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Axing of Milford Garda District a negative move

With the November deadline to reduce Donegal's Garda Divisions from four to two, Cllr. Pauric McGarvey says the loss of the Milford District will see a serious decline in services as the population becomes more remote.

By John McAteer

The imminent axing of Milford's Garda status is seen as a regressive step and it has given rise to fears that the loss of the office of District Superintendent will see further reductions in Garda numbers and administration personnel.

It is anticipated that the most obvious cut will see the closure of the 24 hours service.

Growing concerns about the level of Garda administration cover for Milford have also been heightened with speculation that in future the district

will be served from Buncrana. Numbers of reductions to a range of other services are awaiting further clarification, according to Cllr. McGarvey.

He said that remote communities already feeling isolated will be most seriously affected because of the lack of access to a local district headquarters. He stated that communities now feeling isolated will now be much further away from the system and that does nothing to add to public confidence in how the system works.

The Garda Representative Association has already said it is concerned that places further away from HQs will be under-resourced, especially in isolated rural areas.

The four existing Divisions of Letterkenny, Inishowen,



"Milford will become more remote" - Cllr. McGarvey

Milford and Ballyshannon are being reconfigured into North and South with the administration of Milford being consigned to history.

The Milford District Headquarters along with the Office of the Garda Superintendent will be part of the new Northern Division along with Letterkenny and Inishowen. The rest of the county will become known as South Donegal.

The current Milford

area stretches from Fanad Head to Tory Island along with other areas of the former Glenties district.

These changes will see the transfer of Garda operation in areas south of Lackagh Bridge including Creeslough, Falcaragh, Gweedore and the Rosses and other parts of the former Glenties District to Ballyshannon.

These are the most sweeping changes ever in Garda operations in Donegal with Headquarters based only at Letterkenny and Ballyshannon.

The new policing model is to reduce Garda Divisions from 28 to 19 and a reduction of its regions from six to four. This was part of what was described as part of a restructuring model.

Back then the Garda Representative Association said it had no confidence in the Government's com-

mitment to policing reform, claiming it was not consulted about the location of new divisional HQs.

The GRA stated: "Garda management and the Government appear to be completely oblivious to the entitlement of gardaí and the communities we police to have been consulted."

Similar public sentiments are now part of the agenda in Donegal. In 2019, Garda Commissioner Drew Harris said the operating model will see larger divisions with more resources. "It will deliver increased garda visibility in communities, as well as more localised services," he added.

That came as quite a shock to households in rural Donegal... it is an even bigger shock right now.

The divisional changes were also expected to reduce the administrative burden on

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FF prepares for convention vote

Hundreds of Fianna Fail members from across the constituency are expected to converge on the Clanree Hotel in Letterkenny for their general election convention on Thursday night of next week.

Sources told the Tribune that all six candidates nominated were still in the race in mid-week. However, we understand that a number will withdraw their names ahead of the voting for nominations. Delegates are reminded that voting will take place between six and eight o'clock in the evening.

The nominations are Minister Charlie McConalogue, Senator Niall Blaney, Cllrs. Michael Naughton and Donal Kelly, Pat the Cope Gallagher and Ben Harkin.



We understand that the Party Headquarters has accepted a recommendation from the Donegal Constituency Executive to select two candidates at the meeting. There is quite a bit of interest in the vote, given FF has a legacy of avoiding votes on convention night with contestants happy to withdraw. Seemingly, this time may rock that unanimity with reports that three candidates will contest the convention. In former times, the FF membership in Donegal was more than 1,400. In more recent times, that figure is reported to have declined. The convention is scheduled for 8.00pm.

Donegal schools named in abuse report

Two Donegal schools have been named in a scoping inquiry into reported historic sexual abuse at religious schools while another one in Letterkenny appears in an appendix for figures made available to the enquiry.

St. Louis Girls Convent NS in Bundoran and De La Salle Secondary School in Ballyshannon were both named by one respondent each. Meanwhile, Scoil Cholmcille,

formerly the Presentation Brothers, Letterkenny, is in an appendix of figures supplied to the Scoping Enquiry from the religious orders of previous allegations. There are three allegations and two abusers.

Senior Counsel Mary O'Toole's shocking report runs to 700 pages reveals 2,400 allegations of abuse against 884 teachers, priests and others in 308 schools across Ireland.

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New film records Knockalla Coast Road construction

A new film by Arthur Lynch that is dedicated to the pioneers in the building of the Knockalla Coast Road will be shown in Fanad this Saturday.

The film details the vision, skill and effort that went into creating one of Ireland's finest scenic coastal drives and is a celebration of those who worked on this project.

Pictured left - Deputy Neil T. Blaney officially opens the new road.

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Call to honour Ted Ponsonby

Fine Gael Cllr Jimmy Kavanagh is calling on the Council to name the performance area of the Bernard McGlinchey Town Park in memory of the late Ted Ponsonby, the legendary musician who passed away two years ago.

He is also asking the Local Authority to seek funding options to provide a canopy cover for the area to help encourage its use for arts and performance in the Summer months. Cllr Kavanagh will formally propose the motion at next Tuesday's Municipal District Meet-

ing which takes place in the Milford Public Services Centre. Ted Ponsonby who passed in September 2022 was a top class musician who spent his life in the entertainment industry. He played in top bands and with some of the big stars including Van Morrison, Tommy Fleming and Frances Black. Ted was born into a family steeped in music. He grew up in the Oldtown area of Letterkenny. His parents Molly and Terry Ponsonby were significant influences on his life direction. His dad, Terry and

his uncles Willie, Eamon and aunt Ina were members of the hugely popular Ponsonby Showband. After he left school early there was only one career path that Ted was going to follow. He learned the guitar strings from Hugh McLean and they were to play together many times.

As well as playing music Ted was also a talented producer and engineer. He played the acoustic and electric guitars. Bands he played in included The Rascals and The Famesuckers.



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New book by James Woods



A new book from James Woods will be launched in Ostán Loch Altan Gortahork on this Saturday September 7th at 8pm. The new publication is titled "Opinions. Interviews. Life Stories" and is the author's third book.

He describes his latest work as a "book for all seasons as well as a trip down memory lane for many".

He states: "This is my latest literary offering which coincidentally is my third book. Where does the time go, as it seems like only yesterday that I put pen to paper resulting in my first book which was titled "Hard Times Good Times and the Celtic Tiger? The 2nd was the "History of Dunfanaghy Boxing Club" This latest Book is titled "Opinions, Interviews, Life Stories". It is a thought-provoking combination which has something of interest for everyone in the audience from the past to the present and all in between. Yes, in its 272 pages, politics is broached upon and more than a few politicians getting a kick in the shins. There are multiple intriguing stories teased from ordinary members of the public with discerning tastes and tales to test the imagination. Might you be one of those? Contained within the pages are stories of those brave enough to carve their own foothold in the business world and now deal with events that run into the millions. So, there you have it, a book for all seasons as well as a trip down memory lane for many. As it is only proposed as a limited print, to be sure of obtaining a copy for posterity, it is advisable to be there on the night' so mark it down as a reminder in your 'what to do list'.

Relay for Life presentations

This year's Relay for Life presentation event will take place in the Mount Errigal Hotel on Monday evening next.

An open invitation has been extended to team participants and survivors to come along to lend their continued support.

"Indeed, an open invitation is exactly what it says on the tin - we want as many as possible to attend," Relay chairperson, Seamus Devine appealed this week.

Those in attendance on the night will hear the final total of the money raised from the 2024 Relay for Life which was staged at the A.U.T. campus in Letterkenny in late May.

"This year's event was extremely successful with large numbers attending over the weekend and an increase in the teams taking part and survivors attending," the chairperson pointed out. A total of 37 teams participated this year, up from 29 the previous year, he revealed. "Their enthusiasm and energy contributed significantly to the success of the event."

The Relay committee is inviting all volunteers who played their part over the weekend to come along to the presentation function. "We greatly appreciate the time that everyone gave so generously to the event. Similarly, all those involved in the entertainment provided over the weekend

- the event couldn't have happened without you." Chairperson Devine said the organisation was grateful to everyone who sponsored or donated to the teams and to Relay directly.

"Whilst the presentation night itself is primarily about wrapping up the 2024 event, it is also an opportunity for anyone to come along who wants to find out what Relay for Life is all about." The annual Gordy Klatt award - he was the international founder of Relay for Life - will also be presented on the night while the date for next year's event will be disclosed in addition. The presentation night gets underway at 7.30.p.m.



Look who popped into Clarkes Newsagents and bumped into two famous GAA men!!! Brian McGranaghan, Marty Morrissey and Peter Bradley.

90th Birthday Thank you

Sally Greene, Drumany, Letterkenny would like to thank everyone for making her birthday so special. Thank you to my family and everyone who attended Mass in St. Colm Cille Church, Glendown and the surprise party afterwards in Colm Cille Heritage Centre. Thank you to Fr. Michael McKeever for saying Mass and to those who travelled from home and abroad. Thank you to all those who sent Mass cards, greetings cards, gifts and phonecalls. The kindness of all is very much appreciated.



Lennon Ploughing Association match

The Lennon Ploughing Association are holding their 44th annual Ploughing Match on this Saturday 7th Sept. The event will be held by kind permission of Michael Grant on his land at Drumbarrett, Manorcunningham F92 X786. All the usual classes will be taking part including senior world style, junior world style, farm-erette, reversible, three furrow, ten-inch whole work, vintage lift, vintage trail, single furrow and loy digging. The event will start at 11am and will finish at 3pm; Results will be announced at 5pm approx. Refreshments will be available in the field. Proceeds from the match will be given to local charity. The Lennon ploughing association has had a very successful year with good results from the national finals in Rathineska Co Laois last September with Kathleen Donaghy from Let-

terkenny winning the senior ladies loy digging class and Dean Conaghan from Milford winning the under 21 Conventional class and Oliver Peoples Kilmacrennan winning the junior loy digging class. All competitors from County Donegal ploughed very well in their respective classes.

The annual prizegiving supper dance will be held in the Station House Letterkenny on Sat.2nd November music by Simon Peters admission €15. Tickets will be available from club members. Enquiries to Michael McElwee Tel. 087 1706289.

Donegal schools named in abuse report

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The scoping report details the violence, sexual assaults, and rapes amid a culture of silence.

Victims' groups are calling for a redress scheme to be set up for the survivors. This report referenced only Catholic schools and there are new demands for all other schools run by other religions to also be investigated.

A Commission of Investigation has been announced, but a redress scheme recommended in the report has not been decided upon. The Government's long-awaited report into sexual abuse at religious-run boarding and day-schools was prompted by revelations of systemic abuse by the Spiritan order at Blackrock College.

The report reveals that abuse was much more widespread in schools, more pervasive and more flagrant than imagined. They include 17 special schools which recorded 590 allegations involving 190 alleged abusers. At least half of all the alleged perpetrators are known to be deceased.

Education Minister Norma Foley said the Government will begin the process of establishing a commission of investigation into the abuse, though survivors fear this could delay redress or justice.

Tribunals of inquiry have taken an average of six years and cost €53m each but the cost of any com-

mission of inquiry into sexual abuse in schools, or of a redress scheme, is impossible to quantify at this stage given the scale of inquiry ahead. Ms Foley said she is open to expanding the commission's remit to all second-level schools.

Across 700 pages, the report details harrowing accounts of sexual assault at the hands of members of religious orders, teachers, priests, other school staff, or visitors to their school. Some victims said they had been groomed, others that their abuse occurred at random, while most described it occurring alongside "ferocious violence".

The report outlines how the victims felt shame, did not understand or were afraid to speak out. One said they felt they could not go to mass because they had committed an awful sin. Abusers would groom children, become ingratiated with their families or invent extra-curricular activities as a pretence for sexual abuse.

The majority of allegations came from men. Many reported never telling anyone about the abuse at the time.

Most who came forward are aged in their 50s, 60s and 70s now with the abuse dating as far back as the 1960s. Some said it was the first time they discussed the abuse and its impact on them.

Numbers had emigrated, leaving their towns and

communities as soon as they could to escape the reminders of their abuse.

The representative body for Catholic orders across Ireland said it is "deeply sorry" that victims experienced abuse in religious-run schools.

Responding to the O'Toole report Monsignor Kevin Gillespie, Raphoe Diocesan Administrator said "This betrayal of trust is unlikely to be confined to one type of school, and the commitment of the Government to undertake a Commission of Investigation to look further into this question is to be welcomed. A wide remit for this Inquiry would help to address the trauma suffered by children and young people across the entire school community in the period in question.

For its part, The Diocese of Raphoe will provide its cooperation to the Commission should any of its schools be included.

I encourage anyone who may have been abused, or is suspicious of any abuse, to report it to the State authorities, or the diocesan Safeguarding Office immediately.

To report a concern, or complaint of child abuse, either current or historical, please contact Margaret Northage, the Designated Liaison Person for the diocese on 086 2183 011. You are advised also to contact statutory authorities."

London Irish Vintage day this Sunday

This Sunday, September 8th, sees one of the biggest days for the Irish diaspora in England when the annual London Irish Vintage Club charity day takes place in north London. It is regarded as the largest Irish event in England outside of the St Patrick's Day celebrations and sees thousands gather in the grounds of Tir Chonaill Gaeils GAA Club in Greenford for a family fun day of entertainment, vintage displays and music.

The day starts off with a Vintage Rally from Wexham to Greenford followed by the main event running from 12 noon until 7pm. With live music from Robert Mizzell, Hungry Grass, David James, Slim Attraction, Tom Power and the Peppercorn Aces on the main stage plus our traditional stage hosting music and dancing. They will also be joined by members of the Glencolmille Folk Village sharing their knowledge of traditional Irish crafts and Highland Radio will do a live broadcast from the event.

The event was founded by well-known carriage fundraiser, Brendan Tiny Vaughan and has raised thousands of pounds for charity over the last decade.

He said: "The LIVC look forward to welcoming you to Greenford and hope that you will enjoy a family friendly day out whilst supporting our nominated charities: Across, Kevin Bell Reparation Trust, St Roses Projects and Yes to Life. Thank you in advance for your support."



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Triona Daly from the teaching staff at the school making a presentation to Mary McElwaine with School principal Pauric Cannon.



Paschal Blake on behalf of the Board of Management at Scoil Cholmcille, Letterkenny making a presentation to Mary McElwaine after 45 years as school secretary. Also included is School Principal Pauric Cannon.

Mary McElwaine retires from Scoil Cholmcille

On Friday, August 30th, the halls of Scoil Cholmcille in Letterkenny were filled with mixed emotions as staff, pupils, and former colleagues gathered to say goodbye to secretary Mary McElwaine.

After 45 years of dedicated service, Mary retired, leaving behind a legacy that will be remembered for years to come.

The retirement celebration honoured a woman who was the heart of the school for nearly half a century. A special song was written for her, capturing the essence of her character and the deep impact she had on everyone who worked with her. As a cornerstone of Scoil Cholmcille Mary was a source of advice and support, always calm and cheerful, with a smile that brightened everyone's day.

During her time at the school, Mary witnessed many changes and worked under five different principal teachers.

She saw the transition to computers, the shift to co-education, and the introduction of a new uniform. Yet, through all these changes, her dedication to her work and colleagues remained unwavering. Mary provided a sense of stability and continuity that will be deeply missed.

As Mary enters retirement, she looks forward to spending time in her garden, exploring new hobbies, and enjoying her grandchildren. The peaceful shores of Fanad will now be her daily backdrop, a place to reflect on a career filled with kindness and excellence. Though she will enjoy her well-deserved rest, those who knew and worked with her will deeply feel her absence.



Teachers from Scoil Cholmcille at the presentation function for Mary McElwaine.



Teacher Orlaith Kavanagh presenting a photo book to Mary McElwaine along with Principal Pauric Cannon.



Another Northern leader bites the dust

Colm Eastwood of the SDLP was the second Northern party leader to resign in August. Fittingly he made the announcement in a field.

Twenty-six years ago the SDLP was the largest Northern party in votes. That was in the first Assembly. The party polled 172,963. That was over 5,700 ahead of the Ulster Unionist Party (UUP). The SDLP is now in fifth place. Since, the vote has more than halved. In the 2022 Assembly election it was 78,237. That was despite an almost 50,000 increase in total voters. Worse, the SDLP no longer qualifies for a minister in the Executive. Rather, it is now the Official Opposition.

As such, it has delivered a few blows. They are tempered, though. It is the Official Opposition to an Executive of which it was a part for 24 years. The SDLP faces two problems. The first is demographics. The SDLP vote is older and dying.

More importantly, its role is uncertain. Is it Sinn Féin-lite? Or is it Alliance-a-bit-green? July's Westminster election showed its difficulty. It admitted to only seriously fighting three seats. Yes, two of these were won. The third, though, was South Down. There it was heavily beaten.

Fermanagh and South Tyrone shows the slippage. This constituency is part of the traditional heartland of Nationalism. The Alliance candidate is not known to have done any real campaigning. He still polled more than the SDLP. That's because the SDLP vote there is 75% down in less than 30 years.

Again, the Fermanagh and Omagh District Council area covers much of that same constituency. The SDLP has only three of forty councillors. The West Tyrone constituency is one of the most nationalist. The SDLP

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only has one councillor in the constituency.

The last local government election was last year. The SDLP vote fell by 25%. One-third of council seats were lost. That puts the party tottering close to not being viable.

Thus, it is uncertain if there is a direction. All it needs to do is look at the Ulster Unionists. They keep changing leaders. They swap between traditionalists and modernisers. Neither direction has brought serious recovery.

Eastwood belongs to the SDLP's more nationalist wing. He wanted the party to link up with Fianna Fáil. His stance partly reflects the constituency. Foyle is Derry City and a small area on its edge. Eastwood can out-Sinn Féin Sinn Féin when needed. There is a clip on X (formerly Twitter) of his speaking on Gaza at Free Derry Corner. He was wearing a GAA fleece.

Eastwood is popular personally. Non-SDLPers speak well of him. He has used his seat in Westminster effectively. But his Fianna Fáil link sank without trace.

Claire Hanna is the anointed successor. She is a mainstream social democrat. She is very pale green. Her constituency of South Belfast and Mid Down is very different to Foyle. She works it hard. She pulls a significant small-u unionist vote.

But we do not know how well her type of SDLP will travel. Yes, rural and small-town nationalist voters are more liberal than people assume. After all, look at Donegal. However, they still lean in more traditional directions.

Many SDLP problems are self-inflicted. For years, it was in denial. Any suggestion of difficulties was just Sinn Féin propaganda. The Sinn Féin vote was personated. Or SDLP supporters had 'lent' their vote. Then 'John Hume had sacrificed the party for the peace process'.

Reality is Hume had many strengths. He was not an organiser. He failed to delegate organising to somebody who was. After all, Ian 'Papa Doc' Paisley was no organiser. So he had Peter Robinson.

The SDLP was always poorly organised. Various party barons had fiefdoms. There was only a small group who actually believed in some form of social democracy. As long as the IRA campaign continued, the SDLP could get the majority of nationalist votes. Afterwards, it continued to campaign on the IRA's past. That was as that past became further past. It failed to deal with the new situation.

Then it showed how not to run a party in the 2003 Assembly election. The party's four most senior figures all stood down at one time. No organi-

sation can withstand that.

Certainly, the SDLP has very capable representatives. In the Assembly, it probably has more than any of the other parties. But it has difficulties appearing like a team.

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At one stage SDLP headquarters circulated party reps. They were told, if I contacted them, not to speak to me. They were instead to inform party HQ. So a party rep rang me with the news.

Then there was the West Tyrone SDLP in my home constituency. This was convulsed with rows. There was a selection convention where members were protesting at the front of the room. The Party sent a bouncer to put me away from listening at the door.



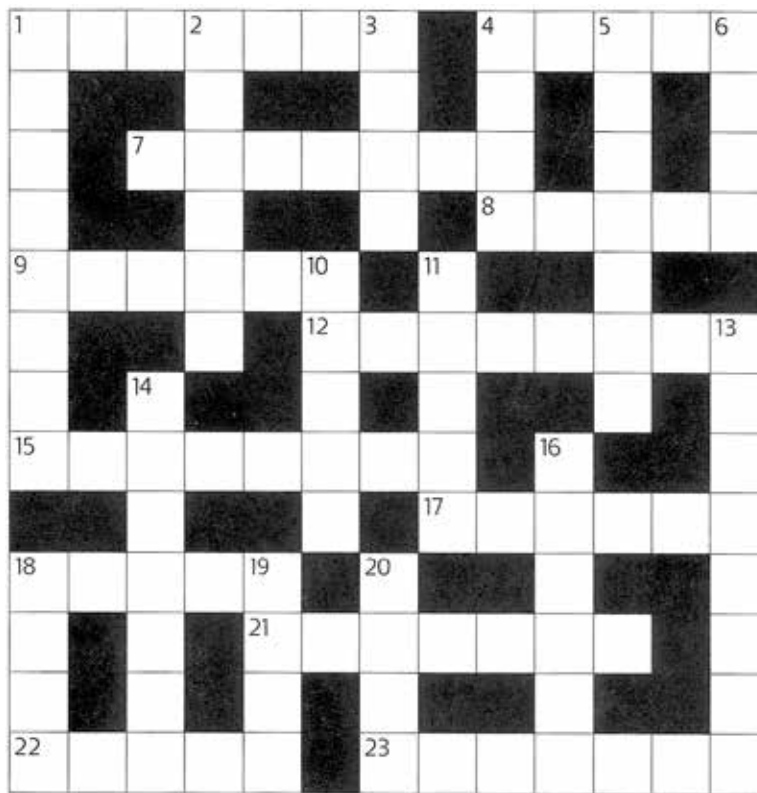
By Anton McCabe

I sat having coffee in the bar downstairs. Two young women came up. They introduced themselves as delegates. They asked me "was I the journalist?" I confirmed I was. They told me they had been told not to talk to me. Then they proceeded to talk to me.

The selection convention ended. Those who issued orders not to talk to me came down. They then proceeded to talk to me. The chaos of the West Tyrone SDLP was extraordinary. In the 2007 Assembly election they were over quota on the first count. Splitting the vote between three candidates, they got none elected.

Northern political anoraks still speak of this with awe as an extraordinary achievement. Self-sabotage has been the SDLP's strongest point.

Tribune Crossword No. 1080



Across

- 1. Pelt (7)
- 4. Uncovered (5)
- 7. US peninsular state (7)
- 8. Considerable (5)
- 9. Marti Webb song, ___ There (6)
- 12. Ear-splitting (8)
- 15. Educated (8)
- 17. Dawdle (6)
- 18. Lord of the Rings character, ___ Baggins (5)
- 21. Obstacle (7)
- 22. Abrasive paper (5)
- 23. Cowboy film (7)

Down

- 1. Act of disloyalty (8)
- 2. Popular song (6)
- 3. Platform (4)
- 4. Card game (4)
- 5. Cheese savory dish (7)
- 6. Idiot (4)
- 10. Lance (5)
- 11. Precious stone (5)
- 13. Military post (8)
- 14. Make us of (7)
- 16. Quiet (6)
- 18. Morsel (4)
- 19. Follow (4)
- 20. Cultivate (4)

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Support meetings for bereaved parents this September

A new year, in terms of the school term, has begun and schoolbags have reappeared. The holidays have been taken and the long evenings shorten. September can be a very difficult month for bereaved parents. Many milestones are achieved during the month, many milestones their beloved child will never get to mark. Anam Cara, the only organisation of its kind in Ireland with services available to all bereaved parents, will hold fourteen face to face meetings throughout the month. All their support services are free

of charge. Operations Manager, Leanne Milligan reflected "at this time of the year, we can all get caught up with the return to school, the return to routine and our busy lives continuing, but for those missing loved ones, time remains still. It is important to understand that less obvious occasions such as the return to school, can be hugely triggering". She continued "Anam Cara was launched in 2008, in recognition of the need for a safe space for those bereaved. Somewhere to let their mask

drop, where others who have lived this nightmare, can understand". On Thursday 12th September, Anam Cara will hold their Donegal meeting in The Radisson Hotel, Letterkenny at 7:15pm. All bereaved parents from the Donegal area are welcome, regardless of the age their child died or circumstances of their death. There is no need to register, just arrive on the evening at 7:15pm. For info on the support services offer by Anam Cara, call 085 2888 888, email info@anamcara.ie or www.anamcara.ie



A Junior Infant Class at Educate Together Letterkenny with staff members Mary Parson-Rose and Sophia Kelly



A Junior Infant Class at Lurgybrack National School with staff members Dervil Duffy and Emer Murray.



