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Civil Servants To Be Surveyed On Dungarvan Move

KEVIN KIRRANE

The Ordnance Survey of Ireland - the agency to decentralise to Dungarvan - will hold an internal survey this month to ascertain how many Civil Servants favour the move. They will also seek clarification on the number of Civil Servants to be re-located.

While the Government said 300 Civil Servants would be involved, Gerard Kennedy, Head of Corporate Services at the OSI said the internal survey will focus on the two hundred staff in its Phoenix Park Of-

"Initially there was confusion over the numbers announced,"

FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS

he told the Dungarvan Leader. "There are slightly over 300 staff in the OSI - 200 in the Dublin office, and around 100 in the six regional offices. But, as they're talking about decentralisation from Dublin, our internal survey will focus on the Dublin office.

The position of the OSI is regarded as unique in the Decentralisation Programme due to its specialist grade staff, prompting fears that a low

take-up would leave a large shortfall in its proposed Dungarvan office.

Mr. Kennedy said until the survey is carried out; "we won't know what our shortfall

But he suggested a shortfall could be made up from other Departments as the "breath of experience in the Civil Service can't be underestimated."

He added that; "...the technical grades becomes less relevant with the advancement of technology so the specialist cartography grades of old wouldn't be as predominant now."

Already, a number of Civil Servants from the OSI have spent time over Christmas in Dungarvan to look at the facilities. Both travel time to work and the quality of life in Dungarvan were cited as big factors in favour of a move.

Family considerations will also have to be taken into account, Mr. Kennedy said.

When asked about the opposition expressed in the aftermath of the Government's Budget announcement, Mr. Kennedy said he was aware of the concerns from a "very vocal" group.

I don't know that the mood was one of pessimism," he said. "There was surprise at the announcement initially because no one had any knowledge of where we'd be going beforehand. I think, since the announcement, people have had time to look at their own situations, and obviously people need time to weigh up all the

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A definite time-scale for the move will also be sought from the Department of Finance particularly regarding the availability of sites for an office in the area.

Mr. Kennedy said they will be looking for information from the Department about when an office in Dungarvan will be available and the timescale it will be provided in.

Meanwhile, Eoin Ruane from the Civil and Public Servants Union said the informal e-mail surveys of Civil Servants taken in the aftermath of the Governments announcement, and which suggested a low up take rate in the programme, are premature.

"It will be some months before we know the full extent of interest in the various moves that are proposed."

He also described the implementation of the decentralisation programme in three and a half years as a "huge chal-

"One only has to look at the last Decentralisation which involved 4,000 staff to a smaller number of locations - it took nearly seven years to carry out. It's far too early yet to say there's interest or otherwise."

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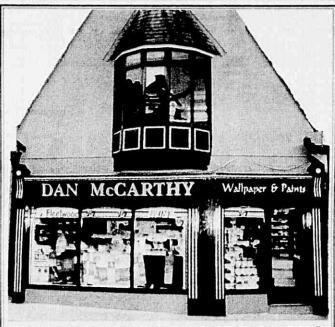
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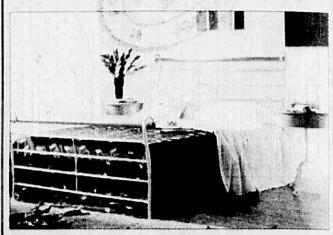
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A Labour Party Councillor has said there will be consequences for communities in County Waterford if the Government proceeds with "the Water Services Bill 2004" as presently constructed.

Clir, Fiachra Ó Céilleachair says the Bill - which will be moved in the Dáil after the Christmas recess by Waterford Environment Minister Martin Cullen - refers to the possibility of compulsorarily metering all water supplies, charging for ongoing provision of domestic water supply and what is termed the "licensing of authorised providers of water services". The latter provision, in Cllr. Ó Céilleachair's view, could open the way for the privatisation of parts of the water supply in Waterford and other counties.

