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The Fleadh Cheol Na Mumhan 2000 Committee, Lismore held a very successful fundraising draw recently. Pictured here is the winner of the 1st prize, Ciara O'Donovan of Knockanore receiving a cheque of £1,000 from Sarah McGrath, Committee member and seller of the winning ticket. Also present are other committee members; Thomas Hyland, Chairman, Breeda Roche Treasurer, Tom O'Donovan and Mary Dunne. Proceeds from the raffle will go towards paying for street entertainment during the Fleadh in July 2000.

Work To Start On Dungarvan Plant Within Year

BY AISLING CONROY

Work on the long awaited multi-million pound treatment plant for Dungarvan harbour is set to commence before the end of next year.

The £10.8 million project which will be located on the site of the former Pfizer plant in Ballinacourty will be completed in two separate contracts.

The contract for the construction of the treatment plant itself is expected to take much longer than the second contract for the construction of pipelines and pumping stations.

Officials from Waterford

County Council met with representatives from the Department of the Environment some weeks ago to progress the scheme to the planning stage.

County Engineer John O'Flynn was among those in atten-

dance and said the Dept. asked for specific details of what areas are to be included for connection to the treatment plant. The extent of works to be carried out in Dungarvan in

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Dungarvan U.D.C. Brings In £2 Wheelie Bin Charge



Council Asked To Dispel Confusion Over Wind Farms

BY AISLING CONROY

As controversy continues to surround two separate planning applications for wind test masts in the county, the Waterford County Manager has stressed that each application will be dealt with on its own merits.

Speaking at Monday's meeting of Waterford County Council, Donal Connolly said he will keep members fully apprised of both projects pending.

He said that while wind is an acceptable method for production of energy, the Council's planning department will take into account all of the points raised in relation to the applications.

A notice of motion was put forward at the meeting by Cllr. Ollie Wilkinson who asked that members be kept fully informed of the Council's policy on wind farm developments in the county.

When asked by Cllr. Wilkin-

son if the Council can accept a wind farm application on the southern slopes of the Knockmealdowns in view of the County Development Plan, Mr. Connolly replied that he cannot preclude any application.

SEPARATE TEST MAST APPLICATIONS

Last month Charles Keane of Cappel Estate lodged an application for a 40m wind test monitoring mast on the Knockmealdowns.

This test mast will monitor the wind over 12 months, during which time an Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared.

If successful, Mr. Keane plans to eventually develop a wind farm on the southwest slope of Knocknafalia on the mountain range.

Although many in the area are in favour of his proposals, residents of Mount Melleray and surrounding areas are still

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Nollaig Sheehan, daughter of Joe and Yvonne Sheehan, Seapark, Abbeyside recently graduated from St. Patrick's College, Maynooth with an Honours Degree in History and Theology. Nollaig was educated at Scoil Mhuire, Abbeyside and Ard Scoil na nDeise.

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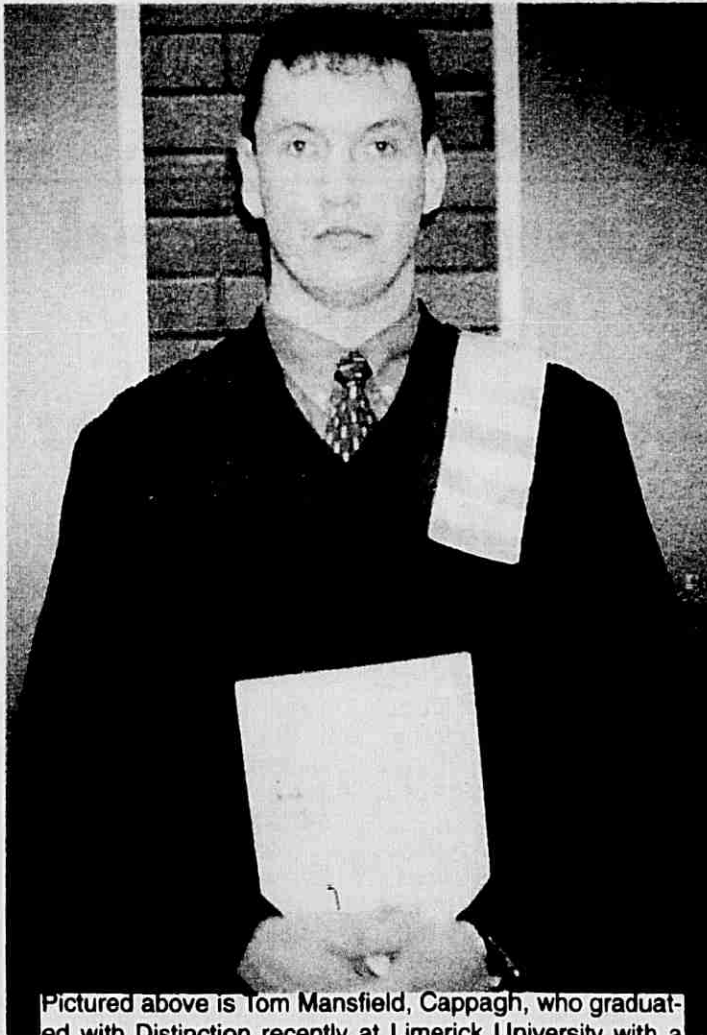


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Congratulations to Siobhan Dinneen who recently received a Masters in Economics from University College Dublin. Siobhan is daughter of Mary and Matthew Dinneen, Tallow.



Pictured above is Tom Mansfield, Cappagh, who graduated with Distinction recently at Limerick University with a National Certificate in Exercise & Fitness (NCEF). Tom is son of John and Teresa Mansfield, Cappagh.

Leader Crossword

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ACROSS: 1 Pyre, 3 Warm-up, 9 Innocence, 10 Nun, 11 Lymph, 12 Écurie, 15 Observer Corps, 17 Cluedo, 18 Ormer, 21 Ten, 22 23 Greyhound racing, 23-, 24 Eden.
DOWN: 1 6 Phnom Penh, 2 Racehorse, 4 Ace, 5 Mintier, 6-, 7 Pillbox, 8 Undeveloped, 13 Unclothed, 14 Astride, 16 Selenic, 19 Mourn, 20 Stir, 22 Gun.

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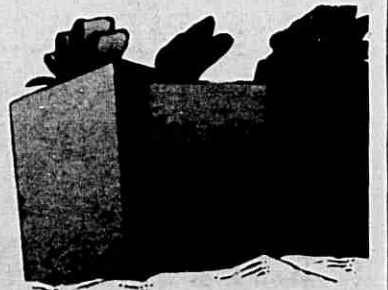
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Stradbally Notes

STRADBALLY AT CHRISTMAS TIME!

It's all go in Stradbally in the run up to the Yuletide season! The lights on the Christmas tree were turned on in the village amid great pomp and ceremony, last Wed. night. Young James Whelan (3) of the square, did the honours on behalf of Joan Cashin. Tom Cunningham popped the champagne and the assembled multitudes, including Fr. Enright and Canon Hewitt, cheered loudly (well there was over 80 people at least!).

Stradbally would like to thank Ed Howan (Scouts) for organising the tree, Joan Cashin for collecting the money for the lights, and a big

thank you to local electrician Gerard Whelan for getting the electrics on stream in time. Yours truly attempted to start a carol sing-a-long, only to discover that I couldn't remember the words! To remedy my rotten attempt, Tom Cunningham asks that everyone join in carol singing with the Brownies, Scouts and Guides, under the tree at 7 p.m. on December 20th.

There will also be an Ecumenical carol service in St. James church this year, a joint collaboration between the two Stradbally Churches, on Sun.

19th at 7 p.m.

KID'S MINI FUNDAY

At 2.30 last Saturday St. James was swamped by kids from all over. There were queues for every stall and the kids certainly had a lot of fun. Jenny Crowley and Jill O'Morchoe had the pleasant task of tending to the needs of stressed parents in the Tea-room, Marie Walsh seemed to want to take part in every game of Pea-brains. Don Sutherland and Andrew Claxton yelled and hollered from the Sand-bagging and bottle stalls respectively.

The day was a great success and St. James' and Anne Henneberry would like to thank all the parents who made the day possible and a big thank you to the kids.

RE-CYCLING CENTRE OFFICIALLY LAUNCHED

On Tuesday last week, Executive members (including new member Tom Hickey) turned out for the cutting of the ribbon, around the re-cycling bins. The honours were done by the Cathaoirleach of the County Council, Paddy Kenneally. 5 members of Waterford County Council also attended, along with County Councillor Tom Cunningham and Fr. Enright.

Paddy-Joe Carey did an excellent job landscaping the

surrounds, and sisters-in-law, Margaret and Sheila Corbett provided refreshments in the Sacristy, which added to the sense of occasion. The bins are almost three-quarters full already, an exceptional start, well done Stradbally!

MILLENNIUM DANCE & DISCO

Don't forget to get your tickets for the Millennium Dance & Disco, for Friday 7th of Jan at the Clonea Strand Hotel. The dance is in aid of the Millennium funds for the Churches of St. James & Holy Cross, Stradbally; St. Anne's Church, Faha and Church of the Sacred Heart, Ballylaneen.

Tickets from Mary Walsh 051-294685, Jenny Crowley 293143, Teresa Dee 293209 and Monica Gough 291235.

SCHOOL RE-UNION

A school re-union is on the cards for the Mercy Convent school, Stradbally, up to the date the convent closed. The August bank holiday Monday is being proposed. If you are in touch with family and friends during Christmas, please ask if they would be interested in a re-union. For further info. (ideas and help also welcome) contact Joan Corry nee Gleeson Tel. 051-293356

NEXT TIDY TEAM CLEAN-UP

The next Tidy Kid's Team clean-up is at 1 o'clock at Ballyvooney on Saturday. This clean-up will be the last one before Christmas, organised by Youth officer Heather Finn, of the Stradbally Enterprise Group. A draw will be held among the kids on Saturday for a mystery prize!

WATERFORD IRISH WHEELCHAIR ASSOCIATION

A day out was organised last Saturday to a movie and MacDonalds, by the Association. Everyone had a great day. Ann Concannon wants to let people know about swimming on Mon. nights in the Waterford Crystal pool. Instructors from Halliwick (Assoc., of Swimming Therapy). The Swim nights are open to anyone, wheelchair or non-wheelchair, who have physical disabilities including backache or arthritis. All inquiries to Ann at 051-293199.

SINCERE SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to the Kirwan family of Lemybrien who recently buried Noel Kirwan in Kilrossanty. Many is the tough football game Noel played against Stradbally, and in recent times proved himself to be a fine painter, winning an

award at the Dungarvan Show this Summer. He will be missed by many in Stradbally.

ST. DECLAN'S COLLEGE KILMAC'

Congratulations to all the Teachers and pupils on a fantastic 'Sale of Work', which took place on Sunday last. The Stradbally bargain hunters were out in force, including Yours truly who bought a large home-made Christmas pudding and a novel 'tile' cutting board. The raffle prizes were truly amazing, nearly everyone seemed to come away with something!

HOOR OF PRAYER- A REPORT FROM FR. ENRIGHT

The arrangements for Christmas week are as follows; Mon and Tues., 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.; Wed 7.30p.m. to 8.30p.m., with Months mind Mass for the late Nan Cummins of Reamanagh; Thurs. and Fri., 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

CALENDAR

Every household in the Parish will receive a Calendar and Christmas card, including the arrangements in the three Churches for Christmas. An invitation is also extended to everyone to be reconciled with God and each other. Penitential services will be held in Stradbally (Holy Cross)

after the Vigil Mass, 7.30p.m. on Saturday (18th) and 10 a.m. on Sunday (19th) in Ballylaneen, after Vigil Mass 6.30p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m., while in Faha it will be after the 9 a.m. Mass on Sunday.

JUBILEE CROSS AND BELLS!

The beetles have been dealt with and the Jubilee Cross is on the way! Weather permitting the cross should be erected in a few days time. Thanks to an anonymous donor there will be bells ringing, not just for Christmas, but every day of the year. The new system is independent of the old bell, and so it will continue to be rung and exercise Paddy-Joe Carey's muscles!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

A surprise birthday celebration took place in Whelans' Pub on Sun. night for Mikey Kiely of Carrigahilla, who thought he was arriving for a quiet celebratory drink! There was a large crowd of well-wishers, who gathered to honour his 90 years of good health; Many happy returns Mikey from your wife Mary.

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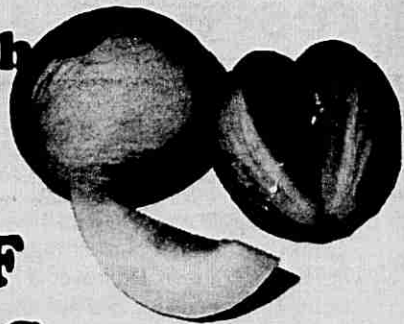


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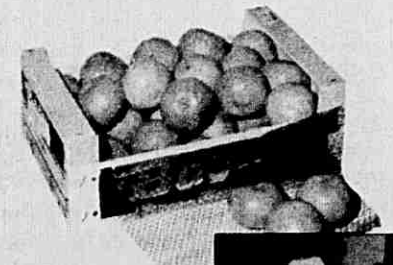
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TALLOW CREDIT UNION REPORT ON SUCCESSFUL YEAR

It was a case of standing room only as members crowded into the Community Centre in Tallow on Thursday night last to hear the Directors, Supervisors and Auditor give a full and comprehensive report on the years activities.

Chairman John Lyons told of the growth in membership, savings and loans "We started in 1968 with £14. At the end of the current year in September last between us we had over 7 million in assets. With over 3714 members now, we must be the most significant community development of this century in this area. The Credit Union has enriched the lives of so many of us through the encouragement of thrift, the giving of loans at a fair and reasonable rate of interest and the support Community Enterprise and Job Creation. The opening of the Conna sub-office every Friday and Saturday has been an outstanding success and is increasingly being supported by the members of that area and also Castletelyons and Ballynoe. During the past year our Credit Union have contributed their initial payment of £25,000 to the Central Credit Union technology system, this system which will be up and running within the next two years will ensure better access to more services for our members. Work on the new Car Park in West Street is scheduled to commence early in the New Year and will be up and running by the end of March 2000. John told the members that in relation to this they must publicly pay tribute to their local Councillor James Tobin who has helped us to progress this matter.

Tributes were paid to outgoing Directors Nora O'Brien, John Hogan and Hugh Geary for their work and support throughout their teams of office, "but I know the men won't mind", John said, "if I single out Nora for special mention as she has given over twenty seven years of outstanding service on the Board, thank you Nora". John also thanked the other Board members, the Supervisors, the Ballyduff and Conna Volunteers and staff for their work and support throughout the year. Mairead Sheehan, Treasurer gave a detailed explanation of the Income and Expenditure throughout the year. She answered a number of questions in relation to depreciation, investments and reserves. In proposing a return to the members of 1% dividend on savings and 10% rebate on Loan Interest Paid she received unanimous support. "This" Mairead explained "is a return to you of £201,000 this year a return that indicates the prudent management of the Credit Union funds for our mutual benefit".

The Auditor, Mr. Brendan Ferguson outlined the responsibilities of the Directors and Supervisors and congratulated them on an excellent year. He particularly complimented them on their astute management of Investments and indicated an increase of £40,000 over last year, proved they had adopted a good strategic plan to manage investments in an increasingly difficult environment. Mr. Ferguson assured the members that all the information given in the Directors Report is consistent with the financial statements.

Reporting on behalf of the Supervisory Committee Sean Twomey assured the members that Directors, Manager and Staff

are carrying out their duties in accordance with the Credit Union Act and the Standard Rules of Credit Unions. The committee during the past year carried out unannounced and random checks on members accounts, bank statements, investments lodgements, foreign exchange etc. and all times found everything to be correct.

On behalf of the Credit Committee Chairman Kieran O'Brien told the members that a total of 1033 loans were considered by his committee during the past year. Of these 1006 were granted totalling almost 3 million pounds. Interest rates had once again been reduced and with the further 10% rebate of interest which had just been accepted by those present, it meant Credit Unions loans were the best value around. Kieran gave examples of the cost of the loans and compared them to other forms of credit on offer to prove his point. He urged all members to check out the total cost of borrowing before entering into any commitment, as many members have found themselves swamped by other charges of which they were unaware at the time of borrowing. Your credit Union is the best place - check with us first.

The Promotion and Development Committee Report was presented by its Chairman Nora O'Brien who outlined the many responsibilities of this committee. She once again thanked the teachers for their continued support and wished Mrs. Betty Gillen who retired from Knockanore N.S. during the year a long and happy retirement. The Credit Union support many local clubs and associations by way of sponsorship, and continue to co-ordinate the fund raising for our adopted charity, Daffodil Day each March. She thanked all the people who so generously donated daffodils free of charge and the many volunteers who helped raise an amazing £2,300 this year. The committee are also responsible for the educational role where Directors, Committee members and staff are all trained to ensure they are aware of, and capable of carrying out their roles in the most professional manner. At the end of her report Mr. Bill Twomey N.T. Knockanore congratulated Nora on being such an excellent ambassador for the Credit Union, and asked for a standing ovation for the tremendous work she had done over the past twenty seven years. He was delighted to hear that while Nora is no longer serving as a Director she will remain on as a member of the Promotion and Development Committee.

During the meeting a number of draws took place and the list of prize winners are; Main Draw; 1st prize Music Centre was won by Ms. P. Fulton-Russell. Cash prizes were won by Mary Mangan, Convent St., Una Murphy, Kilmore, Mary Hannon, Ballyduff, Eileen Flynn, Chapel Street, Josephine Donnelly, Woodview Park, Rose Hickey, Curraglass, Frankie McAuliffe, Ballynoe, Christy Connery, Janeville, Sheila Tobin, Currereigh, Marion Mills, Glencairn.

Foreign Currency Users Draw for £100 was won by Joanne Kearney, Tallow. Christmas Club Members Draw winners of cash prizes; Anne Bolger, Ballyduff; Mary Fraser, Convent St., Noreen O'Faherty, New St., Elaine Aherne, Knockanore, Therese Mills, Chapel St and Pat and Mairead

Ard Scoil na nDeise supports West Waterford Hospice Movement



The Transition Year students in conjunction with their Home Economics teachers recently held a Cake Sale to raise funds for the West Waterford Hospice Movement. Photograph shows Deirdre Breathnach presenting cheque to John Moran (W.W. Hospice). Also included are (front row); Ann O'Donnell (W.W. Hospice), Gillian Lyons, Carmel Fox (Teacher), Colette Power (Teacher). Back row; Maria Ryan (Teacher), Kathleen Hurley, Muireann Veale, Edel Harney and Eimear Power. —(Photo; Pat Crowley).

ARDMORE/GRANGE TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Le Pre d'Auge et Les Moneaux Well Represented

On Wednesday, November 10th, thirty five French visitors arrived in Ardmore and were met by their host families at an Irish Coffee reception in Paddy Mac's. Many new faces were detected which was very encouraging as it shows the enthusiasm and strength of the Twinning Associations.

Thursday morning, everyone, fresh and well rested after a good night's sleep, went along to Paddy Mac's where Eamonn Loneragan of "Knockanore Cheese" gave a very interesting and detailed talk on cheese production and the common problems with unpasteurised cheese. Many thanks must go to Eamonn for his time and effort and not least his generosity in supplying some of his magnificent cheese for the subsequent lunch at the Whitehorses Restaurant. Well done Eamonn. In the afternoon a guided tour of the Jameson Distillery was enjoyed by the French guests. The evening was spent with the host families followed by a sing-along at Keever's Bar. Victor Mullins and Don Brockie take a bow for the wonderful input into the night especially at such short notice, many thanks.

Friday morning, despite some "heavy heads", it was off to Waterford Crystal, this was followed by a lunch at Jack Meades in Cheekpoint. The batteries recharged, it was back to Waterford for a city tour. Paddy Mac's was the venue for the evening and for some guests this was the highlight, especially when the Piltown School of Dancers, under the direction of Aoife O'Brien, gave a spectacular exhibition

of Irish Dancing in stunning costumes. After an excellent meal and lots of vino it was dancing into the late (or early) hours to the wonderful sounds of John Supple and his team.

Luckily Saturday morning was free for most. However a committee meeting did take place to discuss a possible destination for the three Associations to celebrate the Millennium from the 14th to

the 21st of April 2000. After lunch in the Round Tower Hotel everyone donned the blue and white caps and headed off for the all important football final in Dungarvan. Unfortunately the result was not what had been hoped for. The last night for the French in Ardmore was spent at the Round Tower Hotel with the host families, again a superb night!

At 9 a.m. the following morning all the kisses and goodbyes over, the French guests left for Cork Airport.

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Notáí An tSean Phobail

21ST BIRTHDAY

Happy 21st birthday to Tim Power. Tim celebrated with family neighbours and friends in John Paul's on Saturday night. Go muire tú céad, Tim.

C.L.C.G. AN TSEAN PHOBAIL

This month the Déise Development Draw is a week earlier due to the advent of the Festive season. All tickets should be returned to Treasurer Tom Hogan, this Wednesday evening at the latest.

SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy to Barry Power on the death of his uncle, Michael Power, Springmount, Dungarvan. Also sympathy to the wife and family of the late John O'Brien, Grange. Ar dheis De go raibh siad.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Paul Halahan and wife on the birth of their first child, a baby girl.

MILLENNIUM GRANT

Coiste Forbartha an tSean

Phobail has been awarded a grant of £1000 towards the provision of a sporting amenity in the area.

Mile Buiochas do Tom Keith agus Coiste an Mhilaoise.

AISTEOIRI AN TSEAN PHOBAIL

Aisteoiri an tSean Phobail did themselves proud again with their wonderful presentation of the County Boy by John Murphy, in Halla Colmán at the weekend. It was performed to packed and very appreciative audiences on both nights.

We look forward to many more performances in the coming Millennium. After the show Deuglan Turraoin and his wife Nora were made a presentation in appreciation of their trojan work for Aisteoiri an tSean Phobail, down through the years. This presentation was made by P.S. O Mathuna on behalf of the other members of the cast.

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Recipes



Cookery Cormer



Baked Normandy Apple Cheesecake

Preparation: 20 minutes.
Cooking: 1 hour, 10 minutes.
Serves: 8.

For The Base:
 75g (3 oz) butter, softened.
 75g (3 oz) caster sugar.
 1 egg.
 30ml (2 tbsp) milk.
 75g (3 oz) self-raising flour.
 7.5ml (1 1/2 tsp) baking powder.
 5 ml (1 tsp) ground cinnamon.

For The Filling:
 450g (1 lb) full-fat soft cheese.
 150 ml (1/4 pt) soured cream.
 4 eggs, separated.
 225g (8 oz) caster sugar.
 Grated rind and juice of 1 lemon.
 25g (1 oz) plain flour.
 50g (2 oz) ground almonds.
 75g (3 oz) sultanas

(optional).
 2-3 small, red-skinned apples.
 45ml (3 tbsp) marmalade.

METHOD:
 Preheat oven to 160°C/325°F/Gas Mark 3. Grease a 23 cm (9") spring-clip tin lightly. Cream together the butter and the caster sugar until the mixture is fluffy, then add the egg and milk. Sift over the flour, baking powder and cinnamon. Mix well to combine and spoon into the base of the prepared tin. Bake for 10 minutes. To prepare the filling, put the cheese, soured cream, egg yolks, caster sugar, lemon rind and juice into a large bowl. Beat the ingredients together until the mixture is smooth and creamy. Sift over the flour and fold in gently using a metal spoon. Then fold in the

ground almonds and sultanas, if using, until evenly combined.

Whisk the egg whites in a grease-free bowl until they just hold their shape, but aren't too dry. Stir half into the cheese mixture — this will slacken it slightly — then gently fold in the remainder of the egg white. Pour the mixture over the cooked base and level off the top. Core the apples and cut them into thin slices.

Arrange the apple slices around the top of the cheesecake. Bake in the oven for 1 hour, covering the top with foil after 15-20 minutes to prevent it from overcooking.

Switch the oven off and leave the cheesecake in the tin to cool. Heat the marmalade with 30 ml (2 tbsp) of water and use it to glaze the apples. Chill before serving.

Household Hints

1. — Place a saucer full of ammonia in the bottom of the warm oven after use. When the oven is cool, remove the saucer and wipe inside the oven with hot water and detergent. Grease will come off easily.

2. — When lambswool slippers become too shabby for further wear, open each one down the back and turn inside out. They make excellent polishers for furniture, floors or shoes.

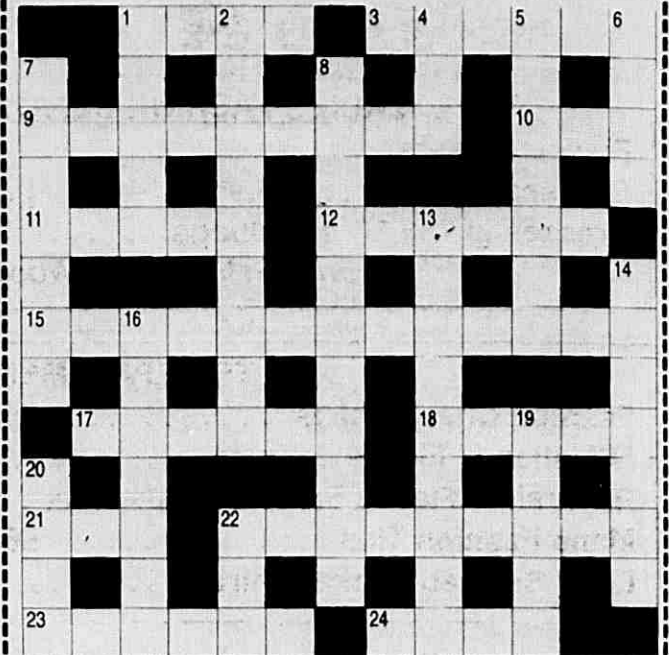
3. — Clean and condition leather furniture by applying a mixture of two parts linseed oil and one part vinegar. Leave for about ten minutes and polish thoroughly with a dry cloth.

4. — Avoid paint running down your hands when painting ceiling by pushing the paintbrush handle through a paper plate. Protect hair with a shower.

5. — Fix masking tape or clear adhesive tape around the edges of windows to protect the glass when painting the frames. Or rub the edges of the glass with a little petroleum jelly or a bar of moistened soap.

Leader Crossword

SOLUTIONS ON PAGE 2



ACROSS

- 1 A heap of combustible material for burning a corpse (4)
- 3 A spell of preparatory exercise (4-2)
- 9 In legal terms, the opposite of guilt (9)
- 10 A kind of pigeon with feathers on its head resembling a religious figure's hood (3)
- 11 A colourless fluid in the body, containing white blood cells (5)
- 12 A "stable" of racing cars (6)
- 15 The Royal —, uniformed civilian organisation affiliated to the RAF (8,5)
- 17 Game invented 50 years ago last August by Anthony Pratt (6)
- 18 Edible mollusc common in the Channel Islands (5)
- 21 The initial number of green bottles (3)
- 22 23 Sport invented in America in 1919 (9,6)
- 23 See 22 across
- 24 The prime minister between Churchill and Macmillan (4)

DOWN

- 1 6 The capital of Cambodia (5,4)
- 2 A thoroughbred, for example (9)
- 4 The one in dice (3)
- 5 Anagram of INTERIM and TERMINI (7)
- 6 See 1 down
- 7 A small concrete fort or a type of hat (7)
- 8 Of land, not built on or used for public works (11)
- 13 Stripped of leaves or garments (9)
- 14 With a leg on each side (7)
- 16 Of the moon (7)
- 19 Show grief over a death (5)
- 20 One of the slang words for prison (4)
- 22 Ezra Pound observed that the difference between this and a tree is that the tree explodes every spring (3)

Roast Leg of Lamb With Garlic Crust

Preparation: 25 minutes.
Cooking: 1 hour, 40 minutes.
Serves: 6.

175g/6 oz dried figs.
 2 small red onions.
 Salt and black pepper.
 1.4kg/3 lb boned leg of lamb.
 5 cloves garlic.
 60ml/4 tbsp pine nuts.
 30ml/2 tbsp chopped fresh mint.
 15ml/1 tbsp olive oil.
 300ml/1 1/2 pt lamb stock.
 150ml/1/4 pt white wine.
 15ml/1 tbsp mint jelly.

METHOD:
 Preheat oven to 180°C/350°F/Gas Mark 4. Reserve three figs and

halve remainder. Chop one onion and mix with halved figs and seasoning. Stuff in cavity of lamb, tie with string and weigh.

Slice onion. Place in base of a roasting tin and lay the lamb on top. Blend the reserved figs in a food processor with garlic, nuts, mint and oil. Spread over lamb.

Roast for 25 minutes per 450g/1 lb plus 20 minutes. Cover with foil if overbrowning.

Transfer to a plate, cover with foil and keep warm. Spoon 30ml/2 tbsp of the juices into a pan. Add stock, wine and jelly. Boil for 2 minutes, stirring. Strain and serve with lamb.

Orange and Coriander Joint

Serves: 14.
 1 boneless half gammon joint weighing approx. 3.2kg/7 lbs, soaked.
 1 bay leaf.
 6 black peppercorns.
 1 small carrot.
 1/2 onion, peeled.
 1 large orange.
 4 tbsp coriander seeds, lightly crushed.
 3 tbsp clear honey.
 Sprigs of fresh thyme and bay leaves to garnish.

METHOD:
 Drain the gammon and place in a large pan with the bay leaf, black peppercorns, carrot and onion and cover with water. Bring to the boil and skim off scum; reduce the heat and simmer for 3 hours. Drain and cool slightly. Remove string from the gammon and cut away the rind to leave a layer of fat. Score a crisscross pattern in the fat with a sharp knife.

Preheat oven to 200°C/400°F/Gas Mark 6. Using a fruit zester, remove orange rind in small strips and mix with the coriander seeds.

Squeeze the juice from the orange and mix with honey.

Place the gammon joint on a large sheet of aluminium foil in a large roasting tin. Use half of the orange juice and honey mixture to brush over the scored fat. Then press the coriander mixture onto the fat. Brush the exposed areas of meat with the honey mixture and then fold up the foil to cover the exposed areas.

Bake for 30-45 minutes, basting frequently with the juices, until golden.

Remove from the tin and transfer to a serving plate; garnish with sprigs of thyme and bay leaves. Serve warm or cold, carved into thin slices.

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The management and staff would like to thank their customers for their support through the year and to wish them a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.



Official Switch-On Of Dungarvan Christmas Lights

BY AISLING CONROY

The first traditional shopping day of Christmas drew a large crowd of shoppers and visitors to Dungarvan on Wednesday, 8th December.

Shortly before lunch, Santa arrived from the North Pole on a fire brigade and took up residence at Santa Wonderland in the Town Hall, Friary Street.

The highlight of the day however was the official 'switching on' of the town's Christmas lights by the Chairman of Dungarvan UDC Lar Hart.

Prior to the switch-on a reception was hosted by Dungarvan Chamber of Commerce in the Buttery Bar to mark the occasion.

DRAW FOR £2000 HOLIDAY

Speaking at the reception, Chamber President Mario Flavin welcomed all present to the annual event and paid tribute to everyone involved in the organisation of this year's Christmas preparations, particularly Maurice Butler, Chairman of the Retail Committee, Siobhan McGrath, Executive Officer, Albert McGrath, Damien Geoghegan and Liam Shanley.

Mr. Flavin said that while the lights are the most significant

and visible aspect of the Chamber's Christmas campaign, this year a £2,000 holiday to Disney World is up for grabs. Shoppers can enter the draw at numerous participating outlets in the town. He claimed that no other town or city in the country is offering a prize of such magnitude.

Mr. Flavin also highlighted the Santa Wonderland at the Town Hall and the draw for a 30 piece Royal Tara dinner service, the proceeds of which will go towards the Christmas lights fund. This year the Chamber has also undertaken a major advertising campaign to attract people into Dungarvan as well as signage on all the approach roads, finger posting and the usual sound system to help create a festive ambience on the streets.

The Chamber President then thanked the Urban Council for their financial support towards the lights, the use of the Town hall and their goodwill down through the years.

The lights were erected again this year by local electrician Jimmy Conroy of Ballinacourty who, said Mr. Flavin, has gone from strength to strength. Praising him as an expert in the field, Mr. Flavin said that in the last three years Jimmy

Conroy and his team have ensured that during the erection of the lights, there is no disruption to traffic.

LIGHTS EXTENDED TO CAUSEWAY

A milestone was set this year with the extension of the lights along the Causeway in Abbeyside which were officially switched on last Saturday afternoon. Mr. Flavin praised the efforts of Damien Dillon, Michael O'Riordan, Paddy Power and Johnny Hourigan for their help in making the Abbeyside lights possible.

Also welcoming the extension of the lights from Dungarvan to Abbeyside was Cllr. Lar Hart who expressed the wish that the Devonshire Bridge would be lit up on a permanent basis in the future.

On behalf of the Urban Council he was delighted to be associated with Dungarvan's Christmas lights and he complimented Jim Conroy and staff on the efficient manner in which they erected the lights.

Following the reception, the gathering adjourned to Grattan Square where, in front of a large crowd, Cllr. Hart officially switched on Dungarvan's lights for the final Christmas this century.

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We wish all our customers a Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

We thank you for your support in 1999 and hope to see you all again in the year 2000



Horoscopes with Ali

This weeks horoscopes are provided by Ali, one of Irelands most gifted mystics. For a more complete reading dial the 1550 number listed beside each star sign.



<p>Aries ♈ March 21 to April 20 It is time to tell Santa what you want for Christmas - drop a few subtle hints. Grievances brought out into the open can be more easily dealt with. Talking things through will lead to an understanding. A child offers you a good deal of wisdom- listen! The past can not be shaken off it is intertwined with the present. ☐ 1550 920 257</p>	<p>Taurus ♉ April 21 to May 21 A greeting card puts you in touch with a Christmas past but you have so much to look forward to in your future. Avoid back tracking and clinging to the old. You are no longer prepared to accept pie-in-the-sky possibilities or head-in-the-cloud notions. Don't make the past more important than the future. ☐ 1550 920 258</p>	<p>Gemini ♊ May 22 to June 21 In love, Christmas brings clarity. In other aspects of life, Christmas adds to the confusion, but you can cope. Do your best and don't add to the pressure by demanding perfection of yourself or others. The time has come for change. Someone may simply say what you want to hear rather than what is true. ☐ 1550 920 259</p>	<p>Cancer ♋ June 22 to July 22 A compromise may be the only plausible answer in a difficult situation. Be prepared to give someone a second chance. A family member is set to do you proud and turn over a new leaf. It is time to develop some economic strategy. Count cash carefully and you will have more than you realise. ☐ 1550 920 260</p>
<p>Leo ♌ July 23 to August 22 Limitations aren't dictated by the situation you face. Believe in your dreams and make them reality through imagination and daring. Get ready to share a winter wonderland with that perfect partner. Dramatic events call for immediate response. You cannot afford to sit pretty or you will be left standing. ☐ 1550 920 261</p>	<p>Virgo ♍ August 23 to Sept 22 A long distance telephone call brings exciting news. No matter how far away family connections remain strong. The cost of Christmas may be snowballing and you will definitely have to compensate in the New Year. In the meantime, have a good time. Trying to keep everyone happy can no longer work. ☐ 1550 920 262</p>	<p>Libra ♎ Sept 23 to Oct 23 Break out and treat yourself to something special. This is a time when you can benefit from several small but fortuitous coincidences. It is time to face up to an issue that you would rather ignore. Once you tackle it, you can thrive. Be prepared to go back to the drawing board and to start from scratch! ☐ 1550 920 263</p>	<p>Scorpio ♏ Oct 24 to Nov 21 Expect a surprise visit. A lucky coincidence may prove to have been contrived. Read between the lines and look for the ulterior motive. A Christmas connection with an old scene puts you in touch with old times. Enjoy it! Keep your eye on what is important. Your common sense advice is needed. ☐ 1550 920 264</p>
<p>Sagittarius ♐ Nov 22 to Dec 23 A series of hopeful opportunities will present themselves soon. Bide your time and enjoy the holidays. Get ready to be surprised by someone special. Someone is set to stay at your side no matter how difficult the path you have chosen. Life is full of uncertainties but you can be sure that someone cares. ☐ 1550 920 265</p>	<p>Capricorn ♑ Dec 24 to Jan 20 A Christmas greeting requires a response but be aware of the consequences. Someone is waiting to hear what you will say. Make the most of this positive time. Ignore your apprehensions and put positive plans into action. Look forward to a happy, love filled Christmas spent with friends and family. ☐ 1550 920 266</p>	<p>Aquarius ♒ Jan 21 to Feb 19 Take new initiatives and dare to be a little bold and daring. It is time to take a skeleton out of the closet and share a secret. You will be much relieved when you do. Those who care will accept you and your circumstances. Finances enter a fortunate phase. Be prepared to give something your best shot. ☐ 1550 920 267</p>	<p>Pisces ♓ Feb 20 to March 20 Hold your temper! At home, hassles may upset. Don't let worries prey on your mind over Christmas. Stop feeling so responsible for a certain situation and be more prepared to share the burden. Remember it is nearly Christmas so don't be too productive. Commit yourself to having a good time. ☐ 1550 920 268</p>

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Dungarvan Leader Gardening

Even the mags will relax you!

READING your favourite magazine is a relaxing pastime for many people - but does it help lower blood pressure and relieve headaches?

Apparently it does - as long as it's a gardening magazine. The latest research from the Texas A&M University has shown that looking at images of plants can reduce stress and help relieve common ailments such as headaches and colds. Just five minutes of looking at pictures of landscapes was shown to have a soothing effect, reducing physical stress symptoms like high blood pressure and muscle tension. The belief that looking at plants and images of plants promotes restoration from stress dates back many centuries. Since at least the 12th century in Europe, these beliefs have played a massive part in encouraging healthcare institutions to have gardens and other natural areas for patients to relax in and have justified building many parks, gardens, landscaping, and other natural

features in cities. Until fairly recently, scientists suggested that people were 'culturally conditioned', meaning that they were programmed to like plants and other nature, but conditioned to dislike cities where nature was lacking. Another explanation which has been considered is that of arousal. They argue that stimulating environments such as cities - with high levels of noise, intensity, and movement - can affect people negatively by producing high levels of psychological and physiological excitement. But during the last decade, researchers have shifted to evolutionary explanations for human benefits from plantation. A small but growing number of studies have analysed the effects on stressed individuals of viewing different types of outdoor settings, including views dominated by green vegetation such as trees, bushes, and grass. The studies support the conclusion that looking at settings containing a lot of vegetation can often encourage stress relief. Findings suggested that the views with vegetation held attention more effectively

and made the viewers feel more relaxed, indicated by declines in feelings of fear and anger and increases in positive feelings. Further studies found that stress relief happened very fast. After less than five minutes of exposure to a setting dominated by vegetation, a person would be significantly more relaxed. This was discovered by measuring blood pressure and muscle tension. A study in 1993 suggested that the benefits of viewing vegetation may be greatest for people already experiencing stress, but that people who are not may gain a feeling of relaxation and general well-being. So, if you're feeling a little stressed or you have got a bit of a headache coming on, forget the pills. Sit back and relax in the garden with your plants, or brush up on your gardening knowledge with a gardening magazine!

Magazine Medicine: The Targets

■ Stress	■ Stress
■ Headaches	■ Headaches
■ Colds	■ Colds

This Week In The Garden

<p>Begin taking chrysanthemum cuttings Some enthusiastic gardeners will take their cuttings a lot earlier than this, but now is the time for amateur gardeners to start taking cuttings from their chrysanthemum plants. Start on those varieties that are grown for second crown buds and particularly on November incurves and singles. The best shoots to cut are ones that rise directly from the soil from the root below. These should be severed just below soil level when they are a couple of inches or so in length. Cut off all the lower shoots with a very sharp knife and trim off the base cleanly just below a joint. Then place them half an inch deep in sandy soil. It does not matter whether they are in boxes, pots or directly in a bed made up on the staging in the greenhouse - as long as there is ample drainage. Regular watering is necessary and they need enough heat in a greenhouse to protect them from winter frosts. They can be sprayed every morning with tepid water.</p>	<p>Bring some more bulbs into the greenhouse Bring in further batches of bulbs from the outdoor bed and frame them. This will enable you to make a good crop next year.</p> <p>Continue to force seakale and rhubarb At intervals of about two weeks, bring some roots of rhubarb and seakale into the greenhouse where you can force them.</p> <p>Lift and blanch chicory Further roots should be lifted now and treated by packing them close in soil and putting them in a warm and dark place.</p> <p>Keep on protecting your cauliflower Continue to bend down leaves over the curds of the cauliflower to help protect it from some of the harsher weather.</p>
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MODELIGO NOTES

LOTTO

Numbers drawn: 2-10-13. No winner. Will the jackpot keep rising or can you put a stop to it? The only way is to choose your numbers and hope they will be picked on Saturday night next. Jackpot on Saturday is £700. Good luck.

£10 winners — Martin Baker, Clashmore; John Gough, Vicarstown; Bernie Troy, Graigumore; Downey Gang, Woodhouse; Michael Dee, Clashmore.

NEW ARRIVAL

Heartiest congratulations to Johnny and Helen O'Byrne, Melleray, on the birth of their daughter recently. Health and

happiness to you all.

GET WELL

Wishing all our parishioners who are unwell at present a speedy recovery back to good health.

PAUSE FOR THOUGHT: ONE LIFE

He was born in a stable, in an obscure village, the child of a peasant woman. From there He travelled less than 200 miles. He never wrote a book. He never held an office. He did none of the things one usually associates with greatness.

He became a nomadic preacher. Popular opinion turned against Him. He was betrayed by a close friend, and

His other friends ran away.

He was unjustly condemned to death, crucified on a cross among common thieves, on a hill overlooking the town dump.

Nineteen centuries have come and gone, empires have risen and fallen, mighty armies have marched, and powerful rulers have reigned.

Yet no one has affected men as much as He. He is the central figure of the human race. He is the Messiah, the Son of God, Jesus Christ.

This is what our millennium celebrations should be about. The gift of life and the journey to happiness.

Melleray Notes

G.A.A : Scór na nÓg County Final

Congratulations to all the competitors who performed in Kill on Saturday night last, to Áine Byrne for her beautiful rendition of "My Lagen Love", to the Novelty Act team - Rosemary Byrne, Eleanor Fitzgerald, Sharon Hennessy, Sharon Power and Seamus Fitzgerald for their high quality performance of "The Millennium Test" and who were runners-up on the night, to the Quiz team - Sharon Power, Noelle Byrne and Katie Duggan, unfortunately luck was not with them, but they gave it their best effort, to the other Ballad Group - Katie Duggan, Carol Byrne, Cheryl Power, Sharon Power and Áine Byrne for their harmonious interpretation of "Peigín Léitir Mór" and "Nancy Spain" and who were runners up in this competition. Congratulations to Sharon Hennessy who won out the recitation section with her powerful performance of "Dear Da", Sharon also achieved the overall award for the most out-standing performance on the night. Well done to all the Scór team and thanks to all the supporters who travelled to Kill. Best of luck to Sharon Hennessy who goes on to represent Waterford in recitation at the Munster Semi-Finals on January 9th, the venue for this event is Tallow Community Hall and once again we look forward to a large contingent of local support.

DEISE DRAW

This months draw is being held on Friday night next, December 17th. Ticket sellers, please have tickets in for Thursday night and hopefully we might have a winner for Christmas.

O'Shea Criticises 3 Year Hospital Waiting List

Waterford Labour Deputy Brian O'Shea has strongly criticised the situation at Waterford Regional Hospital where there is now a three-and-a-half year waiting list for public out-patient appointments at the ENT (ear, nose & throat) Department.

"This situation is an out and out scandal and I am demanding that the Minister for Health and Children immediately puts measures in place to resolve this appalling situation", he stated.

"A £40 billion plus Development Plan has been announced to develop the national infrastructure while the quality of health services continues to deteriorate".

Deputy O'Shea has put down a Dail question to the Minister in this matter.

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The normal fortnightly collection will resume from 3rd January, 2000.

Please Note: That the above three days at Christmas are the only three days in the year when the service is not available. The service operates as normal for the remainder of the year including Public Holidays.

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Council U-Turn Allows Introduction Of Refuse Charge

As of next January, householders in Dungarvan will join the growing mass of towns throughout the country who have to pay a charge for refuse collection. Ever since the wheelie bins were introduced in the town two years ago, it was always on the cards that a collection charge would eventually be introduced. This scenario has now come to pass and Dungarvan residents are staring down the barrel of a £2 tag per bin collection fee, starting from next month.

COUNTY MANAGER DONAL CONNOLLY GETS HIS WAY AS DUNGARVAN HOUSEHOLDERS TO PAY £2 WHEELIE BIN CHARGE



BY AISLING CONROY

THE TWO COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED AGAINST THE WHEELIE BIN CHARGE



The tough decision to introduce the charge was made by six UDC members last Wednesday. Faced with the real threat of abolition only 6 months into its five year term, it was 'make or break' time for the local authority.

A surprising change of mind by Labour's Paddy Power saw him propose the adoption of the Book of Estimates with certain amendments. His proposal was seconded by Independent Cllr. Michael O'Riordan and the ensuing roll call revealed a tight-tipped Fine Gael support in the form of Cllrs. John Deasy and Damien Geoghegan, both of whom had previously voted against the Estimates. They were joined by Fianna Fail's Cllr. Nuala Ryan and Independent Cllr. Damien Dillon.

Labour members Teresa Wright and Chairman Lar Hart voted against the Estimates based on the controversial refuse charge. However it would have been interesting to note on which side the Chairman would have placed his casting vote if a tied vote had emerged.

FUTURE INCREASES NOT FULLY RULED OUT

The amendments to the County Manager Donal Connolly's original Book of Estimates allow for a waiver scheme for old age pensioners living on their own. The Manager has also agreed to examine individual hardship cases involving low income families and will also look at a reduced annual charge for schools in the town.

By introducing the waiver scheme, the UDC will lose approximately £15,000 which will be offset by reducing the provision for doors and windows by £10,000 and the provision for the rights of way by £5,000.

In proposing the Estimates, Cllr. Power put forward a resolution that the £2 charge will not

this figure is set to increase by 50p - an increase which incidentally was supported by county councillors Billy Kyne, Nuala Ryan and John Deasy.

THIRD TIME LUCKY

Last Wednesday's meeting followed the axiom of 'third time lucky' with members having failed on two previous occasions to strike a rate. The deadline by which a Book of Estimates had to be agreed upon was midnight on last Sunday, 12th December.

Unavoidably absent from last week's meeting was Labour's Cllr. Billy Kyne who was away in England. Cllr. Kyne had previously voted against the refuse charge and had indicated from the outset that he was available for the initial meeting of December 10th.

There was no last gasp financial help forthcoming from the Minister for the Environment. The UDC had previously written to Minister Noel Davern seeking additional funding to offset the loss of £240,000 in revenue following the closure of the Waterford Foods site. Minister Davern however said there is no additional funding available to any

local authority and he fully supported the introduction of a refuse charge in principle based on the EU policy of the polluter pays.

B&B OWNERS UP IN ARMS

According to Cllr. Nuala Ryan, owners of approved B&B's in the urban area are extremely concerned at the increase in the charge for non-domestic metered water which will rise by £15 to £165 next year. They feel that there should be a level playing pitch whereby unapproved B&B's in the town should also be subject to the same charges.

While he accepted that this does create some anomaly between both groups, Mr. Connolly said it was not a matter for Dungarvan UDC or Waterford Co. Council to sort out.

"It should have been sorted out a long time ago by the Government and the Department of Tourism", he stated.

On the suggestion of Cllr. Ryan, the Manager agreed to examine the matter further but stressed that no promise can be given.

CHARGE WILL BE MAJOR ISSUE IN ELECTIONS

At the December meeting of the Urban Council, Cllr. Damien Dillon will put forward a notice of motion calling on local authorities to fight refuse charges and bring the issue back to central Government to see what they can do about it.

"There's no doubt that this will be a major issue in the next election, whether it be local or national", he stated.

MANAGER JUSTIFIES CHARGE

According to the Manager a £2 tag per bin is the only option open to the UDC to make up the Council's loss in income owing to the cessation of business on the former Waterford Foods site.

"Dungarvan could not hope to stay totally unique and not levy charges", he stated.

In the Book of Estimates, Mr. Connolly said that Dungarvan is now entering a period in which the decisions taken by the Council will radically change the town.

"The dredging of the harbour, housing construction programmes and, most significantly, the redevelopment of the former AWG site will shape a new Dungarvan for future generations. These developments will however require significant investment by the Urban Council".

Next year's budget allows for total expenditure of £2.4 million which gives a rate in the £ of £38.95 - an increase of almost 5% on last year.

Dillon Throws Down Gauntlet To Anonymous Scribbler

Last Wednesday morning, December 8th, Dungarvan Urban Councillor Damien Dillon received an anonymous note in his letter box regarding his decision to support the UDC's controversial Book of Expenses which includes a £2 refuse charge.

While the content of the letter is not of any great consequence, Cllr. Dillon said he found the matter a little unsettling.

"During my time as a councillor I have had arguments and disagreements about policies that I espouse, or actions taken. If someone wishes to criticise me I would like it to be face to face, not in the cowards way like this", he stated.

The letter contained copies of reports taken from the 'Leader' and the 'Observer' relating to the Urban Council's Book of Estimates and Cllr. Dillon's stance on the matter. Quotes made by the Independent councillor were circled and the words; "Your Word Is Like The Weather" written on top of one of the reports.

Prior to proposing the adoption of the Estimates, Cllr. Dillon had hit out at the various forms of tax in the country and had asked why the Council should be lumbered with the decision of bringing in refuse charges.

"I can imagine whoever it was skulking up to my door in the hope that they would not be seen. I suppose whoever it was is more to be pitied than condemned. So far in my life I have not eaten anybody and indeed would consider myself as reasonable and understanding, so whoever you are come in and talk to me, I promise not to bite!", said Cllr. Dillon.

PROJECTS WOULD BE JEOPARDISED

Outlining his own personal reasons for supporting the estimates, Cllr. Dillon said that the option to reject the estimates is not on as if the Council was dissolved the estimates would be implemented by a commissioner. This, he added, would probably jeopardise such projects as the renovation of the harbour, the boxing club premises, Abbeyside Community Centre and the Christmas lights for Abbeyside and Dungarvan and many other projects at the incubation stage.

"I have spent considerable time and effort on these and other projects and the concept of a commissioner being appointed to run the Council for the next four and a half years is too awful to contemplate", he stated.