A Junior Infant Class at Lurgybrack National School with teacher Joanne Kennedy



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*Doors Open 8.30pm. Dancing 9-11pm €15 Pay at door
followed by music in McGettigan's Bar from 11pm.
Coming :- 15th. Sept. Michael English; 22nd Sept. Derek Ryan.*

Hospice to host "You, Me and Palliative Care" Art Exhibition

The theme for Palliative Care week this year is You, Me and Palliative Care.

In keeping with that theme, Donegal Hospice and Coláiste Ailigh will host a "You, Me and Palliative Care" art exhibition at ATU Letterkenny. Without even knowing what the theme was going to be, Catherine Regan, Director of Nursing, Donegal Hospice and Dr Jessica Sui, Consultant in Palliative Care, had agreed that for this year they wanted to look at something different that included the community for Palliative care week.

The joint collaboration was easy as the hospice gardens flow down to meet the school and many collaborations have been had in the past with the music students performing for patients in the hospice and employees in Coláiste Ailigh volunteer in Donegal Hospice.

By February 2024 plans were well underway and the Hospice met with Art teacher Ann Marie Ni Chanainn and her students to discuss an art exhibition revolving around palliative care.

Dr Sui and Catherine Regan with the help of Christina French, Irish Speaking Champion for the Hospice, gave a brief information session to the students and their Art Teacher Annemarie about what palliative care is, when the hospice gets involved and what they hope to achieve from the exhibition.

Catherine Regan, Director of Nursing at Donegal Hospice said "The aim was to dispel the myth of palliative care and get the student's perception on what palliative care

means to them. This project would allow them to have an individual response to the theme where they will have an opportunity to express their feelings and thoughts."

Ann Marie Ni Chanainn, Art Teacher at Coláiste Ailigh said "the project's nature was very close to the core values and ethos of the ETB which are Respect, Care & Community and indeed very well aligned with some of Donegal Hospice's own core values being - Respect, Quality, and Partnership. We are very excited that this has allowed the school and the hospice to work together and that this will display the student's artistic creativity in this way, and for this special week."

Each piece of art is unique to the individual artist; it encompasses their own thoughts and feelings around palliative care.

Mairead Ni Mhaonaigh from Altan will launch the exhibition which runs from 10am to 4pm, on Friday September 13th at Co Lab, ATU.

Palliative Care Week is an opportunity for you to talk to your family and friends about what your understanding of palliative care is. There are many misconceptions about palliative care such as it is only about end of life care however palliative care is about supporting and enabling people to live through their life limiting illness. Providing palliative care is the responsibility of all healthcare professionals however over the course of someone's illness they may require referral to the specialist palliative care services, known by many as the hospice service.

Visit of Relics

The Relics of St Bernadette will journey to St Eunan's Cathedral this October on their very first pilgrimage to Ireland.

The relics will be arriving to the Raphoe Diocese on 11th and 12th October, where they will be hosted in St Eunan's Cathedral, Letterkenny. Saint Bernadette was the visionary who witnessed Our Lady in Lourdes.

The relic tour will visit every diocese in the country from September to October.

Cursillo

The national Cursillo pilgrimage to Knock Shrine is taking place on Saturday September the 7th.

There will be a bus leaving Letterkenny at 8am and stopping in Stranorlar, Donegal Town, Ballyshannon and Bundoran. To book a seat please contact Clare on 0871375567.

Ramelton

Ramelton Care of the Aged

Ramelton Care of the Aged are having a Social Evening with a choice of Turkey and Ham or Roast Beef dinner in Arena 7, Letterkenny on Tuesday 24th September at 6pm. Bus leaving Church Street, Ramelton at 5.30pm.

The cost is €15 and contact Chris on 086 0580467 or Anthony on 086 0822426.

Sounds Music Camps

Sounds Music Camps return this September. Classes in Milford, Ray, Ramelton and Letterkenny.

Under 8's will have an opportunity to explore key musical concepts through singing, percussion, fun and games. Ukulele classes for 8 years and older. Beginners are welcome and all instruments are provided. Contact Tracy on 085-1500123.

Ramelton 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.

Hatha Yoga Class

Hatha Yoga Class in the Town Hall Ramelton starting this Monday the 9th of September. The 4 Week Block Booking costs only €40. The times are -

Monday 09/09/2024 6:45pm ~ 8pm

Wednesday 11/09/2024

Men Only Class 7pm ~ 8pm

Contact: Nuala 087 6807850

Ramelton Bowling Club

Indoor Bowls will begin in the Mackemie Hall on Monday 9th September from 8pm onwards. League games begin on the first week of October and will be played on Tuesday nights and the club will have a few weeks practice before that.

New members always welcome, feel free to come along and try it out and see if it is for you. Enquiries to 087 1355059 or 087 4016637.

Country Market

Ramelton Country Market will be in Ramelton Town Hall from 10.30am until 12.30noon this Saturday 7th September. Stock up on all your food requirements for all Occasions and Parties by ordering in advance on 087 9699715 to ensure availability when you get to market on Saturday. The best of local homemade food with our wholesome soups, cottage pies, lasagne, quiche, meat pasties, seasonal vegetables, breads, scones, sweet treats and why not pop into our Tearoom for a delicious Cheese Toastie when you have done your shopping. Teas/coffees, scones and sweet treats, everything to make your visit to our market relaxing and enjoyable. Loyalty cards are available at our checkouts and credit card payments are accept-

ed. Ramelton Country Market gift vouchers are also available. Just enquire at our checkout or from any market member.

Céilí agus Craic

Adult Céilí dancing classes are starting in the Ramelton Community Centre at 7pm on the 18th September. Come along to learn some céilí dances and have some fun in the process. For everyone aged 18 and over. For more information contact Eoghan on 0851462689.

Swilly host Rathmullan Celtic

After a big win over Whitestrand Utd on Sunday in Ramelton in the Brian McCormick Cup, Swilly Rovers have been drawn at home again in the second round. That takes place this Sunday at Swilly Park with a 1.00 kick-off. Come out and support the lads and new manager Damien Friel.

Mariners home to Fanad Utd

The Ramelton Mariners will take on Fanad Utd in the second round of the Brian McCormick Cup this Sunday at their home venue in Rathmullan (kick-off 1.00). Last Saturday the Mariners got the better of Swilly Rovers Reserves in a local derby on a final score of 2-1.

McNamee away with Harps

Tony McNamee and Finn Harps are away to Athlone Town in the League of Ireland First Division this Friday night (7.45). Harps will be hoping to make it back-to-back wins after overcoming Coh in Ballybofey last Friday night.

Swilly Rovers lotto numbers

Numbers drawn in the Swilly Rovers lotto were 3, 13, 16 and 23. No Jackpot winner. One 3 number winner Shaun Dunworth. This week's

jackpot is €950. Thanks for your continued support.

Ramelton SVP

As the cost of living continues many families will face impossible choices. If you are in need of support contact Ramelton SVP on 087 143 6640.

New Yoga Class for beginners

Men only Yoga class every Wednesday at 7pm in the Ramelton Town Hall. Block booking 4 weeks €40. For bookings contact: 087 6807850

Crochet and knitting craft group

Crochet and knitting craft group has begun again and continues every Monday 10.30am to 12.30pm in St Mary's Parish Centre behind the chapel. Everyone is welcome to come along and bring your current project or start something new. Enjoy the craic company and a cuppa. All queries to Myrtle on 0876825387.

Little Ballers

The Little Ballers Toddler Football continues every Monday in the Ramelton Community Centre for boys and girls aged from 3 to 5 years old. Group 1 are on from 5 to 5.30pm and Group 2 from 5.30 to 6pm. Call into the Centre for details.

Trocaire School Volunteers

Are you a retired teacher who has experience presenting to a group of school children and who would like to make the world a better place? Trocaire is looking for volunteers to support a Schools Talk Programme for Lent in Donegal. For information on this exciting venture please call Casey Schell at 02890808033 or casey.schell@trocaire.org

Lifesaving World Championships

Double bronze joy Bond's Irish team

Ramelton man Paddy Bond played his part as the Head Coach with the Irish team at the Lifesaving World Championships in Australia last week. They did exceptionally well to end up with two team bronze medals on the global stage. The Seniors got bronze in the Simulated Emergency Lifesaving Championships (SELC). The Juniors achieved bronze in the Tube rescue. The Championships took place at the Gold Coast Aquatic Centre and Kurrawa Beach in Queensland.

Paddy Bond who resides in Booragh is a very well known figure in swimming circles for many years as an underage competitor with Swilly Seals before moving into coaching with the Letterkenny Club. Paddy has been involved in a coaching capacity with the Irish Lifesaving team in recent times and has traveled with them to international competitions. Bond was in Queensland with 15 of Ireland's top Senior and Youth Lifesavers. The competition saw lifesavers from over fifty countries across the world compete in pool and sea environments at the Gold Coast Aquatic Centre and Kurrawa Beach in Queensland.



Paddy Bond, back centre, with the Irish team.

Marathon fundraising effort for Donegal Mountain Rescue

The family and friends of a man who died tragically while hillwalking in Donegal in April took part in the Waterside Half Marathon in Derry last weekend in aid of the Donegal Mountain Rescue Team.

Brian Campbell, 59, (pictured right) was walking in the Poison Glen in Dunlewey with a friend when he sustained fatal injuries from a fall on April 20th.

His friend suffered minor injuries and was airlifted to Letterkenny University Hospital and a recovery operation was launched with volunteers of the Donegal Mountain Rescue working in conjunction with the emergency services.

Last weekend members of his family and friends took part in the half marathon event in Derry and raised over €11,000 for the volunteer team of the Donegal Mountain Rescue.



Paul's niece, Orlagh McLaughlin, who set up a iDonate page for the fundraiser said they were doing it to thank the DMRT members for the efforts during this tragic time.

She stated: "We have chosen to fundraise for the Donegal Mountain Rescue Team in memory of Brian Campbell. This organisation made up of volunteers provided care and support to Brian and his friend Tony. We will be forever grateful to these people for their work, bravery and commitment. Caomhan (Brian's son) and his partner Erin, along with myself (Brian's niece) ran in the Waterside Half Marathon in Derry on September 1st. We hope to raise vital funds for the Donegal Mountain Rescue Team, so they can continue the extraordinary work they do. All funds raised here will go directly to



this great cause."

A spokesperson for the Donegal Mountain Rescue Team said they were very grateful to Mr Campbell's family

for their significant donation.

They stated: "We can't thank those who took part enough for their fantastic ef-

forts and support of the team. The funds that were raised were overwhelming and will have a huge impact on the team to help those who may need our help."

Swim time at Rathmullan!

Summer came just in time for the Inch Mile Swim Festival!

On Saturday over 130 swimmers took to the water at Rathmullan for the Inch Mile and the Kinnegar 500 swim events organised by Gartan Open Water Swimmers. The day was glorious, the atmosphere fantastic - Rathmullan at its best.

Swimmers came from all over Ireland - quite a few veterans of English, North and Dal Riata Channel swims. But not only were there seasoned swimmers, there were those too who had taken up open water swimming more recently, looking for an opportunity to test themselves or try an event for the



Jude Williamson winner of the Inch Mile swim receiving his prize on Saturday.



Moira Stilvern receiving a Special Achievement Award from Karen Crawford.



Siobhan Brennan from Termon receiving her prize from Karen Crawford.

first time.

Tide times and power ruled out swimming from Inch across to Rathmullan, so swimmers boarded the Swilly Ferry and were taken to the start line a mile up the Swilly. Motorists and foot passengers watched bemused as 92 swimmers then leapt off the nose of the ferry and into the water ready for the starting gun.

A flotilla of kayaks and boats awaited the swimmers to provide safety cover on the race back. The crane on the pier provided an excellent sighting point for the swimmers.

The event was won in a blazingly fast time of 22 minutes 45 seconds by 16-year-old Limavady youngster, Jude Williamson. Siobhan Brennan from Termon followed in second place (23:05).

There was a sizable contingent of hardy souls who opted to go without a wetsuit, with Julie Murphy coming first in the non-wetsuit category (3rd

overall) in a time of 23:33, followed by current North Channel record holder Jordan Leckey.

In the veteran's category, prizes went to Peter Wilson (26:48), and Ruth McGuigan (28:11). The Junior prizes went to Shea Monaghan and Sophie Lindsay who completed the swim in 28:12 and 29:32 respectively.

Before the Inch Mile kicked off, the Kinnegar 500 event took place earlier in the afternoon. Over 40 swimmers made their way down the beach to start point. Undeterred by a stiff breeze which had just sprung up, they took to the waters and raced back down to the finish line, cheered on by a growing crowd.

The 500m provided a close finish with the race won by Niamh McGuckin in a time of (10:52) with Rathmullan's, Adam Dunworth coming in second in a photo finish, chased down a second later by Ryan Patton in 3rd. Kilmacrenan's Sarah Brennan was the second female home, followed by Ramelton's Josie Lawlor.

(More Results can be found on Gartan Open Water Swimmers' Facebook page and all times on Coretiming.ie)

But it's not all about competing - it's about the challenge you set yourself and



Josie Lawlor 3rd in the 500m swim receiving her prize from Karen Crawford.



Sarah Brennan, Moira Stilvern, Alison Stoddart and Nancy McNamee at the swim on Saturday.



Chloe Wasson coming to the end of the swim.

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it was great to see so many swimmers taking part and completing the battle against distance and conditions. Special achievement awards were given to Heather Hoffman on completing the Inch Mile and Moira Stilvern and Kevin McLaughlin for the Kinnegar 500. Innovation too was the order of the day—when one swimmer's wetsuit zip broke whilst on the ferry en route to the starting line, a hasty and effective

repair was carried out with cable ties supplied by the ferry captain!

The atmosphere in Rathmullan was great. The sunshine, the beach and the vintage car festival combined to make it the place to be. The beach and pier were crowded with spectators. Each swimmer, right down to the final one home, were cheered and applauded as if they had won. The impression made was evident in many of the comments:

"Beautiful swim." "Lovely friendly atmosphere." "Thanks very much for the lovely welcome and for the best organised swimming event I have ever attended." "Lovely people, made us feel so welcome." "Kayak support were brilliant, so encouraging."

Keith McClean, the Race Director, said, "We were delighted with the day. We couldn't pull it off without our sponsors, without an army of friends and helpers, without advice from those who know the waters, without Swilly Ferries, without our boats and kayakers - these events are about cooperation and community spirit, and it was fantastic to see everyone having such a great time."

Gartan Open Water Swimmers want to thank the Rathmullan Sailing and Watersports Club for all the boat cover and use of their facilities, Swilly Ferry, Sheephaven Sub-aqua, Eco Atlantic Adventures and their kayakers, the other kayakers, Swim Ireland, The Kitchen for food, Ricky McMahon for the sauna, and the Red Cross for first aid. And everyone for coming and making it a special day. The local support from the community in Rathmullan is second to none.

The event was run in conjunction with Swim Ireland and sponsored by: Donegal Sports Partnership, Mowi Ireland, Donegal Oil and John Crossan & Sons, and raised funds for the work of Lifeboats RNLi and the Sheephaven Sub-aqua Club, both of which perform vital search and rescue work in the North-west.

Letterkenny AC News

In the Waterside Half Marathon Conor McDaid ran an outstanding time of 1:22:41 while Craig Ross ran 1:30:59, Graeme Michie ran 1:59:48 and Stella McCole ran 2:01:33.

LAC host running sessions from the Aura Leisure Centre on a Tuesday at 5.15pm and 6.30pm for interval running sessions, a Thursday evening hill run at 6pm, Saturday mornings at 9.30am for a tempo run and Sunday mornings at 8am for a long run.

Fit 4 Life which is run by LAC in conjunction with the Donegal Sports Partnership takes place every Monday at 6pm on the track at the Aura Leisure Centre Letterkenny.



The Knockalla Coast Road taking shape.



Jim McCollum pictured left with his lorry.

New film on Knockalla Coast Road construction

A new film dedicated to the pioneers in the building of the Knockalla Coast Road will be shown in Fanad at the weekend. The film details the vision, skill and effort that went into creating one of Ireland's finest scenic coastal drives.

by Eamonn McFadden

The Knockalla Coast Road is world famous in tourism and motorsport circles for the superb

views and breathtaking scenery and filmmaker Arthur Lynch has made a new film detailing how the roadway came into existence in the late 1960's.

Arthur said he made the short film as a tribute to the men who built the Knockalla Coast Road to highlight the foresight of those who could see its potential for the area as well as the high level of skill and labour that it took to create it.

Arthur has created a number of local history documentaries in recent years, including the Letterk-

enny to Burtonport Railway and the History of Milford Bakery, and developed a powerful way of telling these important local stories that capture unique moments in time for generations to come. He told the Tribune: "The Knockalla coast road was a project that a lot of people had opinions about and wanted the road built but it was when Neil T Blaney became the Minister for Local Government in 1957, that the impetus was put behind it. He had the power and he was the one who got it

off the ground. I know the Barton family, who owned the golf course and hotel, they tried but it didn't go anywhere, but Blaney got it going and he used to go to the site every weekend when he was back to see how the work was progressing."

He said there was a great number of local men employed in the project, working in all weathers and at times dangerously close to the cliff edge to create the now famous roadway.

"The reason I decided to do this, and I have been thinking about it for a while, was because it was done so locally. There was no big firm hired in from Dublin or London. When I mean local, I mean from as far over as Creeslough, there were a few men from Gweedore and Falcarragh, but the vast majority were people living around the area. I know that when making the film I used to look at all the names I could find and thought that's a wage packet going into lots of houses here."

The pay started at £6 and 4 shillings a week. The work started in February 1964 on the work that stretched eight miles, although some roadway was already in place and just needed to be incorporated into the new work.

"There was a lot of new road that had to be made and that was up over the mountain of Knockalla itself and that was by far the most challenging part of the whole job. That was from the bottom of Glenvar on down into Killavee coming on out to the Kerrykeel/Fanad Head road.

There was not much by way of top brass involved and I believe there was just one engineer. Denis O'Sullivan, a Cork man who lived in Portnablagh and he seemed to be a good man at his job.

After Knockalla finished he moved to Co. Clare where he became the county engineer."

The overseer of the job was James Deeney of Clondallon in Rathmullan and the ganger was Eddie Deeney from Glenvar until his retirement when it was taken over by John Carr of Glinsk in Fanad.

Arthur says the skill of many of the machine and lorry drivers was second to none and showed in the completed job that has stood the test of time to this day. Their day began at 8am until 6pm, Monday to Friday with just one tea break and also a half day on Saturday to 1pm.

"This was a very exposed place to the easterly winds. The workers would have had to be out of their bed by 7am at least to start at 8pm and not getting their tea break until 1pm, they'd have been well ready for it," Arthur said.

He added that this work should be considered an important local heritage amenity that should be mapped with signage to indicate the level of work it took to create this stunning driveway that towers over the beautiful Ballymastocker Bay and is considered one of the finest rally stages anywhere in the world.

The full story of the work involved and the people who took part will be screened in Rosnakill Community Hall on this Saturday, September 7th at 8pm. All are welcome.



Work in progress on the Knockalla Coast Road.



Mother hits out at lack of additional needs transport

A Carrigart mother has highlighted the ordeal she and her family are facing after she learned at short notice that transport for her son with additional needs to his college was not being provided. Tanya Roberts Browne raised the plight of her 18-year-old son Oisín who has started higher education this week but she only learned his planned transport to SOAR in Letterkenny was delayed with no alternative arrangement in place. She highlighted the matter on social media to say it was "a disgrace" that with just three days before Oisín was due to start his new college they learned the wheelchair transport required was not in place. This resulted in the self-employed mother of three having to undertake the journey herself.

She said she believed she had been working with the HSE on ensuring all matters were in place before he started on Monday but last Thursday she was informed it was not in place and may take some time to resolve. She said what meant to be an exciting week for Oisín starting his new college has been hugely stressful for her and her family. She stated: "Already feeling emotional and anxious about this next stage that's upon us I get a phone call on Thursday from HSE transport to say Oisín has no transport for starting college and this could be an ongoing issue for a number of weeks/months. I went through a long application process that started last year with getting things in place for him starting this week and was never once over the course of this process informed

that this may not be 'ready' in time. To be told less than 3 days out that he has no transport going forward is an absolute disgrace. I am disgusted by the system and when I asked what am I supposed to do now to be then told, we can't advise or help you, is even more of a disgrace." She added: "This lack of support and communication is unacceptable and leaves families feeling abandoned and helpless. It's so frustrating to see how easily the system fails those who need it the most. Despite exhausting all possible avenues in the past few days, I am at a loss for what steps to take next until the transport issue is resolved as there seems to be no one available to provide guidance or assistance and I cannot physically be in two places at the one time despite trying my very hardest."

Commitment to supporting Students Studying Away from Home - McNulty

John McNulty, who standing as a candidate in the upcoming General Election for Fine Gael, has committed to supporting Donegal students studying away from home. "Following recent consultation with parents and students, I wish to express my full support for students from Donegal who are studying at colleges and universities across Ireland. Whether from Glencolmille, Fanad Head, Malin,

or Donegal Town, I recognise the significant challenges that students and their families face. These include balancing studies with the desire to return home for work and family on weekends, as well as the ongoing struggle to secure suitable accommodation. I am committed to engaging with parents, students, educational institutions, and the Union of Students in Ireland. My goal is to advocate for the

introduction of more flexible timetables that will allow students to complete their classes earlier, to enable them to travel home on weekends. "I welcome this week's announcement that €600,000 from the Dormant Accounts Fund will be ring-fenced as part of the Student Assistance Fund to help alleviate the cost of student accommodation for our young people," he said.

Funeral of Michael Joseph Gallagher

The funeral took place on Saturday of Michael Joseph Gallagher of Gortnaluchoge, Downings. He passed away last Wednesday 28th of August at the family residence surrounded by his family. Aged 97 he



was an accountant by profession. Michael Joseph worked in Scotland for 20 years and was also a former employee at McNutts of Downings. He liked nothing more than getting out on the golf course. Michael Joseph was a past Captain and President of Rosapenna Golf Club. Up until recent years he was a regular on a local group golfing trip that went to St. Andrew's in Scotland every year.

He was predeceased by his wife Kathleen (2017). Michael is survived by his daughter Maureen Carr (Michael), sons Brian (Eileen), Paul (Noelle), Michael, daughter Kathleen Herraghty (Michael), and son Sean.

Remains reposed at the family residence in Gortnaluchoge. Funeral was from there on Saturday to the Church of St. John the Baptist, Carrigart for Requiem Mass which was celebrated by his cousin Fr. Michael McClafferty. Concelebrant was Fr. Charlie Byrne P.P. Interment took place afterwards in the adjoining cemetery. Deepest condolences are extended to the family circle.

The late P.J. Stevenson

The death occurred on Saturday of P.J. Stevenson, Glencar Road, Letterkenny. P.J. passed away at Letterkenny University Hospital, surrounded by family and friends. He will be



deeply missed by all who knew him. Aged 88, P.J. had worked in administration with Donegal County Council. Remains reposed at his residence on Glencar Road. Funeral was from there on Monday to St. Eunan's Cathedral for Requiem Mass which was celebrated by Monsignor Kevin Gillespie. Concele-

brant was Fr. Willie Peoples P.P. Kilcar. Readings and Prayers of the Faithful were by family members. Burial took place afterwards in Conwal Cemetery where Fr. Gillespie said the graveside prayers. Deepest condolences are extended to the family circle.

Death of Mary Logue

The death took place on Friday of Mary Logue, Chapel View, Kilmacrennan. Mary passed away at Letterkenny University Hospital. She was predeceased by her mother Susan. Mary is survived by her sons Matthew and Patrick, daughter Shauna, father Michael, sisters Brigid (Marcus) and Michelle (Liam), brothers JP (Kelly) and James, nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, extended family and friends.

Remains reposed at the residence of her father Michael Logue, Skreen, Kilmacrennan from Saturday afternoon. Funeral took place on Monday in St. Columba's Church, Kilmacrennan where the celebrant was Fr. Martin Chambers. Burial afterwards in Kilmacrennan Cemetery. Deepest sympathies are extended to the family circle.

The late Mary Connaghan

The death took place on Wednesday 28th of August in Glasgow of Mary Connaghan (nee Gallagher) formerly of Ballybolther, Trentagh. Mary passed away surrounded by her loving family.



She was predeceased by her husband Hughie, parents Mamie and Harry, her sister Kathleen Flanagan and grand-daughter Shauna Connaghan. Mary is survived by her family Bridie Murray (Eamonn), Kate McGinley (Eugene), John Connaghan (Trés), Marie McDaid (Dan), Hugo Connaghan (Fiona) and Kevin Connaghan. She is also survived by her brother Danny Gallagher, sisters-in-law Mary and Catherine Doohan; 14 grandchildren, four great grandchildren, nieces and nephews, wider circle of neighbours and friends.

