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Tipperary soldiers take over barracks for All-Ireland final

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Two of hurling's titans will take to the battlefield this Sunday, with one prized to lift the Liam MacCarthy Cup.

To the backdrop of over 82,000 supporters, the colosseum of Croke Park will host a gallant Tipperary side, spearheaded by Liam Sheedy.

Standing in Tipperary's way are a driven Kilkenny

force, with manager Brian Cody eyeing up his 12th Liam MacCarthy Cup triumph.

Crossing the boundary line into antagonistic territory every day, Tipperary Defence Forces personnel based at the 3rd Infantry Battalion in Stephen's Barracks, Kilkenny, are setting the tempo on the week of the All-Ireland senior hurling final.

Clonmel's Andrew Kelleher says there is always craic between Tipperary and Kilkenny soldiers ahead of clashes between the

counties. "There must be 50 of us from Tipperary in the barracks so we're well able for the Cats. We're confident that Tipperary will do the business by five points," he says.

Thurles' Anthony Haloran says there is a "great buzz" about the barracks ahead of Sunday. "The lads and I are always back and forth slugging. I can't wait to watch the game in Lar Corbett's pub in Thurles," he smiles.

Carrick Swan's Eoghan Harris is predicting a repeat

of 2010 and 2016. "The build-up is good craic, there's a good bit of roasting and slugging going on about who's going to win," he says.

His club compatriot Luke O'Dwyer is on standby for army duty on Sunday, but that won't stop him sporting the blue and gold. "It's an All-Ireland final, we don't usually run away with them and Kilkenny are coming good. Tipperary will take the win but it'll be tight enough," he says.

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LOOKING FORWARD TO THE BIG GAME

The Fleming family from Clogheen are ready for the All-Ireland senior hurling final between Tipperary and Kilkenny at Croke Park on Sunday. Liam Fleming predicts that Tipperary will win on a final scoreline of 3-25 to 2-23

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'The rivalry between Tipp and Kilkenny is top class'

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Thurles' Dale Loughnane is predicting a seven-point win for Tipperary. He has been "taking the piss" by wearing his Tipperary jersey around the barracks. "My best moment between the two teams was back in the 2009 All-Ireland final when Benny Dunne did what every Tipperary lad wanted to do - turn around and hit Tommy Walsh with the hurl," he laughs.

Thurles' Darren McGuire is in the thick of the banter at the barracks. "It's right good. The sergeant has a Tipperary flag hanging in our office and I don't think the Kilkenny lads like that," he laughs.

McGuire is heading to GAA headquarters for the final, boldly forecasting that Tipperary will have Kilkenny beaten in the first half.

Thurles' Luke Ryan is hoping that Seamus Callanan will repeat his 2016 All-Ireland final man of the match performance. "There's a fierce rivalry here in the barracks. Anyone coming into the office has to genuflect to the sergeant's Tipperary flag," he laughs.

Thurles' Gaels' Paul Murphy says tickets are like gold dust for the match. "The first All-Ireland I went to was Tipperary and Kilkenny. The first match was the rematch



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and I remember Paddy Stapleton, who used to teach me in school, scoring the point from Tipperary's 45 to draw the game," he recalls.

"It will be a close game up until the last 20 minutes, but Tipperary will take it away from there. Kilkenny are hit and miss."

Carrick Davins man Philip Cronin grew up on the border. "I was raised to hate Kilkenny. The rivalry is brilliant - top class! There's bridges into Faugheen and as soon as they get into the semi-final they get painted, so painting the bridges is a big

memory for me," he says.

He says the team that works the hardest on the day will lift the Liam MacCarthy Cup. "They are two teams based around work rate and it's hard to call. TJ Reid is going to be hard to mark, so they'll probably put Brendan Maher on him and do a man-marking job. Tipperary are the more skilful team, so in the last 15 minutes I can see them taking it. I would call it 60/40 for Tipperary," Cronin adds.

Carrick's Roseanna White "blissfully" recalls Tipperary halting Kilkenny's famous

quest for five-in-a-row. "There's great banter here in the barracks. I put on a Tipperary jersey this morning and people were stopping in their tracks. In this barracks we cover five counties across the South East and have people from all over, so the rivalry isn't just between Tipperary and Kilkenny - it's across all of the hurling counties," she says.

Ahenny native Martina Cronin has lived on the border all her life. "It has been known after many a Tipperary win for horns to be deliberately beeped outside

Delaney's and Maloney's pubs," she laughs.

She is heading to Croke Park with her family to cheer on the Premier County. "Both sets of fans are being a bit cautious with the banter this time as the final will be very close to call. I think it will be fiercely contested, but Tipperary for a three-goal win," she adds.

Thurles' Murt Larkin says the Tipperary-Kilkenny rivalry is in his DNA. "My mother hailed from a large family in Threecastles, County Kilkenny," he says.

He is soaking up the "bril-

liant atmosphere" in the barracks ahead of the final. "Banter is everywhere and good-natured. Neither side is claiming that victory is imminent," he continues.

Larkin will watch the game in Croke Park and says that Tipperary must perform in "sixth gear" to win. "We can expect no mercy from a talented Kilkenny side, but I believe this group of Tipperary players have the passion, drive and skill to bring the Liam MacCarthy home," the officer commander of the 3rd Infantry Battalion adds.

Tommy flying home from New York for the All-Ireland final

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A Clonmel man living the American dream is returning home from New York for the All-Ireland

senior hurling final.

Abbey Road native Tommy Fogarty moved to New York City in 2002, having lived in Australia for a few years prior. "I was bitten by the travel bug," Tommy tells South Tipp Today.

Living in Rockland County, Tommy founded Highbury Concrete, which specialises in concrete superstructure. After meeting Malena, they married and have three kids: Patrick (5), Katia (3) and stepson Brandon (22).

Tommy says Irish people are well-respected in New York. "Tipperary has a large community here and has its own hurling club, which has been very successful down through the years," he says.

Tommy's work with Tipperary Hurling Club New York resulted in him being crowned Tipperary Person of the Year by the County Tipperary N. and B. Association of New York recently. His son Patrick also received a bursary from the association. "I help out at the club and I provided a few guys who had come out to hurl here for the summer with work. It's just giving a little back to the community," he smiles.

Tommy says New York is

hurling mad. "Everyone loves the game - it's easy to fall in love with it. A lot of Irish Americans are playing it over here. New York was well-represented at the 2019 Renault GAA World Games in Waterford recently and won a couple of finals in Croke Park, which is fantastic to see," he continues.

The Fogarty family are flying into Dublin this week and are expecting a "tough" match against Kilkenny at Croke Park on Sunday. "There are a good few I know travelling from New York, both Kilkenny and Tipperary fans, so the craic will be good and there will be plenty of banter. We're looking forward to catching up with some friends from Australia who are coming home for the game too.

"Tipperary answered a lot of questions against Wexford in the semi-final. Kilkenny are coming good at the right time, but I think Tipperary will win," he adds.



Clonmel native Tommy Fogarty with his wife Malena and kids Patrick (5) and Katia (3). They are coming home for the All-Ireland final

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Glowing tributes paid as Judge Tom Teehan retires

Glowing tributes were paid to Judge Tom Teehan to mark his retirement from the bench after serving the south east circuit for the last 13 years at the closing sittings of Clonmel Circuit Court.

The enormous regard in which Judge Teehan was held was evident from the packed courthouse as court staff, judicial colleagues, gardai, prison officers, barristers and solicitors attended the ceremony.

Judge Teehan, who had a forty eight year long association with the south east circuit, was greeted outside the courthouse by newly appointed Chief Superintendent Derek Smart and Superintendent William Leahy.

Judge Teehan was given a guard of honour by Clonmel gardai as he entered the historic courthouse.

Judge Teehan is associated with the Bar in the south east for 48 years since he qualified as a barrister. He was appointed to the bench in

2006 and was full time dealing with criminal matters in Tipperary for the last seven years. Over those 13 years it was estimated he had spent 2,000 days in court in the circuit.

He was described as being the epitome of independence by Ms Justice Patricia Ryan who led the tributes. She said Judge Teehan had a deserved reputation as being scrupulously fair, he brought an air of gravitas to the court and treated litigants with respect and courtesy. He would be hugely missed.

Judge Teehan, whose wife Helen and daughter Mary were in court for the occasion, said he was overwhelmed by what had been said by so many speakers.

Judge Teehan paid tribute to a large number of people in the various professions serving the court system that he came into contact with over the years as well as acknowledging the respect shown to him by people who appeared before him on serious charges and were handed down long sentences.

Judge Teehan said it was an enormous privilege for him to be associated with the south east circuit since 1971. He thanked everybody he had come in contact with over those years who were part of the court system for their kindness and courtesy.

Judge Teehan, a native of Kilkenny, said he would bring enormously happy memories with him into the future from almost five decades in the south east circuit.

Johnny Walshe, BL on behalf of the Bar, said Judge Teehan administered justice fairly. He dealt severely with gangs of marauders coming down from Dublin and raiding homes in Tipperary.

Peter O'Reilly, senior solicitor, said among the many hallmarks Judge Teehan was known for was his common sense and his attention to detail and his great ability to get on with people.

Maura Hennessy, on behalf of the 163 solicitors serving in Tipperary, said Judge Teehan set high standards and practitioners in his court had to strive to meet those same standards.



Judge Tom Teehan in his chambers with colleagues and former judicial colleagues at Clonmel Courthouse

Supt William Leahy said Tom Teehan stood out as a barrister on the circuit and as a judge he was known for his understanding and empathy. Supt Leahy thanked Judge Teehan for the support he gave the gardai in their efforts to raise funds for worthwhile causes.

Supt Leahy thanked Judge Teehan for the service he gave to the community of Clonmel for many years.

Clonmel court office manager Gerard Connolly, whom

Judge Teehan described as an exemplary civil servant, thanked Judge Teehan for the kindness, courtesy and respect he showed to all members of staff in Clonmel over the years.

Mr Connolly said Judge Teehan had a deep understanding of the human condition and would be a huge loss to the administration of justice in Tipperary.

Among the attendance were the retired President of the Court of Appeal Mr

Justice Sean Ryan, retired High Court Mr Justice Raymond Fullam and Judge Eugene O'Kelly.

The speakers also included Sarah Phelan (Bar of Ireland), Paul Fitzpatrick (state solicitor), James Seymour (county registrar), Margaret O'Neill (Court Services director), Michael O'Mahony (Irish Prisons Service) and John Gallon (tipstaff to Judge Teehan).

'Epidemic' of weeds on streets a 'disgrace'

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Concerns about the "epidemic" of weeds across the Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District have been raised by local councillors.

At Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District's recent meeting, Cllr David Dunne said the growth of weeds in Carrick-on-Suir town centre and on the N24 has gotten "out of hand".

He called on the council to

put in place the necessary staff to carry out a spraying programme. "Weeds are everywhere you go. It's just ridiculous," he added.

Cllr Kieran Bourke said the "epidemic" of weeds on Carrick-on-Suir footpaths and in car parks are a "disgrace". He also called for a spraying programme to be implemented. "There are private organisations like COSBA [Carrick-on-Suir Business Association], the Lions Club and resident committees putting shoulder to the wheel, and the council is being found wanting. We

are just not doing what we should be doing, whether it's because of staff shortages or finance. We need to do something about it," he added.

Cllr Imelda Goldsboro said weeds are also an issue in villages across the Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District, drawing particular attention to the issue in Fethard. "We are trying to promote tourism and support tidy towns groups, and yet the weeds continue to be an eyesore," she added.

Carrick-on-Suir Muni-

cipal District's engineer Willie Corby said the council has a procedure in place for tackling weeds, but admitted that the issue is "not easy". He explained: "Some people are not in favour of particular types of spraying anymore - that's an environmental concern people have nowadays.

"We have had a better year for growth than last year and the weeds have just shot up, but that's no one's fault. It's just the way the weather comes. We'll try to get a handle on it."



Councillors have raised concerns about weeds growing on streets across Carrick-on-Suir Municipal District

'Evil' vandalism at Holy Year Cross condemned at Mass

Prayers were offered at the annual Mass at The Holy Year Cross overlooking Clonmel for those responsible for last week's vandalism at the site when the cross, oratory and adjoining pillars were daubed with swastika images.

In his homily at the Mass on the foothills of the Comeragh mountains on Bank Holiday Monday morning, Fr. Michael Toomey spoke about those

"who tried to cause hurt not just to people of faith, but to the whole town of Clonmel by their childish and grotesque actions.

"I do pray for them, and hope that whatever is troubling them, that they will find peace in the love and prayers of all of us.

"Your presence here today is a much louder signal to them - this is our town, this is our tradition. And while their actions are a form of persecution and evil, we rejoice and are glad that through the

wonderful work of our dedicated committee and volunteers who have done a fantastic job in maintaining and fixing the altar areas, we are here today to continue the tradition of 69 years ago, and every year since, when our predecessors climbed and stood here to celebrate the Mass which we do here today, in their memory and for ourselves, and for the glory of God."

Fr. Toomey, a curate at Ss Peter and Paul's parish in Clonmel, thanked committee

members Patsy Lambe, Tony Cronin, Benny Burke, Sean Prendergast, Paul Ryan, Mickey Ryan, Brendan Ryan, Ian Prendergast, Paul Kennedy and Derek Conlon for what he described as their selfless work and dedication in maintaining the site.

He also expressed his gratitude to painters Larry Fahey, Sean Morrissey and John Ahearne for helping the committee members to repair the damage caused last week.

