

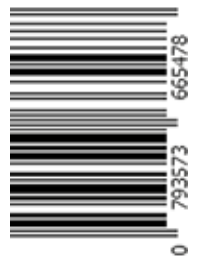
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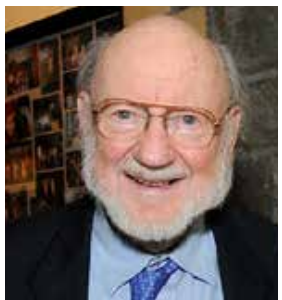
## Bronze statue for Bill Campbell

As final preparations are put in place in Ramelton for the statue cast in bronze in honour of Nobel Laureate, Professor Bill Campbell, it's been confirmed that his two daughters will officiate at the unveiling ceremony on Saturday October 1st in Gamble's Square at 2pm.

Professor Campbell who is only the 11th Irish recipient of a Nobel award, will join a live video link between his home in Andover, Mas-

sachusetts and Gambles Square as his daughters, Betsy and Jennifer unveil the statue.

Among the guest speakers will be Professor Sam McConkey, RCSI University of Medicine and Health Science and Beaumont Hospital. He



became a familiar figure on national television through the coronavirus epidemic.

The unveiling ceremony will see another well known Ramelton man, Dermot Scott presiding and among the guests will be representatives of Belfast's Campbell College, the main

universities and funders of the statue. Donegal County Council will also be represented and a number of Professor Campbell's friends of former times have also been invited.

The attendance on Saturday week will hear a newly composed tribute from renowned Scottish fiddler Paul Anderson. He will be joined by Martin McGinley and the 25 strong Strabane Brass

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## First Group 1 winner for Dylan



Trainer Joseph O'Brien congratulates Dylan Browne McMonagle after his Group 1 winner on Sunday at the Curragh.

## Mica remediation delays totally unacceptable : McDermott

As Donegal homeowners with Mica infected blocks face into yet another winter, a leading campaigner has called for a more urgent response from Donegal County Council and the Dept of Housing.

by John McAteer

With no real sign of progress for remediation, Fianna Fail's

Cllr. Martin McDermott says the Dept of Housing and Donegal County Council must get an urgent grip on this crisis ahead of 2023 with further delays very possible well into next year.

And he says there is a real fear that many houses already with damaged blockwork will deteriorate even



further over the coming winter. Cllr. McDermott says the backlog of applicants in Lifford in urgent need of a resolution is quite frightening and it seems to be that there is stalemate and too many families are living in fear of their homes falling down.

He said: "I am not going to deny that there

is a huge problem and apart from much more urgency by the Council and the Dept of Housing we also need a political dynamic to drive the campaign forward in a meaningful way and that is just not happening," he states.

Cllr. McDermott is the Chair of the Council's defective concrete

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## Donegal Ukraine numbers to top 6%

In the coming weeks, the number of Ukraine refugees in Donegal is expected to top 6% of the national figure which is in the region of 50,000.

In another more sinister development, pro-Russian graffiti was once again painted on roads at three locations in Milford on Monday night at times between 11pm and midnight. The incident on the Church Road happened between 11.15 and 11.30 and suspicious movements should be notified to Gardai in Milford.

The latest stats show that Donegal is providing accommodation for 2,835 refugees from Ukraine. As more rooms and capacity comes onstream, we understand that Downings is to provide accommodation for 40 refugees while around 20 are expected in Portsalon to join the 40 already resident at the Fanad Lodge. Work is also ongoing in Milford and Letterkenny as demand on accommoda-

tion reaches a new pressure point for the county

The provision of accommodation has seen a huge effort by a number of key players in the business and their humanitarian spirit is particularly laudable.

However, the accommodation comes at quite the cost to the public purse and some of the country's biggest names will benefit from Government funding for refugees and the figure is already in the region of €100 million.

Letterkenny is providing accommodation for 451 Ukraine The numbers in McGettigan's Hotel on Upr Main St. is 211; Walnut Grove (117). Other locations in the town are at Rosemount Lane (18); Millview B&B (21); Ashlawn B&B (37); Harris Guest House (24); High Road apartments (23). Bundoran is host to 445 Ukrainians: Viscount House Avenue (178); Grand Central Hotel

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The team that will represent Donegal at the National Ploughing Championships next week. Seated Dean Conaghan Milford, Kathleen Donaghey Letterkenny, Helen Doherty Kilmacrennan. Back Lee Simms Milford, Gary Simms Milford, Harry Mallon, Mark Simms Milford, Matthew Simms Milford, Paul Sheridan Rathmullen and Alan Simms Milford. Missing is Gerry Mallon Kilmacrennan, Hugh Gillespie Newton, Kim McKinney Letterkenny, Brendan Byrne Kilar, Ryan Hegarty Letterkenny and Rachael McGettigan Ramelton. Photo by Michael McElwee.

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# First Group 1 winner for McMonagle

There was a groundbreaking success for Dylan Browne McMonagle on Saturday as the young Letterkenny jockey recorded his first Group 1 winner after he claimed victory in the Goffs Vincent O'Brien National Stakes.

The 19-year-old on board the 9/1 shot Al Riffa for trainer Joseph O'Brien. Last year's Apprentice Jockey champion has had an excellent 2022 with a string of wins including with Team Ireland at the Windsor track in the Racing League last week. Browne McMonagle also had a winner in Cork last Wednesday evening.



Dylan Browne McMonagle at the presentation podium after his Group 1 winner on Sunday at the Curragh

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blocks committee and he says he's very disappointed that there has not been any forward progress in the past year and he is not at all optimistic that things will improve any time soon.

"One of our big worries is the new IS645 and the fact is that only Mica is included. Most properties have defective materials that are not Mica, but they are not included in the new redress scheme. I find it hard to understand how these issues are going to be addressed," he said.

He said that only around 90 homes have been approved for remediation amid a huge legacy of delays and he cannot imagine many of the 5,000 impacted homes in the county being cleared for

replacement in the years ahead.

"Can you imagine the plight of the 5,000 who are living in homes with mica issues. To say that we have a successful remediation scheme would not be true and all the evidence is there to prove that is the case.

To offer any one of them a quick solution would be very wrong because I do not see the new scheme becoming available before next April. And that is too far away. Imagine being forced to live in one of those badly damaged houses with the current state of progress and rising costs from inflation,

The health impact of the mica crisis runs very deep and as Chair of the defective concrete blocks committee, I am all too aware of how families are suffering. As Cllrs, we are doing all we can,

however we need to get a clear direction and a positive way forward from the Dept of Housing.

I am most disappointed at the lack of progress at this level because all I am seeing are delays and families are losing hope of progress and there is grief and fear as a result," says Cllr. McDermott.

He said that it is very frustrating to hear of more and more demands for further information from officials in Lifford when it is already obvious that these requests had already been comprehensively addressed by those seeking redress.

Predicting that the new redress scheme will not come onstream until next Spring, Martin McDermott says that with inflation in the construction trade away out of control, homeowners who

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(177): Summerhill Apartments ( 23): Atlantic Apartments ( 67).

Across 28 addresses in the Inishowen Peninsula there are 433 Ukrainians in accommodation. Nine of the addresses are in Carrndonagh while other locations range from Manor to Malin Head: Buncrana, Clonmany, Gleneely: Muff: Moville: Ballyiffen: Burnfoot.

Milford currently has 171 Ukraine residents housed at three locations: Lough Fern, 94: Mulroy Woods, 49 and Fernleigh Hostel with 34.

While it is anticipated that Milford will have a further increase in refugee numbers in the coming weeks, sources said that all school places are now fully occupied and health services in the town are also under extreme pressure with increased numbers.

Kilmacrennan is reported to have 122 Ukrainians: Village Court has 47: JOD, (35): O'Donnells

Guest House 2, (15): Kilconnell, 925). There are 31 residents at the Lagoon Guesthouse in Termon.

At Glen, Carrigart, there are 20 at An Teach Mor. The Meenreagh Hostel in Killygordon (17): Ionad Suil in Glencolmcille (29) :The Aranmore Hostel (28) and Tory Island (14).

In Gweedore the recorded numbers are 245: Fairglen Holiday Village (39): Watersedge, Magheragallon (20): An Cuirt (18): Fairyglan (22): Seaview Hotel (110): Bunbeg House (36). Fanad Lodge (40): Errigal Hostel, Dunlewey (39).

Teach Gleann Ceo in Doochary (33): O'Donnell's Guest House in Falcarragh (11) while in Dunfanaghy there are 15 in Ards Guesthouse. At Meenadoan, Fintown 13 are in residence.

The Highlands Hotel, Glenties (45): Nesbitt Arms Hotel Ardara (133): Laverna Retreat (Franciscan Friary) Rosstown (48) and near-

by at Heron's Cover there are 46. In Ballintra, Drumnacoil House has 63.

In Donegal the numbers listed in refugee accommodation is 168: Central Hotel, The Diamond (42): Bluestack, Drimarone (22): Donegal Town Hostel (23) Riverside House (20): Atlantic House (23): Mill Park View (11): Riverside House No.2 (12): The Gables, Laghey (15).

In Killybegs the refugee numbers are 173: Bayview Hotel (98): Ritz B&B (75).

Dungloe has a total of 109 refugees - Donegal Wild Atlantic Hostel (70): Accommodation Main St (31): Old Roshine Schoolhouse, (8).

There are 94 refugees now in residence in Carrick: An Sean Ostan (39): Young Jims (26) Slieve League Lodge (29). Kilcar has a total of 59: McGroarty's (40): Corner Guesthouse (19).

In Ballybofey the refugee numbers are 148: Roseville House (47): Jackson's Hotel (85): Finn Valley Centre (16).



Congratulations to Owen McFadden (Derry) on achieving 4 A\* in his A level results and confirming his place as a Medical student at London's UCL Kings College to become a Doctor. Owen is the grandson of Sheila McFadden and his granddad the late John McFadden, Ballyconnelly, Ray and son of Dr Jennifer Forde and Liam McFadden, Derry.

## Leiter Afternoon Tea

Leiter Presbyterian Ladies are holding a fundraiser of Afternoon Tea on Saturday 24th of September from 2 pm till 5 pm in the home of Mrs Tillie Stewart, Gortnaskeagh Kilmacrennan F92XA72. Everyone welcome.

## Picnics Against Apartheid

Amnesty Ireland are holding Picnics Against Apartheid all over Ireland, with one planned for Letterkenny on Saturday the 17th September at 2pm outside An Grianan Theatre on the Port Road. Mary Ryan of Amnesty Donegal says, "The Picnics are an act of solidarity with Palestinians who are forced out of public spaces by Israeli authorities - just because of who they are - often for something as simple as having a picnic." Amnesty Donegal invite members of the public to come to An Grianan Theatre on Saturday the 17th September at 2pm. Speakers on the day will be well-known Letterkenny man Fadl Mustapha and Palestinian Theatre practitioner Amir Abualrob. "Bring your lunch and a blanket," says Mary Ryan. The event will take place from 2pm to 4pm.

## NW Simon Charity Motorbike ride

North West Simon Community announced details of its first Charity Motorbike Ride support-

ed by Supermac's. Starting at 11 am on Saturday September 24th, three groups of motorbikes will

simultaneously ride between the Supermac's Outlets in Carrick on Shannon, Donegal, and Sligo.

CEO of North West Simon Community explains that in 2021, the charity provided support to 246 adults and 168 children from across the region, and 58% of the money to pay for this work came from public fundraising. Homelessness can happen anywhere in the North West and we hope as people see the motorbikes travel through the 3 counties, they will consider supporting us once again.

Supermac's owner/operators Ken Foley in Sligo and Donegal and Enda Mc Govern in Carrick-on Shannon will contribute €500 on behalf of each outlet, and provide parking for the bikes throughout the day. Each Supermac's Outlet will have donation buckets on their counters where members of the public will be able to support the Bike Ride.

Ken Foley explained that groups of bikers will depart their local Supermac's outlet at 11am on Saturday September 24th and ride anti-clockwise through the 3 counties, stopping at each of the other outlets in turn.

For anyone who can't make it to Supermac's on the day can support North West Simon Community by visiting: <https://www.northwestsimon.ie/donate-now/>



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## New Cathedral Quarter office will be officially opened on Culture Night

Donegal County Council officials Collette Beattie and Joe Gallagher will officially open the new Letterkenny Cathedral Quarter office at No. 3 Church Lane on Culture Night, Friday 23 September at 7.30pm. People will get the opportunity to discover the story of the Cathedral Quarter and find out what goes on behind the scenes. The new office highlights the past, the cultural programme of events, and the achievements and plans for the future.

Collette Beattie, Conservation Officer and Joe Gallagher, Heritage Officer with Donegal County Council were instrumental in helping to deliver the award-winning Historic Towns Initiative for Letterkenny's Church Lane. It is the partnership between Community and Local Authority is the key to the area's successful regeneration and is a model for other places in the country. Refreshments will be served at the opening but visiting the office will be limited to four people at a time. All are welcome.

Also on Culture Night is the return of the Cathedral Quarter Experience with the 'Elusive Theatre'.

There will be two shows with one at 6pm and the other starting at 8pm.

The Elusive Theatre will bring the history of the area to life with the 'Cathedral Quarter Experience' starting at 6:00pm outside No. 1 Church Lane. Go walking with Letterkenny Legends as the Elusive Theatre brings you on a tour that is short in distance but rich and deep in history. Meet characters from the past and learn about events that have helped to shape our present. Tours run at 6pm and 8pm. Pre-booking is essential by contacting Donnan Harvey on 086 345 2457.

With so many other magnificent events happening in the locality, Culture Night is the always most magical night of the year in Letterkenny's Cathedral Quarter. And we encourage you to find out why!

## Letterkenny apartment proposal refused planning

Donegal County Council have refused a planning application seeking the demolition of two houses and the development of 17 apartments in the centre of Letterkenny.

The application was made by Millennium Unit Trust 105 for the properties on Rosemount Lane, Letterkenny.

It sought the demolition of 2 unoccupied dwelling houses and other derelict buildings as part of the general site preparation, and the construction of a four storey and part five storey development to provide 17 apartments over lower ground floor car parking and ancillary accommodation with associated siteworks including connection to existing mains water wastewater and stormwater networks.

There were seven listed objectors to the development.

Among the reasons cited for the refusal was overdevelopment of the site that would lead to excessive density for the area, the visual aspect against the lowrise building in the area, and the unnecessary loss of traditional dwelling stock.

## Caravan park extension green light

Planning permission has been granted for a major caravan park extension in Downings.

Donegal County Council have given conditional planning permission to Kevin Connor for the construction of 63 additional caravan pitches and seven new log cabins and all associated site works Magherabeg and Larganreagh, Downings.

The permission includes a new foul effluent treatment system and pump station including connection to existing public sewer, new storm water network including attenuation tank and a 3-stage wetland system prior to discharge to existing water course.

## Day Trip to Lough Derg

A Day Trip to Lough Derg on Sunday 18th Sept leaving Magheraarty at 7.15pm. For more information contact Sally Gallagher for booking 0872346301. The fee €65 all in.

# Red Hugh's 420th anniversary celebrated in Spain

Celebrations and events to mark the 420 anniversary of the funeral of Aodh Rua Ó Domhnaill have been taking place in Valladolid, Spain, where the famed Donegal chieftain is buried.

They were organised by the 'Red Hugh O'Donnell 420 Group' an international collective of Irish, Spanish, UK, and Portuguese-based volunteers operating under the auspices of the Hispano-Irish Association and headed by Brendan Rohan, in conjunction with authorities in Spain.

As part of the celebrations a series of events and a parade through the Spanish city. Brendan said the events attracted a great deal of attention in Spain. He stated the events began with a documentary about the archaeological excavation I inspired when last here, on 21st June 2019, followed by lectures by Don Hugo O'Donnell, Duke of Tetuan and by the author and historian,



Making the news in Spain.

Dr John McCavitt. Then followed the unveiling of an impressive new plaque by the Mayor of Valladolid, which identified for future generations, the recently discovered resting place of Aodh Rua (Red Hugh O'Donnell) on what is now, Calle Constitucion in the city centre.

He stated: "Parade through the closed off streets of Valladolid, from The Royal Palace to Calle Constitucion, created much interest and a huge crowd of



Brendan Rohan taking part in the parade on horseback.



The Red Hugh parade in Spain at the weekend.

observers and attendees for our eventual arrival at dusk (for maximum effect by the flaming torches), to the site of the new plaque and Aodh Rua's resting place. There were musical tributes paid and a reading in English and Spanish of Aodh Rua's Last Will, before a rousing singing of O'Donnell Abu and the Irish national anthem."

The colorful parade featured a reenactment of the death of Red Hugh in 1602 at the Spanish King Philip III's castle at Simancas.

A major excavation for his remains took place in the area where he is understood to be buried but today his remains have not been formally identified.

The group also plan to host an event marking his 450th birthday in his native Donegal in October.

# A Mirror to hypocrisy

Sometimes a mirror is held up to hypocrisy and really illuminates it. That has happened with the recent strike at the Mirror in Britain. The Mirror in Britain (Daily Record in Scotland) is seen as the 'Labour' paper. Many working-class people feel it is on their side.

That's not how many of its journalists see things. The Reach group owns the paper. Management there has been faced with strike action across the group. The management offered journalists a 3% rise, without entering any negotiation. That is less than a third the rate of inflation.

The National Union of Journalists (NUJ) is seeking a pay rise of 8.5%. Even that is significantly less than the rate of inflation. To be fair to the union, they submitted the claim at the end of last year. That was when inflation was significantly lower than now. Matters have taken so long because management bluntly refused to talk. They refused as much as a meeting. Mind you, that is not unexpected. They don't even recognise the union at the Mirror. There they only recognise a 'staff association'. The union is recognised on some of the other papers and websites in Reach. In contrast, some of the more right-wing papers do recognise the union.

So, at the Mirror and the other Reach paper, we have a low pay offer. We have a management who don't want to negotiate. Thus, journalists have had to take to the picket lines. So far, there has been a one-day strike and a work-to-rule campaign.

It is, of course, easy for the Mirror to position itself as the pro-Labour paper. The rest of the print media is pretty much wall-to-wall Conservative. The only other exception is the Guardian. That is not nearly as explicit, though, in its political claims.

The Mirror is good at exposing employers and (British) Conservatives. Environmental correspondent Shauna

*People aren't stupid. For journalism to be effective, it has to be properly paid and resourced. That is why it is so important the Reach strikers win. Then there is the important job of showing up hypocrisy. We in Ireland have particularly faced that with the Catholic Church. Unfortunately, they are not the only hypocrites. Mirror management are of the same type. They have to be called out.*

Corr has exposed much environmental wrongdoing in Ireland. That puts the editorial line in sharp contrast to the management line. A couple of months ago, a story began: "A survey for the Daily Mirror has exposed the everyday impact of the cost of living crisis." That crisis impacts on its journalists. Their paper was certainly not going to survey the crisis's impact on them.

That failure has come back to bite them. Management was certainly shocked at the strength of the union. It has grown in the group. Seventy per cent took part in the union ballot. Of them, 79% voted for strike action. Eight-five percent voted for action short of strike, such as work-to-rule. That woke management up, but not enough. They only suddenly agreed to talks the evening before the first scheduled strike. That was postponed, but there was no move on a proper offer.

After that they were probably even more shocked at the pickets on the day of strike action. Thus, management know they will have to make serious concessions.

Given their pretension of social concern, they must also know more. Surveys have shown journalists are one of the lowest-paid groups of white-collar workers. That is despite a third-level qualification being widely required for the job.

Low pay has implications. When people are receiving low pay, morale suffers. Inevitably that impacts on quality of work.

Problems from low pay go further. We are in a time of relatively full employ-

ment. Thus there are problems with recruitment. There are then problems, also, with retention. Some journalists leave the industry completely. Many go over to the 'dark side', as some call PR. Most PRs are professionals, in the good sense. Unfortunately, employers of various sorts like to employ experienced journalists in PR. They are too often used to stop journalists getting information.

We must also remember the current dispute is not taking place in a vacuum.

Recent months have seen a revival of trade unions. The classic example must be Mick Lynch. He is a regular on British television. He has become famous for his skill in handling interviewers. He also has won much sympathy throughout Britain.

That revival has extended to the NUJ. I am a long-time member. For years, the union had been dealing with constant redundancies and closures. A definite fatalism had set in. Journalists faced particular difficulties. There are physical difficulties in trade union organisation. Those that are staff nearly all work in small groups. A high percentage, like myself, are self-employed. Yes, Zoom and the like make communications easier. They do not abolish the difficulties.

Add, of course, that trade unions have taken a hammering over the past generation. Thus even some journalists felt journalism was a dying trade. We might go the way of trades like carters. Now that is being turned round. Facebook (or Meta) can't replace us. That is becoming obvious to a wide section of the public.



**By Anton McCabe**

be heading towards seven more years running Britain. The brave weren't just the reporters who wrote the stories, they were the editors who decided to publish.

At time of writing, union members in Reach are voting on a possible settlement. We don't know how the vote will go. We do know management have paid for their hypocrisy.

People aren't stupid. For journalism to be effective, it has to be properly paid and resourced. That is why it is so important the Reach strikers win.

Then there is the important job of showing up hypocrisy. We in Ireland have particularly faced that with the Catholic Church. Unfortunately, they are not the only hypocrites. Mirror management are of the same type. They have to be called out.

There is no credibility in widespread criticism of other employers when they are behaving like Bishop Eamonn Casey.

That is bad because media has a big role to play in exposing hypocrisy. The British media are riddled with faults. For all of them, they brought down Boris Johnson. Without the constant investigation and publicity, he would still be Prime Minister. He could well

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- 2019 Nissan Qashqai Acenta Premium (White)
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- 181 Bmw 520 Msport Auto (Black)
- 2018 Audi A4 Ultra sport (Grey)
- 181 Renault Kadjar Navigation (Wine)
- 2018 Ford Kuga Zetec (White)
- 18 Nissan Qashqai SV Acenta X2
- 181 Ford Kuga Titanium (Grey)
- 181 Hyundai Tucson 1.7 (White)

### Petrol Cars

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- 171 Suzuki Vitara SZ5 (White)
- 162 Suzuki Vitara GLX AllGrip (White)
- 161 Suzuki Vitara SZ5 (Red)
- 161 Citroen C4 Gran Picasso (White)
- 161 Ford Focus Zetec (White) **Sold**
- 161 Peugeot 3008 Active Blue (Silver)
- 161 Hyundai Tucson 1.7 (White)
- 152 Peugeot 508 Active (Black)
- 151 Ford Focus Zetec 1.5TDCI (Blue)
- 151 Suzuki Scross GL (White)
- 151 Ford Focus Zetec (Blue) **Sold**
- 151 Opel Astra 1.7 SRI (White)
- 141 Toyota Auris Estate (White)
- 141 Peugeot 508 (Grey)
- 12 Suzuki SX4 2.0L 4X4 (Red)
- 12 Suzuki SX4 2.0L 4X4 (Red)
- 12 Suzuki SX4 4x4 (Blue)

### Commercials

- 211 Opel Combo 3 Seater (White)
- 211 Peugeot Partner 3 Seater (Grey)
- 201 Peugeot Partner 3 Seater **Sold**
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- 2015 Mitsubishi L200 Crewcab (Black)

### Other Cars

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- 192 Suzuki Swift 1.2 Attitude (White)
- 191 Renault Captur Iconic TCE (Grey)
- 191 Suzuki Scross SZT (Wine)
- 191 Suzuki Scross SZT (Blue)
- 191 Suzuki Scross SZ4 (White)
- 182 Suzuki Vitara 1.6 SZT (Grey)
- 181 Suzuki S Cross SZ4 (Blue) x2
- 181 Suzuki Swift SZ4 (White)
- 171 Suzuki Scross SZT (Grey)
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- 171 Peugeot 208 (Silver)
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## Rathmullan news

### St Vincent De Paul

The local St Vincent de Paul are always available to help out in times of need. With the ever increasing energy and household costs, please feel free to contact any member of the Chapter when assistance is needed on 087 775 5510. The Vincent's Charity Shop also takes donations of used small household items, bric a brac, books and clean used clothing. Opening hours are Wednesday and Thursday 11-3 and also on Saturdays.

### Tidy Towns

Many thanks to everyone who continue to keep Rathmullan looking good, but still very disappointing to notice an increase in littering and dog fouling. Now that the summer season is virtually over, we must all still do our best..... please, please clean up after your pets and dispose of all waste properly. Take your litter to the nearest bin, or better still, take it home.

Lovely to see Malley's Seat back in use, fully refurbished and finished with a 'coat of many colours', as befitting a lovely lady, all thanks to the wonderful work of Pat Patton. Many thanks also to the Donegal Volunteer Centre for their continued support and for gifting the community more Bird boxes, which will be erected over the coming months.

Our Volunteers will still be out regularly throughout the coming months, planting Spring bulbs, litter picking and continuing with

other projects. We are already making plans for 2023, so if there is a particular project or idea that you would like to see implemented, then please get in touch and let us know.

### BioDiversity Classes

Last week's Biodiversity Class with Aengus Kennedy, Nature North West focussed on 'Birds' and this will be followed with an outdoor session at a later date, yet to be confirmed. Next Class on Tuesday Tuesday 20th September, in RDRC at 7.00 pm.

### First Aid

The 'Event First Aid' class in association with the Donegal Volunteer Centre on Monday last in the RDRC was absolutely brilliant. Huge thanks to Garrett & Jackie for their very informative evening and hands on tuition, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all the participants.

### Clean Coasts

The weekly Pier area and beach cleans take place every Wednesday, with equipment available outside the White Harte from 10am. Support is always welcome, and thanks to those who come out every week in all weathers to help keep our beaches, shorefront and street areas litter free.

Good to have the Coastal Warriors from Letterkenny back in our midst again too, and they especially enjoyed the outing to Bunrana on the Ferry last Wednesday.



John Curran, Donegal Volunteer Centre handing over a consignment of Bird Boxes to Tidy Towns Chairperson, Eilís McGlynn.

## Dry Arch MACE to saddle up for Down Syndrome Ireland

Local MACE Retailers Ciaran and Brian Brogan are inviting people to support its Tour de MACE static cycle in-store in order to raise funds for its charity partner, Down Syndrome Ireland on this Friday and Saturday the 16th and 17th of September from 11am to 4pm. This store is one of many MACE stores involved in running this rewarding charity event throughout the summer. Brogan's MACE Dry Arch is hosting a unique in-store static cycle

event whereby customers can donate 15 minutes to 1 hour of their time to cycle and contribute much needed funds to Down Syndrome Ireland, MACE's charity partner. Customers and staff can sign up beforehand by calling into the store to select their cycling time slot or else they can sign up on the day. We are encouraging customers who aren't participating to come along and join in on the celebrations and donate funds towards Down Syndrome Ireland.



## Breakfast for Brendan fundraiser

A breakfast fundraiser for Brendan Friel will take place at the Quayside Bistro, Shore Road on this Thursday September 15th starting at 10am.

Brendan, a well known member of the local community, suffered life changing injuries in a motorcycling accident last month. His brother

Dermot has set up a GoFundMe Page which to date has raised over €14,000. A target of €15,000 has been set.

Brendan is currently in Letterkenny General Hospital and has undergone multiple surgeries to date.

Dermot Friel said. "We are fundraising to help Brendan with his long road to recovery,

including medical bills, rehabilitation, and after-hospital care. And any funds raised that are left over will be donated to the first responders who helped at the scene of the accident.

We appreciate everyone's help and well wishes and are grateful for any donations, no matter how small."

## Hairy Hounds Dog Grooming Service

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Contact Francie Gallagher

Dance Classes with Paul McCahill have commenced in the Mulroy Woods Hotel, Milford every Monday night starting at 7.30pm. Learn how to jive, waltz, foxtrot, quick step and line dance and admission is €8 for adults or €4 for Under 16's. This is a lovely relaxed way to learn to dance and get some exercise as well.

### Gospel Choir

The Colmcille Gospel Choir are returning on Thursday the 22nd of September at the new time of 7.30pm in the Ramelton Town Hall. Old and new members are welcome and you're invited to bring a friend. The first night is free for everyone and its €5 per night thereafter.

### SVP Conference

The Ramelton St. Vincent de Paul are always here to help and Conference members can be contacted via their dedicated phone number 087 143 6640. All queries will be dealt with in a strictly confidential manner. The Ramelton SVP very much appreciates the community's continued support.