Mary's remains will be reposing at her daughter Marie and Dan McDaid's home in Doon, Glebe, Newmills, from this Thursday 5th of September from 10am - 10pm. Funeral Mass this Friday 6th of September in St. Columba's Church, Glenswilly, at 11am with interment afterwards in the family plot in Gartan Cemetery.

Requiem Mass can be viewed on www.churchservices.tv/glenswilly. Deepest condolences are extended to the family circle.

Death of Eddie Friel

The death occurred on Saturday at Letterkenny University Hospital of Edward (Eddie) Ferry, Oughterlin, Rathmullan. Remains reposed at the family home from Saturday evening.

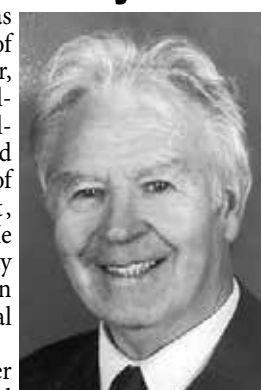


Fr. Martin Collum officiated at the Requiem Mass on Monday in St. Joseph's Church, Rathmullan. Eddie was laid to rest afterwards in Rathmullan Cemetery. He was predeceased by his wife Kathleen, brother John, sisters Margaret and Hannah.

John is survived by his sons James, Eamonn, John and Martin, daughters-in-law Pamela, Pauline and Eileen, grandchildren, sister Mary, nieces, nephews, extended family, neighbours and friends. Deepest sympathies are extended to the family circle.

The late Dinny Diver

The death has occurred of Dinny Diver, late of Ballyness, Falcarragh, and formerly of Ballindrait, Bunbeg. He passed away on Sunday in the Donegal Hospice.



Mr. Diver lived and worked in Dublin for many years before returning to Donegal. Predeceased by his parents Bridget and Ned, his sisters Sadie, Margaret, Bridie and Mary, his brothers Owenie, Paddy, Dermot and Charlie, he is survived by his wife Bella, his daughter Denise, son in law Emmett, niece Marie Diver (Gweedore) nieces, nephews and wider circle of family and friends. His remains lay in repose at his home in Ballyness, Falcarragh from Monday with removal from there on Tuesday and Requiem Mass in St. Finian's Church, Falcarragh that was celebrated by Fr. John Boyce. Burial took place afterwards in Gortahork Cemetery. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

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Ramelton Community Games

The Ramelton Committee wishes good luck to Thomas Martin who is competing in the Arts Competition at the National Community Games Finals in Carlow this weekend. Good luck also to all the other Donegal competitors heading off to Carlow.

Social Dance in Carrigart Hall

The monthly Social Dancing in Mevagh Hall Carrigart continues on Friday 6th September from 9.30 - 11.30pm. Music is by Lakelanders, admission is €10 and light refreshments served. All welcome.

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Milford

Death of Mary Ellen Gillespie

The peaceful death took place on Monday in Áras Uí Dhomhnaill Nursing Home, Milford of Mary Ellen Gillespie, 230 Lower Mount Marian, Milford surrounded by her loving family. Mary Ellen was 82 years of age, nee Birney from Gortnavern, Kerrykeel and was pre deceased by her brother Hugh, Fawninoughan, Milford in November 2021.



Mary Ellen attended Kerrykeel National School and on the 14th September 1966 she married her husband of nearly 58 years Eamon in a ceremony in St. Peter's Church, Milford.

Mary Ellen worked in various establishments during her life, beginning at Denis McBride's Shop and Bar on Milford's Main Street and later continued to work in his son Paddy's Arcadia for a few years and in Thomas Kearney's Drapery Shop.

Mary Ellen would be best known for her work for over 20 years at Swilly Mulroy Credit Union and in the Milford Livestock Mart where she worked part time for 40 years.

Mary Ellen was very much a family person and her immediate and extended family circle meant so much to her. She enjoyed socialising and her many holidays and weekend breaks with Eamon. Mary Ellen spent the last 14 months of her life in the loving care of the staff at Áras Uí Dhomhnaill Nursing Home, Milford and was attended daily by husband Eamon and family members. Following her passing on Monday night, a private family removal took place on Tuesday afternoon to her home and the management and staff Áras Uí Dhomhnaill formed a guard of honour.

Funeral Mass will take place on this Thursday in St Peter's Church, Milford with burial afterwards in Milford Cemetery. Mass can be viewed on Church Services TV St Peter's Church Milford at www.churchservices.tv/milford

Deepest sympathy is extended to her husband Eamon, sons Seamus; Gary and Fiona; Monaghan and Noel; daughter Pauline; grandchildren Ryisa, Tristan, Emma, Claire and Tara; great-grandchildren Taylor, Brooks and Fiadh; brothers John Birney, Rathmullan and Charlie Birney, Gortnavern, Kerrykeel; sister Gráinne Brown, Cornwall, England; sisters-in-law Hannah Birney, Kathleen Birney and Kathleen

McDaid; brothers-in-law Vincent Brown and Charlie Gillespie, cousins, nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Death of Pat McGinley



The death took place on Friday in Letterkenny University Hospital of Patrick McGinley, 6 Ardglass, Kilmacrennan Road, Milford.

Removal from Eternal Light Chapel of Rest, Mountain Top, Letterkenny took place on Friday going to his home with funeral Mass on Sunday at 1pm in St Peter's Church, Milford followed by burial in Milford Cemetery.

Patrick was predeceased by his wife Margaret, sons Danny, Pat and Alec, daughter Margaret and grandson Connor. Deepest sympathy is extended to his sons Michael and Ennis, daughter Nellie, daughters-in-law Donna and Noelle, son-in-law Barry, grandson Danny, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, brother Ackey, sister Bríd, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Sympathy

Deepest sympathy is extended to Sandra Ferry, Tullybeg on the death of her mother Bea (Bridie) Donnelly, Pulladoohy, Crossmolina, Mayo. Bridie passed away on Sunday at St Joseph's Hospital Ballina. Remains reposed at Hiney's Funeral Home Crossmolina on Tuesday evening. Requiem Mass took place on Wednesday in St. Tiernan's Church Crossmolina. Burial afterwards in Crossmolina Cemetery.

Thank You

We the Hagan Family wish to thank everyone who kindly donated to the Defibrillator at Milford Hall recently a total of €810.00 was raised. We really appreciated all your support many thanks from the Hagan Family.

70th Anniversary at Quay Grotto Fr Stephen Gorman CC Milford will

lead The Holy Rosary at Our Lady's Grotto at The Quay, Milford on this Sunday 8th September at 2pm to mark the 70th Anniversary of Our Lady's Grotto at Milford Quay. All are welcome.

Social Dancing Milford Hall

Social dancing will continue in the Milford Hall on Thursday nights from 8pm to 10pm with a good mix of Two Hand, Ceili and Line Dancing. Light refreshments. €5 entry. Everyone welcome.

Mission Hall

Speakers at the Milford Mission Hall which takes place on the first Sunday of each month at 8pm are as follows: Sunday 3rd November Harvest Service with Bishop David McClay.

Golf Society

The Hi-da-way Golf Society next outing is on Saturday 21st September in Sandy Hills, Rosapenna at 11.30am. Contact Captain David Bonner 085 8320260 or Eugene McCafferty 087 7704149 for further details.

50/50 Draw

The next draw will take place on this Sunday 8th September. Tickets on sale at €2 each or 3 for €5. Tickets can be bought online on Klubfunder or by Revolut to Noel Gillespie 086 8224091 and Martin Roarty on 087 9129691 and various outlets in the town.

Masses

Mass times in St Peter's Church, Milford on Thursday 5th September at 10am; Friday 6th September at 10am; Saturday 7th September at 7.30pm; Sunday 8th September at 11.00am.

Mass times in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kerrykeel on Saturday 7th September at 6pm.

Antenatal Class

There will an Antenatal Class held for 4 weeks starting on Wednesday 4th September from 2-4pm; in the Gallowglass Centre, Kilmacrennan Road, Milford. The classes are free and will be facilitated by Public Health Nurses Sinead McClafferty, Milford 074 91 53108, Sandra Ferry, Anne Harkin, Rathmullan 074 91 58322 and Caroline McAteer, Ramelton 074 9151527.

Sounds Music Camps

Sounds Music Camps return this September. Classes in Milford, Ray, Ramelton and Letterkenny.

Under 8's will have an opportunity to explore key musical concepts through singing, percussion, fun and games. Ukulele classes for 8 years and older. Beginners are welcome and all instruments are provided. Contact Tracy on 0851500123 Knockalla Coast Road Story

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The Milford GAA u8 Boys at the Tomas Maguire Memorial Blitz in Ardara on Saturday.

lan, there is now another opportunity to see and hear this fascinating story. Due to popular demand, another screening will take place this Saturday night 7th September in Rosnakill Community Hall, and all welcome.

Employment Support Outreach
DLDC Employment Support can help long term unemployed to get back into full time employment, identify training opportunities, prepare CV and fill out application forms and much more. So if you wish to avail of our service The Outreach Officer will be in attendance in the Milford & District Resource Centre on Monday 9th September from 2-4pm. No appointment necessary.

Further enquiries to Mary on 087 9926681. This Service is supported by DLDC and is free and totally confidential.

Parish of Killygarvan & Tullyfern Emigrants & Immigrants Mass

Our Emigrants/Immigrants Mass will take place in St Joseph's Church, Rathmullan on Saturday September 14th at 7pm. We invite you to share names of your family and friends that are living abroad that you would like included in our Mass. A box will be at the back of the Church in Rathmullan for you to place the names you want includ-

ed and the country they are living in. If you have any queries or you would like to take an active part in our Mass please give Carmel a ring on 086 7919945. We will be delighted to welcome you to participate

Milford Yoga

Yoga Beginners Courses starting on Tuesday 17th September at 11am and Saturday 21st September at 10.45am. €60 for 6 week course. (LUH sports & Social club discount available). To book contact: WhatsApp: 0863745972 or FB: Diane Bliss Yoga Studio, Kilmacrennan Road, Milford.

Update sought on Letterkenny's Main Street buildings

Cllr Donal 'Mandy' Kelly is seeking an update from the Council in relation to a number of buildings that have been cordoned off on Letterkenny's Main Street in the vicinity of the Market Square. The Fianna Fail Cllr is to raise the matter at next Tuesday's Municipal District meeting in Milford. He will also be seeking a



full detailed report on what progress is being made to address what needs to be done to the buildings which have been cordoned off since

the early summer. The Council took the step due to safety concerns highlighted by structural engineers. The closure has negatively impacted Main Street between Church Lane and the Market Square. With a handful of parking spaces taken out of use while there is no footpath for pedestrians in this area due to the buildings being cordoned off. The matter will also be raised at next Tuesday's meeting by Cllr Jimmy Kavanagh

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Milford Outing

Members of the Milford Care of the Aged who went to Donegal Town on Friday for their annual trip. Following some retail therapy in Donegal Town they enjoyed lunch in Harvey's Point Hotel. The organisers Fiona Blaney, Brigeen McMahon and Helen Graham are pictured left, and right in Magee's of Donegal were Agnes Diver, Mary Crerand and Evelyn Tinney. Pictured below is the group with bus driver John Joe Boyce of Boyce Travel, Ramelton.



Grow towards the light

There's a place we go to on holidays - a cabin on a lake-shore in the woods. Buried amongst nature, a place to eat sleep, swim, wander, and repeat - a reset for body and soul. I was walking through the woods one day, pushing my way through the trees down to the lake's edge. Trees had been blown over by successive storms over the years and trunks needed to be clambered over. Some were only tilted and had kept on growing at crazy angles, others were completely flattened, roots torn out, lying there dead. But one caught my eye. It was blown off just above the roots, its trunk stretched out on the forest floor. It seemed as if

something more violent had happened to this one. Its roots were still in the ground - its trunk jaggedly fractured just above ground level. Yet as my eye travelled along its trunk, it took the most astonishing turn - ninety degrees upwards. I checked to make sure it was the same tree and trunk. I looked at the shattered trunk I had presumed dead. But no, there was still a connection - somewhat fragile, yet life giving. And this valiant tree, shattered and flattened by a storm had not given up. Amidst the dense foliage of the forest, it had turned and reached towards the light. And grew, and grew. Strong. Wandering through the

Food for thought



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forest, just looking ahead, this tree looked like a normal tree - branches, leaves all as normal. But when you turned your eye lower, you saw it had a story, a story that made its growth all the more marvellous.

Life does that to us doesn't it? Storms flatten us, life gets broken just when we were getting going, we fall and lie on the dirt of brokenness, face down in our pain. But what will we do? Some give up, they let their brokenness define them, they let the pain conquer them, they see only the dirt floor of life's undergrowth. And that is understandable - storms are brutal. But they don't have to be the last word. What this tree reminded me of was this: Whatever storms come, however flattened you are, grow towards the light. Yes, life will be different, there will still be a 'before the storm', but there can also be an 'after the storm'. Look up and grow towards the light.

If for whatever reason God has permitted a storm to blow into your life, that storm doesn't need to define you - it will shape you - but it doesn't need to leave you lying face down in your pain. Look up to him, and reach your life out towards him, and you will find yourself growing towards the light - and a newness of life that didn't seem possible after the storm flooded you. And more than that, as you look up you will find light from him percolating down through the dark clouds to replenish your soul. I read these verses on Sunday at the start of our service: The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him;

it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD... For no one is cast off by the Lord forever. Though he brings grief, he will show compassion, so great is his unfailing love. (Lamentations 3:25,26,31,32) Here is reason indeed to put our hope in him - in Jesus Christ - and to grow towards him who said "I am the light of the world, whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (John 8:12)

Mark Loughridge is one of the ministers in Milford Reformed Presbyterian Church. He can be contacted on 086 3907726 or jmark-loughridge@gmail.com.

Date for your diaries - Want to find out more about the Bible? What's it all about - it's so big? You are invited to a video course we are running called 'The Bible Course'. It runs over 8 or so weeks and starts on Wed 18th Sept, 8pm, at Milford RP Church behind Lidl.

Rathmullan

Tidy Towns

There has been a lot happening in Rathmullan recently as well as the Uisce Eireann works and the refurbishments at the Pier, we must all remain vigilant to keep on top of the litter situation. So if you notice something where it shouldn't be, then just pick it up and take it to the nearest bin, it's up to us all to play our part. But unfortunately, due to the huge crowds attending the many events last weekend, coupled with good weather, our bins were at full capacity, even with the two new bins recently supplied by Donegal County Council. Once again 'domestic waste' was a huge factor, despite notices asking users not to dispose of waste in these bins. Like many other towns and villages around the county, there are CCTV cameras in operation, and offenders will be reported to the relevant authorities and can face fines if prosecuted, so watch out, we're watching you!

Dog Feces contain harmful bacteria which are highly dangerous for humans and children, so it is especially offensive to notice the increase in dog waste along the sea front pavement areas. It is an offence not to clean up after your pet, so use the poo bags, which are available at the beach entrance, and then take your poo bags home.

It's Hedge cutting season again, so please drive carefully along our approach roads and allow farmers and land owners room to deal with the roadside hedges before winter sets in.

Rathmullan Charters

The Rathmullan Charters have full and half day fishing trips available over the next few weeks, for groups of up to 8 people. All fishing tackle supplied. Contact Angela 087 2480132 for bookings and details of pick up points.

Rathmullan Celtic 50/50

Congratulations to Jackpot (€1147) winner Jay Curran and Dean Shiels who won the Bonus prize in the August monthly draw. Next draw at the end of the September and be sure to get your tickets in good time, available in all the usual locations and online now. Paypal: <https://paypal.me/RathmullanCelticFC> or Revolut: Enda McElhinney, on 086 401 9256, Cain Connolly on 086 348 9941 or Mark Curran on 086 873 2749. All ticket purchases will be confirmed either by email or text.

Knockhalla Hill Climb

The Danny Gormley Memorial Hill Climb will take place this coming weekend 7/8th September so road users please be aware of Road closures if travelling to the Fanad Peninsula over the weekend.

Flight of the Earls Commemoration

Rathmullan History & Heritage group will host a commemorative event at the St Vincent de Paul Centre on Saturday, 14th September from 3-5pm. Everyone is welcome to enjoy the pageantry, drama, readings and music and the arrival (via Portnamurry) of unique tracings from the grave slabs in San Pietro in Montorio, Rome of the Irish Exiles of 1607. Free admission and refreshments served.

Knockalla Coast Road Story

The good news for anyone who missed the recent event in Rathmullan, there is now another opportunity to see and hear this fascinating story. Due to popular demand, another screening will take place this Saturday night 7th September in Rosnaskill Community Hall, and all welcome.

Community Games Finalists

Best wishes to our young local band 'The Odysseys' who travel to Carlow for the Community Games Finals this weekend, representing Donegal in the music section, a first for the county. Good luck guys and safe travelling.

The Swilly Ferry

The Bunrana Ferry is fully operational with regular sailings per day, and has been very busy throughout the summer months. Please see swillyferry.com for full timetable and costs, and the service has now moved to the September timetable, with first departure from Rathmullan at 10.40am. Thank you Swilly Ferry for supporting the Rathmullan events last weekend with discounted rates for Vintage Car participants and the kids free travel initiative, which were all very much appreciated. With the ongoing works at the pier, please follow road signs and be patient with other road users, as undoubtedly there will be times of congestion.

Lifeguards

Many thanks to our Lifeguards who have been on duty throughout the summer months. Please note that their Mon-

New Beach Wheelchair and Walker in Rathmullan



Caoimhe Begley who launched the new beach wheelchair at Rathmullan on Saturday with her mum Rosaleen and aunt Caroline McAteer, Trudy O'Reilly from the Council and Cllrs. Jimmy Kavanagh, Gerry McMonagle, Donal Coyle, Liam Blaney, Declan Meehan and Paucic McGarvey.

Thanks to Donegal County Council and all concerned for the provision of a new upgraded beach wheelchair on Saturday.

Speaking at the launch Patricia McAteer thanked the Council and the Councillors for providing the chair and the Sailing Club for storing it.

Vice Chairperson of the Council Cllr. Jimmy Kavanagh said this was now the 16 chair in the Council and the Council have won awards for the initiative from Lama. He congratulated Trudy O'Reilly and the Disability Steering Committee on the Council for making such great progress in the County.

day to Friday service has now ceased, and they will only be on duty 12pm to 6.30pm at weekends for the month of September.

St Vincent De Paul

This time of year can be difficult and challenging for some people, especially with family and household costs, don't forget the local St Vincent de Paul are always available to help out in times of need. Please feel free to contact any member of the Chapter in complete confidence, on 087 698 2822. Vincent's Charity Shop also takes donations of used small household items, bric a brac, books and clean used clothing, while also stock a huge selection of clothing at very reasonable prices. Opening hours are Wednesday and Thursday 11-3 and also on Saturdays.

Clean Coasts

The weekly Pier area and beach clean-up takes place

He said "It shows we are a County who care about the people who live in here and also those who come to visit."

The very first beach wheelchair in the county was in fact launched in Rathmullan in 2015, and has provided 9 years of service to the community and our many visitors. A beach walker has now been added to the facilities, and both are stored at the Sailing Club, which can be accessed by contacting (086) 8123019.

Trudy O'Donnell from the Council said it is great to see how the community can work with the Council to make things happen.

This is a free facility and can be utilised by

anyone who needs it. The wheels are especially designed to allow safe travel on sand, and we hope that these measures will permit more easy access to the beach by anyone with mobility restrictions.

Local girl Caoimhe Begley had the honour of cutting the tape to the launch the chair and the beach walker and she was also the first to test drive the chair.

Councillors among the attendance were Cllrs. Gerry McMonagle and Donal Coyle from the Letterkenny EA, Liam Blaney, Declan Meehan and Paucic McGarvey from the Milford EA.

every Wednesday morning, with equipment available outside the White Harte from 10am, with new volunteers always welcome. However, there is always the 2 minute Bleach

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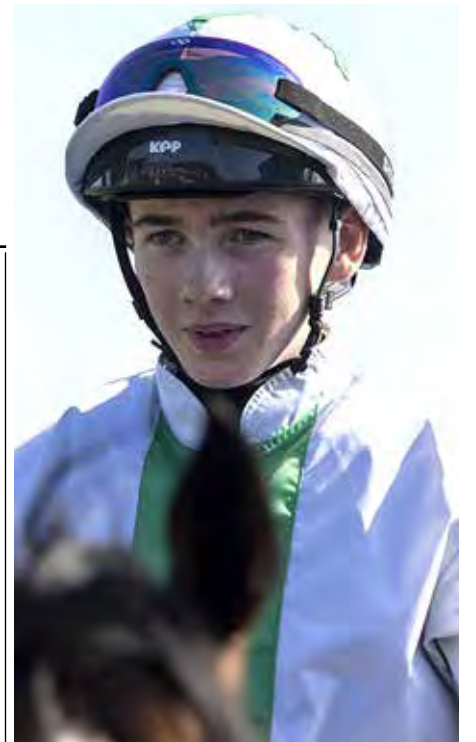
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Ballyare boy wins at the Curragh

On just his fourth ride, Ballyare apprentice Patrick McGettigan (*pictured right*) landed the first winner of his career when partnering the Johnny Murtagh-trained King Thistle to a comfortable success in the seven-furlong nursery handicap at the Curragh on Saturday. The 16-year-old brought the 6/1 chance home a length and a quarter winner from the Willie McCreery-trained Edergole's Angel with Murtagh prais-



ing his jockey afterwards, telling the racing press corps afterwards, "I think you'll hear a bit more about him, he's not too bad." Patrick is the son of Gerard and Joanne McGettigan and his uncle is Tommy McGettigan who is also a well known jockey.

On Friday Oisin Orr took yet another win at a race meeting in Thirsk on 7/1 shot Tuscan Hills for trainer Raphael Freire. Earlier last week the Rathmullan man had two wins at Musselburgh in Scotland.

Rathmullan man Luke McAteer made all the running on the Tony Mullins-trained Runnisonofagun to take the eight-furlong optional claiming maiden at Navan on Thursday afternoon. In the colours of Olive Walsh, the 9/4 chance kept on gamely to see off the challenge of the James Barrett-trained 11/4 shot Mighty Day by three-parts of a length.

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Illistrin NS Junior Infants with staff members Rachael Stewart and Elaine McFadden.



Illistrin NS Junior Infants with staff members Marie Brennan and Louise Lafferty.



Illistrin NS Junior Infants with staff members Ellen Doherty and Tina Drein.



John Sheridan Memorial Vintage and Classic Car Show

Scenes from the 2nd Vintage and Classic Car Show in memory of the late John Sheridan in Rathmullan on Saturday. Pictured above left are the Hewitt and Dunleavy family; above right, Bella with Danielle Hutchinson, Margaret Morrison and Rose Thompson; pictured left - Frances and Michelle Daly from Cork and Rathmullan; pictured right - Barbara McLaughlin with Una and Chloe Sheridan and Davin. Below left - Kathleen McDaid making sure grandson Senán has plenty suncream on in his granda' Dom's Citroen. Below right - Enjoying the show.



Karen and Eddie Ferry at the show.



Martin T. Sheridan with daughters Una and Chloe.



