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'County Tipperary sulky racers flouting the law'

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Sulky racing was hotly debated at Tipperary County Council's recent monthly meeting in Clonmel.

Cllr David Doran said those involved in sulky racing are "openly and blatantly flouting the law", calling on

the council to take action. "I had a motion down four years ago looking for this council to ban sulky racing on the roads like our counterparts in Kilkenny did and it was rejected for many reasons. Since that time, there have been many near fatalities, acts of brutality and barbaric behaviour towards defenceless animals that shouldn't be out on our roads.

We are all culpable if we allow it to take place on our roads because we are the local authority for our roads," he said.

"Sulky racing is barbaric, cruel, non-traditional and alienated to anyone that loves animals. We border Kilkenny and sulky racing has gotten more prevalent in the area I represent. It's going to cause a fatality soon. An animal is

going to go through a car carrying a family. People are closing off public roads that we are all paying tax on and racing horses in an organised criminal way where there's betting involved and it shouldn't be accepted by the local authority. We seem to be pampering and it's not good enough or acceptable," Cllr Doran added.

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Cashel King Cormacs camogie players Grace O'Dwyer, Caoimhe Perdue, Nicole Shelley, Clodagh O'Gorman, Aideen Bergin and Aisling Farrell at the club's fundraising disco in Brosnan's Bar. Read more in the Local Spotlight section on page 30

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'Sulky racing accidents should be treated like a hit-and-run'

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Cllr Martin Browne claimed that the Kilkenny bye-law banning sulky racing isn't working. "Sulky racing is illegal. The Traveller Horse Owners Association has 200 members that are trying to solve the problem and the council needs to work with them. They are trying to get rid of underagers on sulkies," he said.

He called on councillors not to be "hypocritical" when it comes to sulky racing on public roads, comparing horse racing events such as the Aintree Grand National to the activity. "If it's dangerous out on the road, it's dangerous in a field," he added.

Clonmel councillor Catherine Carey said there are daily incidents involving horses in the locality, reiterating that the county "desperately" needs a horse warden.

Cllr Seamus Hanafin said

accidents involving horses on public roads should be thoroughly investigated. He said the horse owners should be hit with a "very serious offence, similar to a hit-and-run," adding: "People who have horses that are not chipped should be given fines that are punitive."

Cllr John Hogan doesn't support a motion to ban sulky racing, underlining that the activity takes place on roads in Kilkenny every week and is "not causing any trouble". He called on the council to provide off-road facilities for sulky racing.

"I live on a very old road that goes out to the N7 and it is used very frequently for sulky racing. We have to provide some place that sulky racing can happen in an organised fashion," he said.

"The gardai also use that road for training their squad cars and it's not a problem. Why can't we do something

similar for sulky racing? On a Sunday evening off-peak, give them an hour when it's regulated with guards on both ends of the road.

"It's one of the oldest sports - Circus Maximus on the roads and that sort of racing has been going on for thousands of years. Horses are meant to race and if we leave horses out in a field on their own they will race all day long. Regulate it and let them have their sport. Maybe it will show the traveller community that we are working with them. Banning it is never going to move it forward," Cllr Hogan added.

Cllr Richie Molloy said those involved in sulky racing would "laugh" at a bye-law banning it, suggesting that those involved in the activity around Clonmel would simply cross the bridge and race in County Waterford. "The public get stopped and checked for tax and insur-



A call was made to provide off-road facilities for sulky racing at Tipperary County Council's April meeting

ance - the same sort of system should apply for horses. You would feel conscious that one of these lads is going to topple over, and there have been a number of incidents in the last couple of weeks," he said.

He called on Tipperary County Council to tackle it in a "positive way", adhering to Cllr Hogan's suggestion for closed-off sulky racing. He mentioned a venue similar to the Tipperary Raceway in

Rosegreen, which is used for hot rod, stock car and banger racing, for the activity. "You don't expect to see those vehicles on the roads no more than sulkies," Cllr Molloy added.

Man charged in connection with Clonmel assault

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A Clonmel man aged in his 30s has appeared before a district court charged in connection with a serious assault on a man in Clonmel last week.

The man was assaulted near the bus stop on Queen Street on Wednesday afternoon, April 17.

A Clonmel Garda Station spokesperson said the victim suffered serious but not life

threatening injuries in the incident.

A man was arrested shortly afterwards and interviewed by gardai in relation to the assault. He was subsequently charged and ap-

peared before Cashel District Court last Thursday morning.

He was remanded on bail to appear before Clonmel District Court on Tuesday, June 18.

Twelve hours battling Glen of Aherlow fire

Fire fighters spent about 12 hours battling a forest fire in the Glen of Aherlow on Easter Sunday and into the early hours of Easter Monday.

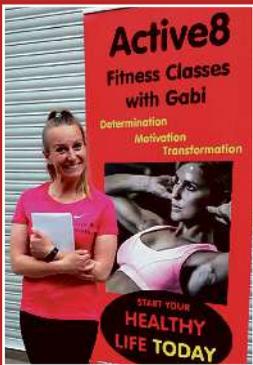
The fire in woodland on Cush Mountain was reported to Tipperary Fire Service at 2.30pm on Sunday. Fire tenders from Tipperary and Cahir along with a water tanker from

Cahir were rushed to the scene of the blaze.

A Tipperary Fire Service spokesperson said it took fire fighters until 3am on Monday to get the fire under control and they remained monitoring the area until 7am on

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He said no one was injured in the fire and its cause is unknown. The Fire Service spokesperson said the good weather of the past week unfortunately meant conditions for its spread were ideal.



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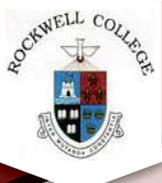
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'All students have a right to feel cared for in our school'

The first-ever wellbeing week at the Abbey CBS secondary school took place earlier this month.

"Wellbeing is now an integral component of the school curriculum. We also know that the mental health and wellbeing of our students is critical to success in school and life," said Abbey principal John Kiely.

A unique event called Managing my wellbeing in the GAA took place in the new PE hall. The panel consisted of Tipperary senior football captain and geography teacher Conor Sweeney, principal and Limerick senior hurling manager John Kiely, Leaving Cert student and underage Tipperary dual star Johnny Ryan, former Galway camogie player Aislinn Connolly, former Cork dual star Jamie Wall, and Limerick senior hurling player Seán Finn. They were interviewed by Seán Mullins who acted as an inspirational MC for the event.

A panel discussion took place for over an hour with opportunities for the audience to ask questions. This event gave students a great insight into how to look after the physical, mental and emotional aspects of being a top-level athlete.

Sixty students along with Mr. Riall, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Quirke and Ms. Quinn also took on the challenge of cycling the full 47km Waterford Greenway, commencing in Dungarvan and ending in Waterford city. Despite some changeable weather in Tip-

perary that morning, the sunny south east did not disappoint, and the group were blessed with plenty of sunshine with scattered showers in between.

Over the week a number of guest speakers presented to students. Senior students engaged in Beat the Blues workshops with James Moroney from Aware, along with mindfulness and Relationships and Sexuality Education workshops from Tipperary Youth Service.

Third, transition and sixth year students were privileged to be part of a moving and powerful session from Peter Ryan of Upperchurch. Peter was a teenager with a bright future ahead of him both professionally and on the field representing the Tipperary minor hurlers in 2008.

However, less than 18 months later he was diagnosed with a rare genetic disorder, resulting in the loss of his sight over a very short space of time. Over time, he adapted to his life limiting condition and he has become a full-time athlete and cyclist representing Ireland in two Paralympic competitions. Despite his affliction, he has a very positive outlook and the take home message for the students, especially those in exam classes, was to put things in perspective, take every day as it comes and try to keep stress relating to the upcoming exams to a minimum.

Third year students heard from local lady and sailor Mary Frawley who is recently home after spending almost a



Annmarie Ruby, Niamh McCarthy, Conor Sweeney, Sean Finn, Aislin Connolly, Jonathan Ryan, Sean Mullins, principal John Kiely and Jamie Wall

year at sea participating in the Clipper Race. The Clipper Race is unique in that it trains non-professionals to be ocean faring sailors. The idea of a circumnavigation had always been a dream for Mary, with the nurse from Emly describing the Clipper Race as the adventure of a lifetime. The team battled hurricane force winds, waves up to 14 metres, crossed five oceans and visited 12 host ports on six different continents, completing a 40,000 nautical mile circumnavigation. The students listened very attentively to Mary and were very

enthused by the experience which she had.

First and second year students participated online safety workshops which were very apt given the level of danger they are exposed to on social media. These workshops were carried out by John Lillis, student advisor with Bank of Ireland. Some junior groups were also involved with Drop Everything and Move initiatives throughout the week.

Special thanks to Niamh McCarthy, Conor Hayes, Anne Marie Ruby and all the school wellbeing committee

for organising the events, all teachers that participated in activities, and most importantly the guest speakers and visitors for making it a huge success. Monies raised through entry to the panel discussion and a non-uniform day were donated to Cystic Fibrosis Ireland, Aware and Pieta House.

"Wellbeing matters in the here and now. It is important because all students have a right to feel cared for in our school. That said, we also know that students who have higher levels of wellbeing tend to have better cognitive

outcomes in school. ESRI research found that children with higher levels of emotional, behavioural, social and school wellbeing had higher levels of academic achievement subsequently (at ages 11, 14, and 16).

"Therefore, wellbeing and learning are inextricably connected. Wellbeing is an ongoing initiative and process, and this week highlighted the importance of it and the involvement of all school stakeholders. We hope to build on it for the next school year," added principal John Kiely.

Modern languages celebrated at Cashel Community School

Cashel Community School's desire to promote diversity and inclusiveness was evident when modern foreign languages were celebrated at the school this month.

Students in the school are offered both French and German as options from first year to sixth year and many choose to study both languages to Leaving Cert level.

The week chosen reflected the international day of French speaking countries on March 20, when France, its language and culture were celebrated in a fun and innovative way. A language quiz, first year French and German breakfasts, art competitions, a transition year French theatre show, and a senior essay writing competition were some of the activities enjoyed by students over the

course of the week.

Junior cycle students participated in a modern foreign language art competition under the theme of We Love Languages/Nous aimons les langues /Ich liebe Deutsch. The standard of entries was extremely high with Oona Bogdan, Viktor Csanyi and Chloe Coleman being awarded first, second and third year prizes respectively.

Julianne Bongaras' impressive artwork scooped her the overall art prize this year. Bravo!

First and second year students for their part participated in a highly competitive table quiz where a tie break round saw Eoghan O'Leary, Adrian Gayson Molloy, Gráinne O'Connor and Amy Wood emerge as triumphant winners. Senior pupils demonstrated their prowess in both French and German, producing insightful essays

in both languages on why it is important to learn modern foreign languages. Sophie O'Shea Áine Reade, Jennifer Fogarty and Marjorie de Castro proved successful in this section.

The final task for sixth years was to interview students and teachers in French throughout lunchtime with the best interviewers Caoimhe Crosse and Julia Bongaras both receiving a prize for their efforts.

A new departure for modern foreign language week was the provision of a French and German breakfast for all first years organised by their sixth year link students. The pupils all enjoyed croissants, pain au chocolats, salami, smoked cheese, ham, rye bread and juices in school. Staff also benefited with an array of French and German delicacies provided at break time.



Principal John Gallagher with Cashel Community School students Jennifer Fogarty and Caoimhe Crosse

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Clonmel Rowing Club honours the late 'Gringo' Burke

Clonmel Rowing Club has remembered a much-loved and popular former member by naming a boat in his honour.

The late Richard 'Gringo' Burke, who died this month last year, was a club member in the 1970s and 80s.

At the boat-naming ceremony held at The Island, his mother Kathleen was presented with a replica of the national championship pennant and a photo of the crew that Richard coxed to victory in 1980.

His brothers and sisters also attended the ceremony, along with Rowing Club officers.

Gringo passed away at a relatively young age in Chiang Mai, Thailand, on April 6 last

year. He had lived in Thailand for many years, having taken early retirement from Eircom, with whom he worked for in Dublin.

Despite living on the other side of the world, he never lost touch with home and was a regular visitor to his home at Western Road, Clonmel, over the years.

A past pupil of Clonmel High School where he sat his Leaving Cert in 1981, he received a poignant send-off from family and a wide circle of friends at a memorial mass at St. Mary's in Irishtown, a fortnight after his death.



ABOVE: At Clonmel Rowing Club's boat-naming ceremony for Richard 'Gringo' Burke were his mother Kathleen; sisters Pauline, Fiona and Marie; brothers Noel and Andrew; Dermot Dougan; and Frank Kent. LEFT: The late Richard 'Gringo' Burke

Eddie Golden appointed to new position in An Garda Síochána

A New Inn garda has been appointed to the rank of superintendent with responsibility for the Garda National Roads Policing and Major Event Management Bureau.

Eddie Golden has been promoted from the rank of inspector to superintendent by Garda Commissioner Drew Harris as part of a major reshuffle of senior ranks in the force.