### Swilly lotto

The numbers drawn in the Swilly Rovers lotto on Friday were 2, 9, 17 and 20. No jackpot winners. Three 3 number winners - Jennifer Gardiner, Magic Bean; Ryan McDaid, St Mary's Terrace and Teresa Connolly, Booragh. Each getting €25. This week's jackpot is €5,000. Thanks for your continued support.

### Tennis

After-school" tennis-coaching sessions resumed on Wednesday at Ramelton Tennis Club. 9 year olds and under from 3.30 to 4.30, and 10 year olds and over from 4.30 to 5.30.

All equipment provided. The fee for the 5 one-hour lessons is €20.00 per junior. Contact Mary at 087 9773957 for further information.

### Ramelton Bowling Club

Ramelton Indoor Bowling Club restarted after the summer break on Monday with practice games from 8pm onwards in the Mackemie Hall. The club are looking forward a good turn out of members and new members are very welcome. League games will begin in the 3rd week in September and the club needs to know the names of those wishing to play in the league. Contact Lee on 086 4493737 or Malcolm on 087 4016637.

### Brian McCormick Cup

## Swilly win on new home pitch

### Swilly Rovers 4-1 Bonagee United

On the day after the official pitch reopening Swilly Rovers rounded off a special weekend with a fine Brian McCormick Cup Group Area win over Bonagee Utd. It was the second competitive win on the new pitch so it's a 100% record so far! Sunday's game was a significant one for Kyle Black who bagged a hat-trick. For the second week in a row Swilly scored four goals at home in a very entertaining game.

The hosts went ahead in the fifth minute when Conor Gormley's superb pass released Kyle Black and he finished in style. Bonagee were level on 31 minutes when Jordan Gallagher's long range free evaded everyone and ended up in the net. Swilly went back in front on 46 minutes when Ciaran Kelly released Kyle Black and he scored with a fine finish. Bonagee started to come more and more into the game, dominating possession with Maguire impressing with some good skilful play.

Conor Gormley went close for Swilly with a long-range effort. In the final five minutes clever work by Kyle Black set up his strike partner Ian Ward and he scored with a stunning drive. Black completed his hat-trick in the final minutes with a low shot from the edge of the box. Swilly Rovers would like to thank John Grier, son of the late Swilly Secretary Ivan Grier, for very kindly sponsoring the match ball. Referee: Vincent Mc Laughlin.

Swilly Rovers - Dane Dunworth, Dylan Hegarty, Ciaran Kelly, Damien Friel, Paddy Sheridan, Adrian Toland, Conor Gormley, Marty McDaid, Ryan McDaid, Ian Ward, Kyle Black. Subs used: Tyler Durning and David Craig for Toland and Ryan McDaid. Not used: Barry Gallagher, Cameron Gormley, Darragh McDaid, Leon Boyce, Brad Patterson, Oisín Coyle.

## Ramelton

### Crochet and Knitting social groups

Crochet knitting and social groups are restarting on next Monday 19th September from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30pm in the Pastoral Centre behind St. Mary's Church. This is an excellent opportunity to have some social interaction in a nice easy going environment. The organisers are encouraging new mem-

bers to join the groups with the main objective being to help people get out and about again after the lockdowns and all the restrictions that have gone for over two years. Bring your own knitting or crochet items. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome. No booking required! Looking forward to seeing you all there.

### Sympathy

Deepest sympathy is extended to Mary O'Donnell, Castle Street on the death of her sister Kathleen (Kay) of Carrowcushlaun, Ballina, Co. Mayo. She was predeceased by her parents John and Ellen and her brother Tommy (Salthpeople get out and about again ill). Kay is survived by her sister Mary (Ramelton), brothers Paddy and John (Cliffoney), sisters-in-law Goretta, Kay and Teresa, her nieces and nephews, relatives, neighbours and a wide circle of friends. Requiem Mass took place on Sunday September 4th in St Muredach's Cathedral, Ballina with burial afterwards to Leigue Cemetery, Ballina.

### Silver Circle winners

Money raised from the St. Mary's Church Silver Circle was €7,100. Many thanks to all those who bought and sold tickets or contributed in any way. Also thanks to our sponsors - Johnny's Ranch, Sip & Slice, Football Special, Mount Errigal Hotel, McFadden's Shop, Carpet Interiors & Restex.

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  3. €200 - Cyril Higgins
  4. €100 Carpet Interiors Voucher - Tony Griffin
  5. €100 Restex Voucher - Leo Coyle
- Let's Dance



Some pictures from the Skittles Challenge played under floodlights in Ballyare last Friday night. Malachy Friel winning and Nicholas Friel runner up receiving their prizes from Eugene Mulgrew, Pat Carr, Pat Hegarty and Gerry Durning.



The Swilly Rovers squad who had their first competitive win on the officially reopened new home pitch on Sunday. The club would like to thank John Grier, son of the late Swilly Secretary Ivan Grier, for very kindly sponsoring the match ball.

# Ramelton Quay 'tie-up' facilities sought



Boats on the Quayside at the weekend.

The scenic surrounds of Ramelton Quay could see a marine tourism boost if the area had better tie-up facilities for visiting boats and leisure craft, according to one local business owner.

by Eamonn McFadden

The historic quayside used to welcome boats and mariners from around the world including England and as far away as Jamaica, importing coal and exporting locally produced flax and linen. Now, it is claimed, visiting leisure craft from Rathmullan, Fahan and elsewhere, struggle to find a place to safely tether their vessels when they visit the town.

Joe Buchanan, who runs Conways Bar, says many boating enthusiasts have been visiting the area recently at high tide during the good weather, but many are unable to safely tie their boat to the quay-side to visit local shops, cafés, bars and

restaurants. Joe explained "Last weekend there were 9 or 10 boats visiting the area in Ramelton. The week before had 12 to 14 boats visiting on the high tide but they have no tie up points for boats if they want to get out to visit. When all those boats were in, many of them had to tie up together next to one another just to stay in place. At the high tide they can visit for two to three hours and in that time they can visit restaurants, chip shops or call into the pubs. It would be great revenue for the town's businesses. Not only that but having the boats all tied up along the quay would be an added attraction for the area." He added: "Boats have always been a part of Ramelton's history and activity for many years. With the increasing number of pleasure boats coming up the estuary at high tides from Fahan

and Buncrana they have expressed to me the lack of tying facilities for them. With tourism in mind and small businesses in Ramelton this is an important issue that should be addressed by the council, or a harbour master, to ensure this vital revenue and tourism is not affected by the lack of something very important to the people who make use of the river and the Lennon estuary for recreational and pleasure purposes." Joe added: "A spokesman for the boating club in Fahan has told me that if they get the proper tying points in Ramelton they assured me that they would avail of the Ramelton quay all year long and possibly bring as many as 20 to 30 boats up on occasions".

# Bronze statue for Bill Campbell

From Page One

Band will provide the music their own special stamp to this auspicious occasion.

Denise Blake has created a wonderful new piece of historic 'street theatre' where children can visit the 'homes' on the Mall, from Bill Campbell's childhood in the nineteen thirties.

Former Minister for Education Joe McHugh has described Professor Campbell as one of the most inspirational people on the planet, who has "arguably done more for humanity than any other Irish person".

It is against this important background that so much hard work, planning and originality has been put into this special day and Jean Winston has been instrumental as the driving force behind the project.

Jean is a woman who lives and breathes her native Ramelton with an astonishing degree of passion, pride and commitment. If Ramelton could only have conferred the 'Freedom of Donegal' on Bill Campbell, Jean would be the proposer of the motion. However Ramelton doesn't do conferring. They do better. Much better!

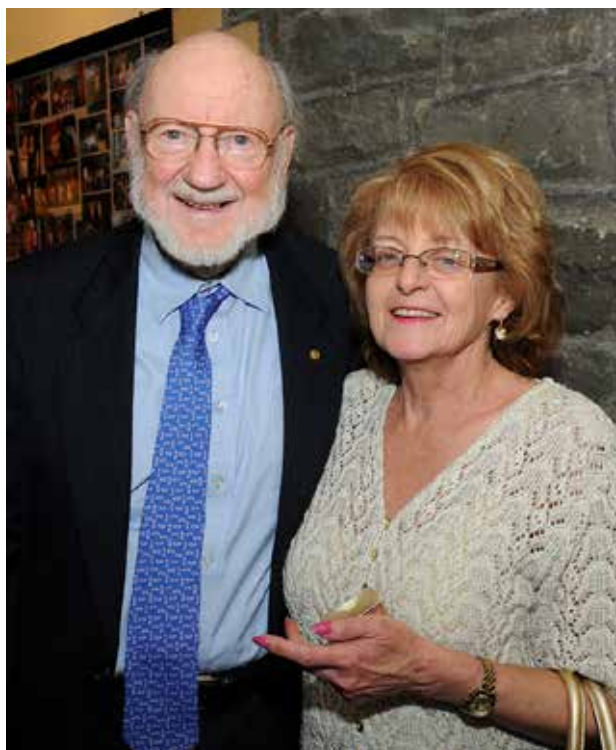
Bill's father, RJ Campbell originally hailed from Loughlane in Fanad and he married Sarah Jane Patterson from Dunfanaghy.

Cllr. Ian McGarvey who was a childhood friend of Bill Campbell's says he's very proud that the community has been able to unveil the bronze statue.

Being the same age as the Nobel Laureate, Ian recalls growing up with both families being very close friends. Bill's father started a small grocery shop and built it up over his lifetime into a general merchant and hardware and he also grew potatoes.

And he has fond memories of the pure bred Shorthorn cattle that won prizes at agricultural shows. Ian McGarvey recalls travelling with them on the train to the RDS Show in Dublin. Ironically, a number of years later, Bill, then a student at Campbell's College went at the Belfast Show agricultural where he picked up a leaflet on fluke worms in sheep. Was that the moment in history that in hindsight, may have influenced his interest in becoming a scientist?

The Campbell statue has been sculpted by Paul Ferriter who is a native of Letterkenny and one of the country's most renowned practitioner of the art. One of his enduring works



Professor Bill Campbell with Ramelton's Jean Winston.

is that of 'Old Tom Morris' at the Rosapenna golf course and he's travelled to Andover to meet with Professor Campbell during the creation of the life sized statue.

In a long career in research medicine and science, Bill Campbell has delivered hundreds of lectures in some of the world's greatest seats of learning. Every lecture began with a picture of the Mall in Ramelton with cows returning to pastures across the Bridge after milking. It is a timeless snap of a different generation.

Professor Campbell has been back to Ramelton and Dublin since he was awarded the Nobel prize in 2015. The most memorable of nights in his honour was in the Town Hall in September 2016 when his own proud community paid their own unique tribute in keeping with the fact that he's the only Donegal person ever be awarded this prestigious honour.

Bill Campbell was also back in Ireland in 2017 at Trinity College, and the Zoology Department from which his scientific career began. He presented three awards which were established on the back of his Nobel Prize success.

William C. Campbell was born in 1930. After attending Campbell College he studied at Trinity College, Dublin where he graduated in 1952 with a first class honours degree in Zoology. His educational pursuits then took him to the University of Wisconsin on a Fulbright



Dermot Scott formerly of the EU Parliament Office in Dublin who will comper the proceedings on Saturday the 1st October.

Scholarship, earning his PhD degree in 1957 for work on the liver fluke, a parasite affecting sheep, cattle and also human populations.

From 1957 to 1990 Professor Campbell worked at Merck Institute for Therapeutic Research, during this time he worked mostly in the field of parasitic diseases, including on the development of the drug ivermectin for the control of parasitic infections in veterinary medicine. He had the vision to realise that this drug could be useful in the control of parasitic disease in humans, and In 1981, Merck carried out successful trials in Senegal and France on river blindness. The research of Professor Campbell, and his co-workers was ground-breaking and created a new class of drugs for the treatment of parasites.

With the support of Professor Campbell and his colleagues, Merck and the World Health Organisation created an unprecedented drug donation programme, providing Mectizan to developing countries and in doing so eradicated river blindness in these regions.

An estimated 25 million people are being treated each year, in a total of 33 countries in sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America, and the Middle East. As of 2013, the Carter Center independently verified that the disease had been eradicated in Colombia, Ecuador, and Mexico.

From 1990 to 2010, when he retired, Professor Campbell was a research fellow at Drew University in Madison, N.J., and in 2002, he was elected as a member of the United States

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National Academy of Sciences. In 2015, he and his co-discoverer; Professor Satoshi Omura shared half of the 2015 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for their research on therapies against infections caused by roundworm parasites and in doing so became the eleventh Irish person to be awarded the distinguished honour.

Saturday 1st October promises to a fitting tribute to Bill Campbell... a man from humble beginnings and now 92 years later his image is cast in life-sized bronze and he remains as always proud of his roots and the community that nurtured his formative years.

The public is invited to come along in really big numbers and see the amazing creation in bronze and to enjoy the music and the historical imprint of the occasion in the open air of Gamble's Square.

Among the invited guests are Bill's sister Marian Rossley, sister in law, Anne Campbell: family members of the late Lexie Campbell and for them it will be a proud occasion, not only be present for the unveiling but for a family reunion of the many cousins from many parts of the universe.

We're back!

Colmcille Gospel Choir returning on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2022 at the new time of 7.30pm in Ramelton Town Hall

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# Golf News - Golf News - Golf News

## Portsalon

### Doherty stars in Portsalon Scratch Cup

Portsalon GC staged a very successful Scratch Cup on Saturday afternoon, with a full field of players turning out for the Senior and Intermediate events. The weather was kind to players and the course was presented in excellent condition, with some tough pin-positions serving to protect 'The Banks' from a field eager for low scoring. The overall winner on the day was Gaoth Dobhair golfer Padraig Doherty (+3) who carded an excellent level-par round of 72.

Padraig got his hard work done on the usually tough outward nine, collecting birdies on the second, fourth and eighth holes to go with a lone dropped shot at the third for a two-under par

halfway tally.

Another shot was picked up on the par-five 11th hole to leaving him sitting very pretty, but the course took back late on, with bogeys on the 15th, 16th and 18th holes ensuring his tally added up to 72 blows.

That was enough to see him over the line by the slenderest of margins from Letterkenny's Jamie Foley (1) on one-over par, with Portsalon's Johnny Shields (2) completing the podium with a round of 74.

In the Senior Scratch Cup nett section, Dermot Shields (7) was the winner with an excellent round of 68 nett, one clear of Daniel Shields with Cathal Canning a shot further behind in third spot.

The Intermediate Scratch Cup went to Joe Coyle (10) with a round of 79, with Gary Coughlan (10) two back in second spot and Cyril Ming (10) in

third with an 83. In the nett section, top spot went to Shane Blaney (13) with a 68, ahead of Peter Muldoon (13) on 71 and John Paul Doherty (16) on 72.

Portsalon GC once again would like to thank Manor Motors Opel for their continued sponsorship of the Scratch Cup and to the many visiting competitors for their participation as well as those members and visitors that helped contribute to an overwhelmingly positive day.

**Senior Scratch Cup:** Gross: Winner: Padraig Doherty (+3) - 72; 2nd Jamie Foley (1) 73; Third: Johnny Shields (2) 74. Nett: 2nd Daniel Shields (9) 69; 3rd: Cathal Canning (9) 70.

**Intermediate Scratch Cup:** Gross: Winner: Joe Coyle (10) - 79; Runner-up: Gary Coughlan (10) - 81; Third: Cyril Ming (10) - 83

Nett: Winner: Shane Blaney

(13) - 68; Runner-up: Peter Muldoon (12) - 71; Third: John Paul Doherty (16) - 72

### Past Captains

Past Captain's Day will take place on Saturday September 24th, with any former captains intending to play asked to confirm before the day. Entry fee is €15, to include competition entry, prizes and a three-course meal afterwards. Space on the time-sheet is reserved for Past Captains.

### Club Results

Wednesday 7th September: 1st: Charlie McFadden (31) 40pts; 2nd: Pat McNulty (20) 39pts BOT; 3rd Donal Callaghan Jnr (13) 39pts

Sunday 11th Sep-



Portsalon Golf Club Secretary Donal Callaghan presenting Gweedore Golfer Padraig Doherty with the senior Scratch Cup he won at Portsalon Golf Club on Saturday sponsored by Manor Motors Opel.



Portsalon Golf Club member Joe Coyle who won the Manor Motors Opel Intermediate Scratch Cup at Portsalon on Saturday.

## Bridge Bar Golf Captains Day

Joe McManus held his Captains day event in Letterkenny Golf Club on Saturday past. A large contingent of enthusiastic golfers took part in the glorious sunshine and the course was

in good shape. The team selections added to the competition and made the day a very enjoyable event for all concerned. Later on that evening all the golfers would head back to savor the wonderful hospitality and extensive cuisine of The Bridge Bar & Restaurant for the Captains Prize Giving event with all the customary hype and ceremony. The evening certainly didn't disappoint with a great friendly atmosphere, first class hospitality and a wonderful meal enjoyed by all. Gavin Mackey opened proceedings by thanking all the members for their participation in making the event a great success. He also thanked Joe McManus for his excellent Captaincy and to great applause welcomed Ciara who was to be representing the Bridge Bar in the role her dearly departed



Danny McLaughlin receiving the Winners Prize from Captain Joe McManus.



Captain Joe McManus presenting flowers to Ciara Johnston in recognition of the supporting role of the Bridge Bar.

mother Breege had done very well through the years. Captain Joe McManus commenced his speech by thanking

the Bridge Bar for their continued support in making the society a great success. He thanked all the members who had taken part in

the event and all the events throughout the year. He also expressed gratitude to all those that contributed to sponsoring the event. He then paid a very fitting tribute when he pointed out that the United Kingdom had lost their Queen before highlighting that the Bridge Bar had also lost our queen Breege Mackey. The next task for the Captain was to announce the winners on the day. Danny McLaughlin won the event with a very credible 39 points. When accepting his award, Danny thanked the Captain Joe and the competition organisers for all their work in staging the event. He also thanked his playing partners and took a moment to remember Breege on the night. He also gratefully acknowledged his wife Marian who was on hand to proudly see Danny collect his award. Other prize winners on the night were Ian Morton, James Friel, Damien (Diggy) Buchanan, Joe Diver, Gerry O'Sullivan and David Walsh.

### Premier Division

## Bad weekend for Harps

### Shamrock Rovers 5-1 Finn Harps

Finn Harps sit bottom of the Premier Division table after the weekend results didn't go their way. The shock win for UCD on Friday night at home to Dundalk lifted the Students above Harps and in the relegation play-off place and that's where they stayed after Ollie Horgan's side was well beaten by Shamrock Rovers in Tallaght on Sunday. With seven games to go Harps are a point behind UCD but do still have a vastly superior goal difference that would work in their favour if the two sides happen to tie on the same points total at the end of the season.

Harps don't have a game this weekend due to the FAI Senior Cup semi-finals and are back in action on Saturday 24th September with a home fixture against Bohemians (kick-off 4.00). They are also in Finn Park the following Friday night (30th September) against Shelbourne. The big match could yet be the meeting with UCD in the second last game of the season in Ballybofey (28th October). Horgan's men finish the season a week later away to Drogheda Utd. On Sunday evening Shamrock Rovers had the result put to bed by half-time at the Tallaght Stadium having built up a 4-0 lead with the game's most contentious moment coming in the 36th minute. Harps were already a goal down when the hosts got a very soft penalty for what referee Derek Tomney deemed was a foul on Aaron Greene by Ryan Rainey. While having no issue with the final result of the game Horgan was fuming over the decision to award the spot-kick.

The visitors did have the first chance of the game as Alan Mannus saved a Filip Mihaljevic shot. The hosts went in front on eight minutes when Neil Farrugia blasted home after James McKeown had saved an Andy Lyons shot. Harps did win a number of corners that came to nothing before that harsh decision saw Rory Gaffney make it 2-0 from the penalty spot. The floodgates kind of opened then as Harps lost their completely coming up to half-time.

The Hoops got two more goals in as many minutes courtesy of Andy Lyons and Farrugia who netted his second two minutes before the break. While defeat was never in doubt after that Horgan was reasonably happy with the second half performance and was disappointed that his side didn't score more than the one goal which came just before the hour mark. Eric McWoods found sub Jaime Siah who fired past Mannus for his first Harps goal.

However, Stephen Bradley's side quickly restored their four-goal advantage on 62 minutes thanks to Jack Byrne's close range finish.

Shamrock Rovers - Alan Mannus; Sean Gannon, Daniel Cleary, Lee Grace; Neil Farrugia (Simon Power 65), Sean Kavanagh, Gary O'Neill (Gideon Tetteh 65), Andy Lyons (Victor Serdeniuk 46); Aaron Greene (Aidomo Emakhu 46), Rory Gaffney (Graham Burke 65), Jack Byrne. Subs not used: Leon Pohls, Justin Ferizaj, Roman Finn, Chris McCann. Finn Harps - James McKeown; Ryan Rainey, Ethan Boyle, Rob Slevin (Jose Carrillo 86), Gary Boylan (Harry Nicolson 72); Filip Mihaljevic, Ryan Connolly, Elie N'Zeyi Kibonge, Dylan Duncan (Jaime Siah 46), Barry McNamee (Robert Jones 65); Eric McWoods (Adam McCaffrey 86). Subs not used: Gavin Mulreany, Mark Timlin, Luke Rudden, Shaun O'Donnell. Referee: Derek Tomney.

### Harps Lotto

There were no jackpot winners in the Finn Harps Super 4 Lotto draw for Thursday 8th September. The numbers drawn were 10, 12, 26, 30. The next draw takes place on Thursday 15th September and the jackpot climbs to €2,500. There was one three match 3 entry this week, winning €400 - Declan Slevin, Boston. Thanks to everyone who supports our lotto. Enter online via finnharps.ie

### Lagan Harps FC

Our men's team continued their good start to the season with a 2-1 win over Convoy Arsenal in the Brian Mc Cormick Sportsman's Cup. Ross Hamlyn and Philip Doran were the scorers. Next Sunday we are away to Curragh Athletic in the league. Our u16's lost 3-1 to Milford Utd either Ryan Mc Gee scoring. Our u14As suffered heartbreak when they lost 4-3 to Keadore Rovers in the league playoff. Aiden Devir and Drew Dowds (2) were the scorers. Our u14B's played well but lost 2-0 to Illistrin Celtic. Our u12As won 4-0 away to Milford Utd with Zach Nesbitt, Kayden McBride and Senan Kavanagh (2) the scorers. Our u12B's had a 6-3 win over Dunfanaghy Youths with Daimhin Harkin, Oisín Kavanagh, Shay Tourish, Liam Barron and Noah Gibson among the scorers. Our u12C's lost 2-1 to Bonagee Athletic with Eoin Callaghan scoring. Our u12 girls lost on penalties to Gweedore Celtic in the plate final. There was no jackpot winner in our weekly lotto. Micky O'Donnell was the weekly winner. Next week's jackpot is €1725. To enter you can use the link on our Facebook page or on our website laganharpsfc.com.

### Letterkenny Rovers

An extremely busy time at the club continues and last weekend saw our Donegal League side draw 1-1 with Milford Utd to top their group in the BMC Sports Cup. Goalscorer was Jack Dwyer and this week sees them open their league campaign with a trip to Gweedore Celtic on Sunday at 1pm. Our Seniors bowed out of the Intermediate Cup when losing out 5-1 to Bonagee and this week sees them at home on Sunday when hosting Cockhill Celtic in the League Cup with a 2pm kickoff.

Our Youths lost out on penalties to Kilmacrennan Celtic in the semi final of the Colin

Breslin Cup after a 1-1 draw with Faolan Gibson netting and they are home to either Mulroy or Bonagee in the Gorey Curran Cup final this Saturday at 2pm. The 16s Rovers defeated Bonagee Utd 4-2 on penalties in the cup semi final after the game had ended 1-1 after extra time. Daultach McGroarty with the Rovers goal. The 14s Rovers defeated Cappry Rovers 5-3 in their opening Champions League game with goals from Antoni Pirch, Guillermo Morais, Padraig Murphy (2) and Evan Hickey while the 14s Crusaders begin their cup campaign at Lagan Harps Colts on Sunday at 430pm.

Our 12s Rovers begin their champions league campaign on Thursday night when hosting Eany Celtic at 6.30pm. The 12s Utd defeated Illistrin Celtic 1-1 with Aki Alleyne netting and they welcome Glen Rovers Celts in the semi final at Leckview on Saturday at 10am while our 12s Crusaders travel to play Lagan on Sunday morning in their semi final having drawn 0-0 with Ballyraine last weekend. The 16s Crusaders won 3-1 at Illistrin with goals from TJ McMorrow, Jack Risely and Domhnaill Lewis and they host Glen Rovers this Saturday at 5pm.

Our Football for All programme returns Wednesday 21st September. If you have a child with a disability that would enjoy playing football see our website for details on signing up.

This week's mini lotto numbers drawn were 2-9-20-22. Five people matched three numbers and received €20 each with the lucky winners Nadine McLaughlin, Garvan Grieve, Liam Brogan, Gerard O'Reilly and Maggie c/o Central. Next week's jackpot is €6000.

Club bingo continues in the Station House Hotel on Thursday night at 8.30pm sharp. Snowball is €2175 on 45 numbers or less.

The Club expresses its sympathies to Marcus Oliver and his family on the sad passing of his father Kevin.



# Diarmaid Doherty - New Democrat Editor

Well-known Letterkenny journalist, Diarmaid Doherty, has been appointed the Managing Editor of the North-west division of the Iconic Newspaper group, which includes titles the Donegal Democrat and Donegal's Peoples Press.

With three decades of experience in both news and sport reporting, Diarmaid cut his teeth in local journalism when he took up his first post in the Ballyshannon offices of the Donegal Democrat in 1993 after spending a few months on work experience with the team in Letterkenny.

From there he worked in a number of different roles including news editor, deputy sport editor and eventually deputy editor of news.

He has also been a well-known voice on the airwaves hosting many sports broadcasts for Highland Radio, particularly noted for his coverage commentating on his beloved Finn Harps.

A noted sports man in his younger days he is a former Letterkenny Rovers player



and club official and a loyal Tottenham Hotspurs supporter to boot. Also a keen music lover, he hails from the highly respected Doherty clan of St Eunan's Terrace, Letterkenny. The son of May and the late Barney Do-

herty, Diarmaid is married to Deborah and they have four children - Aoife, Louise, Matthew and Ronan.

On a proud day for his family last year it was announced that Letterkenny's Market Square was to be named in memory of his late dad, Barney, for the huge service he gave to the town, including his role in the Letterkenny International Folk Festival, over many years.

Speaking of his appointment to his new role Diarmaid said he "was proud and humbled" to be appointed managing editor of the Iconic titles in the north-west, including the Donegal Democrat, Donegal People's Press, Inish Times, Donegal Post and associated websites.

He stated: "Becoming editor presents me with a new and exciting challenge. At this time, I think of former colleagues who have all played their part in guiding and advising me in what has always been a challenging yet thoroughly rewarding job. It's a new chapter in my career and I am proud to be given the chance to lead such a special editorial team."

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One former colleague said it was a "great success" for the Iconic newspaper group to appoint the affable Letterkenny man at the helm of their titles as he is known for his strong work ethic, fairness and high journalistic standards. He replaced Chris Ashmore who previously held the role. Best wishes to Diarmaid on his new role from all at the Tirconail Tribune!

## 80th Birthday Thank You

I Willie Moore would like to thank everyone who attended my 80th birthday party on 2nd September 2022 in Logue's of Cranford. Thanks to all those who organised the event, prepared food, Logue's of Cranford and the to all for the many cards and gifts, a very sincere thank you. I was overwhelmed by the generous and kindness you showed to me, after all expenses were settled I was able to give a donation to a local charity.

## 'Friends' thank Gallagher family

The Friends of Letterkenny University Hospital wish to thank the Gallagher family, Altan, Ballaghderg, Letterkenny for their generous donation of €300 in memory of a cherished husband and father, Joe Gallagher who passed away earlier this year.

He was the former Director of Nursing Health services. May he in Donegal Mental rest in peace.



## Death of Mary Clare Doherty

circle.



The death occurred last Thursday of Mary Clare (née Mullally) formerly of Letterkenny and Dublin. Clare passed away in her 85th year. She was predeceased by her husband Neil and is survived by her children Michael (Barb), Neil (Krystelle), Clare, Kevin (Laura); grandchildren Mya and Aman, Stephen, Bella and Brandon; sister Carmel, USA, brother, Stephen, Ireland, brothers-in-law John (Mary) and Michael (Nuala) Ireland. A kind and gentle soul, Clare lived a life of service as a teacher with the HWCDSB and the HWDSB. Humble in her achievements she graduated from University College Dublin, before emigrating to Toronto Canada, where she met and married Neil.