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Ewe Lamb
1st Cathal Gallagher
2nd Cathal Gallagher
3rd Pauric Herrity

Hoggett Ewe
1st Tony Gallagher
2nd Tony Gallagher
3rd Tony Gallagher

Ram Lamb
1st Pauric Herrity
2nd Cathal Gallagher
3rd Tony Gallagher

Champion Confined Jamie McFadden Hoggett Ewe

Champion Open Pauric Herrity Ram Lamb
Reserve Champion Open Tony Gallagher Hoggett Ewe

Continental Section Novice

Aged Ewe
1st Leona & Micheala O Donnell
2nd Kevin McElwaine
3rd Leona & Micheala O'Donnell

Ewe Lamb
1st Niall Moyne
2nd Kevin McElwaine
3rd Kevin McElwaine

Continental Confined and Open

Confined	Open	Open
Aged Ewe		Pair Butcher Lambs
1st Mark McGeever	Gearld Shields	1st Gearld Shields
2nd Finn Robinson	Mark McGeever	2nd Paul Mallon
3rd Paul Mallon	Finn Robinson	3rd Shane Gallagher

Ewe Lamb	Pair Factory Lambs (Confined)	
1st Finn Robinson	Gerald Shields	1st Paul Mallon
2nd Paul Mallon	Charlie Kerr	2nd Gearld McGeever
3rd Mark McGeever	Finn Robinson	3rd Finn Robinson

Hoggett Ewe	Pair of Ewe Lambs	
1st Paul Mallon	Paul Mallon	Mark McGeever Mark McGeever
2nd Mark McGeever	Mark McGeever	Paul Mallon Paul Mallon
3rd Gearld McGeever	Shane Gallagher	Paddy O Donnell Shane Gallagher

Confined	Open	Confined	Open
Pair of Hoggetts		Ram 1yr or Over	
1st Gearld McGeever	Shane Gallagher	Paul Mallon	Paul Mallon
2nd P O'Donnell	Charlie Kerr	G McGeever	G McGeever
3rd Paddy O Donnell	Gearld McGeever	Charlie Kerr	Charlie Kerr

Champion Novice	Reserve Champion Novice	Champion Open	Reserve Champion Open
Kevin McElwaine	Niall Moyne	Gearld Shields	Paul Mallon
Hoggett Ewe	Ewe Lamb	Hoggett Ewe	Hoggett Ewe
	Ewe Lamb		

Champion Confined	Reserve Champion Confined
Paul Mallon	Mark McGeever
Hoggett Ewe	Aged Ewe

Pedigree Section	Open	Ram 1yr or Over
Aged Ewe		1st Gearld Shields
1st Caolin Ufton		2nd Niall Moyne
2nd Kevin McElwaine		
3rd Jack Kelly		

Ewe Lamb	Ram Lamb
1st Rachael Gallagher	1st Gerald Shields
2nd Rachael Gallagher	2nd Niall Moyne
3rd Niall Moyne	

Hoggett Ewe	Reserve Champion Pedigree
1st Paul Mallon	Racheal Gallagher
2nd Paul Mallon	Ewe Lamb
3rd Gerald Shields	

Champion Pedigree	Reserve Champion Pedigree
Paul Mallon	Racheal Gallagher
Hoggett Ewe	Ewe Lamb

Breeders Confined and Open	Confined	Open
Aged Ewe	Pair of Hoggetts	
1st Barry Nelis	Dermot McGinley	David Tourish
2nd D McGinley	Barry Nelis	S Kelly
		S Kelly

Ewe Lamb	Ram 1yr or Over
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2nd Dermot McGinley	Barry Nelis
3rd Dermot McGinley	John Murray
	Barry Nelis

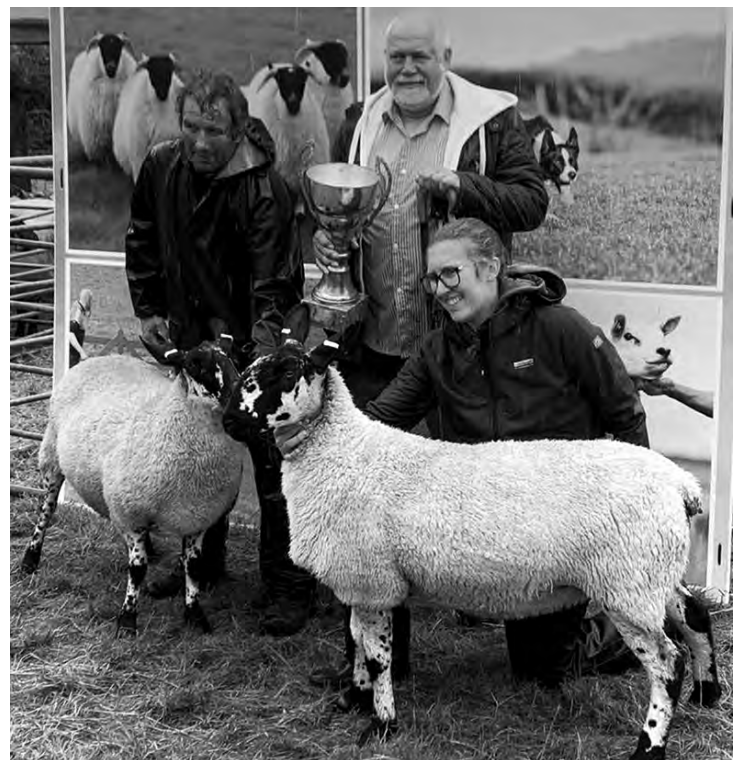
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1st Dermot McGinley	Dermot McGinley
2nd Dermot McGinley	C Tinney
3rd Barry Nelis	C McGee
	S Kelly

Pair of Ewe Lambs €300 (Open)
1st Dermot McGinley
2nd Barry Nelis

Champion Novice	Reserve Champion Novice
Champion Confined	Barry Nelis Ram
Reserve Champion Confined	Dermot McGinley Ewe Lamb
Champion Open	Barry Nelis Ram
Reserve Champion Open	David Tourish Hoggett Ewe
PAIR OF EWE LAMBS OPEN €300	David Tourish
SUPREME CHAMPION	Paul Mallon Hoggett Ewe
RESERVE SUPREME CHAMPION	Gearld Shields Ewe



Prizewinners and competitors at the Kilmacrennan and District Sheep Show and Dog Trails at the Termon GAA Pitch recently.



Dog Trial Results

Intermediate (90)
1st Conal Gallagher & Cara 84
2nd Sophia Long & Nan 80
3rd Hughie Mooney & Spot 79
4th Johnny Callaghan & Glen 78

Open (100)
1st Caolan Byrne & Tess 96
2nd Bernard Hegarty & Craig 95
3rd Sammy Long & Lad 94
4th James McGee & Gold 93
5th Barry Nelis & Rex 92 (OLF)
6th James McLaughlin & Mac 92

Highest Pointed Drive
Caolan Byrne & Queen

Local Farmers (80)
1st Peadar McBride & Rex
2nd Patrick Kelly & Jack

Northwest Open Handlers (90)
1st Barry Nelis & Sam
2nd Noel McDevitt & Tim
3rd Liam McFadden & Pip



'Housing for All' target only 33,450 new homes this year

Under the Housing for All plan, the Government's official target is 33,450 new homes. This has led to a substantial housing deficit, with the Housing Commission estimating that the underlying shortage ranges from 212,500 to 256,000 homes based on the 2022 census figures. The country will need up to 53,000 new homes a year to keep up with population growth, even without factoring in all the "pent-up demand" from years of undersupply...

Friday was a record day for building houses in Ireland... and a record one as well for homelessness. Somehow the promise of 40/50 thousand new builds do not sit comfortably. Because lack of housing is a primary cause of homelessness, is it not? Simon Harris popped into NewsTalk on Friday to tell Pat Kenny that the Government target of 40,000 would be reached. Regardless of the enthusiasm of the Taoiseach, I just read the analysis by John Burns in the Indo saying that the rate of completions for the first six months of the year was down 8.6% and only 12,730 were finished. Simon Harris must know that his government has to construct 21,000 new houses by Christmas if the 40,000 promised new houses is to be achieved. But the good news of the FG gospel was not yet over. On Friday afternoon FG's Senator Barry Ward popped by on the 'Hard Shoulder' on Newstalk with Ciaran Cuddihy. And there was more good news for the bemused listeners. Ward was pondering the housing completions possibly rising to 50,000 by Christmas. That my arse I thought to myself is way off the radar entirely because no way is

that happening given we are a million miles, (21,000 houses) short going into the second half of the year. To achieve this objective the supply would need to treble. Can that happen... is it possible? Or are these houses mirages of a political imagination that defies logic? Realistically it is quite pathetic for Simon Harris to be talking about reaching housing targets when it's already obvious for half a generation that what is needed is somewhere north of 60,000. At the end of 2023 it was calculated that there were 115,425 households, either on social housing waiting lists or in receipt of the Housing Assistance Payment. They consist of 58,824 eligible households on the main social housing waiting list plus 56,601 active HAP tenancies. And well into their fourteenth year in power, FG does not want any debate around these stats because they simply speak of government failure and poor policy decisions. And all they can do is talk in the hope that some new government will take on the task of fixing the problem. Against this background of failure, perhaps it is not surprising that 34,700 left Ireland last year: fed up with high rents, sleeping in their gran-

ny's box room knowing that Simon Harris is not going to fix the crisis. But with FG it seems to me they are fast becoming the party where miracles never sleep. But had that been the case, then FG must wonder why they lost 5,200 votes in June's local elections here in Donegal. And I suppose it would be blasphemy to suggest that Simon Harris does not believe in miracles on the basis that were that the case he would not have chosen politics as a career move. I know politics used to be the art of 'make-believe' and the voters fell for that claptrap of lies and false promises. This, actually, is quite like the miracle of the affected homeowner with defective blocks reaching a wall of make believe when the miracle proved to be total fluke or else it was something else that was genuinely defective.

Meanwhile, Simon Harris got his much higher than expected figure on housing construction in correspondence from the Housing Minister, Darragh O'Brien. No one better than Darragh given the housing crisis keeps coming back to bite his arse every time the record for homelessness is published... as happened last Friday. See the travel of the two FG politicians putting a totally new shape on housing. Harris could easily double the 250,000 new houses he promised to deliver in five years and perhaps Senator Barry Ward might add his own tuppence worth in his own inimitable manner. And while 40,000 new builds would be welcome, it falls short of the 60,000 that is needed to allow supply to overtake demand in the private sector. It is quite shameful that the FG led government since a way back in history, 2011 have failed to resolve the housing crisis, the Mica

crisis, the health crisis, the infrastructure crisis, the lack of children's classrooms crisis, the constitutional crisis where the numbers of Dail Deputies is growing by the year of at least 2.2 new members, the climate crisis, the farming crisis and the rural depopulation crisis and Letterkenny's traffic crisis, the child orthodontic crisis, the invasion of Ireland's air space by the IDF crisis and the scoliosis crisis, to name a few. The Ditch website has reported a number of occasions that Israeli arms passed through Irish airspace from the United States on a number occasions since the beginning of the conflict in Gaza last October. The issue for the Government ultimately is that the flights passed over Ireland in apparent breach of Irish law. Back on terra firma, the best yardstick by which to judge the lack of housing is to simply check the ever increasing costs of new builds and again in the rental sector where €1,600 a month is about average. What young couple could afford that? Simon Harris made the claim that almost 40,000 homes will be completed this year, when he spoke at the annual Michael Collins commemoration at Beal na Bláth last Sunday week.. That is way above what most commentators believe is the reality of housing delivery in 2024. Industry figures put the likely final tally closer to 34,000 homes. However, the rate of completions in the first half of this year was down 8.6pc, when only 12,730 new dwellings were finished - so almost 21,000 homes must be built between now and Christmas if this lower target is to be met. To hit 40,000 by Christmas would require a trebling of supply from July to the end of the year. As to how Simon Harris's

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much higher figure had been calculated, the Taoiseach's team could not say, they pointed to Housing Minister Darragh O'Brien as the source. Well, he would, wouldn't he? "The figures quoted are from correspondence received from Mr O'Brien," his spokesperson said. "Housing is the Government's number one priority and we are on target for the highest number of completions since 2008 and the highest social-housing build since 1975." Under the Housing for All plan, the Government's official target is 33,450 new homes being built in 2024. This has led to a substantial housing deficit, with the Housing Commission estimating that the underlying shortage ranges from 212,500 to 256,000 homes based on the 2022 census figures. The country will need up to 53,000 new homes a year to keep up with population growth, even without factoring in all the "pent-up demand" from years of under-supply. Meanwhile the misery of homelessness continued on Friday. As if you need to be reminded about Government spin, FG did their best to talk positively because the figures for homelessness in Ireland had reached a new record, a new low. As the number of people in homelessness reaches yet another grim record, the Government is appealing to local authorities to assess all zoned lands suitable for housing, and to determine whether further tracts should be zoned "residential". Latest data from the Department of Housing on Friday, shows there were 14,429 people in emergency accommodation in July, including in excess of 4,000 children in more than 2,000 families. The figures represent the seventh consecutive monthly increase since December and the "devastating consequences of this Government's housing failures", said the Social Democrats spokesman on housing, Deputy Cian O'Callaghan. Sinn Féin spokesperson on Housing, Eoin Ó Broin, said: "Once again, another grim homelessness record has been reached under Fianna Fáil and Fine Gael." The figures say that during the week of July 22nd to 28th there were 10,028 adults and 4,401 children in emergency accommodation. The latest numbers represent a 12.3 per cent increase in the 12 months since July last year, when there were 12,847 people in emergency accommodation including 9,018 adults and 3,829 children. None of this data includes homeless people who are in domestic refuges, those in direct provision centres who have leave to remain in the State, those who are sleeping rough, or the 2,539 male asylum seekers awaiting offers of accommodation. Focus Ireland's chief executive Pat Den-nigan said it was a "harsh reality" that "thousands of kids have just started a new school year coming from emergency accommodation".

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Rabble Fairs recalled as old friends meet sixty years later

When Liam Kelly and Jerry McBride last saw each other they were hired hands on neighbouring farms near Torr Head in county Antrim and it was sixty years ago in the war time era of 1944. Liam came from Shandrum outside of Buncrana and now lives in Drumfries. Jerry hails from Kerrykeel high above Mulroy Bay and after a lifetime of working he's now back there, as happy as the day's long. Both had been hired out to farmers at the Derry rabble fair on November 19th in 1943 and they found themselves working in Antrim and they became good friends with memories of some great times out in the country around Cushendun. Those times came to an end in mid 44 when they moved on and until last Sunday they'd never met again. And when Liam and his grandson drove over from Buncrana they had no idea if Liam would even recognise Jerry. But a bottle of Jameson's Crested 10 soon rekindled the memories and they spent hours reminiscing of former times and how their lives have changed in those sixty years. It was a wonderful occasion up at the McBride ancestral home and friends and neighbours gathered round to hear the tales of farming life: being hired out to farms in Northern Ireland; going to the UK to work on the hydro dams or the open cast mines. Sitting at the fireside in the McBride home and listening to these two men chat was a revelation: a privilege and a real eye opener for a younger generation who'd never before heard of a 'turnip snedder', hoeing spuds and sewing barley in the Spring time. Jerry is now 83 and Liam is a very

sprightly 78 with a memory that is razor sharp. Both would have grown up on their respective family farms back in the twenties and thirties when large families and a bit of farming were the tradition of those times. Tough times but somehow those who lived through it have no regrets and they have come out of that era much happier than today's generation. That was very evident on Sunday evening as these men spoke with a pride and passion of how they survived. Their experiences are both rich and varied and they have no regrets whatever. Jerry would have grown up after his school years working to farmers here and there and his brother Myles who lives nearby recalled both of them going with their late father to the Rabble in Derry. "Our father didn't want you to be hired out at all," recalled Myles. "It's a bit too late now," said Jerry in that typical response that has seen him through a long life. Liam Kelly lived across the Swilly and in his childhood the paddle ferries would have been running across the water between Rathmullan: Fahan and Buncrana. Maybe it is something of a coincidence that Liam was on the maiden voyage of the Swilly Rambler in May of this year when it docked at Rathmullan. It was a link that was to lead him to be reunited with Jerry McBride. Jerry was hired on the farm of Archie McKinlay out near Torr Head and Liam was employed by Alex McLyster. The farms were each of 350 acres and they worked seven days a week from seven in the morning until six in the evening. Farmyard work was not mechanised and the horse and plough reigned supreme. They brought



A toast to times past.... Old friends Liam Kelly and Jerry McBride pictured with friends in Kerrykeel on Sunday evening as they were reunited for the first time in 60 years.

sheep to the fairs: walking from Ballyloughran to Ballycastle and back again. The contract was for a six months period and the princely sum of money for the term was £45. It might not now at this remove seem very much and indeed it wasn't. However they were happy enough: they lodged in the homes of the families and were well fed. The work ranged from gathering spuds: herding the sheep on the mountains: sowing and harvesting: threshing and so on. Jerry recalls being the first one to discover the crash scene on an American airforce plane on the mountains. There were thirteen of a crew but they were all killed in this tragic accident. And he was still there during the big snows of '47 and he has vivid memories of the deep drifts and looking for sheep in the hedgerows. And Jerry has some brilliant memories. After leaving the farm work he took some work gathering spuds on a weekly contract and one night he happened to have nowhere to stay. So he ended up in a British camp and he slept like a log

there. The army barracks happened to be a place called Long Kesh and in later time it took on an entirely new dimension. Liam had now gone to England where he worked all over the country until 1959. As they compared notes on Sunday they had both work on the hydro dams in the Scottish Highlands often in the same jobs but one had already left days before the other had arrived in search of a start. They went to the UK and worked hard and worked as farm labourers living in terrible conditions in 'bothies' and such places. But better times were coming or so many thought. Liam and Jerry have the kind of lifetime experience that the rest of mankind can only wonder about. But now in retirement they are still hale and hearty and glad to be alive: they have no regrets and life's experiences have stood them well. And when the car ferry docked in Rathmullan last May on board the Foyle Rambler was Liam Kelly. And he met local man Arthur Lynch who told him

Kerrykeel was just a couple of miles down the road. Liam said he'd worked with a man called Jerry McBride but he'd not seen or heard of him since that day back at Torr Head in 1944. And so on last Sunday the two farmhands were united once more and there was much to chat about. Liam has been involved in two local videos around Buncrana. A step back in time recalls the era of the horse and plough while the second one was about poiteen making. Jerry came back from England over twenty years ago and is now happily retired in his native Kerrykeel. Both men belong to an era when emigration: being hired out and having little or no money was part of our culture. Times have certainly changed but last Sunday as their years were rolled in one thing has not changed for either of them and that is the friendship built up on the hillside farms in county Antrim over sixty years ago. Memories are made of such precious evenings here in Donegal.

Melmore water to cost €1.5m

The battle to resolve the water crisis in the Atlantic Drive area of Downings is further away than ever following an engineering claim that the cost will be €1.5 million. Local opinion after consultation with private water engineers suggests that the problem can be resolved satisfactorily for less than one thousand Euro. And once again the Council is being accused of pricing themselves out

of carrying out essential works due to a lack of money. And it has been revealed that the project is not on the Council's priority listing which means that the problem may not be resolved in the next five years. Senator Joe McHugh says this kind of estimate once again highlights the Council's thinking in looking for large scale technical solutions when much

less is more than adequate. He says that contrary to engineering opinion the problems in Downings are about storage and not about supply and he's called for a short-term solution to address the ongoing problems with the public water supply there. A €600,000 project to upgrade the header works at Cranford is now underway and it is anticipated that this will increase the volume of water

going to Downings and Carrigart. However it is pointed out by the Mevagh Development Association that storage and not supply is the main issue and they say the Council has been avoiding this issue for years. The development group in Mevagh had estimated that the cost of a bigger storage reservoir at Gainne Hill would not cost more than around fifteen thousand Euro and a campaign backed by the local councillors has been ongoing for the past two years to get some recognition of their views by the council's water services engineers. The fact that the Council is now estimating the cost of the work at such a huge fee has shocked and angered the local community. Spokespersons for the community said that this was only 'another lame duck excuse' since it was fairly obvious that this sort of funding was not forthcoming. And it is also pointed out that on the current priority lists for water services in the Milford area the Gainne hill reservoir is bottom of the heap.

Cllr. Noel McBride says that the Council's estimated cost of €1.5 million is only putting the problem on the long finger and he's not prepared to sit there and accept this estimate of the job. He has indicated that the local community has now taken steps of their own to have the project evaluated on an independent basis and he's firmly of the opinion that a substantial job can be completed for a fraction of the cost given by a Council engineer. He

says that an interim measure with a short term solution is there and he's determined that this option should be taken up immediately in Lifford. Immediately after the local elections the Mevagh Development Association held an urgent meeting with the newly elected Cllrs. amid claims that the area and its problems had been sadly neglected over many years. The Cllrs. also heard accusations that a large part of the area was being deliberately starved of water merely to keep the supply from unauthorised holiday homes out on the Atlantic Drive beyond Clontallagh and Melmore. The Council's water engineers have said that the project to give a guaranteed supply to this part of Downings is more complex than merely putting in a bigger reservoir. The local community does not agree. They point out that the original storage facility was put in place to serve less than forty homes as far back as 35 years ago. It is now claimed that a simple extension to the storage capacity of the tank at Gainne Hill would solve the crisis and with water being pumped into the system at night the pressure on the existing daytime supply would no longer be a problem. As the controversy continues the Mevagh Development Association has already accused Council officials of 'toying about with local communities' and being 'faceless bureaucrats' who have no real interest in the problems facing rural communities.



Dr. James McDaid cuts the tape to officially open the new pitch at Bonagee on Sunday last.



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Donegal Gaisce group visits Estonia

Donal Cullen the SF representative for the Milford area was among a group of Gaisce gold medal winners who spent some time in Estonia earlier this summer as part of a team building project. Forging links with a Baltic state was a major part of the idea that was developed by Hugh McConville of Gaisce.

But there was much more to the idea than that. Donal had just completed a hectic local elections campaign where he polled over nine hundred votes.

Tar Eis Oir is the follow on to the award and a group of the winners were then selected to travel to another country to help construct a community centre and to interact with the local community... an experience none of them will ever forget and a very positive addition to their own team building development in future life.

Rural Estonia is relatively poor in financial terms but very rich in culture and organic farming. It is typically getting away from its many years under Communist rule and Donal says that it is somewhat like Ireland almost a hundred years ago. Therefore it was a real challenge for this Irish group to find themselves in a strange land with a strange culture. Those who travelled with Donal were Helena and Veronica McHugh, Breda McHugh, all from Carrigart; Brendan Callaghan, Ker-

rykeel; Willie Shaw, Letterkenny and Damien Coyle from Buncrana. They flew from Dublin to Helsinki and then on to Tallin in the heart of Estonia. From there it was several hours of a ferry ride to their destination. A small village called Somesta was to become their home for the next ten days and it turned out to be an experience they'd never forget.

Like so many Estonian settlements this is remote village with little infrastructure. Dirt roads and farm lands stretch for many miles out towards the mountainy horizons. The average settlement is around twenty households and poverty is everywhere.

The Donegal group was taken aback that there is no domestic sanitation yet every house has a sauna. This obviously is close to their Scandinavian culture. Everything is recycled and they discovered this when they began the construction work at the community centre located on the site of a former oil depot.

They were welcomed into the homes of these people who made a big fuss about them. The natives really knew nothing of Ireland except that it was a beautiful place; but very far away. It is still the era of the raking house there and families intermingle as we did in times long past. There are few cars and the farm machinery is ancient but



The Donegal group, Veronica Duffy, Carrigart, Damien Coyle, Buncrana, Breda McHugh, Carrigart, Donal Cullen, Carrigart, Willie Shaw, Letterkenny, Helena Duffy, Carrigart and Brendan Callaghan, Kerrykeel in Somesta, Estonia.

useable. The Donegal group got down to work with picks and shovels laying down the foundations for the new centre. Not unlike similar facilities at home but not on such a grand scale. The community centre will be a centrepiece for the community where they can come together and make plans for the future. Later on they will have computers and it will also be an education centre. There is very little evidence of material-

ism: no tourism: no holidays and very little leisure time: welcome to the real world of civilisation. Yet they are a very happy people and they care for their sick and elderly in their homes with great pride and conviction.

Donal says the visit was a real eye opener yet they loved the experience. They worked hard on the construction job and made many friends. The forged links with a different culture and a

completely different way of life. The people are friendly and happy go lucky and they enjoy the experience of living a very full life free from the strains of modern western living. There is no materialism: not much illness and no pressures. The family unit fits into the community as an integral part of their society and they spend hours at the village crossroads chatting to each other. Its as if the place has been transported from another planet.

Comhairle Ceanntair: what's that?

A party official on the phone line from Dublin last week was hounding a long time Fianna Fail stalwart in Donegal about the frequency of their Comhairle Dail Ceanntair meetings in one of the

electoral areas. 'What's a Comhairle Ceanntair meeting? I wasn't at one of them things for the past ten years,' was the response. This is but one of the priceless pieces of

classified information emerging as the ongoing post-mortem continues into the disastrous performance of the party in the local and EU elections last June. As party leaders in the constituency

play a blinder in their efforts to talk up an organisation fully in control of its marbles one long time party member told the Tribune: 'these boys are talking a load of shite and everyone knows it.'

The rebranding of the party comes up at Inchidoney in west Cork at the beginning of next week and already the delegates can expect to be handed a number of proposals to rejuvenate the grassroots organisation. It is recognised that everything down on the farm is not purely organic and already attempts have been made to identify the wheat from the chaff. Not everyone is impressed.