Cllr. Dillon added that he had wrung a major concession from the County Manager in relation to the refuse charge whereby old age pensioners living alone will not have to pay the charge and genuine hardship cases will be catered for.

"There are those in our society who think everything should be free and are unwilling to pay for anything. While I have proposed the adoption of the estimates, which includes a refuse charge, I am opposed to charges. I do not think they are equitable, they are divisive and are exploited politically, on the one hand the Manager cannot provide services without the wherewithal and on the other hand we have a section who will not pay their share but still expect the service".

THE SIX COUNCILLORS WHO VOTED FOR THE £2 WHEELIE BIN CHARGE

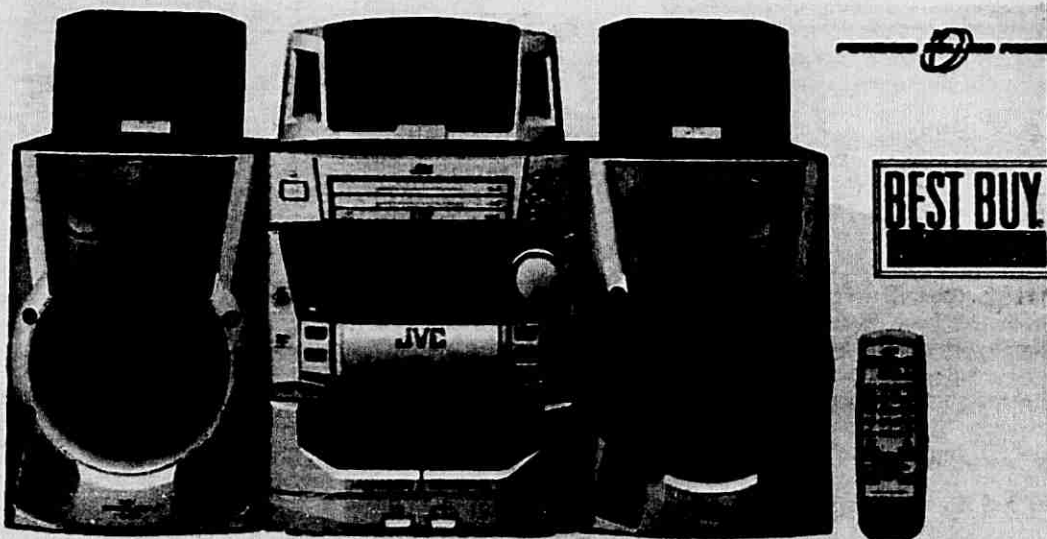


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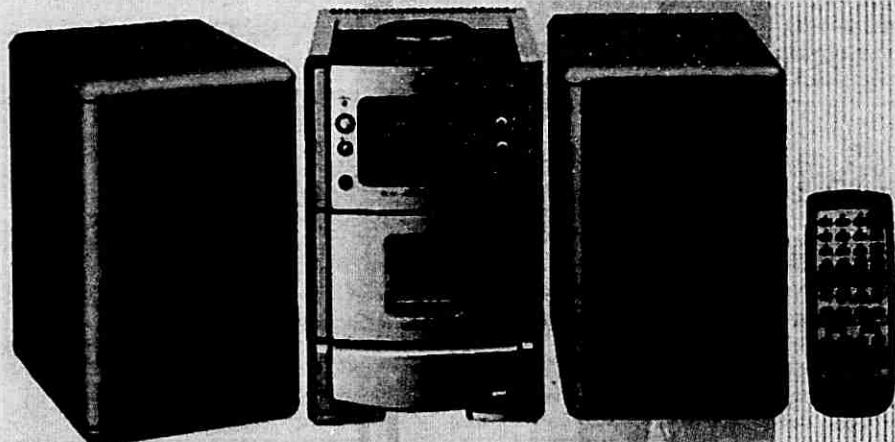
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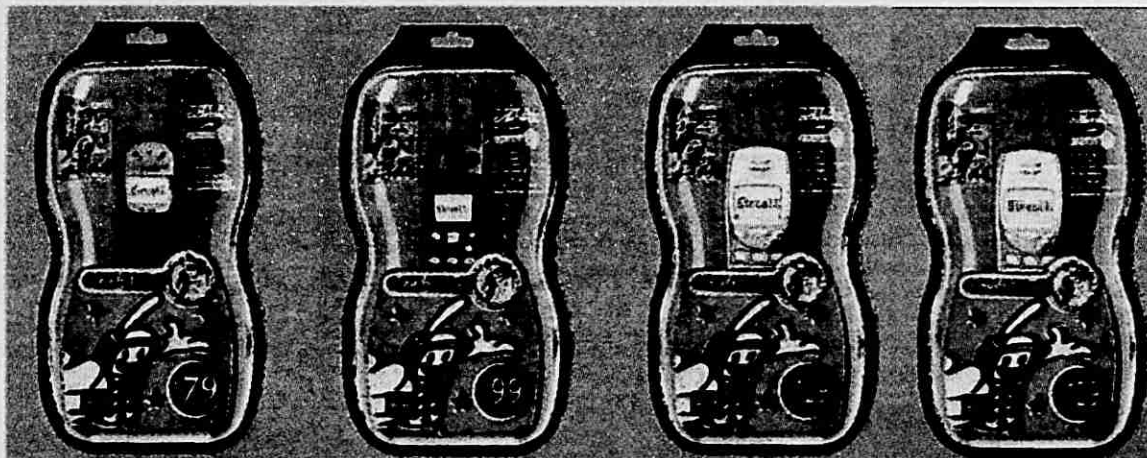


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Dungarvan Millennium Celebrations Announced

With exactly a month to go to the end of the year and the special Millennium celebrations, final details of the New Year events have been announced this week. A programme of activities commencing at 3.30 pm, when the Councils will meet in joint session in the New Civic Offices, will culminate in the biggest fireworks display ever seen in Dungarvan or West Waterford. It will be a spectacular end to an evening of ceremony and celebration and will herald the arrival of the new Millennium with a bang and a shower of colour over the night sky of Dungarvan.

Chairman of the Dungarvan Millennium Committee, Cllr. Lar Hart is pleased with the package which he and his committee have devised and he feels that it will be a real alternative to leaving town for families who want to celebrate in public. "We have looked to the young and the old, to families and to those who will want the company of the crowd on this special night", he said this week. "We have music and guests, bands and celebrities and a magnificent fireworks display to finish the night. In all fairness, I do not think we could have done any better with the resources at our disposal." At 3.30 pm on New Year's Eve, Cllr. Hart, in his capacity as Cathaoirleach of Dungarvan Urban District Council, will join with his colleague, Cllr. Patsy Kenneally, Cathaoirleach of the County Council in leading the joint membership in a tribute to councils and officials who have served the people so well in the past and who look to the future with hope, confidence and an expectation that they can continue

to give leadership and to live out the democratic ideal on behalf of all the people they serve.

LAST LIGHT

The members of the Councils will then march to Grattan Square, led by the town's bands to take part in the Celebration of Last Light, an event which will be held in many locations around the country. Prior to the ceremony, a commemorative plaque, suitably inscribed, will be unveiled at the corner of Grattan Square to recall for generations of the future, the special day which is witnessed only about every thirty generations. At 4.15 pm, as the sun begins to set on the Twentieth Century and the Second Millennium for the last time, the last light will disappear over the western horizon. The darkness will be welcomed by the light of the special Millennium candles which will be delivered to peoples homes over the next few weeks and which those in attendance will then be invited to light. There will be poetry, hymns, music and recollections by a number of people represent-

tative of all ages, of the sexes, of different creeds, each adding to the nostalgia and symbolism of the moment. It should be a ceremony to remember, a moment to be savoured and mentally celebrated in the future, an event to be recalled to generations yet to come. It will preface the more formal Ecumenical Celebration in St. Mary's Parish Church at 5 pm, to which the people will be invited to process, again led by the town bands.

EVENING EVENTS

Starting at 7.30, there will be a programme of music, both live and recorded which will be available to those who wish to come out and celebrate in public. For the younger generation, there will be the music of Tsunami, a young band from Ring who are presently rehearsing a special programme for the evening. Their spirited style is of the moment, playing much of their own material as well as some retrospective songs. Later on, the band, 'Spot the Dog', will play to the gathering crowd and will mix their programme so that there is something for everyone. They will complete their stint at 9.30 and a spate of the choicest recorded hits of decades past will be fed to an ever-growing crowd. It should be fast and furious, with local young DJ, Ivan Fitzgerald, who will have filled the links between the bands, settling into his stride and getting the crowd in fine form for the WLR presenters. At 10.30, WLR's Bob Houston, tops with all audiences in the County, will make his appearance and take over the choice of music. For the next hour or so, he will spin the discs, raise the tempo of the evening and contribute live links to the station, reporting on the happenings in Grattan Square. He will be supported by Jim Landers, who will be in the crowd seeking information and introducing the people to the people.

Through the evening, the Brass Band and the Pipe Band will give recitals in Grattan Square and may visit other areas around the town. At 11.30, WLR's two wavelengths will divide and the music and excitement of Grattan Square will be broadcast live around West Waterford on 95.1, while the other frequency will be reserved for the city celebrations and the east. The countdown to midnight should be enough to lift the roof of the Square - if it had one - and as the bells, hooters, horns, shouts and squeals die away, as the hugs and kisses reduce in intensity, all eyes will turn to the sky where the boom of the fireworks will preface a magnificent display of explosive colour, fire trails across the New Year sky and bursts of light to brighten the winter darkness.

The Third Millennium will continue to about 12.30, when it is expected that people will have had enough and return to their homes, their parties or to whatever hostelry they came from.

NEW YEAR'S DAY

This Special New Year's Day has been declared International Peace Day and the Councils feel that it is essential that it be celebrated in fitting fashion. They will again assemble at The Civic Offices, this time to raise the special Millennium Flag and to plant a special Irish Oak tree, which will be a living and lasting reminder of the special Peace commemoration. The Cathaoirleach make a fervent appeal to everyone to turn out for this ceremony, which will mark, not only the need for peace in the world's troublespots, but also the achievement of what is hoped will be a final settlement of the conflict on our own island.

OTHER AREAS

Many other areas around the county will have their own special celebrations, including reunions, community gatherings, concerts and parties. The Celebration of Last Light is being organised in several other areas and will be notified to people through their own community networks. The celebrations promise to be memorable, truly befitting an event which comes round just once in a thousand

THE TIMETABLE IS AS FOLLOWS

- 3.30 — Joint meeting of Dungarvan Urban and Waterford County Councils
 - 4.00 — Parade from Civic Offices to stage at Grattan Square led by town bands. Council to unveil plaque to commemorate celebrations.
 - 4.15 — Ceremony of Last Light
 - 5.00 — Ecumenical Service in St. Mary's Parish Church.
 - 7.30 — Commencement of Celebrations with Disco Music.
 - 7.45 — Youth Band 'Tsunami'
 - 8.15 — Disco Continuity
 - 8.30 — Music from band, 'Spot the Dog'.
 - 9.30 — Disco continuity and start of run-in to midnight
 - 10.30 — WLR-fm's Bob Houston playing the music, with Jim Landers reporting from the crowd
 - 11.30 — Celebrations broadcast live via WLR - fm on 95.1 only
 - 12.00 — Millennium countdown and Fireworks Display followed by Disco
 - 12.30 — Closedown
- The Dungarvan Pipe Band and the Brass Band will each give recitals in Grattan Square and visit other town areas from around 9.00.



Come join us on New Year's Eve say the girls of 'Le Chéile' This award winning group will sing during the Celebration of Last Light which will be held in Grattan Square on New Year's Eve. People will be invited to see out the Last Light of the last day of the Millennium and light their special Millennium Candles to dispel the dusk. Standing with their candles already lit are (l. to r.) Marie Cliffe, Laura Cliffe, Gemma Flynn, Laura Flynn and Aisling O'Donovan.

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CHRISTMAS ON THE HORIZON

It's that time of year again and with it comes three regular features of school life. Firstly, all classes will be sitting their Christmas exams - something to look forward to then and all those lovely corrections to keep the teachers busy over Christmas too!

Secondly, Christmas at the school means the St. Vincent de Paul Hamper Appeal. This will continue under Mrs. Flynn's guidance until Thursday, December 16th and students are invited to bring in toys, clothes and especially

non-perishable food items for this very worthy cause.

Finally, Christmas means the school concert, by now an unmissable event on the C.B.S. calendar. Messrs Hughes, Kelly, O Cionnfaolaigh and others have been busy talent scouting in recent weeks, hoping no doubt to uncover another Joey 'Elvis' Downey or two for this year's pageant. It is as yet unclear whether the concert goes ahead on Tuesday or Wednesday of this week, but it at least seems certain that 'fathers' Hughes and Twohig will be making their last appearance of this Millennium at the

concert. A full report will appear next week.

JACK MCCARTHY

A number of our staff members attended a very pleasant retirement function for Mr. Jack McCarthy at our neighbouring school, St. Joseph's on Friday night last. May we at the C.B.S. wish him a very long and happy retirement - he has given truly great service to a lot of people for a lot of years. Perhaps a spot of golf now?

FOOTBALL NEWS

At time of writing, the proposed under 15 1/2 football fixture involving the school team is in doubt. It at least appears that the next round of the under 14 County Championship against St. Augustines or St. Declan's won't now take place until early in the New Year.

The most positive news on the football front comes from our Senior team, who booked their place in the Munster semi-finals with a fine replay victory over Ennistymon on Thursday, December 9th. The game went on at Cashel in difficult conditions and our lads played out of their socks against a strong wind to go in level at half time. Ken McGrath was particularly outstanding in this period. On the

turn-over, the C.B.S. notched up the scores to record a fine win by 2-8 to 0-4. Well done to all concerned.

Team - Jason McGrath, Sean Walsh, Ger Hayes, Willie Kiely, Denis Coffey, Cillian O Murchadha, Ken McGrath, Pat Veale, Philip Beausang, Ray Kirby, Paul Power, Paul Landers, Fergus Nugent, Ronan Keating, Ray Connery. Subs. - Brendan Wright for R. Connery.

Scorers - R. Keating 2-2; P. Landers and R. Connery 0-2 each; K. McGrath and P. Power 0-1 each.

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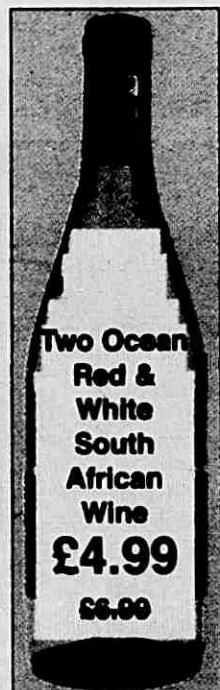
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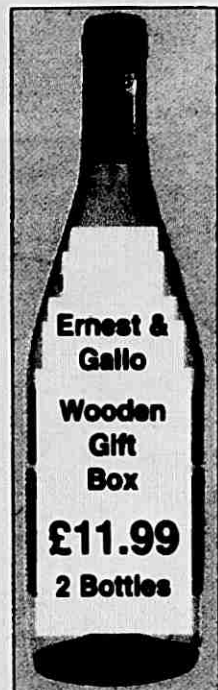
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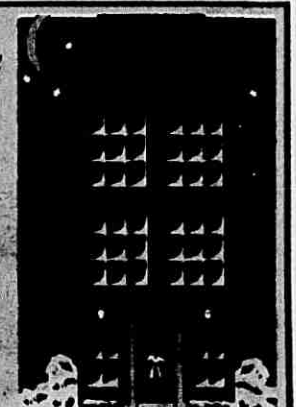
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Commitment In Relationship

Shakespeare wrote: "The course of true love never did run smooth" and almost everybody can testify to the Bard's wisdom in this. Choosing a partner is a process of discovery of the self and relationships exist in how they satisfy the physical, emotional, psychological and intellectual needs of the partner. Many believe love should be magical and that it should change everything. They hope to meet the perfect "stranger", fall in love and their whole world will be transformed in the blink of an eye forever. In fact creating a loving relationship means revealing yourself to your partner through your actions, words and feelings and this is a decision made to become deeply involved in the life of the other person in the long term.

Relationship exists when one is connected with another. Humans do not do well outside of relationships and there is nothing more painful than being incapable of forming a committed relationship. When people are unable to commit they forever find and seek partners who are also incapable of commitment. They may choose partners with built in unavailability like being already married or living far away. It's like searching for someone who doesn't really want you and becomes a sort of self-flagellation exercise. In the world of love and relationship people can be their own worst enemies and this happens because they find it difficult to be trusting, vulnerable, faithful and honest as a result of their own insecurities.

Common questions from both men and women are - why do I get scared in relationships? - I keep meeting people who are afraid of commitment - is there something wrong with me? - How can I deal with a partner who is afraid to commit? What I say to these people is that they need to change the way they think and act within themselves and in their relationships.

Relationship is all about tying pieces of yourself to another and at times it means struggle where some of these connections seem to come apart but the retying of these connections and resolving conflicts knits the fabric of relationship. Those who deny this process and do not totally reveal themselves to their partner just dance on the surface of real intimacy. They have fragile connections and lack the depth and richness to remain truly connected.

Sometimes people are so anxious to find love that they are seduced by the possibility of a commitment long before it's made. Others, exhausted from attempts to form lasting relationships are unwilling to take on the challenges relationship presents. When they hit a bump a voice in their head goes - maybe this relationship is not for me - maybe I'll find someone more suited to me - maybe I'm not ready for a relationship - or maybe I'm making a mistake. They may blame the people they go out with - she's too intense---she's a neurotic---He's not---something---! These are defensive positions and are not constructive because they are not acknowledging they had a part in the choices and outcomes.

It is worth remembering that no matter what we have to do in life we have to take certain risks and this process is non-negotiable. The first challenge on the road to relationship is to look inside yourself, examine your relationship patterns and accept responsibility for your relationship issues. Relationship by definition means there will be conflict. Conflict is part of the human condition and it moves relationship to greater depth and understanding. It is not conflict in itself that presents the problem but how you handle it. Fear of conflict comes from fears within the

self based on conditioned shame. Part of love is being human and having fear and anxiety and working through these fears creates stability and emotional maturity.

People who are afraid of commitment usually hang out with others who have similar issues and they feel uncomfortable in the company of connected and grounded people. In their minds these connected and committed types are 'cosy' but have short changed themselves by choosing to live in a small world where their lives are mundane and boring. Those who fear commitment exclaim that they want a larger "specialness." They expect the right love to hit them with certainty and this right partner will make them part of a special bond. I say to anybody who thinks like this - DON'T HOLD YOUR BREATH.

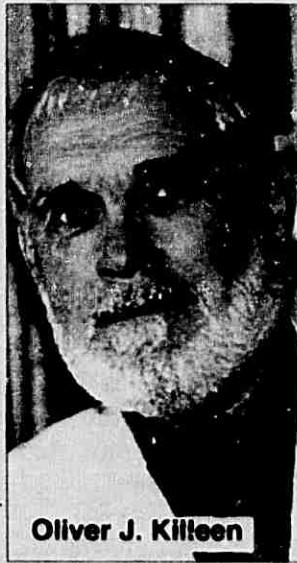
These same people are also looking for the perfect job, the right place to live etc. and are forever resistant to all forms of commitment. They avoid making decisions and continually burn their bridges. One lady I worked with exclaimed - I've been involved in many relationships with men that were afraid of commitment - the last guy I was with made me believe this was the real thing, then he did a complete u-turn - what is there about me that lets this happen?

The issue is not why partners like this are finding you but rather why you are getting involved with them. Each person that gets involved in such a relationship should first make a personal assessment. The first thing to look at is why you appear vulnerable and what you do to get rejected. There are three fundamental qualities necessary for a relationship to flourish - have - trust, truth and clear realistic expectations.

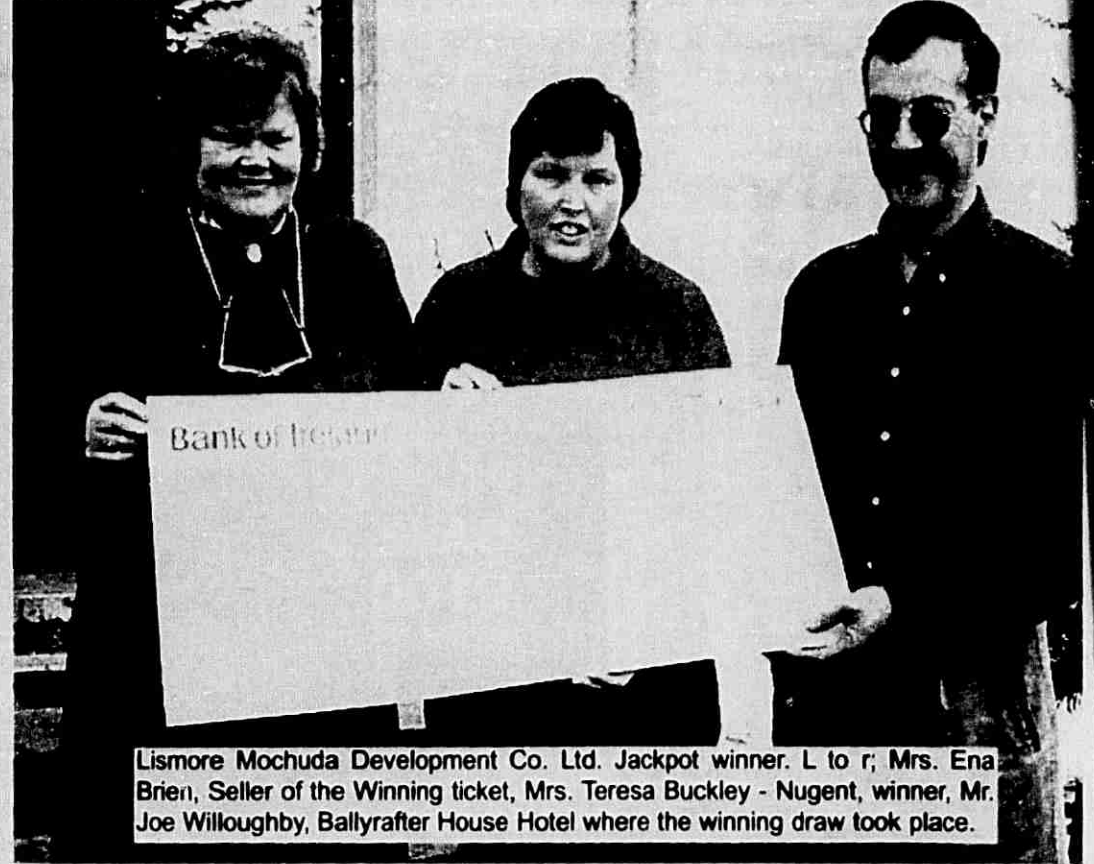
Courtship is often the term used to describe the process by which partners get to know each other on the road to commitment. In this partners consolidate their concept of themselves in relation to the other. At the beginning of relationship one interacts with a little caution and distance as it could be foolish and dangerous to open out fully. The first time you date someone should not be an inquisition but as the attraction develops it is important to find out your partners' relationship past before you take down your emotional boundaries. When people are so desperate for relationship and commitment they don't see pitfalls. Rather they create myths about the relationship and the future and avoid reality. One of the most common ways of avoiding reality is hoping to change a partner after marriage.

Real commitment with someone you love and who loves you back is magical and will transform your life. It is about accepting all parts of your partner - the flaws as well as the good points, just as we accept our own imperfections. This kind of love gives you more than it takes.

Carl Rogers wrote - "When I can discover or come closer to more of what I am deep inside, feeling sometimes angry or terrified, sometimes loving and caring, occasionally beautiful and strong, wild and awful without hiding those feelings from myself, then I can let myself be all of this complexity of feelings and meanings and values with my partner." I have produced two new tapes, one on Building Self Esteem, the other on Stress Management. They are available by sending a cheque or P.O. for £7.99



Oliver J. Killeen



Lismore Mochuda Development Co. Ltd. Jackpot winner. L to r; Mrs. Ena Brien, Seller of the Winning ticket, Mrs. Teresa Buckley - Nugent, winner, Mr. Joe Willoughby, Ballyrafter House Hotel where the winning draw took place.

Council Launches Christmas Anti-Drink-Driving Campaign

Drinking and driving is a deadly combination, however experienced the motorist and however small the alcohol intake. This was the message of National Safety Council Chairman Cartan Finegan,

speaking at the launch of the Council's Christmas anti-drink-driving campaign.

Mr. Finegan warned of the mature, typically male, driver who 'deludes himself that he can handle his drink' making

him resistant to the safety message. 'This is a fallacy... and a deadly one', he said. Statistics show that, at the legal alcohol limit, this same driver is twice as likely to be in an accident. At one and a half times the limit, he is four times as likely to be in a crash. Even the slightest intake of alcohol can affect judgement of distance and speed of oncoming vehicles.

45 lives were lost on the roads last December. There were 158 serious injuries and five times that number suffered minor injury. On average one person is injured every hour at Christmas time, resulting in a Christmas 'of pain and anguish for countless relatives and friends.'

Younger drivers are a high-risk category on the roads and are very susceptible to the effects of alcohol. At the legal limit, a 18-24 year old driver is almost four times more likely to become involved in a crash than if he or she had consumed no alcohol.

Dungarvan Students Win Pot Noodle Radio Advertising Awards

Karyn Moynihan and Joey McConnell, both transition year secondary school students at St. Augustine's College, Dungarvan are the winners of the 1999 Pot Noodle Golden Noodle Radio Advertising Awards. The finals were held in the Irish Music Hall of Fame, Dublin.

Students from secondary schools nation-wide were invited to work alone or in pairs to

create their own 40 second radio commercial and demonstrate their considerable creative skills.

This is the first year of the award scheme and over 1,000 entries were received, 15 of which made it to the final.

Karyn from Dungarvan and Joey from Ballinacorney, were presented with a specially designed golden Pot Noodle trophy and £500 worth of computer / Hi Fi equipment. And thanks to the girls their school picked up £5,000 worth of sports equipment, courtesy of Pot Noodle. Each runner-up received a Pot Noodle trophy.

DRIVING

For this Christmas and Millennium think first - safety first. Don't drink and drive, cut down your speed. Don't be aggressive and know your rules of the road.

CHILDREN FIRST

Persons aged 12 years or more must belt up front and back and children under 12 years of age must not be allowed in the front, and children under 4 years must have a suitable child-restraint seat. Please don't leave them standing between the front seats - and think first

"Best 10 mins. Late Than Dead On Time."

Pedestrians - Light colour clothing, reflective armbands should be worn at night.

Happy, Holy and Peaceful Christmas and Millennium, Fred C. Forsey, F.C.F. School of Motoring "Safe Driving For Life"

DUNGARVAN FAMILY CENTRE NOTES

The Dungarvan Family Centre will be offering a Personal Development Course for women who have experienced abusive or violent relationships. The course will start in February 2000 and will run two mornings per week for twelve weeks. The course will offer women support, increased self confidence and the opportunity to learn from each other. The course will cost £1 per session. Creche facilities may be available.

If you are interested, please contact Claudia at 058-45111. All enquiries will be strictly confidential.

(Family Centre will close Thursday, December 23 and reopen on Monday, January 10). The Centre provides personal development and support services as well as counselling for families and individuals in Dungarvan and the West Waterford area. Please feel free to call by or ring us at (058) 45111.

Dungarvan Gardai Launch Traffic Corps

Having reviewed the requirements of policing in West Waterford, Dungarvan now has its own unit of the Traffic Corps. It is manned by 4 members with Sergeant John Mulligan in charge of the unit. It is staffed by additional allocation of members. The areas being covered will be Dungarvan Garda District, Lemybrien, Stradbally, Rathgormack and particular attention will be given to main roads.

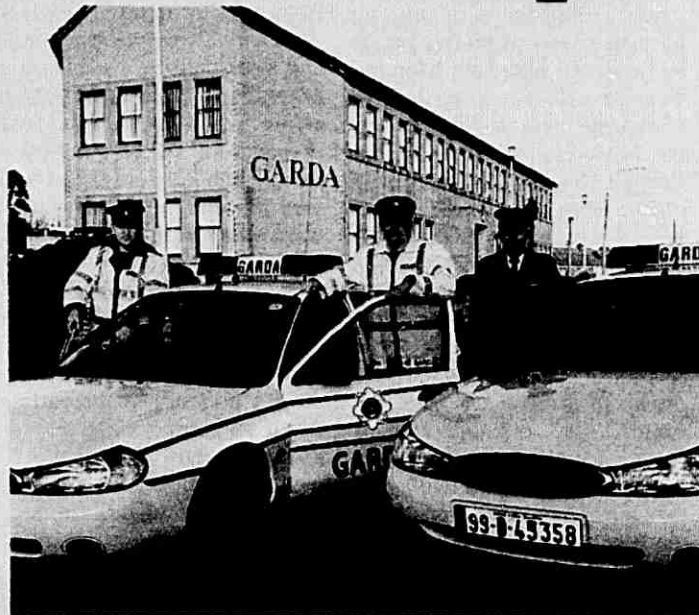
This initiative should be seen as part of the proactive approach being taken by the Gardai to reduce fatal and serious injury accidents and is part of ongoing campaigns. There were 20 persons fatally injured in Waterford/Kilkenny in 1998 and this has been reduced to 13 in 1999. Our message to all road users for the rest of the year and the New Millennium is to take care and to obey the rules of the road and to help reduce fatalities and serious

injury accidents.

In particular the attention of the members will be directed at the more serious motoring offences such as dangerous, careless and drunken driving. Fines of the spot will be issued in respect of speeding offences and failure to wear seat belts. The covert Gatso van continues its operation in Waterford/Kilkenny counties. Located off the road, undetected by motorists, the vans hi-tech equipment records car registration numbers of offending drivers.

The Traffic Corps will pay attention to licensed premises and we would ask that licensees, as we approach the Christmas, to take a responsible approach and prevent persons who are obviously drunk from driving.

Superintendent M. Blake, on behalf of the Gardai, wishes everyone a Happy Christmas and a Holy New Year and



Superintendent Michael Blake with Sergeant John Mulligan and Garda Bob Tritschler of the Dungarvan District Traffic Corps who will be active over the Christmas period. —(Photo: Rory Wyley).

thanks everyone for their co-operation during the year. We would ask that the com-

munity at large keep an eye on the elderly, infirmed and vulnerable over the Christmas period.

Work To Start On Dungarvan Plant Within Year

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conjunction with the plant were also discussed such as the extension of the sewerage line to Pinewood and Kilrush etc.

The Council and the Department will liaise closely with each other and hold regular meetings in the run-up to the development. Mr. O'Flynn said it is hoped that work will be started on the project before this time next year.

The up-to-date position on the treatment plant has been raised by Cllr. Billy Kyne at practically every monthly meeting of the County Council. Speaking at this week's Council meeting, Cllr. Kyne said the local authority will have to push the project at any meeting with Government representatives and he appealed to all four T.D.'s in the constituency to push the project forward in a proactive way.

The new treatment plant will be located on a 2.83 hectare green field site at Ballinacourty which was once home to the giant Gulgley Magnesite plant between the Gold Coast 18 hole golf course and the local lighthouse. Once up and running, the plant will be able to service all areas surrounding Dungarvan harbour.

Council Asked To Dispel Confusion Over Wind Farms

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divided over the planned multi-million pound project.

A separate planning application for a wind test mast at Coolnacreea, Cappoquin was lodged with Waterford County Council on November 3rd. Ned Morrissey and Seamus O'Donnell have applied for a 40 metre test mast to monitor the wind, again over a 12 month period. The two local promoters hope to erect a small scale wind farm which would produce less than 5 megawatts of electricity and would be connected into the nearest power line on Mr. Morrissey's land.

QUESTIONS NEED TO BE ANSWERED

Having attended a number of public meetings concerning the wind farm proposals, the most recent being in Melleray, Cllr. Wilkinson outlined some of the concerns expressed by residents.

He requested that a written report be submitted at the next meeting of the Council in which officials would deal with some of these issues such as devaluation of property and possible risks to health. He said concern has also been expressed at claims that some insurance companies refuse to insure properties near wind farms.

"A lot of people are extremely worried and maybe there is no need", he stated. "I would ask that these questions be answered in time".

BALLYDUFF NOTES

NATIONAL SCHOOL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

The A.G.M. of the National School Parents' Association was held recently. Chairman John Kenny opened the meeting and a very successful year was reviewed. In the last year we have had a Table Quiz and organised the West Waterford Enterprise and Craft Fair which were very successful. As a result of our fundraising we were able to provide much needed equipment for our school. Principal Mary Fitzgerald thanked the Parents' Association for all their help during the year.

Officers for the coming year; Chairman - John Kenny, Vice Chairman - Katie Nolan, Secretary - Helen McNamara, Asst. Secretary - Margaret O'Brien, Treasurer - Anne Cotter, P.R.O. - Eilish Flynn, Asst. P.R.O. - Mary Hayes.

Congratulations to the boys school football team who won the Roinn B County Final for the first time in the school's history by beating Ballygunner in Fraher Field on 26th November. Well done to Mary and Patrick Murphy for their work with the team.

NATIONAL SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM ARE CHAMPIONS

There was great excitement for the local National School at Fraher Field, Dungarvan on Friday 26th November when the boys school football team won the Roinn B County Final for the first time in the schools history.

After a tense and exciting match, the Ballyduff boys beat Ballygunner N.S., the final score of 1-10 to 2-3.

The shield was presented to team captain Patrick Kearney by the Chairperson of Cumann na nBunscoil, Margaret Cunningham.

The Ballyduff panel was William Drislane, Seamus Kenneally, Kevin Moroney, Tomas Byrne, Michael Walsh, Seamus Hannon, Patrick Kearney, Adrian Power, Shane Hannon, Shane

Kearney, Maurice McNamara, Bernard Flynn, Michael Higgins, Aidan Casey and Seamus P. Hannon.

Congratulations to the players, trainers and teachers on such a fine achievement which is the fruits of the work being done in the promotion of the games in the school.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The annual Childrens Party will take place in St. Michael Hall on this Friday night, commencing at 7.30p.m. Santa will be in attendance as well as many other surprise guests. Admission will be £2 for children.

A family night is being arranged for New Years Eve in the Community. It will commence with a special Mass in St. Michael Church at 7.30p.m. followed by an evening of celebration in St. Michaels Hall. A special sculpture to mark the coming of the Millennium will be unveiled and blessed at 8.30p.m. This will be followed by a cheese and wine reception and musical entertainment amongst other events.

The Council wishes a speedy recovery to Connie Scanlon who is presently indisposed. Sympathy is extended to Nora O'Sullivan on the death of John. A full report on the Senior Citizens Party will appear in next weeks issue.

MASS TIMES

The times of Mass in St. Michaels Church for Christmas and the New Years are as follows - December 24th. Midnight Mass as in former years.

Christmas Day - 8.30a.m. and 11.30a.m.

There will be no Vigil Mass for Sunday, December 26th.

Masses on the Sunday will be at 8.30a.m. and 11.30a.m.

Friday, December 31st - Special Millennium Mass at 7.30p.m.

Saturday, January 1st - 10.00a.m. and 8.00p.m.

Sunday, January 2nd - 8.30a.m. and 11.30a.m.

WEDDING - SCANLON / HICKEY

St. Michael Church, Ballyduff was the setting for a very pretty wedding on Saturday, November 27th when Anne, daughter of Jimmy and Kit Scanlon, Marian Terrace and Gerard son of Eugene and Eileen Hickey, Touraeneena were united in the sacrament of matrimony. The Nuptial Mass with Papal Blessing was celebrated by Rev. Fr. K. Mulcahy P.P. The bridesmaids were Kay McCarthy and Aoife Walsh, while the grooms men

were Don Kenneally and William Hickey. Flower girl was Clodagh Walsh, while Eoin Scanlon was pageboy. The Church soloist was Mary Carroll while organ accompanist was Emily Feeney.

The reception was held in the Park Hotel, Dungarvan where a most enjoyable occasion was celebrated by the large attendance. The honeymoon was spent in Lanzarote. We wish Anne and Gerard many years of happiness in their future lives together.

No Concessions For £3 Wheelie Bin Charge

The 50p increase in the price of wheelie bin tags for residents in the county will apply to all sections of the community as of next month.

Despite the actions taken by Waterford Corporation and Dungarvan UDC in allowing a waiver scheme for old age pensioners, no such allowance will be made for the elderly living in the county.

The new £3 charge per wheelie bin lift was voted in by members of Waterford County Council at their recent estimates meeting. Speaking this week, Fianna Fáil's Cllr. Ollie Wilkinson asked the County Manager if he would look at the possibility of introducing an allowance for old age pensioners in view of the concessions given by the other two Waterford local authorities.

Following representations made by members of Dungarvan UDC, Donal Connolly had allowed a 100% waiver for refuse charges in the case of

old age pensioners living alone in Dungarvan.

However responding to Cllr. Wilkinson's request, Mr. Connolly said it was not his intention to introduce any waiver scheme in the county area.


Death of Mrs. Helen Elizabeth Hall

'The Ferrymans House', The Quay, Villierstown, Cappoquin.

We wish to extend deep and sincere sympathy to Mr. Desmond Hall and the family on the death of Mrs. Hall which took place at The Bon Secour Hospital, Cork after a brief illness last Sunday morning week.


A service of thanksgiving was held at St. Carthages Cathedral, Lismore at 2p.m. on Thursday, 9th December 1999.

Funeral arrangements by Maurice J. Noonan & Sons, Funeral Directors, Cappoquin.



WATERFORD COUNTY COUNCIL

(Comhairle Chontae Phortláirge)



GRANT SCHEME FOR THE CONSERVATION OF A PROTECTED STRUCTURE

Waterford County Council is now accepting applications for the 2000 Conservation Grant Scheme. The objective of the scheme is to assist the owner or occupier of a structure which is protected because of its architectural, historical, archaeological, artistic, cultural, scientific, social or technical interest to undertake conservation works on such a structure.

Qualifying works include:

- a) works necessary to secure the stability of a structure or part of a structure;
- b) works necessary to make a structure weather-proof or damp-proof;
- c) works necessary to conserve or repair external walls or internal features;
- d) works consisting of temporary repairs, where it is necessary to protect a structure from immediate risks.

Applications are available from the Planning Section, Waterford County Council.

Applications must be submitted to the County Secretary, Waterford County Council, Civic Offices, Dungarvan on or before 31st January, 2000.

Tallow Notes

TALLOW GAA CLUB NOTES

CHRISTMAS TREE

The tree is now upstanding and hopefully the lights will be on it by the time you read this. It went very smooth this year which was a little disappointing. Thanks to Tom Goulding for cutting it down and Tom Kearney who stood it on his own nearly. Cost of the tree will be shared by the juvenile and senior clubs.

JUVENILE CLUB NEW YEARS HONOURS

Nominations are about to close but if you have something in seriously bad taste we will fit it in. There will be a lot of disappointed people honoured this year.

TALLOW ENTERPRISE WRITERS AND STORY TELLERS GROUP THANK YOU SLOT

If you would like to say thank you to somebody for whatever reason - just make contact with us at Tallow Enterprise Centre and we will try to make it known in this column.

For example -

A : A man in his thirties would like to say thank you to Ned Power for taking the time to encourage him, as a young hurler at the age of ten. The encouragement helped him develop confidence and made a big difference to his life.

B : Somebody else would like to say thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Fraser who ran Tallow Athletic Club so well, for so many years. Your hard work, time and patience were much appreciated.

TALLOW ENTERPRISE WRITERS AND STORY TELLERS GROUP

Would like to thank the following from the Primary School who contributed stories on the Theme of 'My Favourite Day Out'. Eleni Henley, Caroline O'Brien, Jackie Sheehan, Emma Ryan, Teresa Casey, Rosanna O'Keefe, Keith Hallahan, Shane Aherne, Barry Moroney, Jim McCarthy, Nikki Connolly, Tom Feeney, Aimie Power, Theresa Kenneally, Stephanie Doyle, Shane Feeney, Donnchadh Mulcahy. The high standard of writing is a credit to their teachers. It is hoped that a token of appreciation will be shared with one and all over the coming weeks.

BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to Willie O'Brien, Kilmore who celebrated his birthday on the 4th December. Willie is known locally for his humour, wit and sense of fun. Happy birthday Will.

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH ALL

Progressive '45' Results; 9th December. 1st Linda McCormack and Jack Cotter (Turkey and Ham each). 2nd Mary Mangan and Mary Pratt (Ham each). 3rd Eric Curley and Martin Kelliher. Raffle winners; Bennie Murphy, Helen Scotton, Jim Barron.

This Wednesday Dec. 15th is your last chance to win a Turkey and Ham for Christmas. £5 drive will be held on Wednesday December 22nd at 8.30 pm.

KNOCKANORE, GLENDINE, KILWATERMOY COMMUNITY COUNCIL NOTES Senior Citizen's Party

Our 28th Party (1972 - 1999) was a most enjoyable event. Tom O'Donovan Chairman welcomed everybody including our special guests Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald P.P., Rev. Fr. Magnier C.C., Rev. Fr. Mulcahy retired P.P., James Tobin, M.C.C. and his wife Anne. Paddy Greenslade was in his usual good form. We had many singers, dancers and other musicians to add to the enjoyment. The ladies committee presented a most beautiful hot meal. (Thank you ladies). We sincerely thank Tom and Eileen Cody for the use of their premises.

Results of Christmas Draw — 1st prize; Trish Casey, Knockanore. 2nd prize; Margaret Murphy, Tallow. 3rd prize Elaine Cody, Knockanore. 4th prize; Ray Walsh, Kildare. 5th prize Francis O'Callaghan, Knockanore. Special hamper sponsored by Shamrock's GAA Club was won by Pat O'Connor, Lackaroe.

Sympathy

We extend our deepest sympathy to Sean T. Kelly on the death of his wife Helen. To the Herlihy family, Tallow. To the relatives of Peggy Twomey, Tallow. May they all rest in peace.

TALLOW COMMUNITY CENTRE BINGO RESULTS

12th Dec. Margaret Power, Tallow. Cathy Carroll, Fermoy. Tina McNamara, Lismore. Jim Lenihan, Conna. Kathleen Mahan, Cappoquin. Anne Duffy, Aghish. Anne Foley, Youghal. Pauline Plante, Youghal. Tess Parker, Youghal. Virginia O'Driscoll, Middleton. Anne Buckley, Tallow. Mrs. O'Connor, Cappoquin. Lisa Hennessey, Ballynoe. Betty Buckley, Tallow. Marion Forbes, Tallow. Bridget Griffin, Youghal. Catherine Pratt, Tallow. Mrs. Tom McCarthy, Tallow £70. Anne Foley, Youghal. Mary Feeney, Coolowen. Terry O'Connor, Cappoquin. Marie Roche, Youghal. Fiona Henley, Tallow. Phyllis Cunningham, Tallow.

Jackpot next week £1,050 on 48 calls or less.

Christmas Lotto Draw: £500 Worth of Prizes Added in Free Draws

As a way of saying thank you to all our supporters who continue to buy lotto tickets we have in excess of 50 free prizes to be given away on Monday next in our last draw before Christmas. Our jackpot is currently at £1,300 so on top of that all tickets bought will be entered into a free draw for 1 x £50, 4 x £25, 5 x £10 and 40 bottles wine and 40 boxes chocolates. We are attempting to include as many winners as possible rather than just a few so best of luck, and as the year draws to a close we take this opportunity to thank you all most sincerely for your support to date. I'm sure you will agree that the work being done over the past number of years is beginning to pay off and no greater proof is needed than the vast array of trophies on display last week when Paul Flynn, the exceptional hurler of Ballygunner and Waterford was in town to do the honours. A full report of this from our juvenile PRO, if his hand isn't too sore from saluting The Legend!!

Last week's winning numbers drawn were 1-16-19. Consolation prizes; Roisin Cantillon, Aidan Barry, Castlelyons, Paul Condon, Curraglass, Ray Rochford, Killeagh. Promoter; Colin Sice.

Best Wishes

More than a few people from the locality are in hospital recently and we send them all our best wishes. That great clubman John Wm. McCarthy and from a great hurling home Mary Curley (Jnr). Great also to see two Tallow stalwarts in the persons of Con Ryan and Pat Joe Collins out and about and looking mighty fit after their recent stays.

Photographs of 1974 I.H. Social

All photographs taken at our recent social in Youghal may be obtained now. Dinny Cunningham is the sole man in charge and can be contacted on 56650.

AGM

Don't forget our AGM at 8 pm this Thursday in St. Patrick's Parish Hall. This will be preceded by Mass for all deceased members of our club. Hope to see a big crowd and be part of a great future in Tallow GAA.

Sympathy

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the relatives and friends of Peggy Twomey who died over the weekend. Part and parcel of life here in Tallow she was indeed a unique and lovely lady. Ar dheis laimh De go raibh a h-anam dilis.

Our deepest sympathy also is extended to Sean Kelly on the sudden death of his wife Helen at such a young age. The town and it's surrounds was shocked at the news on Sunday last and she will be sadly missed by all who knew her. Again to both Sean and Helen's families we offer our sincere condolences. Full obituaries next week.

Christmas Greetings

As another year draws to a close, on behalf of everyone

here in Cumann Luith Chleas Gael, Tulach an Iarainn, I extend best wishes for a Happy and Peaceful Christmas to you all. Whether you be at home or in hospital or many miles from your native shore I wish you all and your families the blessings of this Holy Season. I also welcome home all of you from abroad who will be amongst us for the holiday period and hope you have a great time back with your families. Nollaig shona diobh go leir.

Christmas Tree

Muller and the boys have the tree standing and a fine specimen it is. Well done lads and there's no truth in the rumour that it's a permanent fixture and a monument dedicated to (again) The Legend where people can come to pay homage. How much is he paying you Muller?

Senior Citizen's Christmas Party

This event is as much about the goings on in the town as is our own club or other organisations for that matter and Sunday last was no exception as a large crowd assembled in our local Community Centre for the Annual Senior Citizen's Christmas Party. The food on offer was excellent, being served up piping hot and without delay and was enjoyed by all. No shortage also of a glass or so of whatever takes your fancy and with plenty of willing and able singers and musicians on the entertainment side of things everyone went home having enjoyed a lovely afternoon in the company of friends and neighbours. And sure isn't that what it's all about, coming out and getting together for the 'bit of craic and socialising together. I was privileged to be present and enjoyed every minute from start to finish. The dance floor was full right through which is always a sign that people are enjoying themselves and it was a weary but contented group that wandered home at six o'clock or thereabouts. Amongst the many local entertainers for the occasion we had a guest appearance by a great friend of ours in the person of Tony Coffey from Kilrossanty. Of "Bachelors In Trouble" fame Tony is without doubt a fantastic person and is always ready and willing to do a turn for everyone and anyone without fail. Local lads Trevor Sheehan and Paddy Navin did the honours on keyboards and we were greatly entertained with some old time favourite songs from Con Ryan, Teresa Quinlan, Joe Moroney, Dick O'Mahoney, Frank O'Brien, Brendan Herlihy, Francis Tobin and Fr. Ml. Farrell P.P. (having survived a fair old doing from that man Coffey!). Tom Mulcahy and Tom Doyle were our M.C.'s for the evening and all in all it was a great occasion. It would be impossible to mention all those present but I've no doubt it was enjoyed by all. In addressing the gathering our Parish Priest Rev. Fr. Michael Farrell thanked everyone who had attended, as without everyone making the effort to come the day would be a non-event. He paid particular tribute to a

very hard working and diligent committee who each year for many years past work extraordinarily hard to ensure that everything is top class. This is absolutely true and indeed a notable feature of this year's party was the large number of young people who were present and helping out in various capacities. Great to see this age group so caring of their older neighbours. And amongst his large work load within the parish Fr. Farrell has a great love for the aged and sick in our society (not that there was anyone feeling sick on Sunday) and in a moving address he paid a special tribute to the late Peggy Twomey who died over the weekend and was buried just hours before we gathered in the hall. In his own words Fr. Farrell said "Last year Peggy never left the floor all day, today she is dancing in Heaven". We left the hall having said a prayer and observing a minutes silence in memory of Peggy. A fitting tribute to one of our own. Go mbairimid beo ar an am seo aris.

HC.L.G. na nÓg - Tulach an Iarainn JUVENILE CELEBRATION

We are all in it for the love of the game, or at least should be, but occasionally it is rewarding to witness some tangible proof that we are moving in the right direction and that we are beginning to reap a little of what has been sown. Thursday night was a special night for our U9, U10, U12 and U16 hurlers who received their medals from Paul Flynn. It was a wonderful night too for the parents and families who packed St. Patrick's Hall to celebrate the achievements of our young sports people. It was a tremendous boost also to all those of us directly involved in what is still but a fledging juvenile club and gives us further encouragement to intensify our efforts in the year ahead.

Paul Flynn, as good as his word was on hand to make the presentations and was a big hit particularly with the younger lads and indeed older girls. Paul was fulsome in his praise of the success of the juvenile club which was all the more commendable he said given the small numbers from which we had to pick. The Ballygunner mans easy going, unpretentious manner won him many new friends in Tallow as he patiently signed autographs and stood for photos with the young lads.

It was indeed a night for presentations with Johnny Geary of Meadowpark Foods presenting U21 Captain Buddy Curley with a set of gear bags.

The juvenile club would like to thank Mr. Sean Tobin and Goal Post Ireland who presented the club with a set of indoor goal posts.

A special word of thanks to our ladies committee and the many parents for the wonderful selection of sandwiches, cakes and the lovely buns for Johnny Curley. I'm sure nobody will mind if I give a special mention to the ladies of the committee - Teresa Cunningham, Elizabeth Henley, Kathleen

Sice and Philip Keniry. In many ways these unsung heroes are the backbone of our club and whether it's making sandwiches, washing jerseys or selling lotto tickets, they always play a blinder. They are always there when called on and we thank them for their loyalty.

EPILOGUE

Paul Flynn was in no rush away and we had the pleasure of his company after the event. He took time out to call in on The Shamrock celebrations in the Corner Hse. where he was warmly welcomed. He had no inhibitions about speaking frankly to this P.R.O. (unlike our own Legend) and admitted that they were glad to see Erins Own beat us in the championship as they believed Tallow would have caused them problems. As the evening wore on we had him tagging out for Tallow next year but he wasn't too happy when Johnny told him he mightn't get his place. It was all good humoured banter which Flynnner was more than adept at handling.

For some time now Paul Flynn has been one of the most prolific scoring forwards in the country and will surely win the All Star Award he merits before very long. We wish him well as Captain of our county and hope he will have the opportunity to visit us in Tallow again (as long as he comes on a Saturday). He is a fine ambassador for the game and we thank him for his time.

