past Gearoid Hogan to give his side a six point lead.

Maynooth battled back with a pair of Qualter frees but Naas practically put the game to bed before the break with a Charlie Sheridan goal where he found the net on the second attempt after an earlier effort was saved by Hogan.

It was frees from there till the end of the half with two more Walsh attempts for Naas going over as well as McCabe's third of the half and as a result Naas went 2-7 to 0-5 ahead at the change of ends.

Maynooth kicked off the second half with a point from distance by McCabe to reduce the lead to seven but back to back points from Walsh and Hanifin soon extended the

Naas advantage.

McCabe and Rossa Stapleton exchanged points as Naas led 2-10 to 0-7 but a Shane Whyte goal gave Maynooth a lifeline.

David Qualter knew that a goal was needed if Maynooth were to get back in the game and he went for the three points with successive frees but both were saved by Sean Burke and fortunately for the Moyglare Road outfit the latter's attempt was driven in by Whyte on the rebound.

Maynooth had real momentum at that stage and they had a chance to get back within three points when Ray Kelly awarded a penalty for a foul on Adam Jordan but Qualter's shot was expertly saved by Burke in the Naas goal.

Naas soon refound their groove and three points in a row put the game beyond Maynooth with Stapleton, Walsh and Enda O'Neill all scoring.

The game petered out from there till the end with Walsh and Adam Jordan exchanging scores as Naas made it a fantastic league and championship double for the club.

Naas: Sean Burke; Colm



Naas midfielder Conan Boran gathers possession ahead of Maynooth's Harry Dunne during the Haven Hire Minor A Hurling Championship Final

Nolan, John McKeon, Aaron Lowry, Sean Conway, Kevin Kelleher, Peter O'Donoghue, Matthew Whelan 0-1, Conan Boran 0-1, Liam Walsh 0-7 (0-7fs), Rossa Stapleton 0-2, Ferran O'Sullivan, Charlie Sheridan 1-0, Enda O'Neill 0-1, Dermot Hanifin 1-2.

Subs used: Jack Mulvihill for O'Neill 56 mins, Eoin

Reilly for Sheridan 58 mins, Daire Guerin for O'Sullivan 62 mins.

Maynooth: Gearoid Hogan; Cian O'Neill, Matthew Eustace, Daniel O'Meara, Morgan Dunne, Eoin Kelliher, Kevin Carroll, Harry Dunne, Ciaran Flanagan, Padraig Doran, Cathal McCabe 0-5 (0-3fs), Conor

McBrearty, David Qualter 0-2 (0-2fs), Shane Whyte 1-0, Luke Kosinski.

Subs used: Conor Walsh for Dunne 51 mins, Adam Jordan 0-1 for McBrearty 52 mins, Cathal O'Donovan for McCabe 65 mins.

Ref: Ray Kelly

St Michael's edge out Moores in minor B final

Moorefield 4-11
St. Michael's 3-19

2019 Haven Hire MHC B Final

By Ian Baker

An amalgamation of Clane and Kilcock, St Michael's showed brave composure to claim the 2019 Haven Hire MHC 'B' Final in St. Conleth's on Sunday afternoon.

In a game of scrappy quality, Sean Hodgins' 27th minute goal gave St. Michael's a commanding platform.

So, when a 31st minute Sam Hyllier goal responded to Muiris Curtin and Conn Keogh points, St. Michael's led 2-7 - 0-10 at half-time.

Moorefield levelled the game for the sixth time when Sam Murphy scored a quick second-half goal. From Aaron

Martin's shot, Murphy's follow-up meant the game was once again deadlocked in the 32nd minute.

St. Michael's started to control the contest, however, as Hyllier added 1-1 to his growing tally. Despite Curtin again responding, Hyllier, Hayes and Vizzard gave St. Michael's a 3-13 - 1-11 lead in the 48th minute.

In the closing ten minutes, St. Michael's appeared to be in control, but three Moorefield goals from Curtin, Keogh and Aaron Martin kept the supporters guessing.

But rounding out stunning displays, and always responding to Moorefield's goals, points from Vizzard, Hayes, Hyllier, Hodgins and Darcy secured the MHC 'B' title for St. Michael's.

Scorers: St Michael's - S Hyllier 2-6; E Hayes 0-6; S Hodgins 1-1 (1f); C Vizzard 0-4 (f); G Darcy 0-2.