The proposals to revive some ailing constituency structures are expected to include the deployment of highly paid officials to oversee the rebuilding of broken fences and to undertake a campaign to attract new members into the organisation. This is but one of the big wheezes that came out of last week's exploratory meeting in Dublin. The deliberations are a closely guarded secret and our sources would not even say if Bob the Builder is to be the new party logo.

Secrecy is to be the cornerstone of future meetings and Bertie suggested that it would be preferable if the deliberations were kept quiet and away from the ears of the media.

And as the nation watches and waits for the outcome of the Cork discussions the agenda will ignore the main concerns now facing the party. The underlying sub-text is how to stop Sinn Fein from building up a head of steam before the next general election.

They have already stuffed FF in the local elections and if that progress continues they could wrest at least ten Dail seats from FF in a couple of years time, if given half a chance. The FF strategy is now to halt that progress and make themselves a more sexy proposition to the younger voters, though God alone only knows how that miracle might be realised.

Plans are afoot to establish regional headquarters but as yet it is not clear if Letterkenny is in the frame for one of these offices. Party membership now stands at around 30,000 and there is to be a recruitment drive to get first time voters interested.



The Milford Utd ladies team who defeated Finn Valley to win the Glencar Inn Cup 1-0 at Diamond Park, Ballyare where Sinead Hagan scored a 20th minute header.

Ramelton Tennis Club



Rain failed to stop play at Ramelton Tennis Club's U 18s tournament n Sunday. Winner of the girls singles was Jennifer Carron and runner-up Irene Haggan. Girls Plate winner Hayley Gunn and runner-up Rhona Bailey. Boys u 18 winner Cormac Friel and runner-up Luke Kelly.

Final result from u 14 boys event: John Rowland 3rd and Christopher Birney 4th.

Photographed right at the U18s tournament at Ramelton TC were l to r, Catherine Hyland, Jennifer Carron (winner), Helen Kelly, Sinead Hyland, Stacy Coyle, Zara Heron, Rhona Bailey (plate runner-up), Kathy Diver, Irene Haggan (r-up) and Hayley Gunn (plate winner).

Pictured left - U 18 boys runner-up Luke Kelly and winner Cormac Friel.



Bia ag Caint

with Noel MacLiam

Fáilte roimh achán duine ar ais, a chairde Ghaeil, agus, mar a deirtear i Laidin, MIRABILE DIC-TU, tá an grian ar ais agus meangadh gáire uirthi!

Bhí an féar sa ghairdín chomh hard le súil eilifinte, mar ní raibh mé ábalta é a lomadh agus é chomh fluch sin, ach tá cuma deas, slachtmhar air anois.

Ba abhár náire é ar feadh tamaill fada. Níl mórán níos deise ná faiche úrlomaithe. Ag an am céanna, áfach, tá mé ar an eolas fosta go bhfuil orainn spásanna a fhagáil gan ghearradh le seans a don dúlra.

Chuala mé le déanaí cúpla saineolaíthe ag plé an laghdú tubáisteach ar líon na féileacáin in Éirinn, agus é i ndiaidh gabháil i laghdú níos mó ná 80%!!

Is rud uafásach sin agus abhár mór buartha iad na figiúirí seo. Mar sin, tá sé riachtánach go bhfuil spásanna fagtha gan gearradh in achán ghairdín in Éirinn le lámh cuidithe a thabhairt do na créatúirí seo uilig. Le bheith macánta tá na figiúirí seo do-chreidte. Laghdú 80%! Is gairm chun gnímh é seo, a chairde, agus tábhachtach go ndéanfimid uilig ár ndícheall le feabhas suntasach a fháil ar seo.

Agus muid ag caint faoi ghairdíní, thóg mé na céad prátaí a d'fhas mé roimh riamh seachtain ó shin! Bhí gliondar ar mo chroí! Fuair mé na sioltaí ó mo dheirfúir a chónaíonn in Inis Ceithlín agus atá ag fás prátaí agus glasraí eile



le fada an lá. Níor chuir mé mórán ach tús maith leath na hoibre, mar a deirtear.

Bhí mé ag fás prátaí dearga agus bhí siad go hiontach le blas saghas cnónna orthu. Béidh mé ábalta níos mó a chuir as seo amach, rud atá mé ag síúl go mór leis.

Tá cuid mhaith comhairle le fáil, m'anam, ó dhaoine atá breá cleachtaithe le glasraí a fhásadh, trátaí, mar shampla, agus smaoinim i gcónaí go mbíonn blas níos deise ar rudaí atá fásadh agus cairde agus clann.

Tá cara mhór agam i mBéal Feirste a bhfuil cuibhreach an-mhór aige le fada agus na rudaí a mbíonn a fhás aige go hiontach ar fad. Eadar torthaí, glasraí agus cnónna gaelacha fiú! Rinne sé iarracht rathúil asparagas a fhás fríd gaineamh!

Ní bhfuair sé fómhar ar bith ar feadh cúpla bliain, ach ansin thainig sé fríd agus bhí sé go hiontach deas, úr. Fear iontach cumasach atá ann, gan amhras.

Tá mé ag gabháil scéal fíor a insint díobh faoi cé chomh maith agus atá sé: bhí cara aige agus fear saibhir é agus teach galánta Victeoiriach aige, a cheannaigh sé-aris go firinneach- ó VAN MORRISON é féin.

Ar thaobh amháin den teach bhí teach gloine Victeoiriach ann ina raibh córas teasa fo-uráir ag gabháil leis. Mar gheall ar an córas teasa seo bhí sé ábalta rudaí a fhás nach mbéifeá ábalta a fhás de gnáth. Agus cad a bhí aige, iad ag fás laidir, folláin agus briomhar ach anann agus banana! Chonaic mé iad uilig le mo shúile féin! Is saineolaí é, gan dabht, Peadar Ó Raighailligh, agus é beo agus briomhar go fóill.

Is caitheamh aimsire speisialta é, ag fás plandaí agus glasraí- ag útamáil thart timpeall an teach gloine, ag amharc ar an dúlra ag obair os chom-

hair shúile, é a fheiceáil teacht ó shíol bídeach go planda galánta.

Is rud míorúilteach é, a dhéanann maitheas do do chroí, agus ar an mheobharshláinte. Agus, tá eolas le fáil ar líne le cuidiú leat tús a dhéanamh. Níl aon teorainn leis na rudaí a thig leat a dhéanamh- Bain triall as!

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2 tbsps mustard slánghráin

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2 tbsps ola olóige úríon

1 oinniún beag donn

1 ionga gairleoga meilte

2 úlla gan craiceann nó croí, geartha

2 tbsps sú líomóide

1 tsp mustard Dijon



MODH:

Cuir oigheann ar 200C. Cuir paipéar bÁCála i dtraidire bÁCála. Gearr prosciutto ina dha leath ar a bhfad agus cuir thart timpeall na chipolataí. Cuir sa tráidire le meascán sioróip, mustard agus 2 tbsps uisce le 20bom. Cuir ola, oinniún agus gairleog i bpota le 5 bom, cuir úll, sú agus 100ml uisce, tóg chun bhrúth ansin suanbhrúth le 10bom, cuir sa phrúisealá go bhfuil sé mín agus cuir amach ar na chipolataí.

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Comhábhair

150g im agus breise le bealaigh

225g plúr éirítheach

1 tsp púdar bÁCála

225g siúcre mín

2 uibheacha móra

500g úll cócarála



25g almóinní geartha

Siúcre reoáin

MODH:

Cuir oigheann ar 160C. Leigh im i bpota. Bealaigh stáin bÁCála le him. Cuir plúr, púdar bÁCála, siúcre, uibheacha agus im i mbabhla agus buail go bhfuil sé uilig mín. Spréigh leathchuid sa stáin. Bain craiceann agus croí ón úill agus gearr go tiúbh agus cuir ar an meascán spúinse, agus an méid eile ar bharr na húill. Cuir san oigheann le 75bom go bhfuil sé órdhonn agus cuir braon siúcre reoáin ar bharr.

Laidin. Latin

Meangadh gaire. Smile

Súil eilifinte. Elephant's eye

Slachtmhar. Neat, tidy

Ábhar náire. A cause for shame

Faiche úrlomaithe. New-mown lawn

Ar an eolas. Aware, cognisant

Dúlra. Nature

Saineolaí. Expert

Laghdú. Reduction

Tubáisteach. Disastrous

Líon. Amount

Féileacán. Butterfly

Ábhar buartha. Cause for concern

Gairm chun gnímh. Call to action

Blas cnónna. Nutty taste

Cuibhreach. Allotment

Cnónna gaelacha. Hazelnuts

Cumasach. Capable

Victeoiriach. Victorian

Anann. Pineapple

Míorúilteach. Miraculous

Bunaithe ar fhianaise. Evidence based

Teorann. Boundary, limit



Glenree United U14 Girls sporting their new away kit kindly sponsored by the girls parents. Back Row - JJ McGettigan (Manager), Tara Coyle, Aedín McHugh, Bridget Carr, Aoihbhe McGettigan, Alanna Duffy, Sophie O'Neill, Amy Hunter, Suzanne Doherty, Aimeé Bassett, Alison Slavickova, Claire O'Doherty. Front - Ella Grace McGettigan, Mia McGettigan, Leah Boyce, Emily Boyce, Chloé O'Doherty, Colleen McCloskey, Sophie Elliott.

COMEDY CLASSICS

No. 1: Last of the Summer Wine

The world's longest running sitcom, Last of the Summer Wine ran from 1973 until 2010, with a total of 31 series. It was produced and directed by Alan J. W. Bell and written by Roy Clarke, who also wrote Keeping Up Appearances and Open All Hours. The series was set and filmed in and around Holmfirth, West Yorkshire, and revolved around a trio of older men and their youthful antics! The original trio consisted of: Compo Simmonite (Bill Owen), Norman Clegg (Peter Sallis), and Cyril Blamire played by Michael Bates. Brian Wilde replaced Michael Bates in 1976, after two series, and played the part of Foggy Dewhurst. Compo was the mischievous one, who made many amorous attempts to win the affection of his next door neighbour, Nora Batty (Kathy Staff). Clegg was easy-going, and Foggy, the ex-army man, told exaggerated war stories. The series saw many cast changes throughout the years - many comical characters came and went. When Bill Owen died in 1999, he was replaced by his real-life son, Tom Owen who played Luther Hobbydyke. The last two series saw Russ Abbot appear as Luther Hobbydyke. Regular subplots since the 80s included: Howard and Marina trying to have an affair without Howard's wife finding out! They met in many secret locations where Howard would utter the words, "Oooh, Marina", and Marina would reply, "Oooh, Howard"; Smiler, played by Stephen Lewis, (Inspector Blakey in On the Buses) and his attempts to find a woman; Wesley, the mechanic and would-be inventor; Auntie Wainwright trying to sell unwanted merchandise to unsuspecting customers.

Many thousands of tourists visit the filming locations every year: Nora Batty's house, which is an actual guest house; Compo's house, which is now a museum, housing many Compo memorabilia; Wesley's garage; Sid's Cafe, where the trio drank many a cup of tea and is an actual cafe.

Brian Wilde (Foggy) died in 2008, Kathy Staff (Nora Batty) died also in 2008, Bill Owen, (Compo) died in 1999, and Peter Sallis (Clegg) passed away in 2017. The graves of Bill Owen and Peter Sallis are side by side in St. John's Parish Church graveyard, Upperthong, near Holmfirth.

NEXT TIME: FAWLTY TOWERS



North West Truck Fest



Pictured right - Catriona Browne, Glen Chambers winner of the Decky Holian Memorial Trophy For the Best Truck presented by Dylan Gibbons and Robert Browne at the North West Truck Festival in aid of Down Syndrome Donegal. Photo Clive Wasson

Pictured left - Annamarie Brogan, Gavin Crilly, Best Livestock Truck and Robert Browne at the North West Truck. Photo Clive Wasson

Pictured below - Patrick Lafferty winner of the Best Working Rigid lorry with Catriona Browne and Robert Browne at the North West Truck Festival. Photo Clive Wasson



Kevin McDevitt winner of the Best 2001-2015 Truck with Catriona Browne and Robert Browne at the North West Truck Festival. Photo Clive Wasson



John Hegarty and Claire Hegarty with their new Volvo at the North West Truck Festival in Letterkenny on Saturday night. Photo Clive Wasson



Truck fans endure the showers at the North West Truck Festival. Photo Clive Wasson



Winner of the Best Truck before 2010 Patrick Long with Catriona Browne and Robert Browne at the North West Truck Festival. Photo Clive Wasson

Book Review by Connie McGranaghan

The Accident Katie McMahon

This novel which is set in Tasmania has an interesting premise and is a little different in that the narrative starts off with a court report based on a death resulting from a road traffic accident. The report is alluded to throughout the novel, but it is not until the end when the reader will find out which of the characters has actually died. The novel centres around the intertwined lives of three women with chapters narrated at different times by each one of them. Zoe is a local high school teacher who is just at the start of a relationship and madly in love with boyfriend Nick. Grace is a vet and a single mother her daughter Emma has an eating disorder and due to being bullied has had to change schools. Zoe just happens to be her new teacher. Grace (the vet) grapples with the challenges of raising a troubled daughter while hiding a painful secret. The third female character is Imogen and a doctor in training who faces intense professional

pressure and has an unsettling fixation on old flame Nick (Zoe's new boyfriend) Their lives all collide with each other when the deadly accident occurs and throughout the novel it is the case of who is it? And who is responsible for it?



This book was very clever in the way the author weaves together the three lives without any of the characters being aware of the effect their actions are having on one another. The way in which she built the characters that were not without imperfections but were very likeable was also very clever. There was a lot going on with each character so particularly at the beginning I found it all a little confusing. I was glad that I stuck it out until the end as it all became clearer and I thought it was a very worthwhile, gripping and enjoyable read.



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Junior and Senior Infants in the Junior Room at Lurgybrack NS with staff members Maria O'Donnell, Danielle Fay, Roisin Gardiner (Class Teachers) and Darren Boyle



Twins Ethaniel and Nathaniel Rufu who have joined the new Junior Infant Class at Educate Together in Letterkenny



Teacher Ciara Cunningham with her Junior Infant Class at Educate Together Letterkenny



Twins Shlok and Keesha Nigam who have started in the Junior Infant Class at Educate Together in Letterkenny



Class Teacher Mairéad Ferry and Special Needs Assistant Laura McDaid with the Junior Infants that have started at the Educate Together School in Letterkenny



Twins Amelia and Ezra Murray-Lynch who have joined the new Junior Infant Class at Educate Together in Letterkenny



A Junior Infant Class at Gaelscoil Adhamhnáin Letterkenny with their teacher Louise Uí Bhriain.

TCS to partner with Primark

Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), has extended its partnership with Primark, a leading international fashion retailer across 17 countries in Europe and the US. Over the next five years, TCS will help transform Primark's technology operations to support the retailer's ambitious plans for global growth. TCS has been working with Primark since 2016, establishing itself as a trusted partner to the retailer. As well as driving business-critical integration programmes and stabilising core platforms for the retailer, TCS has also improved cybersecurity capabilities, improving stability and reliability of processes and systems.

As part of this expanded partnership, TCS will help transform Primark's technology operating environment to make it more resilient, reliable, and efficient. By supporting Primark's transformation journey, TCS will help reduce time-to-market for the retailer, aligning with its strategies for future growth.



Golf News



Portsalon Golf Club

Ladies News

Mary McDaid Team

Lady Captain Noreen McConigley will lead her team on the 14th Sept as follows : Mary Barrett, Claire Ferry, Deirdre O'Toole, Roseanne Logue, Frances Shannon, Deirdre Hensey and Róisín McCormack.

Ladies Winter Links

Incredibly, 27th September is the first of our ladies winter links series. Where did the summer disappear to? Please call the pro shop to book times (074) 915 9459 or book on BRS when the timesheet opens.

Ladies Open

Save the date! 4th October is not only the Portsalon Ladies Open, but it is also the Play in Pink fundraiser for breast cancer research.

Results

1st Sept

Winner : Mary Barrett 39 pts; Runner- Up : Claire Ferry 37pts

Ciaran O Sullivan Competition 30th July results

Winner Kay Kelly (32) with 39pts; Runner up Monica McDonagh (21) with 38pts; 3rd Angela Bradley (14) with 37pts BOT; 4th Leala Curran (35) with 37pts; Front 9 Ann Kelly (45) with 26pts; Back 9 Rena OHerlihy (35) with 19pts BOT

August Medal 13th August results

Winner: Celine Markey (22) with 75 nett, Runner up : Margo Birmingham (30) with 76nett, Third : Mary McNulty (41) with 77 nett bot. Front 9: Maura Cavanagh (39) with 34 nett, Back 9 Monica McDonagh (19) with 38.50

Results for McElhinneys Open Tuesday 20th August

Winner Clíodhna Patton (21) with 40pts
 Runner up Sandra McMonagle (18) with 38pts BOT
 3rd Lorna Reynolds (33) with 38pts
 4th Kate Gallagher (19) with 35pts
 Front 9 Mary Gallagher(40) with 19pts
 Back 9 Laura Crawford (42)with 18pts
 Twos Sandra McMonagle 16th hole

Hole In One

Congratulations to Celine Bradley on her Hole in One on the 16th

Team News

Congratulations to the Maire O Donnell Team under the Captancy of Triona Daly and Anne McGrath who have made it through to the final - after a very tough battle against the ladies from Dunfanaghy.

Lady Captain's Charity

Lady Captain Anne Flannery presented Patricia Doherty from Cancer Care West with a cheque for €1200 which was raised by the Ladies and Gents of Letterkenny Golf Club, and Guests during Lady Captain's week. A huge thank you to everyone for their generosity to this very worthy cause.

Letterkenny Hospitals Golf Society

JAMES McFADDEN WINS CAPTAIN'S PRIZE

On an excellent day for golf, Barnhill Golf Club presented a good challenge for the large turn-out of society members, with James McFadden taking top spot on Maureen Sweeney's Captain's Day on a fine score of 38 Stableford points, just pipping Ciaran Williamson on a break of a tie with a better back-nine.

Just behind the top two finishes on 37 points was Kieran Doherty in third spot with Pauric McHugh in fourth place on 36 points.

Section Winners were Eunan McGlynn, Sandra McMonagle, Noel Duggan and Charlie McHugh.

In her address Society Captain thanks everyone for turning out for her big day saying it had been a pleasure and honour to take on the role for 2024 and despite some weather issue had effected the schedule and an injury which had curtailed her from playing she had really enjoyed her year as Captain of the Society. She thanked Barnhill Golf Club for hosting the event and Noreen and her staff for the excellent food and service they had provided for the society members. Maureen also thanked her three main sponsors for the day, McGee's Chemist, County Dry Cleaners and the Letterkenny Hospitals Sports and Leisure Club for their much appreciated support.



Staff member Shane Martin accepting a cheque for €2,000 on behalf of the Donegal Hospice from Caravanners Committee member Brian Gilfedder. The Caravanners committee also raised €5250 for The Sheephaven Project at Dunfanaghy Golf Club. They thanked Noel and Seamus McGinley for the amazing main sponsorship of the golf event and all the Dunfanaghy businesses and members who donated prizes and money. There was a special word of thanks also to the staff at the club and the golfers who played, bought raffle tickets and entered putting competitions.

Letterkenny Ladies

Competition Results



Winners of the Mc Elhinneys Open pictured with Lady Captain, Anne Flannery at Letterkenny Golf Club



Top four finishers on the day join Society Captain Maureen Sweeney at the presentation of prizes. Left to right : Pauric McHugh (4th), Kieran Doherty (3rd), Captain Maureen Sweeney, James McFadden (Winner), Ciaran Williamson (Runner-up).



Dunfanaghy Golf Club member Darcy Hogg has arrived in Kent State, Ohio to commence his four year golf scholarship. Darcy pictured here with other young men starting on the same journey

RESULTS

Winner James McFadden 38pts BOT; Runner-up Ciaran Williamson 38pts; 3rd place Kieran Doherty 37pts; 4th place Pauric McHugh 26pts. SECTION ONE Eunan McGlynn 33pts, Mary

Murray 31pts, Anne Cannon 29pts; SECTION TWO Sandra McMonagle 36pts, Stephen Boucher 31pts, Monica McDonagh 29pts; SECTION THREE Noel Duggan 34pts, Eileen Williamson 32pts, Cynthia Furey 31pts; SECTION FOUR Charlie McHugh 35pts, Carmel McGeady 31pts, Tony Doherty 27pts; Front Nine Vera Kearney 16pts, Back Nine Dessie Ferry 17pts.

The Society's next and final outing of 2024 will take place on Friday 27th September at Portsalon Golf Club and will be followed by the Annual General Meeting.



Lady Captain Anne Flannery presenting Patricia Doherty from Cancer Care West with a cheque for €1200 at Letterkenny Golf Club



Congratulations to Celine Bradley on her Hole In One on the 16th at Letterkenny Golf Club



The current junior infants at St. Davadog's NS, Tamney Gracie Boyce, Sophia Anders, Matthew Gibbons, Eamonn Duffy and Shane Dorrian.



Thanks to everybody who supported and helped to make our Fanad Fundraising Day for the Lough Swilly Lifeboats such a successful event. The organisers came together last weekend to present the amazing total of €3,400 to Hazel Russell and Derek Little from the RNLI.



Junior Infants at Drumfad National School, Luke Borland, Kelly Stewart with at back Molly Gibbons McVeigh, Olly Anderson and Evie McGettigan with their teachers Miss Nadine McGrory.

Social Dance in Carrigart Hall

The monthly Social Dancing in Mevagh Hall Carrigart continues on Friday 6th September from 9.30 - 11.30pm. Music is by Lakelanders, admission is €10 and light refreshments served. All welcome.

Mevagh Family Resource News

Mevagh Craft Group - Have you ever thought about sharing your craft skills or learning a new skill? Why not come along to our weekly craft group in Mevagh FRC. Group member's talents include knitting, crochet, cross stitch, sewing and quilting. Members freely share ideas with new friends, swap patterns, help one another along and enjoy a cuppa. The group meet throughout the year in a relaxed, comfortable and spacious environment. Our Craft Group are starting back on Thursday 5th September, 10:30am to 12:30pm, new members are always welcome, cost per session €3. For more information on our Craft Group contact Centre.

Donegal ETB Digital Hub - We are delighted to have Donegal ETB come to Mevagh FRC on Tuesday afternoons from 2pm to 4pm to offer FREE one-to-one digital support to individuals. If you need support on how to use your smart phone, tablet or laptop these sessions are for you. Appointments need to be booked in advance. Contact the centre on 074 9155055 for information.

Senior Alert Scheme - Mevagh FRC continue to assist individuals who require a personal monitored alarm. This alarm is for people aged 65+, of

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Sat. 7th Farm Dogs starting 3pm.

Sun. 8th Open Trials starting 8pm.

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limited means. It enables older people to live securely and independently in their homes. The installation and equipment are free and if you connect to a landline, the monitoring is free for the first year. Charges apply to alarms set up via sim card. This initiative is part funded by Pobal. Please call in, or contact the centre for more information.

TÚS Community Employment Scheme (19½ hrs) - Administrative Assistant - A vacancy exists at Mevagh FRC for an Administrative Assistant. Experience an advantage. Candidates must be in receipt of Jobseekers Allowance for at least one year. To confirm eligibility or for further details, contact Áine Uí Rabhartaigh on 087 2366912 or email a.uirabhartaigh@udarais.ie

Other Notes:

Rise Yoga with Fiona is ongoing at Mevagh FRC. Chair Yoga - Mondays at 10.30am, Yin Yoga - Mondays at 11:45am. Contact Fiona directly on 085 1569424 or email risehealthhub@gmail.com

ALONE provides services to Older People to enable them to stay living at home for longer. Volunteers are needed in Downings and surrounding areas for two services: 'Visitation & Befriending Service' and



The Junior Infants at Cashel NS, Back - Aoife Nic Giolla Bhuí, Éirinn Nic Giolla Chearra, Aoibh Nic Giolla Choille, Cillian Mac Giolla Bháin, Rónán Ó hEireachtaigh, Naoise Ó Frighil and Ronan Mac A tSaoir. At front - Odrhán Ó Dorriadhín, Brooks Ó hEochaidh, Olivia Nic Giolla Bháin, Hannah Ní Dhorraidhín, Emily Ní Fhríl agus Shannon Ní Fhearraigh.

Fanad

AGM of Gaeltacht Bheo Fhánada

Reáchtáladh Cruinniú Cinn Bliana Ghaeltacht Bheo Fhánada oíche Dé Máirt, 3ú Meán Fómhair. Go raibh maith agat leo siúd a bhí i láthair agus dóibh siúd atá tiomanta chun cabhrú lenár n-iarrachtaí don bhliain amach romhainn.