Supt Golden was sta-

tioned in Cahir before his promotion to garda headquarters in Dublin.

He joined the force in 1994 and has served in numerous stations throughout the country.

He is recognised for his wide knowledge of policing

and is well respected for his community engagement work in An Garda Síochána.

Supt Golden has been a strong advocate for road safety throughout his career, receiving a national Leading Light Award from the Road Safety Authority in 2016.

He is a former Garda driving instructor and is well known in Tipperary for his strong media presence offering road safety advice.

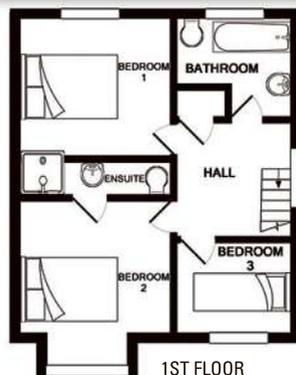
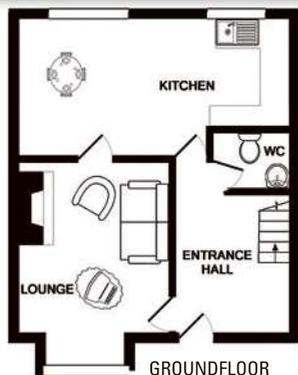
Supt Golden is the eldest son of Joe and Kitty Golden, who also have three other sons who are members of An

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Record crowd attends Rockwell College's annual dinner

Rockwell College's annual dinner drew a crowd of 300 past pupils at Hotel Minella, some of whom finished at the school 60 years.

Rockwell College Union presented Fr Jack Meade with the Rockwell Person of the Year award for his many years of service and dedication to the college and in his missionary field. Fr Jack accepted the award on behalf of the service given by all the Holy Ghost Order to education and in the missionary field.

Former student Andrew Foley gave an inspiring talk on the work he is doing with underprivileged children in Lesbos since 2014. A hand-made sign occupies prime position on the reception desk at the Gekko Kids school in Lesbos. "Our 'golden rules' is spelled out in bold capital letters," he said.

"Be respectful is the number one rule. At the

bottom of the list is less of a rule and more of an inspiration on how to get the most out of life. It simply says 'be the best you can'. It is a message that at least 800 children have seen since the Gekko Kids school opened its doors in August 2017."

He was watching television at home in County Waterford in February 2016 when he saw distressing images of boats carrying migrants arriving on the island of Lesbos. "I came here initially for just two weeks," he recalls. "I was quite impacted by what I saw on the news and I decided to go and offer some support."

Three years later, Andrew is still on Lesbos and is a key member of the Better Days Greece local group that is setting up educational centres for refugee children. Andrew gave up a promising career in IT security to work full-time in the humanitarian sector.



John O' Riordan, Jack Clarke, Michael Fitzgibbon, Gary Halpin, Denis Leamy and Sean Tobin



Peter Bolger, Fr Jack Meade and Andrew Foley



Brendan Cullinane, Shane O'Flynn and Edward Taylor

'ASD units needed in primary schools'

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Education Minister Joe McHugh and schools in the Clonmel area have been requested to play their part in ensuring that an ASD (Autism Spectrum Disorder) unit is provided at primary school level in the town.

Cllr. Pat English suggested at a meeting of Clonmel Borough District Council that the Minister would be requested to provide such a unit. The town already had a

unit at the High School secondary and a pre-school at St. Mary's, but facilities at primary level were also needed.

Cllr. Marie Murphy claimed there was no issue in securing funding from the Department of Education but the schools had to be willing to take on such units. The units in the schools in Newcastle and Burncourt were fully subscribed.

Cllr. Michael Murphy said that applications must come from the schools, and for ASD units to be successful there had to be "a complete buy-in"

by the principal and teaching staff, as well as the board of management and parents council.

If any school applied they would be granted the necessary funding.

Cllr. Murphy said that an ASD unit was a huge cultural change for any school, and a huge undertaking. But it was important that these children would receive the best possible support from an early age, which had huge implications for later life. He said that 12 places in both ASD classrooms that would open in Clerihan school next

September were already filled.

Cllr. Catherine Carey agreed that the schools needed to buy into this proposal. Cllr. Micheal Anglim said that the schools in Clonmel needed to step up to the challenge.

District Mayor Richie Molloy said that autism was on the rise and it was very difficult for families to have to bring their children long distances to attend school. He agreed that the schools in Clonmel should look at the possibility of providing such units, as intervention was needed at a young age.



Second year High School student Cian Smith has won Rotary Clonmel's Musician of the Year Award. He is pictured with Rotary Clonmel PRO Gerry Flynn and president Joe O'Sullivan

GLOBAL SURVEY SHOWS IRELAND POOR ON HEARING HEALTHCARE

A global survey for World Hearing Day, co-ordinated in Ireland by Hidden Hearing, has revealed a poor track record for the Irish when it comes to looking after their hearing health.

The research, carried out among people already experiencing hearing issues, showed significant delays in the time taken by individuals to have their hearing tested, and to seek treatment, combined with reluctance to use a hearing aid when needed. 22% in the Irish survey admitted waiting five years or more before seeking medical help for hearing loss. This was the highest figure in the global sample for treatment delay.

The Netherlands, Spain, the UK and Canada tend to seek advice within six months or less, whereas Ireland, New Zealand and Australia were shown to leave it much longer.

The most common age range in which Irish respondents noticed a hearing loss was 45-54 (23%). And yet, only 18% of people sought testing at that stage, presumably choosing to ignore their condition. Similarly for the 11% who noticed a hearing problem aged 61-64; only 7% acted promptly to remedy it.

In other countries surveyed around the world, including the UK, the correlation between when hearing loss is noticed and treatment is sought, is much closer, with individuals seeking professional advice nearer to when they notice a problem.



Majella O'Donnell, proud advocate of hearing loss.

Quality of Life Impaired

The global survey examined many aspects of behaviour and attitude in relation to hearing loss. It was designed to identify barriers to hearing healthcare and to address them, according to the Hidden Hearing Ireland CEO, Stephen Leddy. "Our hearing fundamentally affects our quality of life, so it is time to wise up and stop ignoring hearing loss. Poor hearing has implications for our own health and safety, as well as that of others, and medical research has identified significant links to conditions like dementia, diabetes and depression too", the Hidden Hearing CEO commented. Notably, of those aware of their hearing loss in Ireland, only 50% had had a hearing test in the previous 3 years, with 29% saying they planned to have a test in the next year.

Globally 65% had been tested in the previous three years. Similarly, only 25% of the Irish sample use hearing aids, whereas the global average was 51%. In countries like the USA, Canada and Australia, over 66% of those with hearing loss use aids.

In Ireland however, taking an eye test regularly, recorded at 67%, and wearing glasses or lenses, at 71%, were above the global averages of 53% and 61% respectively.

While poor eyesight is something we refuse more willing to suffer hearing loss, Dolores Madden Marketing Director for Hidden Hearing Ireland, says. "Tellingly, Ireland was the only country in the survey where the most common response to hearing loss was to not have treatment at all. 35% with hearing loss did not have treatment, as against the 33% who got hearing aids when they needed them", Dolores Madden confirmed.

Feelings

The feelings ranked strongest in association with hearing loss, globally, were anxiety (27%) and exhaustion (26%) from trying to follow conversations.

In Ireland, 66% of those surveyed admitted feeling exhausted trying to cope with conversation, on account of their hearing difficulty.

According to Dolores Madden, who is a qualified audiologist as well as Marketing Director for Hidden Hearing, this figure for hearing-related stress is above average in Ireland. This is most likely because of the delay in treating hearing loss, and the subsequent severity of the problem, she says.

55% surveyed in Ireland were angry or frustrated some or most of the time, and 55% reported feeling socially isolated. 52% felt anxious and 34% reported feeling unsafe because of their hearing loss.

Questioned on the reasons for delaying treatment for hearing loss, 29% in Ireland said they didn't realise their hearing was deteriorating. A further 28% thought hearing loss was a fact of ageing and couldn't be helped.

Surprisingly, 26% said they were embarrassed to report their hearing loss, and 20% admitted they were put off by the prospect of wearing a hearing aid, a figure higher than the global average of 15%. Affordability of treatment was an issue for 17% of respondents in Ireland.

The 2019 Global Hearing Loss Survey was carried out among adults aged 18 and over, already with hearing issues, as well as family members of those with a hearing problem.

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Wild at school

Wildlife Matters Albert Nolan

I don't mind travelling long distances on bright spring morning, but I often forget just how big Tipperary is.

From my village, perched in the hills near the Tipperary/Limerick border to Ardfinnan, just a stone's throw from Waterford, takes well over an hour and a half.

I had planned a habitat survey with the staff and students from Ardfinnan National School. They were working hard, on their fifth green flag, on biodiversity. The weather was beautiful, perfect for discovering nature.

I arrived early and went on a short walk with Liam, one of the teachers, who is equally passionate about sport, nature and education. This gave me the opportunity to get my bearings. The school is surrounded by some beautiful walks. The "pleasant way" goes all around then school and provides a safe, interesting and nature packed walk for all to enjoy.

The whole school participated in the walks and survey, with all of the classes contributing lots of energy, enthusiasm and curiosity.

We started by looking at some of the first flowers of spring and why they are important for wildlife. Each student had to stand beside a yellow or white flowers and put their hands up if they knew the name. The blushing daisies were easy to identify. The first white butterflies in my garden feed on the flowers. Dandelions or wet the beds are one of the best early sources of nectar and pollen for bees.

Daffodils were still flowering, and this year it is a really late spring. We paused beneath the ivy and been evergreen it provides shelter for birds and insects throughout the year. The berries and flowers are good food for birds and insects.

Many wildflowers emerge and flower quickly on recently disturbed ground. Wild cabbage has showy yellow flowers. These are a magnet for butterflies. We crushed the leaves, and the students got the smell of cabbage.

Another flower of disturbed ground is the red dead nettle. They are often visited by bumblebees who sip the nectar. Birds were very

active, and we watched as a male blackbird hunted for worms in the short grass.

The rough bark of an old birch tree is the perfect home for insects. Birds like the blue tit have a thin beak that price on the insects. A large flower bed has been planted as a sensory bed. The lavender had a delicious scent, and one student commented that this was a walk for your nose.

We also found one of Ireland's most popular insects, a ladybird. We counted the spots, which totalled seven. Other ladybirds have up to 22 spots and vary from yellow to orange in colour. They are the gardener's friend and eat hundreds of greenfly, both in the larval and adult stage.

Under a stone we found a woodlice. I explained that every creature has a role in the natural world. Woodlice help maintain a fertile soil by digesting old logs and releasing the trapped nutrients back into the soil.

Across the stream a woodland edge has grown up on a steep hill. We could hear and see the nesting rooks, and throughout the day robin, wren, blackcaps and chiffchaffs all joined in.

Foraging on the dandelions, we caught a queen red tailed bumblebee. Her legs were full of pollen, and this is a testament to the diversity of wildflowers.

We strolled beneath the small woodland, and the leaves of the horse chestnut were out. They are like the fingers of your hand, although these ones have seven digits.

After lunch, we took a walk around the ancient

green. There were lots of spring flowers, from pineapple mayweed to hairy bitercress. Along by the River Suir, we found a few shiny green beetles on the dock leaves. Underneath we could see their yellow eggs. The geese have also returned and have a fine enclosure to keep them safe.

The last part of a very busy but enjoyable day was to meet the green schools committee and run through the activities of the day. We discussed how the awareness around nature could be spread to the wider school network, using the newsletter and social media.

Thanks to all the staff and students for making the walk so interesting, and the environment section of Tipperary County Council for funding the workshops.

Upcoming Tipperary Birdwatch event

The Tipperary branch of Birdwatch Ireland will be celebrating this year's Dusk Chorus on May 5. This year we will be tuning into the Dusk Chorus at Lough Doire Bhile from 8pm. Lough Doire Bhile is located just outside the village of Littleton (near Thurles). This event will offer people the opportunity to listen to and identify our resident and migratory birds as they sing to attract mates and hold territories.

The Dusk Chorus is a family friendly event, suitable for older children. Those under 18 need to be accompanied by an adult. Warm clothes and suitable footwear are advisable. This event is free of charge. Please check out Tipperary Birdwatch online for more information. Comments/questions to albert.nolan@rocketmail.com or 089-4230502. I am available to give walks/talks to schools, tidy towns, youth and community groups.

Common queries surrounding maintenance

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This is a sensitive family law area, which can be complex when parents and/or spouses are faced with relationship breakdown. We look at some of the common queries we receive surrounding maintenance.

Who pays maintenance?

There is a legal responsibility in Ireland on both spouses to maintain each other, and on parents to maintain their children, in line with their means. Both parents have a responsibility to support their children financially. This applies to all parents, whether married, separated, living together or if they have never lived together. Child maintenance is payable for a child up to the age of 18 or to the age of 23 if the child is in full-time education.