Moorefield - M Curtin 1-6 (5f); C Keogh 1-2; A Martin and S Murphy 1-0 each; S Maher, A Hackett (f) and A O'Brien 0-1 each.

St Michaels: Jack Cahalin; Pierce Morrow, Aaron Connolly, Declan Kavanagh; Carlie Connolly, Cian Shanahan, Eamon Little; Aidan Mooney, Ross O'Brien; Ger Darcy, Cormac Vizzard, Eoin Hayes; Evan O'Brien, Sean Hodgins, Sam Hyllier. Subs: Dylan Morrow for Hayes (59 mins).

Moorefield: Cian Cullen; Rory Scanlon, Jason Dunne, Luke O'Brien; Dave Moloney, Aaron Shelley, Conn Corrigan; Sean Maher, Sam McGuirk; Conor Keogh, Muiris Curtin, Aidan O'Brien; Sam Murphy, Alo Hackett, Aaron Martin. Subs: Paul Kruger for Scanlon (h/t); Jake Moylan for Shelley (h/t); 18 for Hackett (56 mins).

Ref: David Walsh.



Moorefield's Sean Maher turns in field from the chasing Cormac Vizzard of St Michaels during the Haven Hire Minor B Hurling Championship Final

GAA - Joe Mallon Motors SFC Relegation Final

Raheens edge out Two Mile House by a point to retain senior status

Raheens 0-17
Two Mile House 1-13

By Robert Cribbin

For all that was at stake it turned out to be quite the contest as Raheens maintained their Senior Football Championship status with a one point victory over Two Mile House.

David Malone's 57th minute score which was one of four for the wing forward eventually settled the result in the direction of Raheens after a calamity like final few

minutes.

Sub Jack Collins had Two Mile House within a point but no matter how hard they tried they couldn't force an equaliser as last year's intermediate winners return to that grade at the first time of asking.

Raheens were the dominant team for the majority of the first half when leading by 0-7 to 0-3 but they couldn't quite shake off their opponents after kicking a number of wides and the House took full advantage with an Aidan Casey goal giving them a 1-7 to 0-9 lead at the break.

Two Mile House were three up at one stage of the second half but Raheens kept grinding away and they eventually reeled in the deficit with points from Colm Power, Paddy Woodgate and David Malone and in the end that was enough to seal the win.

Raheens: Declan Campbell; Tom Dore, Tom Earley, Jack Hamill, Conor Earley, Shane Crowley, Killian Thompson 0-1, Liam Power 0-2, David Fitzpatrick, David Malone 0-4, Alan Igoe 0-1 (0-1f), Rory Donnelly 0-1, Paddy Woodgate

0-6 (0-4fs), Colm Power 0-2, Graham Waters.

Subs used: Barry Winder for Igoe 40 mins, Anthony Thompson for Dore 55 mins.

Two Mile House: John Goff; William Burke, Nathan Sherry, Finian Breen, Matt Kelly 0-1, Peter Kelly 0-1, Andy May 0-1, Caomhan Doolan, Andy Cregg, Tony O'Connor 0-2, Chris Healy, Gavin Burke, Liam Coleman, Niall Browne 0-1, Aidan Casey 1-6 (0-6fs).

Subs used: Jack Collins 0-1 for M.Kelly h-t, Conor Keogh for Coleman 46 mins, Joe Darcy for Breen 52 mins.

Ref: Liam Herbert



Raheens Colm Power in possession

GAA - Pittman Traffic IFC Relegation Final

Donnelly the hero as Ellistown retain intermediate status

Ellistown 1-14
Kill aet 2-10

By Robert Cribbin

Ellistown maintained their Intermediate Football Championship status with a last gasp victory over Kill in a game that went all the way to extra-time at Manguard Plus Hawkfield.

Oran Donnelly was the Ellistown hero with his palmed goal two minutes from time giving his side the victory.

It's the second year running

Ellistown have stayed up with a one point victory after they did the same against Ballymore Eustace in 2018.

It could have been so different as two early goals from Paul Kirwan and Eoin Finneran had Kill in the driving seat but Ellistown who were helped by Pat Martin and Andy O'Neill eventually worked their way back into the game and even led with Kill's Matthew Ryan pointing to force extra-time.

Kill were the better team for long periods of the added on time with Kirwan and Cillian Armstrong starring but they were stunned when Donnelly

struck on the back of a dropping shot from Eoin Cannon.