Addressing the subject, Cllr. Ó Céilleachair said:

"Minister Martin Cullen has presented this Bill as a modernisation of water services in Ireland. In fact, it is somewhat of a Trojan horse for water charges and for privatisation. The Bill, as presently constructed, also places a new legal responsibility on private householders (Section 54) for the quality and distribution of water within their domestic dwelling. While at the same time, the Bill also proposes legal immunity for the Minister for the Environment, local authorities and other water providers from any legal action arising from their duties."

"This Bill, if it goes through as it stands, will affect every household in the country. The Labour Party is committed to opposing the Bill as it cites householders instead of enabling the authorities to deliver on long promised reforms such as the overhaul of the Ring and Ballinacourty water supplies."

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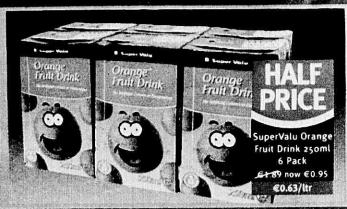


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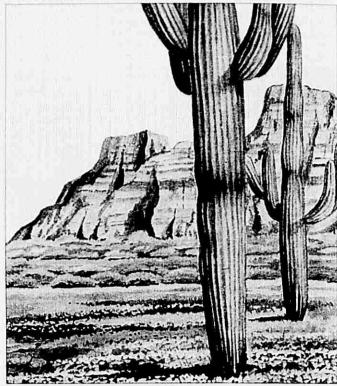
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JUNIOR PAGE

DESERT PLANTS

The hot and dry conditions found in deserts are far from ideal for plants, which need water to grow. Yet several types of plants have adapted themselves to these hostile environments.



Cacti Are Adapted To Hold Water

Cacti have long roots that lie close to the surface, which enables them to take in any available water quickly. The stem of a cactus is designed to hold water and the spines – which are actually the leaves – are designed to lose as little water as possible through evaporation. The spines also help to protect the plant from animals that may try to eat it. If a piece of a cactus plant gets knocked off, it can take root in the sand and grow into a new plant.

The Saguaro Cactus Lives For Over 200 Years
The saguaro cactus of the Arizona and Mexican deserts
takes 10 years to grow to a height of 2.5m (1in). Often it
will not flower until it is 50, or even 75 years old. It will
have reached 15m (50ft) which makes it the largest member of the cactus family.

Many Desert Plants Only Bloom After It Has Rained

Many desert plants remain dormant (inactive) until the rains come, when they burst into life creating a lush and beautiful landscape. The plants grow quickly, flower, create new seeds and die in a very short time. Resurrection plants are brown and shrivelled when it is dry, to conserve water, but when it rains the leaves expand and turn green again. Living stones, desert plants of southern Africa, look just like stones until they flower after it has rained

DID YOU KNOW?

- The world's largest cactus is the Saguaro of Mexico and California. It can grow to 16m (52ft), weigh 10,000kg (10 tons), and store 3,000 litres (660 gal) of water.
- Some Native Americans of Mexico follow a religion based on the visions caused by taking a drug made from the mescal cactus.
- The American pygmy cedar lives entirely on water vapor absorbed from the air.
- Certain cacti can store enough water to live for a year without rain.
- The guayule plant that grows in the deserts of Mexico leaks acid from its roots to prevent other plants growing near it!
- Because desert plants all wait for rain to germinate, deserts can become a blaze of colour for a few days after rainfall.

Ceader Crossword

SOLUTIONS Questions on Page 8

Across: 1 Silk, 3 Nordic, 9 Argentine, 10 Caw, 11–, 12 11 Dennis Watts, 15–, 17 Romero, 18 Galen, 21 Amy, 22 Theatrics, 23 Lauder, 24 Tree.

<u>Down:</u> 1 Sight, 2 Long since, 4 One, 5 Diction, 6 Cowl, 7 Haywain, 8 Tinderboxes, 13 Navigator, 14 Red nose, 16 Look you, 19 Loire, 20 Saul, 22 15 The Inland Revenue.