If the child has a mental or physical disability to such a degree that it will not be possible for the child to maintain him/herself fully, then there is no age limit on the payments. A standard rate of child support payment does not exist here currently, but the district court has the power to award sums of up to €150 per week per child and up to €500 per week per spouse. If someone is seeking a higher sum than this, they will have to apply through the circuit court.

What may come as a surprise is that even if a parent

financially supports a child, it does not give him or her automatic rights of guardianship or access. The courts do, however, always recommend that a child's welfare takes priority, which generally means having both parents in his/her life.

Assessing maintenance

The courts will look at a number of factors in assessing the level of maintenance including any previous agreements made between the parties. Income, lifestyle prior to the separation and assets are all considered in assessing maintenance in conjunction with the needs of both parties.

Maintenance and tax

Maintenance is tax deductible for anyone who is making the payment. Conversely receiving maintenance is chargeable for the recipient unless it is payable to the children when it will not become liable to tax.

Varying maintenance

It is important to note that one party cannot unilaterally vary maintenance. If you can't afford to pay maintenance, you can ask the court to vary it. Whilst it is possible to vary maintenance by agreement between the parties, it is important to consider if there are already any court orders in place. Regardless of any agreement, varying

maintenance whilst a court order is in place may result in being held in contempt of court.

Maintenance and access

One area that is often complicated by maintenance is access. Maintenance and access are two separate issues, so you cannot withhold maintenance because you are not receiving access or vice versa. Deliberate obstruction of access was changed by legislation in 2017. The new legislation deals with issues surrounding somebody who has a history of obstructing court orders for contact with children. In order to prevent parties from obstructing a court order, the court may look for security. This is then lodged with the court on the provision that the relevant orders are complied with.

If this proves insufficient, the court can also impose a financial penalty if obstruction continues. Where there is a failure to pay maintenance, an attachment order can be sought and enforced by the court.

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Maxi Zoo's guide to keeping kittens comfortable

Four-legged additions to the family should have everything they need when arriving at their new home, according to the experts from Maxi Zoo.

Cats like soft and cosy spaces, and usually find their own bed or several different places to sleep. A cat needs one extra bowl if their menu includes both fresh and dry food. To encourage your cat to drink more, you can leave water bowls throughout the house.

If your kitten has already

been house-trained by their breeder, provide them with what they are used to, such as an enclosed litter box. You also need a scoop to remove waste, as well as litter.

Cats need something to sharpen their claws on. You should get a scratching post or, at the very least, a high scratching board so that furniture and wallpaper remains intact.

Kittens need an adjustable collar with an easy open clip. Toys should always be appropriate for your pet's age.

Avoid things that are small enough to be swallowed or objects that your kitten could chew into made of dangerous, small pieces.

All you need is care accessories to look after your new pet's coat: special brushes with soft bristles or a grooming glove. You should also get your pet used to a suitable transport box from a young age for the car and trips to the vet.

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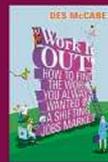
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CAHIR

Woodland Walk

Cahir's new Woodland Walk is to open on the May Bank Holiday weekend. The new walk is a woodland experience within 20 yards of the car park and will open on May 5 at 12.15 after mass with the brass band. Also on the day we will have Moloneys Animal Farm on site from 12-3 and this proves to be a huge hit with all the children and adults alike.

Cllr Andy Moloney has welcomed the Cahir Tidy Towns project that has been supported by the South Tipperary Development CLG and Cahir Development Association. Works on the walk were completed by HSK and the new carvings are the work of Philip Quinn. His works are part funded by Tipperary County Council.

On the day we are encouraging children to bring along their own fairy doors to add to the woodland and we will pick a location for them. Some fairies have moved in already but we would like to assist with the location of the doors in a way that does not damage the current foliage. Although it will be a few years before it reaches its full potential we need to start somewhere in our continuous development of the town.

This area is known locally as Dowager's Wood and hopefully some of the Historical Society will be on hand to give a talk on the history of that area of the town.

The councillor has invited all interested to gather at the fish in Castle Street car park at 12.15pm.

Social and Historical Society

Cahir Social and Historical Society will host the final lecture of its 2018/19 season in the Great Hall of Cahir Castle on May 2 at 8pm. Colm Doyle, retired Colonel in the Defence Forces, will speak on Witness to War Crimes, his own account of the United Nations response to the war crimes that were committed in Bosnia in the 1990s. Admission is €3 for members and €5 for guests. All welcome

Movies at the Castle

Cahir International Social Club, in partnership with Samson Films, showed Once at the banquet hall of Cahir Castle. The iconic setting of the castle served as the perfect backdrop to this, a modern-day musical filmed on the streets of Dublin. The songs from the movie including Falling Slowly were beautifully performed. The movie was a great success where people



Our Lady of Mercy Primary School, Cahir, pupils took part in An Taisce's National Spring Clean

from across the community came together for the evening. More movies are being planned and organisers believe there is scope for an international film series. These movies will represent the cultural diversity of Cahir. Next get-together is on May 9 in the Shamrock Lounge at 7.30pm. This evening is open to everyone and will be an opportunity to have a chat and a laugh.

Exhibition

A unique art exhibition by Paula Taylor, Maggie Morrissey and Gill Pilot has opened in the Craft Granary. The ladies first met in 2015 while studying fine art in CTI Clonmel, carrying on in college studying silversmithing and jewellery design.

Paula Taylor is originally from Vancouver, Canada. Sheila graduated from drawing in college in Canada but is mainly a self-taught painter, specialising in oils and watercolours, with an eclectic range of styles with an interest in portraiture. Paula has exhibited and sold for many years and has an extensive range of work. Gill Pirlot is from Derbyshire, England. Gill spent almost 20 years living in France and then came to live in Ireland with her husband in 2004. Gill graduated with distinction in silversmith and jewellery design from CTI, Clonmel and has built up a collection of fine sterling silver jewellery from her workshop near Ballymacarbry. Maggie Morrissey is from Newcastle, Co. Tipperary. Maggie found art again after suffering from anxiety and depression. During this time she attended art therapy with Mia Carney, who nurtured Maggie's gift

for art and encouraged her to attend the fine art course in CTI, where she graduated with distinction not only in fine art but silversmithing and jewellery design. Working from her workshop in the foothills of the Knockmealdowns, she has fulfilled her dreams of exhibiting and selling her art pieces.

The free exhibition runs until May 28. All items on display are available for sale and would make for a unique and special gift.

Tourist Office

The office has reopened and will remain open until September 21.

Primary school

The sixth class pupils from Our Lady of Mercy Primary School recently participated in An Taisce's spring clean, the nationwide anti-litter campaign which takes place during the month of April. Local councillor Andy Moloney and Cahir Tidy Towns' Seamus Conway met the girls and acknowledged their great efforts. Cllr Moloney told them about the importance of keeping their local community tidy and litter free both now and in the future. The girls gave them a big round of applause in appreciation of the wonderful work and the improvements that the Cahir Tidy Towns committee has undertaken in the local area. "The girls are proud of their scenic town and encourage everybody to keep it litter free. As the saying goes, 'ní neart go cur le chéile', a school spokesperson said.

Day Care Centre

The recent Progressive 25 drive proved to be very successful with fourteen tables taking part. Winners were Ann Dowling and Liam

Quirke. Joint second were Billy O'Brien, John O'Connor, Thomas O'Dwyer and Seamus O'Dwyer. Kitty Saunders had a lucky dip worth €25 in the local lotto.

Lotto

The next Draw takes place in the Social Welfare Office on April 24 at 12 noon. The jackpot is €3,500, with tickets available in the Enterprise Centre and in local shops.

Parish news

The Marian Movement of Priest will hold a special day of prayer for the laity, with an emphasis on consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary, in Rockwell College on April 27. This day is for everybody, especially families. Rosary at 10am followed by confession and mass at 11.45am and lunch from 12.30-1.30pm. After lunch there will be benediction and the rosary. You are advised to bring a packed lunch, while tea and coffee will be provided. An angel plot is being put in place in the Sensory Garden in Cahir that will include a blessing on April 28 at 3.30pm. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the community hall. Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock on May 5. The bus departs Clonmel at 7.30am and Cahir at 7.45am. Tickets are €25. Call St. Mary's Parish Office in Clonmel on 052-6122773.

Ladies football

Congratulations to Leah Flannery, Lisa Blair, the county under 14 team and their management on winning the Munster final in Mallow. Congratulations to Aisling McCarthy who has signed up with The Western Bulldogs in Australia for another year. Thanks to

everyone who supported the table quiz in Noel O'Donnell's. Congratulations to the winners John Lonergan from Cahir and his team from Glanmire Macra Zara Long, Linda Casey and Eoghan Daly.

Juvenile GAA

Former nutritionist and dietitian with the Waterford senior hurling team Ellen Roche has been invited by Cahir GAA Club to discuss nutrition on April 26 in Cahir House Hotel at 8:30pm. All welcome.

FETHARD

RIP

The death has taken place of well known Fethard born priest Fr Abe Kennedy, who was parish priest in Abbey-Duniry, Co. Galway. He died unexpectedly but peacefully in the presence of his loving family and under the sensitive care of the Staff of St. Lawrence's Ward, Beaumont Hospital. He was predeceased by his father Sean and mother Angela. Deeply missed by his sisters Mary and June, their partners Marc and Tom, his nieces Clodagh and Audrey, nephews Bill and Mark, grandnieces Laura, Jess, Becky, Caoimhe and Ellie, grandnephew Kealan, Bishop Kirby and the Priests of the Diocese of Clonfert. Abe will be an enormous loss to his extended family, large circle of friends, the parish of Abbey-Duniry and communities in Portumna and Fethard. Funeral Mass in Fethard Parish Church, Co. Tipperary on Thursday, April 25, at 12 noon with burial afterwards in Calvary Cemetery, Fethard. Fr Abe was hugely popular in his native Fethard where

he is fondly remembered. He was an outstanding footballer in his younger days, winning county championships with his beloved Blues as well as lining out with the county team.

He was also an outstanding badminton player and won many county titles.

Fr Abe's ordination was recalled in the Fethard Newsletter -

But a member of the younger and current generation was having his special day. Among the sixteen new priests ordained at Thurles by Archbishop Morris in June 1983 was Father Abe Kennedy (a leading figure in Fethard football) who entered Thurles College in 1977 and who, following his ordination, was to serve in the diocese of Clonfert.

He was the son of Angela and Sean Kennedy, Burke Street and grandson of Abe Kennedy who had a

butcher's shop in Gladstone Street, Clonmel. At his first Mass in Fethard's parish church, which had a congregation of from 800 to 1,000 people, the Abbey and parish choirs united for the occasion; the organist was Goldie Newport.

Afterwards, in the Ballroom a ladies committee (women in so many places give a wonderful voluntary service - seldom praised and soon forgotten) provided tea, sandwiches and cakes. This was followed by a concert with items supplied by the Hogan Musical Society and the late Don Byard on the electric organ.

In the same month, Father Kennedy celebrated Mass in the Abbey, the church that overlooked his home as he grew to maturity. Before studying for the priesthood he had trained as a psychiatric nurse in St. Luke's Hospital, Clonmel, he had qualified as a nurse in 1974, and had later worked in Eastbourne in England. Following his ordination he returned to St. Luke's to visit the staff and offer Mass.

Fr Abe's badminton prowess was also recalled -

During the year we had a number of individual successes, the most notable being Abe Kennedy, who won no less than seven championships, viz:- The County Novices mixed doubles with Miss B. O'Hara, the Drangan Mixed Doubles with Miss June Kennedy, the County under 18 singles, the County under 18 Doubles with Des Gardiner, the Waterford Novice Singles, the Waterford Novice Doubles with Don O'Connell and the Munster under 18 Doubles. This was an outstanding achievement. Then we had Pat Barrett and Danny Ryan winning the Waterford Junior Men's Doubles.



Young and old turned out in force for Cahir Park AFC's annual sponsored walk



Cahir International Social Club's PJ O'Meara, Lorraine Egan, Mags Rudnicka and Barry O'Donovan at movie night in Cahir Castle



Paula Taylor, Maggie Morrissey and Gill Pirlot opened a shared exhibition at the Craft Granary recently



Talented young soccer players with trainers Paul Darcy and Shannon Morrissey at the Aviva Soccer Sisters Easter camp in Cahir



Project promoting positivity wins national award

A Tipperary project promoting positivity has won a national young citizens award.

Four young people from Carrick-on-Suir produced a youth newspaper with a focus on being positive and looking after your mental health. Their imaginative entry won the major accolade at the Aldi Foróige Youth Citizenship Awards in Dublin and there to accept the award were Shana Mansfield, Nicole Vaughan, Kyle Walsh and Sophie Telford.

Five Tipperary projects were celebrated at the gala event, with two more from Carrick-on-Suir and two from Nenagh. This year is the 15th anniversary of the youth citizenship programme, which was first run by Foróige in 1969. Projects this year focused on improving entrants local communities in areas such as equality, homelessness, climate change, social inclusion, community events, mental health and culture.