Ellistown: Alan Melia; Christy Kelly, Brendan Byrne, Dean Frahill, James Sutton, Darren Kelly, Pat Martin 0-2, Cillian Barry, Shane Maughan, Eoin O'Neill, Conor O'Loughlin 0-1, Eoin O'Loughlin 0-2, Andy O'Neill 0-7 (0-3fs), Dan Dempsey, Andriu MacLochlainn 0-2.

Subs used: Tom O'Loughlin for Maughan h-t, Tomas Scully for O'Neill h-t, Oran Donnelly 1-0 for Dempsey 45 mins, Conor Lindy for Barry 60 mins, Eoin Cannon for

C.O'Loughlin 66 mins.

Kill: Jake Nolan; Ruairi Connolly, Morgan Cocoman, Justin Halligan, Karl Maguire, Eoin Finneran 1-0, James Lawlor, Jack Healy, Dara Challoner, Jamie Nolan, David O'Kelly, John O'Brien, Paul Kirwan 1-7 (0-6fs), Cian Lawlor 0-1, Matthew Ryan 0-1.

Subs used: Michael O'Mahony for Lawlor 49 mins, Gavin Mahady for Maguire 52mins, Ross Doyle for Nolan 57 mins, Gavin Trimble for Halligan 65 mins, Cillian Armstrong 0-1 for Lawlor 70 mins.

Ref: Frank Delaney



Ellistown's Darren Kelly drives clear from the chasing Kill pack during the Pittman Traffic Intermediate Football Relegation Final

KILDARE GAA FIXTURES

Fri 11 Oct

2019 Manguard Plus Minor A Football Championship Semi Final Replay

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield, Clane V St. Laurence's GAA 19:45, Ref: Matthew Redmond 2 x 10 mins Extra time if required

Sat 12 Oct

2019 Haven Hire Under 21 A Hurling Championship Semi Finals

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield Pitch 1, Celbridge V Naas 14:30, Ref: Anthony Herbert
Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield Pitch 1, Killard V Éire Óg Corra Choill 16:00, Ref: Tim O Sullivan

2019 Haven Hire Under 21 B Hurling Championship Semi Final

Venue: Manguard Plus Hawkfield Pitch 2, Kilcock V Clane 14:00, Ref: Fergus Devereux

2019 Jack Higgins Cup Final

Venue: Naas, Ballymore Eustace V Sarsfields 17:00, Ref: Liam Whelan 2 x 10 mins Extra time if required

2019 Under 17 D Football Competition

Venue: Miltown, Miltown V Abbey Rangers 14:00, Ref: Michael Meehan
Venue: St Kevin's, St Kevin's V St Vincents 14:00, Ref: Sham Moran
Venue: Confey, Confey GAA V Celbridge 14:00, Ref: Noel Reilly

Sun 13 Oct

2019 Manguard Plus Minor C Football Championship Final

Venue: Newbridge, Eadestown V Newtown Gaels 12:30, Ref: Stephen Foley

2019 Manguard Plus Minor B Football Championship Final

Venue: Newbridge, Raheens V Sallins 14:15, Ref: Paddy Mc Dermott

2019 Pittman Traffic Intermediate Football Championship Final

Venue: Newbridge, Leixlip V Monasterevan 16:00, Ref: Brendan Cawley

GAA

All Newbridge affair as Moorefield and Sarsfields book final spots

By Robert Cribbin

Sarsfields are into their first county final since 2016 after a four point win over Celbridge and despite the awful conditions it's something that is hugely satisfying for Davy Burke.

"The conditions were dreadful but we have been getting used to it at this stage and when you see Ray Cahill and Alan Smith tackling like that you know you are onto something and the rest of the boys will have to do the same. Robbie Confrey and Shane Doyle were the same and it's just brilliant.

"It wasn't a day for hand passing around the middle and without knowing off-hand I'd say we turned them over seven or eight times and we probably only converted once or twice off that which is something we need to work on.

"We played Naas in a league semi-final ten weeks ago in the same conditions and we ran into contact after contact but I suppose that's what League is for and we learned a lot and it worked out thank god.

"When we went 0-5 to 0-3 ahead and then 0-6 to 0-3 it



Moorefield's Eanna O'Connor and Athy's Sean Ronan battle to catch a high dropping ball. Photo: Pat Tinsley

was a lovely cushion on a day like that but it was still a last kick of the game job and we are just delighted with it."