Visitation was held at P.X. Dermody Funeral Home, Hamilton, Ontario on Tuesday. Funeral Mass took place at St. Eugene Catholic Church on Wednesday morning. Burial took place afterwards at Holy Sepulchre Catholic Cemetery. Deepest condolences are extended to the family

## The late Kathleen McFadden



The death occurred on Sunday 28th of August at Letterkenny University Hospital of Kathleen McFadden (née Callan), Cairn High, Ramelton. Aged 92 Kathleen was a well known and highly respected member of the local community. After her national school days in Killycreen and Ramelton, Kathleen took up employment with Denis Lawler in his solicitor practice in Milford for 20 years. She stayed in the legal sector moving to work with Seamus Gunne at his Ramelton office. While Kathleen retired in 2008 she maintained close contact with her former work colleagues, meeting up socially in the following years.

She had married Ally McFadden in 1961 and the couple set up home at Cairn High, Ramelton. It was her pride and joy and she was passionate about keeping a beautiful garden. Sadly Ally passed away in April 1980. She kept a positive outlook on life and took up other interests including keeping fit and learned cake decorating with Kathleen Loughrey in Rathmullan. Kathleen's Christmas and wedding cakes were much sought after. She was a master baker. Kathleen was a regular winner at the Bonagee Shows and represented Donegal in the All-Ireland Baking Championships.

She also had a great love of dancing and animals, especially her own dogs. When her sister Connie passed away in Bonagee leaving a young family 30 years ago, Kathleen moved up to the family home and with others helped to look after her four nephews Niall, Ray, Gregory and Damian. As her nephew Ray said in a eulogy she was a second mother to them, a 'lady' and 'one in a million' who would be sorely missed by all who came to know her during a long life.

Those sentiments were echoed by Fr. Michael Carney during his homily who spoke about Kathleen's unselfish devotion to looking after her nephews. Kathleen lived very independently up until the last few months of her life and Fr. Carney said she was very grateful to have the health to enjoy her latter years.

Kathleen was predeceased by her husband Ally, parents Mary and Hugh and her sister Connie. She is survived by her sisters Rosemary Callan and Margaret Murray, her nephews Niall, Ray, Gregory and Damian Callaghan and Anthony Murray, niece Geraldine Murray, grandnieces, grand-nephews, relatives and friends.

The remains of the late Mrs McFadden reposed at her home in Cairn High for waking. Fr. Michael Carney P.P. officiated at the Requiem Mass in St. Mary's Church, Ramelton on Tuesday 30th of August. Concelebrant was Fr. Stephen Gorman, C.C., Milford. The eulogy at the start of the mass was read by her nephew Ray when mementos of Kathleen's life were brought to the altar. Readings were by Kathleen's nephews Damian and Niall. Prayers of the Faithful were read by Kerry, Emma, Laura, and Connie. Music and hymns were by Patrick Shiels. Interment took place afterwards in the adjoining Cemetery. Deepest sympathy is extended to the family circle.



Sean McHugh, manager of Boyce's Centra, Carrigart celebrated his 50th Birthday this week and his is pictured with colleagues.

## Extra safety measures on Cathedral one-way



After raising safety concerns on behalf of the residents of College Row and also Convent Road regarding the Pedestrian Crossing on the new one

## CWU confirms Pension increase granted

Former Communications Workers Union President Charlie Kelly has welcomed the news this week that a 2% increase due to An Post pensioners since January will now be paid along with the arrears by the end of this month. Mr Kelly had been spearheading a campaign locally to have the Pay Agreement honoured. An Post was willing and ready to pay the increase but the matter required departmental approval and the hold-up was causing serious concern among the 7,000 pensioners around the country who have given a lifetime of commitment to the Company.

Earlier this summer Charlie Kelly, a retired An Post worker himself, had urged former and current colleagues to lobby their local politicians to have the saga over the delayed pension rise resolved as a matter of urgency. He is delighted that the campaign has been successful and has thanked everyone who supported something that should never have been an issue in the first place.

The Communications Workers Union worked with the Company to seek the approval by the Department for Environment, Climate and Communications, and the Department for Public Expenditure and Reform, to apply the increase to Pensioners.

An Post has confirmed immediate arrangements to process the payments due to Pensioners, with the increase and arrears to be paid at the end of this month. A further 2% pensionable increase effective from the 1st January 2023, will be processed as early as possible in the early months of next year, which also requires Ministerial approval.

Separately, the Union is engaged with An Post management on a review of the Pension Accord. The aim is to examine the possibility of securing additional pensionable increases for members and pensioners. The CWU has acknowledged the assistance of retired members in the efforts to secure payment of the agreed increase.

In early June Charlie Kelly said that it was an appalling situation that men and women who had given a lifetime of service to An Post were being denied a very modest increase in their pensions.

way system between Scoil Colmcille National School and the Loreto Convent back gate the Mayor of Letterkenny Cllr Donal Kelly says he is delighted to see that the hedging has now been taken away.

"That has now made this crossing a lot safer for pupils and pedestrians. They have a clearer view before crossing the road and it also gives vehicles and road users a better view of pedestrians and pupils waiting to cross. I have also asked for a safety handrail to be put in place at this pedestrian crossing and I'm glad to announce the contractor has taken this on board and is going to install that in the coming days."

# Milford School gets extension permission

Planning permission has been granted for an extension to include two new classrooms at Scoil Mhuire in Milford. Donegal County Council have granted conditional planning permission for the construction of a single storey extension containing 2 new classrooms, 2 new set rooms and ancillary accommodation. It also allows the realignment and widening of an existing footpath and boundary wall to provide a new roadside drop off area with 6 spaces along with new school access gates, provision of new access gate to the northeast side of the site for emergency access and maintenance, the installation of 2 kw solar PV panel to the south facing roof of rear block, the provision of electric vehicle charging point, an extension of existing play area to northwest of site, a pedestrian crossing at the school gates and all associated works and site works at the school on Convent Road. The successful application was made by Fr. Stephen Gorman, Chairperson of the school's Board of Management.

### Death

The death took place in Hull, England recently of Teresa Ulliot, nee McBride,

Upper Mount Marian, Milford. Her funeral Mass took place in Hull on Wednesday 14th September. Teresa was predeceased by her mother Maggie in 2002 and father Willie in 2003. Deepest sympathy is extended to her family circle.

### Rags to Riches

The Rags to Riches Charity Shop is looking for new volunteers! The shop is looking for someone to cover the 1-4pm afternoon shift on Fridays, and for volunteers who can be flexible and at times cover shifts throughout the week. This is a great opportunity to meet new people, make a difference in the community, and gain retail experience.

Rags to Riches would like to thank everyone for their recent donations to the shop, and remind people to please not leave donations outside of the shop when it is closed as these items must be disposed of for hygiene reasons. The shop is happy to accept clothes, shoes, jewellery, handbags, and bric-a-brac only. All money raised from the charity shop goes into the Milford Development Fund.

### Manual Handling Course

Donegal Local Development (DLDC) are organising a Manual Handling Course in the Old School, Glenvar on Friday 23rd September from 10am - 2pm. Limited to 10 spaces / free of charge.

For further information or to register please contact Bridget before 16th September at 087 1912031 or bngairbheith@dldc.

### Milford United

Milford United senior team will begin their Donegal League campaign on Sunday 18th September away to Drumkeen United, with a 1pm kick off time. Support welcome. The reserve team managed by Kieran Sheridan will play away to Ramelton Mariners on Saturday 17th September in the Flag Pole Pitch, Rathmullan at 1pm.

### Doherty wins Captain's Day

Congratulations to Peter Doherty who won Gary Sheehan's Captain's prize in the Hi-da-way Bar golf Society Captain's Prize on Saturday last in glorious sunshine at The Old Tom Morris cat Rosapenna Golf resort to make it two in a row after winning the prize last year also.

Full results were 1. Peter Doherty (21) 39 pts BOT; 2. Patrick McBride (20) 39 pts; 3. Jimmy Chawke (16) 37 pts; 4. Damian Casey (28) 35 pts BOT; 5. TJ Eveson (20) 35 pts; F9 Pauric Curley 18 pts; B9 Cian McGettigan 17 pts; Closest to the Pin Paddy McNulty; Longest Drive Cathal McGettigan. The next Society outing is at Dunfanaghy on Saturday 8th October.

### Mission Hall

Milford Mission Hall host meetings on the first Sunday of each month at 8.00pm. The speaker for October 2nd is James McKean.

### Masses in Milford

Mass times in St. Peter's Church, Milford this week are - Friday 16th September - 10.00am; Saturday 17th September 7.30pm; Sunday 18th September

11.00am. Mass in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kerrykeel on Saturday 17th September at 6.00pm.

### Over 65's Group

After a much longer than anticipated break it is hoped to get Milford Over 65's Group up and running again on Friday 7th October. As before we will meet in the Supper Room of the Milford Hall on the Kilmacrennan Road from 11am to 1pm. Refreshments will of course be available. All suggestions for events/activities will be considered. Looking forward to seeing everyone, old and new.

### Let's Dance

Dance Classes with Paul McCahill have commenced in the Mulroy Woods Hotel, Milford every Monday night starting at 7.30pm. Learn how to jive, waltz, foxtrot, quick step and line dance and admission is €8 for adults or €4 for Under 16's. This is a lovely relaxed way to learn to dance and get some exercise as well.

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## Hugo Duggan Memorial 10k

Derry based athlete, Oran O Hara, narrowly defeated home town favourite, Karol Duggan in Sunday's Hugo Duggan Memorial 10km held in Milford.

O'Hara ran 33.21 to Karol's 33.29 with the evergreen Ciaran McGonagle, LAC, 3rd in 33.48.

Marty Lynch, Milford AC finished 4th overall (1st 0/40) in

34.19.

Joanne Campbell, Finn Valley AC won the ladies race in 42.46, followed by Caroline Ward, Tir Chonail AC in 51.58 and Nancy McNamee, Ramelton, 3rd in 52.22.

Anthony Doherty won the mens 050 category in 38.05, followed by club colleague, Frank McTaggart in a new pb of 41.29.

John Fealty, Milford AC won the mens 060 category in 43.48 followed by Liam McLaughlin, Rathmullan, in 50.45.

Big thanks to all the competitors who took part.

Thanks to the Duggan family who came out and supported.

Thanks to all the marshalls and helpers who contributed in any way, particularly the ladies who supplied and served refreshments.

A second winning name will now be added to the Hugo Duggan Memorial Shield, joining last year's inaugural winner, Dean Toland, Finn Valley.



Winner of the Hugo Duggan Memorial 10k in Milford on Sunday Oran O'Hara with members of the Duggan family and Milford AC Chairman James Gibbons.



Prizewinners in the Hugo Duggan Memorial 10k in Milford on Sunday

## Golan Chapel celebrates 150th Anniversary



St. Brigid's Church, Golan, Milford will celebrate its 150th Anniversary later this year 1870 - 2022. The parish community of Golan would like to invite everyone to join them for the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the opening of the church with a special Mass on Friday 14th October at 7.00pm.

Bishop Alan McGuckian SJ will be the main celebrant at the Mass. Afterwards there will be refreshments and entertainment in Logue's of Cranford. All Welcome.

### Bike Run

Friends of the late Francie McGinley are hosting motorbike run in his memory on Saturday the 17th of September, meeting at the bottom of the town, Milford at 11am, All welcome.

### Dancing

Social and two-hand dancing is now fully up and running in the Milford Hall every Thursday night from 8 to 10pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and help is on hand if needed. Refreshments served and the cost remains at just €5.

### Tennis Club

Milford Tennis Club welcome new members whether your are new to the game or a veteran tennis player. The club offers the opportunity to learn, to improve and have fun. If you are interested in joining contact Doreen Jones 0861729092. Coaching also available. Club night continues every Monday from 7pm.



Congratulations to Milford man Peter O'Donnell and Portsalon Golf Club member who recorded a Hole-in-one at Dunfanaghy Golf Club on Wednesday afternoon. Peter aced the Par 3 7th Hole, 222 yards with his 3 wood in his hand.



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being physically active. The emphasis is on fun, socialising and moving in a safe environment. Contact Syria on 0872877900.

Men on The Move on Mondays and Wednesdays - beginners class 7.15pm - 8.15pm and advanced class at 8.15pm - 9.15pm. Something for men of all ages! Still some spaces available. For more info or to sign up contact Syria on 0872877900.

Pilates starting 4th October - Tuesday mornings 10.30am - 11.30am for 6 weeks. Contact Syria on 0872877900.

**Parent and Toddler Group**  
Starting back Friday the 23rd of September! Come along and meet some new people over a cuppa. New faces always welcome. For more information contact Syria on 0872877900.

**Kickboxing**  
Kickboxing classes are starting back on Saturday the 17th of September. Kids/adults classes running at the same time in different rooms. Spaces still available! For information contact Mayhem Martial Arts on Facebook or on +44 7843 883722

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**Ray News**

**Ray Development Draw**  
Less than a month until the first draw! Ray Community Group are holding a six-week development draw to raise funds towards the building of an astro pitch and walking and running track on site. There will be a total of €10,000 up for grabs over the six weeks, with weekly prizes of €500, €400, €300 and €200, and additional bonus prizes worth €1,600 in Week 1. The draws will take place weekly from October 1st. Tickets are just €50 each.

Thank you for your support!  
Go to [www.bit.ly/raydevelopmentdraw](http://www.bit.ly/raydevelopmentdraw) or find Ray Community Centre on Facebook to buy tickets or speak to any committee member.

**Exercise Classes**  
Bums n Tums classes starting Monday evenings on the 19th for 6 weeks. For more info or to sign up contact Syria on 0872877900.

Ladies Socia-ball Basketball starting Tuesday the 20th for 6 weeks. This programme is designed to re-engage women and girls in our sport using a recreational, non-competitive model with a focus on fun and social outlet. This programme provides a non-competitive #JustPlay opportunity for females to engage with the sport and

# Sun shines on a special day for Swilly

The official reopening of the Swilly Rovers football pitch took place in Ramelton on a sunny Saturday afternoon at a ground that has witnessed many memorable games since the 1950s. The pitch underwent a badly needed upgrade at a cost of around €85,000 and the hard working committee is delighted now to have a facility that can cater for their two senior sides and nine underage teams. So the days of players getting bogged in the wet corner at the Aughnish end of the ground is now a distant memory!

## Report & Photos by Declan Kerr

Swilly has produced many fine

footballers over the years and one of them, 92-year-old Ian McGarvey had the honour of cutting the tape at the official reopening on Saturday in the company of three current League of Ireland players Keith Cowan, Barry McNamee and Ronan Boyce. McGarvey was the captain of the historic winning FAI Junior Cup winning team of 1962 and he was joined at Saturday's event by Joe Duffy, another member of that triumphant team. Another Ramelton link with that Swilly side was the late Brendan Duffy who sadly passed away in 2001. He was represented by his wife Kathleen, son Mark and grandson Brendan.

Swilly Ramblers were the first team in the town of Ramelton. Then the Ramblers were replaced by the Rovers. And there was a Swilly Utd for a period also set up in opposition to the Rovers when there was a spot of acrimony and grievance over not enough local players on the team. A major milestone in the history of Swilly Rovers was when the field on Aughnish Road was acquired from Sarah O'Brien some 70 years ago for around 300 pounds and many remember the big hill!. It's been home to Swilly Rovers ever since.

As well as the formalities it was also a family fun event on Saturday with a number of underage games taking place along with the bouncy castle, dart football and face painting. The final part of the day was the announcing of the winners of the big draw under the direction of Club Secretary Liam McFadden. The proceeds are going towards the redevelopment of the astro turf pitch at Swilly Park. A grant has been approved of €70,000 with the club having to raise around €12,000 themselves.

The club has a chequered history in Irish junior soccer and have produced a string of players who have gone on to play at senior level in this country and abroad. With nine underage teams and two senior sides, Swilly needed their playing facilities upgraded. And the next project is to revamp the astro-turf pitch. The club's 50/50 and lotto draws have gone a long way to supporting the developments and the generosity of the local community is greatly appreciated by Eilis Toland and her committee. And to round off the weekend the Swilly Rovers senior side in their first competitive appearance officially on the new pitch recorded a 4-1 victory over Bonagee Utd in a Brian McCormick Cup Area group game.

The Chairperson extended a warm welcome to everyone who turned out for the official re-opening of the pitch on Saturday including the trustees, Minister Charlie McConalogue, Deputy Joe McHugh along with Cllr Ciaran Brogan and the Mayor of Letterkenny Cllr Donal Kelly. Eilis Toland said that Swilly Park is a very important asset to the



Kathleen Duffy with her son Mark and Joe Duffy.

town for young and old alike and provides a real sense of community to the football family.

"The pitch and facilities were badly rundown and in need of a major upgrade. Thanks to the allocation of the Sports Capital grant we were able to concentrate on the pitch first. Great news of another Sports Capital grant this year means that we can now turn our efforts to the astro turf. Along with this generous allocation we must also do a lot more fundraising for paths, dug-outs, fencing etc."

She said that all that had been achieved couldn't have been done without the help of so many people. "While it is not possible to thank everyone individually there are few people we must mention. Thanks

to Kevin Coffey for completing very professional applications for the grants and to mminister Charlie McConalogue and Deputy Joe McHugh for the allocation of central government funds for the pitch and astro. We also thank our local Cllrs for their annual contributions to our club to help provide upgrades to our facilities."

Eilis Toland also thanked all their financial sponsors past and present for their support down the years. "A lot of hard work and fundraising has gone into today and it is the culmination of all this that has made today possible. A huge thank you to all committee members, past and present, our entire football family past and present, coaches

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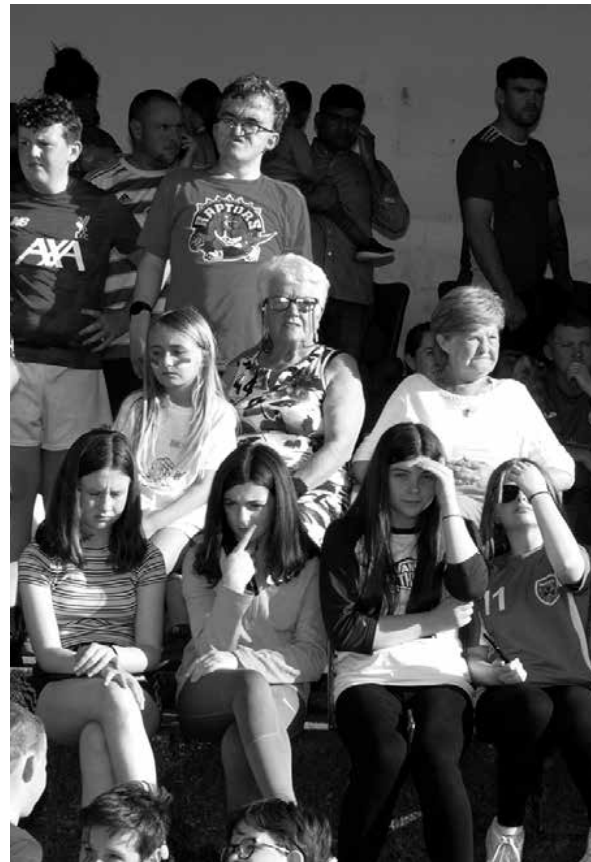
One of the underage teams on Saturday.



Sections of the attendance at the opening on Saturday.



Barry McNamee with cousins Zac Morton and Darragh McCarry.





Koby and Jackson Boyce with Sean McDermott.



Cllr Ian McGarvey cutting the tape to officially reopen Swilly Park on Saturday evening in Ramelton along with League of Ireland players Keith Cowan, Ronan Boyce and Barry McNamee, Chairperson Ellis Toland, committee members, Deputy Joe McHugh, Cllrs. Ciaran Brogan and Donal 'Mandy' Kelly.



Niamh Stevenson and Eabha Callaghan.



Hollie and Ellen Moore.



Young fans Zac McDaid and Eoin Fox with Barry McNamee and Ronan Boyce.

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and players, and to our local community. Many thanks to the sellers and buyers of the Swilly lotto and the premises that have our lotto stands. Thanks to the members of our ongoing 50/50 monthly draw. These are both vital fundraisers towards the costs of running the club and the development of the facilities." The Swilly Chairperson also ac-

knowledge the support of the Donegal Junior and Schoolboys Leagues and other clubs especially in the past year when their own pitch was unavailable due to the work. "Thank you to William Coyle of Pitch Dimensions and his team for making such a great job of the pitch and to our own man on the ground Edward Diver. We also would like to thank Tompy Patterson for his hard work at Swilly Park."



Joe Duffy and Ian McGarvey with the late Brendan Duffy's grandson Brendan Jnr.



Cheryl Boyce with her sons Ben and Ethan.



Barry Cullen with his dad Danny.



Eddie McKeever with his daughter Angela and her twins Sarah and Shay.



William Blaney, Tony McNamee, Mark Wilson, Jason McCahill, Ronan Boyce, Laurence Toland and Oisín Coyle.



Kevin Toland, Seamus Vaughan, P.J. Kavanagh and Conor Coyle.

Music, film and art in Letterkenny this autumn

# Regional Cultural Centre presents exciting programme of events

The Regional Cultural Centre Letterkenny presents a wide range of events from music, film to art as part of its autumn programme.

Starting off an exciting line-up of musical events, the RCC welcomes the incredible Handsome Family to Letterkenny on Friday, 16th September.

During their 25-year career Brett and Rennie Sparks (a.k.a. The Handsome Family) have written some of the most haunting and beautiful songs in American music.

The group has gained a lot of new fans in recent years, with their hit song Far From Any Road being used as the theme to Season 1 of True Detective and both Guns 'N Roses and Bruce Springsteen using the song as walk-in music.

Culture Night makes a much anticipated return on Friday 23rd September and the RCC looks forward

to opening its doors for the night to offer a host of free events.

The evening will feature Donegal Youth Orchestra (Open Rehearsal); Drive-in Cinema Workshop for Kids; The Letterkenny Social, an eclectic evening of live music; Mary Toland (Exhibition Opening); and the Dumbworld Pop-up Exhibition.

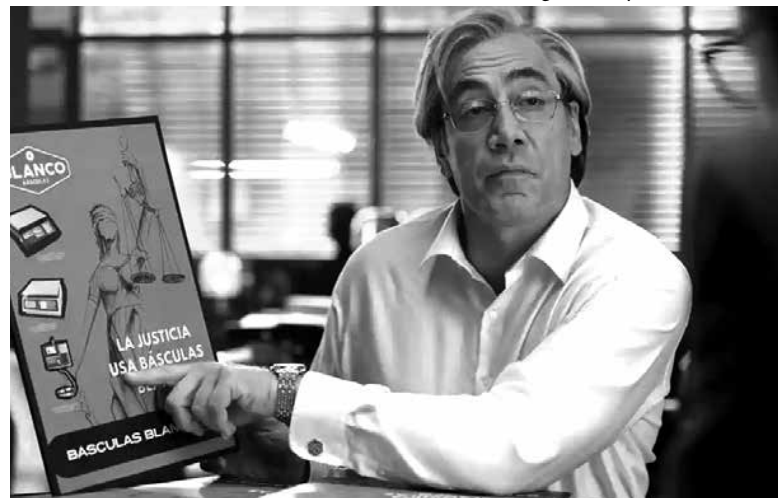
John O'Connor and Ailbhe McDonagh join forces to bring an intimate evening of cello and piano music to the RCC performing sonatas by Beethoven and some glorious shorter works by Fauré, Chopin and McDonagh herself on Sunday 16th October.

Making their long-awaited return to the RCC, the renowned West Ocean String Quartet take to the RCC stage on Thursday 20th October.

The quartet has shared stages and studios with some of the very finest, including Christy Moore, Liam



West Ocean String Quartet, Thursday 20th October: Newly-composed music from renowned quartet.



The Good Boss, LOOK! Film Club, Thursday 27th October: A darkly funny Spanish comedy starring Javier Bardem.

O'Flynn, Stephen Rea, Maighread Ní Dhomhnaill, Matt Molloy, Iarla Ó Lionáird, Brian Kennedy, Cathal Ó Searcaigh and Eimear Quinn.

On Wednesday 26th October, Howe Gelb (Giant Sand) with special guest Mark McCausland (The Lost Brothers) will be at the RCC.

Howe Gelb has long been burdened with mantles such as 'godfather of alt-country' and 'elder ambassador of desert rock', but in truth, he can't be categorised.

The Guardian described McCausland's most recent album, 'After The Fire After

The Rain', as 'sublime' while The Irish Times stated that the album was 'deeply soulful'.

## LOOK! FILM CLUB

The RCC's Look! Film Club presents two films this autumn, showing 'The Good Boss', a darkly funny Spanish comedy starring Javier Bardem, on Thursday 6th October and 'Róise & Frank', which tells the story of a widow who has given up on life and becomes convinced that a stray dog is the reincarnation of her Hurling-loving husband, on Thursday 27th October.

On Thursday 10th November Music Network presents the unusual combination of Christian-Pierre La Marca on cello and Félicien Brut on accordion performing a set of world music, including Bach, Rameau, Paganini, Gershwin, Galliano and more.

For more information on all events, visit our brand new website at regionalculturalcentre.com, sign up to the newsletter and follow the RCC on social media.

The Regional Cultural Centre is kindly supported by Donegal County Council & Arts Council Ireland.

# Saying the right thing at the right time

In some peculiar way, perhaps, it took the death of Queen Elizabeth II last Thursday for the many on this side of the Irish Sea to truly appreciate her ability to say the right thing at the right time, particularly when she came to Ireland in 2011.

Her decision to accept the invitation of President, Mary McAleese, to come to the Emerald Isle eleven years ago marked the first visit of a British monarch for 100 years. It was also a first since the nation gained its independence from Britain.

Her address at a state dinner in Dublin on May 18th, 2011, at Dublin Castle was, without question, the highlight of the RTE documentary, 'The Queen's Speech', produced and presented by Tommie Gorman. The programme, first aired in December 2011 and repeated last week, chronicled her four-day visit.

This standout line from that historic speech was delivered with humility and sincerity.

"With the benefit of historical hindsight, we can all see things which we would wish had been done differently or not at all."

Those words exemplified the best in diplomacy and the healing of relations between the two nations has benefited greatly since.

It was fascinating to listen to Francis Campbell, British Diplomat, Academic and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Notre Dame in Australia, who worked on behalf of the Queen during the visit, recall the events of eleven years ago when he spoke last Friday.

"When she got back to London at the end of those four days, before she descended the plane in London she looked around to the people on the plane and said 'that was simply wonderful,'" Mr Campbell recalled.

Given his regular visits to Ireland, one is confident that King Charles III, who endeared himself to so many during his visit to Donegal in 2016 when he was Prince of Wales, will do his utmost to ensure the friendship between his country and ours endures.

## Cross-club cooperation

Last Friday, Letterkenny Athletic Club hosted the 2022 Donegal primary schools' cross-coun-

try finals at O'Donnell Park. 350 boys and girls from local schools took part in the event at the home of St. Eunan's GAA Club which attracted a large number of parents and grandparents. There has always been a good relationship between Letterkenny AC and St Eunan's and it was heartening to see so many juvenile runners being involved in Friday's finals made possible by cross-club cooperation. Hopefully, the positive experience had by the hundreds of competitors will inspire them to join their local athletics club where they can develop their interest and love in such a great sport.

## DLDC doing its bit for businesses

Attended the DLDC event on Saturday in the Clanree Hotel in Letterkenny which showcased the best of young Donegal businesses and was delighted to catch up with two former work colleagues from the Donegal Democrat, Eamonn McFadden of this parish and owner of Glass Mountain Media, and Gabrielle McMonagle from Gabrielle's Diary. The exhibition brought together early-stage



Ciaran with Eamonn McFadden, Glass Mountain at the Celebrating Donegal Business showcase. Photo by Clive Wasson

entrepreneurs who have availed, or who are continuing to avail of, the invaluable support services of the local agency.

The help and guidance DLDC provide has had a hugely positive impact on the fortunes of dozens of local businesses as they continue to regain ground lost because of the pandemic. The event also brought into sharp focus the high quality of goods and services we have in Donegal.

It takes courage and bravery to set up a business. Never has it been more important to stay local and shop local than now.

## Calling all keyboard warriors

News that John McEniff will be stepping down as Donegal GAA PRO is a major blow to the organisation. In his monthly report for August, the Bundoran club man, who took over from Ed Byrne in 2019, said: "A mixture of work pressure and some recent inaccuracies concerning me on social media has convinced me to move on."