The winning Carrick team were motivated to take action because of three tragedies in their town. The group felt that young people were often surrounded by negativity through the media, in the community, through their own thoughts and online. They started their own monthly newspaper called Positivity Pages to highlight the positive achievements of

young people and to raise self-esteem, create a sense of belonging and build confidence in the abilities of their peers. They got sponsorship for the printing of the paper and it was inserted into a local newspaper.

"We learned that we can achieve anything if we really put our minds to it", one of the winners said.

In a second Carrick-on-Suir entry, the Young Women's Group spoke with the elderly people in their own lives, and discovered that some elderly people find it difficult to use smart phones and tablets.

Inspired by this, the girls organised an information morning with baked treats and tea. In pairs, they showed elderly people phone skills like how to top up their phone credit and access their camera and pictures.

A third project from the town's Youth Café also centred on mental health. The group decided it would apply for funding to create positive mental health quote cards that would be distributed across the three secondary schools in the town. They asked friends and the school community if they would be interested and the feedback was that there was massive interest in the cards. The group created the mental health quote cards and the initiative was a great success lifting the spirits of young people in the community.



Positivity Pages winning project members Shana Mansfield, Nicole Vaughan, Kyle Walsh and Sophie Telford with their award



Carrick-on-Suir Youth Cafe members Halal Musse and Nicole Dolinska accepting their certificate at the awards ceremony

Rates payment expected on vacant commercial properties

The owners of vacant commercial properties will only get a vacancy rates rebate if they provide evidence that the property is available for rent or is closed for refurbishment, Tipperary County Council has stated.

Where a vacancy relief (rebate) is sought, one of the key requirements is that the owner must provide evidential confirmation that the property is available for rent or is closed for the purpose

of refurbishment.

The County Council statement was issued after March4Tipp highlighted the level of rates relief granted concerning vacant properties in the town.

Director of Services for Economic Development Pat Slattery stated that the council had a number of incentive schemes to assist property owners to restore and reuse vacant properties. He also confirmed that the council was constantly engaging with owners to seek

reuse of vacant units, and where vacant properties are not being made available for reuse through sale or rent, the council will proceed to seek full payment of commercial rates.

A Tipperary County Council statement on the matter outlined the rates relating to Tipperary Town for 2018. Rates amounted to €1,456,135, based on 465 individually rated properties. Vacancy relief was granted in the amount of €283,930 in 2018, relating to 124 proper-

ties.

These were granted in accordance with Section 14 of the Local Government Act, 1946, which authorises the local authority to grant a relief where it is satisfied that the property has been vacant either for the purposes of refurbishment and repair, or the owner has been unable to obtain a suitable tenant.

There were also reliefs of €31,928 granted in respect of Community/Voluntary Groups and €1,766 in respect of Non-Profit Organisations

in 2018

Peter Cleary, administrative officer Finance Section, stated: "Of the 124 premises in Tipperary Town that are vacant, four properties receive a rebate over €10,000, a further 15 receive rebates of between €3,000 and €10,000 and all remaining 105 properties receive a rebate of less than €3,000. Therefore, the majority of the premises in Tipperary Town that benefit from a vacancy relief consist of former small shops, pubs

and former businesses."

Head of Finance Liam McCarthy stated that "if the council was to amend the current practice of rates relief, the change would apply to all businesses and would most likely cause the greatest impact on small property owners."

He also pointed out that "where properties are vacant and are not actively being made available for reuse through lease or sale, these properties may be subject to part or full payment of rates."

Green light for new houses on Clonmel's Thomas Street

Planning permission has been granted for the construction of 35 houses in Thomas Street, Clonmel.

Rockspring Developments

have been given the go-ahead to build the houses and demolish the stores and office buildings at the former Eircom site.

Permission has also been

granted to relocate the entrance from the public road and to provide car parking and open space areas.

Cllr. Siobhan Ambrose has welcomed what she de-

scribed as "a very positive development" for Clonmel. "The removal of the old buildings and the construction of 35 houses will be a much welcomed development, espe-

cially in light of the huge demand for houses in Clonmel," she said.

She said she looked forward to the project commencing over the coming weeks,

which would give a welcome boost to the local economy in Clonmel both during and after construction.

Rockspring Developments are based in Limerick



Summer Fun For Your Little One



As the summer weather finally arrived last weekend, all thoughts turned to ways of occupying the kids. Days of freedom are well and good, but unless you have ways of keeping them active and busy, fun-filled days can get stressful for mummies and daddies. South Tipp Today has compiled a list of exciting camps to keep children occupied and happy this summer.

Keep your kids active this summer at Sonic Fitness

Sonic Fitness celebrates its ninth birthday this summer and has been running annual kids camps for the last seven years.

Eithne Morrissey who runs Sonic Fitness is a freelance fitness instructor that travels around to various different areas in South Tipperary/Waterford offering the latest fitness classes for adults and children.

Sonic Fitness works with many creches and primary schools throughout the year promoting health and fitness with their FIT KIDZ fitness programme, zumba kids and gymnastics.

Sonic Fitness is delighted to be running eight camps this summer in Newcastle, Ardfinnan, Ballyporeen, Cahir and Ballymacarbry. Activities include dodgeball, circuits, mini golf, rounders, Tag rugby, hockey, soccer, baking, art and face painting.

A five-day gymnastics camp with lots of variety to suit everyone also takes place, covering cartwheels, handstands, bridges, tumbles, splits and lots more. These camps are suitable for



kids aged three to 12 years and are run by a qualified NCEF children's fitness instructor.

Sonic Fitness runs a number of gymnastics classes in Newcastle on Mondays, Tuesday, Wed-

nesday and Saturday from ages three years and up. Newcomers always welcome.

Contact Eithne on 087-1338492 to book your place or Facebook Sonic Fitness.



Camp 1	Newcastle GAA Hall	1st - 5th July
Camp 2	Ardfinnan Community Hall	8th - 12th July
Camp 3	Ballyporeen Parochial Hall	15th - 19th July
Camp 4	Ballymacabry Hall	22nd - 26th July
Camp 5	Cahir Hall (Behind Galileo Cafe)	29th July - 2nd Aug
Camp 6	Newcastle GAA Hall	6th - 9th Aug
Camp 7	Hillview Sports Club, Clonmel	12th - 16th Aug

Ages 4-12 years of age : 9.30am-2pm each day. €50 for the week
Must wear a tracksuit & bring a packed lunch.

Activities Include: Giant Parachute, Dodgeball, Hockey, Zumba Kids, Obstacle Course, Soccer, Giant Connect 4, Zumba Kids, Treasure Hunt, Sports Day, Art, Baking, Facepaints, Party, DVD & Lots More Fun!



Camp 8 Gymnastics Camp 19th - 23rd August
Newcastle GAA Hall Cost €45
9am - 12.30pm Ages 3-6yrs 12.30pm - 4pm ages 7 & up
Non Sonic Fitness Members Welcome



Bookings call or text Eithne
087-1338492
or search Facebook Sonic Fitness



Camps are run by a Qualified Fitness Instructor



Summer Fun For Your Little One

Be Busy as a Bee this summer

Busy Bees is delighted to host their summer camps once again this year at the Presentation Secondary School gymnasium in Clonmel. The summer camps programme is centred around a broad range of sports, arts and crafts with fun and games throughout.

Camp hours are from 9.30am to 2pm, consisting of a mixture of indoor and outdoor activities. Although it is weather dependant, camps try and maximise the time spent outdoors.

Busy Bees also has an all year round after schools service running Monday to

Friday to link in with the school year, with camps running during all the school holidays. Contact Vanessa on 086-0444202.

Busy Bees Rathkeevin also offers a summer camp for children aged between three and seven. Fun activities include arts and crafts, ball

games, hoppers, hoola hoops, bingo, face painting, treasure hunt, and much more. Camp hours are from 9am to 1pm. €15 per day or €60 for the week. Full day service from 7.30am to 6.15pm also an option.

Summer camps on the River Suir Blueway

Kids Kayaking Summer Camps and the Teen Adventure Camp 2019 are not to be missed. All camp activities will take place near and on the River Suir Blueway. Spaces are limited to 12 participants to each camp. Teen camp is for 13-18 years and kids camp for 10 to 18 years. The camp will introduce and improve your fundamental

kayaking movements, while journeying along the River Suir from the three camp locations and having lots of laughs. To book or to find out more, visit <https://www.event-brite.ie/o/tipperary-sports-partnership> or visit Tipperary Sports Partnership on social media.




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Summer Fun For Your Little One

Get creative with Techkidz this summer

Techkidz returns to Tipperary again this summer. Its very popular summer tech camps are being offered in three locations throughout July and August.

Techkidz offers multi activity tech camps to children between seven and 14 years and are suitable for all abilities. As well as learning all the basics, children will also be introduced to coding and programming. Activities include Minecraft, coding, Scratch, Word, Robotics, Windows, Raspberry Pi, HTML, Animation, game development, 3D design, web design and other projects. There is a big emphasis on creativity, and most children will get to design and make their own t-shirts and rulers. Children will also learn to design and create their own computer games including characters, backgrounds and sounds. Children will have fun learning Animation and



Robotics.

Older children will get to experience 3D design as well as coding using a Raspberry Pi. Some children will get to

design their own website and everybody will get to do lots of activities in Minecraft.

Camps are for five mornings or five afternoons. Each

child will work on a laptop or Raspberry Pi provided by Techkidz. More information on www.techkidz.ie. Camps can be booked online or by ringing Paula on 022-51318.



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Summer Fun For Your Little One

Camps for your little Star

Amid talks on ways to combat children's mental health issues across the country, Ireland's leading Summer Camps provider Starcamp is yet again doing

its part. "We want children everywhere to laugh their socks off this summer. You can't underestimate the power of humour," says owner Aideen O' Grady, who



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is also a regular panellist on Virgin Media One's Elaine Show and was also a memorable winner on Dragons Den.

Starcamp is for everyone, not just the born performers. With over 40% boys now in attendance, it truly is a camp with broad appeal and its' benefits are reaching boys and girls everywhere. Parents who had concerns about their child enjoying it have been mesmerized by the impact. The growth and number of return children annually

prove this, along with the thousands of testimonials received over the past 12 years.

Camp games, singing, dancing, acting and confidence building have always been the staple ingredients behind this infamous, award-winning summer camp. In recent times its has added magic for all those budding magicians, news reporting, interviewing, band practice, superhero masterclasses, starlympics, mindfulness, arts and crafts, and now

comedy. The week is jam packed with all children's favourite things to do. 2019 will also highlight some Toy Story 4, The Lion King, Mary Poppins and David Walliams Gangsta Granny for the older kids. There will be George Ezra sing-offs, Disney classics and pop galore.

Starcamp leads the way as Ireland's number one and only nationwide performing arts camp and this year it will run in almost 220 towns nationwide. Staff at Starcamp HQ are currently working flat to ensure the most wondrous and best experience to date for all children aged four to 12 nationwide. The camp runs for five days from 9.30 to 2.30pm and children are subdivided into their own age groups for advancing programs.

Check out www.starcamp.ie and Facebook for details. Book your place now by calling 021-4377900.

Clerihan and Fethard summer camps are run in both national schools. There are indoor and outdoor play areas with large sports halls for bouncy castles and play grounds for go karts.

"We do several different activities daily from baking, arts and crafts, Lego, board games, nails and hair, and sports. There is something different for every child. We are open all summer from 8am to 2pm except bank holidays. We supply free breakfast, lunch and drinks. All allergies catered for. All staff are highly qualified, Garda vetted, child protection, pediatric first aid, manual handling and food safety. Breakfast club and after-school services are available during the school year," organisers say.

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Cashel	1-5 July 2019	Cashel Community School
Clonmel	15-19 July 2019	Presentation Sec School
Nenagh	12-16 August 2019	St Marys Convent Primary School
Roscrea	29 July-2 August 2019	The Abbey Hall & Stage
Templemore	15-19 July 2019	Our Lady's Secondary School
Thurles	22-26 July 2019	MIC Campus, Thurles*
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VENUES DATE TIME

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Tipperary Town 19 Aug - 23 Aug	The Abbey School 2.30 - 5.00

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Summer Fun For Your Little One

Become a creator at Clonmel Techcamp

Started by Clonmel native John Hannafin eight years ago, Techcamp is back again with its latest offering of age specific computer and technology summer camps.

As a lecturer and software engineer, John has a real passion for teaching young people the joys of computer science and how to programme and create with technology. "Too often I see young people as technology consumers, they watch on-line videos, play games and use apps. I want young people to be creators, to know how to build their own games and make their own apps and websites," he says.

Last year, Techcamp introduced the BBC micro:bit to its camps, a small credit-



card-sized computer that the students learned how to program and control basic electronic circuits with. Students also learned how to code their own computer games, which they then incorporated their

own art work and animations into.

Camps are attended by both boys and girls and are designed for specific age groups. "No prior computer knowledge is required. Just

an appetite to learn and have some fun," he adds.