Barry Coffey scored two points in the win and he's a player that came in for huge praise as he tries to put his injury problems behind him.

"Barry Coffey was the ace up our sleeve, we would have kept him under cotton wool for the last while and he's a

serious player.

"He's very versatile and can play anywhere from wing back up to corner forward and he's had a terrible year with injuries. He missed all of 2018 with concussion but it shows if you work hard you will get on the field," Burke said.

Sarsfields opponents on October 20 will be a familiar one after Moorefield

qualified for their fourth consecutive decider, beating Athy on a scoreline of 2-10 to 1-09.

After an inconsistent championship, the reigning champions were right back on it at the weekend and manager Ross Glavin has huge trust in his players.

"We showed great character, our first half performance was excellent but there was always going to be a time when Athy came and they did but it's how we respond to adversity that's the most pleasing aspect of it all.

"We have huge experience in that dressing room and countered with the character and resilience we are in another county final.

"The players know what they are doing and while mentally they might not have been as tuned in to some of the earlier games they were this week. When I know they are on the money I'm going to expect a big performance.

"If there is one group I'd back when they lose momentum it's this Moorefield team. These lads know how to win these matches and that attribute is worth its weight in gold ahead of a lad and team that has



Ben McCormack retains possession despite the best efforts of Celbridge's Hugh McGrillen and Kevin Flynn. Photo: Pat Tinsley

talent. I'm not saying we don't have talent but they know how to win matches and that's very pleasing."

Goals from Niall Hurley Lynch and Eanna O'Connor settled the tie in Moorefield's favour but they know if they were a bit more clinical then it wouldn't have been as tight as it was in the end.

"Niall Hurley Lynch and

Eanna O'Connor got the goals but if you want to be really critical there was other chances there that we missed as well.

"It's a big winning margin then and it wouldn't have been so tight come the end. I think we were worthy winners but look that's not going to win you a county final," Glavin admitted.

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2018 hurt can drive Monasterevan back to senior ranks

By Robert Cribbin

It's a truly unique pairing as one club in Monasterevan returns to an intermediate final just one year after losing on the big day while their opponents Leixlip are there for the first time since the 1930's.

The two are still unbeaten in the championship so to say that they don't deserve to be in the decider would be a bit of a stretch and its set up for an intriguing affair.

Remarkably at the start of the year two divisions separated the teams with Leixlip in Division 1 and Monasterevan in Division 3 but after the North Kildare Side were relegated and the Barrow Blues were promoted they will line up in Division 2 together in 2020.

Crucially though they won't

be in the same championship as one team will make that crucial leap to senior level at the end of Sunday's final.

There were joyous scenes at the end of the 2018 final with Two Mile House reaching the big time for the first time, but with it only lasting a year Leixlip can reverse positions with them after they went down last year.

In truth, Leixlip were unlucky to suffer relegation as it was only a stoppage time point from Clane that sent them down but they've bounced back superbly.

It's very rare that a team bounces straight back from intermediate up to senior but the team in Maroon and White are now just 60 minutes away from that feat.

Their opponents are looking to repeat the heroics of 2012 when they won the said title before later taking Leinster honours at the back

end of the year.

Monasterevan don't know how to lose currently as after they sealed promotion and the subsequent Division 3 title without DJ Earley, John O'Toole, Pdraig Nash and Wayne Fitzpatrick for the majority they kicked on throughout the championship.

Brian Lonergan's men topped their championship group where they had relatively comfortable victories over Kilcullen and Ballyteague before they passed their first big test with a one point victory over Kilcock. As fate would have it, Kilcock then duly came through the preliminary stages to set up a rematch and it's here where Monasterevan looked to have used up all their nine lives as they trailed deep into stoppage time by two points but a late late goal from Mark Kelly got

them out of jail.

A thundering encounter with Clogherinkoe followed in the last four and despite trailing for long periods they again showed all their character with Pdraig Nash who was practically on one leg scoring a goal and two brilliant points to give them another one point margin.

So there is no doubt that Monasterevan have been put to the limit on their route to the Final but the same can't be said of Leixlip.

After a round 1 win a couple of months ago over Sallins, Leixlip continued on with three group wins over Nurney, Kill and Straffan.

Two repeat contest then followed in the knockout stages with wins over Straffan and Sallins and they had a bit to spare in both.