CLUB WEAR

Anybody who has ordered club sweaters must collect them by this weekend as demand is such they may not be kept. £23 to be paid on collection.

Dúirt Siad: "I don't know but you will be going to it before me".

Mickeen Geary when asked if they had a good day at the Senior Citizens Party.

"I remember as a young fellow going to games to watch players like the Legend".

The young pretender, Paul Flynn pays homage.

"Habemus Popem" Players spokesman at the conclave on Friday night.

"I owe a lot to my parents, especially my mother and father". Greg Norman.

"If history repeats itself, I think we can expect the same again".

Terry Venables. "I'd rather be a Doctor than a Dick".

Fans of Celtic (then managed by Dr. Josef Venglas) chant at Rangers fans (managed by Dick Advocaat).

"My advice to Roy Keane is to ignore the thought that the grass is greener elsewhere, because he might find the cows have crapped on it.

Brian Clough advising Roy to stay put - advice taken.

"I hate standing in Crusheen and the wet league Sundays and the ball slow and the fellows rolling over one another like drowsy cattle".

Wonderful bucolic imagery from Ger Loughnane as he questions his own desire to stay on.

RECENT DEATHS

LATE MARY ROCHE



A quiet, unassuming person who lived life in full without fuss or pomp, who was an excellent neighbour, sincere friend, was a true Christian in word and deed, these words travel somewhat on the pathway to describe the outstanding person Mary Roche, 46 Caseyville, Dungarvan was. Although Advent is the season of arrival, for Mary on Dec. 4th she departed to her well earned Heavenly reward. Aged 79 years and a native of Lord George's or Davis St., she was one of the old stock of the town. She gave of her best as an employee of the Health Board for many years. An avid reader, she loved the personal challenge of a crossword puzzle. A woman of strong faith, she attended to her duties with most admirable fervour and devotion. When her sister Bridie passed away, Mary took on the rearing of Bridie's two sons Tommy and John. We offer our deepest sympathy to both and to her niece and nephews from England and other relatives at this sad time.

Fr. Grant C.C. led all present in the funeral obsequies assisted by V. Rev. Fr. N. O'Mahoney P.P. The lessons at the Funeral Mass were shared by Siobhan Lally, Stephen and John Woods. Prayers of the Faithful were read by Margaret and Christopher Roche, Sean Woods. Margaret Roche, Deirdre Duggan and David Roche brought the offertory gifts to the Altar for the Holy

Sacrifice. The interment followed in the family burial ground in the adjoining St. Mary's Parish Church Cemetery afterwards.

Chief mourners; nephews Tommy and John Woods, David, Christopher and Jimmy Roche, niece Margaret Roche and a wide circle of other relatives, many neighbours and much loved friends.

(Funeral arrangements by James Kiely & Sons, Funeral Directors, Dungarvan).

LATE DONNIE BARRY



Very sincere and deep regret was very much in evidence when the Old Boro woke up on Sunday week last to learn of the passing of Donnie Barry, 3 Mitchell St. on the previous evening (Saturday) Dec. 4th at Waterford Regional Hospital after a short illness. Only in October Donnie celebrated his 80th birthday, a native of Fermoy, he was a blocklayer by trade. A hardworking and industrious man Donnie was a powerhouse on a building site where his dedication to his duties was there for all to witness. Predeceased by his wife Monica (nee Maher) thirteen years ago. Donnie was a great follower of the GAA scene. He loved to attend the games at Fraher Field and watch the action unfold on television. For many years he was caretaker at the Commercial Club and also at the Friary Hall. He was an outdoor man, who loved to walk

and chat with his great friends Jackie Power and Billy Kiely. All those are now united in God's Heavenly home. A sincere friend, excellent neighbour, devoted father and husband, Donnie had a special place for all his grandchildren. The generation gap was no hindrance as he was at ease in their company. He was a man of sound solid counsel, who was always eager and ready to encourage people. He will be missed by us all, but especially by his daughters and many relatives to whom we extend our deepest sympathy at this time. Fr. Grant C.C. visited the Kiely Funeral Home on Monday evening for prayers and rosary before the funeral cortege left for St. Mary's Parish Church, en route we paused in prayerful tribute outside Donnie's residence. Fr. O'Mahoney P.P. and Fr. J. Gough O.S.A. were present for all the funeral obsequies at the requiem Mass celebrated by Fr. Grant C.C. The liturgy of the word was read by Eoin and Sinead. Prayers of the Faithful were shared by Donnadh, Isaac, Shona, while Aaron and Isaac brought the offertory gifts to the Altar. After the Holy Sacrifice the interment followed in the adjoining cemetery in the presence of a large and representative gathering who had come to bade farewell to one of nature's true gentlemen.

'I am now at peace forever safely home in heaven at last'

Chief mourners; Daughters Isabel, Siobhan, Mary Rose and Sally, sons-in-law Pascal Baker, Seamus Walsh, Brian O'Sullivan, Billy Fuller, grandchildren, Sinead (Cork),

Isaac, Shona, Aaron (Cork), Eoin, Donnadh and Beibhinn (Mitchel St), Sorcha and Aidan (Lismore), sister-in-law Joan Whelan (Shandon), nephew Oliver and many other relatives and friends especially the Hickey family in Fermoy.

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LATE GUSTY LEAHY



With the month of November drawing to a close, came the sad news of the unexpected passing of Gusty Leahy, 28 Shandon St., Dungarvan at Waterford Regional Hospital after a brief illness. A native of Abbeyside, Gusty was aged 73 years and was of a hard working nature who was employed at the local Tannery and later for 23 years at Dungarvan Mart. Well known and highly respected he was a keen judge of a horse. He attended the many horse fairs and enjoyed their racing counterparts on the turf. He loved to listen to the radio, particularly the local W.L.R. station. His passing has severed another vital link with the past, as Gusty was a great character, who pos-

sessed a wonderful sense of humour and could converse on topics of local interest with ease. In truth he was the essence of good company, his untimely departure will have saddened his many legions of friends and acquaintances but especially his wife Noreen and family Carol, Paula and Justin and many relatives to whom we extend our deepest sympathy. On Wednesday evening Fr. O'Reilly C.C. attended the Kiely Funeral Home for Rosary and prayers and assisted at St. Augustine's Church, Abbeyside by V. Rev. Fr. Ml. Enright P.P. led the huge and representative gathering present in the funeral reception service.

We gathered on Thursday for Gusty's requiem Mass which was a celebration of his life, sons-in-law Ray Dunne and Kevin Whelan read the lessons while prayers of the Faithful were recited by Peg Hogan, Mary McCarthy, Fiona Walsh, Deirdre Power. Carol Whelan, Mary T. Neylin, Shane and Clodagh Whelan brought the bread, wine, a cap and a horse shoe as offertory gifts. Kathleen Condon on guitar with soloist Paul Ahearne rendered the musical tributes. A huge concourse of mourners was present at the graveside in the adjoining cemetery as Gusty Leahy was laid to rest.

Chief mourners; wife Noreen (nee Lyons), family Carol, Paula and Justin, sons-in-law Kevin Whelan and Ray Dunne, grandchildren Shane, Clodagh, Eimear, brothers Sean, Michael and Joseph, sisters-in-law Norah, Mai and Eileen Leahy, Mary Parker, Helen Hanley, Peg Hogan, brothers-in-law Michael and John Lyons, and a wide circle of other relatives including nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Many floral tributes were placed on Gusty's resting place after the funeral obsequies were completed by Fr. O'Reilly O.S.A. C.C. assisted by V. Rev. Fr. N. O'Mahoney P.P. and Rev. Fr. M. Keogh C.C.

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LATE PAT O'TOOLE

Sincere feelings of regret and sadness were expressed with the passing on Monday 6th December at St. Joseph's Hospital of Pat O'Toole, 12 Marquis Drive who had only been ill for a brief period. A man of big physique 6' 5", he enjoyed tremendous health for virtually all his 88 years. A native of Clifton, he was employed for many years in England. He gave of his best in the sphere of agriculture, residing in the Liverpool area and Hampshire and especially in Southampton on the South Coast. It was one of his boasts that he sailed on the Q.E.2 on a world cruise. He loved travel as it opened up new cultures and horizons for him. His interest in world news and international topics was surely an off spring of his liking for journeying to other parts. We offer our sincerest and heartfelt sympathy to his wife Theresa (nee O'Shea who is a native of Portlaw), his son Tony, daughter-in-law June and many more relatives who will miss Pat dearly. On Wednesday evening the removal took place from the Kiely Funeral home to Portlaw church where Rev. Fr. Grant C.C.

assisted by Rev. Fr. B. Power C.C. led those present in the funeral liturgy. At the requiem Mass on Thursday morning Fr. Grant C.C. was main celebrant with Fr. Brian Power C.C. co-celebrant. The lessons were read by Theresa Joy and Anna Lacey (nieces -in-law), prayers of the Faithful were shared by Liam O'Shea, Paul Lacey, John Lacey and Betty Mervin.

The gifts were brought to the Altar by Patrick O'Shea and wife Louise who had travelled from Southampton. A communion reflection was movingly delivered by nephew Francis Barry. The musical tributes were sung by Portlaw Parish Choir. Billy Corcoran's rendition of 'Galway Bay' was most appropriate and surely Pat would approve. The interment followed in the new cemetery adjoining the church in Portlaw.

Chief mourners; wife Theresa (nee O'Shea), son Tony, daughter-in-law June, sisters-in-law Kathleen O'Shea (Dublin), Angela Lacey (Portlaw) and husband Eddie, Patricia O'Shea, brothers-in-law Patrick O'Shea and wife Louise (Southampton), brother Stephen (Clifton), sister Theresa (Florida) and a wide circle of other relatives and friends including nieces and nephews.

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LATE ELIZABETH (BETH) MCGRATH



With sadness we record the passing of Beth McGrath, Ballymacmague, Dungarvan at her daughter's residence on Wednesday 1st Dec. A native of Bansa, aged 91 years she was predeceased by husband Jimmy only two and a half years ago. Beth herself was widely known and much acclaimed for her dress-making talents. A woman of deep religious faith both Jimmy and herself loved to visit the Marian Shrine at Knock every year. Being of the premier county, not surprising she had a great love of hurling and watched all

the epic battles unfold on television over the years. Although Beth was the eldest of her family of six, she was its last surviving member. Jimmy and herself resided for many years in Ballymacmague Upper, only in the last two and a half years did she live with daughter Joan, son-in-law Jim and family.

We sympathise with Marty (son), Joan (daughter), son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchildren and relatives at this time. Fr. O'Reilly O.S.A. C.C. led all present at the Kiely Funeral Home on Thursday evening in rosary and prayers before the funeral cortege proceeded to St. Mary's Parish Church where Fr. O'Mahoney P.P. shared the funeral service with a large concourse of mourners who had come to console the bereaved and pay their respects to Beth.

At the Funeral Mass on Friday Fr. O'Reilly was celebrant while the lessons were read by Claire and Gail (granddaughters). Prayers of the Faithful were recited by daughter-in-law Breed. After the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass Fr. O'Reilly O.S.A. C.C. was joined by Fr. Mahoney P.P. in the graveside prayers and blessing. The interment followed in the adjoining cemetery.

'Faoi bhraht Muire go raibh si

Chief mourners; son Marty, daughter Joan, son-in-law Jim Mullins, daughter-in-law Breed. Grandchildren Claire, Gail, Tim, Finona (Mullins), Ronan, Shane and Aisling (McGrath), her nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

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Widespread feelings of deep regret and sorrow were expressed on Thursday last with the news of the passing of Noel Kirwan, Leamybrien at St. Patrick's Hospital, Cork after a duration of illness. Well known and held in high esteem Noel was very much to the fore in GAA affairs and golfing circles. We tender our heartfelt condolences to his wife Anna, sons Bryan and Alan, daughters Lucinda, Tara, Emma, son-in-law Eoin McGarry, daughter-in-law Siobhan, parents-in-law, brothers, sisters, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends. R.I.P.

Removal took place on Friday evening from his residence at St. Brigid's Church, Kilrossanty. At the requiem Mass on Saturday Fr. Richard Geoghegan C.C. spoke in his homily of Noel in glowing terms. The interment took place in the new cemetery.

(Full obituary next issue).

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Kilrossanty Notes

A.R.G.

As a mark of respect to the late Fr. Michael Frawley our Parish Priest the meeting scheduled for this Wednesday night has been cancelled.

HAMPER APPEAL

Members of the Dungarvan Lions Club will be in Crotty's next Monday night for the Hamper Appeal Fund. Pint drinking will take place.

PLAY

Fews National School children will present their play in Kilrossanty Hall this

Friday night at 7.30.

LATE FR. MICHAEL FRAWLEY

As stated in last weeks notes the unexpected death of our Parish Priest Fr. M. Frawley shocked the entire area. He had been hospitalised only two weeks

and had been in the best of health up to then. Fr. Michael was with us for almost fourteen years since he came to Kilrossanty and Fews in 1986. He was

due to retire in July 2000. He was a very quiet and inoffensive man always trying to help people in need going to hospitals and peoples homes when they were sick. During his time here the two Churches were repaired, Schools done up and Church grounds looked after. The death of his brother Joe a few months ago was a great shock to Fr. Michael. He was a Holy Ghost Priest and was out in Biafra for many years, he was also in Waterford City and Carrickbeg before he came to our midst. His funeral from Kilkenny to Kilrossanty Church was extremely large when all walks of life came out to pay their respects to him. A Guard of honour was provided by Kilrossanty children on Tuesday evening. On Wednesday afternoon Mass was celebrated by his lordship the Bishop of Waterford and Lismore, William Lee with many priests co celebrating with him

on the altar. Over 80 priests attended this Mass from the diocese and the Holy Ghost order. Kilrossanty Fews choir rendered some appropriate hymns. The reading was done by Bryan, nephew-in-law. Gifts to the altar were brought by Joan Horgan, Johnny Kirwan, Liam Casey, Orla Walsh, Tony Coffey and Breda Crotty. His coffin was carried shoulder high to its resting place in the new cemetery which he chosen by members of the Parish Council. Prayers were recited at the grave side before his coffin was lowered into the grave. He is survived by his sisters, Maureen, Dot and Noreen his niece, nephew-in-law, brother-in-law, many relatives and friends.

Fr. Michael you will be missed in the Parish, we will miss seeing you taking your walk, and the children of Kilrossanty School will miss your daily visit to them.

May you rest in peace.

Thanks to Parish council for organising the catering on Wednesday evening and to Crotty's Inn for the use of the premises.

LATE NOEL KIRWAN

Just as soon as people had got over the shock of Fr. Michael

Frawleys, the news of Noel Kirwan's death filtered through the area. Noel had been in failing

health for two years but bore it with great patience. Noel was a much liked person all over the county and into other counties. Noel was always smiling and in good humour even when Noel was confined to the wheel chair for the last few months he had a smile for all. Noel spoke openly about his illness and battled to the last. He was a very religious man, always a great Mass goer up to two weeks ago.

Noel was one of fifteen children reared in Kealfoun, Bridie his sister and Gerard his brother passed away a few years ago. He carried on a thriving Garage business in Leamybrien until he sold it a few years ago. He was taking life easy in the last few years but alas sickness took over. He was a great musician and had a band known as the Musketeers with Bernie Power and Pat Ryan. Golf and playing cards were his favourite pastimes. Noel was a loving husband to Anna, father to Bryan, Alan, Lucinda, Tara and Emma brother, son-in-law to John and Margaret Kett, uncle to his many nieces and nephews and a great friend to Bernie Power who travelled with him to Medjorgi a few months ago.

He won two senior medals with Kilrossanty and two senior with John Mitchels, he also played minor football with Waterford in the fifties.

His son Bryan carries on the tradition and is a member of the Kilrossanty Senior team.

His remains were removed from his residence on Friday night to Kilrossanty Church followed by a large cortege. His coffin was carried to the church from the school by members of the Kilrossanty G.A.A. Club who also formed a Guard of Honour, as well as the Dungarvan Golf Club. His remains were received by Fr. Rd. Geoghegan C.C. and also his nephew Deacon Alan O'Sullivan. On Saturday morning Requiem Mass was offered by Fr. Rd. Geoghegan and Deacon Alan Sullivan nephew along with other visiting clergy. The Church could not take the crowd and many had to stay outside of the Church, such was the popularity of Noel. Kilrossanty Fews Choir rendered some appropriate hymns. Readings were done by Lucinda and Emma, daughters. Prayers of the faithful were recited by Byran, Alan, and Tara, sons and daughter; Neil Kirwan, nephew; Mary Kett sister-in-law; Tony Moroney and Mary Jones cousins. Gifts were brought to the altar by David Kirwan, nephew; Phyllis Sullivan, sister; Siobhan Kirwan, daughter-in-law; Mona Kirwan, sister-in-law; Michael Kirwan, brother; Sean Houlihan, cousin. David Power played the Uilleann Pipes during

Mass. When his coffin was being brought out of the chapel people shed tears as the Uilleann Pipes were played for a great character. Floral tributes were placed on his grave. Noel is survived by Anna wife, sons Bryan and Alan, daughters Lucinda, Tara and Emma, mother-in-law Margaret Kett, father-in-law John Kett, daugh-

ter-in-law Siobhan, son-in-law Eoin McGarry. Brothers Jack, Billy, Michael, Tommy, Tony and Vinny, sisters Alice Power, Marcella Garvey, Phyllis Sullivan, Monica Sullivan, Cora Beresford and May Mahoney, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews and a large circle of friends. Bernie Power as I mentioned before was a great friend of his and will miss him greatly. Noel your suffering is over and you are at peace with God. You will be missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing you and that was many. May you rest in peace.

SYMPATHY

Deepest sympathy is extended to Joan Carroll, Leamybrien on the death of her father which occurred last Saturday, sympathy too to her brothers Billy, Paddy, Jimmy, sisters Kathleen, Marie and Brigid. Billy Behan resided in Killeclooney and was a quiet and inoffensive man rearing seven children when his wife died in 1963. Burial took place in Clonea cemetery. May he rest in peace. Sympathy too to the family of Micky Power, late of Downeys Cross who was buried during the week. May he rest in peace.

Sympathy is also extended to John Kirwan and Margaret Clancy, England and Briskeaton on the death of their mother Mary Kirwan nee Mordney Briskey. Her remains came from England on Tuesday, burial took place in Kilrossanty cemetery. May she rest in peace.

I.C.A.

I.C.A. draw took place last Monday night. Turkey - Nuala Dunford, Kill. Ham - Patrick Fitzgerald, Kilrossanty. Christmas Cake - Mary Coffey, Shanbally. Whiskey - Ann Marie Lally, Leamybrien. Plum Pudding - Quinlan Family, Stradbally. Baileys Cream - John Murphy, Clogheen. Biscuits - Seamus Coffey, Curraheen. Biscuits - Aidan McCarthy, Killaneen. Engine Oil - Patricia Fennell, Killaneen. Bottle of wine and Christmas stocking - Nicola Minihane, Englishtown.

Thanks to all the sponsors, the sellers and the people who bought the tickets; Raffle winners on the night, these prizes were also sponsored thanks again; Liz O'Riordan, Patricia Fennell, Barbara Cunningham, Mary Cusack, Mary Coffey, Mairead Coffey, Bernie Hobbs, Gertie Power, Ann Phelan, Breda Crotty, Kay Veale, Kathy Murphy, Mary Walsh, Peg Mulhearn, Pauline Desmond, Dolores Power, Margaret Riordan, Brigid Curran, Kathleen Whyte, Christine Houlihan.

A vote of sympathy was passed to the family of the late Fr. Michael Frawley who died since our last meeting also to the Kirwan family on the death of Noel Kirwan who also passed away during last week.

Painting classes will resume after Christmas on Tuesday nights with Danny Cunningham. Social on 1st February in Bridgie Terries.

DRAW

Results of Comeragh Division Draw: £100 - Kevin Keating, Briskey. Waterford Glass Bowl - Pat Veale, Glendalligan. £25 - Tom Walsh, Gortavickory. £25 -

Tony O'Mahony, (Cycle Shop, Abbeyside).

CLOTTO

Clotto goes on for another week. Numbers drawn as follows 4, 8, 12, and 23. Winners of £20 each to Peggy Walsh, Leamybrien, John Kiely, Ballingown and John Kiely also took the sellers prize of £20, lucky night for John.

Next weeks clotto is £3,200, this will be the last clotto of 1999, extra prizes will be given out on the night.

DEISE DRAW

Promoters please have money into Mairead Coffey by Thursday night of this week as the Deise draw will be held in Carrick on this Friday night 17th December.

TALENT

Talent was cancelled last Saturday night as a mark of respect to the late Noel Kirwan. The last heat will be held this Friday night, 17th December.

Sponsored by Jimmy Veale, P.O. Leamybrien.

DEATH

The Kilrossanty Club lost a great supporter and member last week following the death of Noel Kirwan who died last Thursday. Noel had not been in the best of health for the last two years but bore his illness with patience. He attended lots of matches during the year and the last match he attended was the replay of the Munster club final some weeks ago. He won two senior medals with Kilrossanty and two senior medals with John Mitchels and also played for Waterford at minor level. His son Bryan keeps up the tradition and is a member of the Kilrossanty senior team. Sympathy is extended to his wife Anna, sons Bryan and Alan, daughters Lucinda, Tara and Emma, mother-in-law Margaret Kett, son-in-law John Kett, brothers, sisters and all his relatives.

Members of Kilrossanty Club carried his coffin and also formed a Guard of Honour, the Kilrossanty Flag was draped on his coffin. May he rest in peace.

MEETING

Committee meeting this Thursday night, 16th of December in the clubhouse at 8.15.

A.G.M.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on 14th January, not the 21st.

SOCIAL

Social on the 26th February in the Park Hotel.

TICKETS

Tickets for the 31st December are going fast, tickets must be purchased before the 23rd December. Limited to 250.

Music by Crystal Sounds with Disco to follow. Admission £5.

WESTERN CONVENTION

Liam Brazil, Tony Coffey, Robbie Whelan and John Kiely attended the Convention. John Kiely was a candidate for the Western Board delegate to Co. Board but was defeated by two votes.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Jim Mulqueen, Kilrossanty who is recuperating at home following a successful back operation in Ardkeen. Family and friends hope to see him out and about again in the very near future

Ballyduff Notes

BALLYDUFF WIN CO. FOOTBALL LEAGUE TITLE

Ballyduff 2-7, Newtown 0-4.

At the excellent Bonmahon venue Saturday last Ballyduff captured the Co. Junior Football League Title and also gained promotion to Division 3 of the Ryan Super Valu Co. League next season.

At the end of the opening half during which Ballyduff had the advantage of a strong cross wind the sides were level at 3 points each. Two points from frees by Brendan Hannon and one from John Twomey - also from a free saw Ballyduff lead by 3 points to one twenty one minutes into the game. Points from Michael and Andrew Hubbard had Newtown on level terms at the break after Thomas Mansfield had opened the scoring in the 2nd minute. The reds won this game in the third quarter when they scored 2-2 with their opponents only registering a single point. John Twomey had the winners first goal with 60 seconds of the restart with what was an excellent score. Points from Brendan Hannon and Twomey (both frees) saw Ballyduff lead by 1-5 to 0-3, eight minutes into the second period. Newtown's only score of the half came in the 44th minute when Nicky Power covered a free. The game as a contest was over 13 minutes from the end when Brendan Hannon's shot ended up in the Newtown net off a defender following a great out field move. Newtown had chances from play and frees to reduce the deficit but they failed to convert them and the loss of Michael Hubbard through injury was a major blow to their chance of success.

Ballyduff finished the game the stronger with points from Brendan Hannon and Kenneth Geary to give the Western representatives a deserved victory.

Scores for Ballyduff - B. Hannon 1-4, J. Twomey 1-2, K. Geary 0-1.

Scorers for Newtown - M. Hubbard, T. Mansfield, N. Power and A. Hubbard 0-1 each.

Ballyduff - D. Flynn, D. Hannon, M. Leamy, G. Feeney, P. Molumphy, M. Drislane, K. Geary, T. Feeney, M. Molumphy, J. Twomey, A. Martin, B. Kearney, B. Hannon, B. Cotter, J. Scanlon.

Subs used - J. O'Neill, G. Hickey, E. Flynn, D. Daly, N. Hayes.

Newtown - R. Kirwan, P. Mulhall, T. Kirwan, R. Queally, K. Mulcahy, J. Dunphy, T. O'Sullivan, A. Hubbard, N. Power, D. Dunphy, M. Hubbard, M. Power, T. Mansfield, P. Foran, J. Bagge.

Subs used - K. O'Sullivan, M. Comerford. Referee - D. Flynn (Gaultier).

BALLYDUFF G.A.A. NOTES

Congratulations to the football team on winning the Co. League final on Saturday last in Bonmahon with a 9 points win over Newtown on the score of 2-7 to 0-4. We were only on level terms at the break and it looked as if we were in trouble but we upped the tempo from the restart and two goals in 18 minutes saw victory secured and promotion to the Co. League Division 3 next season. (See match report elsewhere). After the game team captain Patrick Molumphy was presented with the league final shield. Well done to the players and the management team of Noel Hayes, Pat Flynn and John Frewen on ending the playing season on a winning note. Thanks to The Central Bar, Cappoquin for the hospitality on the way home.

The numbers drawn in the lotto draw on Tuesday, November 30th were 3, 13 and 15. There was no winner of the £700 jackpot. The £25 prizewinners were Michael Kearney, Waterpark, Fermoy and Philip Noonan, Ballyduff. The numbers drawn on Tuesday night last were 8, 10, and 18. There was no winner of the £800 jackpot. The £25 prizewinners were Sue Parr, Barnavilla, Ballyduff; Alice O'Hara, Glencairn and Sheila O'Brien, Mulemahulla, Ballyduff. Next weeks lotto draw is in the Log Cabin on Tuesday night at 9.30pm.

The club Christmas Party night will also take place on Tuesday night in the Log cabin with music and craic. There will be extra prizes to be won in the lotto. All club players, members and supporters are most welcome to attend and join in an end of year night of partying.

COMHALTAS

Congratulations to all the dancers from the Michael Ryan School of Dancing who did so well in the recent Munster Championship in Tralee. All the dancers acquitted themselves with distinction and won an array of medals. A special 'clap on the back' to Claire Barry who achieved a second place and Danny Keane who finished in third place which qualifies Danny for the World Championship which will be held in Belfast in a few months.

An Irish night takes place in the Log Cabin on Sunday 19th at 9 o'clock. All musicians and dancers are welcome to attend. On this Thursday night in the Log the adult set-dancers are having a seasonal get together and will be joined by guests from Rinn O gCuanach. This cultural exchange will be reciprocated on Monday 20th when representatives from the Village will visit Tigh an Cheoil.

On behalf of the branch I wish all readers a Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

A special word of thanks to the management and staff of Dungarvan Leader for their support in '99.

HAPPY EVENT

Congratulations to Seamus and Margo Daly, Cloonbeg, Ballyduff on the birth of a baby girl.

SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy is extended to Nora O'Sullivan, Ballyduff on the death of her niece Helen Kelly, Woodview Park, Tallow and also to Helens husband Sean T., mother, brothers and a large circle of relatives and friends.



FARMING LEADER

Cattle Tag Arrangements For The Year 2000

The Minister for Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Mr. Joe Walsh TD, has announced that notices have recently been issued to over 100,000 farmers advising them of their cattle tag allocation for the year 2000. Under these arrangements farmers will receive the first 15 tags of their requirements free of charge provided orders are received by 31st March next.

The Minister urged farmers to pay particular attention to their responsibilities in relation to the identification and registration of cattle. Under EU requirements, from 1 January 2000, all calves born on a holding must be tagged in each ear with official tags within 20 days of birth. The birth of these calves must be notified to the Calf Birth Registration Agency, SWS, Bandon, Co. Cork within 7 days of tagging.

Minister Walsh said that because of the increasing importance of the proper identification of cattle in the context of the traceability of movement of cattle, it is vital that farmers carry out these tasks in the prescribed manner. Failure to do so could also result in penalties being imposed under the Premia/Headage Schemes.

The Minister stated that any herdowner who has not received a notice of a tag allocation for the year 2000 or who requires additional tags over and above the annual allocation indicated in the notice should contact the local District Veterinary Office.



At the Waterford IFA County Executive meeting to discuss policy were (left to right) Eddle Keane, Kinsalebeg, Chairman IFA National Poultry Committee, James Coughlan, IFA County Chairman, John Slattery, Munster Vice-President IFA and Anthony Ryan, Ballymacarby. —(Photo: Rory Wyley).

Minister for Agriculture Cannot Sidestep Reality of Farm Income Crisis —PARLON

IFA President, Tom Parlon, called on the Minister for Agriculture, Joe Walshe, to come out of the denial and face facts in relation to the farm income crisis.

In a comment on the CSO official estimate of farm incomes in 1999, the IFA President said: "Earlier attempts by the Minister to message the direct payments figures was a denial of the true facts."

"The figures released today by the CSO are even worse than that feared - a 13% fall in National Farm Income this year. If we take the last two years together, and build in inflation, farmers' real returns from farming have fallen by over 20%."

When all other sectors are enjoying rising prosperity, farmers expect a more supportive response from the Minister for Agriculture."

Mr Parlon added: "The inclusion of market support payments such as intervention and export refunds and disease control expenditure in the figure quoted by the Minister is a gross distortion of the actual income situation when average family income will be no more than £10,000 in 1999."

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Government Must Ensure Adequate Shipping Facilities For Live Cattle — ICMSA

Mr. Liam Heverin, Chairman of ICMSA's Beef & Cattle Committee, speaking recently said that the Government must ensure that the live cattle trade to Continental Europe is not hampered by inadequate shipping capacity. The live trade to Continental Europe, Mr. Heverin said, has been crucial over the past year to the price of calves and weanlings and has taken over 300,000 head of cattle already this year. What price would we have received for our cattle without this trade? Mr. Heverin said.

The Government, Mr. Heverin said, will have to recognise this and ensure that the trade is at all times facilitated. ICMSA, he said, has worked tirelessly on this issue over the past number of years and the trade has gone from strength to strength. The current loss of the Venus can be addressed quickly, Mr. Heverin said, by overcoming the problems associated with that ship or by licensing new carriers. It should not lead to long term problems.

"The Government must do two things. Firstly, they must ensure that any barriers to the current shipping capacity must be removed and secondly, the licensing of new carriers must be undertaken without delay. Shipping capacity should not and will not be a problem for the live trade, provided the Government play their role in facilitating the trade," concluded Mr. Heverin.

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EU COMMISSION ALLOWS AN ADDITIONAL MONTH TO CLAIM SPECIAL BEEF PREMIUM

The Minister for Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Joe Walsh, announced that Commission agreement had been secured for a transitional arrangement to claim Special Beef Premium on beef animals born in April 1998. The arrangements agreed at a recent Beef Management Committee will allow the Special Beef Premium to be claimed at 10 months up to the end of January 2000, where the



The Science of Farming and Food

CATTLE:

Silage Intake:-

Now that cattle are settled into full winter diets it is sensible to keep a check on performance. The intake of good silage fed to appetite on its own should amount to 1.6 per cent to 1.7 per cent of animal body-weight on a dry matter basis, i.e. a steer would consume about 10 kg silage DM/day (50 kg silage @ 20 pc DM)

When meals are fed, silage intake is reduced by between 0.35 kg and 0.45 DM for each kg of meal fed. Therefore, feeding 4 kg meal reduces silage intake by about 1.6kg DM (or 8 kg silage @ 20 pc DM). Digestibility has a big effect on intake. There is a fairly constant fall in intake as silage gets more stemmy. With group feeding, only a rough estimate can be made of intake. Where diet feeders are used, the weight of silage at each feeding can be recorded and more accurate estimates done per animal. Where block cutters or shear grabs are used, the volume of each block can be measured and the weight of silage estimated.

Each cubic metre of silage weighs about 0.75t. Count should be kept over about 1 - 2 weeks of the number of blocks consumed in order to get a reasonable estimate of intake.

Another way of estimating intake might be to measure the volume of silage removed from a silo over a two-week period, converting this to weight and calculating the quantity consumed per head per day. Before going to all this work, a good stockman is likely to be able to make a good judgement on intake, e.g. if cattle are content and look full, if they are not rejecting silage overnight and if they are not being selective when fresh silage is put in the troughs, then intake should be satisfactory.

Preservation:-

Even small changes in preservation can affect intake. Preservation quality is measured mainly by pH and ammonia nitrogen. Direct-cut (non-wilted) silages should have a pH between 3.8 and 4.2, with ammonia of not more than 10 per cent of total nitrogen.

Management:-

Apart from factors in the silage itself, housing and feeding management can influence intake. Make every effort to encourage high silage intakes. Keep fresh feed before the stock. Secondary heating or stale silage in troughs will reduce intake and contaminate fresh silage. Heavy cattle need about 0.4 metres (15") of feed length for ad lib feeding. Once silage goes out of reach of cattle in feed passages, it should be pushed in again.

DAIRYING:

Hoof Pring:-

The early dry period is an ideal time to trim the hooves of cows. There are a number of reasons for this: Cows are in mid-pregnancy. Heavily pregnant cows can be more difficult to handle as they are less agile.

If drastic hoof trimming is needed, there will be an ample period of time for the hoof to repair itself before the start of the next lactation. Dry cows are normally fed a forage based diet. Little or no concentrates are normally fed during the period. High levels of concentrates, particularly starchy ones, tend to weaken rather than strengthen the hoof horn. Corrective hoof treatment is best done during the dry period. Early rather than late in the period is the best time to tackle the task.

COW CONDITION

Are thin cows putting on extra weight?

If not it would be best to move with more meals now rather than later. Cows in condition score 3-3.5 will be fine on average quality silage (less than 67 DMD).

Cows in score 3.5 or greater should be restricted on silage that is 65% DMD or better.

They would only require 35-37 Kgs of fresh (65% DMD) silage per day (or 7-7.5 Kgs dry matter).

This preaching goes over the head of most farmers because they think and won't do anything about it.

It is so wasteful of food but also can and does lead to health problems at calving and after.

When restricting silage, cows need 2 ft. each of feeding face each.

Minister's Comments on Farm Incomes "Misleading"

Responding to comments by Agriculture Minister Joe Walsh on the reduction in farm incomes, Waterford newly elected IFA Chairman, Gerald Curran (Ring) has said "despite their best efforts the Minister and his officials cannot obscure the fact that farm living standards are down 18% in the past two years, while all other sectors of the economy are enjoying rising prosperity".

Mr. Curran said "it is totally misleading of Minister Walsh to give the impression that farmers received an average of £13,000/farm this year, when official figures show that direct payments in fact accounted for an average of less than £7,700/farm in 1998, which was a better year than 1999. The inclusion of market support payments such as intervention and export refunds and disease control expenditure in the figure quoted by the Minister is a gross distortion of the actual income situation when family farm income will be very close to £10,000 in 1999."

"It is time for Minister Walsh to face up to his responsibilities in the current farm income crisis."

Mr. Curran said "while the Minister says he is working hard to improve the situation for border pig producers and sheep farmers, at the end of the day it is results that count".

Mr. Curran added that livestock farmers were very dissatisfied that Minister Walsh had failed to take on the meat factories this Autumn over keeping down cattle prices when market returns had moved ahead strongly.

Cappoquin Notes

CAPPOQUIN JUVENILE GAA NOTES

Indoor Hurling

Last Sunday night our U-10's, 9's, 8's, 7's and 6's travelled out to Touraneena to play the home club Naomh Brid in a series of challenge matches. Everyone had a great night and we would like to thank Tomas Keane and the Naomh Brid Club for facilitating us.

Indoor hurling goes back to Friday's this week. 6.15 - 7.15 pm U-6's and U-7's. 7.20 pm - 8.30 pm U-8's and U-9's.

U-17 Hurling (9 aside) County Semi Final, Cappoquin 2-6 St. Mary's (Ballydurn, Newtown, Kill, Bonmahon) 5-3.

Last Wednesday our U-17's

put up a good performance in atrocious underfoot conditions against St. Mary's in Cappoquin. The conceding of a few soft goals cost us the match, still saying that all our players enjoyed playing in this competition which we should have entered to know about it.

Panel; G. O'Connor, S. Kett, D. O'Keefe, K. Looby, J. McGrath, P. Scanlon (Affane and Tourin), M. Fraher, B. Coughlan, S. Ormonde, A. Hogan, D. O'Rourke, M. Scanlon, S. Barry, S. Hogan, D. Bodell, D. Sheehan.

Intermediate Hurling League, Cappoquin v Shamrock's Cancelled

Last Sunday's league match with Shamrock's was cancelled due to waterlogged pitch. Anyway there should be no club players from any club expected to play league matches in the height of winter especially when this tournament started back in spring and most players have not held a hurley since the championship.

AFFANE / CAPPOQUIN G.A.A. CLUB LOTTO

Last week numbers are 16, 20, 22. No jackpot winner. Consolation prizes of £10 each were Dean Whelan, 12 Shanbally; Helen Doyle, Lr. Main St; Pat Fitzgerald, Salterbridge; John Lynch.

Next weeks jackpot £600.00

CARDS

1st Rena Jeffries - Carmel Scanlon.

2nd and 3rd Divided.

John Millea - Billy Houlihan. Maureen Allen - Kieran Reddy.

Will Power - Rena O'Donoghue.

Lucky Tables - Nora Lonergan - John Maher.

Paddy Walsh - Niall Maher.

Tickets - Tom O'Donoghue, Maggie Crowley, John Maher.

£5 game on Friday, December 17th at 8.30p.m.

Cappoquin Affane G.A.A. Club are holding a Christmas Party for our Juvenile players (under 12) on Wednesday 22nd of December 1999. at 7p.m. to 10.00p.m. at CYMS Hall, Cappoquin. All are welcome.

Minor Double Photographs

Photographs taken at the celebrations for the 1978 Minor Double Teams are now available. Please place your order for same with Mary Coughlan, Secretary as soon as possible.

AFFANE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

The above association will hold their annual Christmas Dinner in Affane Hall on Sunday 19th December at 1 pm. At this point we would like to wish our members a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

AFFANE BRIDGE NOTES

Turkey Competition 13 November. 1st Betty Cahill and Brid Culloo. 2nd Addie Buckley and Tom Hackett. 3rd Fr. Barron and Mick Lineen. 4th tie Kathleen McGrath and Rebecca Keevers, Lil Costin and Monica Walsh.

Ham competition November 29. 1st Betty Cahill and Addie Buckley. 2nd Mary Fletcher and Pat Murphy. 3rd Eileen O'Driscoll and Val Glavin. 4th Ben Flynn and Claire Meaney. Best wishes for a speedy recovery to esteemed club members Mrs. Elsie Power and Mrs. Una Mason.

The club recently held a very enjoyable Christmas Party at the Park Hotel in Dungarvan. Our President Mrs. Ben Flynn extended a warm welcome to players and wished them every success for the evening. A very lively evening's bridge followed. We then had a delicious Christmas dinner, which everyone enjoyed. Before presenting prizes. Mrs. Flynn thanked the scorekeepers and everyone who had helped to make the evening such a success. She particularly thanked the management and staff of the Park Hotel for their great efforts on the night. Mrs. Flynn then presented the prizes that had been won that night, including the turkey and ham prizes.

16th Waterford Cub Scout Notes

The Cub Scouts would like to thank most sincerely all who supported their hamper draw held on the 8th December. It was a great success. In particular we would like to thank our sponsors Eamon Cliffe (Fawly's Bar) Pat Landers, Blackwater House; Helen and Tom Morrissey, John O'Rourke, The Sportsman, Nora and Danny Flynn, The Central Bar, Ann and Noel Farreley, The Tavern, Mary and Michael McGrath, Mr. & Mrs. McLaughlin, Walshs Hotel; Tesco's Polebery, Ryan's Super Valu; Paddy O'Brien, Ham, Cappoquin; Bacon Factory Hams and Cappoquin Chickens Turkey. Also Michael Murphy Butcher for displaying our hamper to all our ticket sellers especially Michael Murphy, Michael Ormonde and Michael Landers, the Cubs, parents and Leaders and anybody who helped in any way Thank you.

The winners of the hampers were; 1st Mgt. Landers, Aglish; 2nd Michael Coleman, Melleray Hill. Bt. Whiskey - Rebecca Kenny, Aglish; Bt. Bacardi - Justine Walsh, Cappoquin; Bt. Whiskey - Monica Walsh, Springfield; Sweet & Biscuits - Denise Hennessy, Ballingown; Box Chocolates - Mrs. O'Mahoney, Dromore Aglish.

A special word of thanks must go to Fr. Arthur who braved the rain to draw our winners for us, also the parents, cubs and leaders who turned up once again, a big thank you to everyone that helped in any way. Happy Christmas and New Year to all. Cubs as usual Tuesday night.

CAPPOQUIN AND DISTRICT DARTS

The tenth round of the above league took place on Friday night last. In the "A" Division, Lindsey's played Dunnes in Touraneena and drew 4-4. The local bar beat the Tavern in Cappoquin 5-3. Also in Cappoquin Morrissey's beat Paddy Mac's 5-3, while in Aglish the Village Inn beat Deckies 6-2. The league table for this division is as follows; Lindsay's 59, Local Bar 47, Tavern 42, Morrissey's 40, Dunnes 39, Paddy Macs 38, Village Inn 31, Deckies 18.

In the B1 Division Coopers took on the Decies at home and shared the points 4-4. The Castle Lodge travelled to Villierstown and beat the Cruiscin Lán 6-2. In Cappagh the Welcome Inn lost 5-3 to Kereen. The Old Still had a bye. The league table for this division is as follows, The Old Still 54, The Castle Lodge 50, Decies 43, Coopers 38, Kereen 38, Cruiscin Lan 34, Welcome Inn 32.

In the B2 division Sandra Mac's had a 7-1 win over Kiely's Cross in Ardmore. The Marine lost out 6-2 to Tigh an Cheoil in Baile na Gall, while in Old Parish, John Paul's lost 5-3 to Lombards. The league table for this division is as follows; Tigh an Cheoil 39, Sandra Macs 36, John Paul's 33, Marine 27, Lombards 29, Kiely's Cross 4.

MERCY PRIMARY SCHOOL, CAPPOQUIN

SALE OF WORK

Our school Sale of Work on Sunday, 5th December was organised by our very efficient Parents Committee and was a great success. A record crowd attended and everybody enjoyed the carnival atmosphere whilst also availing of the good value to find on the stalls. Thanks to the members of Cappoquin Fire Brigade who ensured that Santa arrived safely to open proceedings at 2.00 pm.

All the stalls reported a brisk trade and thanks to everybody who helped with the selling during the afternoon including those former members of our Parents Committee whose experience and help were most welcome.

Our bumper Christmas Hamper was won by P.J. Dolan, c/o St. Anne's School, the Waterford Crystal went to Pa Griffen, Tourin, Irene's Floral Arrangement was won by Mollie Fraher, Shanbally, Bottle of Whiskey by Mary Mulcahy, Ballylemon and the Box of Chocolates by Adam Cavanagh, Shanbally.

Sr. Anne's cake was won by Laois Crotty, Affane and Mary Hogan's cake by Susie Mason, Barrack St.

Before closing at 5.00 pm. Brid Duggan thanked the Parents Committee, all the families in the parish who donated items to us, the children who helped out in so many ways, the people who supported us from near and far and in particular the businesses and shops in Cappoquin and surrounding areas who were so generous in their donations to us. The combined effort of all of the above showed itself on the day and the support for our school is much appreciated.

CAPPOQUIN F.C. NOTES

Cappoquin 6 Inch 1

On Sunday morning last we had a home game against Inch. It was a very good performance from us considering the conditions were very bad. We started off well with some good attacking football. After about ten minutes we got the first goal after good work by Mick Cummins who crossed the ball in and Martin Lacey struck it home. Michael Lacey blasted home the second goal shortly after with a good shot from the edge of the box. Inch attacked up the field and forced a brilliant save from Morro. Our third goal was a brilliant o.g. from an Inch defender, the ball was crossed in from the right and he stuck his head out and knocked it past the unfortunate goalie. Darragh finally found his shooting boots when he blasted home the fourth goal from close range. 4-0 up at half time and our lead looking good. Michael Lacey failed to come out for the second half as he was complaining of the flu, but he was well able to go to a Kiddies Party later on in the day. Stephen Curran took his place and played well. Inch started to come into the game but our back four took it all in their stride.

Michael Cummins got the fifth goal with a good shot from the edge of the penalty area. Inch got a consolation goal ten minutes from time after some sloppy defending. Motch got his first goal of the season ten minutes from time and what a goal it was, a high ball crossed in from the left, he took it on his chest and volleyed it into the top corner, surely goal of the season. Liam Lacey played well when he replaced Wattle in midfield. Paul Morrissey replaced the player-manager who played well. It was a good sporting game. Overall it was a good performance. We need to keep up the good work. Best for Cappoquin were Motch, Morro, Michael Walsh and Kevin T. Casey of course.

Team; David Morrissey, James Mason, Michael Walsh, John Morrissey, Kevin T. Casey, Martin Lacey, Mark Power, David Moore, Darragh Wilkinson, Michael Cummins and Michael Lacey. Stephen Curran for Michael Lacey, Liam Lacey for David Moore and Paul Morrissey for Martin Lacey.

Ballysaggart Notes

CARDS RESULTS

9th December. 1st Mary Hyland and Joan Bennett. 2nd and 3rd Dan Howard and Finola Hynes. Sean Griffin and Tom Brennock. Best last 5; John Kennefick and Joe Power. Lucky tables; Josie Curley and Jack Cotter. Stephen Cunningham and Jim Geoghegan. Pat Ryan and Mick Morrissey. Brian Aherne and Joan Byrne. Raffle; Tom Brennock, Brian Aherne, Sheila Lonergan and Mary Whelan. The game on this Thursday 16th will be a £5 game.

GAA LOTTO

Numbers drawn on 7th December were 1-7-9-11. We had no jackpot winner. £10 winners as follows; Dermot Nugent, Glencairn, Mary Cunningham, Lismore, Mgt. Lonergan, Ballysaggart. The jackpot on this Tuesday 14th will be £300 plus the extra 20 prizes.

DEISE DEVELOPMENT DRAW

The December draw will be held this Friday night, 17th Dec. All monies to be handed in immediately.

Ballinameela Notes

BALLINAMEELA NATIONAL SCHOOL

The Annual General Meeting of Ballinameela Parents Association was held, the following are the officers; Chairperson Cathy McGrath. Vice Chairman; Eamonn Feehan. Secretary Allison Curran. Ass. Secretary Ursula Power. Treasurer Eamonn Walsh. P.R.O. Brenda Feehan. Bookscheme Sec. Mary Curran. Bookscheme Treasurer Lyndsey Sheehan. Speech and Drama Treasurer Gerard Flavin.

Some parents attended a forum on "Drug Awareness" recently. The children at present are busily designing their own handpainted Christmas Cards and Calenders. This venture has successfully progressed into a marketing scheme for the older children. Santa Claus and his helpers will visit our school on December 22nd and deliver sacks of sweets and goodies to all. Music and dancing will be concluded by our Monster Raffle. On behalf of the Par-

ents Association, we would like to wish all our teachers and children a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

St. Mary's Parish Notes

CAROL SERVICES

Millennium Jubilee Christmas carols on Thursday 16th, December at 8.00p.m., come and join us. Collection in aid of Trócaire.

St. Mary's Primary School will hold a carol service on Friday 17th, December at 10.00a.m., all are welcome.

Penance and Reconciliation Service will be held at St. Mary's Church on Wednesday 22nd, December at 7.30p.m.

EMERGENCY

TELEPHONE NUMBER

To contact a priest in case of emergency please phone 086 - 2334282.

Radio Mass will continue to be broadcast each morning on 98.5 FM.

Lismore notes

CAROL SINGING IN LISMORE CATHEDRAL

The traditional Festival of Lessons and Carols will take place again in Lismore Cathedral next Sunday at 3.30p.m. All are welcome to join in. Carols on the programme include Once in Royal David's City, Silent Night, O Come All Ye Faithful, Ding Dong Merri-

ly on High and many more.

As the new Dean of the Cathedral, The Very Rev. Billy Beare is an accomplished singer, he will not only read the Gospel (as required by tradition), but will also be heard as a soloist in the carol A Virgin Most Pure. The Choir, St.

ALPHA LOTTO

The lotto was held in Rose's West End Bar, Lismore on Tuesday 30th November. The letters drawn were A R V D and A L S T. There were no winners. The following people received consolation prizes of £10.00 each.

Justine Flynn, Glencairn, Lismore; Marion Coleman, Parks Rd., Lismore; Ann Ormonde, Deerpark Rd., Lismore; Dr. P. Burke, Fermoy, Co. Cork.

The lotto on Tuesday, 7th December was held in Eamonn's Place, Lismore. The letters drawn were E H K U and D O R V. There were no winners. The following people received consolation prizes of £10.00 each.

H. Sims, South Mall, Lismore; Sean Walsh, Lyons Cross, Ballyduff Upper; Mary Dunne, Ballinaraha, Lismore; Christina O'Donoghue, Boolakiely, Cappoquin.

The next draw will be held in Ballyrafter House, Lismore on Tuesday 14th December. The Super Jackpot Draw of £2000 will be carried over until it is won so make sure you buy your ticket.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Please support our Church Gate collection on 18th and 19th, December. Hamper raffle will be held on Tuesday 21st, December in Madden's Bar in conjunction with the usual weekly Alfa lotto draw. There will be no Alfa lotto draw the last week in December, our draw will start again on Tuesday 4th January, 2000.

CREDIT UNION COMPETITIONS

In the second round of the above competition Siobhan O'Callaghan was awarded 2nd place in the 11-14 age category and Donna Feeney came third in the 14-17 age group. Prizes were awarded at the presentation ceremony in Clonmel on Sunday, December 12th. Great credit is due to these girls and their teacher Miss Anne Mulhall as they were competing in a large region against schools from Cahir, Tramore and our own Lismore to mention just a few, covering all Tipperary and Waterford, 16 Credit Union branches in all.

SCÓR NA NÓG COUNTY FINALS

Congratulations to our students Sharon Power T.Y. and Eleanor Fitzgerald and Cheryl Power 1st year who were very successful in the Scór competitions in Kill Community Centre on Saturday 11th of December. Sharon was a member of the quiz team placed third, Cheryl and Sharon in the ballad group placed 2nd and Sharon and Eleanor were in the novelty act, which was awarded 2nd place. Well done girls. All these had previously competed in the instrumental section.