Fr. Toomey also thanked Pat Casey from Cork who,

having heard what happened, called him and offered a special anti-graffiti removal substance, which was gratefully appreciated by the committee.

There was widespread condemnation of the recent vandalism. "The vandalism was caused by a spray can and it was sprayed on the reflector paint of the cross itself," Tony Cronin, a member of the committee that looks after the cross, said.

The site was also vandalised earlier this decade, when

oil was poured around the area in the days before the annual Mass was celebrated in 2011.

The original cross was erected to celebrate the Holy Year in 1950. Since then, a Mass has been celebrated on the site at Cnoc a Chomortaís, or Scrouthea Hill, each August Bank Holiday Monday, while the cross and the area surrounding it has been maintained by a dedicated voluntary committee based at the Old Bridge.

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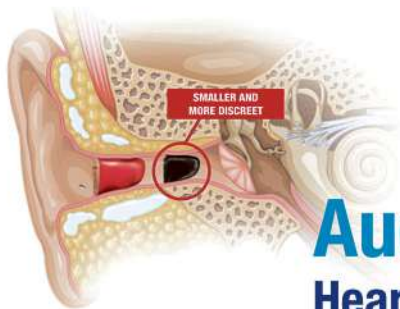
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Funding boost for five primary schools in Tipperary Town

A funding and support package has been agreed for the five primary schools in Tipperary town.

The schools had made a joint application for DEIS status which was turned down by the Department of Education.

This was despite indicators such as unemployment, education levels and family structure suggesting Tipperary town is one of the more deprived urban areas in the country.

Repeated efforts to have this reversed had failed up to now – however a deal has now been reached which is seen as a major breakthrough in the impasse

After a three year wait, the pupils of the five primary schools in Tipperary Town will return to school in September with additional resources to help them access their primary education.

The issue was very much to the fore during two March4Tipp protest marches that took place in the town in 2018. Parents and children attending the five schools participated in the march to highlight the lack of additional resources in the schools.

A statement issued by the five schools welcomed the move. "On July 31, we are happy to say there was a major breakthrough in negotiations. At a meeting with DEIS officials, the five primary schools were told that as an interim measure, before the next roll out of DEIS, we will have access to a package of additional sup-

ports and resources. This package will include literacy support, extra resources for non Irish national pupils and a Family Support Teacher.

"We are confident that we will be included in the next roll out of DEIS, to be announced in November 2019 for implementation in September 2020. On behalf of the children and the school communities in Tipperary Town we are hugely grateful to Deputy Michael Lowry for his ongoing commitment and dedication to this issue and ensuring we will have extra resources in our schools in September," said the statement issued on behalf of the five schools.

Additional support for five schools in Tipperary town will be a major boost for pupils in the town, a Fine Gael councillor has said. General election candidate Garret Ahearn welcomed the progress that has been made in respect of additional support for five primary schools in the town. "The five principals of each of the schools have done their pupils and their school communities proud in relation to the work that they have put in with the Department of Education.

"While the ongoing national review of DEIS schools will not be completed for a number of months the progress ahead of the coming school year is a sign that my colleague, Education Minister Joe McHugh, understands the needs of the schools in Tipperary town.

"Fine Gael in Government has invested heavily in education and, I believe, this is a fur-

ther sign of our commitment to investing in our education system.

"I am pleased to see the schools in the town get the recognition from the department that they deserve. The support package will have a positive impact on the schools and the entire town. I will continue to work with the schools to ensure that they are supported and are well resourced to continue doing the great work they do," he concluded.

Fine Gael election candidate Mary Newman Julian also welcomed the move. "I am delighted to welcome the news from Minister Joe McHugh that additional resources for the next school year have been discussed with the 5 Primary Principals in Tipperary Town. I understand that discussions are still on going on the final package of support to be agreed. This is very welcome news for the pupils and their families in Tipperary town and is a testament to the diligence and dedication of the principals who have worked closely with the Dept. of Education to ensure their schools will receive the supports they need," she said.

Mary Newman Julian said that while these additional resources do not amount to full DEIS supports, it is most certainly a step in the right direction.

DEIS supports provide additional resources to schools in areas of most need, particularly in terms of socioeconomic deprivation. "Tipp town is recognised as having significant levels of disadvantage, it



Catriona Farrell (deputy principal, The Monastery CBS), Siobhan Verdon (St. Michael's Junior Boys), Ide Mooney (St. Michael's Girls NS), Louise Tobin (St. Joseph's Primary) and Eoghan Breathnach (Gaelscoil Thiobraid Arann) with Deputy Michael Lowry outside the Department of Education

is only fair that additional resources are made available to these schools as they wait on the DEIS scheme being reviewed and reopened for new applications," she said.

"The primary school principals have worked tirelessly with the Department of Edu-

cation officials for many months to ensure these vital extra resources could be made available to the approximately 780 students attending their schools for the coming academic year. I have met with the principals in Tipperary town and visited

some of the schools and there is a clear need for extra resources which will now be available. I would hope that all the work the teachers have done to get these additional resources for now will pave the way for full DEIS status in the coming months."

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"We are so delighted to have been awarded a star at this year's Great Taste awards," Kylie Magner explains:

"This is our very first year to enter and we were blown away by the news. We make the broth ourselves with as much local produce as possible and it is a real family team effort to have achieved this success."

Recognised as a stamp of excellence among consumers and retailers alike, Great Taste values taste above all else, with no regard for branding and packaging. Whether it is vinegar, granola, bacon or cheese being judged, all products are removed from their wrapper, jar, box or bottle before being tasted.

The judges then savour, confer and re-taste to decide which products are worthy of a 1, 2 or 3-star award.

There were 12,772 entries into Great Taste this year and of those products, 208 have been awarded a 3-star, 1,326 received a 2-star and 3,409 were awarded a 1-star accolade.

The panel of judges this year included cook, writer and champion of sustainable food Melissa Hemsley, MasterChef 2018 champion Kenny Tutt, author Olia Hercules, chef and food writer Gill Meller, Kavi Thakar from Dishoom, food writer and stylist Georgina Hayden, and author and chef Zoe Adjonyoh.



A delighted Kylie Magner with her award-winning chicken bone broth

South Tipperary and South Korea join forces for dementia

South Tipperary and South Korea joined forces to assist people with dementia access assistive technologies.

A group from South Korea visited the South Tipperary Memory Technology Library at South Tipperary General Hospital to compare approaches on assisting people with dementia Emma O'Brien and Simone McGoldrick, occupational therapists working in the Memory Technology Library, and Eibhlis Cahalane, manager lead for National Memory Technology Resource Room Project, were delighted to welcome Assistant Professor AJ Junghun Kim and five colleagues from South Korea. Assistant Professor Junghun

Kim and his colleagues are involved in developing a plan to help people with dementia in South Korea access assistive technologies, which is a new service development in their country.

An interesting afternoon was spent sharing ideas and learning from the South Tipperary Memory Technology Library, and it is hoped that the connection will lead to further shared learning in the future.

The South Tipperary Memory Technology Library was delighted to have been chosen as an exemplary site for this visit.

The Memory Technology Library is part of the Memory Technology Resource Room network which aims to raise awareness and provide

advice about assistive technologies for people with dementia and memory difficulties.

Twenty five MTRRs have been established throughout the country.

The Memory Technology Library is based in the grounds of South Tipperary Hospital and offers people with dementia and/or memory difficulties and their carers, advice and information about technology that may help.

The service is by appointment only. Please contact Emma O'Brien, occupational therapist on 0526177080 for more information or to arrange an appointment, or visit www.southtipperarydementia.ie.

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The customer comment below is an example of the hundreds of comments left on our Facebook page:

"The difference these made for me was night and day! An absolutely stellar difference. Truly, half the cost of anything remotely equivalent. Saving every cent for my pair! Thank you for hope."

Michael O'Coinin

The picture shows the full team including the founders and general manager, the audiologists and the dedicated customer care team.

Proud Tipperary students collect Leaving Certificate results

Emotions were running high as students across County Tipperary collected their Leaving Certificate on Tuesday morning.

58,787 sat the Leaving Certificate in 2019 nationwide. Of the candidates who sat the examinations, 56,071 candidates followed the Leaving Certificate (estab-

lished) programme nationwide, of which 13,124 (22.3%) followed the Leaving Certificate Vocational Programme. A further 2,716 (4.6%) candidates followed the Leaving Certificate Applied Programme.

2,042 sat the Leaving Certificate (established) programme in Tipperary, with 77 sitting the Leaving Certificate Applied

Programme in the county.

The results obtained this year are broadly in line with those obtained in 2018 and previous years. Candidates receiving results in Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Link Modules and Politics and Society had their examinations marked using an online marking

system.

Their scripts were scanned and marked by examiners using specially designed software. Candidates' scripts were marked on a computer, not by a computer. When it comes to the viewing of scripts, candidates will view these scripts online.

'Binge watching Netflix' helps Rockwell's Bill Fitzgerald achieve incredible results

Rockwell College celebrated a 'first' with the release of the Leaving Certificate results as Clonmel's Bill Fitzgerald was one of only five candidates from across Ireland to achieve eight H1 grades in honours papers.

"Hard work achieves results, but everyone knows that," Bill said.

He noted the need to "switch off and spend time with your friends". Bill also employed some methods to unwind from the stress of exam preparation, including "binge watching Netflix to relax".

Reflecting on his time at Rockwell College, Bill said: "In first year, a 13-year-old me felt overwhelmed by Christmas tests. My Ddd told me to look at the exams as individual bricks as opposed to a whole wall. So I suppose my attitude to the exams and study was to break bricks."

Bill was quick to share the credit for his success, noting that Rockwell College gave him "a healthy school environment, encouraging teachers, great friends". His



Rockwell College's Bill Fitzgerald got eight H1 grades in honours papers

parents and family were singled out in particular for

their support, and even the family dog kept his spirits up.

Aside from Bill's remarkable achievement, over 33% of the Rockwell College candidates achieved over 500 points in comparison to around 13% nationally, with 8% achieving over 600 points.

"I am delighted to see that the hard work and dedication of our pupils has been rewarded. They have been a particularly diligent, hard working group with a strong sense of purpose," said principal Audrey O'Byrne.

There were strong grades achieved across all subjects, with grades in Maths, Applied Maths, Biology, Accounting, Geography and Chemistry at Rockwell College well in excess of the national averages.



Rockwell College's Brian Flavin, Kevin O'Connor and Tom Dowling celebrating their Leaving Certificate results

All smiles on Leaving Cert results day

A delighted Kirsty Keating celebrating her Leaving Certificate results with her father John



Rowan English and Ben O'Sullivan celebrating their results at Rockwell



Harry Tobin, Moya Whelan and Fergal Maher feeling proud at Rockwell College

'EXCELLENT STUDENTS' PREPARE FOR LIFE AFTER COLÁISTE DÚN IASCAIGH

Eighty-nine Coláiste Dún Iascaigh, Cahir, students received their Leaving Certificate results on Tuesday.

"The group of 2019 continued the trends of recent years where results have been excellent across all areas," said principal Peter Creedon.

"Our top student scored just under 600 points with 10 students in close proximity over the 500 mark. It was re-

freshing to hear a young man with 530 points deciding that an apprenticeship was the route he wanted to pursue. Another student has been accepted on a course in Florida to be trained as an airline pilot and other students are taking up courses in Amsterdam and Germany.

"Irish universities and institutes of technology will see many of our students enter their doors next year and

they will be stronger for the well rounded education they have received in the Coláiste.

"A number of our students will enter Kildalton Agricultural College next year and others will take places in PLC courses, which will open up other progression avenues.

On behalf of everyone in the Coláiste, I wish all our students well over the coming weeks and years," he added.



Patrick Doyle, Cian Murphy and Adam Coffey



Loredana Marginean with her brother Dragosh



Cian Crowe and Michelle Halley



Kieran Lambert, Robert Kelly and Connor Walsh

'Truly spectacular' Leaving Certificate results at Cashel Community School

Cashel Community School students celebrated their Leaving Cert results on Tuesday, with James O'Sullivan achieving the maximum 625 points.

"It was marvellous to see the delight and sheer happiness of those young people as they received their results. This year's results were truly spectacular with results in all areas being above the national average," said principal John Gallagher.

"Cashel Community School is very proud of the Class of 2019. It takes a huge amount of hard work and dedication on the part of students, staff and parents to achieve this level of performance. Many of the students exceeded their own expectations and it is wonderful to see their efforts recognised

on a number of levels.

"We congratulate all of our students for realising their individual potential and we wish them every success in their future endeavours," he added.

Deputy principal Miss Margaret Moore said 5% of the students scored in excess of 550 points, 16% over 500 points or higher and 30% secured over 450 points.

Finally, deputy principal John Murray offered his advice for the coming days, stating that "going forward we would advise students to consider all their options as they reflect on their Leaving Certificate results." He acknowledged that while most students are planning on accepting college places, others are considering further training or direct employment.



Principal John Gallagher and deputy principal Margaret Moore with Kieran Browne, Karin Blair, Riain Quigley, Sarah Delaney, Liam McGrath and Caoimhe Perdue celebrating Leaving Certificate results day at Cashel Community School



Deputy principals John Murray and Margaret Moore and principal John Gallagher with top student James O'Sullivan



LEFT: Aoife O'Connor and Alexandra Davern were all smiles after they collected their Leaving Certificate results at Cashel Community School on Tuesday last

WILD ABOUT SOUTH TIPP

River Ara Wildlife Festival August 23-24

Wildlife Matters

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Rivers are one of our most interesting and precious habitats. I remember as kids heading off with our jam jars and an old pair of tights to pond dip. There was great excitement as we caught tadpoles, large diving beetles and the occasional stickleback. These were proudly taken home until our parents got the chance to release them back into their watery home.