Tá go leor pleananna i bhfeidhm don bhliain 2024/2025. Bígí linn!

The AGM of Gaeltacht Bheo Fhánada took place on Tuesday night, 3rd September. Thanks to all those who attended and to all who

have committed to help our efforts for the year ahead. Lots of plans in place for 2024/2025

Knockalla Coast Road

The story in words and pictures of the building of the Knockalla Coast Road played out to a full house in Rathmullan last Thursday. Arthur Lynch made the short film as a tribute to the men who built the Knockalla Coast Road.

The good news for those who missed it last Thursday is that the film will be screened in the Rossnakill Community Hall on Saturday night 7th September.

Sounds Music Camps

Sounds Music Camps return this September. Classes in Milford, Ray, Ramelton and Letterkenny.

Under 8's will have an opportunity to explore key musical concepts through singing, percussion, fun and games. Ukulele classes for 8 years

and older. Beginners are welcome and all instruments are provided. Contact Tracy on 0851500123

Social Dancing

Social Dancing in the Milford Hall continues every Thursday from 8 to 10pm. There will be a good mix of two hand, ceili and line dancing. Light refreshments will be served and still only €5. Looking forward to seeing everyone again. New faces are always welcome.

Fanad SVP

The Fanad St. Vincent de Paul Society can be contacted on 0877003732.

The Society is a voluntary organisation available to help anyone in Fanad who may be experiencing long-term or short-term difficulties.

The Society is forever grateful to all those who donate to our collections. All monies collected in Fanad are spent in Fanad.

AUTUMN SCHEDULE AT THE OLD SCHOOL COMMUNITY CENTRE, KERRYKEEL

MONDAY: Fanad Ji-Jitsu Club - for children, teens & adults - from 7.30-8.30pm. Contact 086 363 5623

TUESDAY: Slimming World from 5.15-6.45pm. Contact 083 830 0989

THURSDAY: Gentle Yoga from 10.00-11.00am. Contact 086 836 7776.

Pilates (2 classes) at 5.30pm and again at 6.45pm. Contact 086 046 6295.

Mulroy Jiving & Line-Dancing from 8.00-10.00pm - everyone wel-

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 Roast Stuffed Turkey & Baked Gammon - Roast Gravy
 Pan Fried Fillets of Salmon - Lemon & Butter Sauce
 Roast Sirloin of Beef -Yorkshire Pudding - Gravy
 Panko Breaded Chicken Fillet - Garlic Butter / Pepper Sauce

All Dishes above served with Creamed Potato & Vegetables

Warm Chicken Salad
 Seafood Linguine
 Steak Burger or Chicken Burger (Bacon, Cheese, Onion and Relish) on a Brioche Bap served with Chips
 Fish & Chips
 Cajun Chicken Pasta...Garlic Bread

DESSERTS

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Jamie McAteer with Mum and brother.



Captain Darragh O'Doherty collecting the trophy from Cormac Breslin.



Daibhid Lynch pictured with grandad Arthur Lynch Snr, brother Oisín, dad Paul, mum Laura, sisters Eabha and Louise and Alan McAteer and the cup.



The Mulroy Fanad Youths squad after winning the Colm Breslin Cup with a 5-0 win over Killea/Raphoe 5-0 in Ballyare. Goals from Dylan McGlone, Darragh McElwaine, Cormac Sweeney and two from Cormac Dunleavy secured the silverware. A number of the team are signed with the Fanad Utd Development side club who are under the management of Paul Lynch and Dougy McGlone.

Activities for September

The Ray Community Centre is planning to host a number of adult fitness classes to suit different times and abilities in September. Classes are for all genders unless otherwise stated. Unfortunately the cost for classes will be increasing for the first time in a number of years due to increased costs associated with hosting activities at Ray Community Centre which we have absorbed for the last few years. Below is the list and cost of each blocked of classes or if you want to try out one

of our individual classes it is €8 per class.

Early Morning Bootcamp

For those early risers why not avail of this class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 6.15am to 7am resuming Monday 2nd September. Membership for 4 weeks is €70 and payable on klubfunder. Any enquiries contact Syria on 0872877900 or rayactivityhub@gmail.com

Morning Circuit Class

For those who are free in the morning this class commences at 9.30am with Amanda on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and membership is €50 and payable on Klubfunder. Any enquiries contact Syria on 0872877900 or rayactivityhub@gmail.com

Women's Circuit Class

This popular class with Amanda on Monday and Wednesday evenings is from 7pm to 8pm and resumes on Monday 2nd September. Membership for 4 weeks is €50 and payable on klubfunder. Any enquiries contact Syria on 0872877900 or rayactivityhub@gmail.com

Men on the Move Class

This popular class with Amanda on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 8.15pm to 9.15pm and resumes on Monday 2nd September. Membership for 4 weeks is €50 and payable on klubfunder. Any enquiries

contact Syria on 0872877900 or rayactivityhub@gmail.com

Letterkenny Hospital and Social Club members discount

Anyone who is a member of the Letterkenny Hospital Sports and Social Club can avail of discounts on most of the above classes. Contact Fiona on 0872514790 for details

Take Your Pick

Congratulations to Gloria McLaughlin, Jackie Barrett and Caroline Branigan who all won €20 in the Take Your Pick this week. Jackpot next Sunday 1st September is €300. Thanks to everyone who contributes to the weekly draw, it's very much appreciated. If you would like to take part in the Take Your Pick to support Ray Community Group please contact Fiona on 087 2514790.

Couch to 5K

Continues on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7 to 8pm and Sunday morning 9.30am. Contact Syria for details on 087 2877900.

Astro Pitch Available to Rent

The Ray Astro Pitch is available to rent. Why not have your child's birthday party at Ray Astro pitch for only €60 for 2 hours. There is also a covered picnic area for use with 10 picnic benches so it can cater for small or large crowds. In addition we have the Ray Wonder Woodland where children can explore the wonders of nature. Contact Syria for details on 087 2877900.

Information for Ray notes

If you have anything that you would like included in the Ray Community Centre notes please contact Fiona on 0872514790 with the details.

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Planning Notices

Donegal County Council Faugher, Dunfanaghy, Co. Donegal.

We, Manus Friel & Yvonne Friel are applying to Donegal County Council for permission to erect a dwelling house with septic tank and domestic garage including all other associated site development works at Faugher, Dunfanaghy, County Donegal in the townland of Faugher. 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 Carnamuggagh Upper, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

We, Lexus Properties Limited are applying to Donegal County Council for retention permission for site development works and permission to erect new accommodation block, consisting of 40 No. Apartments with connection to public sewer and services and all associated auxiliary site development works at Carnamuggagh Upper, Letterkenny, County Donegal in the townland of Carnamuggagh 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 "Further Environmental Information (Natura Impact Statement) and Revised Plans"

Name of Applicant: Fidelma McGlinchey, Ballyheerin, Kindrum, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal. Planning Reference No.: 23/51991. The development applied for consisted of planning permission for construction of a dwelling house with on-site sewerage treatment plant and all associated site works. That significant further information including information in relation to effects on the environment (a Natura Impact Statement (NIS)) and revised plans 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 during its public opening hours. That a submission or observation in relation to the further information including information in relation to effects on the environment (a Natura Impact Statement (NIS)) and revised plans may be made in writing on payment of fee of €20.00 not later than 5 weeks after receipt of the newspaper notice and site notice by the Planning Authority.

Kelly coaching at Paralympic Games

Glencolmille woman Natasha Kelly is a team coach with the triathletes at the Paralympics in Paris. She has ties to the Finn Valley Athletic Club and still competes for them. Kelly's current working role is as the Para Triathlon Lead with Triathlon Ireland where she is also a Regional Development Officer covering the North West.

No Paris joy for Mitchell

There was no joy on Thursday for Drumkeen man Mitchell McLaughlin who was the pilot as Kilkenny man Damien Vereker in the B4 Men's 4000m Individual Pursuit at the Paralympic Games in Paris. The pair failed to qualify from the heat but did set a PB of 4:14.826 and were seventh overall.

Donegal County Council Drumenan, Newmills, Letterkenny, County Donegal.

We, Angela Kelly & Jack Nagle are applying to Donegal County Council for permission to erect a dwelling house with septic tank and domestic garage including all other associated site development works at Drumenan, Newmills, Letterkenny, County Donegal in the townland of Drumenan. 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 Knockybrin, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

I, Julie McDermott, intend to apply to Donegal County Council for planning permission to erect a new dwelling house with septic tank system, and all other associated site development works at Knockybrin, Letterkenny, County Donegal in the townland of Knockybrin. 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 Ballyconnelly, Glenalla, Letterkenny M.D., Co. Donegal

We, Adrian Delap and Aoife McCallion, are applying to Donegal County Council for Planning Permission for 1) Renovation and Refurbishment of Existing Derelict Dwelling House, 2) Planning Permission to Construct New Extension to Side and Rear of Existing Derelict Dwelling House and 3) Connection to New Sewage Treatment Plant and all associated site works @ Ballyconnelly, Glenalla, 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.

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Margaret
16th Anniversary

John
16th Anniversary

In loving memory of Margaret who died on the 31st August 2008 and John who died 14th September 2008.

*Silent memories keep you near
As time unfolds another year
Out of our lives you may have gone
But in our hearts you still live on.*

Always loved and remembered by all your nieces and nephews.

St. Conal's Social Evening on Friday

The eagerly awaited St. Conal's Hospital Past and Present Staff get together takes place this Friday 6th of September in the Mount Errigal Hotel. MCs for the evening will be Paschal Blake and Eugene Duffy while there is sure to be a few more laughs along the way courtesy of Fergus Cleary and Andy McGranaghan. It all kicks-off at 7pm with a drinks reception. Tickets are 30 euros. And it's 20 euros if you are Letterkenny University Hospital Sports and Social Club member. 20 euros also for Old Age Pensioners. A buffet will be served. Music is by Sailor Bill and there will be spot prizes. Any money left after expenses will be donated equally to the Donegal Mental Health Services Patients Comfort Fund and The Women's Centre. Tickets are still on sale at Park View House St. Conal's Hospital between 9am and 5pm. You

In Memorium

In loving memory of

Kane



Thomas Kane
5th Anniversary
Died
11th January 2019.



Mary Kane
8th Anniversary
Died
27th May 2016

Marie Kane
11th anniversary
Died
2nd September 2013.

*We often sit and think about the years that have passed by
And of the happiness and joy
that was shared throughout the years*

*We think of all the laughter the smiles and all the fun
And before we even know it our tears have once again begun
for although it brings us comfort to walk down memory lane
it reminds us how without you life has never been the same.*

Loved and always sadly missed by Veronica, Kieran and all the family.



McConigley
Mick
Rosskirk, Fanad
7th Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather who died on 4th September 2017

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

*We hold you tightly
within our hearts and
there you will remain.
Life has gone on
without you but it will
never be the same.*

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

can also contact Eugene Duffy (086 843 0240) or Nancy McNamee (086 086 1615).

Further information can be had by going to the St. Conal's Hospital Past and Present Facebook Page. PM the Page



Gallagher
Kathleen
Gortnalough
7th Anniversary
12th September

Kathleen, loved so much. Your life was a blessing. Resting now in the garden of Heaven

*We think of you today
And that is nothing new
We thought about
you yesterday
And the days
before that too
We think of you
in silence
We often speak
your name
Our memories are
our treasures
From which we
never part
God has you in
His arms
We hold you in
our hearts*

Always remembered, missed and loved by all the Family

Rest in Peace Mum
Anniversary Mass in
St John the Baptist
Church, Carrigart
on September 12th
at 10 o'clock.

if you want to pre-book.

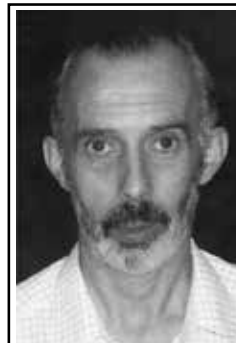


Friel
Bobby
216 Grovehall,
Ramelton
5th Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear husband and father who died on 10th September 2019.

*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 and sadly missed by your wife Rosemary and family.



Friel
Michael
6th Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear son, brother and uncle who died on 5th August 2018.

*We don't need a
special day to bring
you to our mind
The days we don't
think of you are
very hard to find
Gone but not
forgotten.*

Loved and missed by Mum and family

Fiddlers WRC ruling a big win for workers rights - Pringle

A Workplace Relations Commission (WRC) ruling in favour of Donegal musician, Matt McGranaghan, has been welcomed as "a big win for workers' rights".

Mr McGranaghan, a well known fiddler player, brought a case against Irish Country Music star Michael English.

He was awarded nearly €44,000 for unfair dismissal and breaches of employment rights after the WRC rejected claims that the musician was a contractor working "gig to gig" for six years.

The commission ruled that the musician was unfairly sacked by MEPC Music Ltd in September 2021 following a dispute over employment rights.

The ruling was welcomed by Thomas Pringle who said the ruling was "a big win for workers' rights".

He said: "The culture of employers being protected by the State to the detriment of workers must end. Bogus self-employment is widespread, and

it doesn't benefit anyone but employers."

"It does not benefit workers who have been misclassified as self-employed, who do not receive the same statutory social insurance contributions, holiday benefits, sick pay or other benefits that PAYE workers receive. Workers who are misclassified are having their rights taken away. They may be getting more money into their hand, but it's not benefitting workers in the long run. The practice of bogus self-employment also undermines tax revenue and as a result it undermines the ability of the State to provide services and pensions and carry out other duties. The WRC decision marks the first time that the WRC applied the principles of last year's Supreme Court Karshan ruling to entertainment and could have major implications for workers in other sectors. I also want to credit Matt McGranaghan for taking this case and pursuing it through to the WRC. It's a long road, and I believe it's a system that is designed to wear

down people as well. The question that has to be asked is how has Government, Revenue and Social Welfare allowed the practice of bogus self-employment to continue?" he said.

In Memoriam



Coyle
Karen
Ramelton
6th Anniversary

In loving memory of Karen who died on the 8th September 2018.

*Quietly remembered everyday
No longer in our lives to share
But in our hearts you are always there
Your presence we miss your memory we treasure
Loving you always forgetting you never.*

Loved so much and sadly missed by Mum and Dad your brothers, and sisters and families, Rebecca, Ethan and Anthony.

*Time slips gently by love and memories never die
In our hearts you will always stay love and remembered everyday.*

Your aunts and uncles.

Anniversary Mass will be held in St. Mary's Church, Ramelton on Sunday 8th September at 11.00am.



Cullen
Jimmy
2nd Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather who died on the 31st August 2022.

*Quietly today your memory is kept
No need for words we will never forget
Will those who think of him today
A little prayer to Jesus say.*

Loved and missed by your wife Mary Ellen.

*Daddy
A loving nature, a heart of gold
The very best the world could hold
Never selfish, always kind
These are the memories you left behind
No special day is needed for us to think of you
You are always in our thoughts no matter what we do
Your resting place we visit and say a little prayer
But no one knows the heartache as we turn and leave you there
A silent thought, a quiet prayer for a special person in God's care.
Rest in Peace.*

Always remembered by James, Catherine and family, Annemarie, Pauric and Charley. x

*There is a star in Heaven it comes out every night
We know that star is you
Gaga who has come to say goodnight*

Loved and sadly missed by your grandchildren Christopher, Jessica and Charley.

Donegal County Council
Carrigart, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

I, Patrick Hegarty am applying to Donegal County Council for permission to extend & complete existing dwelling house under construction & to connect to public sewer with all associated site development works at Carrigart, Letterkenny, County Donegal in the

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Carrigart, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

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Durning
Edward
9th Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear father and grandfather who died on 8th September 2015.

*Your life was one of kindly deeds
A helping hand for others needs
The world changes from year to year
Our lives from day to day
But the love and memory of you shall never pass away.*

Always loved and remembered by Bill, Jennifer, Jack and Robbie.

McLaughlin
Kathleen
22nd Anniversary

In loving memory of my beloved wife Kathleen, our dear mother and grandmother who died on 4th September 2002.

*They say there is a reason, they say that time will heal
But neither time or reason will change the way we feel
For no one knows the heartache that lies behind our smiles
No one knows how many times, we have broken down and cried
We want to tell you something, so there won't be any doubt
You're so wonderful to think of, but so hard to live without.*

Always loved and sadly missed by your, husband Michael and family, Glasgow.

townland of Carrigart. 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 plan-



McBride
James
Main St, Milford.
14th Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear husband, father and grandfather James who died on the 4th September 2010.

*Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day
Unseen, unheard but always near
Still loved, still missed and very dear.
Looking back as we always do
We treasure the memories we have of you.*

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



Mac Giolla
Bhrighde
Seán S
Faoin Bhinn,
Derryhassen,
Downings
6th Anniversary

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

*We think of you in silence we often speak your name
But all we have are memories and your picture in a frame
Your resting place we visit your presence we miss
You will always be remembered and loved by all of us.*

Always remembered by Gracie and Mary Anne and James and family in London.

ning authority in making a decision on the application.



Shiels
Patrick
Ballylar, Fanad
10th Anniversary

In loving memory of a dear husband and father who died on 10th September 2014.

*We thought of you today but that is nothing new
We thought about you yesterday and days before that too
We think of you in silence we often speak your name
All we have are memories and your picture in a frame
Your memory is a keepsake from which we will never part
God has you in His arms, we have you in our hearts.*

Loved and sadly missed by your wife Collette and daughter Aoife.

*You always had a smile to share, time to give, time to care
A loving nature, kind and true is the way we remember you.*

Always remembered by your Mammy, brothers, Michael, Mary and family, Brian, Pauline and family and sister Kathleen, Alan and family.

*Happy smiling, always content
loved and respected wherever you went
Always willing, helpful and kind, what a beautiful memory you left behind.*

Always remembered by the Harold family, Glenswilly.

Anniversary Mass in St. Mary's Church, Fanavolty on Sunday 8th September at 11am.

Memoriam Cards

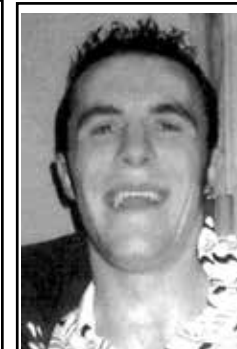
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Philip
Gortnavern,
Kerrykeel
18th Anniversary

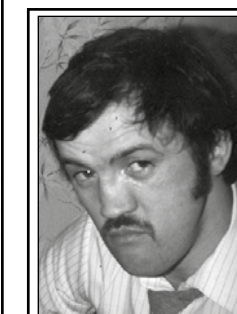
In loving memory of a cherished son and brother who died on 10th September 2006.

*Let nothing disturb you,
nothing frighten you
For all things pass,
save God who does not change
Be patient, and at last all will come to fulfillment.
Hold on to God and nothing will fail you,
for he alone is all.
St. Teresa of Avila*

Will those who think of Philip today, remember him with a smile.

Mum and Dad

*Forever remembered
Forever loved
Forever missed.
Rachael and Amy.*



Patton
Patsy
Aughnagaddy,
Ramelton
2nd Anniversary

In loving memory of Patsy who died on 3rd September 2022.

*Your life was a blessing
Your memory a treasure
You are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure.*

Always remembered and sadly missed by Agnes and Patricia, Helen, David and family, Scotland, Ann and Packie.

Moore
Tillie
9th Anniversary

In Loving Memory of our Aunt Tillie, who died 4th September 2015

*The hands of time keep turning
The years have slipped away,
Memories are forever
They never fade away*

Fondly remembered and missed by Maria and family, Ballycallon, Portsalon, Co. Down and also your Nephews and Nieces, Milford, Ballyconally, Greenhill, Ballycallon, Kerrykeel, Hornhead, Sligo, Luton, Italy, Tilty, Bracknell, Australia and New Zealand.

Acknowledgement

Begley
Liam
Glenalla

The family of the late Liam Begley would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who sympathised and supported us during our recent bereavement. We thank family, friends and neighbours who called to the house, attended the funeral and sent cards. A special word of thanks to friends and neighbours for their help during the wake and funeral, your support was a great source of comfort to us at this difficult time. We would like to thank the emergency services who attended, Fr Martin Collum for his help and support throughout and Sweeney Undertakers who attended to the funeral arrangements in a kind, professional and dignified manner. Thanks also to Ray Community Centre for hosting the funeral lunch in honour of Liam. As it is impossible to thank everyone individually, it is hoped that this acknowledgement will be accepted as a token of our sincere appreciation.

Month Mind Mass will be celebrated on Friday 13th September in St Joseph's Church, Rathmullan at 7pm.

McLaughlin
Marian
6th August 2024.

We, the family of the late Marian McLaughlin would like to express our deepest gratitude to everyone who sympathised with us on our very sad loss. Our heartfelt thanks to our families, friends and neighbours who helped and supported in so many ways over Marian's wake and funeral. Thank you to everyone who attended the wake and funeral, to those who sent Mass and sympathy cards, sent flowers, messages of condolences, gave donations, food and refreshments it was so much appreciated. A special word of thanks to the wonderful staff of the Donegal Hospice. The care and kindness you showed Marian was truly outstanding and will never be forgotten by her family. Our sincere thanks to Fr. Michael Carney for his beautiful Mass and support during Marian's illness, also Monsignor Anthony McDaid for his support and presence. Thank you to the ladies who decorated the Chapel and to the Choir from the Church of the Irish Martyrs for the beautiful music and hymns.

Thank you to Patrick Sweeney Funeral Directors for their professional and dignified manner in which they carried out the funeral arrangements and also the gravediggers who prepared Marian's place of rest in the Cemetery. As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually please accept this acknowledgement as a token of our sincere appreciation and gratitude. Marian will be deeply missed and loved by everyone.

Marian's Month Mind Mass will take place on Saturday 7th September at 6.30pm in St. Mary's Church, Ramelton.

Sheridan

We, the family of the late Anthony Sheridan of Kingsfort, Derry and formerly Rathmullan wish to express our deepest gratitude to all who sympathised and supported us on the sad loss of our beloved husband, father, grandfather and brother.

Thank you to all who attended the wake and funeral. Thanks to those who sent Mass cards and sympathy cards. Thanks to those who expressed their sympathy with phone calls or messages those who travelled long distances and those who attended the burial in Rathmullan.

Thank you to Patrick Sweeney Undertaker and his team for the professional and dignified way in which they carried out the funeral arrangements

We would like to thank the grave diggers and Fr. Martin Colum, Fr. Neil Loughrey, and Fr. Raymond McQuarry who assisted at the graveside.

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

Anthony's Months Mind Mass will be held on Saturday 7th September at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church, Pennyburn, Derry.

Planning Notices

Donegal County Council
Ballyboe, Falcarragh, Co. Donegal.

I, Ciaran Mc Gee am applying to Donegal County Council for permission to erect a dwelling house with septic tank & domestic garage with all associated site development works at Ballyboe, Falcarragh, County Donegal in the townland of Ballyboe. 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.

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Dunfanaghy

The Workhouse

ETB Adult Classes beginning at the Workhouse again this September: Storytelling Course (focus on folklore and heritage), Patchwork and Quilting Classes, Musical Theatre Classes and Irish Language Classes. For more information on any of these and how to take part please phone The Workhouse on: 9136540.

Wellness Café (2nd and 4th Monday of Month at 10.30am - 12pm), Gardening Group (Every Monday at 10.30am), Parent and Toddler Group (Every Monday at 10.30am), and Creative Writing Group (4th Friday of Month at 10.30am) are meeting again at The Workhouse this autumn and winter. For details about these community groups and how to take part please phone The Workhouse on: 9136540.

Job Opportunity at The Workhouse, Dunfanaghy for a "Tourism Development Officer". This full time position is to support the implementation of a new Social Enterprise Business and Development Plan which will see the facility become a 'flagship' cultural heritage and creative arts visitor experience on the Wild Atlantic Way. This role will be co-funded under the Community Services Programme (subject to POBAL funding) and will be based at 'The Workhouse' in Dunfanaghy. For more information on how to apply please email: managerdunfanaghy-workhouse@gmail.com.

Ballymore Bowls

Bowls starting on 9th September in Ballymore Parish Centre at 8pm every Monday and Wednesday. New members welcome.

Dunfanaghy FRC

Citizen Info

Monthly on the 2nd Tuesday, of each month, 10-12noon. No booking necessary- drop in welcome.

Regional Employment Service

Employment support including CV preparation. Call Mary on 0879926681 or email: mhiggins@dldc.org.

Wellness Café

2nd and 4th Monday of the month 10.30am - 12noon @ The Workhouse and the meeting for September is on Monday 24th.