LISMORE DISTRICT EXECUTIVE FINE GAEL

The annual general meeting of the above was held in Lismore Hotel, a few weeks ago. It was very well attended, with guest, Deputy Austin Deasy, Billy Walsh - Constituency Organiser, William O'Brien - County Chairman and Michael Conroy - Regional Organiser. Our local councillors, Cllr. Norah Flynn and Cllr. William McDonnell were also in attendance. The election of officers were as follows: Chairperson - Cathy McGrath; Vice-Chairman - John Joe O'Donnell; Secretary - Peter Barry; Joint Treasurers - Mary Moloney, Moss Geary.

A number of members travelled to Waterford recently to hear Richard Bruton speak on Education. Some of the proposals were 'Youth Education Wage' Employment Promise, Systematic National Literacy Testing, Premia for Teachers in Disadvantaged Areas, Personal Education plan for those with special needs. Tallow branch held their A.G.M. recently, and Cllr. John Deasy was the speaker of the night. He outlined his intention to hold clinics all over the County after Christmas.

At this stage it is fit to wish all our members a very happy Christmas and prosperous New Year.

WLR / LIONS CLUB APPEAL

As part of our fundraising for this worthy cause, a table quiz will be held in Maddens on Monday night, 20th at 9.30p.m. Tables of 4 (£10). A great night of fun is assured as well as supporting our less well off brethren at Christmas time.

LISMORE SOCCER NOTES

Carthage's Singers conducted by organist and choirmaster Jan Van Putten will sing the Star Carol by John Rutter and two carols in settings by J. S. Bach. The year 2000 sees the 250th anniversary of Bach's death, his music will be celebrated in the Cathedral throughout the year.

This Carol Service is meant to be ecumenical community service. Members from different sections of the local community will do the readings and financial contributions will be collected in aid of local charities. The Festival of Carols will start this Sunday at 3.30p.m. and all are welcome.

LISMORE GOLF NOTES RESULTS

Saturday 11th - Sunday 12th - Christmas Hamper 18 Hole Stableford.

Cat. 1 B. Shanahan (9) 42 pts.

Cat. 2 Denis McCarthy (12) 41 pts.

Cat. 3 Brian Russell (18) 43 pts.

FIXTURES

Monday 13th - Friday 18th. - 12 Hole Stableford - Turkey Competition.

Saturday 19th - Sunday 20th 12 Hole Stableford.

Sunday 2.45p.m. Childrens Party. Santa Claus arrives at 3.00p.m.

STUDIO REALLY WORKS

The 'Studio Works' exhibition held at the Lismore Arts Centre on 4th - 5th December created a lot of interest and raised £608 for St. Carthages House in Lismore.

The regular painters in the studio were thrilled that visitors to the exhibition were so encouraging and enthusiastic about the work on display and many of the artists sold. Wishy Martin, director of the Lismore Arts Centre was delighted to be able to raise funds for St. Carthage's House through art.

LISMORE BRIDGE

A Cookery Book has been compiled by the club members. It will be sold for charity / West Waterford Hospice / Cappoquin Day Care Centre. It is available from all club members and makes a very nice Christmas gift.

LISMORE BRIDGE

24th November '99.

1 Lil Costin and Teresa Ryan. 2 Stephen Hales and Geraldine Canning. 3 Martha Keniry and Jenny Allen.

PROGRESSIVE 45

Winners - Linda McCormack, Jack Cotter, Moss Morrissey, Kathleen Coleman, Kevin Keniry, Billie Coughlan. Raffle - Jim Russell, Helen Cunningham. Lucky Tables - Mossie O'Brien, Eamonn Morrow, Lena Jeffers, Cassie Hyland.

Lismore finally ended their losing streak with a 2-2 draw away to Pinewood Rangers. It was the first time in weeks that Lismore were able to field one of their strongest eleven. Barney Prendergast opened the scoring for Lismore but this did not last for too long, Lismore missed several good chances before Dan Shanahan gave them the lead again. Lismore held this lead right up until the final minute, when Pinewood received a very dubious free kick decision from which their goal came from.

Team - W. Cunningham, D. Whelan, A. Landers, D. Howard, P. Reaney, M. Caples, B. Prendergast, B. Landers, P. Howard, D. Shanahan, M. Shanahan.

Subs - M. Landers, B. Walsh. Lismore will play Ardmore next week.

LISMORE G.A.A. CLUB NOTES

Weekly draw - £50 Dr. Brian O'Mahony, Convent Road; £30 Mrs. Kathleen Hogan, Est Main St.; £20 Mr. Neil Twomey, Ballyanchor; £10 Mr. Harry Whelan, Townspark; £10 Mrs. Mary Behegan, Parks Road. Promoters Prize - Rudy Lyons.

The next draw will be held in the Red House on Sunday 19th December at 7.00p.m.

LISMORE LOTTO

This weeks winning numbers were 15, 20, 23. There was no winner. £10 winners were Carol Coleman, Red House, Lismore; Helen Landers, Fernville; Ber Prendergast, Carrignagour, Lismore; Graham Foley, c/o Ann O'Gorman. Next weeks jackpot will be £900.00.

WEEKLY DRAW

On Sunday next 19th, we will hold our last two draws of 1999. We will also have our special £400 Christmas Draw of 2 prizes of £50, 4 of £25, 5 of £20 and 10 of £10 for fully paid up members.

Lotto - On Monday next 20th, we have our special Christmas draw for a jackpot of £900.00, 2 prizes of £50, 4 of £25 and 4 of £10.

May we take this opportunity of thanking everyone who supported us during 1999 and look forward to your continued support during 2000. Also a special thanks to all our promoters and ticket sellers. Best wishes to everyone for a very happy and holy Christmas and New Year.

May I also take this opportunity to thank the staff of the Leader for giving me the space for my notes. We wish them a happy Christmas and a bright New Year.

PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL NEWS

VOLLEYBALL

The Cadets team played the first round of their league on Friday in Callan. It was a very successful day as the Lismore team did exceptionally well winning all of their matches in 2 sets to 0 victory, beating Callan 1 and 2, Carlow and Portlaoise. The team travel to Carlow on Tuesday, December 14th to play for a place in the Quarter Final. Wishing them the very best of luck.

The team as follows - E. Cahill, S. Bennett, S. Power, V. Kenneally, L. Geary, E. Feeney, A. Brien, C. Houlihan, D. Barry, B. Broderick.

LADIES FOOTBALL

On Friday, December 3rd we played a challenge match against a very strong Carrigtwohill team. The match was very close for most of the 1st half with only a few minutes to go Carrigtwohill got some lucky goals.

We used the full panel with all the subs getting a chance on the field. Although we were beaten the match was very good for us with some great passes showing the skills we have developed over the training sessions.

All the team tried their best with special mention to our back line in particular Lisa Daly, Claire Houlihan and Lisa Geary who did trojan work.

The team as follows: S. Power, K. Denn, L. Daly, A. M. Flanagan, L. Lawless, N. Ryan, N. Barry, L. Geary, C. Houlihan, M. Moynihan, A. Lonergan, M. Murphy, T. Buckley, D. Barry, S. Lawless. Subs - L. Casey, O. Roche, L. Geoghegan, E. Geary, N. Morrissey, T. Dunne, A. Walsh.

Training is now finished until after Christmas. Next session, Wednesday 12th January 3.45 - 5p.m.

LISMORE SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

The above party was held on Sunday last, 12th December in Lismore Hotel and was a great success. A total of 85 'guests' attended, where they enjoyed an evening dinner, music, song and dance. Special guests were Rev. Fr. Ml. Walsh, Rev. Dean Keone, his wife and sister-in-law. Local musicians provided the entertainment, M.C. Dick Ahearne kept all the guests on their toes, while Mike Humphries, vocalist and guitar; Billy Hogan, Pad Bennett, Dick Ahearne, accordion; Fr. Walsh, violin; Michael Landers, drum, played suitable dance music for the occasion. Vocalists included David Anglesey, Liam Power, John Whelan, Dean Beare and his sister-in-law, Babe Tierney and Bridie Barry. Mrs. Nora Hogan, Fourfield and John Cunningham, Ballynoe cut the celebration cake. A special thank you is extended to all the clubs, businesses, publicans and individuals for their sincere generosity, for the hard working ladies and mens committee, finally to Mr. Eugene Hyland and his capable and willing staff of Lismore Hotel, for making the evening so enjoyable, well done to all.

LISMORE DRAMATIC SOCIETY

We had a very successful Winter Fair on Sunday last. Our grateful thanks to all who helped in providing produce, manning the stall and buying tickets. We would particularly like to thank the Principal of the Primary School, David Corbett, Deirdre Kennefick and Jean O'Mahony for the wonderful production of carols and festive songs from the school children.

The Fire Brigade, under the direction of Station Officer, Eric Flynn provided the transport for Santa and entertained the children in the Fire Engine. Their efforts were very much appreciated. All our energy is now being directed into our musical which will be staged at the end of February.

We wish all our patrons, friends and colleagues a relaxed Christmas, and enjoyable Millennium and a prosperous New Year.

LATE HELEN KELLY (NEE AHEARNE), TALLOW

The death took place at her residence, 44 Woodview Park, Tallow, unexpectedly on Sunday, December 12th of Helen Kelly, (nee Ahearne) formerly of Ballyanchor, Lismore, wife of Sean and a daughter of the late Michael and sister of the late Mary. Her remains were removed from St. Carthages Mortuary, Lismore on Monday evening to the Church of the Sacred Heart Remembrance and the burial took place on Tuesday after 2p.m. Mass to adjoining cemetery. Deepest sympathy is extended to her husband Sean, her mother Nellie, brothers Billy, Gerard and Micheál, brother-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends. May she rest in peace.

LATE JOHN RYAN, SOUTH MALL, LISMORE

The death took place on Monday 13th, December of John Ryan, South Mall, Builders and Undertakers. Deepest sympathy is extended to his wife Mary, sons Pat, Kevin, John and Raymond, brothers Liam and Tom and extended family members. Full obituary report next week. May he rest in peace.



THE TANNERY RESTAURANT

OPENING HOURS FOR THE TANNERY RESTAURANT OVER THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD

Christmas Week—Monday 20th to Thursday 23rd inclusive open for lunch and dinner
 Christmas Eve — Lunch only
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TARZAN

(G) 88 MINS SAT. SUN 2.30 & 4.30

News of Town and Roundabout

'SUPER GRAN' COMPETITION

Nominations are being sought for the SUPER GRAN 2000 competition which will take place on Thursday January 6th at the Park Hotel, Dungarvan. Do you know a SUPER GRAN? Then nominate her for this great fun com-

petition. There will be 1st, 2nd and third prizes, with goodies for all the grannies taking part.

This promises to be a great night out with live music and great craic. Tickets are available from The Irish Wheelchair Shop, O'Connell Street, Dungarvan or at the door on the night. For details

phone Sadie Moynihan at 058-42726 or 086-8177733.

PROCEEDS FROM TERRY FOX RUN

The local committee of The Irish Cancer Society would like to thank every one who helped once again to make The Terry Fox Run so successful. The total amount raised

was £6,337.23 for cancer research.

DUNGARVAN G.A.A. LOTTO

Numbers: 26-11-14-18. No winner. Next week's jackpot: £4,400. Two winners of £25 each: Bridie Crotty, Congress Villas; Rosario Walsh, Congress Villas. Next week's draw at Paddy Foley's.

ABBEY BRIDGE CLUB

Club Pairs competition, 16th and 23rd October — 1, Carmel O'Sullivan and Eithne Keever; 2, Sheila Veale and Annabelle Lannen; best 1st session, Joan Mansfield and Margaret O'Donnell; best 2nd session, John Phelan and Des O'Toole.

Results, November 30 — 1, Margaret Foley and Cora Queally; 2, Bríd Culloo and Maura Brennock; 3, Bernie Murphy and Des O'Toole; 4, tie, Aida O'Neill and Margaret O'Donnell, Annabelle Lannen and Austin Fenton.

Results, December 7 — 1, Bridie McHugh and Des O'Toole; 2, Mary Fenton and Carmel O'Sullivan; 3, Ann Clarke and Lily Lineen; 4, Cora Queally and John Phelan.

CUNNIGAR BRIDGE CLUB

Results, 1st, Kay Kirwan and Maeve Carthy; 2nd jt., Ann Holland and guest, John Phelan and guest; 3, Kathleen Browne and Nuala De Paor; 4th, Bríd Culloo and Mel O'Connor.

DEISE BRIDGE CLUB

Results, 6th December — 1, Helen McCarthy and Nuala O'Donovan; 2, Sean and Nuala de Paor; 3, Moira Ormond and John Mansfield, Joan McCarthy and Helen Russell.

Turkey Night, 13th December — 1, Tom Mulcahy and John Mansfield; 2, Ina Considine and Moira Ormond; 3, Margaret O'Donnell and Joan Mansfield; 4, Justin Spratt and Ned Whelan. Play starts 6.30 p.m. on 20th December.

OB's Nite Club

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Doors open 10.30

Thursday Dec. 16

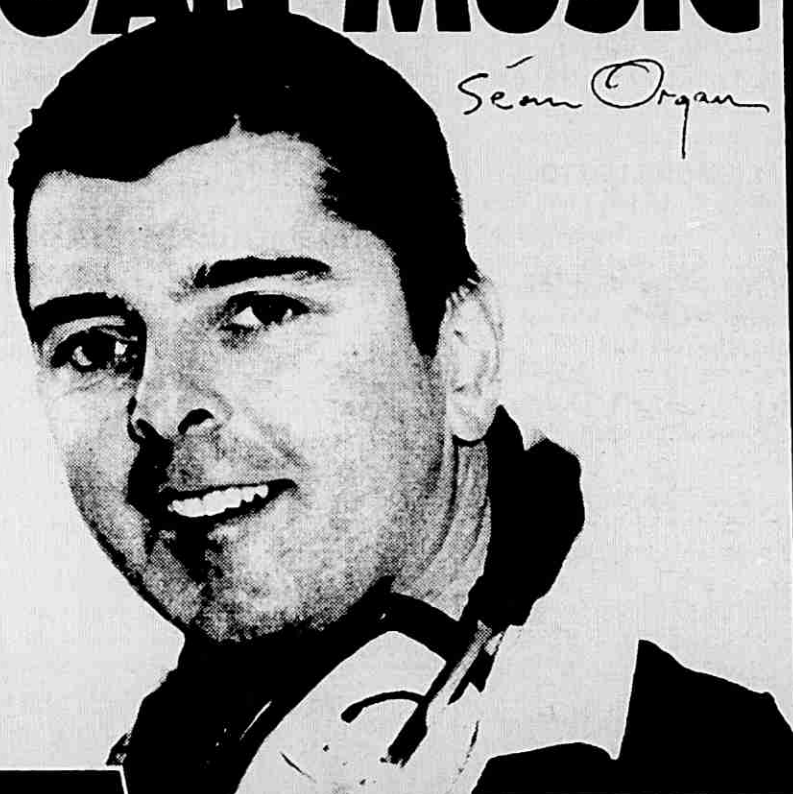
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Sunday 19th: THEM INDOORS
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Pre Christmas Bonanza
Wednesday: IRISH TRADITIONAL MUSIC
Friday: CHART MUSIC IN BAR
Saturday: Live Music in Bar -
PRELUDE

Sunday: CHART MUSIC IN BAR

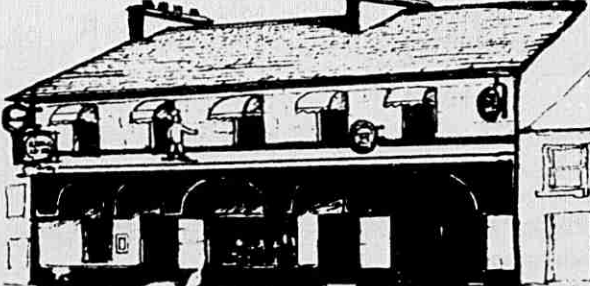
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Saturday 18th December —
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BAR RESTAURANT & NITE CLUB

CHRISTMAS EVENT GUIDE
Wed. 15th Dec. to Tues. 21st Dec.

This Wednesday 15th —
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Doors 11 p.m.

Thursday 16th —
Relive the eighties with the ultimate material girl
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Friday 17th — CHRISTMAS HIT MIX CLUB
Sat. 18th — DOUBLE CLUB-CRACKER
2 NITE CLUBS - ONE VENUE
One admission - Access all areas

Sunday 19th — **SOLID GOLD SUNDAY**
ALL THE HITS OF THE PAST

Monday 20th —
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Tuesday 21st —
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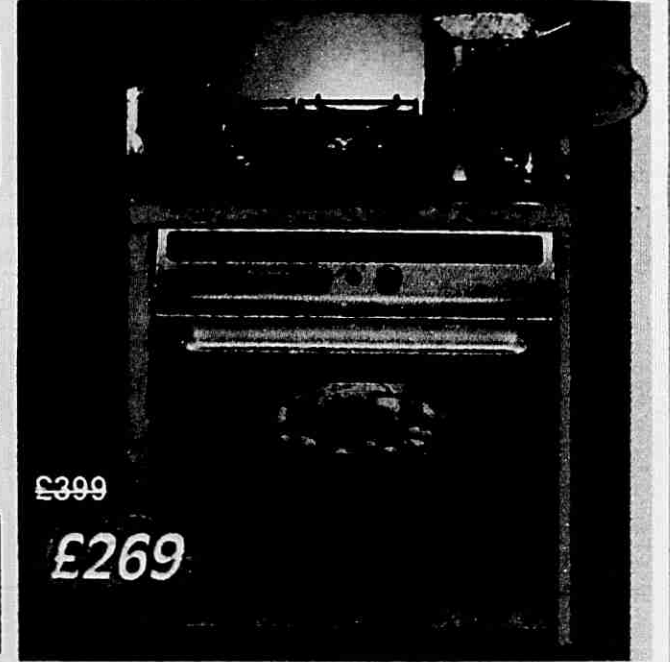
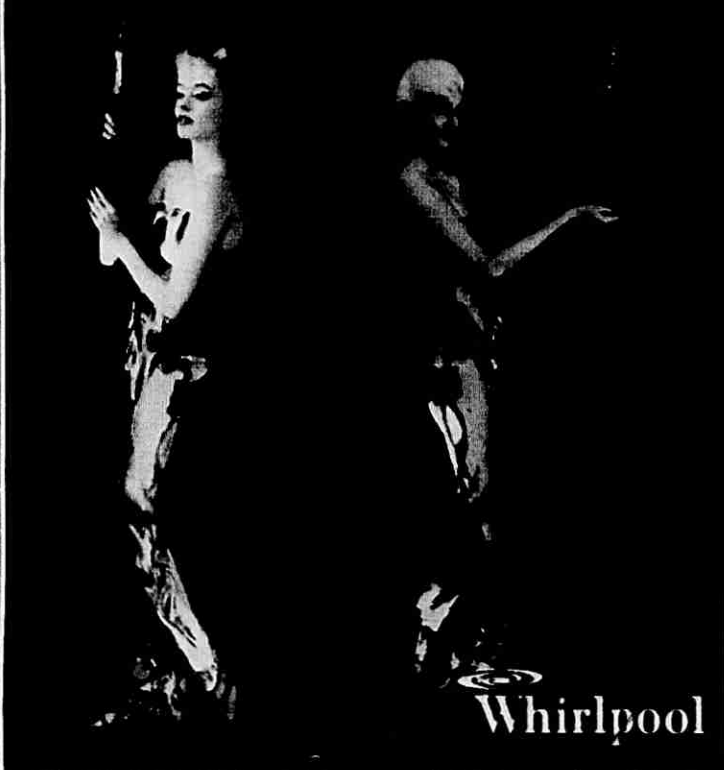
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TEN YEAR GUARANTEE ON ALL APPLIANCES

Dungarvan Chamber of Commerce Notes

BUSINESS OPENING HOURS DURING THE FESTIVE SEASON

The Chamber has conducted a mini survey of opening hours during Christmas week and the New Year. The following is a summary of the opening hours:

Monday, 20th December — Normal opening hours for most shops with the exception of Herlihy's Super Valu which will remain open until 9pm.

Tuesday, 21st December: — As above with the exception of Ryan's Super Valu, Darrers and Shaws which will remain open until 9pm. Eurospar will open from 8.00am-10.00pm.

Wednesday, 22nd December: — Most shops will remain open up until 8.30-9.00pm with the exception of Herlihy's Super Valu which will remain open until midnight.

Thursday, 23rd December: — As above.

Christmas Eve — Most shops will resume normal opening hours, closing at 5.30/ 6.00pm.

Christmas Day and Stephen's Day — Closed.

27th December - 30th December — Supermarkets will resume normal trading hours (Ryan's Super Valu will open from 9.00am-9.00pm on 29th and 30th December). Shaws will remain closed until the 28th.

31st December — Herlihy's will open from 8.00am-6.00pm. Darrers Stores will also open until 6.00pm. Ryan's Super Valu are closed.

Some retailers have not yet confirmed their opening hours for December 31st. Please refer to local businesses for more information.

January 3rd — Supermarkets resume trading as normal.

For further enquiries please contact Cait at the Chamber office at 058 45054.

RETAIL EXCELLENCE PROGRAMME AWARDED

A programme has been launched which is aimed at helping independent retailers compete with the supermarket chains. It is the CREST Retail Excellence Network which is a development programme that will run throughout 2000 and will deal with all facets of retail business practices.

To ensure that the programme is delivered locally, the courses will run in eight regions with each group limited to twelve retailers. The group will work together with expert advice being provided on such critical issues as store layout and design, setting and delivering standards as regards customer care, managing the product mix and many other aspects of retailing.

Quality seminars, workshops and networking events will all form part of this learning ex-

perience and participants will be able to suggest topics for inclusion in the various activities. This proactive initiative is crucial to bridge the skills gap forming between independent retailers and premium retail operators.

The cost of a year's participation is £345. This modest fee is possible because the initiative is supported by the Skillnets Training Networks programme with funding from the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment and the European Social Fund. The programme will kick off early in 2000. Information packs will be distributed to all retailers this week. Application forms will be included and should be forwarded to the Chamber office. For more information please contact Siobhán at 058 45054.

RETAIL NEWS

Santa is still in residence in the Town Hall in Friary Street and is looking forward to meeting even more of the children of Dungarvan. Shoppers will no doubt be filling in their names on the tickets for the fantastic draw involving a £2,000 pound holiday to Disney Land Florida. Very few towns in the country have such a promotion at Christmas time and the Chamber would like to thank all businesses that have participated in the campaign.

There has been very positive

reaction to the Christmas lights in Abbeyside- a special word of thanks to all those who have worked very hard to ensure that they would be lighting for Saturday last.

BUDGET UPDATE

The Chamber welcomes the u-turn undertaken by Minister McCreevy with regard to one-income families. While more people need to be encouraged in to the workforce, the Chamber believes that those who decide to remain at home for whatever reason should not be victimised.

NEW STAFF IN CHAMBER OFFICE

The Chamber is pleased to announce the addition of two members of staff to the Chamber office. The activities that will be undertaken by Cait O'Shea and Anne O'Farrell will include the production of a newsletter, the organisation of a calendar of events including business briefings and training events and the setting up of a library facility for members.

We have received many suggestions regarding activities that should be undertaken by the Chamber office in the New Year and details will be forwarded to members in January. We invite all members to drop in to our new office situated in The Courthouse or contact us at 058-45054 with any queries you may have.

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Christmas Day Closed	Friday 31st Closed
Sunday 26th Closed	Saturday 1st Closed
Monday 27th Closed	Monday 3rd Closed
Tuesday 28th Closed	From Tues. 4th Open as usual 9.30 am to 6.00 pm.
Wed. 29th 9.30 to 5.30 pm	Testing 5 days a week - Tues. to Sat. inclusive.

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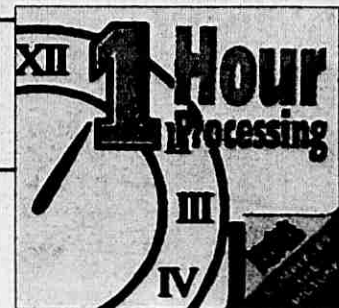
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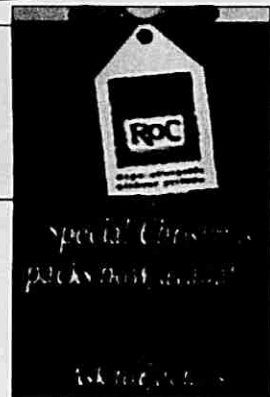
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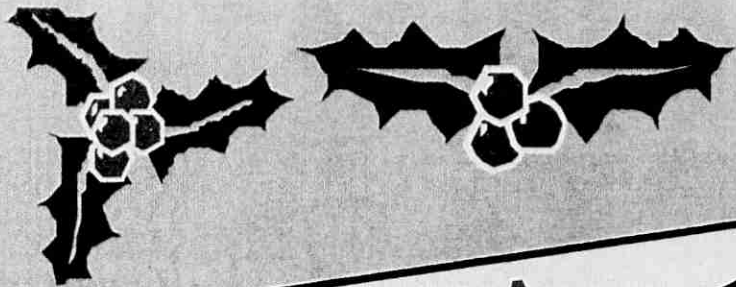


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- Tuesday December 21st from 2.30
- Wednesday December 22nd from 11.30
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Women Elected To Key Positions On Libraries Committee

The first meeting of the new Waterford County Libraries Committee was held in the Civic Offices recently where an all-female team was elected to top positions for the coming year. Waterford County Councillor Lola O'Sullivan of Fine Gael was elected to the position of Chairperson, succeeding outgoing Chairman Cllr. Michael O'Riordan who had chaired the committee for the best part of ten years. Cllr. O'Sullivan was proposed by Pat Coffey and seconded by Jackie O'Connell. The Vice-Chair went to Fianna Fail's Cllr. Nuala Ryan who was proposed by Cllr. Nora Flynn and seconded by Cllr. Geoff Power. Cllr. Ryan who is a member of Dungarvan UDC and Waterford County Council, had previously put forward the outgoing Vice-Chairman Cllr. Ciaran O Riain for the position. Cllr. O Riain however declined stating that he felt a fresh start for the new committee was appropriate. The County Libraries Committee which previously met only once a year will now hold quarterly meetings.

Pictured left are Michelle Ferncombe, daughter of Mary and Peter Ferncombe, 19 Caseyville, Dungarvan and Seamus Fitzgerald, son of Harriet and David Fitzgerald, Coolcotts, Wexford who were married in St. Mary's Parish Church, Dungarvan. Fr. Richard Geoghegan officiated and the reception was held in Lawlor's Hotel.

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Santa's Wonderland
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Sunday 19th December
2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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LIONS CLUB - Christmas Hamper Appeal 1999

The appeal will run from 10.00 am on Monday, 20th December, to 6.00 pm on Thursday, 23rd December

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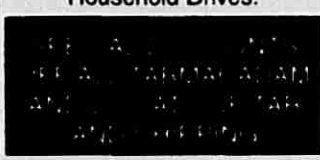
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Abbeyside Topics

Lighting Up Abbeyside An 'Illuminating' Project

Saturday last the 11th December at 5.00p.m. was a truly historic occasion for Abbeyside as the first ever set of Christmas Lights extending from Crotty's Corner to Devonshire Bridge were officially switched on in the presence of an enthusiastic gathering of Abbeyside people. These new lights, in conjunction with the Crib and the coloured lights on the tree over the Poor Mans Seat means that this area can truly be called 'The Trafalgar Square' of Abbeyside. More and more with the passage of time Abbeyside is confirming that it has a strong identity of its own and it is an identity that the people living therein can be proud of.

DEVELOPMENT OF AN IDEA

The project was the brainchild of three of our local councillors Damien Dillon, Michael O'Riordan and Paddy Power and just three weeks ago they approached the Pattern Committee about the project. These dedicated people adopted the idea enthusiastically which is what we have come to expect from a group of people who are always willing to promote pro-

jects that advance the image of Abbeyside. The Urban District Council and the Chamber of Commerce rowed in behind the idea with the Chamber of Commerce taking responsibility for the storage and maintenance of the lights.

ERECTING THE LIGHTS

Purchasing the lights is one thing - erecting them is another. The Council obliged by putting poles in position where they were necessary and we are grateful to them. Local electrical contractor James Conroy along with members of the Pattern Committee worked late into the cold December nights hanging the lights and testing them and again the people are truly grateful to them. How everything was done in such a short period of time was a miracle in itself. The 'lighting up of Abbeyside' can be regarded as an outstanding Millennium Project in its own right.

OFFICIAL SWITCH ON

Saturday last was cold but at 4.30p.m. our hearts were warm with expectation as we awaited the official switch on. The

amplification supplied us with seasonal music and as the number of onlookers increased the atmosphere thrilled us. Pattern Chairman John Hourigan got the proceedings under way with some well chosen words and then invited the Chairman of the Urban District Council to speak who was very pleased with all the work that had been done. Cllr. Damien Dillon reminded us of the £2000 holiday that could be won by those who shopped locally as well as the Santa Wonderland Project and the draw for the Tara Dinner Set.

The moment we had been waiting for came nearer as Cllr. Michael O'Riordan stepped onto the podium and with the audience counting down from ten Michael became the first public representative to switch on the new lights from Crotty's Corner to Devonshire Bridge. All those associated with the illumination of Abbeyside are to be congratulated and surely Councillors Dillon, O'Riordan and Power deserve the title 'The Three Wise Men'.

1970: THE TREBLE

Last week we wrote about the Minor Double at both Divisional and County level. As well Ballinacourty U21 footballers and Abbeyside U21 hurlers also rose to the occasion magnificently to achieve another Western Double. It seemed as though an 'impossible' Double-Double might be about to take place. It did not happen as the hurlers met an exceptional side in their County Final and failed at that last hurdle. However, the footballers made it a notable County Treble.

The under 21 hurlers defeated Cappoquin in a classical Western final at Dungarvan by 4-10 to 4-7, but were defeated by Ferrybank 6-5 to 3-7 in the County Final.

UNDER 21 FOOTBALL

The footballers retained their divisional title and then shocked the odds on favourites, John Mitchell's at Walsh Park on November 29th running out clear winners by 3-9 to 2-4. Of course it was sweet revenge for the last minute defeat of the previous year.

BALLINACOURTY

Jim Kiely, John Fraher, Micheál O Floinn, Felix Shields, Nicky Cashin, Mickey Fives, Jim Fraher, Greg Fives (Capt.), Peter Flynn, Seamus Fitzgerald, Aiden Barron, Marty Kiely, Dónal O'Connor, Michael Hanrahan, Anthony Landers.

Sub - John Hourigan.
Selectors - Tom Melody, Vincent Mulligan, Danny Lenihan, Bernard Shields and Tony Mansfield who was also the team trainer.

UNDER 14'S GET GOING

In 1969 the Abbeyside - Ballinacourty club promoted a special U14 Parish Football League with a view to

impressing their position at juvenile level. Divisional Board Chairman, Nioclás MacCraith, was invited to present the trophies and these events set in train the momentum which brought about the introduction of the U14 Hurling and Football Championships.

The Abbeyside U14 hurlers won the first ever Divisional Championship in 1970 defeating Tallow by 3-2 to 2-3 in the final. Stradbally won the football beating Abbeyside in the final, 2-2 to 0-3 and the two winning teams were awarded a free trip to Croke Park, coach Robin Ahearne accompanying the Stradbally boys.

REPRESENTATIVES ON COUNTY TEAMS

Senior Hurling - Pat Enright
Under 21 Football - Greg Fives, Seamus Fitzgerald.
Minor Hurling - Micheál O Floinn, Nicky Cashin, Michael Hanrahan (sub), Humphrey Kelleher (sub).
Minor Football - Michael Hanrahan, Humphrey Kelleher, Jim Kiely (sub) Jim Fraher (sub).

ABBEYSIDE - DUNGARVAN BRIDGE

Last week in our article about the building of a bridge between Abbeyside and Dungarvan (and remember there was no mention of a causeway in these early discussions) we pointed out that the whole issue was really a political one with the Beresford family engaging in a vote gathering exercise in opposition to the Duke of Devonshire. History teaches us that basically life does not change much over the centuries.

THE FERRY

Before the bridge was constructed some people travelled by Ferry from a slipway opposite the newly constructed WLR studio. The ferry was owned by a Mr. Grogan who hailed from either Co. Wexford or Co. Wicklow. He received a yearly rent of £70 for the use of it by his tenant who could make up to £200 a year.

THE FORD

The poorer classes crossed by a ford on the site of the present Causeway which could only be done at low tide. Horses and carriages also crossed by this ford and had been doing so from time immemorial.

MORSEBY BUOY

We reported last week that the Morseby Buoy had been painted and was now looking as good as new. The work was carried out under the auspices of the Abbeyside Pattern Committee who were originally responsible for the siting of the monument.

CHRISTMAS NATIVITY PLAY

A total of 150 young children from the age of three years upwards from every corner of the Parish will take part in a Nativity play in Abbeyside Church on Sunday 19th December at 4.00p.m. and again in Ballinroad Church on Tuesday 21st December at 7.00p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend the performances. This is a novel idea for our Parish and will be looked forward to enthusiastically by many people.

MASS FOR DECEASED RESIDENTS

The 8.30a.m. Mass in Abbeyside Church on Sunday next the 19th December will be offered for all the deceased residents of Murphy Place in the last 50 years.

Abbeyside Reference Archive

LIMEKILNS

The things that interest us in the Archive change from time to time and just recently a girl from Waterford city gave us a detailed written report on the limekiln at the Cove in our neighbouring parish of Stradbally. This put us thinking of how many limekilns exist in the parish of Abbeyside? We know a number have disappeared in recent years.

Maybe when we get out thatched house survey out of the way we will focus our attention on that question and if we gather the information we will let you know the answer.

This Sunday evening Eddie Cantwell will finish off the centenary at the Archive as we will not be open for business on the 26th December. We do wish to say there is no truth in the rumour that Seamus Fintan and Co. are "going out with the wren".

ABBEYSIDE A.F.C. NOTES

Il Bueno Sinks Leaders

MOONCOIN 1 ABBEYSIDE 3

Abbeyside travelled to league leaders Mooncoin with a win absolutely vital to stay in the title race. That the team responded to the challenge was important but the manner in which they responded was amazing as they totally outplayed and out-fought a rugged home side.

The shining jewel for the visitors was young Piero Menor who notched a superb hat trick. However the victory was built on the solid foundation of a back four inspired by skipper James Sheehan whose dedication to the jersey is unparalleled. Eugene Curran again impressed in defence with some tigerish tackling. Ray Cliffe and Richie Ferncombe were excellent at the back.

Midfield of Dalton, O'Riordan and Casey were mostly on top while up front Menor was sensational alongside the elegant McCoomb and rejuvenated Damien Cliffe. Abbeyside took the lead from a free kick with Piero firing home from 25 yards. We went 2 up when Piero again picked up the ball from the left beat 2 defenders and fired in from 25 yards.

The rout was completed when 20 minutes into the second half he raced half the length of the pitch to chip the keeper for a glorious goal. Again a special mention to Liam Fraher who was exceptional in the village goal.

Team - Fraher, Ferncombe, Sheehan (C.), Curran, R. Cliffe, D. Cliffe, J. O'Riordan, A. Dalton, P. Menor, P. McCoomb, O'Casey. Subs. - R. O'Keeffe for McCoomb (86), Burke, Hallahan not used.

MILLENNIUM CELEBRATION

The final details are being concluded and the arrangements are as follows: Monday, December 27th - 3.00p.m. Abbeyside Old V. Abbeyside Current; 3.40p.m. - Half Time Penalty Shoot Out for Veterans; 3.55p.m. - 2nd Half of Old V. New game; 5.00p.m. - Official Unveiling of Club Millennium Paintings at Radleys Bar by one of club's founders. Refreshments will be served and there will be music.

EMIGRANTS

Any families with people returning who have played for the club are invited to forward names to any committee member.

PIERO DEPARTS

Team sensation Piero Menor departs for Madrid on Saturday for Christmas holidays. We will miss him for the home games against Villa on December 18th and Dungarvan on January 8th. An unbelievably talented player he will be missed but we wish him a bon voyage and we will see him again after Christmas.

ARSENAL TRIAL

Piero received the happy news that he has been invited to trial for Arsenal next August. It comes as no surprise that his talent has been recognised and no doubt it will be the first of many opportunities for this young player.

U-12 GAME

Our U-12 game was called off on Saturday and a lot of players were disappointed but we have plenty of time left to continue our winning streak.

U-11

Our U-11 end the year with an away tie to Ballyduff on Saturday. It's vital we win this game to stay within a victory of Ballinroad and Southend. All players to be at the Cross at 9.00a.m. on Saturday 18th, December.

SYMPATHY

Sincerest sympathy is extended to the family of the late Noel Kirwan, Lemybrien. Noel represented the club on a number of occasions while his son Brian has played for the club for a number of years with distinction. To his grieving family we offer sincere condolences. In oileann Dé go dtugtar sinn.

LOTTO DRAW

Weekend 13/12/99. Jackpot £200. The numbers drawn were 2, 9, 20. There was no winner. The next draw will be held on Monday 20th December.

NEW FÁS MAN

Ned Coleman has joined our Fás scheme and is a welcome addition to the club. Ned who played for the club in the seventies and eighties always had a great affinity with it and on behalf of the club we give him a warm welcome.

FIXTURES

Saturday 18th December - U-11 Ballyduff v. Abbeyside, 10.30a.m.; Division 2A Abbeyside v. Villa, 2.15p.m.

LAST GAME OF MILLENNIUM

The last league match of the Millennium at Stucco Lane takes place on Saturday in the 2A League v. Villa F.C. It would be so nice to sign off the century and indeed the Millennium with a victory.

CONTINUED RECOVERY

Michael Cowming continues to recover from the injury he sustained against Park Rangers and he hopes to be back for the local Derby v. Dungarvan. Best wishes Michael.

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Planning Notices

Dungarvan Urban District Council - I intend to apply to the above authority for permission to extend existing tyre centre at Kiltrush Industrial Park, Dungarvan. Signed: P. Flynn.

Waterford County Council - We intend to apply to the above authority for permission to construct a dormer bungalow and ancillary works at Loughanunna, Abbeyside. Signed: G. and A. O'Connor.

Waterford County Council - I intend to apply to the above authority for approval to construct a bungalow and ancillary works at Furraleigh, Kilmacthomas. Signed: P. Flynn.

Waterford County Council - We intend to apply to the above authority for planning permission to construct a dormer bungalow and ancillary works at Knockmeal, Ballinamult. Signed: J. P. Fitzpatrick and C. Murphy.

Waterford County Council - I, Bridget Flynn, intend to apply to Waterford County Council for outline permission to construct dwelling, treatment plant and entrance at Ballymacart Upper, Old Parish, Co. Waterford.

Waterford County Council - Permission is sought to relocate existing entrance and to construct new domestic entrance at Ballynacourty. - J. McGrath.

Waterford County Council - I, Michael O'Brien, am applying for outline permission to construct a dwelling at Garranaspic, Kinsalebeg.

Waterford County Council - I am applying to the above authority for outline planning permission for one house site on my lands at Croan Lower, Kilgally, Clonmel. Signed: William Burke.

Waterford County Council - I wish to apply to the above authority for outline planning permission for site for a dwelling at Carrigeen, Kill. Signed: Anthony Lennon.

Waterford County Council - Dave Feeney is applying for permission for alterations and extensions to existing work house and for change of use to 3 no. apartments at Townparks East Td., Lismore.

Waterford County Council - We, Nicky and Dorothy Ahearn, wish to apply for change of house type from bungalow to two storey with septic tank and garage at Kereen, Aghish, Cappoquin, Co. Waterford.

Waterford County Council - I wish to apply to the above authority for outline planning permission to construct a dormer bungalow, septic tank and percolation areas at my lands at Colligan More, Dungarvan. Signed: Liam Browne.

Waterford County Council - I, Mary Fleming, intend to apply to Waterford County Council for outline permission to construct dwelling, treatment plant and entrance at Tinnabinn, Clashmore, Co. Waterford.

Dungarvan Urban District Council - Permission is sought to convert building known as Moloneys Store at Lower Main Street to public house, with basement under and ancillary works, 6 no. maisonettes and 5 no. apartments and consequential alterations to elevations. - A. Halley and E. O'Brien



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ALLRIDGE, George, died December 15, 1974, Pinewood Lawn, Dungarvan.

Fond memories of a wonderful Dad,
Always in our thoughts.
(Ann, Tina, Neva and families.)

BUMSTER — Ninth Anniversary — In loving memory of Michael Bumster, late of Ballylemon, Cappagh, who died on December 18, 1990.

Time slips by and still you stay,
As near and dear as yesterday,
No longer in our hearts to share,
But in our hearts you are always there.

(Always remembered by your loving wife Kathleen and all the family.)

DAVIS — Twenty-ninth Anniversary — In loving memory of Daniel Davis, late of Barrack Street, Tallow and Manchester, who died on December 16, 1970. On his soul sweet Jesus have mercy. Masses offered.

A tribute of love to a brother so dear,
So close to our hearts each day of the year,
We will always have memories to cherish and hold,
Of a wonderful brother more precious than gold.

(Always remembered by his loving brothers Michael and Tommy, and sister Marie.)

DEE — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of Ellen (Nellie) Dee, late of Monarud, Dungarvan, who died on December 18, 1995. R.I.P.

Anniversary Mass in Kilgobinet on Saturday, December 18, at 7.30 p.m.

Happy memories last forever,
Of days when we were all together,
Each of us in our own way,
Have special thoughts of you today.

Quietly your memory we treasure,
Loving you always, forgetting you never,
Time may heal the heartaches,
Like the smile that hides the tears,
But happy memories keep you close,

Despite the passing years,
You always had a smile to share,
Time to love, time to care,
Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day.

Will those who think of her today,
A little prayer to Jesus say,
(Always remembered by your loving family.)

O'DWYER — Tenth Anniversary — In loving memory of Ellen O'Dwyer, late of 16, St. Brigid's Terrace, Dungarvan, who died on December 18, 1989.

Anniversary Mass on Thursday, December 16, at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph's Hospital chapel.

Always willing to understand,
With a loving heart and a helping hand,
She was gentle and kind right up to the end,
A wonderful mother and a truly great friend.
(From her loving family.)

FENNESSY — In loving memory of our loving parents, Jackie and Alice Fennessy, late of Coolisheal, Ballyduff, whose anniversaries occur around this time.

They were parents so very rare,
Content in their home and always there,
Nothing can dim the faces we loved,
The memory of their smile,
The countless things they said and did,

To make our lives worthwhile,
On earth they toiled, in heaven they rest,
God bless you both, ye were the best,
Wishing your absence was only a dream,
Precious things are very few,

The blow was hard, the shock was severe,
To part with ye we loved so dear,
We shared some laughter and some tears,
But best of all, we shared great years,
Your love was great, your heart was kind,

What beautiful memories ye left behind,
Our loss is great, we'll not complain,
But trust in God to meet again,
Of all the gifts in life,
However great or small,
To have you both as parents,
Was the greatest gift of all.

(Sadly missed and forever in our thoughts — Sheila, Breda, John, Michael, daughter-in-law, sons-in-law and grandchildren.)

LYONS — In loving memory of Paddy and Elizabeth Lyons, late of Congress Villas, Dungarvan, whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Mass will be offered on Sunday, 19th December at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Though absent you are always near,
Still loved, still missed, still very dear.
(From all the family at home and abroad.)

MORRISSEY — Fourteenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my husband, John Morrissey, late of Mitchel Street, Dungarvan, who died on December 21, 1985. Masses offered.

Deep are the memories, precious they stay,
No passing of time can take them away.

(Always remembered by his wife Marie, granddaughters Hélène and Kay.)

NORRIS — Thirty-ninth Anniversary — In loving memory of our mother, Ellen Norris, late of Englishtown, Stradbally, who died on December 17, 1960.

In heaven you rest, no worry, no pain,
In God's own time we will meet again,
Simple words but very true,
We will always love and remember you.
(Inserted by all her loving family.)

O'MAHONY — In loving memory of Catherine O'Mahony, 6, Cloneety Terrace, Dungarvan, who died on December 15, 1983. Also Jack O'Mahony who died on February 10, 1986.

Will those who think of them today,
A little prayer to Jesus say,
(Never forgotten by their sons, daughters, in-laws and grandchildren.)



O'GRADY — Third Anniversary — Cherished memories of a dear husband and father, Jack O'Grady, late of Broe, Ballinamult, who died on December 14, 1996.

Anniversary Mass on Saturday at 7.30 p.m. in Touraneena Church.

No words can say how we feel today,
And have felt in our hearts since you went away,
No sound on earth can ever replace,
The sound of your voice and your smiling face,
We hide our tears when we speak your name,
But the pain in our hearts remains the same,
Beautiful memories are all we have left,
Of one of the dearest and one of the best.
(Loved and remembered always — your wife Kit and family Ellis, Elaine and Walter.)

WALSH — Twelfth Anniversary — In memory of our late grandmother, Statia Walsh, 25, Caseyville, Dungarvan, who died on December 16, 1987.

We close our eyes and see your face,
We hear you call our names,
Then with a smile you take our hands,
And stroll down memory lane,
Then all too soon you wave goodbye,
As tears fall from my eyes,
With an aching heart I whisper low,
We love you granny and miss you so.

(Sadly missed by your loving daughter-in-law Marion, grandchildren Deirdre, Mark, Patricia, Angela, Nicola, John and wife Shelly, greatgrandchild Aaron.)

WALSH — Twelfth Anniversary — In memory of my dear mother, Statia Walsh, 25, Caseyville, Dungarvan, who died on December 16, 1987.

A mother's love is a special gift,
One you think will stay,
You never dream the day will come,
When she will go away,
And when the moment comes,
And you have to say goodbye,
The pain just overwhelms you,
And all you do is cry.

I can't get over losing you,
No matter how I try,
I will always keep you in my heart,
Until the day I die.

So always stay beside me,
It helps to know you're there,
Thank you for the memories,
And the times we loved and shared.

(Sadly missed by your daughter Maura, son-in-law Tim and grandchildren Timothy, Aidan, Aaron, Marie and Fergal.)

WALSH — Twelfth Anniversary — In memory of my grandmother, Statia Walsh, 25, Caseyville, Dungarvan, whose anniversary occurs on December 16, 1987.

Nanny, we love you,
We wish you were here,
How we long to touch you,
We wish you were near.
So Nan in your heavenly home up above,
Look down upon us as we send you our love.

(Sadly missed by your loving granddaughter Valerie, husband Mike and greatgrandchildren Craig and Michelle.)

WALSH — Twelfth Anniversary — In memory of my dear mother, Statia Walsh, 25, Caseyville, Dungarvan, who died on December 16, 1987. R.I.P.

Anniversary Mass on Sunday, December 19, at 10 a.m. in St. Mary's Parish Church.

A loving spray of memories,
Tied up with all our love,
Memories we will treasure,
Of the one we dearly loved.
In the centre of God's garden,
There is someone special there,

That someone is our mother,
The best beyond compare.

(Always remembered and sadly missed by your loving son Billy, daughter-in-law Nora and grandchildren David, Jacqueline, Claire and Siobhain.)

BARRY — First Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear brother, Cyril Barry, Springfield, Dungarvan, who died on December 10, 1998.

We sat beside your bedside,
We watched you fade away,
Although our hearts were breaking,
We knew you could not stay.

Your painful days are over,
Your restless nights have passed,
God gently closed your eyes,
And gave you peace at last.

(Never forgotten — your sister Helen, Micko, Mandy and Leanne X X X.)

BARRY — First Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear nephew, Cyril Barry, Springfield, Dungarvan, who died on December 10, 1998.

Just as evening came to an end,

You heard a gentle call,
And, taking the hand of Jesus,
You gently left us all.
You suffered much in silence,
But your spirit did not bend,
You faced each day with courage,

And smiled right to the end.

(Never forgotten by your loving Aunt Bride, Brian, David and Kevin X X X.)

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Acknowledgments

THOMAS LONERGAN Cappelquin

The family of the late Thomas Lonergan wish to express their sincere thanks to all who shared their recent loss; who attended the funeral, sent letters, cards of sympathy, Mass cards and floral tributes. A special thank you to Dr. Hill and ambulance service; also the staff of Waterford Regional Hospital. A thank you too to Fr. Arthur, Fr. Power, Fr. O'Farrell, Fr. Sweeney, Fr. Crowley and Monsignor Olden; Cappelquin/Affane G.A.A. for their guard of honour at the church and funeral. The kindness and assistance of all the neighbours was appreciated. The holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intention as a token of our gratitude.



MARY GEOGHEGAN Boreenatra Dungarvan

The family of the late Mary Geoghegan wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with us on our recent sad loss of our mother and grandmother. A thank to all who attended her rosary, funeral and burial; to those who sent Mass cards, floral tributes and letters of sympathy. We thank the clergy Fr. Grant, Very Rev. Fr. J. Kiely, P.P. and Very Rev. Fr. O'Reilly, O.S.A., C.C. A thank you to the gravediggers, altar servers, sacristan and James Kiely & Sons, Funeral Directors, for all their help and professionalism; to Dr. Brady who was so attentive to Mary. Special words of thanks to Maudie Tutty and family and to Br. John Joe Cahill, Mitchelstown, our very dear friends over many years.

The holy sacrifice of the Mass is being offered for your intentions as a token of our deepest gratitude.

ANN (CISS) BROWNE Parklane, Abbeyside Dungarvan

The family of the late Ann (Ciss) Browne wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement; those who sent Mass cards and letters of sympathy. Also those who attended rosary, funeral and burial; kind neighbours and friends who called and helped in many ways. A special word of thanks to Fr. Doherty, Fr. Keogh and Fr. Ahearn. Also, a very special thanks to Nollaig, Laura, Bridget and Gail for their wonderful kindness to Mum over the years.

The holy sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for the intentions of all as a token of appreciation and gratitude.

EILY BUCKLEY Ballyhane Cappelquin

The family of the late Eily Buckley R.I.P. wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement; those who sent Mass cards, letters of sympathy, floral tributes; also those who attended the funeral and burial. A special word of thanks to the Sisters, nurses and staff of the Sisters of the Bon Saveur, Carriglea, for the love and care given to Eily during her long stay in Carriglea.

The holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Month's Mind Mass for Paddy will be celebrated at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 22nd in St. Laurence's Church, Ballinroad.

Birthday Remembrances



FRAHER — Birthday Remembrance — In loving memory of our dear son, Pat Fraher, late of 6, St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, whose thirtieth birthday occurs on December 12.