Many adults will remember doing these activities, but for today's generation this is an unknown experience.

On August 23 and 24, Tipperary Tidy Towns with Knockanrawley Organic Garden are running a River Ara Wildlife Festival, with lots of fun activities and workshops for young and old. This festival continues the social, educational and environmental investment in the River Ara.

Local schools have been previously brought on river walks where they learnt about the creatures that inhabit the river and how to protect water quality. Timmy Whyte leads a weekly social, horticultural and therapeutic walk that explores the river wildlife, and we look forward to the development of the River Ara walk.

Starting on August 23 at 7pm in Knockanrawley Organic Garden, you can learn how to create a small pond, in your garden, and how to conserve water. Ponds are an important habitat for creatures, like frogs and insects, and this is an excellent project, for tidy towns, under the biodiversity and sustainability sections, of the tidy town's award. Most ponds have disappeared, from the landscape, so gardens and communities, are now a vital

refuge for pond wildlife.

At 8pm there will be presentation, on the wildlife found along the River Ara. From kingfishers to elusive otters, bumblebees to bats, the Ara is home, to an amazing diversity of wildlife,



throughout the year. Discover the hidden lives of these creatures, and how we can help to conserve them. The wildlife of the Ara has been surveyed over the summer, and information signs are being developed.

This wildlife presentation will be followed by a bat and moth walk at 9pm. There is a growing interest in bats and moths, and we will run the moth trap in the Organic Garden to capture some moths and use bat detectors, to explore the hidden story of bats. Bats don't fly into your hair, eat your cables or smell, and on the night we will discuss all these myths that surround bats. Wear warm clothes and a high vis vest.

Saturday kicks off at 10am, where we will empty the moth trap, in the organic garden. Moths come in a diverse range of shapes and colours, and are a vital part of the diet of bats and birds. Dispel some of the myths that all moths, are brown and only eat your clothes.

From 10.30-11.30am, we

will don the wellies and armed with nets head to the River Ara and search for water scorpions, fish, beetles, leeches and many more marvellous creatures. If you have a net bring it along and a spare change of clothes might be necessary for this fun activity.

Back in the Organic Garden for from 12-1pm, we will make seed bombs that you can take home or scatter along the riverbank. These seeds will grow and provide pollen and nectar for bees and butterflies. A messy but fun workshop, for all the family and adults.

Our festival will end with a wildlife safari from 2-3pm to discover birds, bees, bugs and flowers found along the Ara. We will also point out ideas, for projects for tidy towns groups. This will be followed by another session of pond dipping.

Tipperary Tidy Towns gratefully acknowledges funding from the County Council under the Festival Grant scheme.

All events are suitable for families. Register your place by contacting albert.nolan@rocketmail.com or 089-4230502

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

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The 'Pet Pre-Nup' - Are we barking up the wrong tree?

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Pre-nuptial agreements are increasing steadily in Ireland since their introduction in 1965.

We have seen a growth in the number of pre nuptial agreements being sought by farming families. Over 70% of farmers are supporting calls to make pre nups recognised legally in Ireland. However it is important to remember that courts are not inclined to give pre nuptial agreements full effect if they are deemed to be grossly unfair.

But there is a new pre nup which has grown in popularity in the US and more recently in the UK. This is the pet pre nup, which sets out what should happen to a pet in the event of a relationship breakdown.

1. IS THERE SUCH A THING AS A PET PRE NUP?

The pet pre nup is a new concept for us here in Ireland but it is gaining momentum. In the UK, a number of dog rescue shelters have teamed up with legal firms to offer couples who adopt a pet, a pet

pre nup.

According to research conducted there, four pets a week are given in to animal shelters as a result of relationship breakdown.

The research also found, interestingly, that when couples do split up, 56% of females keep the pet compared to 29% of men. The remaining 15% give the pet to a friend, family member or rescue shelter.

While many may scoff at the idea of a pet pre nup, it is important to remember that many couples put agreements in place to protect assets, so protecting the beloved family pet in the event of a relationship breakdown, is not completely far fetched!

2. WHAT CAN BE INCLUDED IN A PET PRE NUP?

The pet pre nup sets out who will get the pet if the relationship breaks down and also covers ongoing care.

Many couples will also decide whether pets will spend different days with each

person, as like children in divorce settlements. It will also set out who is responsible for the pet's health care and decision making.

3. ARE PETS THAT MUCH OF AN ISSUE?

The matter of who keeps the pet in the case of a divorce is much more common than people may think. While there are no available figures here in Ireland, in the UK, nearly 30,000 divorce cases that reach the courtroom, involved conflict over a pet.

It isn't unreasonable to think that pets will feature more prominently in divorce cases here in the future.

After all who would not look after a man's best friend!!

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Clogheen's John Halley and friends getting ready for the All-Ireland senior hurling final between Tipperary and Kilkenny

Showers fail to deter the faithful who attended Mass at the Holy Year Cross

Fr. Michael Toomey celebrated Mass at the Holy Year Cross overlooking Clonmel on Bank Holiday Monday morning, many years after attending the Mass as a child while home on holidays from England.

“For me, coming from London where we were lucky to see even a patch of grass, it was something so awesome – celebrating our faith, looking down and praying for our town.

“Little did I know then that one day I would have the privilege of actually saying the Mass for such wonderful people in our town, who have climbed the mountain to celebrate Mass here today,” he stated.

Despite the threat of showers (one of which fell during the ceremony) and challenging underfoot conditions caused by heavy rain on Sunday, a large congregation attended the annual Mass at Cnoc a Chomortais, or Scrouthea Hill.

It included Mayor of Clonmel Garret Ahearn, members of Clonmel Borough District Council and Deputies Seamus Healy and Mattie McGrath.

“On December 31, 1999 – just before midnight - I was one of many who witnessed the lighting of the Cross for the Millennium; and it is lit every night since, a light

shining down on our town, giving hope to those who ever need it,” said Fr. Toomey, who’s a curate at Ss Peter and Paul’s parish, Clonmel.

“The new panels were put up last year at a cost of €1,500 to make the light shine brighter, so thank you for your contributions and again to the committee who work voluntarily in shining a bright light across our town, 365 days a year.”

The Mass has been attended for almost 70 years by people from the town and surrounding areas who faithfully make the annual pilgrimage.

The cross and shrine have been maintained down through the years by a committee drawn from Old Bridge, Scrouthea and other areas of Clonmel – “of which we are all deeply grateful for their dedication and care”, said Fr. Toomey.

He said he offered the Mass for all those who in 1950 set about planning and bringing the cross up the hill to the site, many of whom were now gone to their eternal reward.

“I also offer it for the thousands of pilgrims – many who attended this Mass every year until they too were called home to God.

“I also offer this Mass for all those who today have cared for and prepared this area; and for the intentions of all gathered here today.”



Sheltering from a shower at the Holy Year Cross Mass on Bank Holiday Monday were Thomas O'Meara, Dylan O'Sullivan, Kathleen Moloney and Veronica Lonergan PICTURES: JOHN KELLY



Brothers Luke and Alan Prendergast and their cousin Conor Prendergast photographed at the same spot 20 years after their first photo at the Holy Year Cross Mass in 1999



Jim and Joe Lee sharing a joke at the Holy Year Cross Mass



Patrick Egan with his springer spaniel Colt on the way to Mass



Paudie Power, Niamh Powell, Aidan Ryan, Tommy Ryan and Eoin Ryan

'This is a small step in the right direction'

March4Tipp candidate Cllr Annemarie Ryan Shiner is happy that her proposal to change the restriction on public access to meetings was put forward at the July meeting of the Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District.

Following a proposal made by Cllr Ryan Shiner, members of the public now only need to give three days notice if they want to guarantee a place at the meeting. The public can also turn up

on the day and will be able to attend if there are enough seats. Furthermore, the capacity has been increased to twenty five.

At the municipal meeting, two young adults attended the meeting, well done to Betty (10) and Ahmed (12) who patiently listened to all the news about their community. After the meeting, Ahmed and Betty had lots of questions for the councillors.

Ahmed also interviewed various councillors on future plans for their community and he is currently arranging

an interview with a council official on how the council is run.

"These young people are the next generation and potential leaders of the future and it is wonderful to welcome them

to grass roots politics," said Cllr Ryan Shiner.

She hopes that many more people, both young and old, will now feel that they are welcome to attend the meetings. She is asking the

community to come along and hear what is happening in their community and assures them they will be made welcome.

"This is a small step in the right direction," said Cllr

Ryan Shiner, who thanked both the councillors and the municipal council staff for making the changes with her. The next municipal meeting will be on September 23 at 11am.



Ahmed Aydi, Katherina Ryan, Betty Ryan L'Herrou, Patricia McHale and Oliver O'Connor at the council meeting

Raw sewage flowing on Main Street 'a total disgrace'

A resident of Cashel's Main Street Lower Gate area has taken to social media to complain about raw sewage overflowing in the streets.

Cashel man Kieran Fitzgerald said it was a "total disgrace" that sewage could be allowed to flow openly on the Main Street, especially in the vicinity of one of his neighbours who had recently been discharged from hospital.

"This is a total disgrace," said Mr Fitzgerald on July 28. "Raw sewage coming up on the Main Street in Cashel outside a lady's house.

"It's been like this since yesterday and it's a very sad situation. The County Council can't do anything about it.

This lady is only after coming out of hospital and was out this morning at 7am sweeping it away and using jeyes fluid to keep the foul smell away.

"I see tourists passing it, absolutely disgusted," added Mr Fitzgerald.

At the July meeting of Tipperary-Cashel-Cahir Municipal District, Cllr Roger Kennedy raised the subject of overflowing sewers.

Since the advent of Irish Water taking over responsibility for such incidents, it has been an "absolute pain in the neck" trying to get a response, said Cllr Kennedy.

Senior engineer Paddy Crowley said he was not aware of the specific incident, but it does not appear to be happening constantly.

Traffic chaos and flooding continue to disrupt Tipperary Town

Traffic chaos and flash flooding continue to disrupt Tipperary town, the recent Tipperary-Cahir-Cashel Municipal District meeting was told.

Cllr Michael Fitzgerald said they are very conscious of the problems that have been caused in Davitt Street, "and the disruption and everything that has happened there." Works will need to be done on Main Street, said Cllr Fitzgerald.

"Monies have been allocated. I am just thinking of all the disruption and annoyance - is there any way we can alleviate the traffic?"

Installing one-way systems and more traffic roundabouts can cause even more frustration and congestion in the town. "Could we put in place some kind of structure, some kind of road relief that would not affect in any way what we are doing," asked Cllr Fitzgerald.

Cllr Annmarie Ryan Shiner said she lives in

O'Connell Road, and it's been an "absolute nightmare."

She said: "We need a ring road, that will work with a bypass. It's worked very well in Cashel. An inner relief road will only move traffic from one part of the town to another. I am pushing for a road that runs around the town. A bypass could be 10 or 15 years or more."

"An inner relief road is not a relief road," stressed Cllr Ryan.

Cllr Tony Black seconded Cllr Ryan's idea. Meanwhile,

Cllr Black asked if a roundabout in O'Brien street is temporary or permanent. Cllr Black inquired about progress on parking for people using shops in O'Brien street. "It seems to be gridlock." Cllr Black also drew attention to anti-social behaviour at seating located on the plaza at Main Street. "The guards are well aware of it," he said.

Meanwhile, Cllr Roger Kennedy said a recent "cloud burst" had caused flooding and sewerage problems in Tipperary town, in an area

near Eyesight Opticians, and "even up to Moorehaven." He said: "The system cannot cope. This is the place that is bearing the brunt of it. I hope that while works are ongoing in that area, that it will be rectified."

The storm drains and sewerage systems "overflowed", continuing: "It's something that has to be addressed."

Senior engineer Paddy Crowley said the drainage in O'Brien Street is poor due to a capacity issue, where there is a combined sewerage and

stormwater system that needs to be upgraded. Mr Crowley said they hope to work with Irish Water to address the problem.

Lymes disease

Cllr Andy Moloney has called on Tipperary-Cashel-Cahir Municipal District to make information about Lymes disease available at the entry to our most popular woodland walks due to an increase in tick numbers and reported cases of lymes.

'Tipp's players better in key positions and will get the job done'

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Tipperary fans are painting their towns and villages blue and gold as the mouth-watering reunion with neighbours Kilkenny edges nearer.

Dundrum's Michael Breen has his candles lit and prayers recited for a Tipperary win on Sunday. "It has been another roller-coaster of a championship.

Many would have forgiven the Tipperary boys for throwing their hat at it in the semi-final against Wexford, but they held firm and found a way to win. That result will have emboldened Liam Sheedy and his band of warriors' desire and resolve to deliver another Liam McCarthy trophy for the Premier County," he says.

However, he feels Brian Cody's Kilkenny side can't be taken lightly. "They just never seem to go away. In their semi-final, Limerick turned



Tiffany Forristal, Kirsty Arbuckle and Alissa Keating are forecasting an "exciting" match on Sunday, with Tipperary emerging victorious

up to hurl but Kilkenny turned up for war. Although Limerick can feel hard done by in the closing seconds, it still can't take away from what Brian Cody has achieved (again) with a panel most other managers would only find excuses for."