Bookings for this year camps are now open at www.techcamp.ie.

Bellvue Academy for your star performers

After the success of last year, Bellvue Academy's Musical Theatre Summer Camp is back with a bang. The content of this camp will be primarily centred around the disciplines of musical theatre, singing, dance and drama. Students will engage in each discipline daily in both a fun and educational way.

"Our aim is that students will learn new skills throughout the week, in a relaxed and friendly environment that encourages

confidence and teamwork. The camp will culminate in a showcase for parents on the final Friday where students will perform some of what they have learned throughout the week," organisers say.

The camp will run in the Bellvue Studios, Unit 2D Ard Gaoithe Business Park, Clonmel, from July 15 to 19. Enrolment is now open for students aged three to 12. Last year, the camp sold out so don't delay and sign up at www.bellvueacademy.com or call Keith on 087-6133446.



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Darren and Debbie star in Special Forces: Ultimate Hell Week on RTÉ

A County Tipperary production supervisor and an advanced paramedic were among 24 ordinary civilians that featured in the opening episode of brand new RTÉ2 series *Special Forces: Ultimate Hell Week*.

Cashel's Darren Gayson, who works at Boston Scientific Clonmel, and Tipperary-based advanced paramedic with the National Ambulance Service Debbie O'Reilly commenced a gruelling, eight-day army-style selection course that's designed by former members of Ireland's elite Special Forces unit, the Army Ranger Wing.

A father of two, Darren Gayson's main exercise is mountain running, competing in endurance races and obstacle courses. He applied to take part in the series to push himself to the limits and to test his ability to cope mentally in difficult situations. Darren won a gold medal with the Irish Muay Thai team at the Four Nations competition in 2012.

Galway native Debbie O'Reilly was also among the contestants. Debbie is extremely driven, motivated and a motivator. She is always looking to excel and progress in life. She trains six days per week, five days of strength and conditioning and one day of cardio. Debbie boxed as an international athlete for the Irish boxing team. Her biggest regret in life is missing out on the opportunity to go to Rio for the Olympics with the Irish boxing team. She has also

competed as a powerlifter and won a silver European powerlifting medal. She now competes in CrossFit and trains in Olympic lifting and running.

Darren, Debbie and the other participants received a "welcome to Hell" as viewers gained an insight into the Army Ranger Wing's highly secretive selection process. The Army Ranger Wing is one of the toughest, best-trained Special Forces units in the world. They are on standby 24 hours a day, either to deploy overseas or to react to any serious domestic criminal or terrorist threat. This constant high level of preparedness means their training and skills are benchmarked against other elite Special Forces units across the world including the SAS and the Navy Seals.

However, due to the highly sensitive nature of its work, very little is known about the Army Ranger Wing. Much of what they do is classified, its missions covert and its members have until now stayed in the shadows.

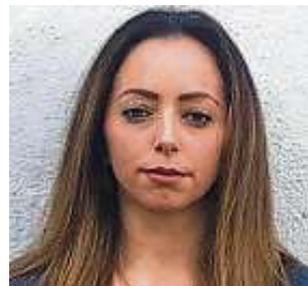
To become a member of the Army Ranger Wing, all unit members must pass

selection. Unit selection is the hardest test any soldier in the Irish military can go through. The failure rate is upwards of 90%, with only the toughest, most mentally robust candidates passing.

The 24 recruits (18 men and six women) were bussed to a remote military base deep in the Wicklow Mountains in episode one, where they met the drill sergeant staff for the first time. They were given a short, sharp blast of what they can expect all week, before six contestants were forced to drop out.

The Hell Week course is based on the actual exercises and tests currently used on the Army Ranger Wing course. The Hell Week course instructors are four veteran unit members. They have designed a course that will test recruits physical, emotional and psychological resilience. It is designed to break all but the toughest of individuals.

The recruits are some of Ireland's fittest men and women. They come from all walks of life, but all with one thing in common - each of them believes they have what it takes to pass selection. The super fit civilian recruits are required to pass rigorous physical, stress and mental tests including fitness, water confidence, navigation and aptitude. Specific tests include cold-water endurance, height tests and claustrophobic challenges as well as various trials of strength, stamina and determination.



Paramedic Debbie O'Reilly



Cashel's Darren Gayson (left) with a drill sergeant on *Special Forces: Ultimate Hell Week*

However, selection is not all about who is the fittest or strongest. It's as much about mental toughness, the ability to endure and a dogged determination to never quit. Over the eight days, recruits get on average about two to three hours of sleep a night as they mix day challenges and night tests. The recruits are forced to endure different stress positions and sensory challenges in an effort to break the recruits. The ability to lead or work within a team is also crucial aspect of Army Ranger Wing selection and

this is tested throughout. When a group or individual performs badly, the entire group will be punished. Each and every waking moment the civilian recruits will face unrelenting pressure.

Effort, commitment and precision is the minimum requirement in everything they undertake. Failure to meet the required standards means they will be asked to leave the course. For those who decide they cannot go on, they simply have to D.O. (drop out) by handing in their

number to the drill sergeant.

The four drill sergeants, who lived it for real, all served for more than 10 years within the unit. They speak candidly about their time in the Special Forces and what the unit means to them. Viewers will quickly understand the qualities the Army Ranger Wing require and the type of person who might have what it takes to pass selection.

Special Forces: Ultimate Hell Week continues on Thursday (April 25) on RTÉ2 at 9.30pm. Catch up on episode one on RTÉ Player.

Tipperary families to entertain the nation on TG4

Two highly talented Tipperary families will feature on TG4's hit entertainment series *Réalta agus Gaolta* on Sunday (April 28) at 8.30pm.

The Fitzgerald brothers from Cashel and Catherine McVicker and her daughter Caitlín from Clonmel are in the running to be crowned Ireland's most talented family.

From Crystal Swing to Clannad, Irish families have entertained us throughout the decades. Talented Irish families have excelled in their particular genres, whether it's the pop music of The Corrs or the sean-nós dancing of The Cunninghams. Now it's time to find the next family that



The Fitzgerald brothers from Cashel on *Réalta agus Gaolta*

will entertain the nation.

They will be singing,

dancing and banging out the tunes as they go head-to-head

against each other to win the opportunity to play live on stage supporting world famous Kíla in its National Stadium Concert in front of thousands, along with a cash prize of €3,000.

Hosted by Síle Seoige, the series will see over 70 acts battle it out to impress the judging panel consisting of musician and TV personality Irial O Ceallaigh, broadcaster with Raidió na Gaeltachta Sinéad Ní Uallacháin, and Irish rock band Horslips' Jim Lockhart.

Episode six airs on Sunday, with everything from rock and roll and sean nós to power ballads and more on the bill as the Tipperary contingent are joined by six other families.



Clonmel's Catherine McVicker and her daughter Caitlín

Search underway for Miss Tipperary 2019

Heats are beginning all over the country to find contestants with beauty, poise and personality to take part in the forthcoming Miss Ireland 2019 final in August.

Tipperary entries are now being taken for the nation's hottest beauty search to find the perfect girl to represent her county at the Miss Ireland Final.

Miss Tipperary is organised by former Miss Tipperary and Miss Sunday World winner Esme Mansergh-Wallace. Esme is coming back from the success of picking the overall winner of Miss Ireland twice in recent years - in 2013 with Clonmel's Aoife Walsh and in 2016 with Portroe native Niamh Kennedy. "We have had great success with our

winners," says Esme.

"Aoife winning helped launch the competition hugely in its first year and Niamh's success has cemented the heat as one of the strongest in the country."

Previous Miss Tipperary winners Linda Creedon (2014), Lauren Browne (2015) and Cailin Duggan (2017) all reached the final seven of Miss Ireland and last year's winner Robyn Barlow was joined at the final by runners up Ciara Danagher and Niamh Myles.

The final of Miss Tipperary will be held at the Anner Hotel Conference and Leisure Centre in Thurles on May 25 at 8pm. "The Anner is the perfect venue for an event like this, and I am delighted to welcome the hotel back as the main sponsors of this year's event," says Esme.

"Due to the success of the last few years, there has been huge interest which is fantastic. An agent from KSV Models in Waterford will attend and will be scouting for potential models to sign with the agency. It is a great opportunity for girls who are keen to start a modelling career. A lot of the contestants from the last few years have gone on to sign with agencies and have had a huge amount of work, so it is a great opportunity for all participants, not just the winners."

Tickets are selling at €15 and can be bought on the door, but advanced booking is advised as it is sure to be a sell out event with girls from all over the county vying for the much coveted chance of competing in the Miss Ireland final. There is also an

extra bonus as the girls who place second, third and fourth in the heat will have the chance to compete in the Miss Ireland semi-final.

Hair and make-up is being provided for all contestants on the day by Shear Creations in Clonmel. "Stacey and her team are really excited to come on board this year and help treat the girls so that they can wow the judges."

"Our panel of judges has a wealth of knowledge from different aspects of the industry. Kellie Mc Grath is a model with Mandy Maher and a former Miss Universe Ireland contestant. Patrick Mc Loughney is Hi Magazines Model of the Year in 2017 and a social media influencer with a following of over 18,000 people. Kate Sullivan Vogelaar is owner of KSV Models and one of the

country's top plus sized models. Cailin Duggan is a former Miss Tipperary and one of the most successful in the Beauty with a Purpose category, and current Miss Tipperary Robyn Barlow has recently been signed to the Holman Lee Agency and is

really excited to be there to judge and hand over her title to our next deserving winner," Esme adds.

Interested entrants can email Esme at misstipperary@hotmail.com for further details and entry criteria.

Bagatelle to perform at Clonmel Park Hotel

Internationally acclaimed Bagatelle is set to perform as part of its 40 Years of Original Music tour at the Clonmel Park Hotel on Sunday, May 5.

Reminisce with this legendary band at this unmissable concert as they sing their iconic hits from the 80s to the present day such as Summer in Dublin, Second Violin, Trump Card, Love is the Reason, Leeson Street Lady, Streets of New York and Raining in Paris Tonight.

Bagatelle has been one of the most outstanding bands in the history of Irish popular music, garnering a huge and loyal fan base both nationally and internationally. Frontman Liam Reilly is considered one of Ireland's greatest songwriters who, along with his superb piano playing, was hugely influential in paving the way for younger rock bands.

U2's Bono has acknowledged that Bagatelle were a major influence on him and his band members, helping pave the way for rock bands in the 70s by playing their own



self-penned songs.

Show starts at 8.30pm on May 5. Tickets are €28 from

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PUBLIC NOTICES



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NOTICE OF ELECTION

Local Authority: Tipperary County Council

An election of members for each of the eight (8) local electoral areas of the above-mentioned local authority is about to be held.

- Cahir
- Carrick-on-Suir
- Cashel-Tipperary
- Clonmel
- Nenagh
- Newport
- Roscrea-Templemore
- Thurles

Nomination papers may be obtained from the Customer Service desks in Clonmel or Nenagh or any of the Municipal Districts offices in Carrick-on-Suir, Tipperary or Thurles during the usual office hours or by contacting Corporate Services Section, Civic Offices, Clonmel at 0761 06 5000.

A person may nominate himself/herself as a candidate or may, with his/her consent, be nominated by a proposer who is registered as a local government elector in the local electoral area for which he/she proposes to nominate the candidate.

A nomination paper from a candidate of a registered political party must have a certificate of political affiliation attached which must be produced to me with his/her completed nomination paper.

If no certificate is attached, the candidate must, before the latest time for receiving nominations, either-

- Secure 15 assents to the nomination by way of statutory declarations by local government electors registered in the relevant local electoral area (forms available from Customer Service desks in Clonmel or Nenagh or any of the Municipal Districts offices in Carrick-on-Suir, Tipperary or Thurles), or
- Make a deposit of €100 (deposit may also be made on the candidate's behalf).

The latest time for receiving nominations is 12 noon on Saturday the 4th day of May, 2019.

Completed nomination papers may be delivered to me in person by appointment by the candidate or his/her proposer at any time when I am at my office, during the period from 10am on Saturday 27th day of April, 2019 until 12 noon on the last day for receiving nominations, Saturday 4th May 2019.

I am required by law to attend to receive nominations between 10am and 12 noon and between 2pm and 5pm on Friday the 3rd day of May, 2019 and between 10am and 12 noon on Saturday the 4th day of May, 2019.

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2. Renovation & alterations to the existing dwelling
3. Construction of a new extension to the existing dwelling.
4. All ancillary site works including installation of a new sewage treatment system.
Signed: Christine Ryan, Kilbeg, Cappawhite, Co. Tipperary.
This planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee €20euros, within the period of five weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission.