I want to tell you something, Pat,
I don't know here to start,
I only know I miss you,
From the bottom of my heart.
I often lie awake at night,
When the world is fast asleep,
And take a trip down memory lane,
With tears upon my cheek,
I remember a smile I would love to see,
And a hand I would love to touch,
I remember a voice I would love to hear,
And a son I love so much.
Lots of things have happened, Pat,
Since you passed away,
Things you would have shared with us,
If God had let you stay,
But a heart of gold stopped beating,
Two smiling eyes took rest,
It must be true when it is said,
God only takes the best.
So angels in heaven, hear my prayer,
Look after my son with loving care,
Will those who think of him today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.
(Always missed, never forgotten by Mam and Dad. X X X.)

FRAHER — Birthday Remembrance — In loving memory of my dear brother, Pat Fraher, late of 6, St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, whose thirtieth birthday occurs on December 12.

The lonely way you died, Pat,
Is always on my mind,
I wonder if you called my name,
I wonder if you cried.
No one you loved was by your side,
To hear your last faint sigh,
To whisper just a loving word,
Or say a last goodbye.
Sometimes I think I'm dreaming,
I cannot believe it's true,
That I can go on living,
Now that I no longer have you,
So, forgive me, Lord if today I weep,
For a brother I lost and couldn't keep.
(Sadly missed — Josephine, Ricky, Darragh and Steven X X X.)



TOBIN — Birthday Remembrance of Andy Tobin, late of 27 Cathal Brugha Place, Dungarvan, whose birthday occurs on December 13.

This world can never feel,
How dearly we loved you,
And prayed you might live,
But Jesus just beckoned,
And we had to give.
No matter how much our lives may change,
We will never forget those special years,
The ones we shared with you.
Will those who think of Andy today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.
(Always remembered by Catherine, your son Anthony and your two daughters Ashling and Laura.)

FRAHER — Birthday Remembrance — In loving memory of my dear brother, Pat Fraher, late of 6, St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, whose thirtieth birthday occurs on December 12.

God chose to take my brother,
He wanted one so fine,
Of God above, please tell me,
Why it had to be mine.
To know him was to love him,
His kind and loving smile,
To have him as a brother,
Made everything worthwhile.
No length of time will heal my grief,
My love for you is far too deep,
With broken heart I whisper low,
God bless you Pat, I miss you so.
(Never forgotten by your loving sister Ursula and nephew Daniel. X X X)

FRAHER — Birthday Remembrance of Pat Fraher, late of 6, St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, whose birthday occurs on December 12.

I lost a brother with a heart of gold,
How much I miss you, Pat, can never be told,
You shared my troubles and helped me along,
If I follow your footsteps I will never go wrong.
A special person, a special face,
A special brother I will never replace.
(Always remembered, never forgotten — your loving brother Tomás and Susan.)

FRAHER — Birthday Remembrance of Pat Fraher, late of 6, St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, whose thirtieth birthday occurs on December 12.

Wouldn't it be lovely, Pat,
Your smiling face to see,
Standing at the doorstep,
The way you used to be,
All our lives we loved you,
To us you were so dear,
No matter when we needed you,
We always found you near,
There are so many things to thank you for,
We don't know where to start,
Except to say we love you,
From the bottom of our heart.
(Always remembered — Mairead,

Birth

On December 8, to Lindsay Walton and Martin McCarthy, Touraneena, a beautiful son, Brandon. The nicest Christmas present we could have wished for.
Congratulations and all our love. — Bobby, Catherine, Julia and Seán.

NOVENAS

NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART — Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked you for many favours, this time I ask for this special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus and place it within your own broken heart, where your Father sees it. Then, in his merciful eyes, it will become your favour, not mine. Amen. Say this prayer for three days and promise publication and favour will be granted. Never known to fail. —

THE MIRACULOUS PRAYER — Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked you for many favours. This time I ask for this special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus and place it within your own broken heart, where your Father sees it. Then, in his merciful eyes, it will become your favour, not mine. Amen. Say this prayer for three days. Promise publication and prayer will be granted. Never known to fail. With grateful thanks. — A.H.

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Month's Mind Mass

The Month's Mind Mass for the late Eileen Elsted, 18, Fitzgerald's Terrace, Dungarvan, will be celebrated in St. Mary's Parish Church on Sunday, December 19, at 12 noon.

FRAHER — Birthday Remembrance — In loving memory of my dear brother, Pat Fraher, late of 6, St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, whose birthday occurs on December 12.

As we look upon your picture, Pat,
Sweet memories we recall,
Of a face so full of sunshine,
And a smile for one and all.
Sweet Jesus take this message,
To my dear brother up above,
And wish him a very happy birthday,
And give him all our love.
(Loved and remembered always — your loving brother Michael, Julie and Aisling X X X.)

WEST WATERFORD NOTES

IN HOSPITAL

Get well wishes to Eddie Costin, Piltown, Kinsalebeg who is presently in hospital recovering from a fall. Get well soon Eddie and hope to see you out and about soon.

OLD STILL DARTS

We had no game last Friday night, but we still picked up five points from the bye. We are holding on to our position at the top of the league, with Castle Lodge and the Decies hot on our heels. No room for complacency then, as we look forward to the challenge of the Cruiscín Lán next Friday night, our last match of this Millennium.

As we had no Friday night league match a doubles tournament for Turkeys and Ham was held on Saturday night. Brian Maher and Stephen Kenneally teamed up to win the tournament in some style beating our Ardmore/Kilbrien combination in the final. Peter Fitzgerald won a bottle of wine for the highest check out an incredible 157. Well done Peter.

Same again next Saturday night. Starting time 8.30 pm. There will be a handicap system in place for this tournament, with any mixed doubles starting from 401. Good news to Vaughan I'm sure!!

SPONSORED POOL TOURNAMENT

There will be a doubles Pool Tournament in the Old Still next Sunday evening with sponsorship from Carlsberg. Every entrant will receive a pint of

Carlsberg. The winning duo will receive free tickets to Clashmore Ramblers next home game. In addition to this wonderful prize, the winners will also receive £50 each, with prizes also for losing finalists. Starting time 7.00 pm.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

Clashmore/Kinsalebeg Community Alert Group would like to extend a sincere thank you to the people of Clashmore and Piltown who contributed to their Church Gate Collections held at both churches last weekend. It was very much appreciated.

A happy and safe Christmas to all of you and be alert!

GET WELL WISHES

Our very good wishes for a speedy recovery to our good friend Martin Baker, Clashmore village who is presently a patient in Waterford Regional Hospital. Hope to have you well and back with us very soon Martin from all your family and friends.

POKER CLASSIC

The Poker Classic in the Decies last Friday night was won by the "Poker Shark" Pat Dalton, second was Mary Deady and third was Sheila Foley. Next Friday night the cards start at 9.30 pm.

CLASHMORE LOTTO

The Clashmore lotto jackpot is still holding out but there's more to be won and you still have time before Christmas. The numbers last weekend were 8-10-18-23. Each of the following won £10 each; James Coughlan, Kinsalebeg; Tommy Keogh, Kinsalebeg; David Mangan, David Walsh and Murty Barron, Kilmaloo. Next week there is £2,200 to be won so get your numbers in.

DART NEWS

Last Friday night the Decies team had a big trip away to the Coopers and we came away with a result of 4-4. Next Thursday night we play the "Welcome Inn" here at home. Please note the change of night.

PARISH LEAGUE 1999

Once again our popular Parish League has come to an end. Thanks to the hard working team of organisers, Tim O'Keefe, Liam O'Donnell, Liam O'Rourke and Brendan Griffin. The winners in this league have to be the boys and girls who enjoyed some great football over the past few weeks. Our sincere thanks to everyone who made it all possible.

DECIES DOUBLES TOURNAMENT

Last Sunday night there was a very large turnout for the very successful Pool Tournament sponsored by Budweiser. The winners of the £200 cheque were Richie Fitzgerald and Seamus Aherne (some would say Seamus' dancing skills were more popular than his pool playing!). The runners up were Tomas Bourke and Patrick Troy. It was a very exciting finish with the final going down to the black ball in the fifth game. Congratulations to you all.

SCHOOL DRAW

Ballycurrane Parents Association are holding their annual Christmas Hamper raffle in aid of School Funds on this Sunday night. The draw takes place at the Decies Bar and some tickets are still available.

CLASHMORE/KINSALEBEG PLOUGHING ASSOCIATION

Annual Social — On Saturday January 15th Clashmore/Kinsalebeg Ploughing Association will hold their Annual Ploughing Social at Lawlor's Hotel, Dungarvan. Tickets are now available at £12 each. This year we are very honoured to have as our special guest the 1999 World Ploughing Champion, Mr. Martin Keogh of Wexford.

WEST WATERFORD PONY CLUB

Successful Quiz — A very successful Table Quiz was held on Friday November 26th at Ballyrafter House Hotel, Lismore. Twenty two teams took part. It was very exciting to watch the leading team change many times during the night. Eventually Nancy Willoughby's team and Mary Allen's emerged joint 1st with the prize money being divided between both teams. The quiz master was D. McCarthy, Ballynoe. Many thanks to all who supported the draw and quiz.

Christmas Fun Ride — On Thursday December 30th we plan (weather permitting) to have a fun ride in "Scarook Wood" - outside Lismore. Members are asked to assemble at the Dump at 12 noon on their ponies.

Pony Club Membership — As any of our members will tell you our Pony Club has so much to offer all our young members. It gives you all a chance to ride, learn and enjoy your pony in a knowledgeable and safe environment.

Anyone wishing to join our club for the next year are very welcome to do so. All membership is now due. Membership and enquiries to Joan Vaughan at (024) 95266 or Sara Wilson (058) 54842 for further information.

Seasons Greetings — As this will be our final Pony Club report before Christmas we would like to wish all our members and friends a very Happy Christmas and every good wish for the New Year.

CLASHMORE ENTERPRISE GROUP

A well supported Annual General Meeting of Clashmore Enterprise Group took place on Friday night. Once again the officers remain the same for the coming year.

Chairman Liam Curran. Vice Chairman Davie Foley. Secretary Billy Dunne. Joint Treasurers; Kit Lombard, T. O'Murphy. P.R.O. Bridie Foley. Our committee remains the same with some new names to be added this year.

Heritage Centre Almost Complete — All present at the meeting were informed of the progress on our new Heritage Centre. Mike Foley Construction have almost completed the work on the restoration of the building. Early in the new year it is hoped our hard working committee can begin collection of items which may be of local and historical interest for display in the centre. If you have any item which you may wish to display please contact any member of the Enterprise Group Draw.

Funding is vital for the development of the Heritage Centre and we appeal for your continued support and donations. A Monster Draw will take place in the new year with some brilliant prizes on offer. Further details later.

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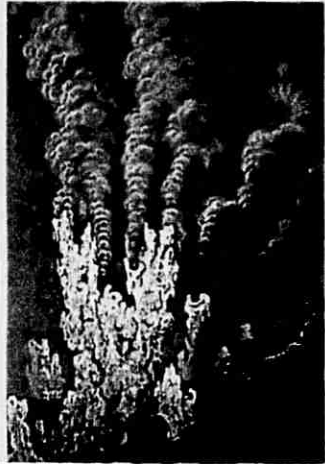
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EARTHQUAKES AND VOLCANOES

DANGER ZONES

Volcanoes and earthquakes occur most often along the boundary between two of the Earth's tectonic plates. Cities built near these plate boundaries are most likely to have volcanoes and earthquakes. Children who go to school in these zones have to practice earthquake drills as well as fire drills.



BLACK SMOKE

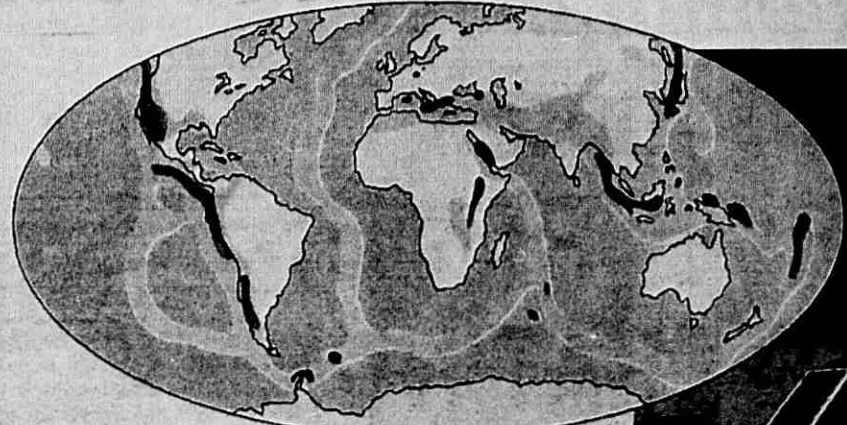
An underwater volcano (left) is sometimes called a black smoker, because huge plumes of black underwater smoke form where magma leaks out through the sea floor. This can kill some living creatures, while others thrive on it. Some earthquake zones are in the middle of oceans, others are on land, where people live.

Make A Seismograph

Inside a modern seismograph is a pendulum. You can see how this can monitor the vibrations of the earth for yourself. Hang a weight from the end of a string to form your pendulum's bob and tie the other end of the string to the top back of a chair.

Now gently rock the chair to and fro, to mimic the vibrations of the Earth. The pendulum stays motionless as the chair moves.

If you attach a felt-tipped pen to the bob, and place some paper beneath it, you can create a record of the vibrations.

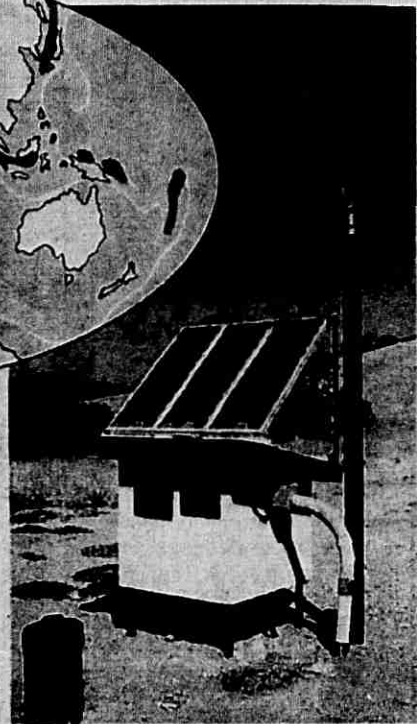


Volcanoes

Earthquake zones

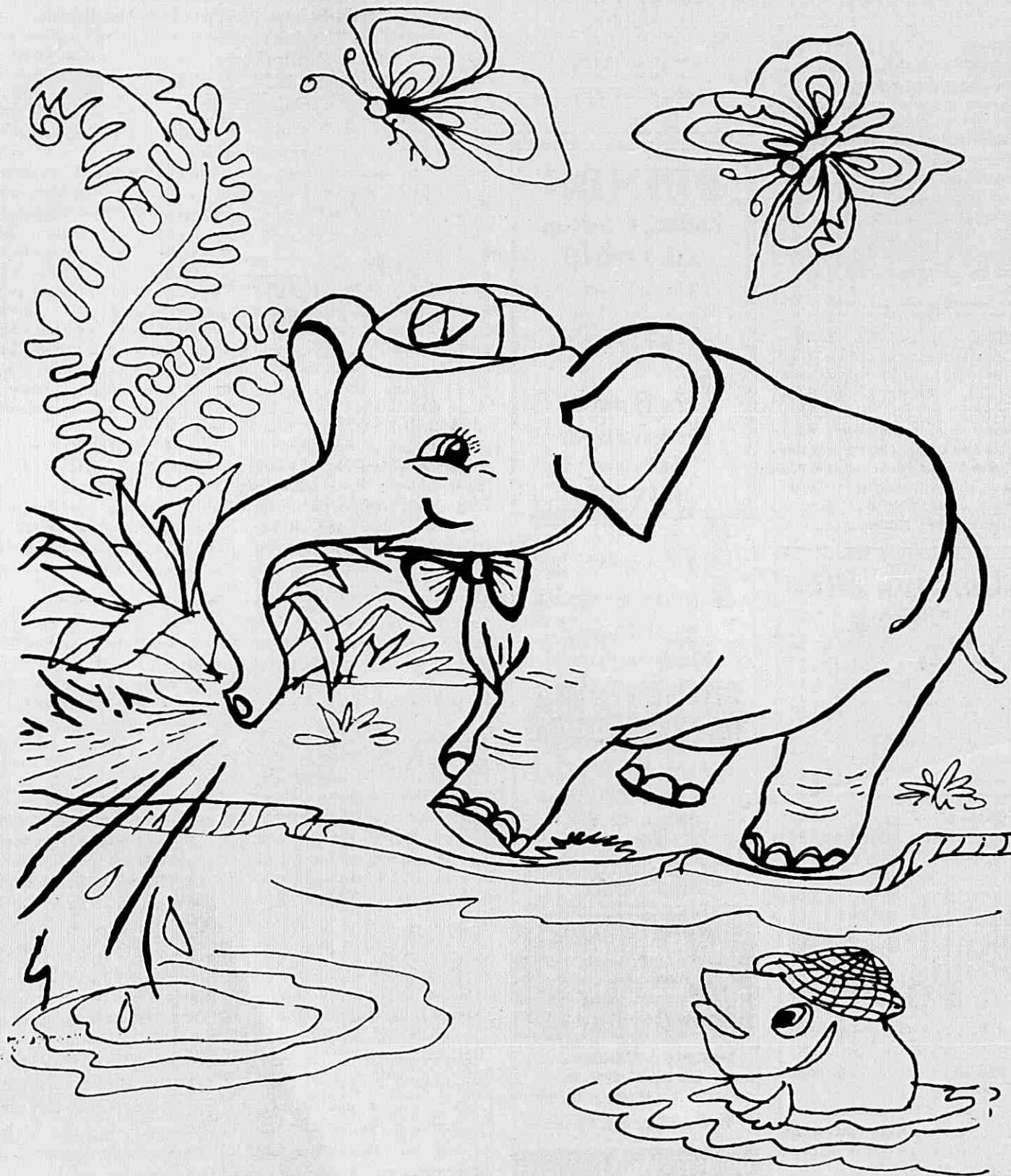
MEASURING THE QUAKE

Devices called seismographs record the vibrations of the Earth, including those during earthquakes. The seismograph in this photograph (right) is buried under the ground. The readings are sent as radio waves by a radio transmitter, which is powered by a solar panel.



Colour the Picture

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Congratulations to:
CHRISTINA TOOMEY
Curraheen,
Lismore,
winner of last week's competition.

ENTRY FORM

Name.....

Address.....

(Age years)

Entries to reach the "Leader Office" on or before Monday, December 20, not later than 12 noon

Ballymacarbry Notes

NIRE VALLEY NUN CELEBRATES HER PLATINUM JUBILEE

At Saint Helena's Parish Church in the Nire Valley on Sunday last Mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Cornelius Kelleher P.P. Nire/Touraneena for Sister Eustace Wall a member of the Presentation order who has celebrated her 70 years in the order. Sister Eustace (Kit Wall), daughter of the late Tom and Nano Wall, Knockanaffrin who was born in 1912, was educated at the little school house at Glenanore in the Nire Valley and at the Presentation Convent, Clonmel. In 1929 she joined the Presentation order at their convent at Carrigtwohill, Co. Cork. Most of her religious life has been spent in several places in England. At present she is spending her retirement in Ireland. After Mass on Sunday in the Community Hall, Nire Valley, Fr. Kelleher P.P. made a presentation to Sister Eustace of a beautiful rosary beads from the people of the Nire Valley. In the hall a beautiful tea and refreshments were laid on, where the chat went on for some time. May God grant this happy servant of his many more years amongst us.



Sister Eustace Wall with her nephew
Billy Doocey of Ballymacarbry

LIGHTING OF THE HOLY YEAR CROSS ON THE COMERAGH MOUNTAINS

The bringing of an electricity supply to the Holy Year Cross on the Comeragh Mountains over looking Clonmel is in progress and will be completed in the near future. In order to begin this work a contribution of £5,438.00 which includes VAT at 12.5% had to be deposited with the E.S.B. Clonmel Corporation on behalf of the people of Clonmel subscribed £3,200, Merck, Sharpe and Dohme contributed the remaining

£2,000. This meant that the E.S.B. immediately began the work of supplying a 220 volt 12 KVA supply. The distance to the Holy Year Cross from the nearest point of E.S.B. supply is some 800 metres. This meant that six E.S.B. poles had to be put in place to bring the electricity wires to the bottom of the mountain. This covered 600 metres, the remaining 200 metres were accommodated by providing 4 inch ducting with pullwire from the bottom of the hill to the Cross itself. There are of course, additional significant costs, for example a transformer had to be put in place for the new net work. The lighting itself on the Cross had to be paid for. In order to meet the substantial balance the Mayor of Clonmel Ald Tom Ambrose (F.F.) approached Minister Noel Davern T.D. to persuade his colleague Minister Seamus Brennan T.D. who is responsible for the distribution of the National Millennium Fund to provide funds to the Holy Year Cross committee in order to clear the remaining debt. On Thursday last Minister Davern phoned the mayor to advise him that a grant of £5,000 was on its way as a response to the request for funds for the Holy Year project. At midnight on New Years Eve the official switching on ceremony will take place from outside St. Peter and Paul's Church in Gladstone Street. When fully lit the Holy Year Cross will be a nightly symbol and reminder of our Christian belief and heritage.

LOCAL GAELS RETAIN PLACES ON BOARD

Congratulations are extended to two local Fourmilewater Gaels who retained their places on the West Waterford Divisional Board at its convention which was held in Dungarvan on the 9th December. They are Pat Grant who was returned unopposed as Assistant Secretary, Pat Billy Walsh had a contest on his hands for representation on the County Board, Billy is Chairman of Fourmilewater Club. Congratulations also to Patrick O'Grady of the Nire Club on being appointed Assistant Treasurer of West Waterford Bord na nOg at their recent AGM.

NIRE SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

Nire Senior Citizen's Christmas Party will take place in the Community Hall in the Nire Valley on Wednesday evening 22nd December. Music for the occasion will be supplied by the Hickey's.

READOIRI

The diocesan finals were held in the Community Hall, Newcastle on Sunday afternoon last. There was a fine display of talent in all the competitions with participants coming from many pioneer centres in South Tipperary and West Waterford. The adjudicator was Mahon O'Keeffe, Clonmel and his task in selecting the winners was a difficult one. The winners were as follows; Figure Dancing Dungarvan, Set Dancing, Fourmilewater/Newcastle (Ballylooby). Junior Singing, solo Anita Lonergan, Ardfinnan/Ballybacon. Musical Group, St. Mary's, Dungarvan. Junior Recitation, Aoife O'Brien, Clogheen. Junior Musical, Solo, Derek Morrissey, Fourmilewater/Newcastle, Ballymacarbry. Group Disco Dancing, Roisin Condon, Kathy McGrath, Cait McCarra, Jenny Kennedy, Claire McGrath, Newcastle/Fourmilewater (Newcastle). Junior Novelty Act, John T. Egan, Laura Nugent, John Kelly, Marian Ryan, Newcastle/Fourmilewater. Group Singing, Aglis, Co. Waterford. Senior Solo Singing, Majella, Carrigan, Fourmilewater/Newcastle (Newcastle). The Munster Semi Final will take place in Ballyduff Upper on January 16th 2000.

LOTTO

Fourmilewater Hurling Club Lotto jackpot £1,100. Numbers drawn were 4-15-23. There were two winners Mick O'Grady, Lyre East and John P. Coffey, Knockavannagh. Each receives £550. Jackpot this week is £200.

POSTER COMPETITION

The Poster Competition (design a label for a non-alcoholic drink) was run in conjunction with Pioneer Week 28th Nov. to 5th Dec., the winners were 1st Paddy Hally, Newcastle N.S. 2nd Lorcan McCarra and 3rd Elizabeth Townsley, Ballymacarbry N.S.

CAROL SINGING AT SAINT HELENA'S CHURCH

On Friday evening next 17th December the children of Ballymacarbry National School will give a Carol singing recital at Saint Helena's Parish Church, Nire Valley at 7.30 pm. so come along and hear the voices of over two hundred children.

PRESENTATION TO FORMER T.D.

A presentation social was held recently to honour Sean Byrne's thirty two years in politics, 1967 to 1999. Highlights of Sean's career, he was a member of South Tipperary County Council 1967 to 1999. T.D. for South Tipperary/North West Waterford 1983 to 1987. 1982 the year of two general elections he topped the poll on both occasions. He was a Senator from 1987 to 1997. The presentation social was organised by Ballylooby Castlegrace Fianna Fail Cumann and it took place in the Thonoge Lounge Bar, Ballylooby on Saturday night 11th December. There was a large attendance present from many places.

RECENT DEATHS

LATE MRS. DOROTHY MORONEY

It is with deep and sincere regret the district learned of the death of Mrs. Dorothy (Dolly) Moroney (nee Hanrahan) Main Street, Clogheen and formerly Ballycurkeen, Ballyneale, Carrick-On-Suir which sad event took place on Tuesday 30th November. Deceased was a member of an old established family highly respected in the farming community, the Hanrahan's of Ballycurkeen a farming family who had many problems with the Giant Pharmaceutical Plant of Mark-Sharp and Dhome at Ballydine which ended in the supreme court in favour of the Hanrahan family. She was a kind and loving mother and wife, her husband and family were her pride and joy. A wonderful business woman she was so much part of their shop and bakery at Clogheen where she welcomed each customer with a kind and pleasant smile. She was a lady in every sense of the word, highly respected especially by her many friends and neighbours who recognised and appreciated her as a caring, extremely kind person who could always be relied upon to react swiftly and without fuss to any situation to which she was needed. Of a quiet, unassuming disposition, she had a great sense of fun and humour which made her delightful company. She was a woman possessed of a deep faith and practised her religion devoutly. Many tributes have been paid to this fine lady, but perhaps the finest was paid to her on Wednesday evening by the large concourse of mourners who were present when her remains were removed from the mortuary Saint Theresa's Hospital, Clogheen to the Parish Church of Saint Mary's, Clogheen where they were blessed and received. On Thursday morning the feast of Saint Bibiana (Virgin Martyr) requiem Mass was celebrated for the repose of her gentle soul. After Mass the funeral took place to the Ancient Burial Ground of Shanrahan where a gentle wife and mother was laid to rest in the presence of another large concourse of mourners who were present to pay their final respects to a Christian friend whose memory they will treasure. To her husband and family, her brother John, her sisters and her many relatives we extend our sympathy. Ni bheid a leithead aris ann.

LATE MRS. CHARMAIN PARR

It is with deep and sincere regret we pen the death of Mrs. Charmain Parr (nee Smith) late of Father Matthew Tce., Clonmel which sad event took place suddenly recently in Surrey, England. It was received with shock by her relatives and friends, whom she had been in touch with since she emigrated to England some three decades ago. Her passing at the age of fifty two years has come as a sad blow to her husband and children as well as to her heart broken mother. Only daughter of Eileen and the late Jimmy Smith whose late mother was a native of Ballymacarbry, she was one of a family of boys. It will be recalled that her father was the famous Jimmy Smith, a member of an illustrious boxing family, who brought honour not only to his native town but also to Ireland. His most prestigious win was Golden Gloves Champion in America. "Charm" as she was popularly known locally was aptly named as she was indeed, a charming young lady, so friendly and outgoing, who as a lass enjoyed the occasional treks in the Comeragh Mountains with An Oige. After school she took up employment with Sloans of Parnell St. working in the office. In the late '60's she decided to go to England where she stayed in Guildford. She then moved to London where she met Stuart Parr, they married and went to live in Camberley, Surrey, they had two children. Visiting Clonmel, the place of her mothers birth for the first time last August, her daughter Danielle was captivated with the town and the people she met there. In 1967 Charms parents Jimmy and Eileen with other members of the family emigrated to England. Sadly in 1984 her father Jimmy died, he had been so close to her mother. Working for the Civil Service, Charm decided six months ago to give up her job to nurse her husband who also was a Civil Servant. He made a good recovery and was able to return to work. Charm's unexpected demise therefore in such poignant circumstances, devastated her loved ones. The funeral ceremony and cremation of her remains took place in England. Many relatives and friends travelled to England to pay their last respects to one who was so jovial and full of life. To her family we extend our sympathy. Leaba i measc na naomh go raibh aici.

Touraneena Notes

SLIABH GCUA COMMUNITY CENTRE AND GAA WEEKLY LOTTO

Week ending 12th December. Numbers drawn were 1-4-15. No jackpot winner. 5 x £10 winners; Amanda McCarthy, Christine Cliffe, Valerie Nugent, Diane Cotter, Jim Geary (Lismore).

New jackpot £300. Next week's draw will be in Dunnes. Christmas draw on Sunday 19th December. 10 x £10 prizes even if jackpot is won.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Shane Cliffe, son of Pat and Bernie, Kilcooney, Ballinamult who was recently awarded the degree of Bachelor of Engineering from the Bolton Institute England. We wish Shane the best of luck in the future.

ST. MARY'S N.S.

Well done to St. Mary's National School for their speedy enrolment into the "Free Maths Stuff for Schools" Promotion. The "Free Maths Stuff" tokens can be obtained from promotional packs of McVities Biscuits and K. P. Snacks until June 2000. These tokens can then be used by the school in exchange for a variety of maths items from ranging a protractor to a P.C., so don't forget and start collecting.

1st BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to Abbie Thompson who celebrated her 1st birthday last week. Abbie is granddaughter of Danny and Anna Thompson, Touraneena who are so very proud of her.

Our best wishes go to Willie and Margaret Fennell, Bleanitis, Ballinamult on winning the I.C.M.S.A. Teagasc Family Farm Award for 1999. Well done to Willie and Margaret.

SYMPATHY

We extend sincere sympathy to Julia Walsh and family, Renadampaun on the recent death of her sister Mrs. Maureen Martin (nee Condon), Baltin-glass, Co. Wicklow and formerly of Graignegower, Ballymacarbry.

CHRISTMAS PLAY

Touraneena N.S. will hold their Annual Christmas Play on Friday evening 17th December in the Community Centre at 7.30 pm. This year's play is "Alas in Blunderland". Admission £3 adults, 31 children. There will be spot prizes and all are welcome.

NAOMH BRID GAA CLUB NOTES

School's Review

The players from the club who represented their school during 1999 did so with great pride. Modeligo in February won the Brid Ni Christoir Tournament for the second year in a row. This year Modeligo beat Villierstown in the final. Touraneena and Ballin-nameela were beaten in the semi finals, Aglish were the fifth school to take part. In the West Waterford Primary School Hurling Leagues, Modeligo beat Piltown in the Divi-

sion Four Final, Touraneena were beaten by Aglish in the Division 3 Final. In the Aglish panel was James Power, St. Joseph's were beaten in the division one final against Lismore. In the St. Joseph's team was J. J. Coffey and John Ahearne in football, Touraneena and Modeligo played in the one group. Both teams beat Grange by 3 points when the two sides met in Touraneena in the last league game the home team had a 4-7 to 2-4 win.

In secondary schools many of our players played for either St. Augustine's, the CBS or for the Technical School. Pride of place must go to St. Augustine's in the secondary schools scene on their great win in the Munster Colleges Senior Football Final. Congratulations to all who played for their school team this past twelve months.

County/Divisional Shirt

Congratulations to all our players who wore the county or divisional shirt over the past 12 months. Walter O'Grady was involved with the County Minor Football team. Colm Geary, John Ahearne and Denis Coffey was involved in the Divisional and County under 16 hurling teams.

Tristan Hickey and Willie Power played on the Waterford 'B' under 14 Hurling team and Sean O'Neill and Eddie Condon was involved in the under 14 football teams.

Congratulations to the local ladies who also played for the County, Olivia Condon, Angie Walsh, Marion Troy, Breda Morrissey, Fiona Gleeson and Sarah Walsh all wore the county shirt. We also have to congratulate David Whelan on being part of the County Junior Football team that won a historic first football All Ireland final against Meath. Congratulations also to Pat Fitzgerald on getting a run with the senior hurlers in the games before Christmas. Pat played well in these games and hopefully will get to keep his place for the league and championship.

Seasons Greetings

As these are our final notes before Christmas, we wish all involved with the club a Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

Reelected

At last Tuesday nights County Board na Nog convention in the Park Hotel, Sean Whelan was returned unopposed as Chairman. We congratulate Sean on his reelection and wish him well as he begins his 5th year in the chair.

Thanks

Over the past twelve months many different people in many different ways helped us. On behalf of the club I thank each and everyone of them collectively.

It would be remiss of us not to thank some of those who helped us. Thanks to all our players for their commitment and to our small amount of selectors who looked after the teams. Thanks to the parents

who drove players to the different venues. Thanks to Joe and Mgt. Coffey for sponsoring a beautiful set of jerseys, to Theresa Butler who sponsored a set of socks for our under 14 hurling team that reached the County Final. Thanks also to those who looked after the jerseys. Thanks to Trish, Marie and Deirdre for organising the bag packing venture, and to all the players and parents who gave so freely of their time and energy. Thanks also to those who supported our Church Gate Collection.

Thanks to Jimmy Coffey for sponsoring our under 10 tournament and to the clubs that took part. Thanks to Declan Kiely and James Connors for refereeing and to Tommy Cronin for doing the final. Thanks to the ladies for the teas, the Sliabh gCua Community Centre for the use of tables, chairs, cups, kettles and tea pots. To Declan Kiely and Mary Norris for presenting the prizes. Thanks to Marie Power for keeping everybody informed throughout the year, to Alice Burke for including our notes in her Touraneena Notes and to Colm Nagle of the Dungarvan Leader for printing our notes in his newspaper.

Sympathy

To all families who had bereavements during the year we extend our deepest sympathy.

Indoor Hurling

As there is a school play on in the Touraneena Community Centre this Friday there is no indoor hurling. As the following Friday is Christmas Eve there will be no hurling either.

Naomh Brid v Cappelquin

On Sunday evening last, in front of a brilliant crowd at the Sliabh gCua Community Centre, Naomh Brid and Cappelquin played a number in indoor challenge games. On the evening we were short a number of players for some games which meant that a few players got to play in a game above their own age group.

Thanks to Tom Condon and Nick O'Donovan for looking after our teams and to Magoo and his fellow selectors from Cappelquin for coming out.

Under 6

In under six fielded a very young team. We lost this game 11 goals to 1. Our goal was scored by Louis Queally. Our panel was Jason Sheehan, Kevin Sheehan, Patrick Coyne, Louis Queally and Michael Bumster.

Under 7

In under 7 we drew eight goals each with Cappelquin. Owen Barron scored three goals. Robbie Buckley scored two goals as did Sean O'Donovan, Kaelhan Cliffe scored Naomh Brid's other goal. Our under 7 panel was Sean Hennessey, Robbie Buckley, Owen Barron, Louis Queally, Kaelhan Cliffe and Sean O'Donovan.

Under 8

In under eight Naomh Brid also drew with Cappelquin.

Francis Condon scored a second half hat trick, Cormac Condon, Aidan Condon, Sean Hennessey and Owen Barron all scored a goal a piece in a 7 goal each draw. Naomh Brid's panel was Francis Condon, Kevin Gleeson, Patrick Walsh, Cormac Condon, Aidan Condon, Sean Hennessey and Owen Barron.

Under 9

In under 9 we finished 1999 unbeaten in indoor hurling, after we beat Cappelquin 13 goals to 12. Our scorers were Patrick O'Donovan (6), Jamie Troy (4), Gary Power (2) and Kieran Power (1).

Our panel was Sean Dalton, Kieran Power, Patrick O'Donovan, Jamie Troy, Gary Power and Francis Condon.

Under 10

The under 10 game was also a high scoring game. Cappelquin won the game 14 goals to 12. Our scorers were James Power (2), Jack Queally (2), Diarmuid Walsh (5), and Paddy O'Donovan (3), Nick Dalton (1). Our panel was Nicholas Dalton, James Power, Dermot Tobin, Jack Queally, Diarmuid Walsh and Patrick O'Donovan.

Touraneena v Modeligo

A challenge game between the boys of Touraneena and Modeligo will be arranged very shortly. Over Christmas every boy from four up is asked to train very hard for this game which hopefully, when it will be played, it will be a very big crowd. On the same night the nine boys that played in the indoor hurling tournament in Dungarvan earlier in the year will be given something.

The nine boys were Sean Dalton, John Barron, Eanna Power, Kieran Power, Shane Foley, Patrick O'Donovan, Gary Power, Jamie Troy and Kevin O'Neill.

Hard Luck

We would like to commiserate with the West Waterford under 14 football team who were beaten on Sunday morning last against East Waterford in the replay of the John O'Reagan Tournament. Sean O'Neill and Eddie Condon were with the team.

AFFANE F.C. NOTES

CLASHMORE RAMBLERS 1

AFFANE 3

Affane got back to winning ways again with a very good result away to Clashmore. This was indeed a very tough game for us but we played way better as a unit and with a lot better spirit about us. Clashmore won the toss and elected to play with the strong breeze. They created some early chances but our defence were coping extremely well. Neither team were dominating and with the game being very open there were a lot of scoring chances at both goals. With twenty five minutes gone, a Clashmore player won the ball in midfield and unleashed an unstoppable shot from twenty five yards out that gave Jamie Corcoran no chance. We kept trying before half time to get an equaliser but to no avail and at half time Clashmore remained one goal ahead.

With the breeze in the second half, we took over control of the game and totally dominated for long periods, but we were still finding it hard to get an equaliser. Our mid field of John Crotty, Eamonn O'Shea, Seamus McCarthy, Tony Hennebray and Michael Prendergast were giving great service to our front two of Donal Fraher and Ciaran O'Mahoney and with plenty of support play, with about sixty minutes gone Michael Prendergast won the ball on the left of mid field and took on a couple of players then cut inside and from thirty yards out he found the net from a fabulous strike and eventually tied up the game at one goal apiece.

Fifteen minutes later we were awarded a free kick twenty yards from goal and with a good strike from Michael Browne the Clashmore keeper failed to hold the shot and substitute Kevin Reddy was on hand to score to make it two goals to one in favour of Affane. Clashmore tried hard to get back into the game but our back three of Dermot Twohey, Michael Browne and Michael McCarthy and our goal keeper Jamie Corcoran were in outstanding form and coped extremely well. In the 90th minute Kevin Reddy put across the box a long throw, John Crotty flicked the ball to the back post and our second substitute James Meagher was on hand to head the ball to the net to end a very entertaining game but most importantly a much needed victory and three valuable points.

Team; Jamie Corcoran, Dermot Twomey, Michael Browne, Michael McCarthy, John Crotty, Tony Hennebray, Seamus McCarthy, Michael Prendergast, Eamonn O'Shea, Ciaran O'Mahoney, Donal Fraher, subs; Kevin Reddy, James Meagher used, Richard Prendergast, Ivan Sheehan, Kevin Healy, Patrick Morrissey.

FIXTURE

Affane v Blackwater Rangers at 11 am.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

This will be held at the Tavern Bar next Sunday night at 9.30 pm. All cards to be returned at our home game next Sunday. This will also be our clubs Christmas night out, a good night will be enjoyed by all.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We would like to wish everyone at Dungarvan Leader a very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. I as PRO would like to say Happy Christmas to all our players, members, manager, supporters and all who are connected to our club.

Waterford County Badminton Association Notes

CORK WIN WATERFORD CRYSTAL SPONSORED BUTTERFIELD CUP

Cork won a thrilling Butterfield Cup when beating Tipperary into runners-up position by a single point. In the last match Cork beat Kerry by 6 matches to 3. In some of these games Cork won in the 3rd set when it could have gone any way. Overall there was some good badminton played in the competition over the weekend.

Our own team played well, but we were not good enough for any of the top teams. We were missing two of our top

players and it certainly made a difference. Our young players played well and that will give us some hope for the future.

Our team was Elizabeth Whelan, Mary Walshe, Fiona Walsh (all Waterford BC), Angela O'Hara (Lismore BC), Trudy Kennedy and Sarah Cass (Dunmore BC), Michael Farrell (Dunmore BC), Tim Keogh, Martin Walsh, John O'Riordan, Ger Meagher (all Waterford BC). Manager: Martin Morrissey (Dunmore BC).

Final table: Cork 27 pts.; Tipperary 26 pts.; Kerry 15 pts.; Waterford 13 pts.; Limer-

ick 9 pts.

Waterford Crystal sponsored this competition. All the players who won Crystal were delighted with it and said that it was well worth losing sweat to get their hands on Waterford Crystal. The winners 10" vases were beautiful and the Munster Branch wish to thank Waterford Crystal for such a generous sponsorship in this the centenary year of the Badminton Union of Ireland. Waterford Crystal also sponsored the Brewster Cup in March. Well done to everybody for making it a great success.



Railway AFC who were defeated by Seaview Celtic last weekend. (Photo by Kiely Photography)

Dungarvan United A.F.C. Notes

RESULTS

Premier League: — Dungarvan 1; W. Crystal 2
Div. 2A League: — Dungarvan 3; Carrick 0

FIXTURES

Junior: Saturday, 18th December, Div. 3A League, Kilbarry v Dungarvan 2.15 p.m. Sunday, 19th Dec. Premier League, Dungarvan v Bohs 11.00 p.m.

Schoolboy: Saturday, 18th December, TSB U-15 League 2.30 p.m. Villa v Dungarvan.

SATURDAY NIGHT PROGRESSIVE 45

Results from Saturday, 4th December: 1st, Pat and Eileen; 2nd, Josie and Breda. Best last 5: Pakie and Mike; Bidy and Mary Ann. Lucky Tables: Peggy and Helen; Patsy and Mick.

Why not join us every Saturday night for an enjoyable game of cards in the comfortable surroundings of our clubhouse for excellent prizemoney. Cards commence 8.30 p.m.

PONGO

Our Pongo sessions each Tuesday evening are proving to be most successful with Breda, Jacinta and Marie. Come along and join in. Eyes down 8.15 p.m.

YANKEE DOODLE

We had no winner of the jackpot of £340 on Sunday night last. The numbers were 55 and 57 and they were drawn by Waterford's No. 1 senior hurling supporter Joey Murphy in Bridie Dee's Bar, Mary St. The two vouchers for turkey or ham were won by former Ballinroad FC legend Mike Veale c/o Jacinta at Mountain's Bar and Garvan O'Riordan c/o Stan at Dungarvan Crystal. Jackpot next Sunday night is £400.

All patrons please note that we will not have any draws on Sunday, 26th December or Sunday, 2nd January 2000. The next draw after this Sunday will be on Sunday, 9th January 2000. We will hold a free millennium draw of four £25 on Sunday, 2nd January for all our regulars. Thanks for your continued support for this the longest running lotto draw in the locality. All funds raised goes towards running our schoolboy teams. You only need 2 numbers to win this Jackpot. Fix numbers for £1.

Free draws for turkey or ham this Sunday night 19th Dec. Make sure you are in.

OLD FOLKS PARTY

Our annual Old Folks Christmas Party takes place in the clubhouse Kilrush Park on this Thursday, 16th December at 8.00 p.m. It is always a fantastic night with Mike Daly and Micheál O Faolain providing the entertainment.

1989 FAI YOUTH CUP WINNERS REUNION

It is ten years now since we made history in Letterkenny, Co. Donegal when we defeated Milford 3-1 to win the FAI Youth Cup for the first time. To mark the occasion the club will hold a reunion for all the panel at the Clubhouse on Monday, 27th December. Music will be supplied by Batty and Colette with disco to follow. It should be a wonderful occasion and I'm we will re-live that never to be forgotten day at Leckview Park when John Walsh and Kealan O'Neill's team lifted the blue riband All-Ireland youth cup. All are welcome to join us on this occasion.

SYMPATHY

Deepest sympathy to the Kirwan family Leamybrien on the death of Noel last week. His son Bryan was a member of our FAI youth cup winning team in 1989. Also to the Quarry family Kilrush on the death of Richie. May the Lord have mercy on their souls.

RAILWAY ATHLETIC F.C. DIV. 2B NOTES

Seaside Slaughter

On Sunday last we travelled to Seaview Celtic in the search for points and pride having been beaten 4-0 by the Seasiders two weeks ago. We got off to the worst start this season and were 3-0 down after 18 minutes as a result of poor defending. It was only with 15 minutes remaining in the first half that we started to get a grip on the game and had

the home side under some pressure with Ken O'Donnell and James Manahan working very hard up front, we managed to pull a goal back when 'Doc' was brought down in the box and Liam Costin made no mistake from the spot.

The half finished 3-1. We started the second half good and had the home side

under a lot of pressure with David Lenane now in control at midfield. We had a few chances but failed to net them. Disaster struck against the run of play when Seaview notched up their fourth. We battled hard for another goal but Seaview scored again when they were lucky to get a penalty. This is a game we

want to forget and try and keep the heads up to face Southend at home next Saturday.

Team - Ciaran Cullinane, Gavin Foley, Liam Costin, Tom Mansfield, Ray Curran (Capt.), Liam McLoughlin, David Lenane, Pakie Manahan, Frankie Keniery, James Manahan, Ken 'The Stud' O'Donnell.

Res-used - T. Pratt, P. Ormonde, S. Hogan, B. Fraher.

CALLED OFF

Our un0. We have a friendly arranged for St. Stephens day for our juniors. The club would like to wish everyone in the club a very happy Christmas.

FIXTURES FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday, 18th December - Under 13 Away to Tramore, 11.45. Leaving 10.15

Saturday, 18th December - Under 15 Away to Tramore Rangers, 2.30. Leaving 1.15

Saturday, 18th December - Division 2B Home to Southend, 2.15.

DUNGARVAN PREMIER LEAGUE MATCH REPORT

Another Home Defeat For Dungarvan

DUNGARVAN 1 WATERFORD CRYSTAL 2

Dungarvan's deplorable home league record continued to haunt them at a wind swept Kilrush Park on Sunday morning last. After only 5 minutes the Blues could have been at least one down when the visitors missed two good chances.

Power then had a chance cleared off the line for Dungarvan. Niall Barry then had to save on his own line after the visitors striker got a free header from a corner. Downey, Power, and Landers combined and brought a good save from the visitors keeper Hearne. Downey and Landers again worked a corner for the Blues, Ferncombe's cross found Hyslop who headed back to Aidan Landers and he gave the home side a 1-0 lead.

This was to be the only highlight for Dungarvan. From here on they never showed the commitment, passion and flair they produced in their last few games and anything constructive that could be said about this display

could be written on the back of a stamp

This lead was to be short lived. Crystal took advantage of the gale force wind at their backs. A powerful shot by their striker came back off the crossbar. No Dungarvan player reacted fast enough and their supporting midfielder put them back on level terms. Crystal forced a number of corners and from good deliveries the Blues found them hard to handle. One such corner again found the head of the incoming players and his headed secured the three points for the visitors 1-2.

The wind eased in the second half and Dungarvan had plenty of possession but failed to create enough openings. Ferncombe forced the first of four corners from a vicious free kick but they failed to take advantage of any of them.

Kevin Walsh found Downey after some good work outside the box. Downey's good turn beat the defender but the keeper made a

save from his shot and this was to be Dungarvan's last chance of the game.

Leo Barry made his debut for Dungarvan half way through the second half and he can be well pleased with his contribution.

Don't forget next Sunday we have our Christmas party after our game with Bohs.

Here are some presents that our players are looking for from Santa - Pepe Ferncombe, a good alarm clock; G. O'Connor, set of handcuffs; P. Power, a back for a bar stool; N. Barry, clean sheet; M. Hyslop, a goal; Alan Landers, wedding ring; K. Lyons, to be barred from discos; M. Crotty, six inches (where?). More next week.

Dungarvan: N. Barry, Alan Landers, K. Walsh, K. Lyons, G. O'Connor, M. Hyslop (Capt.), Aidan Landers, G. O'Connor, P. Ferncombe, M. Downey, J. Power, M. Crotty. Res: Ger Sullivan for O'Connor; L. Barry for Power; B. Coleman.

DUNGARVAN UNITED — DIVISION 2A LEAGUE

Dungarvan's 2nd Team Go Top

DUNGARVAN 3 CARRICK 0

Dungarvan went top of the table on Saturday evening last thanks to a deserved win against a game Carrick side. During the opening 20 minutes Dungarvan looked decidedly edgy as certain players were not playing up to scratch and this made Carrick look a better team than they were on the day. Dungarvan took the lead on thirtyone minutes when Mattie Ducey took a free inside the Carrick half and Kieran Hallahan was on hand to head it over the advancing keeper to place it in the corner of the net.

Dungarvan increased their lead on forty eight minutes when Hallahan outpaced the Carrick full back to send over a delightful cross and Mickey Donnelly was able to steer the ball past the Carrick keeper to make the scoreline 2-0. The points were sealed on seventy eight minutes when following a Carrick attack the ball was cleared, picked up by Donnelly on the half way line his shot was palmed away to Daniel Hickey who curled a left foot shot into the net giving the keeper no chance. As other results went our way we are now

setting the pace again and it is up to us to make sure we stay there.

One player who thought he was better than he actually is got a land on Saturday. As he was showing off his prowess to the watching Premier managers he was substituted (the embarrassment of it!)

Dungarvan: T. Wright, T. Mahoney, M. Ducey, F. O'Rourke, M. McLoughlin, K. Hallahan, J. P. Donnelly, M. McGovern, Daniel Hickey, P. Walsh, M. Donnelly. Res: D. Hickey for Condon, T. O'Mahoney for J. P. Donnelly, D. O'Shea for Hallahan, B. Burke.

RED HOUSE LEAGUE ROUND-UP

Cappoquin & Ardmore Have Good Wins

PINEWOOD SNATCH A DRAMATIC EQUALISER

With Brideview and leaders Valley out of action, the attention was switched to second placed Cappoquin who easily beat bottom side Inch. Ardmore kept their hopes alive by winning in Mogeely while Lismore and Pinewood remain level near the bottom after a draw.

PREMIER DIVISION RESULTS

Too Easy For Cappoquin

CAPPOQUIN 6 INCH 1

Inch were a beaten team by half time as they found themselves 4-0 down. The young visiting team were no match for a Cappoquin side who are having their best season for a long time, Michael Cummins (2), Dave Moore, Michael Lacey, Martin Power and Martin Lacey all scored.

Poor Home Form Proves Costly for Mogeely

MOGEELY 1 ARDMORE 3

Anthony Aherne headed Ardmore in front after twenty minutes of the first half, which saw Mogeely on top but they could not penetrate an Ardmore defence. Wayne Hennessey made it 2-0 after 65 minutes and although Damien Clifford reduced the arrears ten minutes later, Hennessey rounded off a good Ardmore performance with his second goal. Mogeely's home form continues to be a worry as they have lost four times at home now.