Nonetheless, Michael is confident Liam Sheedy's men will do the business in Croke Park. "Kilkenny will bring the

same intensity to the final, but Tipperary will be ready for it and I feel they have the better spread of players across the field in key positions to get the job done.

"Tipperary to win by five or six points, with Seamie Callinan to do untold damage and get the Player of the Year Award he was denied in 2016. Hon Tipp," he adds.



John Quirke is expecting an "intense" battle on Sunday. "It will be a close, tense and exciting match like previous ones over the last decade, and even a narrow victory will do."



ABOVE: Michael Breen is confident that Tipperary will beat Kilkenny on Sunday



LEFT: Tipperary ladies football strength and conditioning coach Alan O'Connor says the rivalry between the two counties is "massive", adding: "Tipperary v Kilkenny is always a good game. They haven't met much since 2016 and it's going to be a 50/50 game. To be honest, I didn't expect them to meet. Tipperary to win by five points," adds the Cahir GAA clubman

'A few simple changes can really help the environment'

By ROISIN BURKE & GRACE KENNEDY

We are Grace and Roisin and we live in Clonmel.

We have recently become quite interested in the subject of global warming and climate change, so we decided to take action in our school, Powerstown National School. We both agreed that it was a topic that needed to be discussed and proposed some ideas to our teacher about spreading awareness.

The Water Bottle Project was born

This initiative was our attempt to reduce the amount of plastic waste in our school. We first decided to collect data from each classroom to put on a bar chart which we displayed in the lobby. This bar chart showed the amount of single use plastic bottles in each class (1st to 6th). We then went around again a week later to see if they had reduced. We also saw this as a great opportunity to educate

them on plastic pollution and the effect it has on marine life. We are very glad to say that our project was a success as most classes had made an improvement.

Another one of our goals is to encourage other students to take on the responsibility of opening up this discussion in their school. It is, by any standard, an extremely important topic that seriously needs to be brought up in school and workplace environments. It is commonly thought that, to make a dif-

ference, one has to completely remove plastic from their life, but the reality is that that is impossible. Just making a few simple changes can really help the environment. For example, instead of using a different plastic bottle every day, buy a reusable one and use it for the whole year. You will find that it will also benefit you financially.

We plan to take this a step further as we enter 6th class, possibly taking on a different aspect.



Roisin Burke and Grace Kennedy



Kool School (right) and AOK-DANCE (left) were among those who performed in the special play Believe at Hillview, Clonmel, recently. Holding everything together were lead actors Catherine McVicker as Cindy the Cook, Paul Kelly as Mac the Gardener and Nicola Everard as the Fairy Godmother. They provided the storyline of the shy busking hopefuls who were helped by the positive and confident K-Team (Knocklofty Rehab Rural Resource Centre service users) to achieve their dream of performing in the busking competition. Also instrumental in keeping things on track were Ita Molloy, whose expressive voice was heard as the narrator, and Sean Scott who put in a lively performance as the busking competition judge. Tiny tots seated in front of the audience were riveted throughout by the spectacle of the gymnasts and dancers





Clogheen's Michael Norris, his wife Catherine and their sons Mike, Daniel and Ruairi will cheer on Tipperary on Sunday



The McGrath School of Irish Dance, who are representing Caislean Nua Comhaltas and Tipperary in the All-Ireland Fleadh Cheoil this weekend, wish the hurlers all the best against Kilkenny in Croke Park



Moyn Road, Thurles, residents are in high spirits ahead of the All-Ireland final



Hurling mad Graham Phelan from Ormond Court, Carrick-on-Suir, is one of Tipperary's biggest supporters



Killnalee's Odrán and Rian McLoughlin are ready for Croke



Kilsheelan's Liam Freaney is ready for the match



RIGHT: "If Tipperary win this year, the rivalry between the sides will only increase," says Cahir barber Liam Wall. "It has always been there, same as Tipperary and Cork. I think they will win, especially after beating Limerick. We are in for a cracking match"

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LEFT: Cahir butchers Charlie Boland and Seamus Quirke say the rivalry between the sides is "healthy", predicting Tipperary to win on a final scoreline of 2-21 to 1-16



ALL-IRELAND FINAL

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Carmel Gibson with her partner and GAA stats man Leo McGough are looking forward to heading up to Croke Park on Sunday for the final. Carmel's late father, Danny Gibson, was a past chairman of Kilruane MacDonaghs GAA Club



Sibling rivalry is building in New Inn as Cameron and Ciara Fitzpatrick look ahead to the All-Ireland hurling final



Cahir sisters Kathleen Fitzgerald and Mary Doolan are predicting that Tipperary will beat Kilkenny on a final scoreline of 3-20 to 2-20



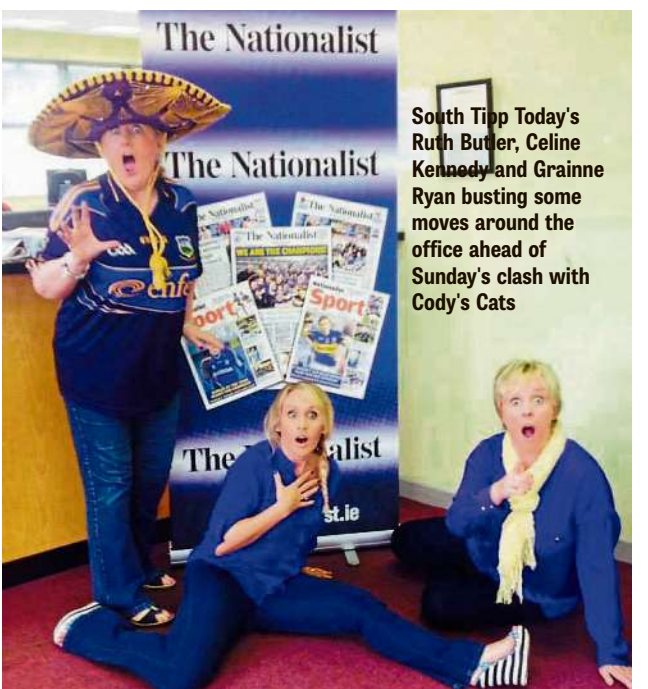
Clogheen's Colin English and Chloe Cotter all kitted out for the match. Colin thinks the score will be Tipperary 2-19 Kilkenny 3-15



Fans Eabha Nolan along with Anna and Brian McLoughney with Tipperary coach Eamon O'Shea



Elle and Edward Mason are hoping to have the bragging rights over their Kilkenny cousins come the final whistle on Sunday



South Tipp Today's Ruth Butler, Celine Kennedy and Grainne Ryan busting some moves around the office ahead of Sunday's clash with Cody's Cats



Tom Dwyer with Tipp's Patrick 'Bonner' Maher and Cathal Barrett



Tommy Barrett with Tipperary senior hurling captain Seamus Callanan

Mary Wells celebrates her 100th birthday with 'Candy Store' sensation Dickie Rock

By Anne Marie Magorrian and Dylan White

A Carrick-on-Suir woman celebrated her 100th birthday in style with showbiz legend Dickie Rock at the weekend.

Family and friends of centenarian Mary Wells (née Fahey) packed into Carrickbeg Community Hall to mark the milestone on Saturday.

An avid singer, Mary became renowned for her Candy Store party piece over the years, to the extent that Rock was keen to see it live. He visited Mary at her current residence, Greenhill Nursing Home, for her 98th birthday party. The craic was mighty at that occasion, encouraging Mary's family to organise a secret guest appearance from the singer at the centenarian celebration.

A thrilled Mary sang along with Rock before the pair had a wonderful chat afterwards on Saturday. The band Local Road with musicians Phila Grace, Dermot Foley, Willie

Stuart, Chris O'Brien, Billy Byrne and Gay Brazel also entertained the crowd.

Carrickbeg and Windgap parish priest Fr. Tom Flynn and Rock then accompanied Mary in reading a framed personal letter from President Michael D Higgins, congratulating her on reaching the milestone.

Mary said she couldn't believe she was actually 100. She recalled her mother and father taking her and her siblings from their home on Mill Road, as it was then known, when the floods came on a horse and cart to Wilmor Cottages.

Mary then moved to London at the age of 16, working as a maid for Lord and Lady Ormond on Bryanston Square. She said that they were wonderful people, that they treated her like one of their own, were always asking about the people of Carrick-on-Suir and made sure she was happy living with them.

Mary returned to Carrick-on-Suir at the start of World War II in 1939. "Her dad was

an ex soldier and didn't want her going back to England when the war was on," Mary's daughter, Geraldine, told The Nationalist.

Mary married Timothy Wells, who worked in the Tannery, in 1942, eventually settling down in Carrickbeg. The mother of Eddie, Patricia, Ann, Don, Marie, Helen, Tony, Noel and Geraldine was kept busy rearing her family.

Paying tribute to her mother, Geraldine said Mary's "outgoing" nature and "frame of mind" have helped her reach 100.

"She has always loved music and would always have the radio playing. She would go around to the country pubs with our dad and his band to places like Delaney's in the Slate Quarries, Power's in Tullahought and out to Rathgormack," Geraldine said.

"She was always in a good mood, had an open door, was friendly, outgoing and didn't worry too much. She never had to take a tablet until she hit 90. She can still trace back old times, knows who we are, and can still have a joke and a laugh."



Dickie Rock and Mary Wells at Carrickbeg Community Hall



Mary Wells celebrated her 100th birthday with family, friends and Dickie Rock

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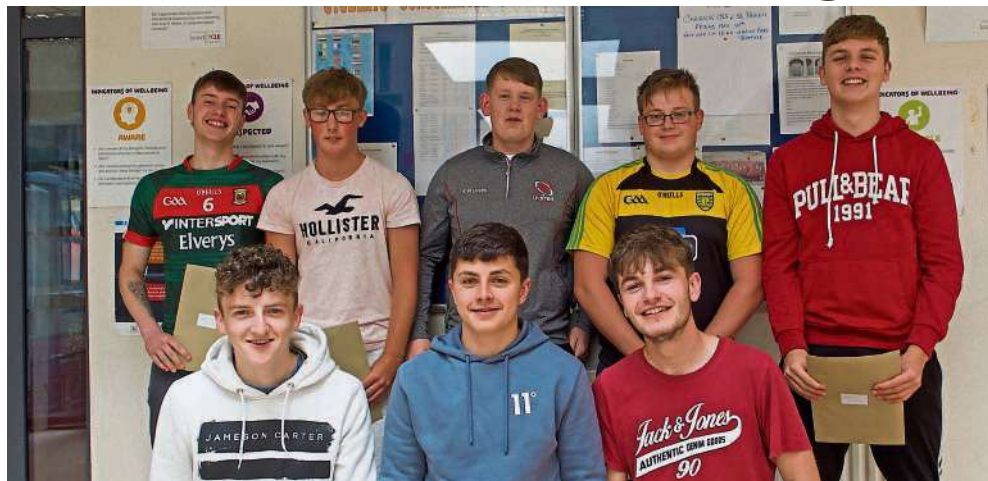
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LEGENDS

Hard-working Carrick-on-Suir students celebrate Leaving Certificate results day



Edmund Rice Secondary School's Kevin Doherty, Luke Walsh, Tyrone Forester, Mathew O'Toole, Morgan McKnight, Seamus O'Dwyer, James Phelan and Robert Briscoe



Scoil Mhuire's Aisling Gough, Angela McGuigan, Lauren Sinnott and Kira McGrath



Comeragh College's Aisling Dunphy and Eoin Power with their Leaving Certificate results

Leaving Certificate students in Carrick-on-Suir were up and out early on Tuesday morning to collect their results from the three secondary schools in the town.

Anxious, happy and relieved students spent time with their friends, family, school principals and teachers as they scanned their result

sheets at Scoil Mhuire, Edmund Rice Secondary School and Comeragh College ahead of collective celebrations organised for later in the evening.

Comeragh College principal Kevin Langton said he was proud of the achievements of all of the students and said it was a reflection of all the work they and their teachers have done over the

last five to six years. "We wish them all well in whatever they choose to do from now into the future, in employment, college, apprenticeships or further study as they explore the next phase of their lives," he said.

Scoil Mhuire principal Brendan O'Dwyer, who had 76 Leaving Certificate students at the school, said he was very pleased overall as

the majority of students reached their potential.

The boys from Edmund Rice Secondary School were delighted it was all over, with one student commenting: "It is worth studying for as it is very important for your career in the future. If you have done badly, don't worry because there are always different ways of getting what you want."



Scoil Mhuire's Emer Glendon Burke and Clara Norris

Lions Clubs join forces for Blueway walk fundraiser

President of Clonmel Lions Club Bet O'Grady and president of Carrick on Suir Lions Club John McNamara this week launched the Blueway 50 50 Joint Sponsored Walk, helped by Lion mascots Leo and Leonie.

The collaboration between the two clubs is to celebrate 50 years of voluntary service in South Tipperary and at the same time to raise much needed funds in aid of local charities.

"The proceeds from the sponsored walk will all be used locally and I am delighted that the C-Saw organisation in Clonmel will benefit from our fundraising efforts," says Clonmel president Bet O'Grady.

Carrick President John McNamara says that he too is delighted "that the Blueway connecting the two communities is to be used to raise funds for local charities including Carrick-on-Suir Meals Assistance, St Vincent de Paul and Friends of Bridge-water House in Carrick."