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TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
I Mary Power intend to apply to the above authority for Planning Permission to change the design of the proposed extension under planning application reference number 17601306 and all associated site development works at Cloghleigh, Golden, Co. Tipperary.
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TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
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Under Planning Reference Number 18/601335, I Stephen Sherlock intend to apply to the above Authority for Planning Permission to construct a dwelling, entrance and waste water treatment system - and all associated site works at Skeheenaranky, Burncourt, Cahir, Co. Tipperary.
Significant further information in relation to the application has been furnished to the planning authority and is available for inspection or purchase at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the authority during its public opening hours.
The significant further information includes for (i) the relocation of the proposed entrance (ii) modification of the red line application site boundary, (iii) Landscaping and (iv) retention planning permission for an existing storage container, driveway and entrance onto the serving roadway with associated fencing - and all associated site works.
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PLANNING NOTICES

TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
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TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
Further Information: We, Linda McGrath & Darren Meagher have submitted significant further information to planning application 19600045 which consisted of full planning permission to demolish existing derelict dwelling and outbuildings and to construct a bungalow, garage, improvement works to existing entrance, wastewater treatment system & polishing filter, borehole, soak-pits and all other associated site works at Moanvurrin, Drangan, Co. Tipperary. The further information allows for the adjustment to the site boundaries.
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TIPPERARY COUNTY COUNCIL
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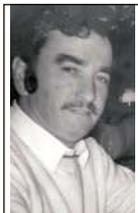
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Treasured memories of our dear sister, aunt and gran-aunt May, late of 56 Ard Fatima, Clonmel, who died on April 29th 2014 RIP

What you suffered you told but few. You didn't deserve what you went through. Tired and weary you made no fuss, but tried so hard to stay with us.

You are never forgotten May, you are always in our thoughts and prayers.

- from your brother Patsy, sisters Teresa, Martha, Imelda, your nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and nephews, brothers-in-law, relatives and friends xxx

IN MEMORIAM

CROTTY

(13th Anniversary)



In loving memory of my dear Mother Patricia Crotty, 20 Albert Street, Clonmel, who died on 20th April 2006.

To My Mother
You left me precious memories, that made me laugh and cry, but the love you planted in my heart, no millionaire could buy.

Missed and loved always - your daughter Ann-Marie.

Also remembering my two sisters Martina and Patricia and my brother Martin xxx

IN MEMORIAM

DILLON

(2nd Anniversary & Birthday Remembrance)



In loving memory of my dear mother, Helen, late of 13 Bianconi Drive, Clonmel, whose Anniversary occurs on the 28th of April. Also remembering her Birthday on the 3rd May.

I still see your face before me, your voice I long to hear. I miss and love you dearly, God knows I wish you were here.

Tears fall freely from my eyes, like a river filled with grief. My only comfort now, is that from pain you found relief.

Sadly missed by Joan, Joe and family.

DILLON

(2nd Anniversary)



In loving memory of my dear mother, Helen, late of 13 Bianconi Drive, Clonmel, whose First Anniversary occurs on the 28th of April. Also remembering her Birthday on the 3rd May.

If roses grew in Heaven Lord, please pick a bunch for me. Place them in my Mother's arms and tell her they are from me. Tell her that I love her and miss her, and when she turns to smile, place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for a while.

Remembering her is easy, I do it everyday, but there is an ache within my heart that will never go away.

Loved and missed everyday - Valerie and Michael.

BRAZIL

(7th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Alice Brazil, late of Lyre West, Ballymacarbry, Clonmel, whose Anniversary occurs on 29th April.

Your life is a lovely memory, your absence a silent grief. But now you rest in God's garden, beside a rose called peace.

Sadly missed by her niece Alice, nephew Jim, Mary, Gemma, Laura and Conor.

Anniversary Mass was on Sunday 21st April in The Nire Church at 10am.

DILLON

(2nd Anniversary & Birthday Remembrance)



In loving memory of my dear wife Helen, late of 13 Bianconi Drive, Clonmel, whose Anniversary occurs on the 28th of April. Also remembering her Birthday on the 3rd May.

I often lie awake at night when the world is fast asleep and take a walk down memory lane with tears upon my cheeks.

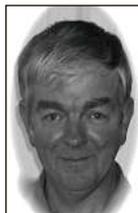
Remembering you is easy, I do it every day. But missing you in a heartache that never goes away.

I hold you tightly within my heart and there you will remain. Until the joyous day arrives that we will meet again.

-Your loving husband Paul.

CAHALAN

(6th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Tony Cahalan, late of Ard Na Greine (previously 3 Ard Fatima), who died on 16th April 2013.

Everyday in some small way, memories of you come our way. Though absent, you are always near, still missed, loved and always dear.

Sadly missed by your son Owen, daughter Elaine, sisters Anne and Clare and all your family including your little granddaughter Emma.

Another Leaf Has Fallen

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

DOYLE

(5th & 1st Anniversaries)

In loving memory of our brother Martin Doyle and his wife Trisha of Elm Park Clonmel whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Time slips by and life goes on, but from our hearts you are never gone.

Sadly missed by your sisters and brothers and all their families.

Anniversary Mass in the Ss Peters and Paul's Church, Clonmel on Saturday the 27th April at 1pm.



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suffered,
sadness felt,

Make this
sorrow slowly
melt.

Lord, let
happy
memories ease,

Creating
peace like a
gentle breeze,

And as you
help them
make it
through.

Draw them
closer, Lord,
to you.

Please God

Take this cloud of
darkness away.

Shine your light upon me.

Give me the courage and
strength to start

to feel joy in
my life again.



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IN MEMORIAM

GLEESON
 (15th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Shane Gleeson late of Lyre West, Ballymacarbry, who died on the 24th April 2004.

A lot in life has altered, a lot in life is new, but the things that never alter, are memories of you. It isn't what we write, it isn't what we say, it's how we feel inside, Shane, when we think of you today.

Sadly missed by Mam, Dad, Gemma, Laura and Conor.

Anniversary Mass was offered on Sunday 21st April at 10am in The Nire Church.

IN MEMORIAM

HENNESSY
 (19th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Michael, 16 Kickham Place, Mullinahone, who died on 24th April, 2000 aged 47 years RIP.

Deep are the memories, precious they stay, and time and no-one can take them away.

- Love Maureen

Mass offered

IN MEMORIAM

LYONS
 (25th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Eddie, late of 31 O'Mahoney Ave., Carrick-on-Suir, whose 25th anniversary occurs at this time.

For those who think of Eddie today, a little prayer to Jesus say.

Always remembered by Mary, Rosann, TJ and families.

Mass offered.

IN MEMORIAM

O'BRIEN
 (5th & 47th Anniversaries)

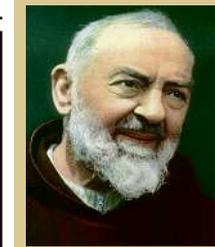


In loving memory of our Mum and Dad, Nanny and Grandad, Mary and Patrick O'Brien late of Miltown Britton, Lisronagh and Luton, London who died on 17th April 2014 and 24th April 1972. RIP.

We cannot bring the old days back when we were all together. The family chain is broken now but memories live forever.

A silent thought, a silent tear, always wishing ye were here.

Sadly missed and never forgotten by your loving daughter Veronica, son-in-law Paddy, grandchildren Patrick, Rachel, Jonathan and your greatgrandchild Aeron. Also your loving son Jimmy, daughter-in-law Collette, grandchildren Jason, Eugene and Aaron and great-grandchild Darragh.



GOD'S GARDEN

*God looked around His garden
 And He found an empty place
 He then looked down upon the earth
 And saw your precious face
 He put His arms around you
 And lifted you to rest;
 God's Garden must be beautiful
 He always takes the best.*

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

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

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

GREGORY
 (3rd Anniversary)



Treasured memories of a loving husband, father and grandfather George (Junior) Gregory, late of Sheehy Tce., Clonmel, whose anniversary occurs on 5th May.

You left us quietly, your thoughts unknown. You left us memories we are proud to own. So treasure him Lord, in your Garden of Rest, for here on earth he was one of the best.

Sadly missed by your loving wife Terry, sons Hillary, Malcolm, Colm, Jason and Niall, daughter Mandy and families.

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 28th April at 11.30am in The Friary.

HOUGH
 (Anniversaries)



In loving memory of our dear parents Paddy and Maggie Hough, late of Glencora, Comeragh Drive and Anniversary and Birthday Remembrance of their grandson Gerry Treacy, Brunswick, Clonmel. RIP

Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal.

Still missed and loved everyday by Mary, Christy and family, Carmel and family, Catherine, Gerry and family and Margo and Caroline.

Mass offered

MULCAHY
 (5th Anniversary)



James Mulcahy
 Orchardstown, Lisronagh, Clonmel.

In loving memory of James Mulcahy, who died on 9th May 2014.

Thank you for the years we shared, the love you gave me and the way you cared. You left a place no one can fill - I miss you Jim and always will.

Sadly missed and always remembered by your wife Mary.

Farewell, dear Father, thy work is done, thy willing hand will toil no more. A loving father kind and true, no one on earth we'll find like you.

Missed dearly by your children Siobhan, Joe, Jimmy, Eamon, Brigid, Paddy, Marie, John, Eileen and Michael, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law, grand children and families.

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 4th May at 7.30pm in St. Michael's Church, Clerihan.

O'BRIEN
 (1st Anniversary)



In loving memory of Susan O'Brien, late of 53 Woodview, Cahir, who died on 1st May 2018 RIP.

Silent memories keep you near, as time goes by another year. Out of our lives you may be gone, but in my heart you still live on.

Loved and missed by your husband Kieran, daughters Ciara, Jeanette, Susie, Andrea, Cathy and Ellen, grandchildren, friends and family.

Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 5th May at 10am in St. Mary's Church, Cahir.

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LEE
 (10th Anniversary)



In loving memory of my dear wife Marie Lee (nee Ahearne), late of "The Arches", Loughcoppole, Fethard, whose anniversary occurs on the 1st May.

A daily thought, a silent tear, a constant wish that you were here.

Sadly missed by your loving husband Joe.

Anniversary Mass will take place on Sunday 28th April at 10.00am in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Killusty.





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IN MEMORIAM

O'RYAN
(15th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Colm, late of Kilganey, Clonmel, who died on May 4th 2004.

As this sad month returns once more, silently opening memory's door. No length of time can take away our thoughts of you from day to day. Though absent you are always near, still loved, still missed, still very dear.

Sadly missed by your partner Frances, sisters Mary, Nellie, Kitty and Bridie, brothers Michael and Jim and all their families.

IN MEMORIAM

POWER
(4th Anniversary)



In loving memory of our sister-in-law Anne Power, late of Inis-na-Managh, Clonmel, who died on 2nd May 2015.

Not just today, but everyday,
In silence we remember.

Sadly missed by the Power family.

O'SULLIVAN
(5th & 23rd Anniversaries)



In loving memory of our parents Christina whose 5th anniversary occurs on 18th May and Thomas whose 23rd anniversary occurs on 10th May, late of 8 Ard Fatima, Clonmel.

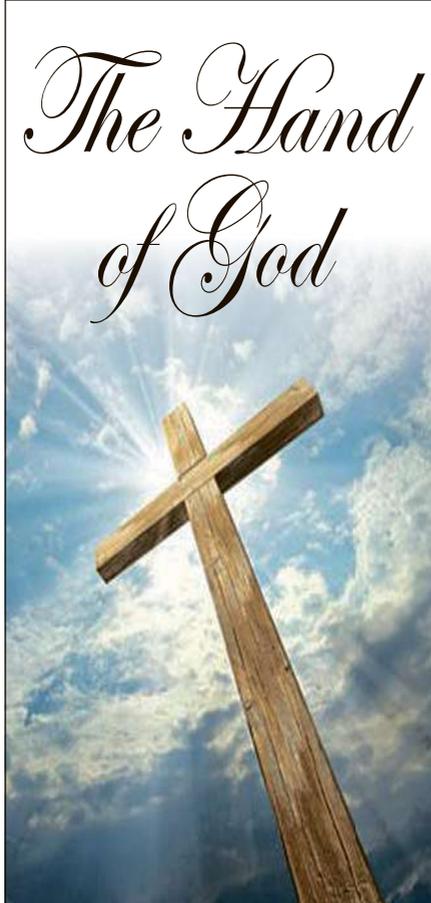
Also remembering our brother Patrick, late of Clonmel and Killarney who passed away on 16th April.

Your faces are always before us, your voices we would love to hear. Your smiles we will always remember of parents we loved so dear.

Deep in our hearts lies a picture, more precious than silver or gold. It's a picture of our parents, whose memory will never grow old.

Always remembered by your sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Anniversary Mass Sunday 5th May at 12 o'clock in St. Olivers Church.



*Though today, you walk in sorrow
You will not be alone.
There is One whose loving wisdom
Is far greater than our own.*

*Put your trusting hand in His,
As a little child would do
And He like a loving father
Will guide and comfort you!*

*Day by day, there will come to you
New faith, new hope, new light.
You'll find that stars unseen by day,
Shine through the darkest night*

*And though your heart is longing,
For the dear one who's at rest.
You'll know before the journey's end,
That God's dear ways are best!*

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

Commemoration of revolutionary events praised

Tipperary County Council cathaoirleach Cllr Mattie Ryan has praised the work being done to remember historical revolutionary events of 100 years ago and how this is generating interest in appropriate commemorative events.