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Sunday 11th January : The Baptism of the Lord Readings: Js 40:1-5; Tit 2:11-

14, 3:4-7 Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

Christmastide closes with the Baptism of the Lord and is an opportunity for us to reflect on our re-birth as children of God in baptism.

Dungarvan Parish, Faith Development Group:

Invite you to a talk by Fr. Donal O'Connor on Tuesday, January 13th at 8 p.m. in the Park Hotel. The talk, entitled "The Innocent Sufferer of the Old Testament consists of three parts: 1. The suffering of Job; 2. The Prophet Jeremiah — his sufferings and prayers; 3. Selected Psalms. All are welcome. Fee €5.

Baptism takes place on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month after 12 noon Mass. Parents must take part in the preparation meeting – enrol at the Parish Office please.

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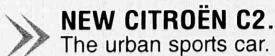
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In a statement issued last Thursday, Minister for Transport, Seamus Brennan, described the reduction as "significant and historic".

The figure of 341 for 2003 is the lowest recorded since 1964 when a similar number of deaths occurred. In the intervening years the death toll has reached as high as 640 (1972).

The figures also show that since the introduction of penalty points there had been 68 fewer road deaths than during the corresponding period in the previous 14 months. Minister Brennan said; "The continuing significant reduction in road accident fatalities is encouraging and reflects the impact the penalty points system, and the extension of the

drink driving laws is having on driver behaviour. In addition to the welcome drop in deaths there has also been a substantial drop of at least 20% in serious injuries, spinal injuries and admissions to Accident and Emergency departments in hospitals.

The Minister said the safety measures also helped reduce the number of claims to insurance companies by over 20%.

The Minister added: "While the change in driver behaviour

is welcome we cannot afford to become in any way complacent. Any comment on the reduced deaths must be tempered with sadness that the number of people losing their lives on our roads remains unacceptably high, and a cause for continuing

Minister Brennan said the campaign to make our roads safer for all road users would be intensified in 2004 through the introduction of a number of additional safety initiatives.



Genevieve Gee, daughter of Christy and Eileen Gee, Ballintaylor, Dungarvan, photographed recently after receiving her B.A. Degree (Hons.) in English and German from University College Cork.

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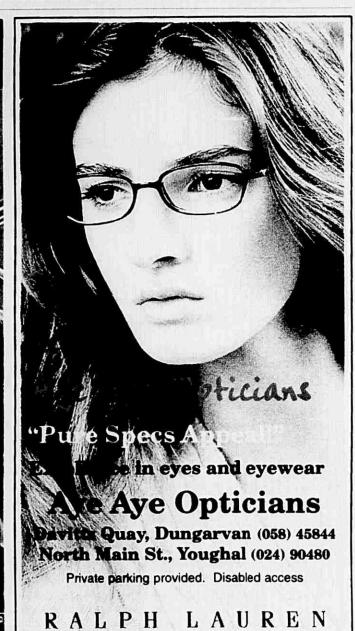
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1 x 15ml sp ground coriander

2 x 15ml sp mild curry powder

4 lamb chump chops, each cut into three pieces

1 x 15ml sp fresh mint, chopped Method:

PREHEAT the oven to 180°C/ 355°F/gas mark 4.

In a small bowl, combine the plain yoghurt, ground cumin, ground coriander and mild curry powder. Mix together these ingredients well. Toss the pieces of chops in the yoghurt mixture and coat them even-

Place the lamb on a rack which is standing inside a baking dish. Bake the lamb in the oven for 45 minutes, turning occasionally. Sprinkle chopped mint over the lamb pieces and serve immediately with

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(serves 4) 1 slice stale bread 500g lean beef mince 2 spring onions, finely chopped

1/2 x 5ml sp salt

sauce

1/2 x 5ml sp dried mixed herbs 1 clove garlic, crushed

125 ml milk

1 x 15ml sp oil Hamburger buns

4 slices cheese Lettuce leaves, washed

Method

Crumble the bread by a large mixing bowl, and add all the other ingredients, except the milk. Mix thoroughly. Add some milk - you need to add enough so that the mixture will form into patties without cracking around the edges. Shape into large patties - and enjoy!

about the same size as your hamburger buns.