The walk takes place on September 8, departing from Carrick-on-Suir and Clonmel



President of Clonmel Lions Club Bet O'Grady and president of Carrick-on-Suir Lions Club John McNamara launching the Blueway 50 50 event

at 10am and finishing together in Kilsheelan for refreshments and transport home. Sponsorship cards are available by contacting any Lions Club member or via each of the club's Facebook pages.

Both presidents encourage everyone to take part in the Suir Blueway 50 50

event and to invite friends and relatives to join in the celebration and raise funds for the nominated local charities in Clonmel and Carrick on Suir.

For further information contact Peter Morrissey (Clonmel) on 086-2652455 or Brian White (Carrick-on-Suir) on 086-8334844.

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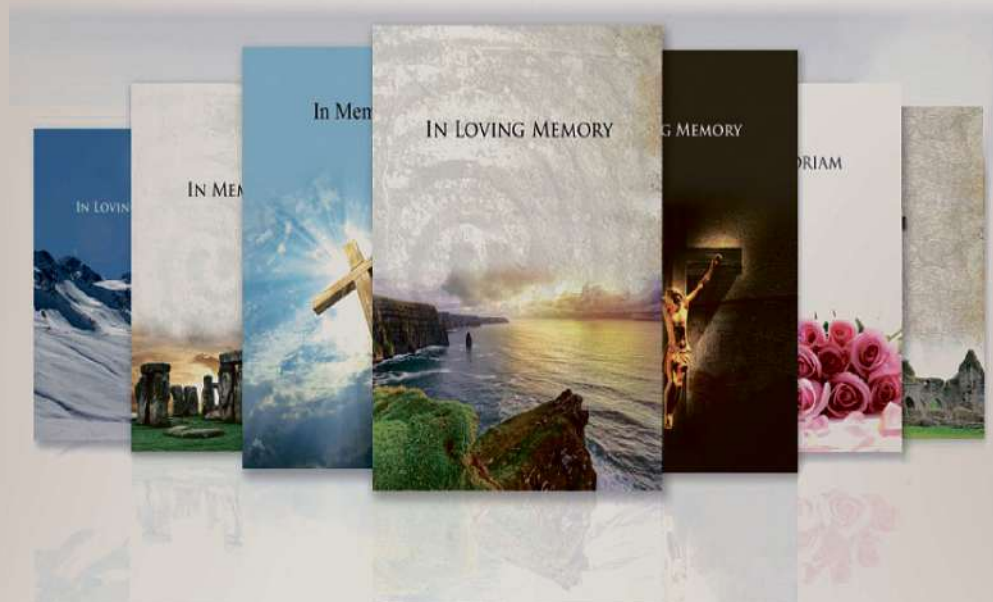
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DEATH NOTICE

GOLDEN (Death Notice)



Margaret Golden
(nee McKay)

Wokingham, UK.

Passed away peacefully 16 April 2019
aged 82.

Formerly of Shanbally, Cashel, Co. Tipperary. Daughter of Stephen and Bridget McKay. Leaving a sister Mary, her 5 children, 10 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Funeral performed by Father David O'Sullivan of Corpus Christi Wokingham.

Ashes to be returned to Tipperary.

Donations if desired to Alzheimers Society.

BIRTHDAY MEMORIES

GARDINER (Birthday Remembrance)



In loving memory of a beloved son and brother Conor, late of Elm Park, Clonmel whose 44th birthday occurs on the 24th August.

A million tear stained kisses, I send especially to you, because today's your birthday, and I'm really missing you.

Forever in my heart - Love Mammy and all the family.

BIRTHDAY MEMORIES

O'SULLIVAN (Birthday Remembrance)



In loving memory of my Nanny, Ann O'Sullivan, late Kickham Park, Clonmel, whose birthday occurs on 24th August (First Birthday away from home)

If tears could build a stairway, and memories a lane, I would walk right up to Heaven, and bring you back again.

For your birthday Nanny, no time to say goodbye. You were gone before I knew it, and only God knows why.

Happy Birthday Nanny

With my Daddy and Grandad in the sky.

- your heartbroken Granddaughter Hazel.

IN MEMORIAM

CARROLL (6th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Rita Carroll, Ard Fatima, Clonmel who died on 13th August, 2013. RIP.

May the winds of love blow softly and whisper for you to hear, that we'll always love and miss you, and wish that you were here. Your memory is our keep-sake, with which we will never part. God has you in his keeping, we have you in our hearts.

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

Masses offered.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

BUTLER (Acknowledgement)



Ann Butler

Bianconi Drive,
Clonmel.

29th July 2019.

The family of the late Ann Butler wish to acknowledge the many expressions of sympathy and kindness shown to us following our sad loss.

We offer our heartfelt thanks to the many friends and neighbours who visited our home, attended the wake and service and who provided emotional support for us at this difficult time. For those who gave cards and messages of condolences and prayers, we are truly grateful.

A special word of thanks to the nurses who cared for Mam. To Condon's Funeral Directors for their sensitive and professional handling of arrangements. To all those who participated in the Mass, especially Fr. Hegarty, we give our heartfelt thanks.

To those who helped in any way, your contribution made our loss more bearable.

As it would be impossible to thank everybody individually, please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our deepest gratitude.

The Butler Family,
Bianconi Drive, Clonmel.

LEE (35th Birthday Remembrance)



Birthday Remembrance of our precious daughter and sister, Carol Lee, who died tragically on the 15th April, 2000 aged 15, and whose 35th birthday occurs on the 15th August.

Dear Carol, when we woke up this morning, our hearts were torn in two, as memories came flooding back, to the time we had with you. We are very sad and lonely Carol, we can never accept you're gone, just stay very close beside us, and help us carry on.

Carol, we love you more than life.

Happy Birthday Princess.

Sadly missed by your heartbroken Mam and Dad, your sister Maria and your brothers Shane and Alan. xxxxx

IN MEMORIAM

BROWNE (6th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Dominick Browne, Kilnamack, Clonmel who died on 13th August, 2013.

No matter how we spend our days,
No matter what we do,
No morning dawns or evening falls,
When we don't think of you.

Love your wife Mai and your family x

Mass offered.

CONDON (5th Anniversary)



Treasured memories of Ann Condon, late of Lower Crough, Goatenbridge, Ardfinnan, who died on 11th August 2014 RIP.

Five years gone but never forgotten

It was a sudden parting, too bitter to forget. Only those who loved you, are the ones who will never forget. xxx

Missed by all your loving family and friends.

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 17th August in Ardfinnan Church at 6.15pm for Ann and also for her late parents Richard and Ellen O'Mahoney RIP

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those in grief,

Love them,
lift them, give
relief

For loss
they've
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.

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IN MEMORIAM

CONDON
 (3rd Anniversary)



In loving memory of my dear wife Linda Condon, late of Jossesstown, Fethard, whose 3rd Anniversary occurs on 27th August RIP

There are no words to tell you Linda, what losing you has meant. But now each day brings memories, of happy years we spent. You'd want us all to smile again, and that's just what we do. Every time we reminisce, with loving thoughts of you.

You're with us when each new day dawns, and when we say goodnight. Our Guardian Angel here on earth, and Heaven's shining light.

Always loved and sadly missed by your husband Gerald xxx

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 24th August at 11.30am in St. Oliver's Church.

CONDON
 (3rd Anniversary)



In loving memory of my wonderful mother, Linda Condon, late of Jossesstown, Fethard, whose third Anniversary occurs on 27th August RIP

It's an everlasting sadness, that you're no longer here, but as each new day begins, I like to think you're near.

Your love for me was constant, your devotion had no end. You filled my life with sunshine, as my Mother and my friend.

So may you know forever, that to me you were the best, and may you find a gentle peace, in sweet eternal rest.

Loved and missed always - Olivia and Liam xxx

IN MEMORIAM

CONDON
 (3rd Anniversary)



In loving memory of Linda Condon, Jossesstown, Fethard who died on 27th August 2016.

If roses grow in Heaven, Lord please pick a bunch for me. Place them in my Mother's arms and tell her they're from me.

Tell her I love her and miss her, and when she turns to smile, place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for awhile.

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

Sadly missed by Gavin, Flo, Nathan and Lily.

CONDON
 (3rd Anniversary)

In loving memory of my niece Linda Condon, whose third Anniversary occurs on August 27th. RIP

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

We think about you always, we talk about you too. We have so many memories, but we wish we still had you.

Loved always your Aunt Mary xx

CONDON
 (18th Anniversary)



In loving memory of our dear father, Michael, late of Oliver Plunkett Tce, who died on August 10th 2001. RIP

Dad, no matter where we go in life, no matter what we do, a special place in our hearts will always be for you.

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

Masses offered.

IN MEMORIAM

CONLON
 (38th Anniversary)



In loving memory of my dear mother, Alice Conlon (nee Prout), Old Bridge, Clonmel, who died on 11th August 1981. RIP

May you rest in peace, dear Mam, in that Heavenly home above. With the Sacred Heart of Jesus in His own eternal love.

- your loving daughter Kathleen, son-in-law Derek, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. xxxxxx

Mass offered

ENGLISH
 (9th Anniversary)



Willie English

Late of 14 Mountain View, Marlfield.

August 17th 2010

A special smile, a special face and in our hearts a special place. Our memories we keep one by one Things you said and things you've done, They bring a smile sometimes a tear But always a wish that you were still here.

Missed and loved always

- your sisters Frances, Kathleen and Ber.

Family Mass offered in November.

FAHEY
 (50th Anniversary)



In loving memory of our dear Dad, Philip Fahey, late of 21 Barron Park, who died on 12th August 1969.

Softly out of the shadows, there came a gentle call, you took the hand God offered you, and quietly left us all. And although we cannot hold you, we will never let you go, because in our hearts you will live forever, because we loved you so.

Always missed by your loving family.

Ar dheis De go raibh a h-anam.

IN MEMORIAM

FARRELL
 (22nd Anniversary)

In loving memory of a dear husband and father Patrick Farrell, late of 34 Mountain Road, Cahir, who died on 10th August 1997.

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

Sadly missed by your loving wife Eileen and daughter Katrina.

Mass offered.

GUINAN
 (nee Halley)



(10th Anniversary)

In loving memory of a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother Maureen, late of 56 College Ave, Clonmel whose anniversary occurs on August 14th. Also remembering a dear daughter and sister Jennifer whose anniversary occurs at this time.

Falling tears and heartache, are the things we have to bear, but losing you the way we did, will always seem unfair.

Always loved and remembered by her husband John, daughters Helen and Lorraine, son Sean, sons-in-law, grandchildren and greatchildren.

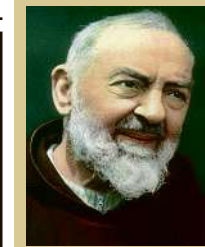
HOULIHAN
 (24th Anniversary)



In loving memory of a dear wife and mother Marion Houlihan, 4 Abbey Terrace, Cahir, who died on 20th August, 1995. RIP.

To some you are forgotten, to others just part of the past. But to us who loved and lost you, the memory will always last.

Always remembered and dearly loved by your husband Michael, sons Michael Junior and Brian xxx.



GOD'S GARDEN

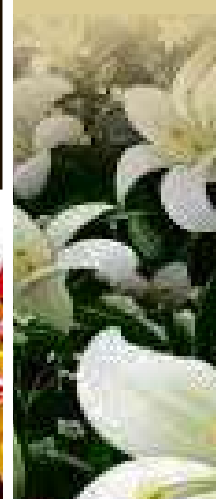
*God looked around His garden
 And He found an empty place
 He then looked down upon the earth
 And saw your precious face
 He put His arms around you
 And lifted you to rest;
 God's Garden must be beautiful
 He always takes the best.*

*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.*

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



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IN MEMORIAM

KEATING

(3rd Anniversary)



Kay Keating
(nee Lonergan)

Who died on the 15th August 2016 on the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Kay is lovingly remembered on her third Anniversary in her Heavenly home, as she is every day, by her husband Don, her children Martin, Ann, Brendan, Kevin, by her extended family and friends.

Time has taken me from you, although not very far. I'm watching through the sunshine and through the brightest star. I'm watching all of you, from the Heavens up above. So take good care of each other and carry all my love.

If you're ever wondering, if I'm there, here's where you can start. Take a look inside yourself, deep within your heart. I'll always be your Wife, Mum, Mum-in-law, Nanny, Auntie, Sister, Friend. So anytime you need me, close your eyes, and I'll be there."

Remembrance Mass on Thursday 15th August at 10.30am in Ferryhouse Church.

LAFFORD

(16th Anniversary)



In loving memory of our Dad, Frank, late of Clarke Villas, Clonmel, on his 15th anniversary.

To have you for a father was cause enough for pride, no-one could ever equal, no matter how they tried.

Our hands cannot write what our hearts want to say, we will love you forever and miss you everyday.

- from your loving family.

Anniversary Mass on Sunday 25th August at 12 noon in St. Oliver's Church.

IN MEMORIAM

LAMBE

(1st Anniversary)

In loving memory of Johnny Lambe, late of Sheehy Tce., Clonmel whose First Anniversary occurs on 14th August.

Sadly missed along life's way, quietly remembered everyday. No longer in our lives to share, but in our hearts you are always there.

Sadly missed by his brother Jimmy, sister-in-law Bernie and family.

MCGARRY

(2nd Anniversary)

Forever remembered Michael McGarry, Rathkenny, Drangan who died on 15th August 2017 RIP.