The county board official said that back in 2019, he had originally seen himself as a stop-gap until a more experienced GAA official could be appointed. "I am slightly amazed I stayed this long - the job is very rewarding in many ways," he commented. The role of PRO has evolved greatly over the last number of years and John was always looking for new ways to do things differently and do things better. Everyone can be replaced, and John was the first to stress that when I spoke to him about his decision at the weekend. That said, the person who succeeds him has extremely high stand-



by Ciaran O'Donnell

ards to follow.

So, if you know any of the keyboard warrior brigades who have all the answers when it comes to PRO matters, be sure to have their club nominate him or her for the position ahead of the convention deadline.

## And finally....

If there was a gong going for not-the-best-idea at the end of the current season, then the person or persons responsible for submitting the Bunrana team sheet for inclusion in the programme for their Intermediate football quarter-final game against Naomh Columba on Sunday in Letterkenny would be the odds-on favourite.

Of the 23 players named, just one - goalkeeper Harry Doherty - wore the number listed as per programme.

Regardless of the reason, the actions of the person or persons responsible were disrespectful to the members of the media who were covering the game, and to the paying supporters who were, understandably, completely confused by the antics.

Just to note that Naomh Columba advanced to the semi-final stage after winning by double scores, 3-13 to 0-11.



# REGIONAL CULTURAL CENTRE

## Upcoming Events at RCC



MUSIC

### The Handsome Family

Fri 16th Sept, 8pm // €20/€18

Over 25 years, Brett and Rennie Sparks have written some of the most hauntingly beautiful Americana.



VARIOUS

### Culture Night at the RCC

Fri 23rd Sept, 6pm // FREE

A celebration of arts, heritage & culture. Live music, art, film, workshops & an arcade game opera.



FILM

### The Good Boss

Thur 6th Oct, 7.30pm // €7

A spanish comedy directed and written by Fernando León de Aranoa and starring Javier Bardem.



MUSIC

### Ailbhe McDonagh & John O'Connor

Sun 16th Oct, 7pm // €15/€12

An intimate evening of world class piano & cello.



MUSIC

### West Ocean String Quartet

Thur 20th Oct, 8pm // €18/€15

Newly-composed music from the renowned quartet with the release of their 5th album, Atlantic Edge.



MUSIC

### Howe Gelb & Mark McCausland

Wed 26th Oct, 8pm // €18/€15

The godfather of all-country, joined by Irish special guest.



FILM

### Róise & Frank

Thur 27th Oct, 7.30pm // €7

A woman becomes convinced that a stray dog is the reincarnation of her late husband.



MUSIC

### Christian-Pierre La Marca & Félicien Brut

Thur 10th Nov, 8pm // €15/€12

The captivating sound of a cello and accordion duo.

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# ETB appoints New Adult Literacy Organiser

Donegal Education and Training Board (ETB) has appointed Adele McElhinney as an Adult Literacy Organiser (with Initial Responsibility for Coordinating Regional Literacy) to its Further Education and Training (FET) Service.

The new post has been created by the Dept of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science in response to the launch earlier this year of Adult Literacy for Life (ALL), the national ten year adult literacy, numeracy, and digital literacy strategy.

The role will enhance Donegal ETB's responsive approach of offering increased learning and support opportunities for a rapidly changing world by harnessing the resources already in place to help adult literacy, numeracy and digital literacy and make it easier for those with unmet literacy needs to take the next step.

Originally from Donegal



Town, Adele has worked with Donegal ETB as an Adult Literacy Organiser in South Donegal since 2005. She holds a B.A. in English and Human Development, a Higher Diploma in Adult and Community Education and more recently a Level 8 qualification in Technology Enhanced Learning. Prior to this she was a tutor with the ETB's FET

Service teaching English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), Information Technology and Skills for Work courses.

Adele said, "I am passionate about helping adults to reach their full potential in accessing FET programmes, no matter what their starting point is. This post will build a coalition from representatives across all sectors to develop a literacy action plan for the county. I'm excited to build this network and look forward to meeting new communities to ensure everyone

has the opportunity to build their skills in literacy, numeracy and their digital capabilities."



# Where's Shanagh?!



If you can spot Shanagh hiding in one of our Adverts this week text us on 086 2147088. You could win a €50 voucher for Whoriskey's of Ramelton She can be hiding in any advert on any page.... just txt us your name and address and the advert she's in before Monday 19th Sept. at 6pm to be in with a chance to win...

This week's winner was James Hunter, Ards, Creeslough who found Shanagh in the Whoriskey's Eurospar Advert on Page 36 and wins a €50 voucher for Whoriskey's of Ramelton.

## A Rathmullan Woman in exile...

# 'Take care of all your memories, for you cannot relive them'

I start palliative night work at 10pm and there's always a gathering of family and friends in the house passing time with the gentleman in the bed and shooting the breeze. We were having a blather about some neighbours we had in common over the years and their quirks and foibles when the chat came round to a particular fella who had been a neighbour of mine when I lived in Kilnaleck.

This particular gent (for want of a more accurate but less flattering word) was an elderly farmer who hated his only son. His woman had heeled up some years earlier and it was just father and son living together at daggers ends in the house. There had been some squabble over money years before and the grudge had taken deep root, as it does in Cavan. Anyway, the oul' lad knew that the clock was ticking and that he needed to get his affairs in order while he still had a marble or two rattling round in his head.

I was doing something about our house one day when I heard the tractor driving into the yard and when I went out there was yer man all polished and pruned, dressed in the Sunday finery, with the teeth in and the bottle-end glasses on. He hopped and shuffled for a couple of minutes and commented on the weather and the grass growth and then he got down to business and listed off all his assets; the fine bungalow, the hundred acres, two tractors, the good cattle and then proceeded to say that if there was any decency in God he would have brought the son and spared the woman and how it'd kill him to have the son inherit the place. (He had three or four daughters as well but of course they were only women so obviously they didn't count for much in the great scheme of things).

He then asked me very nicely if I would consider accepting his hand in marriage. I nearly swallowed the wheel of the tractor in my surprise and had to scrabble round real rapid for a polite and gracious get-out-of-jail-free response. I explained that I was very flattered and under any other circumstances I'd be happy to accept but that I was in a happy, loving relationship with my then partner (yeah, right!) and I couldn't dream of hurting him or my innocent child by absconding across the ditch with the next door neighbour.

He pointed out that as I wasn't married none of that counted for anything and it'd fit me better to look at the figure at the bottom of the page. I finally promised to give it "due consideration" and let him know my final answer at some later (MUCH later) date. When I told my partner Paddy about it later that day he was on for tearing up the road and reducing the neighbour to his component parts. Paddy had a pretty volatile temper at

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the best of times and it was always safer to tell him things (or tell the guards first) and keep a tight eye rather than have him hear it on the grapevine and lose the plot altogether with disastrous consequences.

He needn't have worried unduly because about six weeks later the oul' lad came back to me and apologising profusely he withdrew his proposal. Seems he had been chattin' to a fella in the mart who had done exactly the same thing and regretted it because the new wife was awful hard to live with and had him wore out with her nagging.

Needless to say I was devastated! I don't think I'm destined to be married in this life; the ones that asked, I wouldn't marry and they're both dead now anyway, and the one's I might have married wouldn't ask and they're both dead too! I did propose to a fella one drunken leap year day and he accepted (god love him) but when I sobered up a few months later I knocked that one on the head and handed back the ring. He duly fukd off to Spain having first emptied the joint bank account and then proceeded to sue me for 175,000 quid, but that's a different story for another day. Suffice to say that me and marriage are not well met and it will take an exceptional man to jump that hurdle!

We nipped up to Rathmullan for the weekend on Friday evening. I finished work in the clinic at 4 o'clock and Himself met me outside with the jeep and horsebox and we went straight up from there. He brought the ever obliging Conan with him to drive the Caddy home because all the non GDPR-sensitive stuff for the clinics travels in it and I couldn't risk leaving it parked on the street for the weekend.

Yet again we were totally blessed with the weather and we had an absolutely gorgeous weekend. Himself wasn't off the nest too early Saturday morning so the rest of us were finished breakfast when he staggered down the stairs to greet the day. I left him chatting with Garrett and Margaret and went out to feed the cats but couldn't find their grub so I drove down to Carburys to get some.



**Kate Carton**

bother or needed a place to shack up.

She asked me why I had lifted her and gone somewhere I wasn't going with a complete stranger and I said you could buy diesel but you couldn't buy time and it could cost her a lot of precious time trying to get a lift with the doggie. It was a grand hour spent with good people and I wish them safe journeying and warm welcomes.

I had a ramble round Rathmullan with Himself in the afternoon and we chatted to Eilish, Posy, Michael et al who were sunning themselves on the green and greatly adding to the beauty of the scenery (warned you girls!!). We discussed the difference between a talk and a gossip and decided that there was more money to be made out of a gossip. Philosophical musings in the sun! Later Himself took the available members of the family for a few pre dinner pinteens in McAteer's and while the rest of them got stuck in I went for a swim to wash away the stench of the spray I had been using to wage war on the whins and rushes that were peeping in Craigadarten. It was just perfect to have the swim and put on warm clothes and ramble up to the beer garden to toast myself in the evening sun. I was driving everyone and on the dry for my sins, which are many and varied, so I did the waiting-for-a-table duty at Belle's while they supped. We had a lovely meal in good company and Himself very kindly picked up the tab. Mind you, he was as full as a bingo-bus after his three pints so I'd say that softened the blow somewhat.

When he got back from Oughterlin after praying for his eternal salvation the following morning he brought me down for a final swim before we loaded the horse for the return run to Cavan. The rain was just starting as we pulled out and I was so glad that I had crammed lots of great things into the weekend.

As Bob Dylan so wisely said "take care of all your memories, for you cannot relive them". I know that I will take them out a dust them off in the dark, wet days of winter and enjoy them all over again.

## Rilion Gracie team event success



Members of the Rilion Gracie Jiu Jitsu clubs from around the north west gathered in Letterkenny at the weekend for their first team training event

since 2020.

It took place at the association headquarters in Letterkenny and saw participants from the home club, as well

as the clubs based in Donegal Town, Inishowen, Gaoth Dobhair, Coole and Omagh.

Just over 80 people took part in the

event on Sunday morning where they got the opportunity to train techniques and spar. The event finished off with social gathering and refreshments.

The Letterkenny club and association is run by Ramtleon black belt, Brian 'Barney' Coyle. For more info see [www.riliongracieireland.com](http://www.riliongracieireland.com).



# Queen's homage to Irish rebels a defining moment

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As a republic, our country is somewhat removed from the United Kingdom where, for a thousand years the monarchy has had such a profound impact. Across the world, wherever the UK ruled, they've left a legacy with a highly negative footprint.

The death of Queen Elizabeth at Balmoral in Aberdeenshire on Friday has evoked the kind of empathy, sympathy and a sense of loss that has seen the UK come to a virtual standstill with wall to wall news coverage that is away over the top as TV channels and media companies compete to bring us the biggest breaking story of the generation... The Queen is dead - Long live the King.

The reality is that the Queen was an enigmatic figure, a lonely symbol in the whirlpool of change. She never made a public comment on any issue in her whole life. The role is constitutional only and the Monarch is limited to functions such as bestowing honours, meeting and greeting their loyal subjects and giving the seal of office to the prime minister.

In many ways the Queen and her seventy years on the throne came to symbolise her life and times, in deference to that of the monarchy and its historic import of a thousand years. In a system where privilege and exclusion mattered most, she made the monarchy more inclusive.

Everyone loved the Queen, yet they hated the sense of entitlement that it bestowed on a coterie of relations who never had much to offer anyone.

The passing of the Queen will focus more on those countries in the Commonwealth to seek to determine their own system of governance. Scotland and Northern Ireland, to name but two while in the Caribbean there are many others with similar intent.

The purpose and role of the monarchy is of a bygone era and its future may be determined by how the new king is accepted and that is not a given. Around 65 countries have claimed their independence from Britain and that alone is a telling perspective.

The monarch is head of the Anglican Church. From the time of the Protestant Reformation in the late 16th century, the theory of divine right justified the king's absolute authority in both political and spiritual matters. Henry VIII declared himself the Supreme Head of the Church of England.

In 1521 Henry was given the title 'Defender of the Faith' by the Pope. Henry VIII who had six wives was the first monarch to introduce a new State religion to the English. In 1532, he wanted to have his marriage to his wife, Catherine of Aragon, annulled. When Pope Clement VII refused to consent to the annulment, the king decided to separate the entire country of England from the Roman Catholic Church.

This was the most far-reaching event in English history. During the Reformation, the King replaced the Pope as the Head of the Church in England, causing a bitter divide between Catholics and Protestants.

The new King is the defender of the Church of England. However only one in sixty people attend C of E services in what is now a multi-faith, multiethnic society where the old order no longer prevails. However according to the bible of the church it was created and sustained by the monarchy.

In the fast lane of life in the 21st century much of what the monarchy represents is outdated, at odds with real life and there is disbelief at the sense of entitlement that provides an income of £21 million a year to one man, King Charles

111.

The Queen's historic visit to our country, the first of its kind since the foundation of the State, was clearly a very defining moment and in her four days amongst us, she did more to heal historic wounds and memories like no other UK figures in history. It was thirteen years after the signing of the Good Friday Agreement and perhaps for the first time in history, people were able to find scope and space to differentiate between the monarchy and the role of the Queen.

A fine line no doubt but one that has held and now all eyes will turn to the new monarch to determine if he has the public empathy, appeal and significance of his late mother.

Perhaps it was the general election of 1997 in Britain that saw Tony Blair elected as Prime Minister that gave real confidence in the quest for peace in Northern Ireland. Mo Mowlam was the Northern Ireland Secretary of State was a new dimension as talks loomed on what would be a tortuous path to the eventual signing of the Good Friday Agreement in 1998.

Enda Kenny's new government had just come to power after winning the general election of 2011... a bright new dawn had arrived. But somehow that did not happen. Perhaps it was far too much to expect.

However the first Royal visit ever to the Republic went ahead and delivered much more than we dared hope. It was a voyage of reconciliation, recognition of the wrongs of the past. More relevant, the Queen healed the wounds of past generations and her death reminds us of her ability to reach out beyond the constraints of political thinking.

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Nevertheless, the spoken actions and symbolism was the catalyst that endeared the Queen to this country's hearts. She also went to Croke Park in remembrance of Bloody Sunday 1920 when British guns murdered 14 innocent GAA fans attending a charity football match.

In what was one of the most significant moments of her long reign, a series of cultural

events and symbolic gestures set the mood music for closer Anglo-Irish relations, while surpassing expectations with the candour with which the Queen spoke during a speech at Dublin Castle.

In a tribute following her death, President Higgins said the Queen "did not shy away from the shadows of the past during her visit, and that her moving words and gestures of respect were deeply appreciated and admired by the people of Ireland."

During the State Banquet at Dublin Castle, the Queen said: "Together we have much to celebrate: the ties between our people, the shared values, and the economic, business and cultural links that make us so much more than just neighbours, that make us firm friends and equal partners."

Indeed, so much of this visit reminds us of the complexity of our history, its many layers and traditions, but also the importance of forbearance and conciliation. Of being able to bow to the past, but not be bound by it. Of course, the relationship has not always been straightforward; nor has the record over the centuries been entirely benign. It is a sad and regrettable reality that through history our islands have experienced more than their fair share of heartache, turbulence and loss.

These events have touched us all, many of us personally, and are a painful legacy. We can never forget those who have died or been injured, and their families. To all those who have suffered as a consequence of our troubled past I extend my sincere thoughts and deep sympathy. With the benefit of historical hindsight we can all see things which we would wish had been done differently or not at all. But it is also true that no-one who looked to the future over the past centuries could have imagined the strength of the bonds that are now in place between the governments and the people of our two nations, the spirit of partnership that we now enjoy, and the lasting rapport between us."

The Queen's visit came some thirteen years after the entire island voted overwhelmingly in favour of the Good Friday agreement in 1998. Those were positive and engaging times up to the Brexit referendum. As King Charles visited Northern Ireland this week, he will be acutely aware that there is now a border in the Irish sea.

However, the passage of time cannot be forewarned and from this distance, with a new King



## Comment

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on the Throne and an entirely different political narrative ongoing, the future is much more daunting than at any time since the end of the Second World War.

Today, in terms of understanding and recognition of past history, it is about a billion years away from the Queen's Coronation on June 2nd 1952.

The death of the Queen has prompted an outpouring of grief across the world. Yet the monarchy is a complicated legacy where so many saw her as a symbol of the British colonial empire, an institution that enriched itself through violence, division, theft and oppression.

Too many people that feel cast aside are children of colonialism, from a time when the sun never set on the British Empire. That is now past history but it has a relevance that is a constant reminder of the legacy of conquer, domination and colonialism.

Britannia ruled the world: India, Pakistan, Asia, the Caribbean and Africa. Their actions were rooted in racism and violence against dozens of colonies. There have been growing calls in recent years for the monarchy to confront its colonial past. And with the demise of the Queen there will be more questions ahead about the need for a monarchy in a modern democracy.

Historians disagree about exactly how and when the monarchy began, but the notion of a central controlling figure is part of the kingdom's story from King Arthur's legendary reign in the 6th century. Alfred the Great and Edward the Confessor left lasting marks before William the Conqueror invaded England in 1066 and initiated normal rule. William initiated the Domesday Survey, which recorded all of England, setting the parameters for the land the king controlled and the people he ruled. With these boundaries clear, monarchs formalised their kingdom and their reigns.

Henry II, Richard the Lionheart, King John, and several King Edwards dominated their country and the powerful nobles controlled much of the land and most of the people. The strength of the nation depended on the strength of the king. Not content with England, the Plantagenets set out to conquer and rule France as well, creating conflicts that would last for centuries.

In later times the Hanoverian kings disrupted the British monarchy with an early preference for Germany and ultimately the loss of the American colonies. The reign of Queen Victoria endured more than 60 years and saw the expansion of the British Empire and the nation's entry into a very different world of new challenges as Britannia ruled the waves.

The 20th century began with the Saxe-Coburg-Gotha family on the British throne. As World War I raged, the royal family decided to turn away from their German heritage and become the Windsors. This newly named royal family faced two world wars and a stunning abdication of the throne, and then in her own lifetime, Queen Elizabeth II would live to become the longest serving sovereign in history.

At his Coronation, King Charles III will take an oath, promising to rule according to the law, to exercise justice with mercy and to maintain the Church of England. His many titles are in accord with those bestowed on King Henry III by the Pope. Ironically Charles is the first divorced sovereign since Henry III.

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# PCC, Falcarragh - Class of '82 Reunion



Noreen Kelly, Jacqui Ferry, Margaret McFadden, May Gallagher and Evelyn Duggan, Falcarragh at the Reunion.



At the PCC Falcarragh reunion were Aisling Barrett, Falcarragh, Gillian Uí Ghallchoir, Galway, Annette Sweeney, Falcarragh, Breege Dohan, Falcarragh and Sile Slattery, Tipperary.



The Three Architects.... Past pupils now architects, Michael Friel, Creeslough, Tarla MacGabhainn, Letterkeny and Joe Morgan, Gweedore.



Pupils who attended Cashelnagore NS and also PCC. Front row, Noreen Kelly, Meabh O'Leary, Shiela Curran and Joe Sweeney. Back row, Paddy Curran, Peadar Whoriskey, Paul McGee, Manus Kelly, Pat McClafferty and John McGee.

Shaun Molloy, Glenties, Paul Ward, Dunfanaghy, Noreen McGarvey, Falcarragh, Ann McHugh, Dunfanaghy and Hugh Harkin, Wicklow.



At the PCC School Reunion in Ostan Loch Altan Gortahork on Friday night were Paul McGee, Gortahork, David Crumlish, Letterkeny, Enda McGettigan, Kerrykeel and Martin Coyle, Falcarragh.



The Class of '82 from PCC, Falcarragh at their Reunion in Ostan Loch Altan, Gortahork.

# Neil's copper art making its mark

Having left Dublin where he grew up, Neil Ferry is more than happy to have made the move back to his father's home area of Brinalack several years ago.

**by Eamonn McFadden**

Relocating to west Donegal with his wife and three daughters, the change also prompted a new direction for him when he began creating handcrafted, bespoke, copper-craft art, a big change from his former life in the construction sector.

Now, his unique works hang in places like Celtic Park in Glasgow, Leister House and the K Club, as well as many football clubs and family homes both locally and around the world.

Neil started the craft as a hobby but over the years he has developed his talent and his work captures a unique spirit in every piece and this has led to Donegal Copper Craft being born. Maybe it is partly the location where he carries out his work at the historic Teach Mhuiris in Brinalack - a beautiful traditional cottage and heritage centre overlooking Bloody Foreland.

Built in 1860 Teach Mhuiris is classed as one of the best original roped thatched cottages left in Ireland.

Neil says it is hard to pinpoint why his chosen craft resonates with a sense of history for so many people, but he is enjoying exploring his new passion and sharing it with others.

While he has a very local sound-

ing name, Neil is originally from Ballyfermot but has strong ties to the area through father who is from the Gaoth Dobhair area.

His father, Owenie, moved to Dublin from his native Brinalack for work many years ago and where he met his late wife, June, and raised their family. Owenie still lives in Dublin and returns home as often as possible to visit his family.

In fact, Neil said he knew he was accepted as a local when he went to collect a prescription at his local Gaoth Dobhair pharmacy and on collection it read 'it was for Neil 'Owenie Barney' Ferry - a true Donegal mark of his family ties to the area if there ever was one!

He explains that the move west with wife Jackie, daughters, Ceira, Aoife and Shauna, is one they have grown to love and that his copper craft art is growing and reaching new people all the time.

"I started out when I took a class in it through a friend and it has just developed from there. Now I have a process where I'll know how the piece will turn out in copper if I'm working off a drawing or a photograph and it is always great to work with the people you are doing it for and then see their reaction to it when it's done.

There are lots of pieces marking special occasions, weddings, anniversaries, as well as club crests and I also really enjoy doing bits of copper art of buildings. I have a process I follow and I love to look for details in these places which is something I've trained my eye for

since I started".

Many of his works have gone further than his locality with a number of creations now hanging in well-known locations.

He stated and this is something he is considering to do in conjunction with the bespoke work he does.

Popular TG4 show, Movin West, paid a visit to Neil and his family earlier this year and they are set to feature in the new series due out in October on TG4.

The TV series has been commissioned for a second season on TG4, and once again the series is present-

ed by one of Ireland's favorite television personalities Mary Kennedy.

To find out more about Neil his workshop is located at the iconic Teach Mhuiris where people from all over the world call in to learn more about the area.

He also has a website [www.donегaloppercraft.com](http://www.donегaloppercraft.com) and you can follow Donegal Copper Craft on Facebook.

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Neil Ferry busy at work.



St. Eunan's Cathedral, Letterkenny.



John Harkin, Wicklow, Meabh Conaghan, Gortahork and Tarla MacGabhann, Letterkenny.



Marie McGinley, Creeslough, Bred Boyle, Annagry, Clodagh Caulfield, Dunfanaghy and Shiela Curran, Gortahork.



Jacqueline Sharkey, Falcarragh and Margaret Mulhern, Gortahork.



Helen McCausland, Breege McCausland, Eileen Ferry and Teresa Harkin, Falcarragh.



David Geaney, Falcarragh, Michael Friel, Creeslough and Pat McClafferty, Gortahork.



Padraig Pearse.



Charlie McGinley presenting to Celtic CEO Chris McKay and Michael Nicholson.



Some of the tools of the trade.

# Donegal suicide rate is 3%

As a Letterkenny meeting puts a new focus on the links between depression and suicide it has emerged that Donegal's suicide rate accounted for 3% of the country's total between 1997-'99.

The meeting on Tuesday night at the Mount Errigal Hotel heard consultant psychiatrist Dr. Clifford Haley warn that in any society where there is a level of increase in drink and drugs the risk factors for suicide are substantially raised.

"It contributes to the level of danger to people's lives," he told the meeting. Haley called for open debate to remove the stigma and the mystery from depression and suicide. He said otherwise it could not be addressed in a rational manner. He took issue with remarks by the Dublin City Coroner and Dr. Patricia Casey in the debate over public discussion on the subject.

"I disagree that the matter should be avoided - bring things out into the public arena to destigmatise it. I cannot see how avoiding the issue can help," Dr. Casey advised. However he warned the matter must not be glamorised and turned into sensational news.

He said the subject of young people committing suicide and the link with mental illness is a new topic and it is a very difficult issue and early diagnosis and contact with the services and professional help is vital.

Dr. Haley is a Consultant Psychiatrist with the Donegal Mental Health Services and is based in the Inishowen peninsula. He was the main speaker at a public information evening promoted by Aware, the national support group for depression. Statistics from the CSO this week reveal that in the period between 1997-'99 there were 1447 suicides in this country: 45 of these were in Donegal. The CSO said that in 81% of cases nationally the victims were male.

In '97 the Donegal incidence of suicide is officially put at 17: in '98 it was 14 and the same for 1999. It is believed the rate is under reported across the country and this was referred during the lecture on Tuesday night.

Statistics for the county show that over the three year period there were 39 male suicides (86.6%) and 6 females (13.3%). The most vulnerable group is the under twenty fives which account for 44% of casualties and the figure for the under 35 age group is close to 58%.

"Suicide is an intensely sensitive topic that has devastating repercussions for loved ones but it is a part of human society for thousands of years and until 1961 it was deemed a criminal offence on the same level as attempted murder," said Dr. Haley.

He called for immediate access to counselling services: professional assistance and the availability of help lines for the most vulnerable sectors of society. This call was further amplified by the Aware organisation that offers a national hotline service on a 24 hourly basis.

They are to establish a support group in Letterkenny shortly while Dr. Haley called for the issue to

be debated in a proper public forum to remove the stigma associated with mental illness. He warned that by avoiding public debate the issue would be driven underground and communications would be further eroded, he warned.

Establishing a clear link between suicide and depression Dr. Haley said that nine out of ten people attempting to take their own lives are suffering from this form of mental illness. The reality, he added is that it is very treatable. Referring to research in Northern Ireland and the UK he said that 22% of suicides were preventable while in 75% of cases the risk was reduced where those suffering from depression kept in closer contact with the relevant services.

Presenting the figures for depression which he said was clearly linked to suicide, Dr. Haley said the abuse of drink and drugs by teenagers was a large factor in this form of illness.

He rejected the option of suicide as being 'a rational option' open to the victims, Dr. Haley said that abuses of substances destroyed the thinking process and affected self-control... drugs and alcohol are a common factor in successful suicide attempts. I have never come across a case where the choice of suicide was deliberate.

There are many underlying problems which lead to the decision and we find these hard to identify. Access to professional help and support is essential. It is important that the people can get immediate access to help," he told the audience.

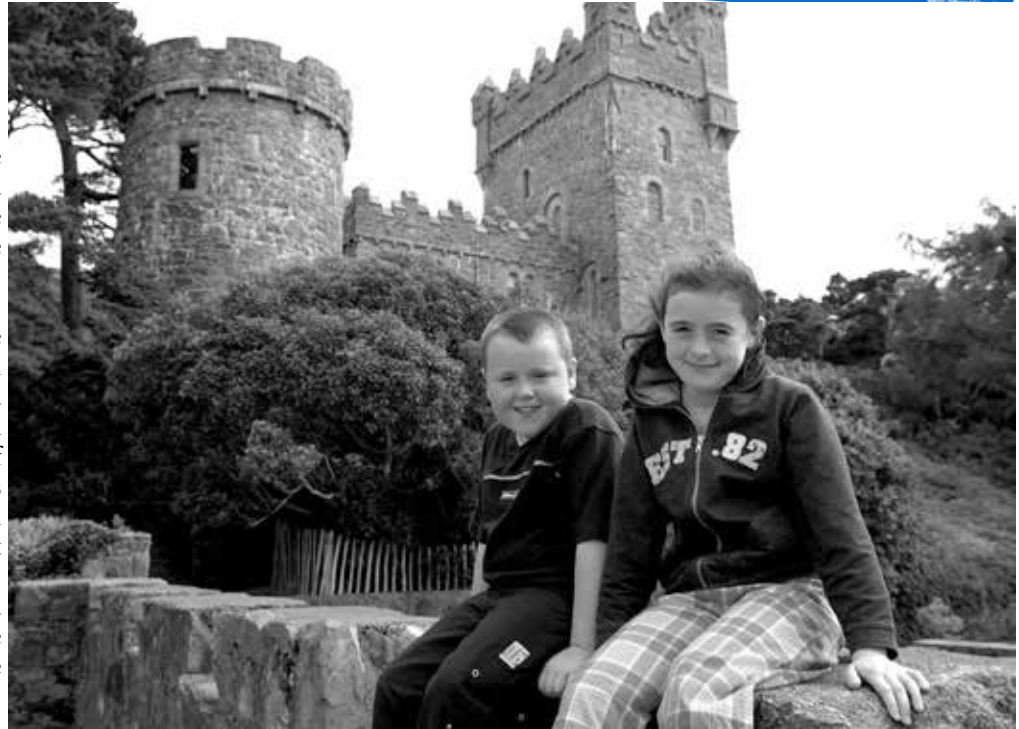
There are one million suicides world-wide each year and there are 30 million attempts: said Dr. Haley who said it was not a new phenomenon.