Sallins had plenty of possession in that semi-final but they weren't efficient

enough and with star man Tommy Moolick getting a late goal Leixlip eventually ran out seven point winners.

Eoin Dunne manages Leixlip and he has them incredibly well coached and they are a very difficult team to play through with Leixlip's organisation having teams in a spin.

Even in Wayne Fitzpatrick's absence Monasterevan seem to have more of an x-factor about them with the likes of Paul Maloney, Ryan Bannon and Pdraig Nash all big sharpshooters.

They have a hard edge too with DJ Earley and John O'Toole really showing their strength in defence and O'Toole showed his ability when doing a fine man marking job on Jack Robinson against Clogherinkoe.

While Monasterevan have that explosiveness, Leixlip

can counter that with a fluent game plan that they have down to a tee.

Moolick has the ability to dominate around the middle of the field and with a solid platform behind him he has licence to go forward.

Eamonn Murphy and Paddy Meagher are the main forces in attack while off the bench Jack Barrett has a crucial role to play for Leixlip.

It's too simple to say its attack against defence but how that transpires will certainly have an effect on the result.

They are two evenly matched teams but Monasterevan do seem to have that extra bite in their forward line and while the fitness of Nash will be huge even still there seems to be enough in the tank to survive in his absence to get the victory.

Verdict: Monasterevan

Naas claim senior hurling title after 17 year drought

Naas 0-15
Coill Dubh 0-12

Haven Hire SHC Final

Naas are Kildare Senior Hurling Champions for the first time since 2002 after edging a disappointing final against Coill Dubh.

Naas were the better team throughout with Brian Byrne scoring seven points as they achieved a grand slam of hurling titles with the juniors and intermediates also claiming county crowns.

In the end the three point win probably flatters Coill Dubh as Naas were the better side throughout and ran out fully deserving winners.

It's a win that has been coming for a few years and it will be a huge relief to everyone in the club to finally get over the line.

Coill Dubh in comparison were never really at the races and apart from a little spurt in the second period, they really struggled against the forceful Naas defence.

Despite being a huge doubt all week after only appearing as a second half sub in the semi-final, Brian Byrne lined out at full forward for Naas while on the Coill Dubh side Mark Byrne came in for the experienced Ruairi Hayden.

Naas started like a house on fire with Shane Ryan very much to the fore early on and he was fouled for the opening free which Jack Sheridan converted.

Ryan then broke clear on the far sideline to get his side's second point a couple of minutes later with a lovely effort from play.

Brian Byrne made it 0-3 to 0-0 in the 8th minute but Colm Rourke's side should have been much further clear on the scoreboard after Jack Sheridan squandered four scoring chances with three of them coming from placed balls.

It took until the 10th minute for Coill Dubh to score when Mark Delaney fired over from play and after playing second fiddle for much of the half they were somehow only a point behind when Declan Flaherty scored from distance.

Brian Byrne took over from Sheridan on frees halfway through the half and Naas reaped immediate dividends when he landed a 65.

Coill Dubh's Johnny Byrne was pretty anonymous up to that stage but he showed his class in hitting over to leave just a point between the sides.

Naas then had a couple of great goal chances with Sheridan getting through on two occasions but he converted neither with his first mishit before Owen Lenehan made a point blank save to deny him on the second occasion.

Byrne did at least convert a couple of 65's on the back of those misses to leave Naas three points to the good.

Coill Dubh kept in touch with a free from Delaney and a brilliant effort from near the endline by Ryan Casey but Naas finished the half the better with a trio of Byrne frees including one right on the sideline that left his side 0-9 to 0-5 ahead at the break.

Coill Dubh looked primed to reel Naas in when a Delaney free and Johnny Byrne's second from play reduced the gap to two at the start of the second half but they couldn't kick on even if they had a lot of possession.

Naas responded brilliantly with three points between the 35th and 38th minutes with James Burke x2 and Cathal Dowling powering the county town into a 0-12 to 0-7 advantage.

After seventeen years without a title, Naas began to get nervous approaching the finish line with three Delaney frees getting Coill Dubh back within two.

Crucially though, Delaney missed one of those four efforts and it seemed to puncture the Coill Dubh challenge with Byrne and Sheridan from frees and sub Mick Purcell from play pushing Naas five points clear.