Choose a heavy pan, pour the oil into it, and heat it on the element.

Add the patties, brown them on each side, and then turn 1 x 5ml sp Worcestershire down the heat and cook for another 5-8 minutes on each side.

> Mince patties should be cooked right through, not pink in the middle.

> You can test if the pattie is cooked by pricking the centre with a small knife.

If the juice that runs out is pink, the pattie is not cooked yet. When the juice is clear,

the pattie is cooked. scrunching it in your hand. While the patties are cooking, Put the bread crumbs into slice the hamburger buns in half and toast under a medium grill for 2-3 minutes each side until golden. Spread the bottom halves of the rolls with tomato sauce or relish.

When the patties are cooked, add a pattie to each bottom half, top with all your

favourite fillings, add the lid,

Chocolate cake

Ingredients:

Makes 12 slices 275g caster sugar 175g soft-tub margarine 3 eggs

1 x 5ml sp vanilla essence 175g low-fat natural yoghurt 225g self-raising flour 50g cocoa

1 x 5ml sp bicarbonate of soda

for the icing: 50g soft-tub margarine 50g cocoa

3 x 15ml sp m 350g icing sugar

12 walnut halves to decorate

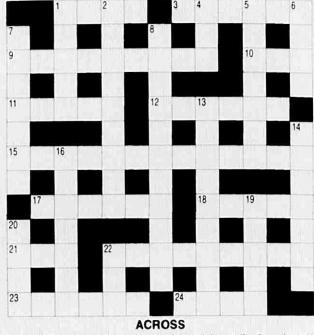
Method:

PREHEAT the oven to 170°C/ 325°F/gas mark 3. Grease a 23cm spring-form tin and line the base with inside of the tin with flour, then tap out the excess. Beat the caster sugar and margarine in a mixing bowl until smooth. Beat in the eggs, vanilla essence and yoghurt. Sift in the flour, cocoa and bicarbonate of soda. Stir until fully com-



into the prepared tin and level the surface. Bake the cake for 40-45 minutes, or until a skewer inserted into the centre come out clean. Put the tin on a wire rack. Cool for five minutes and then turn the cake out on to the rack to cool completely. For the icing, melt the margarine in a saucepan. Stir in the cocoa. Heat gently, stirring until combined. greaseproof paper. Dust the Remove from the heat and stir in the milk and icing sugar until the mixture is smooth and blended. Spread the icing evenly over the top and side of the cake. Arrange the walnuts around the top edge and leave the icing to set for 10 minutes before serving.

Leader Crossword



Robert Kilroy-_, politician turned television talk show host (4) Term describing competitive skiing involving cross-country and jumping events (6)

Anagram of TANGERINE (9)

0 The harsh cry of a rook or crow (3)

1 See 12

12 11 Character who returned to EastEnders in 2003 (6,5)

15 See 22 down

17 Cesar _, film actor (6)

18 Greek physician whose ideas, though inaccurate, dominated Western medicine for almost 1,500 years (5) 1 Girl's name meaning beloved (3)

22 A display of histrionic behaviour (9)

23 Harry _, stage name of Scottish music hall comedian and singer Hugh MacLennan (6)

4 Plant involved in the study dendrochronology (4)

DOWN

A visual guide on a gun (5)

What the words lang syne mean literally (4,5)

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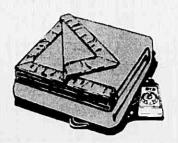
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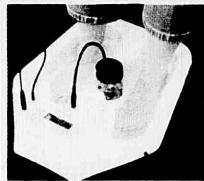
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In conjunction with the various Conferences of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, we were in a position to assist deserving individuals, and families in our area. All funds raised by Dungarvan Lions Club are redistributed into the community in West Waterford.