Presenting a definite link between the relationship between depression and suicide he outlined factors, which indicated that in 90% of suicides depression was clearly evident. This depressive factor was treatable in the vast majority of cases. In 75% of cases depression recovery was successful over a five year period while over a decade the rate was perhaps higher than 90%.

He told the audience the figures for suicide in this country is rising: statistics for 2000 reveal an incidence of 413 deaths. In 47 of these cases the victims were under twenty years of age while in 200 cases the age group was below 35.

Again and again in his lecture he returned to the problems of teenage abuses of alcohol and drugs misuse. He said there was a huge risk factor here since in half the cases blood levels of alcohol were being recorded. He linked the statistics of depression among young people to drug abuses and alcohol played a hugely relevant role in today's society. "Alcohol is a self destructive drug and 90% of suicides have some from of mental illness involved." The two hour meeting proved to be highly informative and educational and attracted a large attendance from all areas of the county.

It has been described as a ground breaking information seminar that removed many of the myths surrounding teenage suicides. Dr. Haley said that the



Pat the Cope Gallagher TD Minister of State at the Dept. of the Environment officiated at the opening of National Heritage Week at Glenveagh National Park on Sunday. Hannah and Danny Sweeney from Creeslough watched the proceedings.

abuse of drink and drugs came high on any list where such life threatening behaviour was concerned.

The traumatic statistics came as Dr. Haley proved there is a very substantive link between depression and suicide. The evening was promoted by Aware; the national support group and many in the crowd had experience of depression or were close to those who had committed suicide.

The theme of the evening was - "Depression and Suicide: is there a link?" Dr Haley in a series of highly educational and informative pieces of research clearly established a very clear link and said that much could be done to resolve the situation through a range of measures.

Among the attendance was Geraldine Clare: CEO of Aware along with Julie McCarthy Educational Officer: Cllr. JJ. Reid and Fr. James Sweeney the Chaplain at Letterkenny General Hospital who is one of the leading counsellors in this field.



Mary Stewart 'Stooking the Corn' in Casey, Dunfanaghy on Thursday during the Vintage Corn Cutting display in aid of the Donegal Hospice. Photo Moses Alcorn

## Widespread disappointment at Moran resignation

Donegal GAA is in a state of shock this week following the resignation of senior team manager Mickey Moran. Moran informed county secretary Noreen Doherty on Monday evening of his decision to step down citing tiredness and the stress of travelling as reasons for quitting the post after just two years. However, it is also understood that he felt the level of commitment of some players was not up to the standard necessary to challenge seriously for an All-Ireland title. The fact that the Derry man has opted not to complete his three year term raises serious questions about the future of Gaelic football in the county.

Delegates at Monday night's monthly board meeting expressed grave disappointment and sadness at the news. They have mandated the executive committee to ask Moran to reconsider his decision but the informed opinion is that the Glen man is not for turning. In the likely event of no change of heart, county vice-chairman P.J. McGowan, who was standing in for Danny Harkin, was given the go ahead to form a sub-committee to identify potential candidates to fill the vacancy. Names being mentioned at this early stage include Donal Reid, Martin McHugh and Micheal Houston while Moran's next managerial slot could be his native Derry or possibly Antrim. The Limavady schoolteacher took over the reign's two years ago from Declan Bonner to become the fourth change in personnel at the helm in 12 years.

After being in the doldrums for a decade since winning their first and only All-Ireland title in 1992, Mick-

ey Moran lifted the hopes of the county's GAA supporters this season with a super championship run to set up a quarter-final clash with Dublin. However, after an impressive fightback to secure a draw on the first day at Croke Park, Donegal's replay display was disastrous leading to intense speculation that all was not well in the camp in the build up to the second game. There had also been allegations that a number of squad members didn't return on the team coach after the three games in the capital and that management had been annoyed on the morning of the replay by the presence of at least one unauthorised person who had been invited in by two players to treat their injuries despite the squad having a full medical team at their disposal.

The apparent unrest in the camp goes back further to before the Ulster semi-final meeting with Derry when Brendan Devenney made a weekend trip for a match in New York. This news raised more than a few eyebrows in the county as to how this was allowed to happen just seven days before a vital championship match. Next up was the disclosure in the aftermath of the provincial decider defeat by Armagh that three players, John Gildea, Adrian Sweeney and John Haran, allegedly had signalled their intention to accept lucrative invitations to play football in the United States. After negotiations Gildea and Sweeney agreed to stay at home and line out against Meath in the back-door qualifier game while Haran who wasn't a regular first team member opted to make the trip.



Seamus McPaul, chairman of the Milford Busking Festival presenting the top prize of €12,000 to Tommy Reynolds winner of Grand Festival Draw. Second placed Bernadette Friel, Drumfern receives €2000 while on left Mary Strain, Moyle Road wins the €1000 sellers prize. The third prize of €1,000 went to Brendan Toye, Carrigart. At back are committee members Fergus McGinley, Anita Toland, Brenda Gibbons, Sammy Greene, Michael Greene, Duncan McCallum, Catriona McCallum and Martin McHugh.

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## Glasgow Celtic great visits Ramelton

When a Glasgow Celtic star comes to town it is a big occasion here in Donegal. But when that star comes to Ramelton it is all a bit special since the first man they are likely to meet is Pat Diver of Church Street. And so it was with Jim Brogan last week when he spent an evening in the Lennon Lodge as guest of the proprietor Seamus Durkan. Jim played for Celtic in the sixties and seventies and his treasure chest of trophies marks him out as one of the most successful defenders ever at Parkhead. He remembers coming to Celtic away back in 1962 and for the next thirteen years he shared in the glory days culminating in being in the squad that won the European Cup: the first time ever for a British club in 1967. Nowadays Jim is philosophical about the good times in Scottish football. He played at Hampden Park against Rangers with a full house of more than 134,000 spectators present. Men like Jim Brogan never made a fortune from football and he has no regrets. Asked about the wages he merely shakes his head and the word pathetic is about the only choice one can print.

Like many of his era they played for a pittance. He no longer goes to watch Celtic and says he has no interest in the huge salaries being earned. He does not subscribe to the ethos that is paying players such vast sums of money. "I do not care to play the game in its present ethos," he comments wryly. He believes it cannot be sustained given the culture of greed that has been generated through satellite television. Jim Brogan sips his pint of lager in the lounge satisfied that he gave the game his best years and he never thinks of what might have been. He is surrounded by ordinary Ramelton folk, in for a quiet drink on a Wednesday night and one senses immediately how Brogan is at home here among these people. Back in Glasgow he runs his own licensed premises. And he agrees he has done well away from soccer and the bright lights of Glasgow Celtic. In his day there was more emphasis on playing the game and players lived from the sweat and toil of the training ground. There were no promotions or television schedules or interviews on Match of the Day. And



Seamus Durkan, seated centre with Jim Brogan and the Wednesday night supporters crew at the Lennon Lodge.

indeed slow-motion replays did not yet make pundits out of every clown in the street. Jim says he's too embarrassed to reveal his annual salary during his playing days: he loved the game and the buzz of excitement from the fans on the terraces who came to Parkhead with the family having saved the whole week for this special outing. It was the era of pure soccer and the media hype was missing. There were no real big stars and mainly it was a team effort. George Best was perhaps the first superstar to come on the scene and he was adored: adulated and eventually he became larger than the game itself.

There was no great danger of that happening to us, says Jim Brogan but having left the game far behind in his past he recalls the memories and the great victories that money could not possibly buy. In a glittering career of thirteen years at Celtic he won five Scottish Cups: 4 League Championships: 2 Glasgow Cups and he won four Scottish caps. He has the record of being the third most successful medal winner in the history of Glasgow Celtic and he is very proud of that achievement. After leaving Scotland he played for two seasons at Coventry before returning north of the border to end his playing career with three seasons at Ayr United.

## Ramelton shot for posterity

Ramelton was the setting on Monday at nightfall for a photo shoot for the National Geographic Magazine. The noted Italian photographer El Lucio was in town to capture scenes along the Quay: at the Tanyard and general atmospheric shots of the old buildings and streets. He was bowled over with the setting and hopes that some of the slides will grace next year's publication of this prestigious magazine. This was one assignment for Lucio who works full time for the magazine. His other assignments this year are in

Venice and Cambodia. The current edition features his work from various locations in Cuba, which he told the Tribune was the most beautiful country in the world. This was his first time to Donegal and he was very impressed with the solitude and the scenery. So look out for the next edition and see if the skeleton of the old boat at the entrance to the Lennon is good enough for National Geographic: the world's highest quality colour magazine.

## Aliens invade Milford... almost

Meanwhile the latest dope from Earth station No. 1. Message from the OK Corral to Base Station Milford.

"The cowboys have been reined in and your town is your own - once again."

The startled community in Milford thought the Aliens had finally landed and a kidnap plot was under way late on Sunday evening.

If this was the end of the world as we know it then God help those of you who missed out on this extraordinary experience.

We are told from the scene that two rival gangs from nearby reservations emerged from their wig wams without planning permission and this has frightened people who have observed the laws of the land for many generations.

Gangs of bleary eyed drifters (in big girl's blouses) descended on the town hell bent on having a smashing time in the piano bars after months out riding the range. And no... it was not a Stanley number nine.

Unfortunately the evening had all the hallmarks of a stampede of steers being brought home for branding. As worried mums rushed to lock up their darling little daughters the scene became a total nightmare and one mother said she was consumed with outrage - and envy.

And what was most worrying was that there was no warning and people did not even have time to take their iodine tablets or text one another with farewell messages.

The stampede invaded the privacy of the local community and many out strolling the boardwalks in the late summer sunshine were forced to take shelter as a reign of terror hit town.

Staff members working the late shift at the Tribune had to go hungry as supper was postponed when reporters rushed to get front seats for the comic opera.

Of course this sort of behaviour is not alien to the town. Readers of this paper will recall a most celebrated incident two years ago when gangs roamed the streets late one autumn evening. The residents thought Jeremy Beadle was about as a stallion horse galloped down the street in the middle of the disturbances.

This incident became known as the Battle of the Big Little Horns and is a legendary folktale from the Wild West sector of Donegal.

"They all seemed crazed out of their tiny little minds," said a travelling faith healer, in town for the fair day.

A spokesman for The Observe the Sabbath Day said he was appalled. "I'm appalled... I'm dismayed at this degenerative act of treachery. Remember that thou must abstain from worldly acts and works on the Sabbath," he admonished.

The incident has now become legendary but some townsfolk are still traumatised by the scenes they witnessed and they are resorting to all kinds of therapy.

Their peace was shattered when strange tribes invaded their patch... out of the blue. The Sunday night fever started with the tribes chasing each other along the length of the Main Street in an orgy of Wild West proportions.

The incident started at ten o'clock and continued for half an hour. Local concerns were heightened when prehistoric shrieks were heard from the groups as they performed war dances on the village green.

It is understood they had consumed too much witches brew or else they were suffering from the withdrawal symptoms of hooch. Thankfully nobody was injured but some say they are having treatment to get them over the hump of their nightmares about Cowboy and Indians films. Some have even turned to old time religion and prayer meetings for solace.

## Maternity Consumer Panel launched at Hospital



At the launch of the Maternity Unit Consumer Panel at Letterkenny General Hospital on Tuesday were, Siobhan McLaughlin, chairperson, Mary Brogan, Brid Kelly-McColgan, Mary Loughrey and Denise Harkin. Back row, Eileen Quinn, Catherine Sheridan, Mary Kelly, Paddy Rooney, Mary McBride, Evelyn Smith and Cynthia Furey, manager Maternity Nursing Unit.

A consumer panel for the maternity unit at Letterkenny General Hospital was launched on Tuesday evening aimed at providing a better service to the public. The latest initiative is another part of the national health strategy aimed at giving greater prominence and influence in decision making at all levels of the health remit: explained the NWHB Public Relations Officer Anne McLoone. These panels which are already running

at the hospital are seen as vital in relating to the needs of the consumer and they meet at regular intervals to assess and discuss the experience of patients who recently had reason to use the services concerned. The Maternity Panel has three mothers included along with Board personnel and hospital representatives. Tuesday's meeting to launch the panel took place in the conference room and it was the second meeting of

the group. The work of the panel is designed to provide patients and clients with a chance to share their experience in a constructive manner; the panel bring together relevant professionals and patients in a formalised yet relaxed atmosphere. The proceedings are private: however the information collated is used in improving (where necessary) the better delivery of a service.

# Can Donegal win Ireland's Fittest School again!?

For the second year in succession, a call has gone out to schools in Donegal, and elsewhere across the country, from Irish Olympians, sprinter Phil Healy and fellow athlete, David Gillick, who have joined forces with Fyffes in a quest to find 'Ireland's Fittest

School'. Last year, Scoil Na Croise Naofa, in Dunfanaghy, fought off stiff competition from the large volume of competitors to be crowned the overall winner. Registration for the Competition, which runs un-

til March 31st, can now be made online at [www.fyffesfitsquad.ie](http://www.fyffesfitsquad.ie), with the overall winner to be announced in April. Coupled with monthly and spot prize rewards, one successful school will have the distinction of being



Naíonáin Shóisearacha at Termon National School with teacher Bean Uí Dhúchain and assistant Treasa Uí Dhuibheannaigh.



Phil Healy and David Gillick presenting Holy Cross Dunfanaghy with last year's prize of €5,000 and trophy for Ireland's Fittest School.

chosen as 'Ireland's Fittest School 2023', the prize for which will be a visit from Healy and Gillick and €5,000 worth of sports equipment. The commencement of the competition coincides with the resumption this month of Fyffes children's fitness programme of live school visits following a two year break during Covid. The upcoming schedule will see some 7,500 pupils from schools throughout Ireland, North and South, participate in an interactive Fit Squad session between now and March next.



The Junior Infant Class at Scoil Cholmcille, Kilmacrennan with their teacher Rachael Hegarty.



Ms Blaney's class at Drumman National School on their first day at school.



The Junior Infants at Rathdonnell National School Daniel Boyle and Jackson Devlin with their teacher Linda Sweeney.

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## Letterkenny Golf Club

The Senior Scratch matchplay team, led by Peter Dobson, have the second leg of their semi-final against Donegal Golf Club on Sunday. Letterkenny won the first leg last weekend by 4-1 at Barnhill. Category 4 players are reminded that this year's Category 4 final will be played on Sunday, September 25th. The tee is booked from 12 noon to 1pm and bookings can be made with Ruth in the clubshop.

The week of competition at Barnhill began last Wednesday, September 7th with the Sheridan Security Open which was won by Gary Hegarty (26). His 42 points was just enough to take first place ahead of Gordon Dickenson who carded 41 points. Paul Doherty was third on 40 points on a break of tie from Ed Margey. Among the

other category prize winners were Gary Loveridge (37 pts) and Jackie Duffy (36 pts) while the gross prize went to David McCormick (6) on 37 points. Zeus Industrial Products were the sponsors of Saturday's Open competition and it took another big score to claim first place. A birdie on the 18th from Matthew Carlin (24) helped him to victory on a break of tie from Robbie McHugh, both signing for 43 points. Bernard McGuigan had 42 points and took third place on a break of tie from Michael Nelis. The gross prize winner was Eamonn McGlinchey (6) who produced a brilliant round of 16 pars and two bogeys for 41 points. George Onofrei and Donal Murphy were both category prize winners with 39 points.

Sunday's September Medal competition was a stroke format and again, there was some super shooting. Ciaran Herron (14) was the overall winner

with a 67. James McGarrigle (30) was second with a 68 and Adrian Flanagan (16) was third on 70.

The ever-popular three-club challenge was played on Friday and the winner was Gordon Dickenson on 23 points from Patrick O'Kane who was second on 18 points.

## Letterkenny Ladies

The 18 Hole stableford competition, kindly sponsored by Mournie Antiques & Jewellery & Amelias Irish Design & Gifts took place on Tuesday 30th August with Mary McNulty (45) bringing in a fabulous score of 41pts. Patricia McBrearty (36) finished in second place with 38pts, and Pauline Curley (26) came 3rd with 36 pts. Winner of the front 9 was Bridie Gildea (26) with 20 pts and Ruth Dempsey (35) won the back nine with 19 pts.

The competition on Thursday 1st September was won by Cecilia Doran (28) 37 pts BOT. The runner up was Kay Kelly (32) 37pts and Margaret Harvey (39) came 3rd with 36pts. Front 9 was won by Mary Gallagher (45) with 21pts and Anne Condon (24) won the back 9 with 18pts. The 36+9-hole competition was won by Miriam O'Connor with 15pts

Past Captain's Day Lady Captain Triona Daly hosted Past Captain's Day on Sunday 11th September with a Prosecco Reception at 7pm and Meal at 7.30pm.

Results - 1st Maureen Sweeney; 2nd Anne Condon; 3rd Marian Keating; 4th Maura Cavanagh; 5th Marian O Sullivan.

### Team News

The Maire O'Donnell team, under the captaincy of Cynthia Fuery and Tracy Spence will play Portnoo in the 1st leg of the final on Sunday 18th August in Narin and Portnoo. Here's wishing the team all the best and supporters are very welcome on the day.

## Cloughaneely

Thank you to every-



Cloughaneely Golf Club Vincent Collum, Ane Collum, Kathleen McCallion, Donna Gallagher and Joe McGarvey supporting the Play in Pink fundraiser.

one that played in and supported the Play in Pink Breast Cancer Research Fundraiser. €1000 raised for Play in Pink on Thursday 8th September. A special thanks to Donna and Róisín that organised the competition and prizes. Maith sibh.

The Golf Classic was successful again we would like to thank all our Sponsors. Tá muid fíor bhuíoch dár mbaill agus dár n-urraithe uilig a bhí sásta tacú linn. Go raibh míle maith agaibh!

Owenie McGee Over 55's team hosted Bundoran at home last Friday in the semi final. They won all the required matches and have now reached the Over 55's Final Vs Portsalon Golf Club best of luck in the final.

Dean Gallagher's Junior Scratch Matchplay team played the first leg of the semi final at home Vs Strabane last Sunday and won 4-1 and all to play for in the return leg away in Strabane next week.

This weekend's competition is an Open Singles Stableford, play Saturday or Sunday.

The Golf Course is in good shape and the greens are excellent. For society enquiries call 0749165416. Golf Membership is open to new members.

Cuireann Cumann



Cloughaneely Golf Club Breda Mcgeady, Joe GAA McGarvey and Margaret Mulhern supporting the Play in Pink fundraiser.



Cloughaneely Golf Club Vincent Collum, Ane Collum, Kathleen McCallion, Donna Gallagher and Joe McGarvey supporting the Play in Pink fundraiser.

Gailf Chloich Cheann Fhaola fáilte roimh bhaill úra - fir, mná agus daoine óga. Tá na táillí bliantúla iontach réasúnta. Beidh fáilte romhat chuig Cumann Gailf Chloich Cheann Fhaola.

## Senior Alliance

Donegal Seniors Alliance held an outing at Narin & Portnoo on Monday 5th September and the winners were: 1st Vincent Gallagher Narin & Portnoo 18 40 BOT; 2nd Harry Reid Narin & Portnoo 11 40; 3rd Gordon Dickenson Letterkenny 36 39 BOT; 4th Rory Mangan Gweedore 31 39; 5th Mark Carrigy Letterkenny 19 38; Gross Martin M Gallag-



Cloughaneely Golf Club Patsy McVicar and Joe Gallagher supporting the Play in Pink fundraiser.

er Letterkenny 6 27 GP's; 6th Michael P O'Donnell Letterkenny 15 37 BOT; 7th Michael Naughton Narin & Portnoo 23 37 BOT; 8th Liam Galbraith North West 19 37 BOT; 9th Hugh Gallagher Letterkenny 16 37; 10th Damien Carey Strabane 13 36 BOT. CAT A - 1st Joe Mc Manus Letterkenny 19 33 BOT; 2nd Pete Kavanagh Letterkenny 23 33. CAT B - 1st Ed Margey Letterkenny 16 36; 2nd Patrick Corry Strabane 13 32 BOT. CAT C - 1st Ciaran Williamson Letterkenny 17 35 BOT; 2nd Paddy Boyle Narin & Portnoo 31 35. CAT D - 1st Connor Taggart Narin & Portnoo 26 36 BOT; 2nd Denis DOC O Connor B & S 25 36.



Winners of Mournie Antiques & Jewellery Amelias Irish Design & Gifts 18 Hole stableford competition, pictured with Lady Captain Triona Daly and sponsor Frances from Mournie Antiques at Letterkenny Golf Club



Winners of the 18 hole club competition at Letterkenny Golf Club on Thursday 1st September, pictured with Lady Captain Triona Daly



Past Captains at Letterkenny Golf Club, pictured with Lady captain Triona Daly.

# Kerr keeps fifth place

Richard Kerr and the AMD Motorsport team's fine season in the Pirelli National Superstock Championship continued on Sunday with a strong fourth place at Snetterton, a result which consolidated their fifth place overall in the championship standings.

With the mixed weather conditions across the first two days at the Norfolk venue, the Kilmacrennan man set the 12th fastest time overall in Friday's two free practice sessions and although he remained in the same position at the conclusion of qualifying on Saturday, he was able to improve his time by more than half a second on the factory-prepared Honda Fireblade with a lap of 1'51.616s.



Richard Kerr.

in the safety car being deployed for three laps whilst the debris was cleared.

Racing resumed on lap seven with Richard in the fourth place but as Todd and Olsen pulled clear, Richard made a good opening round winner Tim Neave at start and with Lewis Rollo and Levi Day was also pushing hard in knocking off championship leader Billy McCone.

By lap three, he was well in touch with the four riders ahead of him - Davey Todd, Alex Olsen, Dan Linfoot and Charlie Nesbitt - but then crashed and took down Linfoot which resulted in fourth place."

Richard Kerr was a bit disappointed to miss out on a podium finish. "Being so close to the podium and missing out is a bit frustrating but you can't be greedy and after qualifying back in 12th, I'm pleased to have come through the field to take fourth place."

# Irwins pleased with Snetterton shows

The Kilmacrennan based Irwin Racing travelled to Snetterton in the UK to contest Round 8 of the British Superbikes Championship over the weekend. The changing weather conditions provided exciting racing for the fans and a busy schedule for both the racers and team mechanics.



Rhys Irwin.

Rhys Irwin racing his factory supported Astro Triumph had his best weekend to date this season. Race 1 saw Jack Kennedy four times on take the hole shot with Rhys holding a consistent 3rd place until a coming together with another racer forced him onto the grass. The talented youngster held his nerve, got back on track and went across the line in 7th. Race 2 saw more of the same with Rhys finishing 5th place.

Rhys said "It was a great weekend. This is a new bike that we are developing and it has not been easy and in this premier class that makes challenging for a podium nearly impossible against the likes of Jack Kennedy and Lee Johnston who have a decade more experience than me. I had a podium in my sights in race 1 but I was lucky to hold onto the bike after that Race incident and finish. We don't have the best set up yet but I have a great team who just haven't stopped all

season testing different options. There is definitely more to come from this bike and this weekend was the most comfortable I felt on it yet."

Older brother Caolán also finished both races in the points and came away happy from Snetterton

"I am in a great team this year. They have given me a really good set up and I am loving racing the R&R Yamaha. Unfortunately we didn't have a race engine for the last two rounds because of Brexit it has been hard to get the refreshed engines back into the UK, however Charles and Caroline have worked tirelessly to give me a great set up and I couldn't not enjoy racing for them. We still managed to put points on the board but this is one of the two Premier Classes in BSB with professional racers that don't make it easy. I am in my first Year in this Class and learning every round."



Caolán Irwin.



Cliona Marley and Nakita Burke's Letterkenny Educate Together junior infant class



A junior infant class at Scoil Mhuire gan Smál Letterkenny with teacher Tracey Bradley.



The Junior Infant Class at Gartan National School.



The Junior Infants at Scoil an tSraha Mhóir are Conall Gibson, Péadar O'Ceallaigh, Cloe Coyle, Ciara Cullen, Kortney Gallagher, Toni McDevitt and Sadie Neely while Aiden Hylands was missing.



# Sunday Leagues kick-off

With the group stages of the Brian McCormick Cup completed the three divisions in the Donegal Junior League will kick-off this Sunday. Castlefin Celtic host reigning Premier champions Kilmacrennan Celtic. Bonagee United who lost in that league play-off to Kilmac are at home to St. Catherine's. Cappry Rovers welcome newly promoted Rathmullan Celtic. Another newly promoted side Fanad United have home advantage against Kildrum Tigers. The other game sees Glenea United hosting Keadue Rovers. In Division 1 Swilly Rovers should fancy their chances of an opening day victory over Convoy Arsenal at Orchard Park. Drumkeen United are at home to Milford United and Gweedore Celtic will be up against Letterkenny Rovers. Kerrykeel '71 F.C. who are struggling squad wise at the moment at least have the consolation of home advantage against Letterbarrow Celtic.



The Brewery Bar has sponsored a new playing strip for the Glencar Celtic Football Club. The presentation was made at the Letterkenny Community on Saturday by Jimmy Kennedy to Denis O'Donnell, Garvan Grieve and Joe Cassidy prior to the game against Kilmacrennan Celtic which ended 1-1.

shot flashed just wide. The early pressure and sloppy play from Kilmacrennan then resulted in Dultach Molly finding himself free in the penalty area to make it one nil to the visitors after 50 minutes. Kilmacrennan pushed forward from then on but despite having the bulk of possession found it hard to break down a really well organised Glencar side. With five minutes left Edwin Doherty should have equalised but he was denied when one on one with the Glencar keeper. It looked like the points were going to Glencar before Michael 'Mousey' McLaughlin fired into the top corner from around 25 yards deep into injury time. Battling performance by both sides. Referee: Dessie McLaughlin.

## Double for Weber

Arranmore United 2-0 Dunlewey Celtic  
Arranmore hosted Dunlewey at Rannagh Park in their latest fixture in the Voodoo Venue Cup. It didn't take long for the Islanders to find the net as a Mardy Mc Garrigle free kick found the head of Damien Weber who dispatched superbly. The pair linked up again in the 20th minute with another great pass from Mardy to Weber and once again he found the net. The second half was a sharp contrast to the first as Dunlewey fought hard to get back into the game. Arranmore were under pressure for most of the half but managed to hold out. Weber was unlucky not to complete his hat-trick as his penalty was saved in the closing stages of the game. Great performance from the islanders with Damien Weber playing an exceptional game. Referee: Mick Lagan

## Victory for Oldtown boys

Oldtown Celtic 2-0 Ballybofey United Reserves  
In a game played at the Letterkenny Community Centre, Oldtown ran out 2-0 winners against a good Ballybofey side. With both teams setting out to play the ball from the back, chances were few and far between with both defences standing firm in the opening exchanges. Ballybofey missed a chance to go ahead from an Oldtown mistake before Drew Connolly fired home after his original header was saved. This set Oldtown off and it was soon 2-0 with Ciaran Gibson firing home from the edge of the area. Ballybofey stuck to their guns, playing from the back, but couldn't manage to get a goal back before halftime. Sean Cleary had a chance to make it three after a through ball from Tommy Mc Laughlin put him through on goal but the Ballybofey keeper saved well. As the game reached the final stages Ballybofey pushed hard to get back into it and headed wide from a corner while the Oldtown defence stood firm to see out a clean sheet.

## Easy for Flagpole men

Whitestrand United 2-8 Rathmullan Celtic  
Rathmullan Celtic made the short journey to McGarvey Park for this eagerly anticipated local derby. Rathmullan got off to a great start when Daniel Stolarczyk scored a stunning free kick. This was quickly followed by a second when Jay Curran scored from a Stolarczyk free kick. The early fire settled and Whitestrand settled into the game against their Premier Division opponents.