“The events held at Soloheadbeg in January showed how commemorations should be done, by involving communities, the families of those involved, historians and the county council,” he said at the launch John Connors new book Sean Hogan: His Life, A Troubled Journey at the Excel Arts Centre.

In telling one man's story,

John Connors highlights and describes the central role that Tipperary played in Decade of Revolution. An 18-year-old Seán Hogan from Greenane, who was with Sean Treacy, Seumas Robinson and Dan Breen at Soloheadbeg in January 1919, was arrested at Annfield near the Ragg in May 1919. As he was being taken to Cork by train the following day, his IRA colleagues stage a dramatic and daring rescue at Knocklong Railway Station, springing him from a date with the galls and killing two of the police escorts. It kicked off a series of further violent events which would become the War of Independence. Between the War of Inde-

pendence and the Civil War, Hogan gave five years of his young life to the cause of Ireland, and Connors work links him to 16 fatalities in the War of Independence alone.

Connors work highlights how, in his later life, Hogan suffered both physical and mental issues as a result of his experiences. His problems led to separation from his wife and family and difficulties with employment and farming, despite various moves to Meath, Kildare and Dublin in his later years.

The book is available at €16 in bookshops in all the principal towns in Tipperary and in Books Upstairs on D'Olier Street in Dublin.



Pat and Anna Wall (Cahir), John Connors (author), and Tim Ryan (Galbally) at the launch of Sean Hogan: His Life, A Troubled Journey in the Excel Arts Centre, Tipperary Town

A night of popular music will support worthy causes

South Tipperary Art Group (STAG) will sign off on its golden jubilee celebrations in style by supporting two very good causes.

The charity concert in Old St. Mary's Church in Clonmel on May 4 will raise funds for the Clonmel Daffodil Day fund, which supports the Irish Cancer Society's night nurses, and Sanie's Trust, which supports Clonmel woman Sandra McLaren (née Connolly) who was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis six years ago and is now permanently confined to a wheelchair. In July, she will travel to Mexico for stem cell treatment specific for MS, and funding for which is now being raised across the community.

The line-up for the concert at Old St. Mary's includes The Celtic Choristers from Dublin (musical director Ethel Glancy), Cahir to Sing Choir (musical director Fidelma Nugent), Fethard Abbey Choir (musical director Anne Barry) and New Inn Voices (musical director

Jayne McConnon). It will also feature soloists Ellie Mackey and Fran Garry Marnane, as well as accompanist Andrew Purcell.

The concert will start at 7.30pm and tickets will be available at the door on the night. Adults cost €10, concession €8 and children €5, while raffle tickets cost €5 each.

A great night of popular music is promised with such classics as Wherever You Go, This is Me, Can You Feel the Love Tonight, Yesterday, American Trilogy, Grace, Fast Car, Come to the Music, Danny Boy and Isle of Hope.

The Celtic Choristers is a male voice choir based in St. Mary's College, Rathmines, Dublin.

Over the years they have performed in the National Concert Hall, The Royal Hospital Kilmalsham and Áras an Uachtaráin. Since its formation in 1998, the choir has competed successfully in choral festivals at New Ross, Navan, Sligo, Coleraine, Bangor and Llandudno in Wales.

Cahir to Sing Choir is a

ladies choir based in Cahir. Formed in January 2016 by a small group of women with a common interest in singing for pleasure, its membership has since grown and its members hail from many parts of the globe, with a wide age range. Its performances have

included the annual Christmas concert in the atmospheric surroundings of Cahir Castle, a full concert themed around the music of the 1960s, concerts in the historic St. Paul's Church in Cahir, participation in workshops and festivals, and guest

appearances at local fundraising events.

New Inn Voices began in September 2014 when a small group from the parish met to talk about how they could simply share their love of music and singing. This diverse group of farmers,

teachers, guards, electricians, plumbers, nurses, dentists, administrators, busy parents and grandparents share and develop their love of singing and friendship through the joy of music.



Sean Byrne, Edmond McGrath, Mary Hanafin, Mattie McGrath TD, Theo Hackett, Michael McGrath, Catherine McCarra and Ollie Wilkinson at the 96th Liam Lynch memorial mass in Newcastle

Lose weight for summer with Clonmel Park Hotel

Clonmel Park Hotel Leisure Centre manager Anthony Hewitt shares his five steps to help you lose weight and tone up before the summer.

1. Ban fast food

Fast food may be convenient, but it's overloaded with empty, fatty calories. One meal can contain all of the calories you're supposed to consume in an entire day.

Banning fast food is one of the most important, effective ways to lose weight. Simple!

2. Count 'em up

Calories work very simple. In order to lose weight, you must consume less calories than the calories you burn. E.g. If you eat something that is 500 calories then you must do a workout that exceeds 500 calories to lose any weight.

Yes, you all knew this already – so do it! No procrastinators here!

3. Take the stairs

Many of you reading this will encounter a stairs or two during your working day. Do yourself a huge favour and take it. Maybe even count how long it took and beat it the next day. Dodging this obstacle is big mistake. Give it a week's trial and tell me you

don't feel better?

4. Kick up the cardio

If you already have a good cardio workout, kick it up a notch to make it an even more effective way to lose weight. Add a little more resistance on the elliptical, set a higher ramp on the treadmill and take a Zumba class in addition to your yoga class.

5. Add weights

Add weights to your training. Almost any cardio workout can be kicked up by adding hand or ankle weights (or both). No fail, no gain! Ignore repetitions every so often and just do as many as you can until you 'fail'. Give it a go. Warning! Side effects: You may feel better. You may get more toned. You may lose more weight. #no-brainer.

If you follow my five easy

steps you'll definitely be on your way to a more lean and toned beach body.

For more information on the Clonmel Park Hotels Leisure Centre membership packages or it's pool only membership, contact 052-6188733, email leisurecentre@clonmelpark-hotel.com or check out www.clonmelpark-hotel.com.

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CLONMEL

Cardio screening

Heartfelt Cardio Screening is coming to Clonmel Park Hotel on May 2 and 30 with the revolutionary BPro pulse wave analysis device, providing affordable and accurate heart and artery screenings. Screenings are carried out by a Healthstats certified technician and a full printout of the results are given on the day. The procedure is non-invasive and completely pain-free. The information provided by our BPro screenings can help doctors decide whether more invasive investigations are required, thereby saving patients further unnecessary trauma. The cost of an individual BPro test is €50 per adult with a 10% discount (€90) for a couple. There is also a 20% discount for groups of 12 or more people. Contact Anna on 086-4135555, Jimmy on 086-2566422, email: heartfeltcardio-screening@gmail.com and visit www.bproheartfeltcardioscreening.com.

Charity event

The Clonmel Veteran, Vintage and Classic Car Club invites you to join them this May bank holiday weekend for its two day annual fundraising event in aid of Acquired Brain Injury Ireland. On May 4, classic car owners from all over the country will be gathering at Powerstown Park to enjoy a scenic drive from Clonmel to Holycross, where they will stop for an enjoyable visit at Farney Castle before returning to Clonmel for a three course meal overlooking the racecourse from its elevated restaurant. All Vintage car owners pre 1990 are welcome to enquire. On May 5, the club's annual Vintage and Classic Car Show takes place from within the grounds of Powerstown Park. This show will see hundreds of classic car owners display some of the finest vintage cars in the country. In addition, auto-jumblers and stall holders will be showcasing their goods, all of which assist in the restoration or preservation of classic cars.

This show is primarily to promote and share the enjoyment of vintage and classic car ownership and all it entails, but it's also a family day out with something for everyone to enjoy. With this in mind, the club has teamed up with providers of entertainment, food and drink. Craft stalls will also be there to provide goods throughout the day and the local archery club will be offering a 'have a go' to anyone wishing to try their hand and the sport. The RSA



An Easter egg hunt fundraiser in aid of Family Carers Ireland's Clonmel centre took place on Sunday. Pictured is Mayor of Clonmel Borough District Cllr Richie Molloy, who is the Family Carers Ireland area manager, with some of the 150 children that took part in the fun event

shuttle truck returns and this time they will be bringing the Roll Over Simulator with them. Entrance to this event is just €5 for adults and free for children under 16. Gates open at 12 noon.

During the show, a raffle will be drawn for two cars. The first prize is a Mercedes CLK Convertible, second is a Suzuki Wagon and third is €100 in cash. Tickets will be sold during the show, but they are also available online now at www.buytickets.at/cvvecc to allow advance purchasing and accommodate people who will be unable to attend the show itself. Tickets are just €5 each of three tickets for €10. More information can be found on the website mentioned above.

This entire weekend, including the raffle, is in aid of the Clonmel branch of Acquired Brain Injury Ireland who are the number one provider of personalised community rehabilitation services to over 30 brain injury survivors and their families in the area, helping them to rebuild their lives after hospital. All profits from these two days will go directly to the charity, who are in desperate need of a new wheelchair accessible vehicle to help brain injury survivors travel to the clinic for rehabilitation. Please come along, enjoy a great day out and support a very worthy cause. Contact the club chairman Grant Dowling on 087-9024316 or email info@cvvecc.ie for more information.

Whist

Takes place on April 28 in the Bridge Centre.

Probus

Next meeting in Raheen House Hotel on May 2 at 10.30am. Jim Keating will deliver a talk on Clonmel in the 1960s. Contact Jim Trehy on 087-9608713.

CASHEL

King Cormacs

Cashel King Cormacs Camogie Club held a fundraising 80's disco in Brosnan's Bar on Friday. Thanks to SuperValu for allowing us to sell tickets, to Brosnan's Bar for providing food and to all the businesses that contributed to our raffle.

A number of players were involved in county teams over the weekend. Congratulations to Aine O'Dwyer, Aisling Farrell and Aoife O'Brien who were part of the Tipperary Intermediate team who defeated Kilkenny in the Division 2 Final in Banagher. Commiserations to Sorcha Ryan, Ciara Dwan, Karin Blair and Meabh Ellie Ryan who were beaten by Clare in the All-Ireland Minor A semi-final in Gort. A last minute point from Clare in stoppage time dashed Tipperary's hopes of reaching an All-Ireland Final. Sorcha was captain of the team.

Dinner theatre

Comedy Dinner Theatre is coming to the Brian Boru Bar in Cashel starting on May 10.

Written and directed by Paul Maher, the show will involve three one act comedies featuring local actors Liam O'Maoldomhnaigh, Karen O'Connor and Marie Lonergan, assisted by Yuliya Shilnikova, a music teacher from Ukraine now based in Cashel, who also provides piano accompaniment. The plays are The Boy From Ardmayle, a trashy romantic comedy with the music of Joe Dolan, and I am Marriage Counsellor of Poland with Yuliya Shilnikova in the title role.

In the other play, entitled Our Lady of Consequences, Liam O'Maoldomhnaigh is the piano tuner's nephew, while Yuliya as a Countess with a piano and a past both of which she plays equally well. Each half of the show lasts about 40 minutes. A two course dinner will be served at the interval

during which Ms Shilnikova will play classical piano from Bach, Chopin, Beethoven and Mozart. The show is presented by Dreamtime Theatre (with funding assistance from the Arts Office of Tipperary County Council) on Fridays (May 10, 17, 24 and 31) starting at 7.30pm in the Brian Boru Bar, Main Street. Tickets are €25. Booking is essential at 062-63381. Contact Paul Maher on 087-4135228 or pmaher999@gmail.com.

Lions Club

Cashel Lions Club is currently making a collection on used spectacles. A box is available in Affinity Credit Union where the spectacles can be deposited. There is no need to include the cases.

Rugby Club

To be playing at the business end of the season is the ambition of every rugby club but last weekend ended in disappointment for Cashel as the senior team were beaten by seven points to three in the promotion playoff by Navan in front of a large crowd at Spafield on Saturday. Jonty Rea kicked a penalty for Cashel.

On Sunday, the Junior Cup team travelled to Highfield but were beaten 29 points to 3 by the home team in the semi final of the Munster Junior Cup. Eamonn Connolly kicked a penalty for Cashel.

It has been a very successful season for both teams who competed right to the end. We wish to thank all our players, coaches, supporters, sponsors and volunteers for all their support during the season.

Halla na Feile

Social tea dance in Halla na Feile on April 26, with dancing from 9pm to midnight. Music is by Michael Sexton. Refreshments served and admission is €9. Social dancing classes in Halla na Feile on Tuesdays continue to be very enjoyable with dancing from

8.30pm to 10.45pm. Admission is €5.

Toastmasters

Next meeting will be on May 2 from 8-10pm in Halla na Feile.

CARRICK-ON-SUIR

Davins GAA Club

Juvenile players enjoyed their first training session with Darragh Gibbs, the club's new juvenile development officer. He put all the lads through their paces. There was a great turnout for the training session and the coaches enjoyed it as much as the children.