Ar dheis De go raibh a anam.

- Ruth and family.

Masses offered

O'FLAHERTY

(11th Anniversary)



In loving memory of Cyril, late of 20 Berkley Drive, Prior Park, Clonmel whose anniversary occurs on 18th August.

Sadly missed by your loving wife Frances, son Jamie, daughters Majella and Anne-Marie, grandchildren Evan, Ellie, Jack, Lauren, Eimear, Keenan, Laura, Leah and Riain and extended family.

Cyril always in our hearts and thoughts.

Rest in Peace.

Mass offered.

O'MEARA

(nee Toomey)



(2nd Anniversary)

With sad and fond memories of Breda, Glenconnor, Clonmel.

Always in our thoughts.

- Patricia, Dominic, Hazel and extended families.

IN MEMORIAM

RYAN

(5th Anniversary)



In loving of Margo Ryan (nee Kelly), 9 Pearse Park, Clonmel, whose anniversary occurs on 1st September.

A heart can feel so many things that words can never say. The sadness that this day brings will never go away.

Sadly missed by her son Desmond, brother PJ, nieces and nephews.

Anniversary Mass on Thursday 29th August at 1pm in SS Peter and Pauls Church, Clonmel.

WALL

(8th Anniversary)



Shane

Remembering with love, Shane, dearly loved son, brother, uncle, late of Mountain View, Marlfield whose 8th Anniversary occurs on August 20th.

To us who loved and lost you and whose parting brought such pain. We will treasure your memory forever, in a world that's not the same.

Always in our thoughts,
forever in our hearts.

- Mam and Dad, Leanne, Keith, Megan and Mikey xxx

Kisses blown up to the sky so blue.
Catch them Shane, they're all for you.

Hugs and kisses from your nieces Ava-Rose and Isla-Grace xxx

Mass offered in Mount Mellary and Lourdes.

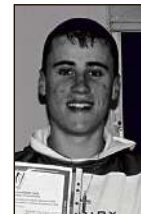
Another Leaf Has Fallen

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.

IN MEMORIAM

WALL

(8th Anniversary)



Shane

Treasured memories of my dear grandson, Shane, late of Marlfield whose 8th anniversary occurs on August 20th.

I hold you close within my heart and there you shall remain. To walk with me throughout my life, until we meet again.

Always remembered, sadly missed by Nanny May xxx

Treasured memories of Shane, our beloved nephew and cousin.

The memories of the ones we loved, still cast a gentle glow. To grace our days and light our paths, wherever we may go.

Always loved, sadly missed by Margie, Noel, David and Lauren. xxxxx

Mass offered

The Hand of God



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!

Sympathy Prayer

Dear Lord,
please comfort
those in grief,

Love them,
lift them, give
relief

For loss
they've
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.



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New Inn's Sinead Fitzgerald, Julie Hennessey, Annette Carroll, Kieran Durkan and Colm Heaney are dreaming of a Tipperary win on Sunday



Jamie Lonergan prayed for Tipp at Mass in Clogheen last Sunday

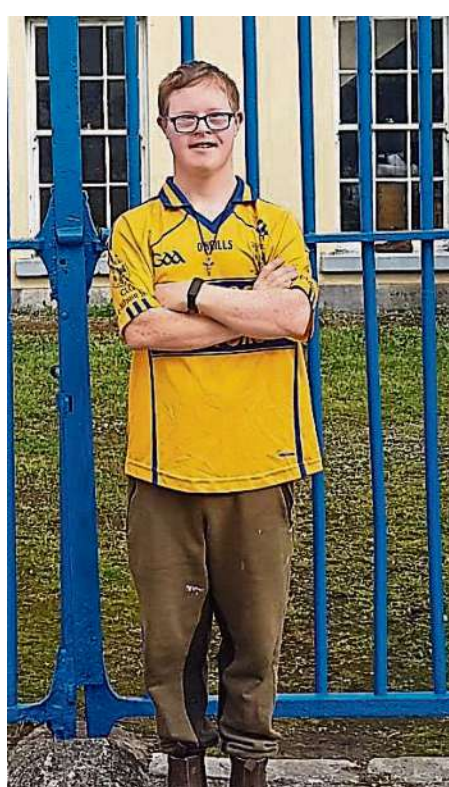


Senan and Cian Butler, grandsons of Sean and the late Eleanor Butler from Lisronagh, are Naas' biggest Tipp fans

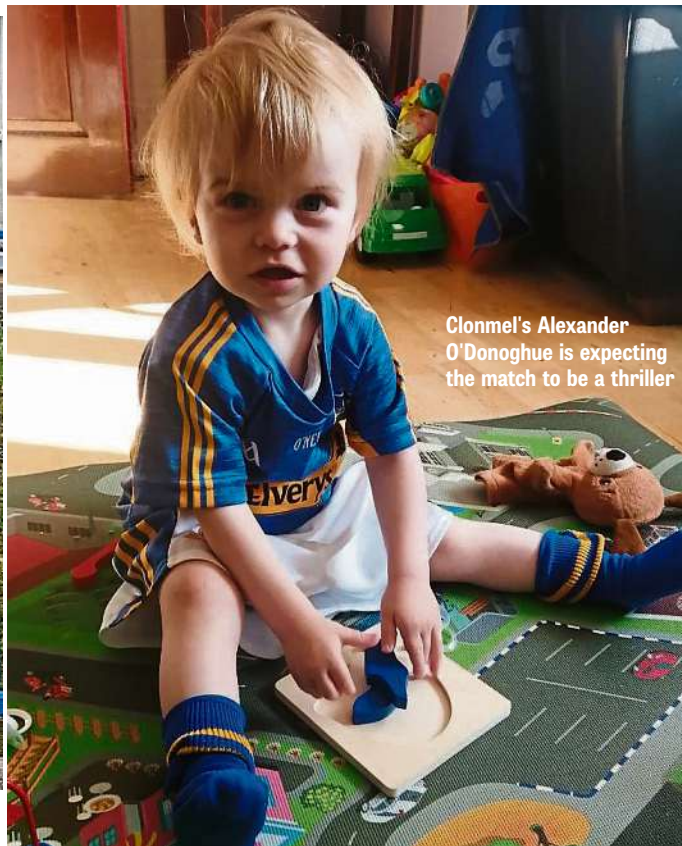
RIGHT: Fr Tom Tobin, a native of Knockgraffon, New Inn, who was recently presented with the Priest of the Year Award 2019 by Montana Knights of Columbus Council. Fr Tom has just completed his 60th year as a priest with almost all of those years serving the Eastern Diocese of Montana, USA. He is a great supporter of Tipp hurling, and has a copy of The Nationalist sent to him weekly



Tipperary fans Richie and Aoife Fitzgibbon from Springfields, Clonmel



Clogheen's David Cahill in counting down the seconds to throw-in at Croke Park on Sunday



Clonmel's Alexander O'Donoghue is expecting the match to be a thriller



Clogheen's Eoin Halley and his two children Bengi and Erin are predicting that Tipperary will beat Kilkenny on a final scoreline of 3-23 to 2-20. They will be watching the game from Perth

Sydney 'blown away' by Tipp v Kilkenny rivalry

By **DYLAN WHITE**
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A Dundrum man will be flying the Tipperary flag in Seattle, United States, on Sunday.

Oisín Hogan moved to Sydney last year, where he works for Amazon Web Services. "It was something I've always wanted to do and I was lucky enough to get the opportunity to transfer with work, so I couldn't turn it down," he tells *The Nationalist*.

The 27-year-old is a passionate Tipperary supporter, bringing a Premier County flavour to Australian life on the hurling field. "There's a large Irish contingent in Sydney and Australia. I play hurling with Cormac McAnallen's GAA Club, and

we're going for a league and championship double," he says.

"The locals love the Irish but struggle big time with the Irish names. GAA, and especially hurling, is reaching the international stage in the last few years and everyone is always blown away by it when I show them YouTube videos of the 2010 final [between Tipperary and Kilkenny]."

The Knockavilla National School and Cashel Cashel Community School graduate will be in Seattle with work on the day of the match, but plans to rise early to cheer on Tipperary in their quest for the Liam MacCarthy Cup. "I plan on watching it at Fado Irish Pub at 7am in the morning with a few of my second and third generation Irish relations that live there," he says.

Oisín says nothing beats

the "fierce" Tipperary versus Kilkenny rivalry. "I've been to Old Trafford over 20 times, to Wembley for the FA Cup final, the Madrid derby in the Bernabeu, O Clássico [Benfica v Porto] in Portugal, and NFL and baseball games in the United States, but my single greatest sporting experience in my lifetime has been the 2010 All-Ireland win over Kilkenny.

"Even now when the competitiveness of the hurling championship is stronger from other counties, the two have risen to the top once more. I'm feeling nervously confident and going for a Tipperary win by five-plus points. In Sydney, I actually know more people from Limerick and Cork than Tipperary, so it'll be nice to have the bragging rights over them with a Tipperary win," he smiles.



Dundrum's Oisín Hogan will be cheering Tipperary on from Seattle. He currently lives in Sydney, Australia

New Inn all set for All-Ireland final classic

By **SANDRA ENGLISH**
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All-Ireland senior hurling final build-up has reached fever pitch in New Inn.

Everyone in the village is talking about the All-Ireland final clash with Kilkenny, with marital rivalry, sibling rivalry, anecdotes, memories and predictions at the heart of the banter.

Rockwell Rovers GAA Club chairman Jim Joe Dudley says that when he was attending the under 20 semi-final in Nowlan Park, he overheard two Kilkenny stewards commenting that it was a bad month for Leinster hurling. "It's going to get a lot worse," he smiles.

Rockwell club secretary John Halley recalls his first All-Ireland final back in 1971, standing on a butter-box on the Canal End, now the Davin Stand. "It was Tipperary v Kilkenny and Dinny Ryan from Sean Treacys scored the winning goal and sprained his ankle in the process," he remembers.

Club treasurer Paul Lonergan reckons there can only be two outcomes on Sunday. "Tipperary will lose by a point or win by 10 points," he predicts.

Intermediate football team selector and local publican Gerry Ryan also boldly forecasts "it will be raining all day" at Croke Park on Sunday.

Rockwell Rovers players Aidy Barron, Michael Healy, Robbie O'Donnell and Jack Moloney, who are all travel-



John Cooney, John Halley, Jim Joe Dudley and Conor English painting the village of New Inn blue and gold

ling to the match, are expecting a Tipperary victory by seven points.

Local man Patsy Lonergan hopes that "we beat the kittens out of The Cats", continuing: "They won't have any of their nine lives left when we are finished with them," he laughs.

Former Tipperary footballer Jimmy O'Donnell says the Premier will win "by a whisker".

Anthony and Aine O'Connor, the latter a first cousin of Brian Cody and the Fennelly hurling dynasty, also shared their thoughts on the game. Aine is a staunch

black and amber supporter, while Anthony has blue and gold running through his veins. Their children Sinead, Paul and Stephen are avid Tipperary supporters, so Aine is in a minority of one. Aine says that the band Rebel Hearts' new Tipperary song The Premier Ambush is the best Tipperary hurling song ever, but unfortunately "songs do not win All-Irelands".

Anthony recounts a story from a Kilkenny in-law's wedding a few years ago when he was reminiscing about his youth with Aine's uncle Maurice. My brothers, sisters

and I used to save all year to go to the All-Ireland," he says.

Barry and Siobhan Fitzpatrick's house is also divided ahead of the match. Siobhan is Tipperary born and bred, while Barry originally hails from Kilkenny and is a relation of the legendary DJ Carey. They have three children, the eldest, Brian who played under 20 football with Tipperary this year. Their other two children are Ciara and Cameron - Ciara supports Tipperary and is involved in underage squads, but 10-year-old Cameron has had his head turned by Kilkenny propaganda from

his father and his grandfather Martin!

Siobhan says Tipperary will triumph, Cameron says Kilkenny by two points, Ciara is predicting a three-point win for the Premier while Barry wisely keeps his own counsel.

Local ladies football club secretary Martina Durkan predicts the final score will be 3-27 to 2-25 in favour of Tipperary with Seamus Callanan to score the first goal of the match after three minutes.

Camogie club secretary Annette Carroll has a theory that whoever scores the first point will ultimately be the

loser. Colm Heaney feels that Tipperary will win by two points, a sentiment shared by Sinead Fitzgerald. Kieran Durkan, meanwhile, has a gut feeling that it will be a draw and will go to a replay.

Juvenile club secretary Elaine Cummins is looking forward to a "genuine, old-style hurling match with 15 against 15", adding: "May the best man win." Adding to the overall feeling of optimism that Tipperary will bring home the Liam MacCarthy on Sunday, her son Shane feels that a Seamus Callanan goal will be the difference between the sides.