Whitestrand made it 2-1 when they scored after a goalmouth scramble. Whitestrand were hit with another double blitz when Rathmullan scored two more in quick succession to make it 4-1. Former Whitestrand man Ronan Morris was next on the scoresheet following some excellent play ending up with a cross from Curran and a tap in for Morris. The second half had started in a similar vein and Jay Curran and Kevin Doran also chipped in with a brace. Whitestrand competed well in the second half and Darren Ferry scored a great goal which went in off the post for Whitestrand. Stolarczyk scored the final goal of the game for the men from Rathmullan.

## Brian McCormick Cup Easy win for Fanad

Fanad United 5-0 Kerrykeel '71  
Arthur Lynch saw his Fanad Utd record another big win in the Brian McCormick Cup on Monday evening in Traighalough against a struggling Kerrykeel '71 side. Eoin Logue gave the hosts early boost with a 15th minute goal. Two minutes later it was 2-0 courtesy of Keelin McElwaine. Dylan Dorrian made it 3-0 after the half-hour mark and that's the way it stayed until half-time. Dorrian got his second of the game on 74 minutes. McElwaine also grabbed a second to round off the scoring with 10 minutes of normal time remaining.

## Letterkenny top group

Milford United 1-1 Letterkenny Rovers  
Letterkenny Rovers got the point they needed to top their group in the BMC Cup when drawing 1-1 with Milford United in a game which was reversed to Leckview Park. Rovers remained unbeaten in the section but that was in danger when Milford, who went on to put in their best display of the season to date, took the lead on six minutes when Mark Flood's cross was expertly cushioned home by the dependable Joey Cullen. Milford had chances to extend the lead while Rovers came closest through Nathan Bonner as an exciting first half in the dampening overhead conditions saw Milford retain an interval lead. The home side started with more purpose in the second half with Caolan Mc Gettigan doing well to deny Jack Dwyer on 50 minutes. Bbut Dwyer wasn't to be denied when slotting home the equaliser on 67. Rovers were on the front foot with Darragh Morrison coming close on two occasions while Milford almost snatched a late winner when the lively Corey Lee Mc Conigley saw his effort go agonisingly wide.

## Hat-trick for Smyth

Drumoghill F.C. 5-1 Raphoe Town  
Drumoghill wrapped up their Brian McCormick Cup campaign with an impressive 5-1 victory over neighbours Raphoe Town in a game played in wet conditions. Lee Smyth, better known as a defender but playing in midfield, was the game's outstanding performer as he helped himself to a hat-trick, with Conor Doohan and Liam O'Donnell also on target. The visitors though will feel that scoreline was a harsh reflection as they were well in the game until its latter stages. The first half was an even affair, but Drumoghill were clinical during that opening period as they raced into

## Donegal Junior League Fixtures

Saturday 17th September	K.O. 1p.m.
Voodoo Venue Cup	
Glencar Celtic v	Milford Utd Res
Ramelton Mariners v	Kilmacrennan Cel Res
Swilly Rovers Res v	Cranford Utd Res
Donegal Town Res v	Copany Rovers
Fintown Harps v	St. Catherine's Res
Dunlewey Celtic v	Strand Rovers
Glenea Utd Res v	Keadue Rovers Res
Cappry Rovers Res v	Ballybofey Utd Res
Drumoghill F.C. Res v	Oldtown Celtic
Kildrum Tigers Res v	Castlefin Celtic Res
Sunday 18th September	K.O. 1p.m.
<b>Brian Mc Cormick Sports Premier Division</b>	
Bonagee Utd v	St. Catherine's
Cappry Rovers v	Rathmullan Celtic
Castlefin Celtic v	Kilmacrennan Celtic
Fanad United v	Kildrum Tigers
Glenea United v	Keadue Rovers
<b>Temple Domestic Appliances Division One</b>	
Convoy Arsenal v	Swilly Rovers
Donegal Town v	Raphoe Town
Drumkeen Utd v	Milford Utd
Gweedore Celtic v	Letterkenny Rovers
Kerrykeel '71 F.C. v	Letterbarrow Celtic
<b>Donegal Physiotherapy and Performance Centre Division Two</b>	
Ballybofey Utd v	Whitestrand Utd
Cranford Utd v	Lifford Celtic
Curragh Athletic v	Lagan Harps
Deele Harps v	Gweedore United
Drumoghill F.C. v	Dunkineely Celtic

## Results

<b>Monday 5th September</b>	
<b>Brian Mc Cormick Cup</b>	
Whitestrand Utd 0-7	Fanad United
Gweedore Utd 3-0	Gweedore Cel
<b>Wednesday 7th September</b>	
<b>Brian Mc Cormick Cup</b>	
Gweedore United 0-3	Glenea United
Kilmacrennan Cel 2-1	Keadue Rovers
Swilly Rovers Res 1-5	Ramelton Mariners
<b>Saturday 10th September</b>	
<b>Voodoo Venue Cup</b>	
Cranford Utd Res 2-2	Milford Utd Res
Kilmacrennan Cel Res 1-1	Glencar Celtic
Drumbar Utd 2-3	Fintown Harps AFC
St. Catherine's Res 0-2	Donegal Town Res
Arranmore Utd 2-0	Dunlewey Cel
Strand Rovers 1-0	Glenea Utd Res
Castlefin Celtic Res 2-6	Cappry Rovers Res
Drumoghill F.C. Res 0-5	Kildrum Tigers Res
Oldtown Celtic 2-0	Ballybofey Utd Res
<b>Sunday 11th September</b>	
Fanad United P	Kerrykeel '71 F.C.
Whitestrand Utd 2-8	Rathmullan Cel
Milford United 1-1	Letterkenny Rovers
Swilly Rovers 4-1	Bonagee United
Cappry Rovers 5-3	Donegal Town
Letterbarrow Celtic 3-1	Dunkineely Celtic
Ballybofey United 4-3	Curragh Athletic
Drumkeen United 2-4	St. Catherine's
Glenea United P	Gweedore Celtic

a 2-0 lead. Smyth opened the scoring and Doohan doubled the lead before half time. Raphoe started the second half on top and quickly reduced the arrears when Dylan Brolly's neat finish beat Roy Duffy. The next goal was always going to be crucial to the outcome of the game and that man Smyth was in the right place at the right time on 65 minutes. He was on target again on 74 minutes to effectively end the contest before Liam O'Donnell wrapped up the scoring in the 85th minute.

## Manor men make Area Final

Lagan Harps 2-1 Convoy Arsenal  
Lagan reached the Area-Final after this win over Convoy. Lagan started well with Dean Murray causing Convoy early problems. Lagan took the lead on twenty minutes when Philip Doran was taken down by the keeper and Ross Hamlyn converted the penalty. Ryan Carlin had Convoy's best effort of the half when he put a free just over the bar. Lagan had most of the play but didn't create a lot. Joe McCarron went close with a volley for Lagan at the start of the second half and Philip Doran had a shot well blocked. Travis Crawford then had a header cleared off the line. The introduction of Anthony Bogle pepped up Convoy and he shot narrowly wide from distance. Lagan got their second when Philip Doran charged down the keeper's clearance and knocked home the rebound. Ryan Mc Gee went close for Lagan before Convoy pulled a goal back. Lagan were caught with too many players up the field and Convoy countered. Ryan Carlin put a great ball across and Eunan Kelly finished well. That was to be the last real action of the game. Ref: Con McLaughlin.

## Brian McCormick Cup Blake nets twice

Gweedore United 0-3 Glenea United  
This game played under the lights in Gweedore on Wednesday night saw a strong Glenea side collect all three points. The game started with the visitors having the majority of the possession however not really threatening the Gweedore goal as the home defence dealt well with any threat. Both sides had half chances through Blake McGarvey and Ciaran McFadden for Glenea and Stephen Doyle McFadden went close for the home side. In the 32nd minute a through ball fell to Blake McGarvey who finished well to make it 1-0 to Glenea. In the first attack by the visitors in the second half they were awarded a penalty which Blake McGarvey drove into the bottom right corner to make it 2-0. In the 57th minute a nice ball from Martin Maguire over the top of the home defence fell to Ciaran McFadden who placed the ball nicely into the bottom corner from a tight angle to make it 3-0. Gweedore kept playing and had some nice moves. Steven Doyle Mc Fadden, Cian Gallagher and Stephen Donna Mc Fadden had good efforts well saved by Joe Coll. Charles Doherty in nets for the home side was excellent when called upon on several occasions in the second half. Martin Maguire was best for Glenea on the night while it was a good team performance for Gweedore with Steven Doyle Mc Fadden excelling throughout. Referee: Mick Lagan.

## Matthew's winner for Kilmac

Kilmacrennan Celtic 2-1 Keadue Rovers  
Kilmacrennan secured three points in this Brian McCormick Cup match. James Doherty opened the scoring in the 3rd minute with a great strike from 20 yards. Keadue equalised on 30 minutes through a Brian Proctor deflected shot which gave Kilmacrennan keeper Niall O'Regan no chance. Both teams had a few chances in a tight entertaining first half. In the second half Kilmacrennan came out strong and began to push hard for second goal and on 70 minutes a Paul Bradley corner was headed back across goal from the back post and Matthew Mc Laughlin was there to tap in. A hard working Keadue side pushed hard for an equaliser but the Kilmacrennan defence played well to hold on for victory. Best for Kilmacrennan was Ryan Shields and Liam Mc Bride and it was a great team effort from Keadue. Referee: Vincent Mc Laughlin

## Voodoo Venue Cup Mousey's Kilmac equaliser

Kilmacrennan Celtic Res 1-1 Glencar Celtic  
This was an evenly contested encounter as a very young Kilmacrennan side hosted Glencar at the Community Centre. Kilmacrennan had most of the possession throughout the game but rarely tested the Glencar goalkeeper in the first half. Glencar started the brighter in the second half and could have been one up but Cian Mc Cabe's

# Milford Sheep Show and Sale

Photos by Glenalla Photography



Oisín and Fionn Robinson presenting The Tommy Robinson Cup to Cathal Gallagher 1st Prize Pen of Ewelambs at the Milford Mart Sheep Show and Sale.



Senior Ram Class at the Milford Mart Sheep Show and Sale on Monday night, 1st Prize Chris Friel 2nd and 3rd prize Shaun Meehan pictured with judge Hugh Montgomery and sponsor Jonathan Smyth Nutrias.



Young Pauric Heraghty, Ballyheerin, Fanad winning 1st Place with his Ram Lamb and getting top price on the night of €1200 at the Milford Mart Sheep Show.



1st Prize at the Milford Mart Sheep Show and Sale on Monday night Patrick Heraghty, 2nd Prize Rachel Gallagher, 3rd Prize Tony Gallagher in the Ram Lamb Class with Judge Hugh Montgomery and sponsor Jonathan Smyth Nutrias.



The Gallagher Family winning 3rd prize in the pair of Ewelambs.



Paul Wilkinson 2nd Prize winning pen of Ewelambs.



Overall Champion of the show Denis Kelly with his Pen Of Hoggets with Judge Hugh Montgomery and sponsor Jonathan Smyth Nutrias



Pat McClafferty 2nd prize pen of Ewe Lambs at the Milford Mart Sheep Show and Sale.



Denis Kelly with sponsor Jonathan Smith winning 1st Prize Pair of Hoggets at the Milford Mart Sheep Show and Sale



Shane & Emma Brogan 3rd Prize pair of Hoggets with sponsor Jonathan Smyth Nutrias at the Milford Mart Sheep Show and Sale.

# Fanad

## Fanad clean up

After a busy summer season, we will be holding a Clean Up day on Saturday 24th September.

Bags, litter pickers, gloves will be available from 10-11am that day at the community centre Traigh a loch and at the car park at Portsalon. Skips will be available at these locations until Sunday evening.

We would encourage as many volunteers, clubs and other groups to participate on the day or organise a clean-up during that week. Go raibh maith agaibh.

## Half Marathon

Congratulations to Patrick Duffy who ran the Great North Run (Half Marathon) in Newcastle on Sunday in a time of 1hour 40minutes and 38 seconds.

## Comhaltas classes

Comhaltas Phanada classes have resumed and will be held each Monday usual time of 5 to 6pm in Fanavolty hall. New members are very welcome.

## Youth Club

Fanad youth club will hold the AGM Wednesday the 22nd of September in the Community Centre at 8pm. Everyone is welcome to come along. It's 3 years since the Club was open so the committee hope to see new people to join the

committee.

## New phone number for Fanad SVP

The Fanad St. Vincent de Paul Society now has a new phone number. This number is 087 7003732. The old number is no longer in use. If you are experiencing difficulty regarding back to school expenses, 3rd level college expenses, up-coming fuel expenses etc please contact the above number. All matters dealt with in confidence.

## Oíche Chultúir 2022

Dáta don Dialann: Date for the diary

23ú Meán Fomhair : 23rd of September

Bigí Linn: A night full of music, dancing and craic. Everyone welcome.

Halla an Phobail Thráigh a Locha, Community Center Traighloch 8-10pm.

## 50/50 Draw

Glenvar Development Committee (Coiste Forbartha Ghleann Bharr) are holding a monthly 50/50 prize draw with the first draw taking place on Saturday 24th September. Tickets are €2 each or 3 for €5. Tickets are on sale at the Glenvar Community Centre after 6pm Mass on Saturday evenings or from chairperson Joseph

Logue, Marion McFadden, Anthony Murphy, Helen Sweeney, Sharon Curran or any committee member. All funds raised will be used for the upkeep of the community centre, grounds around the church and graveyard, the road to the crosses and general maintenance work in the area. Permit granted.

## Coffee Morning

Bridget McAteer will hold her annual coffee morning on next Thursday September 22nd... 10am until 8pm at the family home in Ballynacrick.

You are invited to attend this special day in support of the Donegal Hospice.

## Fanad Jujitsu Club

The Jujitsu Club will be starting back on Thursday the 22nd September. Welcome back to all our members, new members welcome. Training times as follows:

7-8pm - Primary School and Secondary School age (separate mats);

8-9pm - 8 WEEK COURSE - 'Dirty' Jiu Jitsu, stand-up style, for all fitness levels, 16+/adult.

9-10pm - 8 WEEK COURSE Wellness Course - gentle stretching, Qi gongs, meditation, suitable for all fitness levels. Join us on Facebook for news and updates [www.facebook.com/fanad.jujitsu](http://www.facebook.com/fanad.jujitsu)

## Manual Handling Course

Donegal Local Development (DLDC) are organising a Manual Handling Course in the Old School, Glenvar on Friday 23rd September from 10am - 2pm. Limited to 10 spaces / free of charge. For further information or to register please contact Bridget before 16th September at 087 1912031 or [bnairbheith@dlldc.org](mailto:bnairbheith@dlldc.org).

## Fanad SVP

The Society of St Vincent de Paul in Fanad is always willing to help any members of our Community who may be experiencing financial difficulties at any time. Contact the Society on their NEW number 087 7003732 (please note the old number is no longer in use). All matters will be dealt with confidentially.

## Steps Parent & Toddler Group

Steps Parent and Toddler Group meet every Friday in the Rosnakill Hall from 10.30 - 12.00.

O- pre-school (including Playgroup Children) all welcome.

Steps give children the chance to communicate and play with others their own age. The parents can have a tea or coffee plus meet and compare notes with people doing the same job as them. Individuals can get out of this what they want, it is a safe, cosy informal environment for all to enjoy. Steps are open to all families on equal terms. Parents do not have to be in our area to attend it is open to all.

The more we have the merrier our group will be. The cost is €3 per child or €5 per family.

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equipment and accommodation they will host a Coffee Morning in Fanavolty Hall on Sun 18th Sept at 11.30am.

The girls and their families would love to see you all there and would appreciate any support you can give them towards making this long journey to represent Ulster.

They will also be selling tickets in the coming weeks, with the 1st prize being Afternoon Tea and 1 hr in the Thermal Suite in the Shandon. Many other prizes available. All donations & sponsorship will be much appreciated.

## Portsalon Ladies Golf

# Bradley and Clinton win the Members Competitions



Portsalon Golf Club Ladies Captain Brighidin Hawke on behalf of the Ladies Branch making a donation to Patricia Orsi, Milford St. Vincent de Paul following the completion of the recent Winter Links at the club.

Congratulations to Tricia Bradley, winner of the members competition on Friday 2nd September (Alt Day) with a fantastic 44pts, seven shots clear of Rachel Hall with 37pts. Dana Clinton's brides on the 9th and 13th holes were enough to edge out Mary Barrett (35pts) on a count back to win the Members competition on Sunday 11th September.

**Past Captains, Saturday 24th Sept** Lady Captain, Brighidin invites all former Portsalon Lady Captain's to the Past Captains Day on Saturday 24th September and to join her for refreshments from 10:15am, golf and a meal afterwards at 6:30pm (€15pp).

All Captains interested in playing are asked to RSVP the Lady Captain by Friday 23rd September and to arrive no later than 10:30am on the morning, in order to facilitate the draw as the first tee is booked

from 11:10am.

## Ladies Winter Links 2022-23

The dates for the Ladies Winter Links Season have been confirmed for Thursday 29th September, 27th October, 24th November, 26th January 2023, 23rd February and the Links Captains Day in on Thursday 30th March 2023. Timesheet in operation - which will be open 7 days in advance of each event. Alternatively ring the Club on 074-9159459

**Captains Outing to Gweedore:** Lady Captain, Brighidin, will host her outing to Gweedore Golf Club on Sunday 2nd October. Further details are posted in the Ladies locker room.

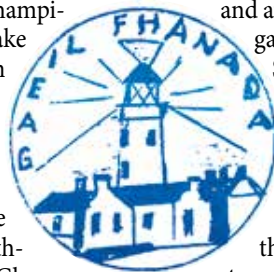
## Dates for your diaries:

Members Competitions Ongoing. 25th Sept. September Medial GOTY (Alt Day 23rd Sept), 29th Sept. Ladies Winter Links (OPEN).

# Fanad aim for Intermediate Final

The two Intermediate A Championship Semi-finals also take place over the weekend. On Sunday Fanad Gaels will take on Naomh Columba in Ballybofey (6:00). While it was a dramatic win over Downings last Sunday the Gaels can certainly take nothing for granted against the Glen-colmcille outfit. Fanad seemed to deal reasonably with the Na Dunaibh danger men but they will have to repeat that against Aaron Doherty and company on Sunday.

Fanad manager Aidan McAteer and his backroom staff will have to devise a defensive plan that curbs the threat of Aaron Doherty the star man for Naomh Columba. That's going to be a tall order



and at the same time try to win the game.

So it is likely to take Gaeil Fhánada's best performance of the season to secure a place in the Intermediate Championship decider.

McAteer will be looking to settle the defence while goalkeeper Mark McConigley will be a very important part of the setup. He will also be looking for a big game from Bernard McGettigan if he is fit in the middle of the park and the Kerrykeel man will also have to contribute on the scoreboard for a victory to be achieved. Sean Kerr is also a doubt after having to come off injured after just four minutes at the Bridge. Fanad do have enough talent in attack

and McAteer needs the likes of Darren McElwaine, Mark McAteer, Liam McGranaghan, Seamie 'Nanny' Friel and the vastly experienced Michael Sweeney to deliver. Gaeil Fhánada had national success on the June Bank Holiday weekend winning the All-Ireland Junior Gael-tacht Final in Connemara.

On Saturday night in Ardara Termon take on Dungloe at 8pm. The Burn Road outfit will have step up a couple of gears to get the better of Dungloe. Fanad Gaels and Termon are also involved in the Intermediate B Championship Semi-finals. On Saturday, as part of a double header, Nh Mhuire, Conmhaigh will provide the opposition for An Tearnann at 6pm. On Sunday at MacCumhaill Park in Ballybofey, Nh Columba will be Gaeil Fhánada's opponents at 4pm.

## Planning Notices

### Donegal County Council Marblehill, Dunfanaghy

I, Hugh Harkin am applying to Donegal County Council for permission to erect a dwelling house with waste water treatment system & domestic garage at Marblehill, Dunfanaghy, County Donegal in the townland of Marblehill. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the planning authority, Donegal County Council, County House, Lifford, County Donegal during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application by the authori-

ty, and such submission or observation will be considered by the planning authority in making a decision on the application.

### Donegal County Council

I, Fiona Friel am applying to Donegal County Council for permission for change of house type from that previously approved under planning reference 17/51859 at Falcarragh, Co. Donegal in the townland of Derryreel. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority, County House, Lifford during its public opening hours. Submissions or observations in relation to the development may be made to the planning authority in writing, on payment of €20, within five weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application by the authority.

## Death of former Donegal High Court and Tribunal Judge

Donegal-born former High Court Judge, Feargus Flood, has died at the age of 94.

Originally from Ballybofey he lived much of his life in Howth, Co. Dublin.

Mr Justice Flood was best-known as the chairman of the Flood Tribunal in his role as the chairman of the Planning and Payments Tribunal which was established in 1997 to examine planning issues in the Dublin area.

The Tribunal was originally set up to probe allegations of corruption against former Fianna Fáil minister Ray Burke but was extended to cover alleged corruption involving land developers and Dublin politicians as well as former assistant Dublin city and county manager George Redmond.

## Planning Notices

### Donegal County Council Larganreagh, Downings

I, Chris Healy am applying to Donegal County Council for planning permission to provide 2 no shepherds huts with connection to public sewer and other ancillary works to the rear of the Goose and Gander Pizzeria, Larganreagh, Downings, Co. Donegal in the townland of Larganreagh. The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the Authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the Authority of the application.

### Donegal County Council Drumardagh, Letterkenny

I, Raymond McDonald am applying to Donegal County Council for planning permission for completion of development previously approved under Planning Ref.No. 07/40307 to include construction of dwelling house, detached domestic garage, foul effluent treatment system and all associated site works at Drumardagh, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal in the townland of Drumardagh. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the planning authority during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the Authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of five weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the Authority of the application.

### Donegal County Council Magheraroarty, Gortahork

I, Eugene McAllister am applying to Donegal County Council for permission to erect a domestic shed, decommission existing septic tank & install a new septic tank system with all associated site development works at Magheraroarty, Gortahork, County Donegal in the townland of Magheraroarty. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority, Donegal County Council, County House, Lifford, County Donegal during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application by the authority, and such submission or observation will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application.

### Donegal County Council Meenlaragh, Gortahork

I, Charlie Greene am applying to Donegal County Council for permission to erect a dwelling house with waste water treatment system including all other associated site development works at Meenlaragh, Gortahork, County Donegal in the townland of Meenlaragh. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the planning authority, Donegal County Council, County House, Lifford, County Donegal during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application by the authority, and such submission or observation will be considered by the planning authority in making a decision on the application.

### Donegal County Council 107 Ashfield,

#### Carnamuggagh Lower, Letterkenny

I, Paul Sweeney am applying to Donegal County Council for permission to erect a domestic garage and home office auxiliary to the existing dwelling house with connection to all public services and all associated site development works at 107 Ashfield, Carnamuggagh Lower, Letterkenny, County Donegal in the townland of Carnamuggagh Lower. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the planning authority, Donegal County Council, County House, Lifford, County Donegal during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application by the authority, and such submission or observation will be considered by the planning authority in making a decision on the application.

### Donegal County Council Glenree, Carrigart

We, Eve McGettigan & Gary McClafferty am applying to Donegal County Council for planning permission for development at Glenree, Carrigart, Co. Donegal. The development will

consist of the erection of a single private dwelling house and a septic tank along with all associated site development works at Glenree, Carrigart in the townland of Glenree. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority at the County House, Lifford during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the Planning Authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee, €20 within the period of five weeks beginning on the date of the receipt by the Planning Authority of the application and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission.

### Donegal County Council

#### Revised plans & Further Environmental Information (Natura Impact Statement) Pollet, Ballylar P.O., Letterkenny

We, Michael & Mary McGrath, have submitted significant Revised Plans and further information (Natura Impact Statement) (NIS) to Donegal County Council for Planning Application Ref. No.22/50604 for permission for the erection of a dwelling house with on-site sewerage treatment system and all associated site works at Pollet, Ballylar P.O., Letterkenny, Co. Donegal. The significant further information and further environmental information (Natura Impact Statement) (NIS) in relation to the application have been submitted and is available for inspection or purchase at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority at the County House, Lifford, Co. Donegal during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the revised plans and further environmental information (a Natura Impact Statement) may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee of €20, not later than 5 weeks after receipt of the newspaper notice and site notice by the Planning Authority.

### Donegal County Council

#### Millford, Milford, Letterkenny M.D.

I, Margaret Shields, am applying to Donegal County Council for Retention Permission for 1) Construction of New Hipped Roof above original flat roof of existing Dwelling House, 2) Retention Permission to provide Attic Space within new Hipped Roof, 3) Retention Permission for 2no. Velux Roof Light Windows in the Attic Space to Rear of New Hipped Roof and 4) Retention Permission for Extension of existing Chimney Stack into Attic Space and above Ridge Height of New Hipped Roof at Millford, Milford, Letterkenny M.D., Co. Donegal. The Planning Application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the Offices of the Planning Authority, County House, Lifford during its Public Opening Hours. A Submission or Observation in relation to the Application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the Authority of the Application, and such Submissions or Observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the Application. The Planning Authority may Grant Permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to Grant Permission.

### Donegal County Council

#### Bellanascadden, Coolboy, Edenacarnan, Letterkenny M.D., Co. Donegal

I, Lorcan Callaghan, am applying to Donegal County Council for Retention Permission for Removing Material, Clearing of Site and Constructing Site Entrance and for Planning Permission to Erect New Dwelling House, Domestic Garage and Sewage Treatment Plant @ Bellanascadden, Coolboy, Edenacarnan, Letterkenny M.D., Co. Donegal The Planning Application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the Offices of the Planning Authority, County House, Lifford during its Public Opening Hours. A Submission or Observation in relation to the Application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the Authority of the Application, and such Submissions or Observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the Application. The Planning Authority may Grant Permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to Grant Permission.

### Donegal County Council

#### Bellanascadden, Coolboy, Edenacarnan, Letterkenny M.D., Co. Donegal

I, Chloe Callaghan, am applying to Donegal County Council for Retention Permission for Removing Material, Clearing of Site and Constructing Site Entrance and for Planning Permission to Erect New Dwelling House, Domestic Garage and Sewage Treatment Plant @ Bellanascadden, Coolboy, Edenacarnan, Letterkenny

## In Memoriam

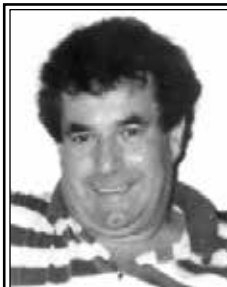
### Boyd Bernadette 13 Annadale Park, Limavady 1st Anniversary

In loving memory of my dear daughter Bernadette who died on the 14th September 2021.

*Have you ever had a heartache or felt the pain, or shed those bitter tears that drop down like falling rain  
If you never had that feeling I pray you never do, for when God takes that special someone, he takes a part of you.  
In Heaven you rest, no worries no pain  
In God's own time we'll meet again.*

Sadly missed by Mum Kathleen, John, aunts, uncle and family.

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 8th October in St Peter's Church, Milford at 7.30pm.



### Doherty Terence Cruckadoon, Downings 25th Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear father, grandfather, great grand-father and brother who died on the 11th September, 1997.

*The world changes from year to year  
our lives from day to day  
But the love and thoughts of times with you will never pass away.*

Always remembered and deeply missed by Gary, Fiona, Tina, John and families.

M.D., Co. Donegal The Planning Application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the Offices of the Planning Authority, County House, Lifford during its Public Opening Hours. A Submission or Observation in relation to the Application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the Authority of the Application, and such Submissions or Observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the Application.

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### Gallagher Peggy Derryhassen More, Downings 3rd Anniversary

In loving memory of our dear mother, grandmother and great grandmother who died on the 16th September 2019.

*You are too precious to be forgotten and too priceless to ever replace*

*We wish we could share another moment with you and see that smiling face  
Someone so special as you is truly rare to find  
Someone with a heart so pure, so caring and so kind  
We'll cherish the memories we made all the times we spent together  
And we'll hold them dearly in our hearts from now until forever*

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



### Sweeney Mary

#### Carrowkeel Glebe, Tamney 1st Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear mother and grandmother Mary who died on 15th September 2021.

*Time slips by, life goes on,  
but from our hearts you are never gone  
Each of us in our own way, have special thoughts of you today  
We hold you close within our hearts and there you shall remain  
To walk with us throughout our lives until we meet again.*

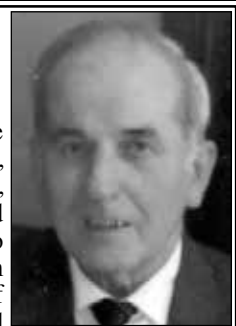
Always remembered by Shaun and Eileen, Rosemary, Caroline and Tony, Brian and Claire, Eugene and Brid and your thirteen grandchildren.