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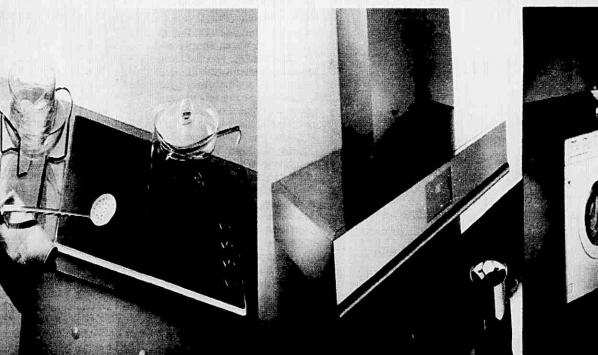
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New development contribution charges, which would see across the board increases, are likely to be adopted later this month with the resumption of last months adjourned meeting of Dungarvan Town Council.

The levies - raised on new developments - would fund the local authorities capital projects including roads works, the upgrading of water supply and sewerage works, and the provision of community facilities.

However, a number of councillors have expressed concerns about the impact on house buyers - particularly first time buyers, and the Town Councillors forced significant reductions in the levels of charges management had originally advertised.

County Manager, Donal Connolly also said the decision to lower the sizes of the increases sought was taken following a number of submissions including from representatives of the building trade, Cllr. Damien Dillon (Indp) and the Department of the Environment, and the concerns expressed by other councillors,

INCREASES

The base overall cost of a levy on a residential developer dropped from the advertised rate of 73 euros to 45 - 50 euros for every square metre of a development - a reduction of roughly 4,000 euros on the construction of a125sq m home.

However, according to Cllr. Billy Kyne (Lab), this still amounts to a significant increase on the current charges. He said the charge on the average 125sq-metre house would increase by almost two thousand euros from the current 3,175 charge, to over 5,000 euros under the new proposals.

Responding, Mr. Connolly said the levies bore no relation to how house prices have gone.

"In the urban area 3,175 euros is the general fixed charge, but in many cases such as in Monang where the road charge had to be increased, it's more than that." The development charge for the MacInenery development, he said, was over those now being put forward.

Cllr. Nuala Ryan (FF) questioned whether anything could be done for first time buyers, a proposal Cllr. Damien Geoghegan (FG) argued wouldn't be necessary; "if your party hadn't abolished the first time buyers grant."

Mr. Connolly said the council is endeavoring to facilitate first time buyers by providing afcentage of houses built for affordable homes, he said, and these houses are exempt from the Development Contribution Scheme.

ANTI-DEVELOPMENT

Meanwhile, Cllr. Dillon called for the car park space charges to be reduced. Under the draft charges new off street parking will carry a charge of 4,300 euros per space.

According to Cllr. Dillon the charge is "anti-development". Under the matrix agreed in the Dungarvan Development Plan, for every 500m a building is extended one extra car parking space must be provided.

He said one developer that he knew of would have been hit for 60,000 or 70,000 euros in development contributions under the charge list.

"That sounds exorbitant to me," Cllr. Dillon argued. He called for either the matrix to be changed so fewer parking spaces have to be provided, or for the contribution charge to be reduced.

A decision on whether or not to adopt the charges was deferred to the January meeting of the Town Council, with Mr. Connolly agreeing to look at changing either the developfordable housing. Developers ment matrix or the charges on are obliged to provide a per- car parking spaces themselves prior to the meeting.