New Inn's Aine and Anthony O'Connor with their grandchild Cora

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Dundrum's Ava-Marie Parles and Niombh Cosgrave with Knockavilla-Donaskeigh Kickham star Ger Browne



Mayor of Clonmel Borough District Cllr Garret Ahearn has Cork native and Tánaiste Simon Coveney cheering on Tipperary on Sunday. "Tipperary are going to win on Sunday. They've had a fantastic season, and the All-Ireland semi-final win against Wexford has given the team and the fans the confidence in believing that this could be our year," says Mayor Ahearn



A contingent from Carrick Davins GAA Club will travel up to Croke Park on Sunday to cheer on the Premier County against Kilkenny



Carrick-on-Suir native Sean White will be cheering Tipperary on from Portlaw. "The last homecoming was a magic evening," he smiles



Maura O'Brien with Tipp the dog. She says Tipp will win by four points



Br Denis Reardon will be shouting for Tipperary all the way from Sudan on Sunday. Br Denis is the brother of Burncourt's Pakie Reardon

RIGHT: Cllr Richie Molloy says the town of Clonmel is "proud of this great Tipperary team", continuing: "Seeing the town draped in blue and gold bunting raises the spirits, and I would ask each and every Tipperary person to wear the blue and gold on Sunday and rally behind our team.
"The upcoming final reminds me of the glory days when we had players such as Theo English hitting the field against The Rebels and an old phrase in Tipperary was 'looking forward to beating Cork once the hay was saved'.
"Well done to all the coaches and background team who do so much to prepare our team. All I can say is the old war cry, Tipperary Abú."



ALL-IRELAND FINAL



Elora Dunne is all set for her first All-Ireland final. "Tipperary can definitely beat them Cats," the 11-month-old from Thurles smiles



Sean and Conor Ryan are predicting that Tipperary will shade it by a point or two on Sunday. "It's going to be another classic," they say



Ellen Curtin and Ben Burton will be cheering on Tipperary from Burncourt this Sunday



Carrick-on-Suir's Brody Butler with Tipperary senior hurling captain Séamus Callanan. "Tipperary will win by nine points," Brody smiles.



Stephanie and Daph Butler will be cheering on Tipperary from the hurling heartland that is Treacy Park, Carrick-on-Suir



Dundrum's Mary Parles and Tipperary Town's Marie Cavanagh are already planning their outfits for the homecoming celebrations



Proud Tipperary supporter Ollie Kerwick (2), who will be cheering the lads on from Carrick-on-Suir



Clogheen's Karim Ryan, Laura Kenneally and Patricia Sweeney with Tipperary hero Pádraic Maher

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CARRICK-ON-SUIR

Ormond Castle

Carrick-on-Suir's Ormond Castle will be taking visitors back in time to Medieval Ireland during National Heritage Week, which starts this weekend.

The castle's Heritage Week programme of events kicks off with Dr Louise Nugent's talk on Pilgrimage in Medieval Ireland this Saturday, August 17 at 11.30am. It is essential to book your place at this free event.

It will be followed by a Medieval warfare re-enactment at the historic site on Sunday, August 18 between 2.30pm and 4.30pm.

Hidden in Plain Sight is the subject of the first of the castle's free Heritage Week tours. It takes place next Monday, August 19 at 2pm.

The second tour called Ormond Castle Tales is on Wednesday, August 21 at 3pm while another tour titled Scandalous will take place at the Castle on Friday, August 23 at 3pm.

All these tours are free of charge but you must book your place in advance. Admission to the castle will be free on Sunday, August 25 and there will be free guided tours from 10am to 5.15pm.

To book your place at a Heritage Week event at Ormond Castle contact (051) 640787.

Swan GAA Club

Carrick Swan junior camogie team won their first adult camogie competition silverware by defeating Ballingarry in the final of the O'Sullivan Tournament in Ballingarry. The club congratulates all the players and their mentors on a deserved win. This team play Moyle Rovers in the first round of the County Camogie Championship on The Green on Wednesday, August 21 at 6pm.

The senior hurlers beat Graigue-Ballycallan of Kilkenny to win the Sarah Lonergan Memorial Cup by seven points in Davin Park last Friday. The Swan team gave a super performance in the second half of the match.

Meanwhile, the minor A hurlers play St Mary's in Monroe at 7pm this Wednesday, August 14, in the South semi final. The intermediate footballers play Grangemockler/Ballyneale in Cloneen this Friday, August 16, at 7.30pm in Cloneen in the South quarter-final. The intermediate footballers recommence their county championship campaign on Sunday, August 24, when they play Fethard.

In other match news, the U-12 A lost the South semi-final to Fethard by just two agonising points last Thursday.

The U-6s played some games in Mooncoin last Wednesday. Both sets of players showed great skills during the evening and all the children enjoyed a fun evening.

Carrick Swan GAA Club wish Liam Sheedy and the Tipperary team all the best for Sunday and hope to see Liam McCarthy in Thurles on Monday next.

Last week's Swan Lotto numbers were: 04, 09, 22, 26. The jackpot was €5,000 and there was no winner. Three players matched three numbers and won €70 each. This week's Jackpot prize is €5,250.

Carrick Swan Club extends condolences to the Fitzgerald family of O'Hickey Place on their recent bereavement.

Carrick Wheelers

Young Carrick Wheelers cyclist Hugh Óg Mulhearn achieved a string of podium places in the last few weeks. His successes include two second place finishes in the Newcastle West Youth 2 Stage last and the U-11 jersey in the Errigal International Youth Tour in Donegal. He finished 8th overall in the U-12 category and was top two U-11 in two stages. It was a fantastic result as he was up against strong competition from the Isle of Man, Scottish and English teams.

Hugh Óg also won gold in the U-11 event at the Munster Youth Criterium Championships in Limerick Racecourse last week. He was one of several Carrick Wheelers cyclists who were top place finishers at the Munster Championships. Carrick Wheelers' Patrick O'Loughlin won gold in the U-15 event; Tom Kinsella won bronze in the U-13 event; Rory Mulhearn was 3rd in the U-10 event and Orla Mulhearn was first in the U-10 girls race.

Carrick United

Carrick United Senior Ladies team are Waterford League champions for the first time in over 30 years after defeating Benfica 3-2 in their toughest match of the season last week. The match was the Carrick team's toughest challenge of the season and they needed to win or draw to secure the League title.

Rachel Reece scored Carrick United's first goal 10 minutes into play. The first half ended with some tough tackling from Carrick United midfielder Michelle King and captain Laura Power on the Benfica players.

In the 2nd half, Carrick United tried to up the tempo but it was tough as Benfica pushed for the equaliser. However, with 30 minutes



Carrick-on-Suir's Saoirse Barry, Tina Walsh, Ashlyn Walsh and Aoife Walsh will be cheering on Tipperary in Croke Park on Sunday

to go Carrick United player Sophie Kiely scored the team's second goal after Kat Connors passed the ball across the box to her. Twenty minutes from the end of the game, Rachel Reece scored Carrick United's third goal.

In the last 10 minutes Benfica scored two late goals but the Carrick United girls held on with guts and determination and won 3-2. The team still have two games left to play in the League and a cup draw game away to Benfica in a few weeks time.

The club congratulates the team and their management Clem Sullivan, Michael Clarkson, John McGrath and Micheal Keily. Carrick United AFC's summer barbecue takes place at Tom Drohan Park in Carrick-on-Suir this Saturday, August 17 from 6pm to 9pm. Player of the Year Awards will be presented to the club's top players. There will also be fun penalty shootouts and bouncy castles along with tasty food for everyone. All are welcome to join in the fun.

Open Air Masses

A number of open air masses will be celebrated in Carrick-on-Suir and Faugheen over the next two weeks.

Mass will be celebrated in Faugheen on Monday, August 19 at 7.30pm; Dunbane, Carrick-on-Suir on Tuesday, August 20 at 7.30pm; Treacy Park, Carrick on Tuesday, August 27 at 7.30pm and Greystone Street/O'Mahony Avenue/ Mill Street in Carrick on Wednesday, August 28 at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

Graveyard Masses will take place in Grangemockler this Wednesday, August 14 at 7.30pm; Ballyneale on

Thursday, August 15 at 7.30pm and at the Grotto at Glenbower on Thursday, August 22 at 7.30pm.

Ballylynch Memorial Service

The Ballylynch Memorial Service will take place at the estate's memorial garden on Sunday, August 25 at 2pm. All are welcome.

Bridge Club

Tuesday Bridge Club, Carraig Hotel, July 23: 1st Joan English and Marie Cooney, 2nd Marie O'Connor and Kathy Mulrooney; July 30: 1st Joan O'Sullivan and Marie Phelan, 2nd Ita Power and Vera O'Donnell. 88 Bridge Club, Carraig Hotel, July 25: 1st Marie O'Connor, 2nd Kevin Curran; August 1: 1st Vera O'Donnell, 2nd Marie O'Connor.

Musical Society

Carrick-on-Suir Musical Society will host a launch and information night for its autumn pantomime Cinderella and 2020 annual show Oklahoma at the Strand Theatre on Wednesday, August 28, at 7.30pm.

The information night will be for anyone interested in getting involved in both shows. All are welcome. Cinderella will be staged at the Strand Theatre from October 16 to 20 while the Society's production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's Oklahoma will be staged at the theatre from February 29 to March 1, 2020.

Mental Health Week

Carrick-on-Suir's Foróige Neighbourhood Youth Project is running its first Positive Mental Health Week this week.

The awareness campaign comprising free events for young people aged between 12 and 18 began on Monday

and concludes this Friday with an event called Get Involved Waveworld at Clonea Strand. Places are limited so booking is essential. Tel: Daryl on 086-047 9851 or email daryl.walsh@foroige.ie.

Church concert

The fundraising concert in aid of Carrick-on-Suir's St Nicholas Church Development Fund raised €1,330. The concert at St Nicholas Church took place on Thursday, August 1 and featured performances Swindon Male Voice Choir and St. Christopher's Folk Group.

The organisers thank all who supported the event for their generous donations.

GRAB A BARGAIN

Did you know that the Enable Ireland Charity Shop in Clonmel is the best place in town to grab a bargain? Come and visit us at the entrance to Mary Street car park.

With frequent fresh stock deliveries from their warehouse in Dublin, lucky customers can avail of designer labels in ladies wear, menswear, shoes, handbags and accessories at bargain prices.

Enable Ireland is always looking for high quality items for their shop, so you can donate your previously loved clothes, shoes and jewellery and give someone else a chance to love them again.

By recycling these items, Enable Ireland and its customers are contributing to sustainable fashion, which supports a greener way of living and is kinder to the environment.

The best part is that all profits from the charity shop go towards supporting Enable Ireland's disability services. The organisation supports thousands of children and adults with disabilities across Ireland, so by shopping with Enable Ireland you are supporting those who need it the most. If you would like to donate to this amazing charity, bring a bag with you to the shop. Give them a ring on 052-6126202. The shop is open Monday to Saturday from 9.30am to 5.30pm. Visit www.enableireland.ie.

CYCLE

Slievenamon Cycling Club's annual sportive for 2019 is a 200km mountainous tour in aid of Susan Robinson and C.A.R.E. Cancer Support Centre Clonmel. It takes place at Clonmel Racecourse from 7am on August 25. Contact Dermot Brennan on 087-9822282 and visit the club's Facebook page for more information.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy 60th birthday to Anne Power, Spafield Crescent, Cashel, on August 16. We love you lots, from your daughter Taryn and granddaughter Chloe xxxxxx.



ABOVE: A "very excited" Kathryn and Wayne McGrath with their dog Lucy will be cheering on Tipperary from Grangemockler
BELOW: Alan O'Mhaolmhuire says the Tipperary fans will be the 16th man that gets the Premier County over the line on Sunday



CAHIR CORNER

BLOOD DONOR'S CLINIC IN CAHIR THIS EVENING

Cahir House Hotel will host a Blood Donor Clinic today Thursday, August 15. Times are from 5pm - 8:30pm. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

CAHIR TIDY TOWNS

The Group would like to thank everyone for the generosity shown at our recent annual church gate collection. The sum of €1517.98 was raised and this will all go back into town projects.

The group assisted the newly formed Tobar Iosa committee met last week for the first of many meetings to come at the holy site. Strimming, cleaning of the well and alter and painting of the entrance gate were completed on the evening. There are further meetings planned and although we planned to meet on the first Wednesday of the month, we might have to meet more regularly for a while to get things in order.

The group has decided to down tools this Thursday evening to have a night out and support the Cahir Ceoltas Group for the summer concert in the castle. Like ourselves, the Ceoltas group have been promoting the town through its music and are busy planning the annual Tradfest which we help out with as best we can.

We meet as usual on Wednesday evening at 7 and judging continues for the local competition which will be announced in September.

A TASTE OF CAHIR

With Heritage Week fast approaching we have lots of free events to look forward to over the weekend of August 23-25 in Cahir. Cahir Com-

Greenway proposed between Cahir and Cashel - Moloney

The recent meeting of the Cahir - Cashel - Tipperary Municipal District Council heard a call for greenway funding from Cahir Councillor Andy Moloney.

The Cahir Area Councillor had previously proposed a motion to the Tipperary County Council for the creation a greenway between Cahir and Cashel and that such a cycle-path would link both Cahir Castle and the Rock of Cashel. It would also rejuvenate the village of New Inn and enhance tourism and fitness in the area.

In a reply to the councillor, the council acknowledged the concept of a project linking the Towns of Cahir and Cashel would be of great benefit to the region by further enhancing the tourist experience and recreational outlets for the people of Tipperary. A feasibility study would need to be explored and preliminary designs commissioned. The appropriateness of the project for Greenway funding would then need to be assessed. Other possible funding opportunities should also be explored.

Councillor Moloney welcomed the response and hopes that it will come to fruition during this term of the council if funding could be sourced.

haltas Concert will hold a concert in Cahir House Hotel on Friday, August 23 at 8.30pm. Admission of €10 includes raffle tickets. Also the Cahir Park AFC soccer league finals will take place.