Anniversary Mass will take place in St. Columba's Church, Massmount on Saturday 17th September at 6pm.

Tel. 91 53600

## Acknowledgement

### McCarthy Aughadahor, Carrigart



The family of the late Manus McCarthy, Aughadahor, Carrigart, would like to extend their thanks to all who sympathised with them on the recent sad loss of their beloved father and grandfather.

Thanks to all our relatives and friends, who travelled from near and far, to attend the funeral. Thanks to those who sent Mass cards and sympathy cards.

We would like to thank the staff of Letterkenny University Hospital for the excellent care and compassion Manus received.

Sincere thanks also to Celia Coyle, Manus' home help, to Seamus Gallagher, Undertaker and Shaun Coyle, Manus' cousin and good friend.

Thanks also to Fr. Charlie Byrne, Fr. Pat McGarvey and Susan Gallagher, musician.

The Month's Mind Mass will take place on Sunday 18th September in St John the Baptist Church, Carrigart at 11.30am.

### Patton

#### Patsy Aughanagdy Ramelton 4th September 2022



The family of the late Patsy Patton would like to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with us on our recent bereavement.

Thanks to all who called to the house and attended the funeral. Thanks to all our family, neighbours and friends of Patsy, especially staff from the Golden Grill and The Pulse, Letterkenny for their support.

Thank you to all the management and staff of St. Eunan's Nursing Home, Ramelton Road, Letterkenny who cared for Patsy.

Thanks to our neighbours for giving refreshments and to Pauric McGarvey and staff at Kernans Store, Ramelton for their kind help and support.

Thanks to Fr Michael Carney for his support and lovely funeral Mass in St. Mary's Church, Ramelton and to Fr. Eamonn Kelly, Drumkeen who officiated at the graveside. Thanks to Sarah for the lovely singing at the Church.

Thanks to Sweeney Funeral Directors for their help, kindness and professionalism with the funeral arrangements. Thanks also to the gravediggers.

As it is impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our sincere gratitude.

### Waters

#### Tom Drumbern, Milford Died 20th August 2022



The family of the late Tom Waters RIP would like to express our sincere thanks to everyone who sympathised with us on our recent bereavement.

Thanks to all those who attended Tom's wake and funeral. Thanks to those who sent Mass cards, sympathy cards, messages of sympathy and those who made donations to Donegal Hospice.

We would like to express our gratitude to all our friends and extended family members who helped during the wake with food, tea making, parking and traffic control and offered support in anyway. We would like to say thank you to Dr. Margaret Gilligan, Nicola and the nurses who cared for Tom especially in his last week. Thank you to the retired and serving members of An Garda Siochana for the Guard of Honour.

A special thank you to Patrick Sweeney Funeral Directors for their kindness and professionalism during the wake and funeral. Thank you to the gravediggers.

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Fr. Stephen Gorman for celebrating a beautiful Mass and to the choir for the lovely music and singing.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our heartfelt appreciation.

Tom's Month Mind Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 18th September at 11.00am. in St. Peter's Church, Milford.

**In Memoriam**



**Coyle**  
Jackie Kerrykeel  
5th Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear wife, mother, daughter, sister and auntie.

*We thought of you with love today but that is nothing new We thought of you yesterday and days before that too We think of you in silence as we often speak your name All we have are memories and your picture in a frame Your memory is our keepsake with which we'll never part You'll never be forgotten when we have you in our hearts.*

You are always with us, regardless of where we are, who we are with or what we are doing. We all miss you so much and there will forever be a part of us missing without you. Lots of Love from your son, husband, family and friends xxx.

**Graham**  
30th Anniversary

In loving memory of our dear father Arthur who died 13th Sept 1992

*There's a special kind of feeling when we think about you It's a pleasure to remember all the happy times we had There's a special kind of caring that's meant for you alone There's a special place within our hearts that only you can own.*

Always remembered and loved by sons, daughter and families

**Alcorn**  
36th Anniversary

Precious memories of our dear sister Martha who died 20th Sept 1986

*Those special memories of you will always remain If only we could have you back for just a little while Then we could sit and talk again, just like we used to do You always meant so very much and always will do too The fact that you're no longer here with us will always bring us pain But you're forever in our hearts until we all meet again.*

Always missed and loved by brothers sister and families.



**Friel**  
Anne  
The Barrack, Ramelton  
8th Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear wife, mother and Nana who died on 18th September 2014.

*As each day dawns we think of you As each night falls we pray for you Deep in our hearts your memory is kept To love and cherish and never forget In Heaven no rest no worries no pain In God's own time we'll meet again.*

Loved and sadly missed by your husband Patrick and all the family.

**Anniversary Mass will be held in St. Mary's Church, Ramelton on Sunday 18th September at 11.00am.**



**McDaid**  
Grace  
Lower Croaghan, Ramelton  
1st Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear wife, mother and sister who passed away on the 16th September 2021

*Those we love don't go away they walk beside us every day Unseen, unheard but always near so loved, so missed so very dear.*

*No one knows the grief we bear when we all meet up and you are not there We laugh, we talk, we play our part but behind our smiles are broken hearts.*

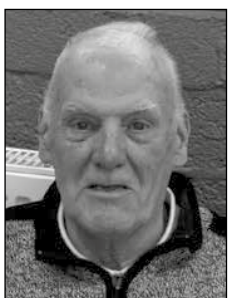
*We miss you Mother and always will Deep are our memories, precious they stay No passing of time can take them away*

Always remembered and sadly missed Pat, Meleesa, Darren, Grannia and Adrian

**Grace's anniversary Mass will be in St. Mary's Church, Ramelton on Saturday 17th September at 6.30pm.**

**Prayer for Publication**  
PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN (Never known to fail)

**Jordan**  
Woodside, Ramelton



**John**  
19th September 2018  
4th Anniversary



**Esther**  
3rd October 2009  
13th Anniversary

In loving memory of our much loved and missed parents and grandparents.

*You did so many things for us Your hearts were warm and true And when we needed someone we could always count on you Those special days will not return when we were all together But with the love in all our hearts you will walk with us forever.*

Loved and missed every day by your loving family son John, daughters Jacqueline and Julie, grandchildren Eoghan, Anna, Emily and Tabatha. xxxxxxx



**Simmons**  
John  
'Crossan Cottage', Milford Road, Ramelton  
18th Anniversary

*You always had a smile to share, time to give and time to care A loving nature kind and true You'll never be forgotten for we thought the world of you*

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

Always remembered by your wife, Thora, Jackie, Martin, Oisin, Caoimhe, Bronagh and Lara, Phia, Jim, Bobby, Veronique, Dwane, John, Elsie, Edwina, Lucia, Edwin, Michael, Martin, Jackie and Lisa.



**Logue**  
Katie  
Glenvar  
21st Anniversary

In loving memory of our mother Katie who died on 18th of September 2001.

Sadly missed by all your family.

Oh Most Beautiful Flower of Mt. Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me that herein You are my Mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother

**Acknowledgement**

**Mackey**  
Breege  
Back Road, Ramelton



The family of the late Breege Mackey, The Bridge Bar and Back Road, Ramelton wishes to acknowledge the many expressions of sympathy shown to us following our sad loss.

We offer our heartfelt thanks to the many friends, neighbours, and well-wishers who visited our home, attended the wake, service and burial and who provided support for us at this very difficult time. For those who phoned, sent messages, travelled long distances, sent flowers, cards and provided food, we are truly grateful.

A special word of thanks to the nurses, consultants, and staff at Letterkenny University Hospital, the team at the Oncology Department, Fr Shane Gallagher, Dr Michael Cuffe and Rachael, and the staff at Murray's Pharmacy for their kindness and respect at all times. To all those who participated in the Mass, especially Fr Michael Carney, Deacon Shaun Doherty, the readers and musicians, the grave diggers, and finally Sweeney's Funeral Directors, for their sensitive and professional handling of arrangements.

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

**Breege's Months Mind Mass will be held on Sunday the 18th of September at 11am in St. Mary's Church, Ramelton.**

**Morrison**



We the family of the late Brigid Morrison would like to express our sincere thanks to everyone who sympathised with us on our recent bereavement. Thanks to all who attended Brigid's wake and funeral. Thanks to those who sent flowers, Mass cards and messages of sympathy. To Brigid's neighbours and friends who brought food and helped out during the wake thank you. A special mention to Brigid's carers who looked after her on a daily basis.

Thanks to the staff of Carrigart Pharmacy and Medical Centre, Letterkenny University Hospital, Galway University Hospital and the Staff of the Donegal Hospice.

Thank you to Seamus Gallagher for his professional Undertaking Service. Thank you Father Charlie along with Father Eamon and Father Pat for celebrating a beautiful Mass. Sincere thanks to Kathleen McClafferty along with Anne Doherty and Kevin Ward for the music and singing during the funeral Mass.

**Brigid's Month Mind Mass will be celebrated in St. John the Baptist Church, Carrigart on Thursday 15th of September at 7.00pm.**



**Mac Giolla Bhrighde**  
Seán S Faoin Bhinn, Derryhassen, Downings  
5th Anniversary

In loving memory of Seán (John) who died on 9th September 2017.

*Time and years slip gently by Love and memories never die In our hearts you will always stay Loved and remembered every day.*

Always remembered by Pat, Gracie and Mary Anne.

**Memoriam Cards & Thank You Cards**



Contact

**Tirconaill Tribune**  
074 91 53600

of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech You from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity. (Make request). There are none that can withstand Your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee (three times). Sweet Mother I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days. You must publish it and it will be granted. AMEK



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**Donegal County Council**  
**Massreagh, Kilmacrennan**

I, Joe Gallagher am applying to Donegal County Council for planning permission to erect a dwelling house with connection to the main sewer and all other associated site development works at Massreagh, Kilmacrennan, County Donegal in the townland of Massreagh. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority, Donegal County Council, County House, Lifford, County Donegal during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application by the authority, and such submission or observation will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application.

**Donegal County Council**  
**Dundoan Upper, Downings**

I, Nicole Michael am applying to Donegal County Council for permission to erect a dwelling house with septic tank and all other associated site development works at Dundoan Upper, Downings, County Donegal in the townland of Dundoan Upper. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority, Donegal County Council, County House, Lifford, County Donegal during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application by the authority, and such submission or observation will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application.

**Donegal County Council**  
**Currin, Termon,**

I, Sharon Gallagher am applying to Donegal County Council for planning permission to erect a dwelling house with a waste water treatment system and all other associated site development works at Currin, Termon, County Donegal in the townland of Currin. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority, Donegal County Council, County House, Lifford, County Donegal during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application by the authority, and such submission or observation will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application.

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**Planning Notices**

**Donegal County Council**  
**Meenaclady, Gortahork, Letterkenny**

I, Martina Mulhern, am applying to Donegal County Council for planning permission for development at this site at Meenaclady, Gortahork, Letterkenny, Co Donegal. The development is for the extension and alterations to an existing dwelling and the re-location of the existing septic tank and percolation area and all associated external site development works. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority at The County House, Lifford, Co Donegal, during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the planning authority in making a decision on the application.

**Donegal County Council**  
**Curraghlea, Letterkenny**

I, Patrick Harley am applying to Donegal County Council for permission to erect 3 No. agricultural shed extensions within my existing farmyard, including all other associated site development works at Curraghlea, Letterkenny, County Donegal, in the townland of Curraghlea.

The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority, Donegal County Council, County House, Lifford, County Donegal during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the Planning Authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application by the authority, and such submission or observation will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application.

# Glenveagh bids farewell to Denis

After a 45 year career at Glenveagh National Park, the staff gathered on Friday to wish Denis Gallagher a long happy retirement.

Denis from Devlin, celebrated his birthday and his retirement with family and friends at the park on Friday and few will know the expansive beauty spot of Glenveagh better than him. The occasion was marked by his colleagues who made a presentation to Denis and his gathered family.

Regional Manager, National Parks & Wildlife Service Ger O'Donnell, as well as a number of staff members thanked Denis

for his years of service which included varying roles during his time in the Park.

Denis started work at Glenveagh in 1977 with the Board of Works on behalf of the Irish State when they purchased the land to create the National Park. Starting out, he worked on the 'Fence Crew', who in those days maintained the twenty eight mile deer fence which enclosed the park. His work also included Rhododendron control throughout the Park where Denis was a chainsaw operator. In later years, Denis worked as the car park attendant at the Visitor Centre where he met and

greeted visitors with a smile and friendly word.

A former college said: "We would just like to thank Denis and wish him all the best for the future. He was a great person to work with. He'll have a lot more time now to follow the red and white. He always had a smile and chatted to everyone and was no better man to have working around the carparks when visitors arrived because of his friendly nature when he would meet them. He would make time for visitors from all over the world and he would chat away to them".

### Red & White delight

One thing for sure is that the red and white of his beloved teams, St Michaels and Man. Utd will get much more of his time now as he has been a devoted supporter of both



Denis Gallagher pictured with his wife Madge and their grandchildren on his retirement function.

Married to Madge, and father to Liam, Patricia and Noreen, he was joined by his grandchildren at his farewell function on Friday. The staff at Glenveagh stated they wish Denis, Madge and their family a long, happy and healthy retirement.

Indeed, Denis, has helped coach the Bridgemen in the past and is still a popular figure within the club and a regular face at Pairc Naomh Micheal.



Madge Gallagher receiving a bouquet of flowers at Denis' retirement function.



Denis pictured with colleagues from Glenveagh National Park.



Denis Gallagher receiving a presentation from James McGinley.



Denis Gallagher pictured with colleagues, family and friends on the occasion of his retirement after 45 years working at Glenveagh National Park.



Denis Gallagher receiving a presentation from Willie Wilkin.

## Cloughaneely

### The late Christopher McFadden

There was widespread regret in the local community and beyond on hearing of the death at his home of Christopher McFadden, Magheraarty, Gortahork. Christopher was a highly respected member of the local community and also amongst the Irish community in London where Christopher travelled to work. He was also a keen sportsman who won medals with the Cloughaneely GAA Club and Glenea FC prior to emigrating and both clubs have paid tribute to Christopher as did the GAA in London where Christopher had lived in recent years.



The deepest sympathy of the community is extended to his parents Harry and Madge, brother Shaun, sister Áine, grandmothers Máire and Brid, and to his extended family and many friends. Christopher's Funeral Mass was held in the Church of Christ the King Church, Gortahork, on Tuesday with internment in the adjacent cemetery.

### Junior Band

Next week's jackpot will be €8,000. There was no Jackpot winner last week and the winning numbers were 3 5 7 12 14 15. There was one match 5 numbers and congratulations to Donnchadh Ó Riain

from Gortahork. Thank you to all the businesses for helping to sell our tickets and to everyone who buys them every week, we really appreciate your continued support.

### Ionad Mhachaire Rabhartaigh

Dé Luain- 5.30-6.45 An Club Spóirt & Spraoi. (19/09/2022- Clárú ar líne) 6.30-9 - Good Food Made Easy- Cúrsa 6 seachtaine do dhaoine óga thar 16bl. 12/09/2022 (Saor in aisce) 7.15-9.15 Ranganna Adhmadóireachta (seisiún eolais 19/09, ag tosú 26/09/2022) 7.15-9.15 Grúpa Fuála (le socrú) Dé Máirt - 10-11.30 Grúpa Tuismitheoir agus Tachrán 19/09/2022. 1-1.45 Ióga Cathaoir (20/09/2022) 6.30-8 Páistí Cois Mara (20/09/2022- Clárú ar líne) Dé Céadaoin- 10-12 Mná Phort Mhaise (07/09/2022) 11-12.30 Ranganna Comhrá Gaelige (le socrú) 7-9 Upholstery- (Dáta le socrú); Ealaín (Mí Samhain) Cispheile do dhaoine fásta -Mná 7-8; Fir 8-9 (Mí Samhain) Déardaoin- 11-11.45 Chair Aerobics (15/09/2022) 7.30-8.30 Aerobics (Mí Deireadh Fómhair) 7.30-8.30 Cardaí (15/09/2022) Dé hAoine 7-9 Club Óige Chríost Rí (Dáta le socrú) Dé Satharn 7-9 Oileán na nÓg (10/09/2022) Tuilleadh eolais ó Síle @0749135556/0830769242 nó ar Facebook.

### Culture Night

Culture night on 23rd September, come join in some fun and either paint or draw a street scene on Friday evening, 23rd September at 6-8pm. This event is free and open to all ages and abilities and all are welcome to set up and paint or draw along side the plein air painters of Donegal (The Gaeltacht Thiar thir chonail art group). All work will be unsigned and anonymously adjudicate by an independent art judge who will offer an art voucher valued at €75 to 3 suc-

cessful participants on the night... as an incentive to inspire them on their artistic journey. This event is then followed up by a sing along as Gaelic in Colls Bar Magheraarty, where finger food will be served. All welcome, come along and have some fun.

### The Parent and Toddler

The Parent and Toddler Group will take place every Thursday from 10.30am to 12 noon, in Garradh Cholm Cille Centre, F92 W3H7 starting on Thursday 15th September. Babies, Toddlers and family member are all very welcome. Tea and coffee will be provided. For more information contact Rosemary @ pobaille@gmail.com or 9180111.

### Senior Band

Beidh Cruinniú Cinn Bliana ag Buion Cheoil Sinsear Chloich Cheann Fhaola ar an 6ú lá dé Dheireadh Fomhair i Halla na Paróiste Gort A' Choire ag tosnú ar 9.00 i.n.

### Ri-Oga Dance Academy

Ri-Oga Dance Academy classes continue on Monday's and Wednesday's during September in Aras Begley Hall. Beginners class is on Wednesday at 3.30pm. For further information contact Maureen on 074 91 65541.

### Pilates

Pilates course continues every Thursday 6.30pm in Pobal Eascarrach Ballina Resource Centre, Falcarragh. 6 week course €60, booking essential. Unfortunately this class is not suitable for complete beginners contact Victoria to book 0873297169.

### Day Trip to Lough Derg

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The fee €65 all in.

### CE Scheme

Falcarragh Community Organisation have a number of vacancies on the CE Scheme in Falcarragh and Dunlewey, all of these vacancies are developmental opportunities. Should you wish to apply please contact Kevin or Marion in our office above the Barber in Falcarragh or phone 074 9165782 during office hours.

### Coffee Morning

Donegal Hospice Fundraising Coffee Morning on Thursday 22nd September from 10am to 1.30pm at Ionad Naomh Fionnán (New Hall). Please support this worthy cause.



Sheamus Greene, Meenlaragh who won the Falcarragh 50/50 prize this week of €818 pictured receiving his prize.

## Dunfanaghy

### Congratulations

Congratulations to Arnolds Hotel who last weekend was chosen as one of the top 100 'Hot' Hotels in Ireland in the Irish Independent. Being included in this list is testament to the Arnold family and their team and is just the latest in a number of awards won by the Arnolds over the last few years. Arnolds is celebrating its 100th Anniversary this year.

### Dunfanaghy Tidy Towns

A Tidy Towns members meeting will take place on Monday 19th September at 7pm at the Workhouse. Items to be discussed are plans for this year in the areas of: Green Spaces; Streetscape; Keeping Dunfanaghy Tidy. Also planning for future events that could involve Tidy Towns. All welcome!

### Play Station at Workhouse

'Play Station' with Dunfanaghy FRC at The Workhouse every Monday at 10.30am - 12pm at the team at the Dunfanaghy Resource Centre host an outdoor sensory playstation at The Workhouse playground for parents / carers and toddlers to come along and encourage outdoor activities, games, songs and meet other parents / carers and children within the community. For more information contact: 083 073 0714.

### Wellness Café

Wellness Café with Dunfanaghy FRC at The Workhouse 'Connect with a Cuppa' every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at 10.30am

- 12pm with a very warm welcome from the team at the Dunfanaghy Resource Centre. The next drop in Monday is 26th Sept. For more information contact: 086 076 6670.

### Cinema Club

Dunfanaghy Cinema Club at The Workhouse invite all cinema and film lovers to join the cinema club at The Workhouse that will meet every Thursday at 6.30pm! €5 one off membership and registration fee, with a charge of €3 per screening weekly. Votes on film genres, new releases and local documentaries will take place weekly allowing members to have their say. Thursday the 15th of Sept at 6.30pm the first film that will be screened is "Last Night in Soho".

### Irish Language Classes

Beginners Irish Language Classes at The Workhouse starting Monday the 19th of September from 6.30pm - 8pm The Workhouse will host weekly Irish Language Classes for beginners with Irish Language Teacher Aodh Mac Gairbheha. This class is fully funded by the ETB and free to attend for those who wish to learn a 'cupla focal' over tea and coffee in a conversational setting. Booking not required but registration on Monday the 19th is essential to take part in the autumn/winter term. Contact The Workhouse at 913 6540 for more information.

### First Aid Course

Free 2 year accredited First Aid Course with the Donegal Volunteer Centre at The Workhouse will take

place on Tuesday 27th of September at 9am - 12pm. Tea and Coffee will be provided and the course is free to participate - booking is essential to take part. This course is fully funded by the Donegal Volunteer Centre and is open to the community to attend. Contact The Workhouse at 9136540 to book your place.

### Customer Service Training

Free Customer Service Training with the Donegal Volunteer Centre at The Workhouse will take place on Wednesday 28th of September at 10am - 12pm. Tea and Coffee will be provided and the course is free to participate - booking is essential to take part. This course is fully funded by the Donegal Volunteer Centre and is open to the community to attend. Contact The Workhouse at 913 6540 to book your place.

### Ballymore Bowling Club

Ballymore Bowling Club reopened on Monday 5th September and all members are welcome back after such a long time off. New members very welcome to join us. Mondays and Wednesday's from 8pm to 10pm at Ballymore Parish Centre. Contact Tommy Mc Kinley on 0868547806 or Susan Moffitt on 0861730397 if you require more info.

### Active age

The Active Age Group continues in the Ozanam Centre on Thursday's from 11am until 1pm and any new members would be very welcome.

### COVID 2nd and 3rd BOOSTERS

The Creeslough practice are continuing with the booster programme, we are now inviting patients of the practice aged over 50 and anyone aged over 12 who

has an underlying health condition to attend for a second booster. 3rd boosters are now being offered to anyone over 65 or under 65 and immunocompromised. We continue to offer covid vaccines to eligible patients who are unvaccinated, or who require their first booster. For all boosters it must be 4 months since your last booster, or 4 months from having had Covid.

You can email the surgery for an appointment. Email - creesloughprimarycare@gmail.com or all us on 074 9138388 or on a Monday and Friday afternoon call 9136527. For more information on the Practice, you can go to our website www.dunfanaghyhealth.com.

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### Family Resource Centre

The Dunfanaghy Family Resource Centre host the following services: Wee Baby group with Breastfeeding support meeting on Tuesday mornings 10.00 - 12 and is supported by Labhaoise our PHN. Counselling and Play Therapy Service: Low cost Adult counselling and play therapy services for children aged 5+ are available locally here at the Centre. To book an appointment please contact the Pastoral Centre on 9121853 Computer Access and Administration Service at the Resource Centre which are available for members of the community to access and we also have a printing and admin service available by appointment and drop in. For more info

ring 9136548.

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### Dunfanaghy Country Markets

The Dunfanaghy Country Market will be in the Market Square from 10 to 1 every Saturday.

### Ozanam Defibrillator

The Automated External Defibrillator installed outside the Ozanam Community Centre is available to anyone who may need it as there is no key or code required to open the cabinet.

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## Dunfanaghy Men's Shed Build a Spinning Wheel

The members of the Dunfanaghy Men's Shed have been busy recently making a Spinning Wheel. In years gone by Spinning Wheels were to be found in many houses around the countryside as in the days before the mass production of cheap clothes they were the only way of making clothes for the family.

The basic spinning of yarn involves taking a clump of fibres and teasing a bit of them out, then twisting it into a basic string shape. The spinner continues pulling and twisting to make it longer and longer, and to control the thickness. Thousands of years ago, people began doing this onto a stick, called a spindle, which

was a very lengthy process. The actual wheel part of a spinning wheel does not take the place of the spindle, instead it automates the twisting process, allowing one to "twist" the thread without having to constantly do so manually, and also the size of the wheel lets one more finely control the amount of twist. The thread still ends up on a spindle, just as it did before the invention of the wheel.

The wheel itself was originally free-moving, spun by a hand or foot reaching out and turning it directly. Eventually, simple mechanisms were created that let a person simply push at a pedal and keep the

wheel turning at an even more constant rate. This mechanism has been the main source of technological progress for the spinning wheel, before the 18th century. Spinning Wheels were fundamental to the Cotton Textile Industry prior to the Industrial Revolution and they remained in use and were a familiar sight in Irish homes for generations.

The Dunfanaghy Men's Shed were inspired to build the Spinning Wheel by their newest member Andy Hanlon who recently celebrated his 85th birthday and would have worked on Spinning Wheels with his father George as a young man. The Spinning Wheel has attracted a lot of attention locally since it was built and was on display at a number of events lo-

cally including the Dunfanaghy August Fair.

On Friday last the members of the Men's Shed brought the Spinning Wheel to the Dunfanaghy Workhouse where a display of Spinning was put on by Mary Law from Marble Hill who has been using Spinning Wheels for a number of years. Mary gave a demonstration and she also gave a run down on the history of the Spinning Wheel and how she had started using Spinning Wheels after she and her husband purchased a small holding in Scotland.

She pointed out that from one sheep's fleece she could spin one adult jumper and two children's ones.

Andy Hanlon told those present about

the importance of the Spinning Wheel to the local families where everything from socks to jumpers for children and the local farmers and fishermen would come from the spinning wheel.

This was a very interesting demonstration and thanks to Mary Law and the members of the Men's Shed for hosting it. The Men's Shed have become an integral part of the local community taking part in local events and parades and on Friday, Tommy McGinley on behalf of the Sheddors thanked everyone for coming along to the demonstration and to the Dunfanaghy Workhouse for hosting the event. The Spinning Wheel is currently on display at the Dunfanaghy Workhouse.



Andy Hanlon using the Spinning Wheel



Corrine McGinley spinning in the Workhouse on Friday last



Mary Law working at the Spinning Wheel built by the Dunfanaghy Mens Shed at the Exhibition in the Workhouse in Dunfanaghy on Friday afternoon last and on the right Breege Ward keeping a watchful eye on Mary Law.



Members of the Dunfanaghy Mens Shed pictured with their Spinning Wheel on Friday in The Workhouse

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## Congratulations

Congratulations to Shaun Stewart, Ards, on being the winner of the successful Post to Post Adventure Race in Na Dunaibh. His time was 1 hour 48 minutes and 54 seconds. One hundred and sixty two people finished. The Race consisted of a 4km run starting and finishing at the GAA Clubhouse, then a 25km bike run and 1km kayak on Glen lake before another 10km bike run and a 2km run with another 9km bike run back to the GAA Clubhouse finishing with a 1km run.

## Adult Studies

Adult Studies in the Catechism of the Catholic Church beginning on 20th September at Ards Friary. This group is open to everyone over the age of 18 who would like to take part. An information evening for those interested will take place on Tuesday, 20th September at 7.30 p.m. in Ards Friary. To express interest or for more information contact Br. Jeremy at the Friary (074 913 8005) or jeremiah.henehan@yahoo.ie

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## Furniture/ Jumble Sale

Creeslough Community Association Intends holding a Furniture and Jumble Sale in the Cope Yard the weekend of the 24th and 25th September. Anyone wishing to donate to the sale may bring items to the Cope Yard on Saturday, 17th September between 11am and 12noon. No clothing please. Further details of the sale in next week's edition.

## Two Hand Dancing

The Two Hand Dancing resumes again in the Massinass Centre in Creeslough on Tuesday evenings from 8pm to 10pm. Beginners are very welcome to come along on the night. It is a great form of exercise.

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## Summer Opening times

The Gift Shop at Ards Friary will be open Monday to Saturday 12 until 5 pm and Sunday 12 until. 6:45 pm. The Coffee Dock will be open Monday to Saturday 12 until 6 pm and Sunday 12 until 7 pm

## Online

Mass from St. Michael's Church is available online on <https://mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-michaels-church> Parish and on 106.2FM.

## St. Vincent De Paul

If you find yourself in need of help at this or any time of the year please contact us on 0862328791 or contact any of our members and assured of our confidentiality at all times.