LAST DITCH GOAL COULD BE VITAL

PINEWOOD RANGERS 2 LISMORE 2

Lismore scored first after ten minutes but Conor Ryan levelled five minutes later. The visitors again took the lead after 23 minutes and the game seemed to be heading for a Lismore win when Martin Walsh headed home with time running out.

DIVISION TWO RESULTS

Accrington Back With a Bang KILWORTH MAKE HARD WORK OF IT

With the Castlebridge/Ballybridge match cancelled, Accrington and Kilworth were given a chance to close the gap, which they did by scoring twelve goals between them.

No Trouble For Accrington

ACCRINGTON CELTIC 7 GLENVIEW 0

Celtic coasted into second place after an easy victory over a depleted Glenview side. Just one goal separated the sides at the break, but it was 6-0 within ten minutes of the restart as Glenview's folded completely. Sean Carey (2), Brian Carey (2), David Barry, Terence Ryan and Leabras Flynn were the Celtic scorers.

Eight Goals and Two Hat Tricks

KILWORTH CELTIC 5 MODELIGO 3

Not only was there a hat trick from either side, but there was the even rarer occurrence of a hat-trick of penalties from Kilworth's Gerry McCarthy. Tommy Seymour put Celtic ahead after just three minutes and Gerry McCarthy scored his first penalty five minutes later to make it 2-0. Modeligo fought back and two goals from J. P. Ryan saw them level. McCarthy's second successful penalty saw Kilworth lead 3-2 at half time. McCarthy made it 4-2 again from the spot two minutes into the second half before Ryan completed his hat-trick for Modeligo. The fifth goal came three minutes from time when Tommy Seymour scored to give Celtic a hard earned win.

RED HOUSE LEAGUE TABLES

PREMIER DIVISION

	Pt	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Valley Rangers	8	6	1	1	23	10	19
Cappoquin	7	5	1	1	18	6	16
Mogeely	10	4	1	5	22	22	13
Ardmore	7	3	3	1	14	6	12
Brideview 'A'	4	3	1	0	10	7	10
Pinewood Rgs.	8	2	1	5	12	20	7
Lismore	8	2	1	5	10	21	7
Inch	8	0	1	7	5	26	1

DIVISION ONE

	Pt	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Ballyduff	10	7	0	3	30	12	21
Dungourney	10	5	2	3	23	15	17
Affane	8	4	1	3	26	17	13
Gortroe	7	4	1	2	21	16	13
Blackwater Rgs.	8	2	2	4	12	22	8
Clashmore Rbls.	8	2	1	5	13	19	7
An Ghaeltacht	6	2	1	3	8	14	7
Araglen	7	1	2	4	14	32	5

DIVISION TWO:

	Pt	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Castlebridge Cel.	8	6	1	1	28	14	19
Accrington Celtic	9	5	2	2	20	9	17
Ballybridge United	7	5	0	2	21	8	15
Kilworth Celtic	8	4	2	2	21	13	14
Valley Rangers 'B'	8	3	1	4	16	24	10
Modeligo	8	1	3	4	12	15	6
Glenview	9	1	2	6	9	30	5
Brideview 'B'	5	0	1	4	8	22	1

FIXTURES FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11TH

MUNSTER JUNIOR CUP THIRD ROUND

Brideview United V. Tramore Rangers (2.00).

Referee Tommy Sullivan, assistants Willie Collins, Michael O'Neill.

PREMIER LEAGUE

Lismore V. Ardmore (11.00) Leonard Fraser.

Pinewood V. Modeligo (11.30) Noel O'Donoghue.

Valley Rgs A. V. Cappoquin (11.00) Michael O'Neill.

DIVISION ONE

Ballyduff V. Gortroe (11.30) Martin Egan.

Blackwater Rangers V. Affane (11.00) Tom Griffin.

Clashmore Ramblers V. An Ghaeltacht (11.00) Tommy Sullivan.

Dungourney V. Araglen (2.30) Tom Griffin.

DIVISION TWO

Ballybridge v. Accrington Celtic (11.00) Sean Kearns.

Glenview v. Castlebridge Celtic (2.30) Paul Marks.

Kilworth Celtic v. Brideview 'B' (11.00) Willie Collins.

Modeligo v. Valley Rangers 'B' (11.30) Jim Foley.

DIVISION ONE RESULTS

Great Gortroe Win

BALLYDUFF PULL CLEAR, FIRST WIN FOR ARAGLEN

Gortroe came out on top in a six goal thriller against Dungourney, to greatly improve their chances of promotion. Ballyduff had their biggest win of the season away to Blackwater while Araglen's improved form saw them claim their first win at home to An Ghaeltacht. Affane ended a run of four games without a win by beating Clashmore away from home.

Downing Double Dampens Dungourney

GORTROE 4 DUNGOURNEY 2

Played in bitterly cold conditions last Sunday morning, this game produced everything from the mediocre to the sublime in a game that began terribly but improved magnificently. As always, there were no shortages of goals between these two rivals but on this occasion, defences can take most of the credit, as we witnessed a comedy of errors rarely seen and which resulted in four of the goals. Without Alan Kelleher and long team absentee Pat Rigney, Dungourney went into the game seven points clear of the homeside. Gortroe had to field without Mossie McCarthy, "Harry" Daly and Ciaran Landers, but the injection of new blood in recent weeks has seen them find improved form. We were treated to a delightful goal after four minutes, when Alan Downing fired home a Beckham type goal from a free kick to put Gortroe ahead. Three minutes later and it was all square as John Cody netted from a penalty after several attempts to clear all failed. Dungourney were slightly on top at this stage but James Cunningham put Gortroe ahead again, from another free kick, which keeper Shane Casey failed to hold. The homeside found themselves 3-1 up at the break when Downing was presented with a great opportunity after two Dungourney defenders missed a harmless cross. At the end of the first half, Dungourney must have wondered how they were two goals in arrears and they set out in the second half to rectify matters. The visitors poured forward after the break but the Gortroe's rear guard never played better and they kept their advantage despite intense pressure. That pressure was lifted after seventy minutes when a rejuvenated Fergal Coleman was fouled in the box, and he got up to put the ball in the net. Gortroe, thanks to a move which saw Pierce Foley introduced as a sub, and Coleman pushed up front were far more threatening and could have added to their lead. Instead it was Dungourney's master blaster, John Cody, who netted ten minutes from time but Gortroe were never going to relinquish their lead and in the end, they deserved their win. Best for Dungourney were Brian Ronayne, Donncha Hickey, Aidan Kelleher and John Coady, while Gortroe had good servants in keeper Mark Fleming, Liam Sloane, Michael Murray, Miley Griffin, Brian Foley, Barry Sharkey, Fergal Coleman and Pierce Foley.

Gortroe; Mark Fleming, Paul Hogan, Liam Sloane, Mick Murray, Miley Griffin, James Cunningham, Brian Foley, Barry Sharkey, Fergal Colman, Alan Geary, Alan Downing, sub Pierce Foley.

Dungourney; Shane Casey, Dave Hickey, Brian Ronayne, Aidan Kelleher, Brendan Hegarty, Donncha Hickey, Will Daly, John Cody, Frank Hegarty, Kenneth Kelleher, John Kelleher, John Ronayne, subs; Jim Sweeney, Pat O'Brien.

FIRST ARAGLEN VICTORY

ARAGLEN 4 AN GHAELTACHT 1

Despite persistent pressure, Araglen could only muster one goal in the opening half, an effort from Kevin Fitzgerald. Early in the second period, Tommy Kenneally made it 2-0 but An Ghaeltacht pulled a goal back shortly after. Mark Hickey made it 3-1 to Araglen after seventy five minutes and substitute David Brown added a fourth in the final minute. This was An Ghaeltacht's third successive defeat while it also marked Araglen's first win and something big could be happening in Araglen soon.

SIMPLE WIN FOR BALLYDUFF

BLACKWATER RANGERS 1 BALLYDUFF 8

This result swiftly ended Blackwaters good recent run and sees Ballyduff open up a four point gap at the top. Four goals in each half did the damage while the lone goal for Rangers came in the second half from Sean Cotter.

Affane Stay In Contention

CLASHMORE RAMBLERS 1 AFFANE 3

Affane had not won since their last meeting with Ramblers and for a while it seemed that Clashmore would exact revenge for that defeat as they led 1-0 at half time from a Brian O'Neill goal. Micheál Prendergast levelled with a great strike from thirty yards and Affane took the lead when Kevin Reddy tapped home a loose ball after a Michael Browne free kick. The result was still in the balance up to the final minute when John Crotty's header found James Meagher free to score Affane's third goal.

RED HOUSE LEAGUE PREVIEWS

MUNSTER JUNIOR CUP
THIRD ROUND

Brideview Utd v Tramore Rangers

This game had to be postponed last Sunday, but fingers crossed, it will get the go ahead this week. United are well capable of defeating Tramore on their day and as they always seem to reserve their best for these occasions, we could see United into the open draw after Sunday's game. Home win.

PREMIER LEAGUE PREVIEWS

Valley And Cappoquin
in Match of the Day
IMPORTANT GAMES FOR
PINEWOOD AND LISMORE

The top match on Sunday is undoubtedly the clash between top placed Valley Rangers and their nearest challengers Cappoquin. Ardmore are still just about in touch and their meeting with lowly Lismore could be vital. Pinewood Rangers can close the gap if they manage to beat Mogeely at home.

SIX POINTER COULD LEAVE
THE TITLE IN BALANCE

Valley Rangers 'A' v Cappoquin — These two consistent teams meet head on in Conna next Sunday and the result could be vital to the outcome of this season's title race. With just one defeat each in league games to date, both from the opening day, their game has all the ingredients for a draw, a result that would please the chasing pack. A draw.

Ardmore Must Win

Lismore v Ardmore — With so many draws already, Ardmore must start collecting wins if they are to figure in the title race. Lismore were just denied a valuable win last week and need a few more points to climb the table, but we think Ardmore might sneak the points. Away win.

WIN WOULD BE A HUGE
BOOST FOR RANGERS

Pinewood Rangers v Mogeely — Following their late draw last week, Pinewood go into this crucial game with a great chance to get themselves out of trouble. Mogeely, with just one win in their last five games, are not out of the woods just yet, although a win here would surely see them safe for this season. Rangers would love to win this one but may find Mogeely a tough nut to crack. A draw.

DIVISION ONE PREVIEWS

Ballyduff and Gortroe the
Top Attraction
CLASHMORE AND
AN GHAELTACHT IN
RELEGATION MATCH

There seems to be two groups of four teams now at each end of the table and leaders Ballyduff will be the clear favourites if they overcome Gortroe's challenge next Sunday. Clashmore Ramblers and An Ghaeltacht are both in a spot of bother after some bad defeats and their meeting will be very interesting. Affane can take advantage of Blackwaters recent woes while Araglen's recent improvement will be put to the test by Dungourney.

A Cracker In Store

Ballyduff v Gortroe — Following their win over Dungourney last Sunday, Gortroe face leaders Ballyduff, quickly followed by a meeting with fellow promotion rivals Affane. The visitors are in good heart at the moment but so are Ballyduff and we could very well see a share of the spoils here. A draw.

HOMESIDE MAY NOT HAVE IT
ALL THEIR OWN WAY

Dungourney v Araglen — Araglen's last two games have seen a big improvement and it could be that another win or two will see them off the bottom. Their return to form however coincides with their meeting the top three teams in the coming weeks, so progress might be slow. Dungourney are still well placed and with three of their remaining four games at home, will have a big say. Sunday's game should be very close with Dungourney just favoured. Home win.

Affane Waiting For Any Slip Ups
Blackwater Rangers v Affane — Rangers on the evidence of last Sunday's game, could be in for a rough ride for the remaining games and they will be pushed all the way by an Affane side who returned to winning ways last Sunday. With the teams around them facing a possible loss of points on Sunday, Affane could advance their position with victory over Rangers. Away win.

RAMBLERS POISED FOR THE
POINTS

Clashmore Ramblers v An Ghaeltacht — Both teams have failed dismally in the last couple of weeks and another defeat or two would leave either team clinging to the trapdoor. A win seems more likely for Clashmore, particularly with home advantage as An Ghaeltacht have conceded nine goals in their last two games and become Araglen's first victim last Sunday. Home win.

DIVISION TWO PREVIEWS

Ballybridge and
Accrington In Top Dual
CASTLEBRIDGE
AND KILWORTH
EXPECTED TO WIN

The picture could be a lot clearer after Sunday's meeting between Ballybridge United and Accrington Celtic, both of whom are currently in the top three. Leaders Castlebridge Celtic have on paper, an easy task away to Glenview while Kilworth Celtic have a similar assignment at home to Brideview United 'B'. Modeligo are at home to Valley Rangers 'B' in the final game.

Low Scoring Affair Expected
Ballybridge United v Accrington Celtic

These two well organised sides currently possess the two best defences in this division and there may not be too much between the sides on Sunday. Neither side will want to lose at this vital stage and we cannot see anything other than a draw from this game. A draw.

CELTIC SET FOR WINNING RUN

Kilworth Celtic v Brideview United B — After their win last week, Kilworth appear to be ready to embark on a winning sequence as they have games against struggling teams coming up. This could be good news for Kilworth as their rivals will be taking points off each other. United's record so far speaks for itself and Kilworth should win with the minimum of fuss. Home win.

Leaders Looking Good for
Three More Points

Glenview v Castlebridge Celtic — The last thing Glenview wanted after last week's 7-0 defeat was to meet the leaders. The homeside have struggled all season and conceded eight goals when they last played Celtic so they face a huge task here. Castlebridge can stay top at least for another week after Sunday. Away win.

CAN MODELIGO COMPLETE
THE DOUBLE?

Modeligo v Valley Rangers 'B' — The visitors were hammered 6-3 at home to Modeligo earlier this season when they appeared to be going strong. Neither side have really done enough this season and Modeligo might just be good enough to take all three points.

Next Delegate Meeting

This will take place on Tuesday night January 4th at the Red House Bar in Lismore at 9 pm sharp.

DUNGARVAN TYRE
CENTRE CUP

The draw for this will take place at the next delegate meeting at the Red House in Lismore on January 9th. It is important that every club is represented at this meeting.

REFEREE REPORTS

All match reports consisting of bookings, sending offs etc. must be passed onto Jim Foley immediately.

RED HOUSE
LEAGUE DRAW

This will take place next Saturday night, December 18th at the Corner House in Tallow hosted by Brideview United. The big prize of course will be the Nissan Micra car supplied by Fermoy Nissan. There are plenty of other prizes so come along for a great night.

Pat Casey must be in possession of all monies and tickets by Friday next. Any tickets without money will be put forward as usual and charged to the clubs at our January meeting.

BRIDEVIEW UTD A.F.C. NOTES

Washed Out

Yes, thanks to the weather all of our games including schoolboys were cancelled. The big game due to have taken place last week in Tallow was of course the third round of the Munster Junior Cup. This game was called off which was a big disappointment to all concerned. Especially as Utd would have been near full strength.

Hopefully this game will go ahead on this coming Sunday weather permitting. Our Div. Two side play away on Sunday morning while our schoolboy fixtures will appear at the end of three notes.

Plans for a club tour during Easter are almost finalised and should prove to be another historic trip for the club. The age group will be sorted out over the Christmas holidays, so watch this space for full details shortly.

LOTTO

Last week's numbers drawn were 5-13-16-22. No winner. Match 3 numbers; Val Power. Well done Val. Jackpot this week is £1,400 and the draw takes place on this Saturday night at 8.30 in the Corner House. Get your ticket early folks.

RED HOUSE DRAW

The final draw takes place on this Saturday night in the Corner House. The first prize is a car. To date our club have had three winners and we hope we can get another one on this Saturday night.

SANTA IS COMING

Yes Santa will be in Tallow next Sunday in the Community Centre at 3 pm. A disco will follow till 5 o'clock. Santa parcels and disco is £2 while admission to disco only is just £1. The finals of the disco competition will take place on Sunday and there are numerous spot prizes to be won. So it should be a great evening.

SYMPATHY

The club extends its deepest sympathy to the Kelly family, Woodview Park on the sad passing of Helen at such a young age. May she rest in peace. Sympathy is also extended to the family and relatives of the Twomey family, Chapel St. on the sad passing of Margaret (Peggy). May she rest in peace.

CONGRATULATIONS

The club extends best wishes to Christine O'Keeffe and Darren Pratt who announced their engagement last week. The party on Saturday night went down a bomb with the big crowd enjoying themselves.

BEST WISHES

To Tom Joe Daly, Woodview Park who is in hospital at the moment. Get well soon Tom. Also to John O'Mahoney who is going into hospital this week and we hope everything goes well for John and that he will also be home soon. Mrs. Peter Barry, John Mealia, Miriam Geary, Mary Curley and Bill Foley Turpin are all in hospital and we wish all a speedy recovery and best wishes.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Yes, it's all parties at the moment. The local Publicans are also having Christmas parties. The following are the places and dates; Tuesday December 21st The Local Bar with D. J. Mania pumping out the music. Happy hour will be from 9 - 10 pm.

Wednesday December 22 The Brideview Bar where again there will be music and a raffle. Thursday December 23rd, there are two parties on this night. The Corner House Bar and Lukies are both having their Christmas parties. On New Year's Eve a big party will take place in the Devonshire Arms. This is always a good night.

WELL DONE

To our neighbours Lismore whose town is well lit up for Christmas. Perhaps it's something that could be down in Tallow. Some ideas are already there. It's a subject we will come back to.

BIRTHDAY CORNER

This week we wish birthday greetings to Leo Connolly who celebrated his 21st ahem ahem! birthday on Saturday last while Amy Power had her birthday on Monday. Best wishes to both of them. Not forgetting John William McCarthy, 4 New St. whose birthday was on Tuesday last. Birthday greetings also to Tara Buckley whose birthday was on Sunday.

NEWS TO HAND

I understand Gigs in Youghal proved very popular for some

Tallow girls last Saturday night. One of our committee had a great Christmas party in Kilkenny last weekend. He improved his shape as the night went on. At six o'clock in the morning he was worn out so he headed to bed. The office manager ahem ahem! was unable to move out on Saturday. The morning after the night before no doubt.

TEN GUITARS

Yes, the singing council man was on WLR last week. We're talking about Johnny Curley of course. I understand that Johnny has now a manager, namely John Grey and bookings are flying in. A big gig in The Point is planned for January. Well done Johnny.

FIXTURES

Sunday 19th December
Munster Junior Cup Brideview v Tramore Rangers, kick off 2 pm. Admission £1. Red House League Div. two Kilworth Celtic v Brideview Utd, kick off 11.00 am.

Saturday 18th December
U-11 and U-13 Clashmore Ramblers v Brideview Utd., kick off U-11 1.30 pm. U-13 kick off 2.30 pm. All players will be notified re travel times.

ARDMORE
A.F.C. NOTES
WAYNE H. HITS TWO TO
SINK MOGEELY

Mogeely 1 Ardmore 3 — This was Ardmore's third win in the league but the fact that the points gained from three draws has just about kept them in touch, Sunday's win points coupled with an all out effort against Lismore next Sunday will most certainly keep the seaside club in touch with reality.

Sunday's game at a soggy Mogeely venue was dominated by Ardmore and in truth should have been sewn up and gift wrapped long before the last quarter when the home side began to seriously threaten the Ardmore defenders who apart from Maurice Hennessy were beginning to look a bit jaded.

A lapse of concentration in the 75th allowed Damien Clifford to pounce for a 'marginal' score to make it 1-2 and to create unease amongst the Ardmore supporters when suddenly their 2 goal lead (Ahearn 30th, Wayne H. 45th) was under threat.

As it happened the lads dug deep to finish a fine performance with a Wayne Hennessy special in the 85th from a well placed Kevin Flavin cross to hammer Ardmore's third past Mogeely keeper Willie Martin.

SCHOOLBOYS

Norton Cup U-12 - Mayfield 3 Ardmore 2

Our U-12 side bowed out of this season's competition to Cork side Mayfield after a very entertaining game. The loss of Dec Barron due to illness probably cost us this match as his absence was surely felt.

U-13 League Ardmore 4 Clashmore 1

Our U-13 side kept their season going with a win against neighbours Clashmore. Goals from Brian Keane, Paddy O'Donnell, Denis Flanagan and a Dec Barron penalty saw us through in this one.

U-15 League Ardmore 10 Lismore 2

Our U-15 side went on a scoring spree against Lismore and recorded an excellent win. This side are doing well at present and if they can keep producing displays like this they have every chance of league honours.

Clashmore 1 Ardmore 4

Another fine away win for our U-15 side. On this occasion it was a much tougher game but goals from Alan North, Michael Lally (2) and a Niall O'Brien penalty gave us the points in this local derby.

Fund Raising

At present we are fund raising in both the adult and juvenile sections of the clubs and your support would be great appreciated. The juvenile players all have draw cards for some lovely Christmas prizes. All players are asked to have their cards returned to Declan Barron by Wednesday 15th December. Lines are £1 with over 20 prizes to be won. We also have some lovely Christmas Hampers to be won in the local establishment and again these prizes can be won for just £1 so we hope that everyone will continue with their fantastic support which is very much appreciated.

NATIONAL SCHOOLS HANDBALL

Abbeyside National School Win The Devereux Cup

On Friday evening last (3/12/1999) at St. Augustine's College handball alley the National Schools played off for the Devereux Cup and medals.

First into bat were Kilbrien and Garranbane. Kilbrien led by their captain Ed. O'Connor and Garranbane led by their captain Ed Moore started the games off. Eddie O'Connor and Darren Dunford took an early lead but Eddie Moore & William Raheer fought back to level and with a final effort won the first doubles on the score 15 - 10. Next to play were Abbey-

side and Coolnasmear, Michael Brennock and Alan Deegan, Paudie Fahey (Capt.) and John Fennell. Michael and Alan started well but the Coolnasmear pair kept in touch and forced Michael and Alan out after taking an early lead. The Abbeyside pair were expected to win this game but had to give way to the stronger Coolnasmear pair, Coolnasmear winning on the

score 15 - 12.

The girls' doubles were next to play, Katie Cullinan and Ciara Lyons of Kilbrien and Laura Keevers & Jennifer Kirwan of Garranbane. Jennifer and Laura were too strong but Katie and Ciara made the Garranbane girls fight all the way before being beaten on the score 15 - 10. Garranbane now had a lead of 30 aces to 20 for Kilbrien. Abbey-

side and Coolnasmear girls were next into the alley. Deirdre Moran and Stephanie O'Connor were too strong for the Coolnasmear girls Maeve Simmons and Fiona Browne and won on the score 15 - 8. Abbeyside had a small lead going into the final doubles, 30 aces to 20.

The final round of doubles in the semi-final came next. The Kilbrien pair, Stephen McGrath and Simon Waters would have to beat Garranbane 15 - 4 to get through, the task was beyond them. The Garranbane mentors kept their strongest pair until the final game, Shane Delahunty and Stephen Raheer. They proved too strong and won out easy winners on the score 15 - 4, the final score - semi-final, Garranbane 45, Kilbrien 24. The final game between Abbeyside and Coolnasmear proved to be a very long fought out battle, the Coolnasmear pair Martin Curran and James Fennell started as if they were going to wipe out the Abbeyside pair Sean O'Hehir (Capt.) and Thomas Kiely. Coolnasmear played, great handball and kept scoring each time they went into serve and never left Abbeyside do much scoring. Coolnasmear led at one stage of the game by 10 aces to 1 ace. It looked like Abbeyside were gone, Sean O'Hehir's serves started to come good and with good play made inroads into the big lead. The Abbeyside pair wore down the Coolnasmear lads, the final score 15 for Abbeyside, 10 for Coolnasmear.

The final score - Abbeyside 42, Coolnasmear 33.

The final between Abbeyside and Garranbane started after a break of 10 minutes. Garranbane's Ed Moore and William Raheer set the ball rolling against Michael Brennock and Alan Deegan, Ed Moore played great handball and surprised everybody with his play, they outplayed the Abbeyside pair winning on the score 15 - 10. The Girls doubles were next, Deirdre Moran and Stephanie O'Connor proved too strong for the Garranbane girls Laura Keevers and Jennifer Kirwan winning 15 - 1. after two rounds, Abbeyside 25 Garranbane 16. The final game between Sean O'Hehir, Thomas Kiely, Abbeyside and Shane Delahunty and Stephen Raheer, Garranbane kept the crowd on their toes, Garranbane kept the game alive for a long time and fought hard. Sean O'Hehir played a captains part with his good play, this game ended with Abbeyside winning on the score 15 - 9. Final Results - Abbeyside 40, Garranbane 25.

The Cup and Medals were presented to the winning captain and players by Sharon Devereux.

Well done to all the players of the four schools for the great handball played, to the referees, Barry McAndrew and Kenny Keane, past students of Garranbane and Coolnasmear National schools, to all the mentors and officials (all past students of the four schools) and to Babs and Rose for the chips etc.



Photo shows Front row (l. - r.) Eoin Meehan, Stephanie O'Connor, Susan Lonergan, Deirdre Moran. Back row (l. - r.) Jason O'Brien, Michael Brown, (team mentors), Thomas Kiely, Alan Deegan, Sean O'Hehir, Michael Brennock, Patrick Hurney, (team mentor), Sharon Devereux, who presented the cup on behalf of the Devereux family.

Colligan Woods Riding Club

THE HORSE SHOE DIARIES

Deirdre Power has won top honours within the club. At a recent gala dinner, Colligan Woods Riding Club hosted the Inaugural MATTIE awards. The much coveted MATTIE, the final award of the evening, went to Deirdre Power, a very popular choice. This was a fine achievement for Deirdre who joined Colligan Woods in 1999.

The awards ceremony, comprising dinner and dance, was held at the Park Hotel. M. C. for the Evening was club Chairperson, Des O'Brien.

The first award of the evening, the OSCAR (Over Stocked with Cups And Rosettes) went to local Colligan Rider, Pat Barron. Among Pat's achievements during the year were his double success in the Colligan Equestrian Centre Amateur League and Riding Club League, on the same night and another double success in the Colligan Gymkhana, where he took both individual and team honours.

The IFTA (Impending Fall Tactically Avoided) went to Stradbally newcomer, Debbie Fitzgerald, for her execution of the "Lavan Lunge". The BAFTA (Best Apparel For Trekking and Arena) went to club stalwart and President, Francis Dwane, for his interpretation of the Green/Rag and Bone Man. The KNOCKALOT was a close call. However, popular Open rider, and proprietor of Colligan Equestrian Centre, Louise Moloney took the honours.

The EMMY (Equestrianism's Memorable Member of the Year) went to Joe Lavan. This award recognised the contribution made by an individual member, either on or off the horse. Prior to announcing the winner of the MATTIE (Most Atrocious Toss or Tumble In Equestrianism) club Chairperson, Des O'Brien commented that "this award is the highest accolade in Club Equestrianism."

It's significance lies not only in its recognition of an individual talent, but in the fact that it is an honour awarded by your peers.

Deirdre, a very modest and unassuming rider, was totally overcome. However, the accolade was no sur-

prise to those present, who have long recognised her ability and versatility. Many congratulations Deirdre - richly deserved. The crystal trophies, which were much admired, were supplied, once again, by Criostal na Rinne.

RECENT HAPPENINGS

The video night proved very successful, but given the amount of footage over the past year, we shall have to schedule a second night to get through everything. We have also had requests for a repeat showing of the first session from a number of members who were unable to attend. One member, in particular, was unable to view as the screening clashed with her audition for the title role in the Christmas pantomime, "Sleeping Beauty".

WATERFORD RIDING CLUB LEAGUES

Frances Condon has proved that she is well and truly back in the saddle, despite her injuries earlier in the season. She has competed in the Waterford Riding Club Amateur League, at Lake Tour in Tramore, over the past number of weeks. Following an excellent overall performance Frances took a well deserved 2nd place.

CHARITY SPONSORED RIDE

The Club's annual Christmas hack takes place on Monday 27th December. The hack will kick off at 12.00 noon, from Melody's Lounge, in the Nire Valley, weather permitting. This year, proceeds are going to the R.N.L.I. Helvic Lifeboat Fund.

All corners are welcome both Riding Club and non Riding Club. A minimum charge of £10 for adults and £5.00 for children, will apply and all grades, from beginners to advanced, will be catered for. Refreshments will be provided afterwards at Melody's and, as usual, there will be numerous spot prizes. Sponsorship cards are now available from Eibhlín Power, Secretary Colligan Woods Riding Club, Louise Moloney, Colligan Equestrian Centre, Dolores Uí Cheallaigh, Secretary Helvic Lifeboat Committee and Joan Clancy, P.R.O. Helvic Lifeboat Committee.



Local Trainee Jockey On R.A.C.E. Course

Brian Duggan from Dungarvan, Co. Waterford, left home on August 15th 1999 to start on his chosen career - a career in the exciting world of horseracing! He had heard about the Racing Apprentice Centre of Education in Kildare from his Career Guidance Teacher. He attended an Open Day at the centre with his parents in April and decided to apply in May. Because he was the correct weight (6 st. 4 lbs.) and aged 15 he was called for a 2 week residential trial in July along with 59 other candidates. "The trial was held in the National Stud and Punchestown Equestrian Centre, it was a great experience and very enjoyable."

He was very happy when he was offered a place on the course proper starting in August, even though it meant leaving home and school as the course is 42 weeks long and residential. After completing the initial 12 week riding and stable management course, Brian is now placed with trainer Michael Grassick on the Curragh for on-the-job training. Each morning he rides out 3 racehorses as well as helping out with routine tasks like feeding, mucking out and sweeping the yard. Each afternoon he has classes in English, Maths and Stable Management. An hour of P.E. follows classes, and evening activities include computers, art, football, swimming and French. Brian says "The course is demanding and also very educational." The facilities at the centre are excellent and you never get bored." When asked about his ambition Brian says without hesitation "I want to be the next champion apprentice."

He is in the right place to start out on his career, as R.A.C.E. is now in its 26th year with 100% employment for all graduates

Greyhound Racing

BY MARK PHILLIPS

Waterford, Saturday, December 11th 1999

NOVICE MARATHON STARS IN ACTION

The Marathon category of greyhound were well catered for on this programme where five of the races were run off over the seven thirty yard distance. Eugene Lennon kindly sponsored two divisions of the Long Haul Marathon.

Having her first long distance outing the Nicholas Dollard owned Nicks Doll (Arregle Buddy - Maxis Toff) made practically every yard of the running to triumph for trainer Dick Ryan in 41.60. Shooting into a clear lead off the first bend from Pretty Can't Wait, Nick Doll had to be at his very strongest to withstand the late rally of Ardera Sheila who tasted defeat by a neck.

Making light of a middle draw the R. Yaxley owned and Niall O'Dwyer trained Toronto Katie (Super Hoffman-Bit of Style) the 5/4 favourite absolutely hacked up in the second semi-final. A fast starting Value For Bobs motored well clear of the winner early on but the whole complexion of this race changed in the latter stages as Value For Bobs ran out of gas giving way to Toronto Katie who coasted to a ten lengths success over a running on Butterbridge Tic who came from the rear of the field. Time 41.60. Boasting superior form over the standard trip to that of her rivals the Stuart Locke-Hart owned and Brendan Murphy trained Penn Nikki (Spiral Nikita-Locnamon Lady) carried the mantle of favouritism in the sixth event at 1/1 and the Co. Carlow entry arrived late on the scene to oblige in 41.90. Finane Sue made a brave effort to lead all the way but Penn Nikki tracked cleverly over the final two bends driving into the lead up the rails to come through for a length and a half victory.

The Watty Walsh owned Kellsboro Bob (Thorgil Tex - Murlens Leggy) the 5/4 Hot Pot made no mistake in the seventh making all in 42.20. Powering his way to the head of affairs Kellsboro Bob responded well in the closing stages when challenged by Hideaway Beauty and Basil to defeat the former by a length and a quarter.

In a graded marathon all four runners held a chance of winning out but the always prominent Ballybray Max (Minnie's Phantom - Wise Slip) 4/5 stayed on best on the run to the winning line to defeat Bet Four Million by a length in 41.83. The winner is owned by John Murphy and trained by Nicky Grace.

In the opening 550 Tramore Lad raced clear of Rocklands Sally and Raywee Ruby but the Michael Eustace owned Lobnamna Barney (Airmount Grand - Lobnamna Dolly) 7/2 produced a storming late run from well back to short head Raywee Ruby in 30.91.

Having his first race outing for three months Gerry Kiely's Airmount Prince (Tip Top - Airmount Zoe) stormed to a 29.24 victory at odds of 4/1 in the second event. 'Airmount' glided past the front running Granary Galaxy near the third bend to run out a three and a quarter lengths victory over a staying on Stage Socky in a pleasing 29.24.

Noel Kelly's, Sleepwalker (Cry Dalcash - Monmahogue Sally) beat a good class field to land the eighth contest in a speedy 29.25. 3/1 chance Sleepwalker eased his way into the lead at the penultimate bend from the pace setting Gerry My Boy. Showing no signs of weakening Sleepwalker coasted to a three and a half lengths victory over Gerry My Boy.

Trap six also housed the winner of the ninth contest as the youthful Ellens Spark (Deenside Spark - Blissful Hostess) 2/1 came from behind to win out in 29.64. Owned by Eleanor Riley and trained by Mike Gallagher Ellens Spark found herself adrift of the principals Kellymount Wish and Glencorbry Go on the back stretch but 'Ellens' stayed on way too smartly for her rivals coming through for a length victory over Kellymount Wish in 29.64.

If there was an award for the most improved tracker around then Deerpark Captain (Trade Official - Gold Anita) would certainly come out on top. He reeled off a hat trick of victories in the final race on Saturday night leading all the way in 29.42.

Owned by Paddy Murphy 6/4 shot Deerpark Captain quickly set about the task in hand leading throughout for a facile three lengths victory over Credit Mission who did not enjoy the best of running when stumbling at the second bend.

GREYHOUND OWNERS AWARDS

The Waterford Greyhound Owners and Breeders Dog and Bitch of the year awards were selected at Waterford Track last Saturday night and the Dog of the Year title went to Brenda Seymours, Mo Modra while the Bitch of the Year was Donal Hunt's great marathon performer Hunts Flyer.

GALA BENEFIT MEETING

A Gala Benefit Meeting in aid of the Cancer Care Unit is scheduled for Kilcohan Park, Waterford on next Saturday night with the first of ten races underway at 8p.m.

TWO MARATHON FINALS

Waterford Track stage two marathon finals on next Saturday night and the following are the relevant Trap Draw for the respective finals which are kindly sponsored by Eugene Lennon of the Long Haul Tavern.

LONG HAUL FINAL (1) 730 YARDS

- T1 Butterbridge Tic
- T2 Ardera Sheila
- T3 Nicks Doll
- T4 Value for Bobs
- T5 Toronto Katie
- T6 Pretty Can't Wait (W)

Selection : Ardera Sheila, Dangers: Nicks Doll, Toronto Katie.

LONG HAUL FINAL (2) 730 YARDS

- T1 Basil
- T2 Finane Sue
- T3 Hideaway Beauty
- T4 Kellsboro Bob
- T5 Daffies Kiara
- T6 Penn Nikki

Selection : Basil, Dangers : Finane Sue, Penn Nikki.

WATERFORD - TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7th

Two winners namely Powerful Chance 29.32 and sprint specialist Sparta Icon 16.51 stood head and shoulders above everything else on this midweek programme.

Having been knocked over on his debut Margaret Reddy's, Powerful Chance (Trade Official - Special Chill) made no mistake from trap four in the fourth event powering his way to a clear cut 29.32 victory. Making his debut Sleepy James was backed down from 2/1 to 4/7 to take this contest but he appeared to make contact with the rails when lying a handy third at the first bend. Meanwhile Powerful Chance motored well clear to defeat the always prominent Survival Time by five and three quarter lengths.

A three runner sprint proved a mere penalty kick for the John Fitzgerald owned and Phil Gough trained 3/1 on favourite Sparta Icon (Boyne Walk - Peppermint Lady) who cruised to a two and a quarter lengths win over a running on Dawlish Davis in a speedy 16.51.

A number of winners shed their maiden tag on this eleven race card and one such runner was Dick Lane-Joynt's 3/1 shot Watsons Bay (Slaneyside Dan-Shepards Moon) who swept past the early leader Spicy Quest at the halfway point to run out an easy six length winner over Fancy Gorge in 29.88.

Making her debut from trap three in the first of two novice contests the Philip Gaffney and John Ryan owned Gaffers Peer (Mountleader Peer-Tooth Pick) 6/4 burst into the lead on the run to the opening turn. Ballycrine Ivan and company did their best to go after the leader but 'Gaffers' piled on the pressure to triumph by six and a half lengths in 29.84.

John Duggan's Always Searching (Lassa Java - Dawlish Sonia) justified 1/1 favouritism in the second novice event gaining a hard earned but fully deserved 29.84 success in the third. Surviving a rough ride around the opening turn Always Searching forged clear of Cailin Lingaun. Kilmeaden Lady ran on well in the closing stages but was three and a quarter lengths in arrears of the winner at the winning line.

Quarrymount Lace (Staplers Jo-Ballinaboola Pol) 2/1 gained a winning sprint bracket in the fifth event obliging in 16.77. At the head of affairs throughout Quarrymount Lace stayed on strongly to deprive a running on Bigwood Princes by two lengths.

Local owner George Frisby was on the mark in the sixth contest as his homebred greyhound Bawndaw Spiral (Spiral Nikiat-Bawndaw Rose) ran out a cosy winner in 29.88 at odds of 4/5. Driving up the inside of early leader Jumbos Glory at the entrance to the back stretch Bawndaw Spiral was soon in command coasting to a six and a half lengths victory over Jumbos Glory.

Lingaun Boy owned by Joseph Kennedy and trained by Jim Scully proved a runaway winner at a price of 4/1 in the seventh event in 29.56. As the front runners Patch The Pier and Divine battled for outright supremacy Lingaun Boy (Mustang Jack - Blissful Spark) sprinted up the inside of this pair out of the first bend to motor on for a facile eight lengths win over Patch The Pier.

The Mary Hoy and Mary Hanrahan owned Coolmoohan Prince (Come on Ranger-Springfield Jill) the red hot 1/2 favourite endured his fair share of hardship before deservedly taking the ninth event in 29.89. After a far from fluent start the Jolly found himself the meat in the sandwich at the first bend as Driving Force headed a tightly packed group. Forging his way into the lead down the back stretch a gallant Coolmoohan Prince kept going all the way to the winning line to defeat Bawndaw Lotto by three and a quarter lengths.

The M. Scurry and Kieran Power owned Graigue Bonus 2/1 ran out the easiest winner of the night capturing the tenth race by a distance in 29.84. As Coolclough Sandy from T5 hampered a number of her opponents when seeking the rails Graigue Bonus (Bonus Prince - Maree Maree) scampered clear for an all the way victory over Kathleens Chance.

Racing concluded with an exciting contest. The relative novice Magical Mission made practically every yard of the running but the Peter Bates owned and Mike Gallagher trained Charity Blondie 7/2 swooped late on the outside for a surprise but deserved half a length success in 29.88.

Dungarvan Credit Union Cycling Club

TRAINING TIPS

With the completion of a months conditioning work, the rider should now be in a position to commence serious training as we build up towards the start of the racing season. In considering the training methods to be adopted, one must bear in mind that there are two basic styles of training. Aerobic work is the general term applied to steady riding and anaerobic work applies to the short, flat-out effort. Road racing demands that the body cope with a very wide range of race situations and these, in turn, require the rider to make efforts of both aerobic and anaerobic nature. The object of your training should be to prepare your body to handle these situations and it should be obvious that this demands that your training must be of a similar varied nature. To worship one training method to the exclusion of others will result in a rider only being able to handle certain situations and being completely out of his, or her depth in others.

Aerobic work does, however, have a large part to play in the formation of any training programme since this work provides the endurance base, without which speed work would be counterproductive. It develops a large powerful heart, an efficient blood transport system and produces a lean efficient body by burning fat reserves.

But even in this work it is important to find the line where leisure riding ends and training begins, since it is not simply a case of spending time on the bike. Time is a most valuable commodity and the bike rider must ensure that it is spent wisely.

SUNDAY SPIN

Last Sunday the following took part in the club spin : Seamus Connolly, Justin Coonin, Padraig De Burca, Ray Dwyer, Tony Elstead, Vincent Feeney, Pat Kenneally, Eamon Phelan, Rory Wyley (Snr.), Ger Wyley, Maurice Terry, Robert Power and Mark Flavin.

BIATHLON

Yes, it will take place in January, watch this space for details.

Cunnigar Pitch & Putt Club Notes

TURKEY TOURNAMENT

Last Sunday our turkey tournament turned out to be a very exciting one despite the bitterly cold conditions and many turkeys were won in the singles, doubles and team events. There was a good turnout of members.

Results — Best Doubles Nett — the partnership of Eddie Lenihan and Patrick Keating won this. Best Double Gross — the partnership of Paul Regan and Mike "Faldo" Donovan won this. Best Team Nett — the partnership of Thomas Maher and Tom Whelan won this. Best Team Gross — the partnership of Philip Regan and Willie Browne won this. Best Single Nett — Maurice Wade won this. Best Single Gross — Jimmy Cockwell won this. Well done to all winners.

FIXTURE

This Sunday, December 19th, our last turkey tournament takes place. Tee-off 9.45 to 10.30 a.m. All players taking part please have your names in the clubhouse before Saturday. We ask all our players to support.

On behalf of the club we would like to thank all who supported our weekly tournaments over the last few weeks.

LOTTO REACHES £2,200

Once again there was no winner of our big big jackpot. The numbers drawn were 4-22-24-25. Three lucky winners of £20 each were M. Colbert, Willie Murray, Andy Keohan.

Turkey winners were: Liam Power and Liz Duggan. Hams: Bernie O'Regan and S. Drummy.

So, our big jackpot this week will be £2,200, and, who knows, it could be you!

On behalf of the Lotto Committee we would like to take this opportunity to thank all who supported our lotto during the past year — long may it continue.

SOCIAL NIGHT

Last Friday our social night was held in Lawlor's Hotel. A great night was had by all. We would like to thank the staff of Lawlor's Hotel for a lovely meal. We would also like to thank Mike Daly (Mr. Music Man) for supplying the music, and all the people who supported the night, thank you.

— SHOUT FORE

HANDBALL NOTES

St. Augustine's College Play In Two All Ireland Finals

On Sunday last the College travelled to Croke Park to take on Omagh CBS and St. Patrick's College, Cavan in the All-Ireland Senior Doubles and Junior Singles in the All-Ireland Colleges Finals.

Michael Brennan was first into the alley. This was his first time seeing the handball alley complex. The sight of the complex is overpowering when you see it for the first time, not alone to have to play in it. The Croke Park alley has a glass side wall as well as a glass back. The St. Patrick's College player is a far more experienced player, having this year won the All-Ireland One-Wall Championship in Sligo.

Michael found it very hard to cope with the two glass walls. He gave his best in both games. Michael is good with both hands. He made the St. Patrick's player fight all the way before giving way on the score 21-12, 21-14.

Michael has the honour of bringing the first silver All-Ireland medal to the college. The experience will have done him an amount of good for the future.

Barry McAndrew and Kenny Keane were next into the alley. CBS Omagh were represented by Ryan Daly & Mark McCullagh - All-Ireland Juvenile Champions. We now had four All-Ireland title winners in juvenile playing for the Colleges Senior Doubles title, Barry and Kenny having won in the 40x20 alley and the Omagh players in the 60x30 alley.

The doubles final, witnessed by a very large crowd, was agreed by all to have been the best final played in Croke Park for many a year. To the four players and their colleges the handball world owes them a great debt of gratitude.

First to serve were Barry and Kenny. The Omagh players knocked them out straight away. The Friary lads returned the compliment and did likewise to them. The Friary lads scored first and then it was score for score until the Omagh boys got ahead on the score 17-14. They went on to win on the score 21-15.

The second game started very well for the Friary boys who went up 5-1. Omagh got going to level at 5-all. Then it was score for score until it was 10 aces all. Barry and Kenny put on a great show with serves, overhead shots and great killing to win out on the score 21-10. The result thus depended on the last game.

The final game was to be the most exciting of the three, all four players displaying all their skills, with long rallies, near misses and impossible shots that came off. It was neck to neck, 10 aces all. The Friary took the lead 11-10. The ace that turned the game against the Friary came at this stage. Barry served one of these great serves — serving from the left, around to the right glass wall, onto the back glass wall and into the left corner. Nobody could be expected to return such a shot, but to his everlasting credit, Ryan Daly did not alone return it, but it went into the left corner and rolled out. What a return!

It sapped all the energy out of Barry and Kenny and the college supporters. The Omagh boys got a new lease of life. However, the game was still not over. Barry and Kenny still battled hard and made the Omagh lads fight all the way. The final ace served by the Omagh lads started the longest rally to be seen for a long time. If we could knock them out anything could happen, but it was not to be. Omagh won on the score 21-16.

Congratulations Barry and Kenny on a great performance.

MINNIES SQUASH CLUB NOTES

HAHESY MOTORS TO ML. CARROLL VICTORY

Thursday night last saw the final of the Michael Carroll Motors sponsored team tournament when the teams of Ray Haesy and Michael Tutty battled it out for glory. Ray's team booked their final spot when in Monday night's semi final they edged out the more favoured team of Emmett Byrne 10-8. At five Peggy Whelan after winning a very close opener 9-6 eased through the next two sets 9-2, 9-0 against a definite star of the future Dane Tobin. At four Willie Browne recovered from 5-8 down to take the opener 10-8 before winning the next two 9-5, 9-5 against June Whyte. The ones had played early as both Pat O'Brien and Maurice Walsh were at the British Open - Pat winning 3-1. At two the craft and skill of Emmett Byrne saw him to a 3-0 win over Ray Haesy so all to play for as the threes Michael Shanahan and Jack Stephenson took to court. This was a contrast in styles, the speedy never say die running of Shanahan against the more subtle touchplay of Stephenson. The first two sets were very close with Michael shading them 9-7, 10-9 but those in the gallery were left to wonder had the mammoth effort taken its toll as Jack came right back into the picture winning the third and fourth 9-4, 9-1. So it all hinged on the final set, a place in the final at stake. Incredibly Michael drew on all his reserves as he battled back to take it 9-4 much to the delight of his team mates. It was an easier task in the other semi for Michael Tutty's team against Niamh McMahon's team - it was practically over before it began, with Michael also going to the British Open he also played early where he recorded a very impressive 3-0 victory over Niamh. In another game played early the all family affair went to Dermot O'Neill as he came out on top in a fivesetter against wife Brona. On the night of the semi's Sharon Foley and Seamus Lambert received walkovers to cement the result.

SEAMUS AND PEG SERVE UP THRILLER

So to Thursday's Final. First on were the fives Seamus Lambert and Peg Whelan - would the speed of Lambert be enough against the calculating squash of Whelan. Seamus took early control opening up 5-1, 7-2 and serving 8-6 for

the set only for Peg to come back each time before she eventually pinched it 10-9. The second set was very tight, 3-3, 4-4, 6-6, before Peg edged ahead 8-7 to serve for the set. Seamus levelled and then served 9-8 for the set, Peg levelled and served 9-9 to go two sets up only for Lambert to pinch it 10-9. This seemed to break Peg's resistance and though she battled bravely Seamus stormed away to win the next two 9-2, 9-2. At four Willie Browne in his first final for a very long time faced our former Munster age player Sharon Foley now a member of the defence forces. After some early even exchanges things were level at 5-5 before Willie took control to take it 9-5. In the second Sharon showed plenty of her youthful skill as she bombed into a 7-1 advantage but to his credit Willie never threw in the towel as he battled back to take it 9-7. In an even third set Sharon again edged away to lead 7-5 but the crafty Browne did it again responding well to level things and then pinch the match 9-7.

Meanwhile at three Dermot O'Neill put an end to Michael Shanahan's gallop - equipped with an impressive new racket Dermot was on fire as he blitzed Michael for the loss of only three points. With the news coming through that number one Francis Power would be unable to play Maurice Walsh at number one, the tie was balanced with everything hanging on the battle of the captains.

The big question was could Michael Tutty on the travel since 8 am that morning from Aberdeen to Glasgow to Dublin to Minnies summon enough energy to beat the silky left handed skills of Ray Haesy. The answer, I'm afraid is he couldn't. Despite looking very glamorous firstly in his Mitsubishi top then his British Open T Shirt and despite his best efforts it was the freshness of mind and leg that saw Haesy record a 9-4, 9-4 victory to become the inaugural winners of this event.

Special thanks to Michael Carroll Motors for his very generous sponsorship, the prizes were presented during the Christmas party - Ray Moore representing Carroll Motors thanked the players, T.D.'s and all who made the tournament the success it was and on the instruction of Michael he was delighted to report that the Mitsubishi main agents would sponsor again next season.

PARTY GOES OFF A TREAT

Thursday night was Christmas Party night and while things were cold and a bit slow to get going but when things heated up it proved a very enjoyable night enjoyed by all. As part of the proceedings the prizes were presented for the Michael Carroll Motors Tournament. Also a draw took place where committee member Eoin Murray can take full credit for rounding up a very impressive list of goodies. Thanks to those who sponsored the prizes Willie Kiely Fruit & Veg (£50 voucher), Gold Coast (£25 voucher) Bridgie Terries (bottle of vodka), £10 fuel voucher (Statoil), bottle of wine (Clonea Hotel), bottle of wine (Philip Foley's Burmah), Tin of biscuits (Kelly's Shop), two box of chocolates (Dalton's Shop), bottle tequila (Minnies). Sharon Foley was a lucky girl picking up two of the prizes, other winners were Bonnie Mills, Carol Joyce, Mary Walsh, Niamh McMahon, Ray Moore, Serena O'Brien, Donal Williams, Gus Moynihan and Jenny Forsey. As I said a great night was had by all. Well done to Sonic Sound on the music.

ALLROUNDER LADDER

The second round of the Allrounder Ladder is now in full swing and with everyone aware of the set up organiser Charmian promises there will be no extra time allowed as there was in section one so all games are to be played by Wednesday 22nd at 8 pm. The third round will be posted through the Christmas and through to mid January to give everyone a chance to burn off those unwanted calories.