Gardening Workshops

Gardening Workshop Series - Summer / Au-



The organisers of the Creeslough sheep show presented the Letterkenny Dialysis Unit (Renal Patients comfort fund) with a cheque for €500. This money was raised at the recent Creeslough sheep show. The Show was organised by James McGee, Denis McGee, Caolan McGee and Tommy Lagan and pictured from left at the presentation to the Nurses from the Dialysis Ward were Caolan and Denis McGee, Helen and two nurses from Dialysis Ward and Liam and James McGee.

Autumn 2024:

Elements of Garden Design:

Making the Most of Your Space

Sept 16 - Gardening for Nature in

Northwest Donegal

Citizens Information Service

They provide a community in-

formation & advice clinic at

Dunfanaghy Family Resource

Centre every second Tuesday of

the month from 9.30am to 12pm.

Next dates are Tuesday 8th Oc-

tober, 12th November, 10th De-

cember.

DLDC Health Support Outreach

Need help with form filling such

as Medical Card, application/re-

newal or updates. Next clinic is

on Wednesday 11th September

from 10 am-1pm. Contact Geor-

gina on 0860133203 to book an

appointment.


Active Age

The Active age group is returning

from September 12 from 11 till 1.



Members of the Sweeney family presenting the proceeds from their Climb for Maggie of Croagh Patrick to Isobel Rodgers of the Donegal Hospice (€6,282) and Catherine McCann from the Oncology Unit at LUH (€2,095)



Donegal Famine Heritage Centre (Dunfanaghy) CL G trading as 'The Workhouse' is a multi-purpose community, cultural, arts and heritage exhibition centre located in the town of Dunfanaghy, Co. Donegal. The Board (Trustees) of 'The Workhouse' is seeking to appoint 1 x Administrator (Tourism Development Officer) to support the implementation of a new Social Enterprise Business and Development Plan which will see the facility become a 'flagship' cultural heritage and creative arts visitor experience on the Wild Atlantic Way. This role will be co-funded under the Community Services Programme (subject to POBAL funding) and will be based at 'The Workhouse' in Dunfanaghy.

1 x Administrator (Tourism Development Officer) Salary €22,916 per annum pro rata


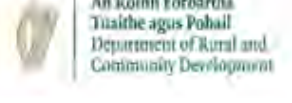
Note: Applications for this position are particularly welcome from persons in receipt of a payment from the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection in line with the guidelines for the CSP Programme.

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Job Details: For full job details including Job Description(s) and Person Specification(s) are available by emailing managerdunfanaghyworkhouse@gmail.com

To Apply: Submit a CV and Covering Letter that includes how you meet the requirements by email to managerdunfanaghyworkhouse@gmail.com

Apply by: Thursday 26th September 2024 at 5:00pm



Michelle Sweeney and Vincent Sweeney presenting the cheques to Isobel Rodgers and Catherine McCann.

The Gleveagh Room in Arnolds Hotel on Saturday for the presentation of cheques to the Donegal Hospice and the Oncology Unit at Letterkenny University Hospital in memory of the late Maggie Sweeney (nee McDermott). A moving photo montage of pictures of Margaret's life as well as the recent Climb for Maggie of Croagh Patrick was shown.

A cheque for €6,282 was presented to Isobel Rodgers from the Donegal Hospice by Margaret's husband Vincent and her family and €2,095

5K Fun Run and Walk

St. Michael's 5K Run and Walk on Saturday, September 14th at 9am starting at Corner Brew/Post Office. Everyone is welcome. Thank you to McFadden Performance for organising this event.

St. Michael's Mini Lotto

There was no Jackpot winner in the St. Michael's Mini Lotto. The numbers drawn were 5,13,14,15,16,17. The Match 5 Winner was Eugene McGarvey Dungloe. This week's Jackpot will be

to Catherine McCann from the Oncology Unit at LUH.

The family of the late Maggie Sweeney would like to thank all the staff at the Donegal Hospice and Letterkenny University Hospital, the community carers/nurses for the care she received during her illness. We would also like to thank everyone for all their help, support and condolences. We are so grateful for the generosity and kindness. The family would also like to thank Arnolds Hotel for hosting the event.

€3150.

50/50

Congratulations to Jimmy Doohan who won €310 in the Dunfanaghy Youths 50/50 last week.

Prayer Meeting

Cenacolo Prayer Meeting is held every Tuesday after 7p.m. Mass in the Oratory in Holy Cross Church from 7.30-8p.m. Cenacolo is a gathering of people before the Blessed Sacrament to pray that the Holy Spirit may enlighten and heal.

Creelough

The late Brid McLaughlin

Feelings of sadness were felt in the community on hearing of the death of Brid McLaughlin (nee Coyle) at her home in Derryherriff on Friday. The respect and esteem in which Brid and the family are held was evident in the large attendance at the wake and the funeral. Brid worked in Ards Friary for a number of years and was a welcoming face for so many people who got to know her. Concelebrating Mass in St. Michael's Church on Monday with Fr John Joe Duffy were Fr Seamus Murphy, Fr Martin Doohan, Brother Philip, Brother Laurence, Brother Flann, Fr Sean O'Galchoir. Watching and joining in the Mass was Brother Kevin OFM. Cap and



Vienna.

Symbols of Brid's life were presented at the Altar - A turf, representing hard work in the bog, a Teapot remembering her hospitality, a Family Photograph, Bingo Books representing her great love of bingo, a Cross and Flowers.

Fr John Joe in his eulogy said that Brid was born in Glassagh, overlooking the ocean where waves come crashing in with power and energy. They crash on the shore and then go back to where they came from. Much the same as life itself but then comes something to bring that energy down and we eventually go back to God. Brid's physical pain is over, she is reunited with those she loved. Brid enjoyed the simple things in life, her faith and Mass were important to her and we give thanks to God that we have known a woman of faith like her. She was sick for two years and she had the support of family and friends to get through the difficult time. She was full of fun and life and had a special relationship with the Friars and Staff, she put others first. The words describing her over these days were "As good as Gold".

Fr John Joe concluded by reading a special poem composed by her grandson, Jack - It began "Nana was the best person you could ever think of". The final prayers and blessing were recited by Fr John Joe, Fr Doohan, Fr Sean, Brother Philip and Brother Laurence. Adding to the Mass was the lovely singing of Richard and Tori Rose who also sang 'Will you go Lassie go' and 'the Homes of Donegal' as the funeral cortege left St. Michael's. Brid was laid to rest in Doe Cemetery.

Brid was predeceased by her parents Nellie and Den John and sister, Annie. Sympathy is extended to her husband, John, son John and Vienna, daughter Rosaleen and Patrick and grandchild

dren Jack and Patrick, sisters Gracie and Sheila, brothers and sisters-in-law and families, relatives and friends.

Creelough Crafters

Creelough Crafters are back on Monday 9th September in Day Centre from 11 till 1pm. Everyone is welcome... no experience needed! Wool /Materials provided. The Art class resumes on Monday 19th from 1.30 until 3.30 - so come along. Beginners welcome. Courses are part funded by ETB.

Reading of the Bible

A prayerful reading of the Bible at Ards Friary will be held on Tuesday nights from 7.30-9p.m. beginning on September 24th with Brother Jeremiah Henahan. This year we will begin with the

letters of St. Paul. Non-academic and in the Catholic tradition. If you have a Bible please bring it.

5K Fun Run and Walk

St. Michael's 5K Run and Walk on Saturday, September 14th at 9am starting at Corner Brew/Post Office.

Two Hand & Line Dancing

Two hand & line dancing in Massinass Hall every Tuesday 8-10pm. Men & women welcome. No partner needed. Dance teacher is Celine. It is great fun & exercise. Beginners are very welcome.

St. Michael's Mini Lotto

There was no Jackpot winner in the St. Michael's Mini Lottot. The Match 5 Winner was Eugene McGarvey, Dungloe. This week's Jackpot will be €3150.

10 years of the Ards Walled Garden

Ards Walled Garden Community Project is celebrating its 10th anniversary with a special Open Day this Saturday, 7th September from 2 to 4pm. Come and help them celebrate with refreshments, talks and demonstrations and of course live music and a fantastic raffle. Maybe even win an apple tree to take home!

Creelough View looking for content

They are currently looking for photos, articles and stories for this year's Creelough View. Even if you have ideas for stories, they want to hear from you. Please send them to creeloughview@gmail.com

Doe Amateur Swimming Club AGM

Doe Amateur Swimming Club will hold their AGM on Monday 9th Sept at 8pm in Massinass Hall. Membership numbers will be limited this year so only existing members from '23-'24 can register for the upcoming 2024-2025 season at the AGM. Registration fee is €20 per child. A parent/guardian must attend the AGM to ensure registration for the coming year. Siblings of current members and new registrations will be waitlisted until after current registrations are complete. If you wish to waitlist a new child please send details of child (name and age) to 083 3823324. Min age 9 years. New member registrations will then be considered on 10th September, should there be spaces remaining after AGM.



The St. Michael's Under 14 Team that have reached the County Semi Final



The St. Michael's Senior B Team that were defeated by Dungloe at The Bridge on Saturday evening

U12 Div 1 Quarter Final

Semi final spot for Dunanaghy Youths



Glen Rovers 1 Dunfanaghy Youths 2

Dunfanaghy Youths maintained their impressive form with a hard-earned victory in the Cup at Glen Rovers. Dunfanaghy started the quicker. A fine pass by Matthew was well controlled by Cian. Cian turned the defender and slotted the ball past the keeper to put Dunfanaghy 1 up in the first 5 minutes. Glen grabbed an equaliser midway through the half. Dunfanaghy finished the half the stronger and thought they had won a penalty when Cian was tripped. It was deemed to be on the edge of the box. Cian drew a brilliant save from the resulting free kick.

Dunfanaghy upped the intensity at the start of the second half and went close a number of times. Matthew showed brilliant close control, with his shot shaving the outside of

the post being the closest they came to scoring. In the 53rd minute, a through ball by Seve was seized on by Cian who burst through the middle and was taken down in the box. He dusted himself down and smashed home the penalty to put Dunfanaghy 2-1 up and through to the semi-final.

Oisín Sweeney put in a player of the match performance and was well supported by Cian, Seve, and Rory. The Dunfanaghy Youths Panel was: Rory Boyce, Oisín Nelis, Oisín Sweeney (Capt), Caolan Sweeney, Oliver McGinty, Seve Roarty, Anthony Wilkinson, Matthew McFadden, Cian Langan, Alfie Roarty, Dylan Robinson, Liam McFadden, Hugh McNulty, and Dinnie Sheridan.

Dunfanaghy is playing away to Illistrin in the semi-final this Sunday at 09.45.

Cloughaneely

Junior Band Notes

Lotto Results and there was no jackpot winner. Numbers 7-9-10-15-17-19. The Match 5 winner was Brid Doohan, Ballina, Falcarragh who won €100. This week's jackpot will be €8150.

National Hedgerow Week

To celebrate National Hedgerow Week, join Lucy O'Hagan from Wild Awake for a foraging walk in the grounds of Ballyconnell House, Falcarragh on Thursday 5th September.

To book your place, please email biodiversity@donegalcoco.ie

Book Launch

James Woods is launching his latest book 'Opinions. Interviews. Life Stories' in Óstán Loch Altan Gorta-hork on Saturday 7th September at 8pm. Everyone welcome.

Buíochas

The recent Church Gate Collection in aid of the 'Ards Redevelopment Fund' amounted to €1,122. Thanks to everyone for their generosity and support, and to all who helped in any way.

Retreats at Ards Friary

Welcoming Autumn - Reflections

on Retirement. Wednesday 25th September 10.30am to 4.00pm. Cost: 45 Euro. Day includes a full lunch.

The Path to Self-Acceptance. Friday 27th to Sunday 29th September. Cost: €220. Both retreats led by Philip McParland. For enquiries and bookings contact Ards T: 913 8909; E: info@ardsfriary.ie.

Na Tithe Gloine Cillulta - Folúntas ar Scéim Socialta

There currently is a vacancy for a general worker on the Rural Social Scheme at the Glasshouses in Kiltult. To be eligible to participate on the Rural Social scheme you must meet the criteria as laid down by the Department of Social protection. If you are interested please contact Joe on 0871605930.

Tusla

Tusla are seeking Foster Carers who may be interested in caring for children with additional medical/special needs. See notice in church porch.

Thursday Café

Come in for a coffee or a cup of tea in Aras Begley 10-11.30am every Thursday.

Photo Reprints

Copies of photographs published in the Tribune are available to purchase at €6 each for an 8inch by 6inch colour print. Contact 074-9153600 for details



Na Naíonáin Shóisearacha ag Scoil Náisiúnta Naomh Dubhthach Machaire Rátha ar a gCéad Lá ar Scoil le déanaí.



Na Naíonáin Shóisearacha ag NS Glassan sa phictiúr ar a gCéad Lá ar Scoil le déanaí.



Na Naíonáin Shóisearacha ag Scoil Cnoc na Naomh Doire Conaire ar a gCéad Lá ar Scoil le déanaí.



Na Naíonáin Shóisearacha ag Scoil Bhrighte Meenaclady, ar a gCéad Lá ar Scoil le déanaí.



The Junior Infant Class at Scoil Mhuire in Creeslough pictured on their First Day at School with their teacher Mrs Murphy.



Na Naíonáin Shóisearacha ag Scoil Caiseal na gCorr ar a gCéad Lá ar Scoil le déanaí.



Na Naíonáin Shóisearacha ag Naomh Finians NS Falcarragh ar a gCéad Lá ar Scoil le déanaí.

GAA Club News

Chloich Cheann Fhaola

Cupa Faoi 18 an Chontae - Roinn 1

Scór Lán Ama CCF: 2-9 Gleann tStúil: 4-13
Blúiríní ó 1974 le Danny Rua Ó Gallachóir
1974 will always be remembered as the year the Junior team could or should have closed the 15 year gap since the Junior Championship victory of 1959. St Michaels were their first opponents with Cloughaneely winning both the home and away matches. The quarter-finals against Carndonagh was a walk-over when they failed to appear. The semi-final against Killybegs in Letterkenny saw Cloughaneely win by 1-11 to 1-9. The great expectations of a county title came to nothing when Cloughaneely lined up to play old adversaries Glencolumbkille at McCumhaill Park at 6.30pm. With the Junior final to be played in Ballybofey on the last Sunday in August, a challenge match with McCumhaill's was arranged for the previous week to enable the players to familiarise themselves with the venue.

But as the Donegal Democrat reported "Falcarragh were so late in arriving for a friendly with the local team that many of the MacCumhaill players had gone off. However, through borrowing some Falcarragh players, a game was got underway, but darkness compelled a premature finish. Some Cloughaneely players should remember a bus at Kelly's Corner for ages awaiting the players and when they eventually "appeared", it was well past the time needed to arrive in Ballybofey for the pre-arranged starting time. The game itself was more of a novelty match than a serious challenge with some players approaching the event in a rather 'jovial' fashion.

When Cloughaneely eventually lined out in Ballybofey for the Sunday evening kick-off, they gave one of their poorest performances for a long time. Additionally, the team was somewhat altered from the semi-final victory. Danny Gallagher went to full back instead of Peter McGinley; Noel Duggan started instead of Paddy McMenamin; Anton Penrose came in at right half back; Joe Friel started at midfield with Maurice Coyle moving to right half forward with Charlie McCafferty dropping out.

Curaidh Sciath Faoi 16 an Chontae - Roinn 3

The lads had a great win against Naomh Muire, Íochtar na Rosann in Machaire Gathlán on Monday where a big crowd gathered to see team captain, Shaun Boyd lift the shield. We would like to congratulate all the lads and their manager John Paul Gallagher and his management team, Darragh Geaney, Shaun McClafferty and Patsy Coyle.

Lotto

The numbers drawn were 1,3,4,7,10,20. We had 1 match 5. Congratulations to John Coyle who wins €100. The jackpot is now €5,200.

Buíochas

We would like to thank Caolán Ferry, Anna Marie Coyle, Michael McFadden and Maire McManus who were out selling lotto tickets at the weekend.

Ghaeil Leitir Ceanainn

The senior and reserve footballers conclude their Championship group stage with an away game against Gaeil Fhánada on Saturday.

The senior ladies welcomed Aodh Ruadh B to Páirc na nGael last Sunday for their final group game of the Junior B Championship. After a close encounter a draw was a fair result.

The ladies return to action on 15th September with a game against Red Hugh's where a victory is needed to remain in the competition.

Bingo continues every Monday evening at the Arena 7 and online. Books can be purchased every Thursday evening at A7 from 6.30-7.30pm and Saturday from 11am to 12 noon. This Monday we have €2,260 up for grabs.

St. Michael's

Senior B Championship

The Reserves were defeated by Dungloe in their rearranged match at the Bridge on Saturday evening last. The St. Michael's Team was: Dylan O'Toole, Andy Ward, Thomas O'Donnell, Dara Breen, Ethan Ferry, Martin Breslin, Callum Finnigan, Brian McLaughlin, Calvin Murray, Lee McColgan, Packie O'Neill, Eoghan Kelly, Chris McElhinney, Dean Fleming and Caolan Toye. Subs: Conor Carroll for Callum Finnigan and Luke McCarry for Dean Fleming. Scorers were: Calvin Murray 2-1, Eoghan Kelly 0-2, Dean Fleming 0-2, Lee McColgan 0-3 and Chris McElhinney, Ethan Ferry and Packie O'Neill 0-1 each.

The Ladies were also defeated by Red Hughs on Sunday morning last. Losing on a scoreline of Red Hughs 2-9 St. Michael's 1-7.

The Seniors and Reserves are away to Gweedore on this Sunday in Magheragallon in the Senior and Senior B County Championships at 1.30pm and 3pm.

The Reserves are away to Aodh Rua in Ballyshannon on Sunday at 10.30am.

Mini Lotto

There was no Jackpot winner in the Mini Lotto on Monday. The numbers drawn were 5,13,14,15,16,17. The Match 5 Winner was Eugene McGarvey, Dungloe. This week's Jackpot will be €3150.

North West Coastal Challenge

The North West Coastal Challenge is taking place on Saturday, 5th October in Dunfanaghy. The race is a Run, Cycle & Kayak covering 36km. Entries are now open on www.nwcc.ie.

Gaelic4mothers and Others

Gaelic4mothers and others takes place at The Bridge every Wednesday at 8pm. For information contact Maureen on 0876471647.

5K Fun Run and Walk

St. Michael's 5K Run and Walk on Saturday, September 14th at 9am starting at Corner Brew/Post Office. Thank you to McFadden Performance for organising this event.

County Division 3 Final

Hard luck to our Under-16 boys who faced Malin in the Division 3 final, our lads battled hard but were narrowly edged 3-04 to 0-12.

The match started brightly for Malin, who quickly capitalised on an early chance to score. Our boys found themselves on the back foot early in the first half after conceding two quick goals. However, they showed tremendous resilience and patience, gradually working their way back into the game. Fionn Chernick led the fightback with some well-taken frees, and by the end of the first half, we had closed the gap to just one point, trailing 2-01 to 0-06.

The second half was a tense affair, with both teams trading scores. Malin managed to extend their lead with a third goal midway through the half, but St Michael's refused to give up. Eamonn McTeague and Michael Gallagher kept the scoreboard ticking over with some excellent frees, while Aaron McGinley added a point from play. As the clock ticked down, we continued to push forward, cutting Malin's lead to just one point with minutes remaining.

It was a tough result, who showed great character and determination throughout the game. Scorers: Fionn Chernick (0-05, 4f, Eamonn McTeague (0-01), Michael Gallagher (0-03, 3f), Aaron McGinley (0-01), Shay Sweeney (0-02, 2f). Team: Donal McLaughlin, Aiden Alcorn, Jamie Druce, Michael Sweeney, Adam Moore, Cormac Gill, Tommy Harkin, Ryan Toye, Michael Sheridan, Fionn Chernick, Matthew Wilkinson, Aaron McGinley, Paucic Toner, Michael Gallagher, Eamon McTeague. Subs: Ryan T - Michael Hartigan. Mathew Wilkinson - Ryan Toye. Ryan T - Shay Sweeney.

Under 8's

Senior Football Championship

Glenswilly aim to make it four wins

The Glenswilly senior footballers will be aiming to finish the group stages of the championship with a one hundred percent winning record when they host MacCumhail's at Foxhall on Sunday. The Twin-Towns side have not been at their best recently and a lot of interest will focus on whether star forward Oisín Gallen is fit to play. Even if he is available Gary McDaid's men should still head into the quarter-finals with maximum points.

Downings face a mammoth task at home to St. Eunan's. Maxi Curran's team will have to keep it tight against Eunan's who will be going all out for victory themselves after losing to Gweedore a fortnight ago. Barry Meehan's outfit have four points on the board while Downings are on two. One of the most intriguing contests will be in Magheragallon where Gweedore entertain St. Michael's. Ronan MacNiailais team have two victories under their belt while Michael's have come out on top in all three of their previous group games. The hosts could get the upper hand on Saturday evening. Regardless of the outcome the Bridge men will be heading to the knockout stages.

Reigning champions should also be heading the quarter-final direction providing they win at

home to struggling Aodh Ruadh, Ballyshannon. Dungloe should see off the challenge of visitors St. Nauls while in Towney, Kilcar will be expected to get the better of Cloughaneely. Killybegs with home advantage should have the edge on Glenfin. Four Masters will fancy their chances of a win in Ardara.

Sunday 8th September

Senior Football Championship 3pm

Dungloe	v St Naul's
Kilcar	v Cloughaneely
Downings	v St Eunan's
Gweedore	v St Michael's
Killybegs	v Glenfin
Ardara v	Four Masters
Naomh Conaill	v Aodh Ruadh Ballyshannon
Glenswilly	v Sean Mac Cumhaill
Senior Football B Championship 1.30	
Dungloe	v St Naul's
Glenswilly	v Sean Mac Cumhaill
Kilcar	v Cloughaneely
Naomh Conaill	v Glenfin
Downings	v St Eunan's
Gaoth Dobhair	v St Michael's
Killybegs	v Glenfin
Ardara v	Four Masters

Intermediate Football Championship

Final Intermediate Group games

The final matches in the group phases of the Donegal Intermediate Football Championship take place this Saturday evening. All games will throw-in at 6.30pm. Milford host Na Rossa with Jamesie McGinley's side tipped to continue their unbeaten run with a victory against the men from Leitrimacaward. Milford have two wins and a draw to their credit and are heading to a place in the last eight of this championship. Termon have a 100% record with three wins as they travel to take on Red Hughs on Saturday. Caolan McDaid's outfit will be in the quarter-final regardless of the outcome in Killygordon. Fanad Gaels with just two points on board will be pulling out all the stops for a victory against pointless Letterkenny Gaels in Porsalon on Saturday evening.

Naomh Muire Rosses have been struggling so far in the campaign and despite home advantage will find it tough against a Buncrana side that are also

heading to the knockout stages after two wins and a draw so far. On home turf Malin should have the edge on Bundoran while Burt might be boosted by the return of some dual players as they host Naomh Columba at Hibernian Park.

Fixtures

Saturday 7th September

Intermediate Football Championship 6.30p.m.

Naomh Muire Rosses v Buncrana

Malin v Bundoran

Milford v Na Rossa

Red Hughs v Termon

Burt v Naomh Columba

Fanad Gaels v Letterkenny Gaels

Intermediate Football B Championship 3.30pm

Burt v Naomh Columba

Fanad Gaels v Letterkenny Gaels

Naomh Muire Rosses v Buncrana

Malin v Bundoran

Red Hughs v Termon

Our U8s had a fantastic day playing in the Tomás Maguire Memorial Blitz in Ardara on Saturday. Under 14's

U14's Secure Spot in County Semi-Final

Our U14's continued their impressive form with a great win over Fanad in their last group game. The match was tightly contested in the first half, with St. Michael's going in 1 point up at half time, thanks to a superb goal from Jude McElhinney.

The second half got off to a flying start, with St. Michael's taking control of the game. Luke Murray, Jimmy McGuinness, and Aaron McGinley led the charge, moving the ball seamlessly up the pitch. Our defence held strong against some very determined Fanad ball carriers.

The boys showed incredible drive and teamwork throughout the second half, resulting in some lovely scores and a comfortable win for St. Michael's. As a result of topping their group, our U14's now move on to the county semi-final.