## Clothes Bank

A clothes bank is now situated on High St, Creeslough ie around the corner from McNulty's Bar in aid of St. Michael's Minor Board. If anyone is clearing out presses etc. all donations of clothes, shoes, bags, curtains etc would be much appreciated.

## Creeslough Community Alert

A Text Alert Scheme is operational in the area. This is a means of immediate communication from An Garda Siochana to the public. This is a free service and if you would like to be included in the scheme, please ring Patrick on 086 1083488.

## Creensmear Residents say thank you

We the residents of Creensmear, Creeslough would like to thank Councillor Michael Mac-Giolla Easbuig for getting our road repaired and

made safe at the dangerous T Junction. Go raibh mile maith agat a Michael Colm. *From the residents of Creensmear,*

## The late Ben McFadden Ards Thank You

Bernadette and the family wish to extend sincere thanks to all who made a donation to the Creeslough Community Association (CCA) in lieu of flowers at the time of Bens passing. To date the CCA have received €2334. Ben had a vision for the village and still had work to do before his untimely death. With these very generous donations the CCA team will continue their hard work and dedication to these projects for the continual improvement of Creeslough.

*Go raibh mile maith agaibh go leir*



Ryan Moore presenting €1530 the proceeds from the recent Tractor Run at the Kildarragh Fair to Creeslough Community Childcare. Also in the picture are Natalie Hagney Manager Creeslough Community Childcare and Board Members Enda Boyce, Mairead Langan and Donna Jacob and also Dylan Alcorn, William Sheridan and Shaun Lafferty from the Creeslough Vintage Club who organised the event.

# EARLY BIRD

## BUY YOUR WINNING TICKET IN SEPTEMBER AND YOU COULD WIN €100

# €30,000!

## MEMBERS CAR DRAW 2022

### BE IN TO WIN!

**CAR DRAW WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2022**



Anne Devine making a presentation to Naomi Brogan, Patient Support Co-ordinator, Irish Heart Foundation for €3000. This money was raised from a Quiz Fundraiser held in Patsy Dan's Bar in Dunfanaghy during the summer. Anne would like to say many thanks to all who supported this cause especially Donald Craig for his contribution from music provided in the Bar.



The presentation of cheques from the recent Tractor Run and Fair Day and 5K to Creeslough Community Childcare and Dunfanaghy Youths took Place in McCarry's Bar in Kildarragh on Saturday evening. Pictured is Ryan Moore presenting a cheque for €2500 to Colm Murray from Dunfanaghy Youths. Also included are Hugh McCarry and Peter McCarry.



# GAA Club News

## CLG Naomh Ádhamhnáin

### Quarter Finals:

Our Senior A team will play St. Michaels this Saturday at 5.30. Our Senior B team will play Kilcar at 3.30. Both games to be played in Glenties. Best of luck to both teams and management. Please come out and support the teams.

O'Donnell Park will hold two games on Sunday. At 12.15 we have the reserves of N Conaill v Cloughaneely and at 2.30, we have the senior game between N Conaill v Glenswilly which will be shown live on TG4. All help is greatly appreciated for Sunday. If you are available to steward or help in any way, please let any member of the club know. Thanks to everyone who helped at the weekend and to Vincent & Andrew who had the pitch in great condition.

Well done to the Junior B team who defeated Glenfin with a score of 4-18 to 1-02. Maith sibh uilig.

Hard luck to the Minor Boys who were defeated by Glenswilly on Monday evening.

Our u17 hurlers who played Carndonagh on Sunday evening. It ended in a draw and there will be a replay to come.

Hard luck to our Div 1 u13 team who were beaten by Moville on Sunday evening. The final score was 3-12 to 1-10 to Moville. Well done, Moville. Hard luck to Gabby and the team.

The club lotto entries can be made online through the club website or through Adrian who is back selling the lotto envelopes. The draw will take place every Monday at 8pm in Blake's Bar and online.

The win a car draw was launched on Saturday. Get your tickets from any club member.

The Century Complex Sunday Morning Academy is on each Sunday morning from 10-11. Hurling is back on Friday evenings at 6.30 to 7.30. Everyone is welcome and you can register online. Club fixtures are available on social media.

## St. Michael's

### Senior Championships



Johnny Friel (Fanad Gaels) heads for goal during Saturday's Intermediate Reserve Quarter-final at the O'Donnell Park.



Fergus Friel mounts another attack for Fanad Gaels in the Reserve quarter-final on Saturday.

Good luck to the Senior and Reserve Teams who are in the Quarter final action in the Senior and Senior Reserve Championship on Saturday. The Reserves get the action under way on Saturday when they make the long trip to Lettermacaward to take on Gweedore for a 12noon throw in time. The Seniors are also on the road later on in the day when they travel to the Davey Brennan Memorial Park in Glenties to take on reigning champions St. Eunans with the throw in at 3.30pm. Good luck to both teams and managements on Saturday.

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### Congratulations

Congratulations to the Under 9 Team and management who won the Patsy Furey Memorial Cup in the Davey Brennan Park in Glenties on Saturday.

Hard luck to the B team who lost out narrowly in their semi-final.

### Under 13's

Congratulations to the Under 13's who beat Naomh Brid on Sunday in Convoy to reach the All County Division 2 Final. The final is on this Sunday.

### Hard Luck

Hard luck to our Under 14 Girls who were narrowly defeated by Bundoran in the Division 4 Final in Killygordon on Saturday.

## Gaeil Fhánada

### Lotto Results 11/09/2022

Numbers: 4, 8, 9, 21, 22. No jackpot winner. €100

Winner: Seamie Friel (Nanny) This week's jackpot €1850.

### September 'Grab a Grand'

The Club will launch our September 'Grab a Grand' competition on our online platforms on Friday at midday.

### Cluichí na Seachtaine

Dé hAoine, 16ú Meán Fómhair

Faoi 12, Faoi 10, Faoi 8 Sraith an Pharóiste @ 6:15

### Buachaillí Faoi 17 - Craobh

Cloich Cheann Fhaola v Gaeil Fhánada 6:30

### Dé Domhnaigh, 18ú Meán Fómhair

Peil na mBan - Cluiche Leathcheannais Craobh Idirmheánach

Ard an Rátha v Gaeil Fhánada 10:30



Kieran Barron (Value Centre) with Rowan Smith (U17s), Taidy Barrett (U13s) and Noah Homer (U15s) members of the Boys Academy at Letterkenny Gaels and coaches Brian Sweeney (U15 Coach), Charlie Creevy (U17 Coach) and Declan Barrett (U13 Coach)

## Craobh Idirmheánach B - Cluiche Leathcheannais (Reserve)

Gaeil Fhánada v Naomh Columba 4:00

Venue: Páirc Mhic Cumhaill

## Craobh Idirmheánach - Cluiche Leathcheannais (Sinsear)

Gaeil Fhánada v Naomh Columba 6:00

Venue: Páirc Mhic Cumhaill

### Championship Matchday Sponsors

Thanks to Jacinta's Hairdressers, Kerrykeel, Swilly Mulroy Credit Union and also to an anonymous sponsor who supported our senior, reserve and ladies games at the weekend.

### McAteer goal clinches last four spot

Gaeil Fhánada 1:10 Na Dúnaibh 0:11

Alan McAteer struck for goal in the 59th minute to edge Gaeil Fhánada into the lead in the their quarter final at the Bridge on Sunday and in doing so pointed the way for Aidan Mc Ateer's side to qualify for the Intermediate semi finals where they'll face off against Naomh Columba next Sunday. It was a real championship encounter, the stakes were high, and the sizeable crowd in attendance showed exactly what it meant to both clubs. The win rounded off a very good weekend of championship action, and it saw the seniors join both the ladies and the reserves in the final four of their various championships.

Gaeil Fhánada: Mark McConigley, Shaun Kerr, Jimmy Coyle, Odhrán Shiels, Ryan McGonigle, Oisín Shiels (0:02), Darren McElwaine, Bernard McGettigan (0:01), Paddy Carr (0:01), Eoghán Carr, Mark McAteer, James Kerr (0:01), Seamie Friel (0:02), Michael Sweeney, Liam McGrenaghan (0:03). James Gallagher for James Kerr, Paddy Heraghty for Bernard McGettigan, Conor Heraghty for James Kerr, Alan McAteer (1:00) for Seamie Friel.

### Ladies defeat Convoy

Gaeil Fhánada 1:07 Convoy 0:05

Gaeil Fhánada ladies made their way through to the semi final of the Intermediate Championship for the third year on the spin, as they overcame Naomh Mhuire Convoy.

The team now have a semi final clash against Ardara to look forward to next weekend, with the game down for decision at Pearse Memorial Park in Ardara.

Clare Friel, Aisling Howe, Tori Gallagher, Méabh Duffy, Maggie Friel, Niamh McDevitt, Aoife Gibbons (0:01), Eiméar Gibbons, Eimear Sweeney (1:00), Siobhan Sweeney, Lauren Carr (0:04), Iseult Ní Mhathúna, Hannah Shiels, Caoimhe Walsh (0:02), Mairead Coll, Orla McGonigle for Mairead Coll, Michelle Mc Devitt for Eimear Gibbons, Jessica Coll for Siobhan Sweeney, Marie Kerr for Maggie Friel, Emma Friel, Eibhlín Shiels, Méabh McAteer, Aoife McDevitt, Alannah Friel, Samantha Gallagher, Caitlin Heraghty, Leanne Martin.

### Reserves march on against Dungloe

Gaeil Fhánada 2:10 An Clochán Liath 0:09

The Reserves made it three wins on the spin on Saturday at O'Donnell Park in Letterkenny, and more importantly they booked their place in the Intermediate Championship semi final as they secured a seven point victory over Dungloe in the last eight encounter. Both sides played their part in an entertaining contest, but two key goals at vital times in the second half courtesy of substitutes Jonny Friel and Brandon Friel steered the Gaels side into their first semi final since 2016.

Shaun Friel, Pauric Clinton, Aiden Heraghty (0:01), Liam Sweeney, Christy Sweeney, Kevin McGonigle, Paul Coyle (0:02), Oisín McFadden(0:02), Brandon McClafferty, Thomas McConigley, Mark Friel (0:03), Fergal Friel (0:02), Fergus Friel, Eoin McGonigle, Patrick Friel. Jonny Friel (1:00) for Patrick Friel, Michael McDevitt for Christy Sweeney, Darren McAteer for Kevin McGonigle, Brandon Friel (1:00) for Eoin McGonigle, Rudi Feenstra for Thomas McConigley. Patrick Shiels, Bernard Martin, Conor McConigley, Aaron McConigley, Ryan Mc Ateer, Declan Coyle.

### U17 Boys

Well done to our minor boys side who recorded victory over Bundoran on Friday by 4:08 to 1:10. Unfortunately, Ciarán Sweeney picked up a bad injury in the game, and we all wish him a speedy recovery.

Brian Gallagher, Ciaran Sweeney, Jamie McAteer, Cormac Sweeney, Shane Carr (0:01), Cormac Shovlin, Shaun Carr, Declan Brougham, Emmet Kelly, Darragh O'Doherty (2:01), Cormac Dunleavy, Daibhid Lynch, Charlie McAteer (2:06). Eoghán Logue for Ciaran Sweeney, Adam Ward for Cormac Dunleavy, Ciaran McElwaine for Cormac Sweeney, Killian Friel for Daibhid Lynch.

### U5's

U5 training resumed on Saturday. It was great fun for all the kids. Thanks to all the parents and our coaches, Leanne, Samantha, Jessica, Meabh and Caitlin. See everyone next Saturday at 11.

### Scór Sinsir

Bhí Mairéad Ní Fhrighil san iomaíocht sa chomórtas Amhránaíocht Aonair, agus bhí Seán Ó Dorraidhín, Maghnas Mac Giolla Bháin, Micheál Ó Frighil agus Micheál Mac Giolla Bháin ag glacadh páirte sa Tráth na gCeist in Ailt an Chorráin Dé hAoine seo caite.

## Letterkenny Gaels

The Junior B footballers travel to Burt this Saturday to take on Robert Emmetts in the quarterfinals of the Championship. Throw in at Hibernian Park is 12 noon. All support is welcome. The Junior A team awaits this weekend's quarterfinals to see who they play in the semifinal in the coming weeks.

Commiserations to our senior ladies football team who lost out to Red Hughs in the Shield semi final last Sunday. This brings a close to the season for them. The Club are planning on entering an U-21 team for this year if there is interest. Please contact Michael on 087 779 7292 for details.

Congratulations to all of our musicians, singers, actors, reciters and quizzers on a wonderful evening representing our club last Friday night at Scór Sinsir in Burtonport. Particular congratulations to the ballad group, Deirdre, Bernie, Aoife, Mark and Michael and Brian for recitation, all who are now County champions. The Ulster semi final is up next in Cavan on the 1st October. Letterkenny Gaels Club merchandise shop is now open online via the O'Neill website. The extensive range of club gear is available in kids, ladies and mens sizes. Check out www.oneills.com for full details.

The U-17 footballers continued their championship campaign last Friday with a home defeat to An Clochán Liath. This Friday they lads make the journey to Bundoran to take on CLG Realt na Mara. The annual Fiona Doherty Memorial U-14 girls football tournament takes place this weekend

GAA Club Championships

# Big championship weekend ahead

There's a hectic programme of GAA Club Championship matches ahead this weekend at senior, intermediate and junior level. Three of the senior quarter-finals take place on Saturday with reigning champions St. Eunan's taking on St. Michael's in Glenties at 5.30.

Rory Kavanagh's men will be firm favourites to advance to the last four of the competition. Earlier in the day there is a local derby in Donegal Town where Kilcar takes on Killybegs (12 mid-day). The Towney outfit are heavily backed to make it through to the semi-finals.

At 3.30 in Killybegs it should be a very interesting clash between Aodh Ruadh Ballyshannon and Gweedore with Trevor Alcorn's side tipped to come out on top. There is just the one quarter-final on Sunday and that is the eagerly awaited tie between Glenswilly and Naomh Conaill at the O'Donnell Park (throw-in 2.30).

When the two sides met in a group opener it ended all square in Foxhall and it was probably a fair enough outcome on the day. It has been a good campaign so far for Pauric Bonner's team but the Glenties men will be expected to win this contest.

The Senior B Football Championship quarter-finals also take place over the weekend with three ties on Saturday. Leitrimacaward is the venue for St Michael's against Gaoth Dobhair (12:00); Davy Brennan Memorial Park hosts the meeting of St Eunan's and Kilcar (3:30); Eamonn Byrne Memorial Park is the location for the clashe of Aodh Ruadh and Gleann Fhinne (5:30). The remaining quarter-final takes place on Sunday at O'Donnell Park in Letterkenny with Naomh Conaill taking on Cloich Cheann Fhaola (12:15).

The two Intermediate A Championship Semi-finals also take place over the weekend. On Saturday night Ardara is the venue for An Clochán Liath v An Tearmann, (8:00).

The Burn Road outfit will have to step up a couple of gears to get the better of Dungloe. On Sunday, September Páirc Sheáin Mhic Cumhaill will host the second semi-final between Naomh Columba and Gaeil Fhánadá, (6:00). While it was a dramatic win over Downings last Sunday, Aidan McAteer and Barry Meehan's task this week has been to bring the players down off that high. They will have to produce a much better perfor-

mance to get the better of the Glencolumcille side who really impressed in their win over Bunrana at the O'Donnell Park on Sunday.

Fanad Gaels and Termon are also involved in the Intermediate B Championship Semi-finals. On Saturday, September at part of a double header at Pearse Memorial Park, Naomh Mhuire, Conmhaigh will provide the opposition for An Tearmann, (6:00).

On Sunday at Páirc Sheáin Mhic Cumhaill, Naomh Columba will be Gaeil Fhánadá's opponents (4:00).

In the Junior A Football Championship there are two Quarter-finals on Saturday. At Páirc Uí Dochartaigh, Carn Domhnach take on Iorras, (3:00) while at Páirc Uí Dhomhnaill, St Eunan's will face Na Rossa (3:00).

Gaeil Leitir Ceanainn will be looking to continue the journey to make it back-to-back Junior B Football Championship titles on Saturday at Hibernian Park against Robert Emmetts (12:00). The other semi-final at Páirc Uí Dochartaigh sees Naomh Pádraig Uisce Chaoin up against Iorras (3:30).

## GAA Fixtures & Results

Fixtures

Senior A Football Champ Quarter-finals

Saturday, September 17th

Tirconail Park, Kilcar v Killybegs, 12:00, Seamus McGonagle

Eamonn Byrne Memorial Park, Aodh Ruadh v Gaoth Dobhair, 15:30 Marc Browne

Davy Brennan Memorial Park, St Eunan's v St Michael's, 17:30

Sunday, September 18th

Páirc Uí Dhomhnaill,

Nh Conaill v Glenswilly, 14:30, Enda McFeely

Senior B Football Championship

Saturday, September 17th

Leitrimacaward, St Michaels v Gaoth Dobhair, 12:00, John Ward

Davy Brennan Memorial Park, St Eunan's v Kilcar, 15:30, Robert O'Donnell

Eamonn Byrne Memorial Park, Aodh Ruadh v Gleann Fhinne, 17:30, Kenneth Byrne

Sunday, September 18th

Páirc Uí Dhomhnaill

Naomh Conaill v Cloich Cheann Fhaola, 12:15, Robert O'Donnell

Intermediate A Championship Semi-finals

Saturday, September 17th

Pearse Memorial Park, An Clochán Liath v An Tearmann, 20:00, Sean McDaid

Sunday, September 18th

Páirc Sheáin Mhic Cumhaill, Naomh Columba v Gaeil Fhánadá, 18:00, Val Murray

Intermediate B Championship Semi-finals

Saturday, September 17th

Pearse Memorial Park, Naomh Mhuire, Conmhaigh v An Tearmann, 18:00, Greg McGroary

Sunday, September 18th

Páirc Sheáin Mhic Cumhaill, Naomh Columba v Gaeil Fhánadá, 16:00, Mark McGlinchey

Intermediate A Relegation

Saturday, September 17th

Hibernian Park, Naomh Mhuire, Conmhaigh v Malainn, 14:00, Dermot McColgan

An Bheart v Naomh Bríd, 17: Ref TBC

Junior A Football Champ Quarter-finals

Saturday, September 17th

Páirc Uí Dochartaigh, Carn Domhnach v Iorras, 13:00, Stephen Doherty

Páirc Uí Dhomhnaill, St Eunan's v Na Rossa 15:00, Trevor Maloney

Junior B Football Championship

Saturday, September 17th

Hibernian Park, Gaeil Leitir Ceanainn v Roibeard Éimíd, 12:00, Martin Mckinley

Páirc Uí Dochartaigh

Naomh Pádraig Uisce Chaoin v Iorras, 15:30, Paul Clifford

Senior A Football Championship

Relegation semi-finals

Sunday September 25th

Venue TBC, Realt na Mara v Milford, 15:00

Eamonn Byrne Memorial Park, Ard an Ratha v Naomh Naille, 13:00

### Results

Intermediate A Championship Quarter-finals

Saturday, September 10th

An Clochán Liath 3-10 Nh Muire Íochtar na Rosann 0-11

Sunday, September 11th

Na Dunaibh 0-11 Gaeil Fhánadá 1-10

Naomh Columba 3-13 Bunranncha 0-11

An Tearmann 1-8 Red Hughs 0-10

Intermediate B Championship

Saturday, September 10th

An Clochán Liath 0-9 Gaeil Fhánadá 2-10

Sunday, September 11th

Nh Mhuire Conmhaigh 2-7 Red Hughs 0-5

Nh Columba 3-10 Malainn, 0-7

An Tearmann 7-8 Bunranncha 1-7

Senior C Football Championship

Saturday, September 10th

St Eunan's 4-18 Gleann Fhinne 1-2

fosta. Thig na leabhartaí Bingo a fháil ar líne ag: nadunaibh.ie/bingo go dtí a 1 a chlog Dé Sathairn. Thig leabhartaí a cheannacht fosta ag Boyce's Centra, Micky Joe's Country Store agus Siopa na nDúnaibh nó ó Joe Mac Giolla Bhríde (Joe Fhearghail) Beifear a ndíol go dtí a 1pm Dé Sathairn.

If anyone is interested in helping out with the Bingo nights please contact Richard Conneely for more information.

More assistance is required at the Bingo and unfortunately the Bingo may have to be cancelled due to lack of help available. If anyone is interested in helping out with the Bingo on Saturday nights please contact the page with more information.

## GAA Club News

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at Páirc na nGael. The four teams taking part are Letterkenny Gaels, St. Eunan's, Termon and MacCumhaill. Underage Hurling training continues at Páirc na nGael every Thursday between 6:30-7:30pm for kids from 4 years to 11 years old.

Bingo continues every Monday evening at the Arena 7 and on-line. Books can be purchased every Thursday evening at A7 from 6.30-8pm and Saturday from 12noon to 1pm. €2,260 up for grabs every Monday.

**Baile na nGalloglach**

Lotto: 11/9//22

NUMBERS: 8-14-18-25 No Jackpot winner.

Congratulations to Paul Murray, Drumacloghan, Ramelton our Lucky Dip winner of €50. Jackpot next week will be €1,400.

**Results/Fixtures**

**Senior Men**

Our Senior Men play Bundoran in the relegation playoff on weekend of 24th/25th September.

**Senior Ladies**

Our Senior Ladies bow out of the Intermediate Championship as they were narrowly defeated by N Muire in the quarter final on Sunday last at the Banks. The girls tried hard with Orla Harrison playing particularly well.

**Minor Boys**

Killybegs 1-16 CLG Baile na nGalloglach 1-7.

A good team effort last Friday against a very strong Killybegs side. Once again, Finn Coll had an outstanding game, ably supported by Corey Lee McConigley, Milo McLaughlin, Sean Black and Oisín McHugh. Special mention goes out to David Ronaldo Ferry who scored a cracker of a goal. We have a Shield Quarter Final in 3 weeks' time.

**U13 Boys**

Training continues on Mondays and Wednesdays 5.45 to 6.45. The draw for the Championship takes place this weekend.

**U11 Boys**

Our U11 boys had a match against St Michaels on Saturday last with great displays of football on show and the boys improving every week. They host Fanad on Sunday morning at 10.30am.

**U9 Boys**

Our U9s travel to Downings this Saturday for a match with an 11 o'clock throw-in.

**U7 Boys and Girls**

Our U7s have a home game against St Michaels this Sunday (18th) at 10.30am - all support welcome. U5 training continues at pitch in Ray at 5.45pm on Friday evenings, followed by U7 training at 6.45pm.

**Culture**

**Ciorcal Comhrá**

Our Ciorcal Comhrá continues in the Coffee Doc, Travellers Inn every Friday at 4pm. This is an informal conversation circle. Welcome is ex-



Brandon McClafferty in action for Fanad Gaels reserves at the O'Donnell Park on Saturday

tended to everyone who would like to practise their cúpla focal.

Beidh an Ciorcal Comhrá ar siúl sa Coffee Doc, Travellers Inn, Baile na nGalloglach ar an Aoine ag 4pm. Buail isteach. Fáilte is fiche.

**Traditional Music Sessions**

CLG Baile na nGalloglach Culture Committee in conjunction with CCE Maoil Ruaidh are running traditional music sessions in the Clubhouse at Moyle Park, on Monday evenings. 7-8pm for Children and 8-10pm for adults. Some experience of playing an instrument is necessary.

**CLG Na nDúnaibh**

Torthaí lotto ó oíche Luain's chuaigh thart. 9 11 14 agus 26 na huimhreacha a tarraingíodh. Char bhain duine ar bith an pota óir agus bhí na trí uimhir ag beirt agus ba sin Colm How-



Members of Letterkenny Gaels GAA Club who took part in the Donegal Scór Sinsir which was hosted by CLG An Clochán Liath at the weekend. The Club now progresses to the Ulster semi final in the Ballad Group and Recitation section.

ley agus Stephen Kerr. Gheobhann siad €75 an duine. Beidh an chéad tarraingt eile ar an 19ú Meán Fómhair agus tá €2,800 sa phota óir.

**Foirne Sinsir.**

Cha deachaigh torthaí na gcluichí mar a bhí muid ag súil leo ag deireadh na seachtaine sna cluichí ceathrú ceannais den Chraobh. Fuair An Clochán Liath an bhuaidh ar na girseachaí ar Páirc na nDúnaibh leis an scór:

Na Dúnaibh 1-4 An Clochán Liath 2-6

Ach caithfear comhghairdeas a dhéanamh leis na girseachaí agus lena bhfoireann bainistíochta as an bhliain iontach a bhí acu. Maith sibh uilig agus thig libh a bheith ag súil go mór leis an bhliain seo chugainn. I gcluiche na bhfeair idir na Dúnaibh agus Gaeil Fhánadá I nDún Fionnachaidh fuair Gaeil Fhánadá an bhuaidh leis an scór Gaeil Fhánadá 1-10 Na Dúnaibh 0-11.

Bhí lámh an uachtair ag na Dúnaibh sa chluiche seo ar feadh tréimhsí fada ach cha dtiocfadh leofa an mháistreacht sin a chur ar chlár na scóran-na. Tháinig Fánaid ar ais orthu le cúl sna bomaití deireanacha. Caithfear foghlaim ón chluiche seo. Ach bhí bliain mhór ag na gasúraí uilig agus chuir siad fhéin agus an fhoireann bainistíochta iarracht mhór isteach ina gcuid oiliúna agus ina gcuid ullmhúcháin. Bliain eile ag fanacht orainn!

Tá muid buíoch don phobal as a gcuid taobair sa chluiche seo i rith na bliana agus tá súil go leanfaidh sin ar aghaidh ar an bhliain seo chugainn. Beidh cruinniú ag Bord na Mionúr sa chluthéach oíche Aoine 16ú Meán Fómhair ag 7pm Bingo

Tá muid ar ais in Ionad CLG oíche Shathairn agus tá súil againn go mbeidh sibh linn, tosaíonn an Bingo ag 8.30. Tá muid ar Zoom



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**Dunfanaghy Youths 50/50**  
 Congratulations to the winner of last week's Dunfanaghy Youth 50/50 Marie Murphy who won €470 and received her prize at the Garth Brooks Concert in Croke Park.



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- Assistant Economic Development Officer
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- Senior Economic Development Officer

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Letterkenny AC

**LAC couple complete Great North Run**

Patricia and Aidan McKenna were also in half marathon action at the weekend. They travelled to the north east of England to run in the Great North Run, one of the world's iconic road races. Both ran well and finished strongly in their age groups. Aidan's time was 1.28.07. Patricia finished the race in 2.15.42. Aidan was 44th out of the huge number of M50 runners. Patricia was well positioned among the vast number of W50 runners. There were 60,000 runners in the event.

Barry Mackey travelled to Ratoath to run in the National Half Marathon Championship. Barry put on an excellent display and finished the 13.1 mile race in a time of 1.28.47. The category was won by evergreen Paucic McKinney. The Inishowen AC man, and former LAC stalwart, recorded an excellent time of 1.15.02. The race winner was Yared Derese, Carrick Aces AC, in 1.05.29.

John Hughes took part in the stamina sapping Slieve Croob Challenge on Saturday. The event comprised a 1050ft climb to the summit, then back down. John's time was 56.38.

Milford AC organised the Hugo Duggan Memorial 10K on Sunday. The race is in memory of Hugo Duggan, who was one of Donegal's best athletes and a man who was well known, well liked and well respected throughout Ireland. Fittingly, Hugo's son, LAC man Karl, was to the fore in the race. He was 2nd in a fast time of 33.29. Karl was just 8 seconds behind race winner, Oran O'Hare. Ciaran McGonagle had a fine run and was 3rd in 33.48. Martin Gormley travelled to his native Glenties at the start of the week, for the 'Charles McGuinness 5K' and finished 8th overall with a time of 20.02. Patrick Trimble, Rosses AC, was the race winner in 17.25.

In Saturday morning's Buncrana parkrun, Martin Gormley succeeded in attaining a sub 20 minute time. Martin's time of 19.49.

John Anthony Mullen was the leading LAC finisher in the Letterkenny parkrun in 23.38. Anthony Farren was 24.22. Dara Dunne was 25.42. John Doherty's time was 26.03. Noel Lynch was 26.11. Maura O'Grady was 26.12.

**Canadian Masters bronze for Brian**



Gortahork native Brian O Domhnaill enjoyed success in his Masters age-category with a third place overall at the Canadian Road Race-Walk Championships over 5km in Blainville, outside Montreal on Sunday. Conditions were very hot and humid for the national event.

**Nominate your local 'heroes'**

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