By the reckoning of the PRO the following is the points leaderboard after round one; Pat Cullen leading the way nar-

rowly on 22 pts closely followed by Paul Veale, Ray Haesy and Trevor Walsh on 21. So it reads (1) Pat Cullen 22, (2) Paul Veale, Ray Haesy and Trevor Walsh 21, (5) John Reynolds, Bonnie Mills and Aonghus Walsh on 20 pts, (8) John Leonard 19 pts, (9) Dermot O'Neill 18 pts, (10) Maurice Walsh, Catherine Kiely, Jenny McGrath and Brona O'Neill. Remember any unplayed games incur a -3 penalty so someone turning up and losing 0-3 still picks up one point, in other words keep playing your games and you have to keep scoring.

OPENING DEFEAT FOR DIV. FOUR TEAM

With the Christmas Party on Thursday night the Division Four opener against Saint Finbarr's was brought forward to Wednesday night when a disappointing 2-3 defeat was recorded. First on was number four Kevin Tutty. In a disappointing performance Kevin went down badly 5-9, 1-9, 8-10 to Paddy Hawe. At two Paul Veale had a dream start as he won the opener 9-1 against Sami Ahmed, Ahmed won the second 9-1 before he won two very close sets 9-7, 9-6 to put the Barr's two matches up. At one Emmett Byrne faced Christy McCarthy, brother of Waterford hurling coach Gerald. Emmett played very well in the opener and was a trifle unlucky to lose an 8-5 advantage going down 10-8. Despite his best efforts Emmett had to settle for 5-9, 3-9 in the next two. At five Pat Cullen was in superb form. Straight from the off he dominated with his 100% non stop pressure game which yielded a deserved 9-3, 9-0, 9-0, 9-0 win over Michael Hourigan. At three captain Vincent Tutty overcame a very slow start and two set deficit to record a 4-9, 5-9, 9-3, 10-8, 9-3 victory over Ger McCarthy - Vinnie bravely hung in there in set four serving eight times between 8-1 and 8-7 before taking it 10-8. So a 2-3 result and seven points secured - this Thursday the lads are home to Mallow where I'm sure they would appreciate your support.

LIONS CLUB SQUASH BLITZ

This Friday night, Dec. 17th the club will host a squash blitz in aid of the WLR Lions Club Hamper Appeal. All Squash players are encouraged to take part in this fun event for this very worthy cause. Squash people unable to play on the night are invited to make a donation to the appeal.

WEST WATERFORD ATHLETIC NOTES

Brickey 5 Mile Classic

The arctic weather last Sunday didn't deter 71 runners and 36 walkers participating in the 6th Annual Brickey Classic over 5 miles. All proceeds for this years race which was in excess of £1,450 goes to South Eastern Cancer Foundation. The race was kindly sponsored by McGraths Newsagency, Mitchel St., Dungarvan. The walkers started at 1.30 with the run getting underway at 2.30 under our honorary starter Mr. Martin Curran, who also is the donator of the beautiful perpetual cup, also on hand at the start was Santa who took a break from his heavy schedule much to the delight of the younger people. As the race got underway the lead changed hands several times between Eric Meade, Jack Duggan and Shane Power. As the race turned on to the tough canal section, conditions over the two miles were difficult on the underfoot. On leaving the canal the eventual winner Eric Meade opened up a gap on the chasing

pack with Jack Duggan coming 2nd on 28.33 and Shane Power 28.52 3rd.

LADIES RACE

In the ladies race Catherine Hennessey was a convincing winner at 33.42 with Frankie Devlin, Midleton 2nd and Eilish Hayes, Thomastown 3rd, Hiliary Collins, Joanne Jackman and Aine Kavanagh finished 4th, 5th, 6th respectively.

JUVENILE

1st in the girls section was Elaine Curran, 35.50 followed closely by Teresa Curran 36.01. The boys section was won by Mark Curran and Conor McGrath 2nd, Alan Curran 3rd.

WEIGHT CATEGORIES

The weight categories attracted the usual fun and banter with wins recorded by Elaine Curran, Gavin Kennedy, Sylvia Sheanlaoigh, Gerry Cantwell, Trevor Mason, Denis McCarthy, Kevin O'Brien, Vincent Tutty, Ml. Ahearne and Stephen Curran.

FOUR IN A ROW FOR CANTWELL

Gerry Cantwell has a unique achievement in this race after this years event. He is the only athlete to win four in the weight categories, 3 in the U12 stone section and this year his 1st in the U11 stone category. Well done Gerry.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

Martin Curran presented the Perpetual Cup to the winner. "The second non Waterford person to win the race Eric Meade, Midleton, Cork". Tony Ryan of the race committee presented the £1,450 cheque to Joanie McGrath representing the South Eastern Cancer Foundation. The organisation wish to thank everyone who sponsored prizes, who sold tickets for the raffle and to Bridie Dees who provided tea and sandwiches for all. Tony Ryan, race director would also like to thank Mary Rose, Noel and Patricia on the entries and time keeping, Paddy Whelan on the M.C. and Stephen Curran for his enormous input into making the race a huge success.

BRICKEY 5 MILE CHRISTMAS CLASSIC 1999

Men - 1st Eric Meade, 28.13, Midleton; 2nd Jack Duggan, 28.33, St. Joseph's; 3rd Shane Power, 28.52, St. Pauls.



AND THEY'RE OFF — THE BRICKEY 5 MILE CLASSIC GETS UNDERWAY LAST SUNDAY



Photo shows (l. to r.) Margaret McNamara, Breda Walsh and Jacinta Shiel who participated in the walk last Sunday. Photos by Rory Wyley

Ladies - 1st Catherine Hennessey, 33.42, New Ross; 2nd Frankie Devlin, 37.15, Midleton; 3rd Eilish Hayes, 37.33, Thomastown; 4th Hiliary Collins, 38.35, Mullihone; 5th Joanne Jackson, 39.28, West Waterford; 6th Aine Kavanagh, 39.39, West Waterford.

Juvenile/Girls - 1st Elaine Curran, 35.50; 2nd Teresa Curran, 36.01.

Juvenile/Boys - 1st Mark Curran, 33.56; 2nd Conor McGrath, 44.14; 3rd Alan Curran, 51.58. U.8 Stone - 1st Elaine Curran; 2nd Teresa Curran. U.9 Stone - 1st Gavin Kennedy; 2nd Thomas Halpin. U.10 Stone - 1st Sylvia Sheanlaoigh. U.11 Stone - 1st Gerry Cantwell; 2nd Leslie Smythe. U.12 Stone - 1st Trevor Mason; 2nd Tadhg Vaughan. U.13 Stone - 1st Denis McCarthy; 2nd Liam Butler. U.14 Stone - 1st Kevin O'Brien; 2nd John Clarke. U.15 Stone - 1st Vincent Tutty; 2nd John Clarke. U.16 Stone - 1st Michael Ahearne; 2nd Albert McGrath. O.16 Stone - 1st Stephen Curran.

BRICKEY ONLY CATEGORY

Cycling supreme Tony Murray 32.19 won this event from bookies favourite Colin Lyons 33.01. 3rd was Conor Murray at a time of 33.40 with international star Ritchie Power 4th on 34.36 followed up by Brian Collins 5th 36.35.

SPOT PRIZES

Spot prizes were won by the following Martin McCarthy, Kathleen O'Connell, Dan Dineen, Martin Veale, Don Shiel, Ml. Deegan, Liam Cuddihy, Joe Roche, Tom Fitzgerald, Pat Lennon.

WALK

A raffle was held with prizes won by Kathleen Keane, Jim McGrath, Bridget Roche whose husband decided to go on horse back, Teresa Meehan and Breda Drohan.

Walkers - 1 Laurence Curran; 2 Lily Sheehan; 3 J.J. Sheehan; 4 Kit McCarthy; 5 Nollaig Halpin; 6 Imelda Murphy; 7 Chloe Halpin (1); 8 Cline Murphy (1); 9 Mairead McGrath; 10 Breda Drohan; 11 Joanne McGrath; 12 Aisling Conroy; 13 Jim Lyons; 14 Mary O'Connell; 15 Marie Connolly; 16 Jacinta Shiel; 17 Margaret McNamara; 18 Kathleen Keane; 19 Breda Walsh; 20 Marie Sullivan; 21 Theresa Meehan; 22 Pa Meehan; 23 Aisling McGrath; 24 Niamh McGrath (1); 25 Mary McGrath; 26 Jim McGrath; 27 Reena Landers; 28 Michael Roche; 29 Bridget Roche; 30 Alice Curran; 31 Mary Curran; 32 Helen Curran; 33 Gerry McGrath; 34 Katie McGrath; 35 Gerard McGrath (1); 36 Colin McGrath (1).

RACE RESULTS

1 Eric Meade, 28.13; 2 Jack Duggan, 28.33; 3 Shane Power, 28.52; 4 Gavin Kennedy, 29.25; 5 Denis McCarthy, 29.48; 6 Gerry Cantwell, 29.58; 7 Trevor Mason, 30.24; 8 Kevin O'Brien, 30.34; 9 Tadhg Vaughan, 30.39; 10 Leslie Smythe, 30.42; 11 Martin McCarthy, 30.52; 12 Ml. Dwyer, 31.08; 13 Dale Kennedy, 31.47; 14 Con Kelleher, 31.49; 15 Liam Butler, 32.11; 16 John Whelan, 32.15; 17 Tony Murray, 32.19; 18 Ray Burke, 32.48; 19 Joe Gough, 32.53; 20 Colin Lyons, 33.01; 21 Martin Jackman, 33.05; 22

Finbar Kelly, 33.11; 23 Conor Murray, 33.40; 24 Catherine Hennessey, 33.42; 25 Mark Curran, 33.56; 26 John Walsh, 34.03; 27 Davey Wade, 34.06; 28 Anthony Dwyer, 34.15; 29 Joe Salmon, 34.35; 30 Ritchie Power, 34.36; 31 Joe Kelly, 35.23; 32 James Veale, 35.23; 33 Vincent Tutty, 35.48; 34 Elaine Curran, 35.50; 35 Paul Keating, 35.51; 36 Teresa Curran, 36.01; 37 Geoffrey Hally, 36.08; 38 Tony Mahoney, 36.12; 39 Ml. Dunford, 36.27; 40 Brian Collins, 36.35; 41 David Connors, 36.35; 42 Darren Mason, 36.56; 43 Donie O'Connell, 37.07; 44 Frankie Devlin, 37.15; 45 Tony Ryan, 37.16; 46 Liam Cuddihy, 37.28; 47 Joe Roche, 37.32; 48 Eilish Hayes, 37.33; 49 Barry Kinsella, 37.41; 50 Brendan Donnelly, 37.51; 51 Tom Fitzgerald, 38.04; 52 John Clarke, 38.20; 53 Martin Veale, 38.27; 54 Hiliary Collins, 38.35; 55 Donal Budds, 39.21; 56 Joanne Jackman, 39.28; 57 Aine Kavanagh, 39.39; 58 Patrick Doherty, 40.22; 59 Pat Lennon, 40.28; 60 Stephen Curran, 40.29; 61 Don Shiel, 41.38; 62 Tomás Halpin, 44.14; 63 Conor McGrath, 44.14; 64 Justin Coonan, 45.16; 65 Ml. Ahearne, 45.22; 66 Albert McGrath, 48.33; 67 Ml. Deegan, 48.33; 68 Sylvia Sheanlaoigh, 49.25; 69 Alan Curran, 51.58; 70 Kathleen O'Connell, 52.30; 71 Dan Dineen, 55.18.

ALL ROUNDER WINTER LEAGUE

Geoffrey Hally recorded a win last Wednesday night in a time of 40 minutes with Stephen Curran and Tony Shalloe respectively. In the 3 miles event Shane Power reclaimed his lead coming second to Pascal Phelan with Don Shiel 3rd.

ALLROUNDER WINTER LEAGUE

Results Round 6
5.7 miles — Name & Race No.

1	74 Geffory Halley	0:40:00
2	6 Stephen Curran	0:44:30
3	12 Tony Shalloe	0:38:04
4	62 David Connors	0:39:58
5	28 John Whelan	0:35:14
6	4 Pat Bennett	0:39:56
7	33 Dermot Dwyer	0:38:15
8	32 John Clarke	0:44:09
9	23 Anthony Dwyer	0:37:09
10	59 Michael Cooney	0:38:48
11	10 Ray Burke	0:35:49
12	11 Brendan Donnelly	0:40:12
13	24 Joe Salmon	0:37:33
14	25 Tony O'Mahoney	0:37:52
15	9 Brian Collins	0:40:08
16	67 Garreth Byrne	0:37:42
17	26 Gerry Cantwell	0:33:38
18	55 Pat Lennon	0:42:40
19	54 Seamus Mansfield	0:41:45
20	56 Ritchie Power	0:37:40
21	53 Albarn O'Donoghue	0:38:46
22	98 Eilish Hayes	0:39:58
23	52 James Bennett	0:42:56
24	47 Mark Jackman	0:31:59
25	49 James Curran	0:39:27
26	58 Tony Murray	0:36:09
27	31 Colin Lyons	0:35:57
28	5 Sean Bennett	0:39:55
29	18 Finbar Kelly	0:37:26
30	1 Eamonn Phelan	0:40:22
31	8 Michael Dwyer	0:35:25
32	17 Tony Ryan	0:44:17
33	35 James Veale	0:44:24
34	30 Paul Keating	0:40:35
35	57 Eoin O'Riordan	0:37:44
36	51 Fergus Nolan	0:45:43
37	50 Pat Hennessy	0:44:56

DUNGARVAN BIATHLON

A meeting will take place on tonight Wednesday night at 9.15 in the Park Hotel. All committee members and members willing to help are asked to attend.

Allrounder Winter League Results Round 6 — 3 miles —

1	70 Pascal Phelan	00:25:01
2	86 Shane Power	00:22:19
3	82 Don Shields	00:23:25
4	90 Luke Brennan	00:24:00
5	80 Chris Gough	00:23:50
6	78 Patrick O'Doherty	00:23:56
7	97 Michael Deegan	00:27:04
8	76 Shane Kelly	00:22:17
9	48 Joanne Jackman	00:22:43
10	96 Aisling Conroy	00:29:02
11	81 Pat Curran	00:24:06
12	91 Danny McGrath	00:25:35
13	89 Martin Veale	00:24:54
14	19 Albert McGrath	00:29:25
15	83 Jeff Bullen	00:27:34



Martin Veale ploughing a lone furrow



SLIP SLIDING AWAY . . . !

Photo shows Stephen Curran (848), Patrick Doherty and Pat Lennon negotiating the slippery terrain in last Sunday's Brickey 5 Mile Classic.

Dungarvan Golf Club Notes

OUR LADY CAPTAIN FINOLA KELLY



Finola is delighted to be given the honour of being Lady Captain for the Millennium and attended Abbeyside N.S. as well as the Presentation Convent, Dungarvan. She completed her third level education at the Commercial College of the Holy Faith, Haddington Road, Dublin. Finola worked in the City Accountants office, Dublin Corporation before marrying former captain of Dungarvan Golf Club, Michael Kelly. They had four children with one daughter Kate still residing at home in their homely bungalow in Kilgobinet.

Finola took up golf in 1980 when Dungarvan Golf Club were situated in Ballinacourty and while Josephine Melody was Lady Captain and there she gained a good understanding of what a good captain should be.

Finola is looking forward to her own year as captain as she feels she has an excellent committee with whom she will enjoy working with. One of the more important challenges of her year as Lady Captain will be the hosting of the Ladies Finals of the I.L.G.U. Junior and Minor Leagues in Dungarvan G.C. in May 2000. It is an honour to host such a prestigious competition and wouldn't it be wonderful if Dungarvan Golf Club could have a team in each category for the finals. Better still wouldn't it be great to bring a Munster Pendant to Dungarvan Golf Club for the Millennium. No matter what happens there is no doubt that the ladies throughout Munster will experience that special warmth which is our forte in Dungarvan Golf Club.

On the domestic scene, Finola will do her best to encourage new members into the club and make them feel welcome and hope they will enjoy the many social activities as well as the golf.

Finally, her wish for the Millennium is that all golfers both men and women will enjoy a successful years golf and that the weather conditions will generally be favourable to good golf.

NEW MEMBERSHIP 2000 STARTER PACKAGE

A starter package is being offered to new members wishing to join the club for the season 1999/2000. The offer is available until September 30th, 2000.

This offer is of limited availability, on a 'first come first served' basis, and is subject to the normal selection process of the club.

Application forms can be obtained from Tom Whelan at the Club-house. Telephone 058 - 43310/41605; Fax 058 - 44113.

COMERAGH OIL SPONSORED AREA LEAGUE RESULTS AFTER WEEK 3

LEAGUE A — Ballinacourty 153 pts. V. Pinewood 76 pts. Strandside 147 pts. V. Master McGrath 126 pts. McCarthyville 140 pts. V. Ballinroad 139 pts. Abbeyside 145 pts. V. Kilrush 130 pts. Ballinacourty 6 pts., Strandside 6 pts., Abbeyside 6 pts., Ballinroad 4 pts., McCarthyville 2pts., Kilrush 0 pts., Pinewood 0 pts., Master McGrath 0 pts.

LEAGUE B — Bonmahon 151 pts. V. Park Lane 142 pts. Kilmeaden 140 pts. V. Kilmurray 102 pts. Sea Park 142 pts. V. Fr. Twomeys 132 pts. Comeragh 137 pts. V. The Burgery 135 pts. Bonmahon 6 pts., Kilmeaden 4 pts., Park lane 4 pts., Comeragh 4 pts., Sea Park 4 pts., Fr. Twomey's 2 pts., The Burgery 0 pts., Kilmurray 0 pts.

ROUND 4 MATCHES — Comeragh V. Fr. Twomeys; Sea Park V. Park Lane. Kilmeaden V. Bonmahon; The Burgery V. Kilmurray. Pine Wood V. Ballinroad; Master McGrath V. Ballinacourty. Kilrush V. Strandside; McCarthyville V. Abbeyside.

COMPETITION

18 Hole M/M - 12/12/99 — 1st - Bernard O'Gorman (12) 40 pts. (B9). 2nd - Jim Walsh (17) 40 pts. Gross - J. O'Donnell (J) 33g. 3rd - J. Prendergast (13) 39 pts. 4th - N. O'Connor (11) 38 pts.

14 Hole A/C - 11/12/99 — 1st - Martin Lynch (11) 35 pts B7; 2nd - P.J. Barry (11) 35 pts.

14 Hole - 9/12/99. Sponsored by Comeragh Oil — 1st - Danny Barry (11) 31 pts. 2nd - Mark Reynolds (9) 30 pts B7.

CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR PROGRAMME

25th December - 9 Hole 3 Club Competition (Bottle of Brandy), 9a.m. - 12 noon. Fun Event !!! One of the 3 clubs must be a putter. 26th December - 11 Hole Singles Stableford. 27th December - Open 9 Hole 3 Person Scramble - proceeds in aid of the Lions Club / WLR Christmas Hamper Appeal. 28th December - Society 10a.m. - 11.15a.m. 29th December - Junior Golf, 9a.m. - 10.20a.m. Society 10.30 - 11.30a.m. 1st January - Open 28 Hole Singles Stableford

(Gents) for a special Millennium Medal - 1st competition of the new Millennium!!! 2nd January - Open 18 Hole Singles Stableford (Gents). 3rd January - Open 9 Hole 3 Person Scramble - proceeds in aid of the Lions Club/WLR Christmas Hamper Appeal. 4th January - Ladies Day. 5th January - Junior Golf, 9.15 - 10.45a.m. Happy Festive Golfing !!!!!

LADIES RESULTS

Turkey Competition 14 Hole Stableford, December 7th Tuesday — Winner - Rose Prendergast (20) 27 pts. Runner-up - Mary Kyne (15) 27 pts. 3rd Pat Flanagan (26) 26 pts. 4th Louise Fleming (11) 24 pts.

Saturday/Sunday - 9 Hole Stableford, 11th/12th December — Winner - Peggie O'Brien (16) 19 pts. Runner Up - Maeve O'Riordan (17) 17 pts. 3rd Mary Walsh (16) 17 pts.

Saturday, December 11th - 14 Hole Stableford. — Winner - Pat Flanagan (26) 27 pts.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Winter League, 3rd Round, Saturday / Sunday 18th/19th. Saturday 18th December - 14 Hole Stableford, Turkey Competition. Saturday/Sunday, 18th/19th December - 9 Hole Stableford. Tuesday, December 21st - 14 Hole Stableford.

Monday, December 27th / Monday January 3rd - Open 9 Hole Mixed Scramble in aid of Dungarvan Lions Club starting 1p.m. We would appreciate your support for this worthy cause. 3 Person Rumble - 9 Holes from December 22nd - January 5th.

PROGRESSIVE 45

Winners - Johnny Hogan and Tom Daly; Liam Carroll and Chrissie Terry. Last Five - Eddie Kiely and Pat Phelan. Lucky Tables - Ned Harney and Pat Harty.

NEW YEARS EVE

The proposed banquet has been cancelled due to lack of support. Another function to celebrate the Millennium will be organised early in the New Year. Sorry to those who have been inconvenienced by the above change of plan.

CLUB QUIZ

Having completed the early rounds the quiz is being put on hold during the festive season and will resume in late January.

MINI LOTTO

12th December '99. The winning number were 1, 12, 13, 24. There was no jackpot winner. £10 winners were Tom Melody, Thormore; Eddie Meehan, Bingo; Avril Brady, Sea Park; Fidelma Fitzgerald, Ardmore; Olra Norris, Englishtown.

Next weeks jackpot will be £1,400. Draw will take place on the 19th December.

Gold Coast Golf Club Notes

RESULTS

Mon/Fri. 6th to 10th December — 9 hole stableford re-entry. Winner, Pat Morrissey (14) 20 pts.

Thursday, 9th December — 18 hole Open stableford Qualifier, sponsored by Intacta Print and fifth round of Winter League — 1, Alan Sheehan (15) 38 pts. Gross, Tom White (12) 26 pts.

Saturday/Sunday, 11/12th December — 18 hole stableford and fifth round of E.B.S., sponsored Winter League. C.S.S. 39 pts. — 1st, Peter Jordan (16) 39 pts.; Gross, Eoin Ryan (5) 33 pts.

E.B.S. WINTER LEAGUE

The fifth round of the Educational Building Society Winter League was played last weekend and on Thursday, especially, in conditions that were not pleasant for those that were brave enough to play. It must have been the fact that the total proceeds from the Winter League competition for the three days will go to the Lions Christmas appeal that so many members turned out in such wet and windy conditions.

The scoring reflected the conditions over the three days resulting in fairly dramatic changes in the League table. The leaders for the last few weeks, Portlaw, have dropped from the number one spot to fifth place on 1045 pts.

The Kill team are now in their customary position at the head of the League table on 1061 pts. and it will take a huge effort to knock them off that position. Dunhill have improved their position and are now in second

place on 1058 pts. with the Burgery coming from fifth to third place on 1053 pts. Dungarvan, on 1046 pts., have dropped a place and are now in fourth place. Kilrush are on the way up and are now in sixth place on 1029 pts. with Abbeyside dropping to seventh place on 1022 pts. and into the danger zone. The last three places are occupied by The Old Boro, Ballinacourty/Ballinroad and Kilmachthomas, in that order.

These three teams are beginning to drift from the pack and will have a lot to do in the second half of the League if they hope to make a challenge for eventual honours.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Club annual general meeting took place in the Gold Coast Hotel on Wednesday night last. There was a reasonably good attendance bearing in mind the alternative attraction that was on in Sky Sports. The outgoing President, Billy Harty, opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for their support and co-operation during the past year.

The Hon. Secretary, Eugene Collins, gave a very detailed account of the events in the Club of the past twelve months followed by the Hon. Treasurer, Mark Lenihan, who also gave a very detailed account of the Club finances. The members in attendance were delighted to hear that the past year was a very successful and profitable one.

The outgoing Captain, James Veale, also thanked the members and especially the many gener-

ous sponsors that the Club are so lucky to have. He then went on to thank all the outgoing officers and committee members that had helped the club over the last few years and also wished the incoming officers and committee the best of luck for the coming year.

Officers for the coming year are as follows — President, Brian O'Connor; Captain, Maurice Fennell; Vice President, Johnny Hughes; Vice-Captain, Thomas Larkin; Hon. Secretary, Eugene Collins; Hon Treasurer, Mark Lenihan.

SYMPATHY

The Club and committee would like to extend sympathy to the wife and family of Richie Quarry who died this past week-end. Richie was one of nature's gentlemen and loved his game of golf in the Gold Coast with his friends.

Go ndeanfaidh Dia Trocaire ar a anam.

JUNIOR ALLIANCE

The Junior Alliance was played in the Gold Coast Golf Club on Sunday last with a large turnout from the various clubs involved in the Alliance. The conditions were testing especially for those golfers that were not used to the westerly winds blowing in from Dungarvan Bay. The honours on the day went to a local member, Tom White, who is playing great golf at the moment and will no doubt be playing off low single figures before too long.

FIXTURES

Mon/Fri. 13th to 17th December — 9 hole stableford re-entry. Thursday, 16th December —

18 hole stableford Open qualifier, sponsored by Intacta Print and sixth round of Winter League.

Christmas Hamper. Saturday/Sunday 18/19th December — 18 hole stableford and sixth round of E.B.S. sponsored Winter League

OPEN DAYS OVER CHRISTMAS

Over the Christmas/New Year holiday period there is a great choice of Open competitions in the Gold Coast starting the 23rd December with the Weekly Thursday Open singles.

On Sunday 26th December there is an 18 hole Open Singles competition and on Sunday 2nd and Monday 3rd January there is an Open Fourball. On Thursday, 6th January there is the Weekly Thursday Open singles. Time Sheets are in operation.

LADIES GOLF NOTES

Results — 13 hole stableford competition — 1st, Anne McGrath (30) 31 pts. 2nd, Helena Fitzgerald (28) 29 pts.; 3rd, Violet Howard (34) 28 pts.

Fixtures — 13 hole Christmas Bottle.

Congratulations to Helena Fitzgerald who is our Golfer of the Year for 1999. This prize is kindly sponsored by Rose Hickney of Helvic Seafood. Members interested in taking part in the League please place their names on the list posted in the kiosk.

West Waterford Golf Club Notes

WLR LIONS CLUB HAMPER APPEAL

This weekend sees the annual running of the WLR Lions Club Appeal. This event is open singles and is open to ladies and gents. It will be kindly sponsored by Kelly's Foodstore. A big turnout is expected for this popular event. Time sheet in operation in club-house. Phone 058-43216/41475.

VINNY BACK ON TOP

Vinny O'Mahoney returned to winning ways last weekend when winning the weekend club competition over 16 holes, with a great score of 36 pts. He pipped the old maestro Justin Spratt by two points with this great score, who was followed closely by Waterford hurler Dave Bennett who had 33 pts.

Saturday and Sunday, December 11th/12th 16 hole stableford results: 1, Vinny O'Mahoney (18) 36 pts.; 2, Justin Spratt (12) 34 pts.; 3, Dave Bennett (17) 33 pts.; 4, Ian McCarthy (5) 32 pts.; high handicap, Tony Condon (21) 29 pts.

CHRISTMAS FIXTURES

Sunday 26th to Thursday 30th — 16 hole stableford; Thursday 30th — Scramble at 2 p.m., followed by presentation of all outstanding prizes.

LADIES NOTES

The presentation of ladies prizes took place on Sunday last. The presentation of prizes included the Home Alliance for the months October, November and December. Also the 9 hole turkey and the ever popular hamper competition were presented.

Following the presentations, the ladies annual Christmas party took place. Good food, good craic and ceol was had by all. Results were as follows:

Christmas Hamper — Overall, Tess Reynolds (12) 28 pts.; Cat. A, 1, Jenny Sweeney (16) 26 pts.; 2, Vera Nugent (15) 25 pts.; Cat. B, 1, Bernice Dorman-Kade (27) 25 pts.; 2, Bridget Spratt (20) 24 pts.; Cat. C, 1, Joan Curtin (30) 21 pts.; 2, Mary Spratt (33) 20 pts. 9 hole turkey — 1, Jenny Sweeney (16) 35 pts.; 2, Vera Nugent (15) 30 pts.; 3, Reena McDonnell 22 pts.

9 hole, November, sponsored by Mary Barron — 1, Jenny Sweeney (16) 40 pts.; 2, Phil Byrne (13) 38 pts.; 3, Mary Spratt (33) 35 pts.

Fixtures — Monday 13th to Thursday 30th — 9 hole bottle competition; Thursday 30th Dec. — Final winter scramble.

Friday 17th, Sat. 18th, Sun. 19th — WLR Lions Club Appeal, open singles, ladies and gents. For time sheet contact 058-43216.

Stradbally A.F.C. Notes

4TH DIVISION Stradbally 6 St. Otteran's 1

City team St. Otteran's were our latest victims last Sunday morning. We completely dominated the game from start to finish. Liam O'Brien opened the scoring early on with a double and it was the same player who laid the ball on for Emmet Cummins to score the third. Tomas Walsh was on hand to smash in the fourth. This remained the score for half time. The visitors responded with a penalty in the second half but it was the speedy Costello who crashed in the fifth from an acute angle. The biggest cheer of the day came for the superb athlete Kevin "I'm slow but deceivably slow" Gough who trapped the ball, looked up, saw Liam O'Brien free to finalise his hat-trick, only to turn back across the defender and rocket the ball to the net which drew large gasps of astonishment from the side line. Gough's long drawn out celebrations showed how many goals he has scored this season. Man of the Match had to be Paddy Lawlor who portrayed composure well beyond his years.

Woodstown 3 Stradbally 5

A hard earned victory in the coastal area of Woodstown but it was only in the last twenty minutes that our second half dominance reflected on the score line. It was Woodstown who opened the scoring midway through the first half which was the dividing margins between the sides at the break. Liam O'Brien equalised early in the second half but with just twenty minutes remaining, the home side scored from the penalty spot. It looked as if this was not going to be our day until Trevor Costello smashed a through ball from midfield with the

crispest of contact to the net. Alan Darcy smashed a thunderbolt off the cross bar soon later but with ten minutes to go it was that man again Liam O'Brien to complete his double. Michael O'Brien with an unstoppable volley got our fourth goal and it took Liam O'Brien to finalise his hat-trick a minute later. Woodstown responded with a goal in the final minute yet it was an evenly contested match until the last twenty minutes.

FIXTURE

Sunday 19th December away v Crusaders at 2.15 pm.

SPONSOR

Our sponsor this week is Joe and Helen of the Cove Bar, Stradbally who have sponsored us a set of official FIFA 16" by 6" goal posts. Please support Joe and Helen for their generous gesture.

CHRISTMAS SWIM

Sponsorship cards are out at present. Cards can be picked up in any of the businesses in Stradbally Village or from any member of the committee. This year's recipient is the Irish Wheelchair Association. All funds raised will be utilised locally. As you may be aware the Wheelchair Association purchased a bus for this locality in 1996. Sporting events are held on a regular basis with trips also to provincial and All Ireland events. Arts & Crafts, musical and education classes to name just a few are also organised.

STEPHEN'S DAY MATCH

Don't forget the annual Stephen's Day match married v singles on the 26th December. The match kicks off at 1.45 pm sharp.

COMPETITION

We have a prize of Alex Ferguson's autobiography "Managing My Life" as first prize in the following quiz. It retails in the shops at £18.99 and if you

are lucky you could get it signed by Alex who is in Waterford next month. This quiz is open to all in Stradbally, Ballylaneen and Faha.

1. Alex's brother managed Waterford F.C. in what season?

2. Name four Cork-born players who have played for Manchester United?

3. What Waterford born player has made a first team appearance for Man United this year?

4. Bobby Charlton played for Waterford F.C. in what year?

5. Name two Irish brothers who have played for Man. Utd?

6. Name a former Man. Utd player now residing in Tramore?

7. Man. Utd player who captained Ireland's victory v England 1949?

8. Kevin Moran's date of birth?

9. Name the clubs Paul McGrath has played with in his career?

10. What season did Billy Behan (not Brendan) from Dublin, play for Man Utd?

Entries with name and address on sheet of paper with answers to Fahey's Shop, Stradbally before Friday 17th December. In the event of a tie, a draw will be made.

STRADBALLY FAHA

S.F.C. NOTES

Fixtures

Saturday 18th December under 11 Home v Southend at 10.30 am. Saturday 18th December under 13 away v Ballinroad at 11.45 am. Saturday 25th obviously due to obvious reasons there is no training. Blame Santa for this. Saturday 1st January 2000 obviously again due to obvious reasons, no training. Saturday 8th January under 11 away v Kilmacow at 10.30 am. Saturday 8th January under 13 away v De La Salle at 11.45 am. Saturday 15th January training for all.

Seaview Draw

The final draw of the Seaview Draw takes place this Saturday the 18th December in the Gold Coast Hotel. Any outstanding money please get it in now.

Ball Boys

Our under 11 team will be ball boys at the Waterford United v St. Patrick's Athletic match on the 27th December at 3.15 pm. We must be at the grounds at 2.30 pm. Please note the change of date from Sunday to Monday.

World Cup Draw

Many of us will have different opinions on Ireland's chances to qualify for the next World Cup but this is a very interesting group. You might think the so called minnows will be easy pickings while the so called stronger teams will be impossible to defeat. Looking at 1999 form, might throw up a different picture. Probably the weakest team Andora were only defeated 1-0 by a Frank Leboeuf penalty versus France at home and held France scoreless for 53 min-

utes in Paris. Cyprus beat Spain at home 3-2 and were only a game away from qualifying for Euro 2000. The team we fear, Holland have not won any of their nine matches in 1999. Estonia and Portugal complete the group.

Futebol De Salao

This may be the new craze to hit the country. If you want to play the Brazilian way like Ronaldo, Zico, Pele etc this is the game for you. It is a five a side game played with a size two football filled with foam. The ball has only 10% bounce of an ordinary football and the emphasis of the game is on skill, passing, touch, close control and dribbling. It is ideal for an indoor game and would be ideal for training.

Under 16 Quiz

We have a prize of "Official Manchester United Illustrated Encyclopaedia" which retails in the shop at £25.

1. Name the three Man. Utd scorers versus Valencia last week?

2. According to the press, how much is Roy Keane's contract worth to him over the next four years?

3. What area of Cork is Denis Irwin from?

4. Eamonn Dunphy played in defence with Japp Stam! True or False?

5. What age was Norman Whiteside when he scored his debut goal for Man Utd in 1983?

6. First name of Alex Ferguson's brother who managed Waterford F.C.?

7. How much did Man Utd sign Dwight Yorke for?

8. What club is Peter Schmeichel now playing for?

9. Name two schoolboy clubs in Waterford that a Man Utd player, who made his first team debut this year play for?

10. How many goals has former Man Utd. player Frank Stapleton scored for Ireland?

Name and address with answer on sheet of paper to Fahey's Shop before Wednesday 22nd December. In the event of a tie we want you to complete a tie breaker. I love Man Utd because..... or I hate Man Utd because..... If there is a tie the best tie breaker will be taken.

Manchester United Supporters Club MEETING

The above club will hold a meeting on Friday 17th December in Lawlors Hotel at 9p.m. All remaining monies for the game v Arsenal must be handed in on the night.

NOTE

The game v Arsenal which was fixed for Saturday, January 22nd next year has been refixed for Monday 24th January.

ST. DECLAN'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE NOTES

MUNSTER COLLEGES U-18 FOOTBALL SEMI-FINAL

St. Declan's 1-14 St. Paul's (Waterford) 3-4

St. Declan's had a good win over St. Paul's in this quarter final game played at an excellent Ballyduff venue.

St. Declan's played with the strong wind in the first half, but were rocked by two St. Paul's goals, and led by just two points at half time. Half time score: 1-7 to 0-8.

The Kilmac' side played extremely well in the second half, with resolute defending and incisive counter-attacking. Despite the best efforts of St. Paul's, St. Declan's held out for a deserved win.

Best for St. Declan's: T. Wall, D. Ryan, E. Rockett, E. Galvin, S. O'Leary, D. Power, M. Hearne.

St. Declan's: — T. Wall, D. Ryan, J. Halpin, C. Long, K. Houlihan, E. Rockett, M. Casey, E. Galvin (c), D. O'Reilly, M. Power, J. Kennedy (0-3), M. Hearne (1-2), D. Power (0-1), S. O'Leary (0-6), C. Downey (0-2).

SENIORS WIN SOUTH-EAST HOCKEY LEAGUE

St. Declan's 3, Kilkenny College 0

Our seniors finished the season in style last Wednesday week when they played in the decider of the league.

After 20 minutes into the game immense pressure on the Kilkenny keeper forced an own goal. In the second half superb distribution of the ball from C. Prendergast, E. Casey and K. Kelly resulted in V. O'Keefe finding the net. Five minutes later we scored our third goal from a well taken short corner from K. Kelly.

We now go on to play in the first round of the cup after Christmas against FCJ Bunclody.

St. Declan's — L. Lannon, L. Kelly, T. Kirwan, E. Kirwan, B. Hearne, E. Casey, C. Prendergast, K. Kelly, B. Hannigan, S. Hallahan, A. Kelly, V. O'Keefe.

CORN MHIC CRAITH

Kilkee 5-3, St. Declan's 2-4

St. Declan's U-15 boys fought hard against a very tough physical and skilful Kilkee side in the Munster Final on Wednesday week. The final score made no reflection on the game as some brilliant displays were given on both sides. Kilkee were probably the better side on the day but St. Declan's fought really hard to try and keep in their winning form. Kilkee led at half time by four points playing with the breeze.

St. Declan's came back in the second half to go one point ahead and were seven points ahead with seven minutes to go. Then Kilkee finished with three goals inside those seven minutes to make it their day. It was a great performance for St. Declan's, they played with great heart and determination for the full 60 minutes.

Thanks to all the supporters who went to the game, Arravale Rovers for the use of the pitch and referee Brian White.

Team — P. Casey, J. Walsh, S. Prendergast, M. Weldon, G. Morahan, P. Curran, K. Ryan, D. Kennedy, M. Whelan, S. Grant, M. Giles, M. Kirwan, D. Crowley, J. Veale, B. O'Connell.

Subs: J. O'Shea (for J. Walsh), A. O'Shea, O. Murphy, R. Ryan, M. Veale, D. Larkin.

SOCCER:

U-15 MUNSTER CUP

Dungarvan Technical College 1, St. Declan's 10

The U-15 soccer team gave themselves a great chance of advancing to the last sixteen of the Munster Cup by defeating Dungarvan T. C. With this group so tight goal difference may be vital and St. Declan's certainly improved their record by hitting double figures.

It was 2-1 at half time, Gary Weldon scoring twice for St. Declan's and Dungarvan scored a superb goal midway through the half. Both sides threw everything into attack in the second half with the St. Declan's forward line more adept at taking their chances. A Gary Morahan hat-trick, two from skipper Nigel O'Brien, one from Thomas McGrath, one from Keith Mulcahy and an own goal saw St. Declan's hit their ten goals.

The Dungarvan keeper also made some outstanding saves and was without doubt man of the match.

Team: S. Prendergast, N. O'Brien, M. Whelan, D. Kennedy, N. O'Reilly, M. Whelan, B. Prendergast, K. Mulcahy, G. Weldon, T. McGrath, G. Morahan. Res: M. Donnelly (used), J. Veale (used), P. Cummins, M. Weldon, K. Ryan, P. Stephenson, B. O'Connell, G. Fitzgerald.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Our annual Christmas Fair was another huge success last Sunday. A record crowd attended. We wish to thank all those who contributed so generously on the day, and we wish to thank our generous sponsors.

Thanks also to everyone who helped out in organising the fair, and who made it such a success.

We look forward to seeing you again next year.

WATERFORD HOT ROD CLUB NOTES

The club held their Driver of the Year awards in Bridgie Terries on Friday, December 3. The meal got under way around 9.30 p.m. The chairman then thanked everyone for travelling from near and far. He went on to thank the staff and management of Bridgie Terries for their hospitality on the night, also to the Red Cross for their services all year round; to the sponsors and to everyone who helped in any way.

We would like to remind people that we are racing again on St. Stephen's Day. This will be the last hot rod race of this millennium, so if you want to be part of this, come along on St. Stephen's Day.

So, from the Waterford Hot Rod Club, have a happy and holy Christmas.

DRIVER OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Class 1 (sponsored by Coolagh) — 1, Jerry Tobin; 2,

Alan Kinsella; 3, Dave Nugent.

Class 2 (sponsored by Dawn Meats) — 1, Pat Power; 2, Mike Murray; 3, Alan Mulcahy.

Class 3 (sponsored by Lenihan Crash Repairs) — 1, Mike Moore; 2, Donal Lenihan; 3, Donie Lenihan.

Class 4 (sponsored by Dawn Meats) — 1, John O'Connor; 2, Pat Smiddy; 3, Tommy Kiely.

Class 5 (sponsored by J/C Engineering) — 1, Martin Brown; jt. 2, Ian Laracy, Tom Kenneally; 3, Charlie McNamara.

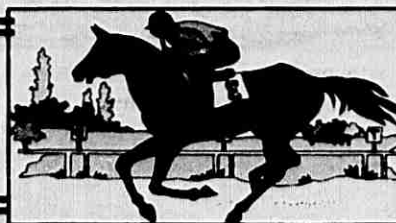
Ladies (sponsored by Buckley International) — 1, Louise Brown; jt. 2, Margaret Meehan, Valerie O'Hanlon; 3, Christine Coakley.

Juniors (sponsored by Brendan Gallagher Furniture) — 1, Darren McNamara; 2, Alan O'Shea; 3, Stephen O'Keefe.

King of the Pike — Mike Moore.

Horse Racing

BY MARK PHILLIPS



ON LINE BOOKMAKERS

The Irish National Bookmakers Association (I.N.B.A.) recently announced plans to play a bigger role in the promotion of Irish racing. A new look for the betting ring is in the pipeline and an agreed code of practice for on course bookmakers will be introduced. The first step in the process is the introduction of computerisation in the Bookmakers Ring.

The code of practice will be displayed in the betting ring at all meetings and is expected to include the maximum amount each bookmaker is willing to lose.

PRIZE MONEY ON THE INCREASE

The minimum value of all races will jump to £5,000 in January following the Irish Horseracing Authority's announcement that the total prize money fund will be £25 million next year an increase of over £4 million on the 1999 figure.

Peter McCarthy who is Chairman of the Association of Irish Racehorse owners had this to say, "We have been two years asking for the £5,000 level to be reached, so while it's great to start the new year on the right foot a figure of £6,000 should now be the target". He noted that racehorse owners will be contributing £7.4 million or almost 30% of the total prize fund next year. Peter is keen to see the owners contribution drop to 25% which is in keeping with International standards.

LADBROKE INCREASE

Ladbroke's are to increase their sponsorship of the Ladbroke Hurdle. The 14th running of the two mile hurdle scheduled for January 8th is set for a prize fund increase of £25,000 which brings the overall fund up to £100,000. Entries for this prestigious event closed last Wednesday.

MARKS BLUNDER

Title chasing amateur Mark Bradburne paid the ultimate penalty for dropping his hands at Ludlow last Thursday. He appeared to have the handicap chase in the bag going clear on Seabrook Lad but he eased his mount in the shadow of the winning post as Miss C. Stuckley conjured up a great run out of Angela's Double to sweep into the lead close home for a narrow victory. Bradburne was promptly ordered to appear before the local stewards and they took a dim view of his explanation and he was duly handed a ten day ban.

TIM SPRAKE INJURED

Flat jockey Tim Sprake was involved in a serious road accident last Monday morning. He was driving from Marlborough to his home in Wiltshire when the accident occurred. He was taken to Swindon hospital where a spokesperson confirmed that he was in a stable but serious condition.

EOIN'S APPOINTMENT

An Irishman has been appointed to head up a satellite two year old operation under the Godolphin Organisation in the U.S.A. next year. Eoin Harty has gained plenty of experience working as an assistant trainer in the states for the past seven years. Currently Godolphin have thirty two yearlings stabled at Ned Al Sheba Racecourse in Dubai. Eoin is expected to travel to Dubai in January to supervise the transportation of the two year olds to America which is expected to take place in April at the same time the Godolphin horses move to Europe. The Harty name is well known in racing circles all over the world and Eoin's father is Eddie Harty who partnered the Toby Balding trained Highland Wedding to victory in the 1969 Aintree Grand National.

BAD LUCK FOR RICHARD

Jockey Richard McGrath who is attached to the John Joe O'Neill stable looks set to miss the rest of the National Hunt season after rupturing a kidney and breaking two ribs in a fall at Huntington last week. Young McGrath also had the misfortune to miss out on the ride on Legal Right who captured the featured Triple Print Gold Cup at Cheltenham.

FIXTURE LIST

This week's fixtures are as follows; Thursday Catterick, Devon. Towcester. Friday Folkestone, Southwell, Uttoxeter. Saturday Navan 12.30 pm, Ascot, Lingfield, Uttoxeter, Warwick. Sunday Thurles 12.30 pm.

TOUGH GOING FOR PETER

English born trainer Peter Chapple-Hyam who left his native land earlier this year to set up shop in Hong Kong is finding the going pretty tough in that part of the world. Things are improving however for the popular young English man and he is determined to stay as long as it takes to put things right. He is reported as saying, "I don't know how long I will be here but it won't be for good".

LIMESTONE THE LAD

Last week it was Istabraq, this week it was La Coudray as the Limestone Lad Bandwagon rolled on at Navan last Saturday when this 2/1 shot ran his rivals ragged with yet another brilliant front running display beating the odds on favourite La Coudray by twenty lengths. Limestone Lad obviously loves soft and heavy ground and should these conditions prevail at Cheltenham next March Limestone Lad could well be amongst the winners at the Festival.

LEGAL WAS RIGHT

While Tony McCoy rode three winners at Cheltenham on Saturday it was the stylish Richard Johnson who grabbed the headlines capturing the feature events on Legal Right in the Teleprint Gold Cup. Half an hour later Johnson was back in the winners enclosure as the ten year old Relkeel got the better of a dour struggle with the relative novice Far Cry by a neck. Relkeel's career has been plagued with injury and it was great to see him win this prestigious Bula hurdle for the third time.

BRIAN AND CLAIRE TIE THE KNOT

Congratulations are extended to fellow racing correspondent Brian Gleeson who was recently married to Claire Ahern. We wish Brian and Claire many years of happiness together.

THURLES ON SUNDAY

Thurles stage a seven race programme on next Sunday. The going is certain to be on the heavy side with the opening Handicap Chase underway at 12.30 pm.

LEADING RACING INTO THE 21ST CENTURY

Waterford & Tramore Racecourse is gearing itself up to host the first Millennium race meeting on New Years Day 2000.

Record prize-money is confirmed for what promises to be a fantastic day out for all. The Feature race, a £15,000 Handicap Steeplechase will be the first horse race of the 21st Century, and will be generously sponsored by the Moan Fiddler Organisation, followed by the £12,500 T.J. Carroll Chase. All other races, including the Bumper, will be valued at £10,000 which exceeds all previous record levels at Tramore, with a total of £77,500 on offer.

The racecourse has been a hive of activity for the last few weeks with work commencing on a new Stable Yard. The stable lad's hard work for this big day is being recognised with the introduction of a novel idea. As well as the Best Turned Out Horse receiving £50/race, a bonus of £50 will be on offer to the lad/lass that looks after the winning horse, £30 for the second horse and £30 for the third horse. All owners, trainers and jockeys on the day will receive a commemorative scroll acknowledging their contribution to this historic day.

A new corporate entertainment area is also under completion and an action packed afternoon is promised for those wishing to treat themselves after all the Christmas festivities. The festivities will continue well into the evening with a Cabaret, Bands and spectacular fireworks display.

Ticket sales are well advanced with people coming from all over Ireland, U.K. and Europe to be part of this historical day in the Irish Racing Calendar. The most appropriately dressed couple will win a weekend for two in London, courtesy of Harvey Travel whilst the most 'unusual' hat on the day will be sponsored by Ascot, Waterford.

CLONMEL JACKPOT

A jackpot pool of just over £2,800 was not won last Wednesday and the entire pool is carried forward to the next meeting at the venue on Monday, December 27th.

FORM GUIDE

Clonmel track made an effort to produce a form guide to some of their races last week. Hopefully this will be extended to all races at future meetings. Pros and cons were listed for a number of the runners and one con in particular caught my eye about the ageless Final Tub who will be seventeen on January 1st next, it stated "The Oldest Swinger in Town".

NOT SHANE'S DAY

Did you ever have one of those days where absolutely everything that could go, did go wrong. Well have some sympathy for young claiming rider Shane McCann. He rode Celtic Fox for his boss Sean Treacy in the second event but this strong gale filly virtually refused to race. He was then aboard the Pat Healy trained Native Country in the following hurdle but he took a crashing fall at the hurdle past the stands. Shane was so badly shaken that he was unable to take part in the sixth race and his ride went to Denis Leahy and yes you've guessed it, Ballyquin under Denis Leahy hacked up at odds of 12/1.

CLONMEL REPORT

It was bitterly cold for the Church holiday meeting at Powerstown Park last Wednesday. Trainer Eddie O'Grady introduced a new recruit to hurdling in the opening event as the French import Wild Arms (Pistolet Blue - Alcove) a winner on the level in France justified 1/1 favouritism with an impressive fourteen lengths victory for jockey Norman Williamson over Toto Caelo. The corresponding race in 1998 went to the highly regarded Knife Edge.

Dungarvan trainer John Kiely saddled Which Is Which in the two mile Maiden Hurdle and although running on at the finish Which Is Which never appeared likely to get on terms with the Willie Mullins trained Nautical Lady this 6/1 chance setting sail for home some way out eventually winning out by fifteen lengths.

A certain future winner over hurdles for readers is County Captain, this Thurles Bumper winner coming from the next Parish to take third place in the Handicap Hurdle behind 12/1 outsider Gold Blaze.

Former Cheltenham winner Generosa was a costly failure once again for punters in the Novice Chase. She cruised up to the leaders turning for home but crashed out on landing after the second last. Mill Lane Lady made the best of her way home from that point but Annie Cares under Shay Barry produced a storming late finish to land the spoils by a length and a half.

Truckinabout trained by John Queally and Ballyquin representing David Kiely both lined up for the Handicap Chase over two and a half miles. While Truckabout struggled to make an impact under his 11 stone, 13 lbs burden the Denis Leahy ridden Ballyquin at 12/1 stayed on really well up the punishing hill to beat Fandango De Chasse by four and a half lengths. The winners run in the ownership of Liam Gleeson and is a seven year old son of Good Thyme and Some Gale.