Fixtures

Friday, 6th October

NRB D2 Boys Away vs Cloughaneely at 7:00 pm

Saturday, 7th October

U10 Boys Home vs MacCumhail's at 10:30 am

Sunday, 8th October

Senior Ladies Away vs Aodh Ruadh at 10:30 am

An Tearmainn

It was a quiet week for senior and reserve teams, as they didn't have any games. This coming Saturday both teams are in action away to Red Hugh's playing their final group games in the Intermediate Championship at 4pm and 5.30pm. The third team had their encounter at home against Glenfin called off at the weekend.

Minor board

There was great excitement in Kilmacrennan on Saturday when the ice cream arrived at the end of training for a special cool down treat for all. There were smiles all round and our U6 boys and girls enjoyed ice cream in the sun. Thank you to the club for this very kind gesture and to our dedicated team of coaches for all their hard work with our stars of the future.



The Cloughaneely U16 team who overcame Naomh Muire, Íochtar na Rosann in the All County Division 3 Shield Final on Monday evening.

U6 season will run through September and we would love to see some new children join us for the last few weeks. All those born in 2018, 2019 & 2020 are welcome to come along to Kilmac Astro on Saturday mornings 10:15 - 11am. Please contact Grainne - 087 7561687 for any further details.

Our U8 boys travelled to Ardara on Saturday to take part in the Thomas Maguire Memorial Blitz.

Our U14 boys welcomed Nh Columba to the Burn Road and had a great win. Well done boys.

Commiserations to our U16 boys who were defeated in the Division 2 All County Final in a nail biter of a match. Congratulations to Urris who, after extra time, won out on penalties 3-5.

Ladies board

The senior ladies also had a rest week from games, with a match fixed for this coming Sunday away to Aodh Ruadh, Ballyshannon at 10am.

The minor girls are in the Div 2 semi final this week against Naomh Naillé.

The U14 girls were overcome by a stronger Naomh Columba side on Saturday in their Division 3 semi final.

Gaeil Fhánada

Lotto Results 01/09/2024

Numbers: 3, 5, 7, 12, 21. No jackpot winner. €100 Winner: Joe Carr, Ballinacrick. This week's Jackpot: €1,950.

Double Hop - 2 x €500

1 ticket, 2 chances! Our monthly Double Hop draw is back this week, and once again, you will have two chances at winning a €500 cash prize. If your ticket wins the first €500, your ticket then goes back into the drum for the second draw. In a small change, tickets will now be on sale from Monday lunchtime.

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Cluichí na Seachtaine

Dé Sathairn, 7ú Meán Fómhair

Craobh Idirmheánach

Gaeil Fhánada v Gaeil Leitir Ceanainn @ 4:00

Craobh Idirmheánach (Sinsear)

Gaeil Fhánada v Gaeil Leitir Ceanainn @ 5:30

Dé Domhnaigh, 8ú Meán Fómhair

Peil na mBan

Gaeil Fhánada v Carn Domhnaigh @ 10:30

Sraith an Pharóiste

Faoi 6, Faoi 8, Faoi 10, Faoi 12 @ 1:00

Dé Luain, 9ú Meán Fómhair

Buachaillí Faoi 18

Gleann Fhinne v Gaeil Fhánada @ 6:45

Dé Céadaoin, 11ú Meán Fómhair

Buachaillí Faoi 14

Naomh Muire v Gaeil Fhánada @ 6:30

Seniors and reserves face Letterkenny Gaels

Good luck to Finbar O'Neill, Declan Coyle and their respective senior and reserve sides as they face Letterkenny Gaels in their final group games of the Intermediate Championship. Both sides require victories if they are to make the knockout stages. Reserves at 4:00 and seniors at 5:30.

Ladies host Carndonagh

Good luck to John McConigley and the ladies team who host Carndonagh in a crucial championship clash on Sunday morning at 10:30am.

Parish League

Well done to all the children who attended our Parish League on Sunday. There was some brilliant football played. It continues on Sunday at the later time of 1pm, and will finish up at 2:30.

Ladies win in Gaoth Dobhair

Gaeil Fhánada 5:05 Gaoth Dobhair 0:05

In a swirling wind in Magheragallon on Sunday, it was Gaeil Fhánada who managed to judge the tricky conditions just that little bit better, as they struck five goals against a Gaoth Dobhair side who probably didn't deserve to lose by the margin they did.

Rosheen McGinley, Shauna Howe, Tori Gallagher, Méabh Duffy, Maggie Friel, Aoife Gibbons, Siobhan Sweeney, Eimear Sweeney, Eiméar Gibbons, Rachel Sweeney, Lauren Carr (1:03), Iseult Ní Mhathúna (1:00), Hannah Shiels, Clare Friel (1:00), Caoimhe Barrett (1:01). Mairead Coll for Eimear Gibbons, Jessica Coll for Rachel Sweeney, Caoimhe Walsh (1:01) for Hannah Shiels, Eiméar Gibbons for Clare Friel, Eibhlín Shiels for Caoimhe Barrett, Michelle Doherty for Maggie Friel, Grace Begley for Iseult Ní Mhathúna, Mollie Bennett for Shauna Howe, Rachael Friel for Mairead Coll, Méabh McAteer, Niamh McDevitt.

Buncrana Res too strong

Bun Cranncha 3:13 Gaeil Fhánada 1:08

Brian Gallagher, Emmet Kelly, Seamus Coyle, Patrick Shiels, Jamie McAteer, Aaron McConigley (0:01), Kevin McGonigle, Christy Sweeney, Eoin McGonigle (0:03), Declan Brougham (0:01), Fergal Friel, Patsy Friel, Dan Kerr, Paul Friel, Paul Coyle (0:01). Seamie Friel (1:02) for Dan Kerr, Eoghan Logue for Emmet Kelly, Andrew Friel for Kevin McGonigle, Conor McConigley for Paul Friel.

Comhghairdeas Mollie

Well done to Mollie Bennett who made her senior debut in their victory over Gaoth Dobhair.

Well back Seamie

Although there was disappointment in Buncrana on Saturday as our reserves were defeated by Buncrana, there was also some good news in that Seamie Nanny Friel made his comeback, just short of a year after sustaining a very serious knee injury. Seamie struck a goal and two points on his return.

Baile na nGalloglach

Lotto: 27/8/24

1-12-13-29. Numbers drawn at Bingo in the Mulroy Woods Hotel. No Jackpot winner. €50 Lucky Dip winner, S.P Barrett, Drumacloghan, Ramelton.

LOTTO ROTA:

Sat 7th Sept: Whoriskey's, Ramelton: Senior Men.

RESULTS AND FIXTURES

Senior Men

The Seniors host Na Rossa in Round 4 of the Intermediate Championships this Saturday at 5.30pm

Senior Reserves

The Reserves recorded a good home win over N Muire on a scoreline of 1-13 to 2-9 to make it 3 out of 3 in the Intermediate Reserve Champ. They have now ensured a quarter final as one of the top 3 seeds on the weekend of September 14th. They play Buncrana away in Round 4 at 7.30 this Tuesday evening, with no game at the weekend

U14 Boys

U14's had a good win at home to Killybegs and will now play Burt in the county semi final.

U14 Girls

Our U14 girls were narrowly beaten by Aodh Ruadh on Saturday last in the Division 2 Shield semi-final.

It was a great all-round performance, the girls were just unlucky in front of the goals.

U12 Boys

Our Navy team had a good victory over Aodh Ruadh on Friday evening last. They now have a semi final of the NRB league away to St Eunans on Wed 4th Sept. Throw in at 6.45. Our blue team are due to attend the u12 Finals blitz on Sat in Convoy. Time tbc

U9 Boys

U9 Boys are playing in a Blitz in Termon this Saturday 7th September @ 11.30am against Termon, St Eunans & Letterkenny Gaels.

U8 Boys

The u8 Boys had a fantastic day at the Tomas Maguire Memorial Blitz in Ardara on Saturday. The boys put in some brilliant performances over the course of the day. Thanks to John McConnell for the invite.

Club Fundraising Golf Classic

We wish to express our thanks to McGettigans Butchers, McGettigans Bakery, MCM Spirits, Patrick McBride, Aidan Cannon, McDaids and the Value Centre for providing the refreshments for the golfers on the day of the Classic.

Wedding Congratulations

All at CLG Baile na nGalloglach congratulate former player Barry Mc Nulty and Mairead Teague and current player TJ Evesson and Merissa Lyness on their nuptials last weekend and wish them long and happy lives together. Comhghairdeachas libh go léir!

O Reilly's Club Shop

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St Eunan's

Hurling

Hard luck to our Junior Hurlers who lost out to Four Masters in the Junior County Hurling final last Saturday. Final score Naomh Adhamhnáin 1-11 : 1-14 Four Masters.

Senior Men

The draw for Round 4 of the Senior Football Championship took place last Saturday and both are teams were drawn away to Na Dunaibh this Sunday 8th September at 1.30pm for the Reserves and 3pm for the seniors.

Ladies Senior Championship

Our Senior ladies had a good win on Sunday away to Glenfin 1-06 to 0-11.

Tráth na gCeist

Iarrtar ar duine ar bith as an chluba bhfuil suim acu páirt a ghlacadh i dTráth na gCeist Bord in Ionad CLG Dhún na nGall i gConmhaigh dul i dteagmháil le hOifigeach Cultúir agus Teanga, Fergus McGee.

Anyone from the club who is interested in taking part in Tráth na gCeist Bord in the Donegal GAA Centre in Convoy is asked to contact or Oifigeach Chultúrtha agus Teanga, Fergus McGee. The details are

Ionad CLG Dhún na nGall - Conmhaigh on 13ú Meán Fómhair at 8.00pm agus Ceathrar ar achán fhoireann. Ocht mabhta le deich gceist in achán bhabhta - Eight rounds of ten questions per round Beidh ceisteanna faoin CLG, LGFA, Camógaíocht, Stair na hÉireann, Tíreolaíocht, Ceol na hÉireann, Litríocht na hÉireann, Eolas Ginearálta.

Bronnfar boinn contae ar na buaiteoirí - The winners will be presented with county medals.

Rachaidh na trí foireann is fearr chun tosiagh chun ionadaíocht a dhéanamh ar son Dún na nGall i mbabht ceannais Uladh de Tráth na gCeist Bord - The top three teams will go forward the Ulster final of Tráth na gCeist Bord to represent Donegal.

Tá sé tábhachtach go mbeidh ionadaíocht ag Naomh Adhamhnáin sa chomórtas seo atá anois ina chomórtas Náisiúnta sa CLG - It is important that St. Eunan's has representation in this competition which is now a National GAA competition.

Is deis iontach atá in seo an teanga a chur chun cinn laistigh den CLG agus iarrtar ar duine ar bith a bhfuil suim acu inár dteanga foireann de cheathrar a chur le chéile don ócáid - This is a great opportunity to promote the language within the GAA and anyone who has an interest in our language is asked to put a team of four people together for the event.

Club Lotto

The Club Lotto draw takes place each Monday evening. Tickets can be purchased online through our Club website or from Adrian Shields.

Minor Board:

U18 Upcoming Fixtures:

Monday September 9th Division 1 - Bun Cranncha v Naomh Adhamhnáin 6.45pm in Bun Cranncha.

Monday September 9th Division 1 - Chill Chartha v Nh Adhamhnáin 6.45pm in Chill Chartha.

U16 Upcoming Fixtures:

Friday September 6th NRB Division 1 - Gaoth Dobhair v Naomh Adhamhnáin 7pm in Gaoth Dobhair.

Friday September 6th NRB Division 3 - Na Dunaibh v Naomh Adhamhnáin 7pm in Pairc Na nDunaibh.

Murphy gets set for Athlone trip

With just seven games to go Darren Murphy knows that Finn Harps needs to get at least a draw away in Athlone this Friday night (7.45) in order to keep alive their outside hopes of making the First Division play-offs. That won't be easy against a team that is 18 points ahead of them in the table. Harps' away form in the second of the season has been dire so that is not a good omen while their small squad is not going to help the cause either.

To compound matters Conor Tourish has to be a big doubt for Friday night while another experienced player Ryan Rainey missed the Cobh match due to injury. Athlone are third in the table and still have an outside chance of finishing second so they will be going all out for a win. For Darren Murphy it's a huge task but the stakes are high and at least a draw is required in the Midlands to have a hope of catching Wexford Youths who are currently six points ahead of them in the table.

Wexford are away to Cobh Ramblers on Friday night so Harps will be hoping for a favour from the hosts at St. Coleman's Park. Cobh still have an outside chance of making the play-offs so that could work in Harps favour. Treaty United will need to get a home victory over Kerry FC to have any chance of getting to that precious fifth place. Leaders Cork City will travel to take on UCD who will be anxious to keep their second place

until the end of the season.

Harps record against Athlone has been reasonable this season with a win, draw and loss. On Friday the 1st of March first half goals from the recently departed Stephen Doherty and Success Edogun gave the hosts a 2-0 victory at Finn Park. It meant that Murphy's outfit maintained their fine start to the 2024 First Division season. It left them with two wins and a draw leaving them joint second in the table.

The second meeting was away to Athlone on Friday 12th April and resulted in a 1-0 thanks to a 25th minute Dean Ebbie goal. It was the first loss on the road in the 2024 campaign. When the two teams met for the third time on Monday 3rd June it ended in a 1-1 draw. Teenage substitute Gavin McAteer supplied the cross for Patrick Ferry's headed equaliser in the second last minute of normal time on the Bank Holiday Monday in Ballybofey. The visitors had broken the deadlock with a Gideon Tetteh's 70th minute goal that looked like sealing another win for the in-form visitors.

But former Milford Utd underage player McAteer at just 15-years-old turned the game. He had only entered the action in the 82nd minute to make his first senior appearance at Finn Park. The Loreto Community School student had made his Harps debut a fortnight earlier in the away game in Kerry.

Badly needed win for Harps

Finn Harps 2-0 Cobh Ramblers

For the first time this season Finn Harps managed a victory over Cobh Ramblers. It came at the fourth time of asking after losing three times to the Munster outfit earlier in the 2024 campaign. It was a welcome win for Darren Murphy's outfit who had been on a very poor run over the past couple of months. The result moved them up a place as the leapfrogged Cobh into sixth place. But, not much closer to the all important fifth spot that would guarantee Harps a promotion play-off slot. Murphy's men are six points behind Wexford Youths with seven games remaining.

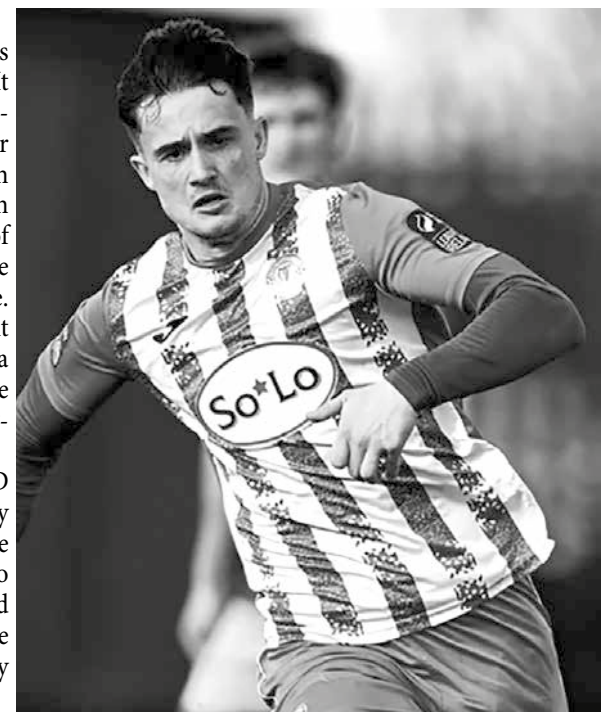
There were three changes from the UCD game for Friday night's match as Matty Makinson returned from suspension while Max Johnston and David Cawley were also back in the starting 11. Sean Patton and Luke O'Brien dropped to the bench while Ryan Rainey was ruled out due to an injury picked up at Belfield.

Gavin Gilmore and Nathan McDaid were also included in the matchday squad. It was second half goals from Patrick Ferry and Jamie Watson that secured the three points for the hosts.

Ferry broke the deadlock in the 62nd minute latching on to a pass from Success Edogun to slip through the defence before steering the ball past Arthur Ngano at the Town End of the ground. The Harps management's nerves were eased on 83 minutes when Watson doubled the home side's advantage. Harps could easily have taken the lead in the second minute when Johnston really should have tested the keeper after being set up by David Cawley. Instead the youngster shot wide.

Skipper Tony McNamee then created an opening for Edogun, but his effort was comfortably held by Darragh Burke. The keeper then sustained a head injury that saw the match paused for a few minutes. Burke did resume between the sticks with his head bandaged but did not reappear for the second half. Reserve keeper Nganou took over the net minding duties.

Earlier Harps had been dealt an injury blow with experienced central defender Conor Tourish forced off with his place being taken by Buncrana man Kevin Jordan. In the latter stages of the half Cobh began to pose a threat with Matthew McKeivitt's effort going wide while Jordan was in the right place to clear another attempt that was goal bound. Oisín Cooney who started in goals for the second game in a row was called into action to divert McKeivitt's shot out for a corner. In early second half action, Harps were on the front foot with a Ferry shot being blocked while Johnston's rebound strike went the wrong side of the upright. Ferry got that all important opening goal on 62 minutes and the victory was pretty much assured when Watson made it 2-0 with



Patrick Ferry was among the goals for Finn Harps

seven minutes to go.

Finn Harps - Oisín Cooney; Jamie Watson; Noe Baba, Conor Tourish (Kevin Jordan 20) Matthew Makinson; David Cawley (Aaron McLaughlin 90), Max Hutchison; Success Edogun (Gavin McAteer 90), Tony McNamee, Max Johnston; Patrick Ferry (Sean Patton 76). Subs not used: Tim Heimer (Gk), Gavin Gilmore, Nathan McDaid, Luke O'Brien, Bruce Strachan.

Cobh Ramblers - Darragh Burke (Arthur Nganou h-t); Tiernan O'Brien (Beineon O'Brien-Whitmarsh 88), Nolan Evers (Charlie O'Brien 81), Brendan Frahill, Cian Browne; Pierce Phillips (David Bosnjak 81), Jack Larkin, Dale Holland, Luka Le Bervet (Dean Larkin 71); Matthew McKeivitt, Regix Madika.

Ref: Daryl Carolan.

Harps Lotto

There were no jackpot winners in the Finn Harps Super 4 Lotto draw for 29th August. The numbers drawn were 9, 18, 20, 24. The next draw takes place on Thursday 5th September and the jackpot is €10,000. There was one match 3 winner this week winning €200 - Don McBride, Blue Cedars, Ballybofey. Thanks to everyone who supports our lotto. Enter online today via finnharps.ie

Ferry and Watson in Team of the Week

The two Finn Harps goalscorers in Friday night's 2-0 victory over Cobh Ramblers Patrick Ferry and Jamie Watson have been included in this week's League Of Ireland First Division Team of the Week. Gweedore man opened the scoring just after the hour mark while Watson effectively secured the three points by doubling the advantage in the 83rd minute.

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Booking in Thurs 26th Sept from 8 - 8.30am.

Mon 30th Sept - **Ram Sale** 7pm

Axing of Milford Garda District a negative move

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uniformed gardai by creating 'business services' units, which will tackle more bureaucratic aspects of policing such as paperwork and financing. However, the GRA says that feedback it's received from the divisions where the operational model is being piloted shows administration actually increased because gardai were "bringing timesheets and other documents from one station to another in garda cars due to the inadequacy of the IT infrastructure".

The loss of administration status and Garda numbers in the Milford Headquarter has once again raised the uncertainty of the local service. It is pointed out it faces an uncertain future, similar to Glenties which was a former Headquarters for a large part of West Donegal.

It has not been clarified how many Gardai or administration staff will remain in Milford - although there is a public viewpoint that numbers cannot fall much lower than they are at present. Almost all of Milford outlying stations are already closed on a daily basis and none of them is expected to open again.

Progress on these changes to create a new polic-

ing model stalled last August as the local and EU elections loomed.

However, none of these locations have moved one inch and now there will be only two Divisions to cover Donegal.

With the transfer of the Milford District, the current service is to be absorbed elsewhere. And there are no guarantees of 24 hour cover, gardai on call locally or the location of Garda cars.

Meanwhile, we understand that a premises has been leased in Ramelton and is being reconfigured as a new Garda Station: however, it is only five kilometres from Milford and it seems quite unlikely there will be enough officers to operate both stations.

Community spokespersons whom we contacted this week said that some of their areas already seem too distant from Milford and transferring Garda controls to Letterkenny is a matter of real concern.

It is also not clear if these proposed changes will see a more visible presence of Gardai on patrol. The real fear is that the new plan with all its bells and whistles will leave many parishes more remote than ever before and with the presence of

fewer officers being evident.

In recent years there's been a noticeable absence of Garda patrols in many rural areas and there are renewed fears that the new policing system may not help that situation. In fact these rural areas complain that they rarely get sight of a patrol car.

Despite the rising population and increased immigration, Garda numbers are in a worrying decline. As of April 30th this year 2024, the force stands at a total of 14,013 members, with just over 11,050 serving as rank-and-file Gardai.

This is a stark contrast to the overall strength of 14,750 in March 2020, when the current Minister for Justice took office and the country's population was 300,000 less. Thus, under this coalition, we are witnessing a concerning drop of over 1,000 in rank-and-file Gardai, even as our population grows.

Details of the Donegal changes were revealed in the Tribune in February 2023 and Milford was seen as the biggest big loser. That is still on the cards and the political silence is deafening.

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Successful World Angling Championship

The historic first World Junior Sea Angling Championship in Donegal concluded with a grand finale at the Station House Hotel in Letterkenny on Friday night. The week-long event was hosted by the Lough Swilly Junior Sea Angling Club. Chairperson Charlie Devlin and his committee put in a huge amount of work over the past year to be ready for the international competition which took place in Downings. It had been initially scheduled to take place in Rathmullan but the venue had to be changed due to major harbour works that started there in the early summer.

The Station House was the base for the teams from abroad. The winner of the World Junior Sea Angling Championship was Italy. Slovenia were the runners-up with Croatia third and Ireland fourth.

Minister for Agriculture Charlie Mc Conalogue was in attendance for Friday night's gala dinner and presentation function along with Cllrs Ciaran Brogan and Donal Coyle.

Charlie Devlin took the opportunity to thank the IFSA committee and the local Club for their hard work in helping to make the international event happen. DJ Brian McDaid ensured that all the national anthems were aired at the opening ceremony and again on Friday. Mr Devlin also acknowledged the cooperation of the Station House staff and their proprietor Brian Gallagher and the great service they provided.

He also thanked the Council and all the sponsors for providing the assistance necessary to host an interna-



Committee members - Patrick Donaghey, Charlie Devlin, Lisa John, Hugh McLean and Cornie Devlin.

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Kelly and Kennedy exit Welsh Rally

Eamonn Kelly and his Letterkenny co-driver Rory Kennedy competed in Rally Ceridigion in Wales at the weekend. The Donegal crew had a very good start on Saturday and were placed top of the ERC3 Category. However, there was disappointment on Sunday as Frosses man Kelly and Kennedy had to retire on Stage 11. Carndonagh's Kyle McBride also failed to finish on Sunday after he was given a 3 and a half minute penalty on the final stage.

Another Frosses man Ryan MacHugh and his navigator Arthur Kierans had a seventh-place finish in the RC4 category of the international Rally Ceridigion. It was a counting round of the British and European Rally Championships and it saw McHugh win the Junior British Championship category. It was his second win of the season.

Euro 2024 prediction winner



The Donegal Branch of Liverpool FC supporters club held a very successful Euro 2024 prediction competition in the summer. Terence Sheils was the winner, winning for himself €500 and the remaining €500 going to the Football club of his choice, Kilmacrennan Celtic being the beneficiaries. Many thanks to all that entered the competition.

Pictured right, is Terence receiving his winnings from David and Ella Moen and also presenting Kilmacrennan Celtic representative Adrian Doherty with €500 (left).

The branch also held a successful social evening in the Station House Hotel last month. Members of the branch presented Fintan McGrath of the WeCare Foodbank Donegal with funds donated by our members. Members also took along food parcels. Many thanks to all our members for their continued support to the WeCare Foodbank.



Senior hurling title for Burt

Underdogs Burt produced a brilliant performance to win their first Donegal Senior Hurling Championship in six years on Saturday at the O'Donnell Park. They defeated Setanta 3-16 to 1-18 despite playing with 14 men for much of the second half. It ended Setanta's dream of three-in-a-row senior titles. It was Burt's 40th Donegal success. Player of the Match was Liam McKinney who scored 1-11. Burt defender Caolan McDermott was sent off for a second yellow card offence just ten minutes into the second half.

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