On Saturday the Festival Farmers Market from 9-1pm in castle car park and an Animal Farm will be at the Swiss Cottage 2-5pm (free admission). There is a Historical town walk from the Tourist Office at 3pm (1 hour) Sunday is the real Taste of Cahir with lots of fun around town and as usual Cahir Castle and the Swiss Cottage are free to enter on the day. The kids are

catered for with Children's Play with Fiona McCool at 2.30-3.30pm in the castle and another Historical Walk at 3pm. There is a Boat Race at 4pm, kiddie's races in the Inch at 3.30pm and live Music in the square from 5-7pm.

International World bake off Organised by CSC International with 2 Categories Cakes and Bread registration at 1pm. Meet Sinead Delahunty who will advise on cooking skills and limiting waste at meal times and will also be one of the judges. Music and entertainment by local musicians the Men's Shed, Wild Swans, Cahir to

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The Monsat team taking part in the Over 35s League at Cahir Park AFC

sing Choir and Cahir Comhaltas too as well as sideshows, demonstrations, food stalls and lots more. More details next week.

CAHIR SOCIAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

To mark Heritage Week the Society will host a "Tracing Your Ancestors" event at the Internet Café in Cahir Business and Training Centre on Thursday, 22 August. A number of genealogical experts will be available to help you with your research into your family tree. This event will be held between 10.00am - 1.00pm and 2.00 - 4.45pm. Participation is free.

SPRINGFIELD TO CAHIR PARK PRESENTATION

On Tuesday of last week members of Springfield FC in England travelled to Cahir Park AFC to make a special presentation to the Club. Members of the Cahir Park Committee accepted the gift of a beautiful specially commissioned and framed Springfield /Cahir Park jersey as a mark of the continued friendship between the Clubs. The Jersey displays both of the Clubs crests. Organiser of the Springfield trip Franny Cunningham (a Cahir man) brought several family and team members to Cahir to mark the occasion.

CAHIR COMHALTAS COUNTS DOWN TO TRADFEST

The wonderful Cahir Comhaltas Traditional Show will continue for the next two Thursdays tomorrow 15 August and the last show is on 22 August. The audiences attending so far have greatly enjoyed the traditional Irish music, song and dance that is just a taste in the run up to the annual Cahir Tradfest. The show starts at 8pm sharp. Tickets are €10 and on sale at Cahir House reception and

also at Cahir Castle on each night. This is a fantastic night's entertainment and a great family event; why not bring your visitors to experience a truly Irish evening in a wonderful setting. Contact Mary on 0860624217 for more details.

Cahir Tradfest 2019 takes place from Friday 13 to Sunday 15 September. The weekend is filled with traditional music and dance. With many fantastic musicians and singers it includes a concert, Trad Trail, competitions, workshops and pub sessions over a weekend and is an event not to be missed.

CAHIR ACTIVE RETIREMENT

The Group would like to give a final reminder to all travelling to Lake District on August 19 that there is an early start to catch 8am sailing from Dublin. The Coach will pick up in Clonmel and Cahir. Please remember to bring your Passport, Travel Insurance and European Health Insurance Card. Also a day bag for the Ferry crossing as the luggage will be left on the coach during the sailing. Bon voyage to all. We had a full house meeting last Wednesday and we will resume classes and activities in September and October. We hope to have a few concert outings and a day trip taking place in the autumn. The next monthly meeting is on September 4 in Cahir House Hotel at 2pm.

Don't forget the National Bowls will take place in Kilarney mid September and it's always a very enjoyable trip for competitors and supporters. The South East Region Table Quiz is October 8 in the Talbot Hotel, Wexford at 11am. The Autumn Council Meeting is on October 15. You can get further information from committee members.

Results of card Game held

on Friday August 9 were as follows; in First place was Leisha Shine and Teresa Prendergast and Second was Harry Tobin and Sheila Slattery. The next Game is on this Friday 16 August. All welcome.

CAHIR MEET & TRAIN

The group continues to meet on Tuesday and Thursday nights in preparation for the upcoming ladies mini marathon and some doing the Boston Half Marathon.

We had members running in Mitchelstown and Kilmore last weekend and they did very well. Meet and train walkers are heading to the Ceoltas Show in the castle for a summer concerts on this Thursday evening at 7.45pm and they can take a break from walking to have a relaxing night out.

CAHIR COUNTRY MARKET

The Market continues to operate in Cahir every Friday morning in the Community Hall (near post office) from 9 to 11am. There are new potatoes, fresh vegetables along with the usual fresh eggs, breads, jams as well as bedding plants and shrubs all locally home grown/produced products for sale. So, come along and meet the producers and have the cup of tea & chat afterwards.

CAHIR COMMUNITY LOTTO

There was no winner of the draw that took place on August 7 in the Social Welfare Office. The draw was witnessed by Marie Casey. The numbers drawn were 7, 9, 10 and 14. The 4 lucky dips winners each receiving €25 were Stella Ryan, Cahir Abbey Upper, Eileen Martin, C/o Cahir Bingo, Ian Buckley, Hillview Crescent, Cahir and Paul Conway, Mortlestown, Cahir. Congratulations to all.



The Sons of Pitches team took part in the Over 35s League at Cahir Park AFC

CAHIR CORNER

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CONGRATULATIONS

Best wishes to Liam and Nancy Simpson who celebrated the occasion of their 60 and diamond wedding anniversary last week. They celebrated it with a family dinner with their 7 sons and daughters and partners as well as some of their 15 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. They were fortunate enough to have both their bridesmaid and best man sharing the occasion. A beautiful cake was specially made by granddaughter Jennifer Simpson.

Congratulations Nancy and Liam!

PARISH NEWS

For Mass/Anniversary List please contact Parish Office on 052-7443447 before Thursday at 3pm for inclusion in the coming weekends Newsletter. Any details received after this will be included in the following weekend's Newsletter.

An Evening With 'The Priests': We are delighted to welcome to the Cathedral of the Assumption Thurles Fr. Eugene and his brother Fr. Martin O'Hagan natives of Co. Derry and Fr. David Delargy from Ballymena, Co. Antrim who form the internationally famed Musical Trio, 'The Priests'. Come and enjoy them in concert in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Thurles on Friday September 27. Tickets are now on sale at Parish Centre, Cathedral Street, Thurles on 0504 - 22229 and Bookworm, Liberty Square, Thurles on 0504 - 22257.

As you may already be aware the Cathedral requires re roofing and this is one of our fund-raising events. Tickets: €35. Doors open at 7pm. Concert starts at 8pm.

The Youth 2000 Summer Festival will be held from 15 - 18 August, at the Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare. The Youth 2000 Summer Festival is both Youth 2000's largest event and the largest Catholic youth event in Ireland with over 1,000 attending. There are free buses going from all around Ireland. For more information and to book your place visit <http://youth2000.ie>

The Friends of Calcutta Clothes Collection takes place on Tuesday 13 August. Bags can be left in Church Car Park up to 4pm. For enquires please contact Michael Hopkins on 087-9073074. Thank you for your continued support.

CAHIR CAMOGIE

The Club took part in the Munster 7 blitzes in Cork and Waterford over the past few weeks to qualify for the final blitz held in Holycross on Sunday 11 August. They played Gaultier, Douglas, Tralee and Monaleen. Cahir won all their games and this



Children at the Lego themed summer camp Little Builderz last week



Some of the future stars of Cahir ladies football enjoying summer camp

puts them in the final facing Gailltir once again. Carmel Harkin Munster Camogie presented Kirsty Arbuckle Captain of the Cahir 7s team with the cup on the day.

The Munster Senior 7s Champions panel were Caral Casey, Aoife Casey, Shauna O'Donnell, Grainne Quirke, Clara O'Donnell, Roisin O'Donnell, Anna Downey, Kirsty Arbuckle (C), Alissa Keating and Orla McEniry. Well done girls!

CAHIR PARK AFC

Coerver Intro Coach Education Course- Learn Why, What & How to teach Ball

Mastery and 1v1 Skills from The Worlds No 1 on August 14 at Cahir Park AFC. Online registration is now open at <https://www.coerver.ie/product/intro/> Early booking discount available before end of July.

CAMPS - FAI Summer Soccer School takes place at Cahir Park from August 19 - August 23, 2019. This camp is fully booked.

Under 8s: Saturday Morning Academy for Under 8s & 9s will resume on this Saturday August 17 at 9am.

The Annual Gregg Cup is scheduled for Saturday August 31 at 10:30am among

Cahir Parks Under 8 & 9 Boys & Under 10 Girls.

CAHIR GAA CLUB

On the field - Our senior club had a quite week on the field, but we have important games coming up over the next couple of weeks. On this Tuesday (13 August) our Junior Football team played Newcastle in the South Championship in Ardfinnan. Our junior 'A' footballers will again play Newcastle in the County Championship in Ardfinnan on Friday the 23/8/2019 at 18:45pm and two days later on Sunday the 25 August we will play our

second round of the senior football county championship in Leahy Park, Cashel, where we take on Loughmore-Castleiney with a start time of 6pm. So we would like to wish the teams the very best of luck in the above games. These games are very important to the club and we would like to see as many of our members and supporters as possible come out and support our teams. Please remember all fixtures are subject to change and sometimes are out of our control, so keep an eye on the dates guys.

Draw the Joker - With our jackpot standing at €5,000 it was off to Morrissey's Bar for the latest round of our weekly fund raising game draw the joker. Thanks to Brian and Mags for their kind help every time we call with our game. Our Joker game is very important to the club as it is our main fund raiser to keep our fine club going, and we want to urge all our members, supporters, friends and parents of kids playing for our club to support the joker every week for as little as €2 to ensure our children can get the best out of their club for their future wellbeing. Thank you all for your support, this week's winners are as follows: Bridget O'Gorman, Catherine Quinn, P. J. O'Meara, Mary Howard and Karina Burke.

Juvenile News - Fixtures - U12 Hurling Semi-Final took place on Monday 12 August Cahir v Clonmel Og in Fethard GAA Grounds. We hope the Team and Management, had good luck on the day and some support was there for our future players. Results announced next week. U16B Hurling took place on Tuesday 13 August with Cahir v Ballybacon in Cahir, once again results available next week.

On Thursday 15 August U14B Hurling will take place with Cahir v Clonmel Og in Ned Hall Park at 7pm, we wish good luck to all the teams playing during the coming week.

Another cap for Tommy - The Club say well done to club & Cahir man Tommy O'Donnell who played against Italy last weekend. It's great to see Tommy back playing for his country again and let's hope he did enough to get a spot on the airplane to Japan for the rugby world cup. We will be all watching out for you Tommy!

All Ireland Final - What a massive weekend we have ahead of us as our senior hurling team go for glory in the All Ireland Final next Sunday. We wish the best of luck to all the team and management team; we are all hoping Liam McCarty comes back to the Premier County. Also, we want to wish our county camogie team the best of luck in their All Ireland

semi-final on Saturday when they also play Kilkenny, we all hope it will be a double over the "Cats"!

Tuesday the 13 August was a big day for all leaving cert students as the results were out that morning. We hope all who sat the exam had the best of luck and we hope you all got what you wanted. But remember, it is not the end of the world if you did not get what you wanted, there are many paths to take in life and there is one path for everyone to take and make their own.

Any photos/news can be sent us at prochahirgaa@gmail.com thank you.

'KNOCK ME DOWN CHALLENGE 2019'

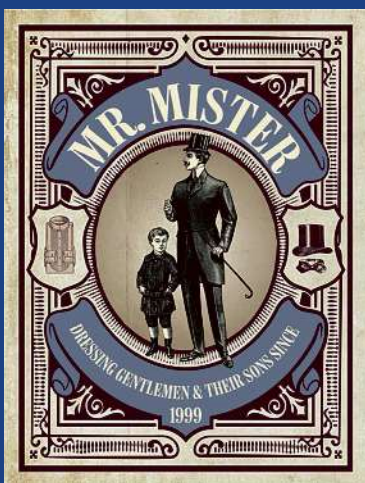
Knockmealdown Active once again presents this multi-disciplinary event on Saturday September 7 around the scenic Knockmealdown Mountains in south Tipperary. The normal Challenge event is augmented by an enlarged and extra challenging 'Knock ME Down MÓR' event. The Challenge involves Cycling, Running, (or walking) and Kayaking and is well suited to anybody with a reasonable level of fitness.

The Challenge event involves a 15km Cycle from Newcastle to Kilballyboy Wood car park/picnic site on Vee Road outside Clogheen, followed by a 2.5km run/walk from Kilballyboy Wood to the beautiful Bay Lough Lake, a 0.5km kayak around Bay Lough and return to the car park with a 2.5km run/walk via a different return route. The event finishes with a 15km Cycle back to Newcastle.

Tickets are €65 each and include entry fee, warm down massage, refreshments afterwards, a goodie bag including a participation medal and event T-shirt. Further information is available at www.knockmealdown-active.com.

CASHEL & EMLY PILGRIMAGE

A Pilgrimage to Lough Derg will take place on 3 & 4 September. We will take part in a Mass at Knock Shrine on the 3 September and stay overnight in Bundoran. There is a one day Retreat in Lough Derg on 4 September. With a guided day of prayer and reflection, Healing of Memories, the option of the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the celebration of Eucharist in St. Patrick's Basilica. It is advisable to bring warm and waterproof clothing (pilgrims keep their footwear on). Buses cover most areas throughout the county. For further details on travel arrangements call Bridget O'Dea (Loughmore) on 086-6792754 or Fr. Martin Murphy (Drom/Inch) on 086-3868877.



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