The betting market was a hive of activity for the concluding bumper. Knockawad was eventually sent off the 5/2 favourite, but he ran no race at all being the first horse to crack when the tempo increased down the back stretch. 9/2 shot Tipthecat skipped four lengths clear into the home stretch but he was all out in the closing stages to withstand the flying late run of the previously unraced Corroquin who is sure to win before too long.

NECK INJURY FOR PETER

North of England jockey Peter Niven who is attached to the Mary Reveley yard is expected to face an eight week spell on the sidelines after fracturing a bone on his neck at Sedgfield last week.

ARMS FOR LEOPARDSTOWN

Wild Arms an impressive winner of his Maiden Hurdle at Clonmel last week could well have his next outing at Leopardstown in the Denny Juvenile Hurdle.

FIRST PRO WIN FOR ROSS

Twenty two years old Ross Geraghty rode his first ever winner since turning professional when partnering Gold Blaze trained by his father Tom to victory at Clonmel last week. Ross is an older brother of current championship pacesetter Barry.

NEW TIPPERARY MANAGEMENT

A group of local people trading under the name of the Limerick Junction Race Company have signed a three year lease on Tipperary Racecourse. They have appointed Peter Roe formerly of Fairyhouse as Course Manager.

HONG KONG CUP FOR JIM AND TONIC

The oddly named Jim and Tonic captured the featured Hong Kong Cup at Sha Tin over the week-end. The Philip Mitchell trained Running Stag who appeared to thrive on these International races ran a cracking good race once again to fill the runner up spot. Running Stags career earnings are now nearly three quarters of a million pounds. The winner Jim and Tonic is trained by Francois Doumen. Running Stag will take in the top races in Dubai and the U.S. next year.

The John Hill's trained and Olivier Peslier ridden Docksider produced a power packed display to capture the Hong Kong mile by one and a quarter lengths from Field of Hope.

EXTRA FIXTURE

With so many trainers looking for opportunities for the moderate type of horse it is quite likely that the Fixtures Committee will sanction an extra meeting possibly on Tuesday, December 28th at Thurles.

TONY TOPS

Irish born jockey Tony McCoy became the fifth National Hunt jockey in history to ride 1,000 winners scoring on Majadow at Cheltenham last Saturday. Previous riders to complete this marvellous feat were Stan Mellor, John Francome, Peter Scudamore and Richard Dunwoody. All of the above jockeys were top class riders in their own right, but they all took over ten years to reach the 1,000 winner mark, whereas Tony McCoy took just over five years to reach this magic number.

Clashmore G.A.A. Club Notes

LOTTO

No winner of last weeks jackpot. Numbers drawn were 8, 10, 18 and 23. £10 to each of the following James Coughlan Prospect Hall; Tommy Keogh, Piltown; David Mangan, c/o Cunningham; David Walsh, 96274 and Morty Barron, Kilmaloo. This weeks draw takes place in The Old Still on Saturday night at 10.30p.m. for a jackpot of £2,200.

PHOTOS

Photographs of Co. Final winning team are now available from Club Chairman Mick O'Neill.

VIDEOS

Still a few videos of Co. Final available from Mick O'Neill.

DEISE DRAW

All ticket stubs and money for Deise Draw to be returned to draw coordinator Anne Coughlan by tomorrow night, Thursday. This months draw takes place in Carrick-on-Suir on this Friday night hosted by St. Mollerans G.A.A. Club.

Junior 'B' Hurling : Our league final against The

Geraldines was postponed last weekend due to the inclement weather. This game will not now take place until the year 2000.

Western Convention : The Western Board convention took place last Thursday night in Dungarvan. Club chairman Mick O'Neill and secretary Noel Nugent were in attendance.

A.G.M. : Our annual general meeting took place last Tuesday night in the club house. Once again the small attendance of players was a big disappointment. A full report will appear in next weeks notes.

Co. Convention : Co. Convention takes place on this Saturday night in Dungarvan. Young Player of the Year to be announced. We will watch with interest.

Juvenile Club PARISH LEAGUE FINALS The Coopers Bar sponsored 1999 Parish Football leagues reached a successful conclusion on Sunday last at the G.A.A. grounds.

The opening series of games

were to decide the third and fourth place play offs. A few players from every team were missing so we ended up with virtual five a sides. Still the standard of football was high and a bit of fun was had by all.

For the record Evelyn Trihy's got the better of Rosin O'Halloran's on a score line of 3-3 to 3-1. Paudrig Connery's finished in third place thanks to a fairly convincing win over Seamus Barron's and Michael Cunningham's finished in third ahead of Jason Power's.

And so to the finals. First off was Pa Cunningham versus Aidan Trihy. Against the wind in the first half Pa's team put in a huge effort and were rewarded with a couple of good goals. Aidan's team tried hard but found scores hard to come by. In the second half with the wind Pa's team piled on the pressure. Redmond Foley was in super form for Pa's team and they ran out winners 5-3 to 1-1.

After the game Tom Cunningham of Coopers presented both teams with their medals and a pair of Clashmore coloured football socks for the winners.

The second games was between Catherine O'Keeffe and Geraldine Trihy. This game too proved to be a close affair with play moving from end to end. Gavin Dower took over in goal from the absent Eoin Kelly for Geraldine's team. Gavin was superb in goal but was badly missed out the field where he had been so good the previous week. Catherine herself played a vital role in her teams eventual win with a super display of running and harassing throughout the game. Catherine's team got in for the vital scores against the wind in the first half and despite being out scored at times when they had the wind in the second half they held on for a good win.

After the game Tom Cunningham presented both teams with their medals and a pair of Clashmore socks for the winners.

And so to the final game of the day the eagerly awaited game between Marcus Prendergast and Jonathon Flavin. The 'experts'

(self-appointed, on the school bus) were divided as to the outcome. Jonathon's team had been scoring a lot of goals on their way to the final but Marcus's team had been conceding very few. So which would it be? As it turned out both teams scored two goals and the issue was decided on points. A three minute spell just before half time when Marcus's team scored four points with out reply proved crucial. In the second half Jonathon's team really threw everything (including mud) at Marcus's defence but Richard Dee in Marcus's goal brought off a few super saves and Marcus's team held out for the win. Final score M. Prendergast 2-12, J. Flavin 2-7. This

was a game of the highest standard and a few past players who were on hand for the day expressed amazement at the speed and skill levels on display.

After the game Tom Cunningham of Coopers presented both teams with their medals and also a boot bag to the winners.

Sweets, chocolate, crisps and fizzy drinks were available to all players and smaller children attending for the day. Our special thanks to Liam O'Rourke, Liam O'Donnell and Brendan Griffin for refereeing the games over the past few weeks. Also a special word of thanks to Tom Cunningham of Coopers Bar who kindly sponsored all the prizes. Thanks Tom, without your help we would not have been able to be so generous. But of course the most special word of thanks must go to all the players who took part and hopefully enjoyed themselves.

And so another year comes to a close. These games that we have had over the past six weeks have been most enjoyable and hopefully will help to continue to foster a love of Gaelic Football in all concerned. See you all again in the field in 2000.

INDOOR HURLING

Indoor hurling continues this weekend at the Sports Centre in Dungarvan. Cars leaving the village and Piltown Cross at 3.30p.m. on Saturday. All national school children are welcome. All hurleys are provided on the day.

A number of the "new style" juvenile jerseys that were bought by a number of young players last year got mixed up with the main set of jerseys over the past few weeks. Any young player missing his Clashmore jersey contact Tim O'Keeffe.

Geraldine's GAA Notes

MINI LOTTO

We had no winner in last week's lotto. The numbers drawn were 6-7-8. The five lucky £10 winners were John Motherway, Aglish; Orla Ford, St. Joseph's; Barry O'Connell, Aglish; Rena Cotter, Aglish, Sean Power, Modeligo. Next week our jackpot is £700 and the draw will take place in Kereen Bar.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Martin Curran who celebrated his 21st birthday recently. Congratulations to Catherine Curtin and Kevin Hally who got engaged last weekend.

SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to the Hall family, Villierstown on the death of Elizabeth Hall. To the Dower family, Woodhouse on the death of Margaret Dower and to Charlie Ware on the death of his uncle Michael Power, Dungarvan. May they rest in peace.

K.C.K. Athletic Club Notes

The National Cross Country for Boys and Girls U12, 15 and 17 were held in Galway on Sunday last. Edel Morrissey and Dermot Cummins were the clubs competitors, both were members of the Girls and Boys under 15 Munster teams.

Edel Morrissey had a fine performance in the Girls U15 to finish in twenty fourth place and was a scoring member of the Munster team that took second place in the team competition. In the Boys U15 Dermot Cummins had a brilliant run to finish in twenty sixth place. This was Dermot's best run of the season and what better stage than the National Finals to do it as it is his first year competitive in Cross Country. The next big Cross Country event will be the All Ireland B. Championships which will be held at the Friary College grounds on January 23rd, 2000.

The club would like to wish all club athletes, parents and supporters a holy and happy Christmas and New Year.

K.C.K. ATHLETIC CLUB RAFFLE - PRIZEWINNERS

1st Liz Morrissey, Ballinagulkee, Ballinamult. - Weekend for 2 in Old Ground Hotel, Ennis plus £100 spending money; 2nd Tom Barron, Carrowgarraff, Cappagh. - £100; 3rd Patrick Harty, Ballinacourty, Ring. - Waterford Glass Bowl; 4th Lorna Ferncombe, 46 Congress Villas, Dungarvan. - £50 voucher for Michael O'Sullivan's Curtain Shop; 5th Ollie Kelly, c/o Noel Devereux. - £50 voucher for Ryans Super Valu; 6th Cora Kirwan, Cooltubrid, Kilmacthomas - Tara Crystal Vase; 7th Denis Begley, Kilminion, Dungarvan. - Green Fees for 4 persons at Gold Coast Golf Hotel; 8th Patrick Harty, Ballinacourty, Ring. - Meal vouchers for Abrakebabra; 9th Billy Lynch, Lemybrien, Kilmacthomas. - Gents Denim Jacket; 10th Mary Rose Phelan, Commeen, Kilmacthomas. - £25 voucher for Ger Wyley's Sports Shop; 11th Ian Foley, 34 Riverview, Kilmacthomas. - £25 voucher for M.J. Curran & Sons; 12th Ed Flahavan, Kilmacthomas. - £25 voucher for Noel Devereux Menswear; 13th Patie Lawlor, Hillside Crescent, Kilmacthomas. - Green Fees for 2 persons at Gold Coast Golf Hotel; 15th Maeve Flynn, Killineen West, Dungarvan. - Green Fees for 2 persons at West Waterford Golf Club; 16th Julie Moore, Bawnfaun, Cappoquin. - £15 voucher for Eden Garden Centre; 17th Richard Hickey, Lickoran, Ballinamult. - Book "History of Waterford"; 18th Billy Kelly, Glendine, Youghal. - £10 voucher for Wild Orchid Florists; 19th Ed Flahavan, Kilmacthomas. - £10 voucher for Dungarvan Lighting & Gifts; 20th Avril Brady, 21 Seapark Ave., Abbeyside. - Set of 6 Glass Tumblers.

Ring/Old Parish A.C. Notes

WILLIAM HARTY WINS U-17 CROSS COUNTRY TITLE

The All Ireland U-13, 15 and 17 Cross Country Championships were run at Galway Racecourse on Sunday and Wm. Harty continued his amazing run of success when adding the U-17 title to the U-16 one he won three weeks ago. Wm. also led Munster to victory in the Inter regional contest. Congratulations to former club member Robert Wade now running with St. Paul's in Waterford on an excellent 6th place finish in the same race. The U-15 team of James Ledingham, Gary Nugent, Paul Stephenson, Stephen Morrissey and Shane Kelly were out of luck on the day finishing 6th club overall. James was first to finish in a very disappointing 20th place.

CHRISTMAS DRAW

Our Annual Christmas Draw takes place at the Decies Bar, Clashmore on this Saturday night the 18th December. All tickets and money to be returned on or before Saturday.

Waterford County Camogie Board Notes

The County Convention was held in Lawlor's Hotel, Dungarvan on Sunday, December 5 and the following officers were elected for the year 2000:

Chairperson, Jo Jo Tobin (Lismore); Vice-Chairperson, Ita Foley (Butlerstown); Secretary, Bernie Keane (Tramore); Asst. Secretary, Catriona Caples (Ballyduff Upper); Treasurer, Martina Hale (Lismore); Registrar, Theresa Murray (Tramore); PRO, J. Moloney (Roanmore); Delegates to Munster Council, two officers of Co. Board; Delegate to Provincial Council, Johnny Flynn (Lismore).

COURSING

by Mark Phillips

DUNGARVAN MEETING

The Annual Dungarvan Coursing Meeting was held in very testing conditions at Mount Rivers, Cappoquin over the weekend. The six finals took place at quarter to three last Sunday afternoon just after all concerned were drenched by a hailstorm blizzard.

The featured all aged Deise Cup kindly sponsored by Michael Ryan produced a worthy winner in the shape of J.D. Hartnet's Tee Jay Dee. This brindled son of Form Of Tender and Cryle Queen had the £600 first prize in safe keeping against his female opponent Moonveen Julie taking the all important opening turn by two lengths.

The final of the Derby Trial Stake was an exciting affair. In a ding dong battle the length of the coursing stretch, E. Cashman's fast offer (Faithful Hunter - Electric Molly) shading a just up decision over a gallant Fleetwood Jumbo who was running on really well at the end of this decider.

April Minstrel and Glittering snap made their way to the final of the Oaks Trial Stake. The pair were wide apart coming upfield but D. Hough's April Minstrel (Smokey Minstrel - Moin Na Nga) held the better line throughout to book her Clonmel ticket by a length.

The Hehir family from Dungarvan enjoyed a great meeting as they came out on the right side of two just up decisions. Big Heart Breaker (In The Horrors - Lady Sirius) captured the Enright family two course duffer stake. Big Heart Breaker appeared all set for a cosy victory but her opponent Muckey Allstar put in a powerful finish only to go down by the minimum distance as the hare favoured the winner.

The P.J. Hallahan Memorial Stake for working members saw the Hehir family complete their double courtesy of Lawagh Sassy (Sassy Boy - Killiney Carmel). In a close buckle Lawagh Sassy favoured by the hare shaded a narrow victory over Muls Belle whose gallant effort just failed.

There was a very short slip in the final of the Mary Power Memorial Stake where the hare was turned halfway up the field. In front at that point was the fast starting Colina Rose (Colina Guscio - Chetwynd Rose) as this greyhound owned in partnership by M/S Harrington and Sloane beat Drive On Now by a length and a half. The winner is trained in Tallow, Co. Waterford by Christy Coady.

The winning nominators at this fixture were P. Murray, L. Hallahan and P. Harty.

THIS WEEK'S FIXTURES

Saturday and Sunday December 18th and 19th Crohane and Killenaule, Nenagh, Castletowngeoghan, East Donegal. Sunday December 19th, Knockgraffon (Open).

Abbeyside/ Ballinacourty GAA Club Notes

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Chairman Tony Mansfield in his address to last Friday night's AGM at the Abbeyside School Hall stated that positive progress had been achieved on many fronts in 1999. Ballinacourty's Youthful Senior Football side had contested the Co. Senior Football Championship Semi Final, the Phelan Cup Final and won Division 2 of the Co. Football League and overall the club had won a total of five Western Championship Titles this year.

He advised that the future of the club depended upon continuing to invest resources into their vibrant juvenile section as well as strengthening their close links with the four schools in their expanding parish and they were fortunate to have so many dedicated people supporting their efforts in this truly vital area of activity, while the advent of a ladies football club was also a very well come development.

Club Secretary, Bernard Shields in his report complimented the Senior Football selectors and players on the solid progress achieved and he felt that with positive application that the intermediate hurlers can also challenge strongly for honours. To administer the affairs of the club a total of 30 committee meetings were held in 1999. In respect of the club grounds the main dressing room had been refurbished while showers were installed in the third dressing room and he paid tribute to their FAS workers and Jimmy O'Leary who looked after the dressing rooms during all training sessions. The secretary stated that the club had lost two truly great servants during year with the passing of Liam O'Dea and Danny Lenihan.

Treasurer Larry Cliffe's report showed that the committees target of clearing off the once off grant of £125,000 to the Co. Board County Grounds Development Fund was achieved and he paid a warm tribute to Deise Draw Coordinator Pakie Hurney and the various promoters and supporters to the Golf Classic sub committee members John McGrath, Seamus Fitzgerald, Frank Sweeney, Michael Hanrahan, to Deise lotto coordinator Seamus Fitzgerald and to his fellow bingo committee members Pa McGovern, Mary Fitzgerald, Noel Fleming. To Juvenile Treasurer Kevin Tobin and to the clubs various sponsors for their support. Despite an expenditure of in excess of £49,000 inclusive of the juvenile section a credit balance was shown.

Club Membership Officer Frank Sweeney's report showed that the club's membership base was continuing to expand as many new families settled in our parish with their children availing of the regular Saturday morning coaching sessions. The summer holiday coaching sessions run under the student scheme and their indoor hurling sessions at St. Augustine's College.

Officers and Committee for 2000

Presidents; Paddy Daly, Mrs. Lennon, Mrs. Cashin, Declan Terry. Vice Presidents; Fr. Colin Fives (OSA), Fr. Michael Brennock, Fr. Martin Keogh C.C., P. J. Dwane, Matt Organ. Chairman; Tony Mansfield. Vice Chairman and Irish Officer; Tom Whelan. Secretary; Bernard Shields. Asst. Secretary; Niall Moore. Treasurer; Larry Cliffe. Asst. Treasurer; Breda Cleary. Membership Officer; Frank Sweeney. Committee; Officers and Seamus O'Brien, Kevin Tobin, Seamus Fitzgerald, Michael Briggs, Joseph "Tuckey" Organ, Joe Cleary, Matthew Hogan, Willie Kiely, Mary Fitzgerald, Pat Ryan, Christy Phelan, Timmy Organ, Tommy Tracey, Tommy Kiely.

MEDAL PRESENTATION

The juvenile sections medal presentation function goes ahead at the Scouts Den on this Wednesday night 15th December at 7.30 pm when the Western U-16 Hurling/Football U-14 Hurling and under 12 Football Championship medals will be presented as well as the U-11 Town and county hurling trophies. Special guest will be Waterford Inter Co. hurling star Peter Queally.

DEISE DEVELOPMENT DRAW

All promoters are again reminded that returns should be with Club draw coordinator Pakie Hurney by Wednesday 15th December.

This month's internal draw will be held following the medal presentation on this Wednesday night, when the club committee will also hold a short meeting.

CLUB CONSTITUTION SUB COMMITTEE

The club constitution sub committee meets at the parish office on Thursday night 16th December at 8 pm.

SYMPATHY

The club extends its sincere sympathy to Lenor Byrne on the death of her brother Richie Quarry, Lenor has been a great worker for the club over the years.

SUNDAY NIGHT BINGO

The jackpot for next Sunday night's bingo session at the CBS Hall will be £300 On 49 calls.

CONVENTIONS

Our delegates at the Western Convention were Bernard Shields, Noel Fleming and Pakie Hurney. Seamus O'Brien was reelected as Board Registrar while Noel Fleming contested the election for Board Treasurer.

It's anticipated that both Seamus O'Brien (Central Council) and Pat Moore (Hurling Officer) will be reelected at next Saturday's Co. Board Convention.

COUNTY BORD NA NÓG NOTES

Large Attendance At Successful County Bord Na nOg Convention

The last County Bord na nÓg Convention of the century took place in the Park Hotel, Dungarvan on Tuesday night, December 7th.

Chairman Seán Whelan opened the convention by welcoming the large contingent of delegates to convention and expressing the hope that the convention would herald a fitting end to this century.

After the minutes of the 1998 convention were rectified, the business of the meeting started in earnest.

Catherine Tuohy presents a very comprehensive and detailed secretaries report in which she dealt with each and every aspect of under-age games in the County throughout '99. It was clear from the report that the officers of Bord Na nÓg are much overworked and at times unappreciated, as they endeavour each year to improve the structures and games available to our young players. The chairman thanked Catherine for her report and for the good work done by her over the year.

Next in the order of business was the treasurers report once again ably presented by a very efficient Joe Cleary. The report was detailed and self explanatory which are the two vital elements in any treasurers report. Its a measure of Joes competence and professionalism that with limited resources he still brought in a bank balance of £1,655 with total expenditure of £24,344.

Each year it is becoming more expensive to run the affairs of Bord na nÓg, something that we hope the powers that be, will

take into account for 2000.

The chairman Seán Whelan was next to give his address to convention. He first congratulated the clubs which were successful in winning county titles in '99 and also all the clubs which participated in the various championships. He also referred to the high standard of discipline which was evident both on the field by the players and off the field by the mentors and club officials. He thanked the referees for their contribution to the games and urged more young people to take up that whistle. In reference to the North of Ireland he expressed his heart felt satisfaction at the current peace which exists in the North and hoped the G.A.A. would inspire further unity, by deleting rule 21.

He concluded his address by thanking all Bord officers, County and Divisional for their support during the year and wished all clubs and their delegates a happy Christmas and successful New Year.

County Adult Chairman P.J. Ryan who was an invited guest at the convention, gave a very positive and forward looking speech and thanked Bord na nÓg for their unceasing good work.

Next on the agenda was the election of officers and as normal the chairman was the first in line for election.

Two names appeared on the nominations, they being Seán Whelan and Mac Dara Mác Donnchá. As Mac Dara was not present and Seán Whelan was the only other nomination, he was duly elected to serve as Chairman for his fifth year and into the new Millennium.

The election of secretary and treasurer was straight forward as Catherine Tuohy and Joe Cleary were returned unopposed and rightly so.

The old war horse Seamus O'Brien was re-elected as registrar, a fitting tribute to a great G.A.A. man.

Four names appeared for P.R.O. they being Eddie O'Shea, John Jackson, John O'Leary and John O'Brien. Any of the first three names did not stand, so with John O'Brien being the only candidate left he was duly elected P.R.O.

John is now P.R.O. for the West and the County for this year. This concluded elections for 2000.

We then came to the motions and there were 9 motions down for discussion.

The first was moved by Gerry Cullinan, (Ballygunner), that semi-final pairings B6 1st V. 4th and 2nd V. 3rd and not as previous 1st V. 3rd, 2nd V. 4th. This was carried unanimously.

The second motion was again by Ballygunner and this was to do with commencement date of U16 F. Championship and County Final date. This was not carried and it was agreed to fix a County Final date suitable to all sides and that the Divisional Boards would work towards meeting that date.

The rest of the motions were left to the first delegate meeting which is fixed for January 18th. This concluded the convention and all delegates headed home after what was an interesting convention.



Pat Flynn's Hardware sponsorship for Ballyduff GAA Club. l to r; Maurice Geary, Chairman, Juvenile club, Dave Barry, Club Chairman accepting the cheque from Pat Flynn, Sponsor and John Jackson, Club secretary. (Photo; Sean Byrne)

Shamrock's G.A.A. Club Notes

DIVISION ONE HURLING LEAGUE

Our game against Cappoquin which was to be played at Cappoquin on Sunday last was postponed owing to weather conditions.

CLUB LOTTO

In last Saturday night's draw at Lombard's, Lackaroe, there was no jackpot winner and £10 consolation prizes were won by Margaret Giles, Tircullen, Brian Sexton, c/o Jim Nicholson, Caroline Curley, Tallow, Kieran Murphy, Burgess, Willie Browne, Propogue, Ita Butler, Dunmoon.

The jackpot numbers were 8-9-16-21. In next Saturday night's draw at the Shamrock Inn, Knockanore the jackpot will be £2,700 and in addition a Christmas bonus of £500 will be added so hurry up and get your tickets from the usual sellers at £1 each.

PHOTOGRAPHS

A limited number of photographs of the victorious Intermediate Hurling panel are available and can be had from Ann O'Keefe Club Secretary.

Primary Schools G.A.A.



COUNTY BOARD AGM

The Cumann na mBunscol Annual General Meeting took place in Lawlor's recently. In attendance were Chairperson Margaret Cunningham, Vice Chairperson, Tim O'Byrne, Secretary, Brendan Griffin, Treasurer; Bro. Anselm, PRO Seamus Fitzgerald, Co. Board Delegate Breda Cleary and Nora Flynn, Don Shiel, Sylvia Ni Mhuiri, Sean Prendergast, Pádraig Breathnach, Liam Gough, Nuala Fahey and Bro. Martin. All the officers were reelected unopposed. The secretary's report listed all the winners and runners-up for the county competitions. Winners Hurling Roinn A; Bunscoil Bothar na Naomh. Runners up St. Stephen's. Roinn B; Winners Ferrybank N.S. Runners up Ballyduff Upper. Mini 7's; Bunscoil Bothar na Naomh. Runners up Mount Sion. Mini 7's Camogie; Winners Dunhill N.S. Runners up Bunscoil Bothar na Naomh. Peil na gCailini; Roinn A; Winners Ballymacarbray. Runners up Holy Cross, Tramore. Roinn B; Winners Ballyduff Upper. Runners up; Clonea Power. Mini 7's; Ballymacarbray. Runners up Rathgormack. Boys Football; Winners Roinn A St. Paul's. Runners up An Rinn. Roinn B; Winners Ballyduff Upper. Runners up Ballygunner. Mini 7's; Winners Ferrybank. Runners up Abbeyside. We were represented for the first time in the Munster Handball Festival in Clare in the month of June. Kilbrien N.S. supplied both a girls and a boys team in this competition. We were also well represented in the Primary Game by two girls teams - one Camogie and one football and by a boys team in hurling.

CHAIRPERSONS ADDRESS

In her Chairpersons address Margaret thanked everybody who gave of their time and energy to ensure the success of our games. In particular she thanked our sponsors, our referees, Lawlor's Hotel for the use of their facilities, WLR and the local papers for the media coverage they gave us and the Fraher Field, Abbeyside, Cleaboy and Mount Sion for the use of their pitches.

MILLENNIUM PROJECT

Indoor Hurling, one boys team, one girls team. 5th class and under for girls. 4th class and under for boys. No mixed teams. Be ready for 1st March. Same as ground hurling but no kicking ball.

G.A.A. NOTES

BY "COMMENTATOR"

Co. Convention Will Be A Quiet Affair

Apart from one contest and a few interesting motions, the final convention of the century will be very much a routine affair. Year by year, these meetings are growing quieter and quieter, so much so in fact that one might see merit in proposing that they be held only biannually.

FINANCE

To begin with there is good news about money and as will be shown on the Statement of Accounts, the board made a profit in excess of £60,000 this

year, leaving the county in a sound and solvent position. This is an amazing turn about in our finances which were approximately £170,000 in the red, five years ago. This resulted from a variety of causes including astute management, clearly defined financial policies, total co-operation from the clubs who were prepared to make sacrifices as part of their contribution, very generous sponsorship and good support from the public.

Gate Receipts showed an in-

crease of £21,000 from the previous year. This in some measure can be attributed to the fact that last year the public spent so much money following the county hurlers, that there was a falling off in support for the club games.

Receipts from games this year amounted to £99,317 (£78,423 last year)

The total income (including transfer income) was £486,922 and expenditure was £424,750.

INTERESTING FIGURES

The amount spent on coaching and development in excess of £30,000 shows the importance which the board attributes to this aspect of their activities.

The cost of preparing each of our 8 intercounty teams plus the expenses of the trainers is £141,316. (about £24,000 less than last year). They are as follows: Senior Hurling £63,587; Senior football £28,368; Junior Football £13,529; Minor Football £9,920; Minor Hurling £6,044; Intermediate Hurling; £8,708; Under 21 Hurling; £4,582; Under 21 Football, £1,269 The expenses of the trainers were £5,311.

A figure of approximately £3,000 a week for team training is something that must be looked at. If the entire gate receipts for the year were given for team training, there would be a shortfall of nearly 50%. It is difficult for any board to sustain this kind of spending.

Recently the Waterford county board were complimented by Croke Park on the turn-about in the management of their financial affairs. All county board accounts have to

be submitted for examination by a special finance committee in Croke Park each year.

MOTIONS

Not all of the 24 motions listed will be put to the floor. Some are O/O/O and some are for debate at County Board meetings. They are interesting in that there is variety and once again it is good to find that some clubs are becoming imaginative again.

AWARDS

The names of those who have been nominated for the annual awards will be announced at Convention and there will be some indication of when the awards will be presented. The idea of presenting them in conjunction with the junior football presentations on January 8th. did not find favour.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Seamus Grant in yet another excellent annual report deals with every single aspect of GAA activity, including playing, administration, social activities, finance, coaching, culture, etc. and writes in an optimistic tone about our prospects on the playing front into the new millennium.

As expected, he described the winning of the junior football All Ireland as the highlight of the year and said that the wonderful achievement can be an example to all other groups and herald a new beginning for Waterford intercounty teams.

He had special words of praise for the clubs of the county for the manner in which they rallied support of the campaign to reduce the Development Debt, etc.

Brickey Rangers GAA Club Notes

SCOR NA NOG

All roads led to Kill Community Centre on Saturday night last for the County Final of Scor na nOg. We were competing in Figure-dance, Set and Question-Time. First on stage were the figure-dancers, who were competing against teams from Stradbally, Dunhill, and Dunhill-Fenor. Their performance was excellent as they went through the dance with ease. Unfortunately they didn't get the judges decision and were put in second place.

In the Set dancing competition we were against Sliabh gCua, The Nire and Tramore, this was a keenly contested competition. The girls gave an exciting performance of The Roscommon-Lancer Set, which has become their trademark. However they failed to take first place and were again awarded a second.

Next it was the turn of the Question-Time team, who were against Clonea, Mt. Melleray and Roanmore. They answered their questions well and were four points ahead of the next team after the individual rounds. In the team questions they pulled way ahead of the other three teams and became County Champions, on a score of 46 out of a possible 60. The scores of the other teams were 24,12, and 8, so they took this competition with a very impressive score.

To the dancers we say keep up the good work, as it will pay off eventually. Many teams came away on the night not even being placed.

To the question-Time team we say congratulations and well done on your achievement and look forward to seeing you in the Munster Semi-Final which takes place in Tallow on 9th Jan. 2000. The Question-Time team were presented with the Queally Perpetual Shield and medals. The girls all received runner-up medals.

Figure Dancers; Nicola Fennell, Emer Walsh, Danielle Lyons, Rosemary Curran, Natasha Lyons, Grace Hilliard, Mary Ryan, Caroline Hayes.

Set Dancers; Nicola Fennell, Grace Hilliard, Danielle Lyons, Natasha Lyons, Emer Walsh, Rosemary Curran, Alice Curran, Mary Ryan.

Question-Time; Michael Gee, Aoife Murphy, Cian Shalloe.

LOTTO

Numbers drawn on 9-12-99 were 4, 15, 21. No jackpot winner. Five lucky winners of £10 each were Noel Fitzgerald (snr.), Killian O'Keeffe, Breda Lenihan, Catriona Kiely, and Joan Walsh. Next weeks jackpot is £500, so buy your tickets on time, if you're not in you can't win.

DEISE DEVELOPMENT DRAW

All monies to be handed in to Brian on or before Thurs. 16th as draw takes place on Friday 17th.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Childrens Christmas Party takes place on Monday evening 20th. Dec. between 6.00-8.00 pm in the Bushy Park Pavilion.

Fourmilewater Hurling Club Notes

CARD RESULTS

1st - Biddy Ahearn and Elsie Phelan. Joint 2nd - Dick Terrent and Ritchie Hackett; Mgt. Grace and Mary Murphy; Pat Grant and Peggy O'Gorman. Lucky Tables - Mickey and John Phelan; Joe Kennedy and Joe O'Loughnane.

LOTTO RESULT

Number drawn 4, 15, 23. Jackpot won £1,100. Shared winners John P. Coffey, Knockavenia and Mick O'Grady, Lyre East. Next weeks jackpot £200.00.

WESTERN CONVENTION

Congratulations to Pat Grant and Billy Walsh who were both re-elected to the Western Board for the coming year.

CO. BOARD CONVENTION

County Board Convention will take place on Saturday afternoon in Lawlors Hotel, Dungarvan. P. J. Ryan will be returned unopposed as Co. Chairman. Congratulations to P.J.

DEISE DRAW

Fourmilewater will have a draw for members and promoters on Wednesday night, 22nd December in the Oriel Bar, also it will be the final night of the Progressive 45 Card game before Christmas. So the cards will be brought forward two nights. Tea and sandwiches will be served.

Dungarvan G.A.A. Notes

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our annual general meeting was held at the Clubhouse on Friday night last. This was a very well attended meeting and it was most heartening to see so many players present.

The Chairman, Paddy Fitzgerald welcomed all present and said he was delighted with the attendance and in particular to see so many players present as it showed their commitment and dedication to the Club.

The year's activities were reviewed and while some of the displays were disappointing we still retained our senior status in football. He said we must all look forward to the new millennium and a new and renewed beginning for the club.

The following Officers were elected: President; Margaret Cunningham; Vice-Presidents, Tom Cunningham, Michael Tobin, Noel Sheehan; Chairman, Paddy Fitzgerald; Vice do, Jim Dee; Secretary, Kieran Curran; Treasurer, John Butler; P.R.O., Claire Meehan; Membership Officers, Jim Dee, Michael Lyons, Dermot O'Callaghan; Insurance Officer, Peter Quealy; Equipment Officer. Paddy Fitzgerald.

Committee: Peter Ferncombe, Billy Goode, Margaret Cunningham, Michael Curran, Maura Curran, Roddy Healy, Trevor Galvin, Kieran (Jack)

Curran, John J. Ronayne, Christopher Gough, and Captains of both the Senior Football and Intermediate Hurling Teams.

REMEMBERING OTHER TIMES

In October 1986 the Club had a memorable victory in the Intermediate Hurling County Final at the Fraher Field.

The win marked the coming of age for many players who had achieved much success at juvenile level in previous years. The Club notes at the time state that the team were forced to field minus six regulars which makes the victory all the more meritorious. Passage provided the opposition in what the match report states was a tempestuous final. The first half was hard fought and ended level: Dungarvan 9 pts., Passage 2-3.

In the second half Dungarvan were 4 pts. up after 40 minutes and were 5 pts. ahead at the end of normal time. However, the referee was to play 5 minutes extra time in which Passage goaled and only the wood work prevented a second. The match report adds that a further score would have done little justice to what was a brilliant display of hurling by Dungarvan.

Final score; Dungarvan 16 pts., Passage 3-5.

An Foireann: Pepe Ferncombe, John Fitzgerald, Chris Meehan, Thomas Duggan, Tomás Curran, Martin Houlihan, Michael Butler, Martin Sheehan, Martin Sandford, Derek Lyons(0-2), Jim Meehan, Dermot O'Callaghan, Denis McGrath (0-1), Morrie Ferncombe (0-11), Bro.Hickey (0-2). Fir Ionaid, Fergal O'Donnell, Paddy Ferncombe, Eddie Burke, Michael Burke.

SYMPATHY

On behalf of the Dungarvan Club I would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the wife, mother, sons, daughter, and sisters of the late Richie Quarry. The Quarry family has deep roots within our Club. The deceased and his late brothers, Johnny and Dinny, donned the blue jersey of Dungarvan with pride and distinction some years ago.

The deceased's sons, Colin, Kenneth and Richard, also played for the club and his sister Patricia is a great supporter of ours. His late uncle, Dec Goode, was also a great Dungarvan clubman. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all at this sad time.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a nam.

GREETINGS

On behalf of Cumann Dúngarbhán I would like to extend best wishes for a happy and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous New Year to all our members, and supporters. In particular I would like to express the Clubs gratitude and appreciation to all who continue to support our weekly lotto, weekly bingo and the Deise Development Draw.

To the editor and staff of the Dungarvan Leader my grateful thanks for your kindness and courtesy during the year. A sincere thank you to all who helped to compile these notes during the year, especially Chris Meehan, Pa Meehan, Pat Curran and John O'Brien.

RESODDING

Fraher Field is now officially closed for resodding and other surface repair work. It will reopen in late February.

G.A.A. NOTES

BY "COMMENTATOR"

Western Convention Was A Quiet Affair

One of the clear messages emerging from all these annual meetings is that Conventions are no longer what they used to be and the majority of delegates attending come there wishing for a speedy finish to the business that has to be transacted. They are becoming more and more a routine exercise. No longer do we have the heated 'stand up' arguments about motions and bye laws and all the 'cloak and dagger' "skulduggery" that surrounded the elections, canvassing, etc.

The celebrating and the drowning of sorrows for successful and defeated candidates in the elections, does not happen anymore.

There is no more committed GAA person than Colligan's Seaneen Tobin who has attended every convention for over

60 years and who was present again on Thursday night in Lawlor's, who commented afterwards: "Conventions are a thing of the past. All the fun is gone out of them from the olden days." He was re-echoing the feelings of others.

Last weeks convention did go off nicely and quietly and was splendidly managed by the presiding chairman Paddy Walsh who got through the entire business in under 90 minutes.

WELCOME

Paddy Fitzgerald on behalf of the host club, Dungarvan, welcomed delegates and expressed the hope that this would be another successful Convention.

MINUTE OF SILENCE

Kilrossanty delegate Tony Coffey then requested the chairman to call for a minute

of silence as a token of respect to the late Noel Kirwan whose death a few hours earlier had shocked the Kilrossanty parish. He then paid tribute to Noel and to the entire Kirwan family whose contribution to football in the clubs and county was monumental.

A minute of silence was then observed and the chairman asked that all those who had died during the year, be remembered in the prayers of the members.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet was presented by the Runá, Anthony Walsh. As usual the financial report was outlined in great detail and it having been gone through item by item, it was disposed of in under 10 minutes and without question. Anthony was complimented for the presentation and thanked by the chairman for the workload which he had undertaken in managing the financial affairs this year. Anthony in turn thanked the many people who had assisted him.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The lengthy and detailed secretary's attracted some comment from the floor. James Tobin availed of the third paragraph in the report to castigate the officials at the highest level for ignoring the problems of small clubs, some of whom are finding it impossible to exist and going out of business. He said that clubs in rural areas deserved to be looked after as otherwise the GAA will be in trouble. He complimented the secretary in highlighting such problems.

Jack McGrath, Cappoquin/Affane referred to the section about the Irish language and said that the board should consider having an Irish Officer on the committee.

On the matter of Social Activities, Paddy Fitzgerald said there was an encouraging improvement in Scór na nOg and he appealed to all clubs to become involved in Adult Scór in the new year as a special effort was being made to mark the Millennium.

Brendan Tobin said that the whole matter of the leagues needed urgent attention. The report then stated that 29 walkovers having been conceded was disturbing, to say the least. He said we should try starting earlier.

John Kiely, Kilrossanty, said the leagues were made up of too many teams and smaller groups would be a help.

Paddy Fitzgerald agreed that leagues should be split into

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

In his very fine address, the chairman, Paddy Walsh, in order to avoid repetition, confined himself to speaking about topics not already dealt with in the secretary's report.

He said that although the Gaelic Athletic Association is not much more than a century in existence, its contribution to the sporting, social and economic life of the nation has been monumental.

The Western Board, he said, is a mere 73 years old, but in that time too, it has played a noble and worthy part in the overall advancement of CLCG in the Deise.

He continued: "Reflecting back over those years we have much to be proud of, as this Board has always led by example. It has upheld every principle of the Association in the best possible way."

Referring to the many great officials who have served the Board down through the years, he said, thankfully today in the present officership we have a group of people whose dedication is second to none.

Referring to the county Senior Hurling scene, he said: "In the final year of the century, things were disappointing from a county

perspective. After the glorious memories of 1998 when we reached both the National League and Munster finals, as well as the All Ireland semi-final for the first time in a generation, there were good grounds for optimism in 1999. Expectations failed to materialise and defeat by Cork in the Munster semi-final was a big disappointment and left us wondering when, if ever, a 3rd. All Ireland will be won."

Paying tribute to the junior footballers who wrote themselves into the history books by winning our first football All Ireland, he said: "Who can ever forget that historic August evening in O'Moore Park in Portlaoise when as battling, brave and gallant a team as ever left the county, pipped Meath in what will always be rated as one of the best All Ireland finals in the junior grade."

Referring to the huge county development debt, he complimented clubs on their magnificent response to the appeal which has now reduced that debt considerably. He also referred to club standards, co-operation with the officers and he praised the splendid work done over the years by his fellow officers, etc. etc.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Well known county referee, administrator and selector Eddie Cunningham, Tallow, defeated Noel Fleming in a two member contest for the position of Board Treasurer and to fill the vacancy left by Bridget Clancy who did not seek re-election. Eddie has filled every role at club level, but this is his first official Board appointment. In thanking the delegates he said he had been attending games since the age of seven when he first accompanied his late father, Jim Cunningham (one of many Tallow legends) to a match in Lismore.

Noel, in complimenting Eddie, said they had always been good friends and if Eddie needed assistance, he would not be found wanting.

County Board representatives (3) — The 4 candidates received the following votes (Quota 21): John Lyons 24, Tomás O Caothla 23, Billy Walsh 18, John Kiely 15.

On the distribution of John Lyons surplus of 3 votes, Billy Walsh received 2 and John Kiely 1. As Thomas Kiely's surplus of 2 votes was less than the difference between the two bottom candidates, Billy Walsh was declared elected. This meant that the three outgoing members were returned.

All three thanked the delegates, as did John Kiely who commented that in the 73 years of the Western boards existence, no Kilrossanty member had ever been elected.

The other officers — Paddy Walsh, chairman; Tom Cunningham, vice/do.; Anthony Walsh, Secretary; Pat Grant, Asst. Secretary; and Seamus O'Brien, Registrar — were returned unopposed.

Brendan Tobin, who withdrew his nomination for the chair, said he had been nominated by his club, Sliabh gCua/St. Marys because they were very annoyed at the way fixtures were made and particularly the western intermediate hurling final against Shamrocks which had been fixed for Cappoquin, while every other adult final in the division had been played in Fraher Field. He said that while they congratulated Shamrocks on winning and then winning the county final, they nevertheless felt that their club had been hard done by. He also said that the board had suffered financially as a result, as had the match been played in Dungarvan the gate would have been much bigger, as it was when the other adult finals were played there. He further said that when a vacancy occurred next year, he will be a candidate for the vice/chair.

Those comments did not please Jack McGrath, Cappoquin Secretary and he was quickly on his feet to respond. His club, he said, resented the inference that their venue was not good enough for a final and that the gate receipts were not as good as they would have been in Fraher Field. He said it should be remembered that the final was played on a Saturday, while the ones referred to by Brendan Tobin, were played on a Sunday.

smaller groups

The report was disposed of in under 10 minutes

MOTIONS

The only one of the nine motions on the agenda which was really a convention motion came from Ballyduff and was moved by John Jackson

and was approved by a massive majority. The motion: "That those nominated for officer positions must declare their intentions 10 days before Convention, etc." was opposed by Cappoquin Club and Jack McGrath stated that he had been nominated for a position and did not know ten days ago if he was standing. As far as could be seen, only three of the 80 delegates voted against.

OTHER MOTIONS.

The first two Abbeyside/Ballinacourty motions, moved by S. O'Brien related to minor hurling and football league/championships. They were referred to the Board fixture meeting. The same decision was taken in relation to the next 2 which had a similar theme and were moved by John Jackson.

Dungarvan had motion 5 which was moved by Paddy Fitzgerald and asked that we revert to the league for all championships. Also referred to fixtures meeting.

Cappoquin had two motions referring to the timing of leagues/championships and having been moved by Jack McCarthy were referred also.

Tallow had two motions, one dealing with regradings and the other seeking to give a

minimum of 6 free days be given to players between matches. Liam Moroney was the mover of these motions and which will be discussed again at the divisional fixtures meeting.

REGISTRATION

John Fraher was on his feet to warn clubs that there has been a change of policy by the county board and no longer will the carelessness of clubs in this matter be tolerated. From now on, clubs must submit registration with affiliations at the January meeting. Last year, he said, a number of clubs went through the entire championship without registering and

this illegal practice will not be allowed to happen again.

CONCLUSION

The meeting ended after the chairman expressed greetings of the season to all delegates and a happy new year to all GAA members.

FIRST MEETING OF NEW BOARD

The incoming board will hold its first meeting of the new century at Lawlor's Hotel on Thursday January 20th. This will deal with affiliations, regradings, transfers, accident and public liability insurance, etc. etc. This will be the only meeting to deal with these matters.

Noel Kirwan RIP

Noel's death at a comparatively early age evoked great sympathy in GAA and other sporting circles over last weekend. The Kirwan family's contribution to football in the county has few equals and at some stage or other, all seven, Billy, Tommy, Vinny, Michael, Jack, Tony and Noel, wore the county colours, be it minor, junior or senior, with distinction. Noel played minor with the county in the mid-fifties.

When the Mitchells club started up in 1962, Noel was one of the leading lights in the campaign which was to help the cause of young players in the Fewes district who could not be accommodated on the Kilrossanty team. The Mitchells won three titles before merging again with the mother club, Kilrossanty. Noel was an individual with a delightful personality and was popular all over.

The Kilrossanty Club gave him the traditional GAA send off and his coffin, which was shouldered by his former colleagues, bore the Kilrossanty green and gold colours. There was a massive turn out at his funeral and the concourse included a huge GAA presence.

To his wife Anna and family, we extend our very sincere sympathy.

G.A.A. NOTES

BY "COMMENTATOR"



The October winner of the WLR FM / Lawlor's Hotel GAA Sports Personality is Richie Power (Rathgormack). Pictured at the presentation were l to r; Seamus Grant, Secretary Co.GAA Board. Paddy Dunphy, PRO. Liz Reddy, WLR/fm. Michael Burke, Lawlors Hotel, Richie Power, Award winner and Paddy Joe Ryan, Chairman, Co.GAA Board. —(Photo: Sean Byrne).



November winner of the WLR FM / Lawlor's Hotel GAA Sports Personality is Ballygunner's Stephen Frampton. Pictured at the award presentation were l to r; Seamus Grant, Secretary, Co.GAA Board. Stephen Frampton, Award winner, Michael Burke, Lawlors Hotel and Jim Joe Landers, WLR/fm. —(Photo: Sean Byrne).

Coaching Scheme Notes



Kilbrien N.S. 5 year old Shane Smith from Ballinakill looks happy at his work as the boy on the right waits his turn to run in the school yard at a recent coaching session at Kilbrien N.S.

PRIMARY SCHOOL PROSPECTS SEEN LAST WEEK

Clonea N.S. David Ellis, 12 Years Old, 6th Class — David is a powerfully built boy for his age with natural hurling ability. He has very good basic skill and a great stroke of a ball. Played U-12 for Clonea this year and was one of their stars. During the year I have seen many exciting young hurlers and this lad would make the top team. If he keeps hurling he was the ability to go a long way. He named most of the top inter county hurlers but when pushed for his favourite he picked Paul Flynn.

Scoil Mhuire Dun Na Mainistreach, Daniel Moroney, 7 Years old, 2nd class — Daniel is tall for his age and a lively boy. He is a very relaxed lad at sessions. He has great basic skill at hurling and is a lovely striker of the ball. At last Friday's session he was very impressive and he has good potential. He lives at Ballinacourty and his Dad hails from Coolnasmear and played hurling and football with St. Pat's in his day. Daniel's favourite hurler is Dan Shanahan.

Colleges Hurling, Dean Ryan Cup medals for West Waterford Boys — St. Colman's College, Fermoy won the Dean Ryan Cup when they beat Templemore CBS in Clonmel recently in a cracking game. Twins Aidan and Paul Kearney (Tallow), John G. Kelly (Knockanore) and Stephen Molumphy (Ballyduff) all played important roles in this victory. Paul Kearney scored 8 points in a 1-14 to 2-8 win.

Corn Phadraig U-18 Colleges Semi Finals
St. Augustine's College, Duckspool and St. Declan's Community College, Kilmacthomas have reached the semi finals of this Munster Colleges Championship. These games will be played in the new year and this is a tough Championship to win. No Waterford team have won it but I have no doubt both teams will have a real go at it. The U-17 hurling final Clonea v St. Mary's due to be played last Sunday was beaten by the weather. Sixteen teams took part in this 9 aside competition which is organised by the Coaching and Games Development Committee. The final will hopefully go ahead this weekend.

Richie Quarry RIP

This very popular Dungarvan clubman was a member of a family steeped in GAA traditions and his sad death last week aroused widespread sympathy in the Dungarvan area and beyond. He was brother of the late Johnnie Quarry who played a star role as goalkeeper in Waterford's hurling revival in the mid-fifties and was nephew of the late Declan Goode who was county secretary for 33 years.

As well as being a great clubman, Richie was a staunch county supporter and never missed a game when the hurlers were in action.

To his wife Mary and family, to his mother Mrs. Quarry and his extended family we extend our very sincere sympathy.

CANCELLATIONS

Weather conditions had such an effect on grounds all over the county over the weekend that most of the planned programme of matches was cancelled. All venues in the West were unplayable and have now been closed until around February.

The big disappointment was the cancellation of the Waterford Crystal Tournament final involving Wexford and Tipperary, which had been fixed for Walsh Park. An inspection on Friday evening ruled out any further activity and the final was deferred until February.

Hopefully this will not cause a problem with the counties who will be playing National League in February and are due to clash in the league in Round 3.

Two matches did go ahead as planned. One saw Dunhill/Fenor defeat Ballyduff/Butlerstown in the eastern semi-final of the Under 21 'B' hurling championship. The final against Roanmore will be played on next weekend and the county final against Fourmilewater will be played on Monday, December 27th.

In the only other match played, Ballyduff defeated Newtown in the county football league final in Bonmahon.

NATIONAL HURLING LEAGUE FIXTURES

The long awaited publication of the 2000 national hurling league fixtures is now to hand and they show Waterford as having three very attractive home fixtures i.e. Wexford, Tipperary and Cork. With a relative easy first round match against Derry away, we should get off to a winning start.

As I wrote a couple of months ago, I believe that Waterford should now show total concentration on getting to the national league final. I believe that we should put the Munster senior hurling championship out of our minds for the time being and see what will result from concentration on the

league. It will not be easy to win the league, or even get to the final, but both will be a lot easier than winning the Munster championship or the All Ireland.

Our Programme is as follows — 20/2/2000 — Derry v Waterford; 27/2/00 — Waterford v Wexford; 12/3/00 — Kilkenny v Waterford; 26/3/00 — Waterford v Cork; 2/4/00 — Laoise v Waterford; 9/4/00 — Waterford a bye; 16/4/00 — Waterford v Tipperary.

As already publicised, the leagues, like the football, will be of 70 minutes duration, the official team list will be 24 and 5 substitutes may be played.

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