Coill Dubh got back to within a goal after Delaney and Diarmuid Cahill knocked over frees but they needed a goal to force a replay and while the right man in Johnny Byrne had the ball with the last play he lost control and could only blaze into the side netting.

Referee Dave Coady blew the whistle from the resulting puckout to jubilant scenes as Naas after a long wait finally got over the line.

Naas: Cormac Gallagher; Conor Gormley, Richard Hogan, Donal MacSweeney, Paul Sullivan, Rian Boran, Simon Leacy, Shane Broderick, Cathal Dowling 0-1, Philip Cocoman, Jack Sheridan 0-2 (0-2fs), Ross Kelly, James Burke 0-2, Brian Byrne 0-8 (0-4fs, 0-3 65), Shane Ryan 0-1.

Subs used: Sean Gainey for Gormley 3 mins, Michael Purcell 0-1 for Cocoman 50 mins, Darach MacDonnacha for MacSweeney 56 mins, Conor Dowling for Ryan 59 mins, Mark Nevin for Cathal Dowling 61 mins.

Coill Dubh: Owen Lenehan; Diarmuid Cahill 0-1 (0-1f), Dylan Brereton, Joseph Kenny, Barry Mullins, Mark Grace, Conor Gordon, Ross Carew, Luke O'Reilly, Ryan Casey 0-1, Mark Byrne, Tom Brady, Mark Delaney 0-7 (0-6fs), Jonathan Byrne 0-2, Declan Flaherty 0-1.

Subs used: Ruairi Hayden for Kenny h-t.

Ref: Dave Coady



The victorious Naas panel and mentors after the presentation. Photos: Pat Tinsley



Coill Dubh's Ryan Casey leaps acrobatically to prevent a clearance by Simon Leacy



Coill Dubh's Dylan Brereton attempts to foil a pointed attempt by Jack Sheridan (Naas)

"The proudest day of my life so far" - Naas captain Paul Sullivan

For most people it's a dream that will never be fulfilled in captaining their club to a senior county title. But on Sunday Naas skipper Paul Sullivan crossed that off the bucket list.

The 29-year-old has seen it all over the last few years with the club and while he had achieved success at county level, a big win with Naas had always eluded him.

That's no longer the case though and the wing back couldn't hide his delight afterwards.

"It's the proudest day of my life so far, I said it in the speech that it's been seventeen years with some of us slogging for twelve or thirteen years of that and it's just a massive break for us.

"We have gone through heartbreak the last number of years and it's just unreal to finally get over the line."

It's only when you take a glimpse through the pen pics for last week's match programme that you realise how young the Naas side is with the

majority being students, and it's that enthusiasm that has got them over past defeats.

"It's hard to keep coming back but we don't know any different and it's added so much steel to the group.

"There's young lads who have added a real freshness, you just have to look at Rian Boran getting man of the match and he's a mountain of a man.

"The drive the young lads have is great and they only know winning and that's brought all the older lads forward as well", Sullivan said.

Workrate is something that has been drilled into them throughout Colm Rourke's time in charge, and again as he has many times previously the captain marks this as the stepping stone for the team, with the likes of Shane Ryan and Jack Sheridan pointed out.

Sullivan himself was part of a very impressive half back line including Simon Leacy and Rian Boran but he was giving the praise elsewhere.

"We worked a lot on the dirty ball on

the ground over the last two weeks and it's something we have criticised ourselves about and it worked a treat today thank god.

"We can't rely on one guy and we have said it over the last few days that not all 15 will have a game of their lives so you just have to keep the workrate going and you can see that in Shane Ryan and Jack Sheridan, and when you have them boys just chomping at lads it makes the half back line look good."

With a senior crown in the bag many people will expect Naas to kick on and dominate but it's not something they are worried about in the short term, and Sullivan and his teammates are keen to enjoy this victory

"We're not looking by the celebrations to be honest, people are going to say that we will dominate for the next few years and that's not how it works.

"It takes years and years of grafting and we are really going to enjoy this one and we will see where we go from there."

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NAAS DO THE DOUBLE!



Coill Dubh's Johnny Byrne rises highest for possession of the sliotar during the Senior Hurling Championship final on Sunday, October 6 in St Conleth's Park. Naas seniors and minors claimed another two titles to add to their intermediate and junior wins. Above: Paul Sullivan lifts the Tony Carew Cup.

PICTURE: Pat Tinsley