The Davins Club congratulates Conor Whelan, who won the Young Hurler of the Year award at the South Tipperary GAA Awards at the South Tipp GAA Centre in Clonmel on Easter Sunday night.

Everyone at the club is proud of Conor's achievement.

The club's lotto jackpot prize of €7,000 wasn't won last week. Numbers drawn were: 13, 19, 20 26. Three players matched three numbers and won €70 each. They were: John Paul McGrath, Kayleigh Gough and Pat Redmond.

Carrick AC

Carrick-on-Suir AC runner Eugene O'Keeffe won the Over 50 category in the Ballinroad 5k Road Race. Overall winners of the West Waterford Athletic Club race were Sally Forristal, St Josephs AC, in 18:03 and Andrew Connick, Ferrybank AC in 15:31.

Eugene O'Keeffe won the O/50 category in a time of 19:12 and was the first club member home. He was followed by other very good performances from Carrick AC's Deirdre Power in 23:45, Margaret Power in 23:57, Sean Dunne in 25:42, Derek O'Dwyer in 26:55 and Ger Houlihan in 27:13.

Brewery Lane

The week long run of Brewery Lane Drama Group's latest production It's The Real McCoy opens at Brewery Lane Theatre this Saturday night, April 27. The comedy drama written by Tommy Marren and directed by Colm Power runs nightly at Brewery Lane until Saturday, May 4. Performances start at 8.15pm and tickets cost €15.

Boxing Club

A group of young boxers from Carrick-on-Suir's St. Nicholas Boxing Club excelled in the ring in the recent Munster championships in Dungan Sports Centre and St Paul's in Waterford. Aleksed Lazic, who competed in the Boy 1 (27kg) category, is Munster champion and will now box in

the All-Ireland Championship.

Tommy Finn, Boy 1 (35kg), boxed a boy from Rathkeale B.C. in the semi-final and boxed against a competitor from Sliabh Luachra B.C. in the final only narrowly losing the bout on a split decision of 3/2.

Alex Finn, Boy 1 (38.5kg) boxed three times in a week beating boys from Rathkeale and Bantry and losing in the final to a Tramore boxer. It was another very close fight ending with a 4/1 split decision.

Jack Walsh, Boy 2 (48kg), also boxed in a final, while Craig Drennan, Boy 4 (70kg), boxed in a semi-final and gained some great experience.

Caleb Butler, Boy 4 (54kg), had four fights in one week beating boys from Togher, St Francis' and St. Ailbe's Boxing Clubs only to lose a close bout in the final to a competitor from Leaside Lough B.C.

St. Nicholas' Boxing Club coaches and chairman Jim Drohan said they were delighted with the achievements of the club's boys and girls over the season.

Swan GAA

The Swan Senior hurlers play Templederry Kenyons in the third round of the County Senior Hurling League in Cashel on Saturday at 7pm.

The club's Junior A hurlers got off to a winning start in the opening round of the South Junior A Championship last Saturday evening. The Swan scored a late goal to clinch victory from St Patrick's who they defeated by one point.

The Junior B camogie team lost to Fethard in the County Camogie League last Friday.

The Minor footballers play Clonmel Commercial in Kilsheelan on Thursday (April 25) at 6.30pm.

Under 16 and 14 football games were cancelled last week but will be rescheduled. The under 14's play Cahir in Cahir this Thursday at 6.30pm.

The under 12 C team were beaten by Grangemockler/Ballyneale in their football championship last week.

Last week's Swan Lotto draw numbers were 02, 03, 03, 15, 17. The €3,000 jackpot wasn't won.

Carrick Swan Club extends condolences to the Walsh family of Mainstown and Tybroughney on their recent bereavement.

Ormond Castle

A free lecture called A Blueway Miscellany will be given by Brian White at Ormond Castle on April 27 at 11.30am.

LOCAL SPOTLIGHT

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COMMUNITY DAY

A Community Day is being planned for the village on Saturday, May 18 to coincide with the official opening of the Blueway between Carrick-on-Suir and Clonmel. Arrangements are being finalised so further details will follow in the next few weeks.

KILLURNEY SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB

The Club's knitters continue to knit and natter on Tuesday nights and the walkers scale the heights on Wednesdays at 7.15pm.

New faces are always welcome either evening. The club marked the 80th birthday of committee member Philly Cahill at its April meeting. Philly has a long association with Killurney. The club congratulates Philly and wishes him many more years of health and happiness.

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SCOR ALL-IRELAND TITLE

Castlebar, Co Mayo was the venue for the All-Ireland Senior Scor on Saturday, April 13.

The local club had two entries in figure dancing and recitation. The eight dancers trained by Kathy gave a 100% performance and carried off the All-Ireland title in great style. In recitation, Treasa McGrath gave an hilarious performance. It was very much appreciated by the audience but she was unlucky on the night and no doubt will be back again next year.

POPULAR TEACHER RETIRES

Prior to the Easter holidays teacher Mrs Mary Stafford retired following 37 years of dedicated teaching in Newcastle National School. During her time at the school, Mary was most popular with teaching staff, pupils, parents and board of management members and will be sorely missed. The community wishes Mary well in her retirement.

FIANNA FAIL

Newcastle Fianna Fail Cumann. The Fianna Fail annual collection will take place this weekend April 27/28. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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CYCLE AGAINST SUICIDE

The 2019 Cycle Against Suicide passes through New Inn on Friday, May 3 before going onto Cashel. The organisers would appreciate if members of the community could line the street and give

cyclists a welcome through the village. More details will be available nearer the date of the cycle. Best of luck to all the locals taking part in the event. The organisers are looking for 35 home stays in the New Inn/Cashel area (B&B) for the night for some of the cyclists taking part. Anyone interested should please contact co-ordinators Mary O'Connor on (086) 3778884 or Zoe O'Connor on (087) 266 5083. There will also be a social gathering with music that night in Ollie's Bar, New Inn. All are welcome. Check out www.cycleagainstsuicide.com for more info.

ROCKWELL ROVERS FUNDRAISER - THE CHASER

Rockwell Rovers thanked Louise Morrissey who helped launch The Chaser fundraiser in Barron's Pub in New Inn. The Chaser was a live version of the hit TV quiz show The Chase.

It is a fun way for communities to fundraise. Louise also took on The Chaser that night. She beat The Chaser with a little help from the audience. This example of the game showed the public the fun and excitement that will be experienced on a larger scale in Halla Na Féile in Cashel on Sunday, May 5.

Tickets for The Chaser cost €20 each or you can purchase group tickets for €50 (4 adults or 2 adults & 3 children). Tickets are available from the club or contact the ticket line on (085)2359595 or email rockwellroversdevelopment@gmail.com. Top prizes of €1,500 will be on offer. Check out Rockwell Rovers Facebook page and website for more details.

TIDY TOWNS

New Inn Tidy Towns AGM takes place in Philly Fahey's House, New Inn next Monday, April 29 at 8pm. New ideas and new members are always welcome.

PARISH LISTENING PROCESS MEETING

The findings from all 46 parishes in the Diocese were published recently. The next step is that each parish engage with their parishioners about the implications of this Diocesan Report.

It is only by taking full account of this report that we can "examine the present reality of our church today and then chart out a path for the future". The parish aims to continue this process at a public parish meeting in the Convent Hall on Tuesday, May 7 at 7.30pm. All are welcome to contribute to this process including those who for various reasons have left the church. Principles informing the Listening Process, The Gospel and its promotion will form the core. It is part of increasing lay involvement in and decisions about the future of the Church. The Listening Process is underpinned by the



Tree planting ceremony at Thomastown NS

Garret Ahearn and Cllr Michael Fitzgerald with a group of children at a tree planting ceremony in Thomastown National School

values of respect for people and where they are at in the practice of the faith and with humility by acknowledging the past wrongs of the Church. **NEW INN VINTAGE AND CLASSIC CLUB**

New Inn & District Vintage Club's annual Walter Cleary Memorial Run in aid of Stephen Ryan's Bucket List takes place on Sunday, May 12. The run starts at 1pm from Barron's and will finish back at Barron's afterwards for refreshments and raffle; All vintage cars, tractors, new and vintage bikes and lorries are welcome.

PROGRESSIVE 25 CARDS

Winners of the card games at the Old School, Knockgraffon last Wednesday, April 17 were Jim Meskell and Tim Joe McGrath with 12 games. Joint second place were John O'Connor and Sean Spillane; Paddy Freeney and Margaret Quinlan with 11 games.

DAY CARE CENTRE FUNDRAISING CONCERT

Louise Morrissey will perform in concert in Brú Ború Cultural Centre, Cashel on Monday, June 1, to raise funds for Cashel Day Care Centre. Des Willoughby, Orla Hickey & The Ryan Turner Band will also perform in the show. Tickets are on sale from the Day Care Centre. Contact Geraldine Cooney at (086) 8153275 or (062) 63288, Cashel Post Office and Bru Boru. Tickets cost €25, doors open at 8pm. MC on the night will be Jimmy O'Farrell.

LOTTO RESULTS

Results from The Rovers Inn, Saturday, April 20. Numbers drawn: 2, 3, 7, 18. There was no winner. Lucky Dips x 4:(online, Blue & White) Rose Cleary, Michael and Julie Tobin, Billy and Ruby Walsh, Thomas Friday to be entered into a monthly draw for €500 on Saturday, May 4. Sellers x 4: Paddy Cleary, John Hally, Colm Heaney, Michael Purcell

to be entered into a monthly draw for €100 on Saturday, May 4. This week's jackpot is €8,800 and the draw will take place in Barron's Pub, New Inn on Saturday, April 27.

BUY A BRICK FOR NEW INN BOYS NATIONAL SCHOOL

The people of New Inn can literally be a part of New Inn Boys National School and its history by purchasing a brick.

The school has secured government funding for an extra classroom, toilets etc. This brick will be inscribed with their name or family/business name and will be displayed in the school for generations to come. Bricks may be purchased at a cost of €100, €200 or €500 or alternatively you may wish to donate an amount of your own choosing.

The school realises it is asking for a considerable donation but this money will help all pupils in our community and further afield for generations to come.

BALLYLOOBY/ DUHILL

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PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday, May 5. Bus departs Clonmel at 7.30am and Cahir at 7.45am. Return fare €25. Further information from St. Mary's Parish Office Clonmel at (052)-6122773

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BALLYLOOBY/CASTLEGRACE JUVENILE GAA CLUB

25 Drive every Monday night in Ballylooby Hall at 8.30pm.

INVALID FUND

Afternoon Tea in aid of Ballylooby/Duhill Invalid Fund takes place on Sunday, May 12 from 2pm to 5pm in Kilcoran Lodge Hotel. Cost is €20 per person. Special prize for the best dressed table. To host a table contact Mary: (087) 6156999 or Rita: (086) 3001876

IRISH CLASSES

The Irish Class with Josephine will continue in Duhill Hall on Mondays from 7pm to 8pm.

Classes also in Browne's XL Clogheen Café every Saturday from 11am to 12 noon

RHODODENDRON WALKING FESTIVAL

The Rhododendron Walking Festival takes place during the June Bank Holiday Weekend, May 31 to June 3. Walks will cater for all abilities with a funky day in Glengarra on Bank Holiday Monday. For further information and to book a walk go to www.vee.ie

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

A church gate collection on behalf of the Fianna Fail Party will take place this Saturday and Sunday, April 27 and 28.

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BIRTHDAYS

Congratulations to Seamus O'Dwyer, who celebrated his 50th birthday on April 13, Christie Cranley, Dundrum, who celebrated his 70th birthday in Borna on Sunday. Birthday wishes also go to Martin Hayes, Glassdrum, who has turned 90. He celebrated the occasion in style with friends and neighbours. A Ceoltas band played at his party.

ENGAGEMENT

Heartiest congratulations to Colm O'Dwyer, Yonkers New York, second son to the late Liam and Beth, who got engaged recently to Marie J. Crow. Health and much happiness to you both and long life together.

EASTER CEREMONIES

The Easter ceremonies in Cappawhite were really a joy and thanks to Fr Furlong for all the work he put into them for the three days. Thanks also to all the readers, who are a credit to the parish. And thanks to the lovely choir who are always ready with new hymns as well as old.

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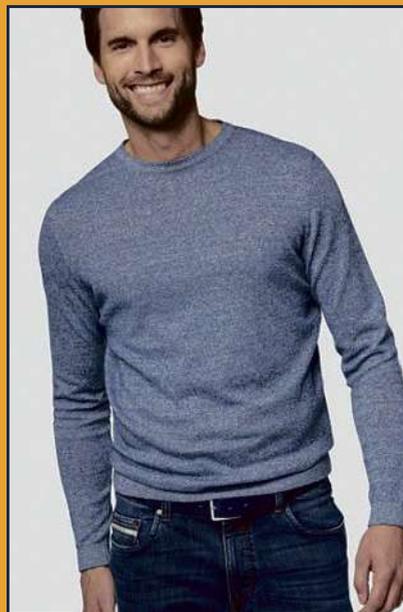
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