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ARIES Mar 21 to April 20

You will have to stretch your short supply of patience as all sorts of silly things make you see red this week. Try to cool that hot Arian temper and don't be so ready to fly off the handle. You are not one to beat about the bush at the moment but take care. Your honest approach could lead to hurt feelings or ruffled feathers. Telephone 1550-920-257 for more on love and luck, work and money. **☎** 1550-920-257

Your boundless energy and happiness

are hard to repress. Don't become frus-

trated or discouraged by some minor

difficulty. Use your Leo sunny disposi-

tion to boost your optimism until circum-

stances change. You have got what it

takes to be a success. All you lack is

patience! A foreign lad or lass may

enter your life. You are attracted to what

LEO July 23 to Aug 22



TAURUS April 21 to May 21

Don't become so tangled up in day to day trivia or professional obligations that you tumble out of touch with your passion-packed self. You are the picture of efficiency in everyday life but behind that practical front beats a romantic heart. At the weekend, let your sensuous side come to the fore and make romance your priority. An old friend returns to your scene. Telephone 1550-920-258 for details. **☎** 1550-920-258

VIRGO Aug 23 to Sept 22

Your diligence and dedication have

impressed everyone around you. All work

and no play however makes you dull so

pursue pleasure with as much earthy per-

severance. Breaking free from routine is

your best option. Success lies in unex-

pected quarters or comes from an unfore-

seen source. This week, remember, when

opportunity knocks, someone has to open

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Sep 23 to Oct 23

Your quicksilver Gemini mind is skipping from plan to plan and it is now time to become focused if you are to find long exciting, your Gemini gift of the gab finds an eager audience in a new social setting. issues. Telephone 1550-920-259 for an in depth assessment. **± 1550-920-259**

Make an effort to communicate with your partner and you will save yourself from

sticky situations or minor misunderstand-

ings. Keep being cash conscious and

your financial situation will continue to

improve. Pressures in work challenge

and give you new incentive. The new

year continues to meet your expectations

and it is up to you to run with opportuni-

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CANCER Jun 22 to July 22

Your financial situation has improved so celebrate by splashing out on some of life's luxuries. Enjoy your good fortune but term success. Charming and always don't invite trouble by spending more than you can afford. At work, you are attracting favourable attention from colleagues and Romantically, you have the opportunity to superiors. At home, remember there is woo and win your perfect heart. Seek out always more than one side to any story. easy methods and stop complicating Exercise restraint in making strong statements. Telephone 1550-920-260 for further details. # 1550-920-260



SCORPIO Oct 24 to Nov 21

A matching set of stubborn wills could make for trouble and there are generous portions of jealousy on both sides. Try to accept others opinions without always trying to impose a personal point of view. In work, it is full steam ahead towards success and progression. Teamwork and tactics make all the difference. In love, a competitive edge excites and delights. Telephone 1550-920-264 for a detailed assessment. **☎** 1550-920-264



PISCES Feb 20 to March 20

Fond memories flood back as you meet someone from the good old days. Financially, this is a time of growth and stability. Concentrate on saving schemes and start building up How can you lose? Plans fall into a solid nest egg. Watch your spendplace as the wheel of fortune spins in ling! You are in the mood for a shopping spree. Professionally, you are ready for a change and making plans. Telephone 1550-920-268 for more astrological insights on current trends. **= 1550-920-268**



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CAPRICORN Dec 24 to Jan 20 Close relationships are blessed with

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bliss. If unattached, get ready to be hit by Cupid's arrow. This is a time of caring and sharing and lots of love! Don't stick to the true, tried and tested when you could strike out in new and exciting directions. Home life changes for the better and settles down. Friends are supportive of new ambitions. Telephone 1550-920-266 for more on love and luck, work and ☎ 1550-920-266 | ment. money.

AQUARIUS Jan 21 to Feb 19

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Dungarvan Leader Gardening

Secret of a cool salad essential

NEARLYall cucumbers and gherkins are annual trailing vines that can grow up to 10 feet long although there are a few compact bush varieties.

There are two types of cucumber. Ridge cucumbers with knobbly skin can be grown outdoors. Greenhouse or frame cucumbers need the protection of glass. Unfortunately, tomatoes and cucumber, although both associated as essential ingredients of salad, are bad companions in the greenhouse.

Both like warmth, but the cucumber likes steamy heat, which would be disastrous for tomatoes. The amateur gardener should leave tomatoes to the greenhouse and grow cucumbers, which now have improved tolerance to cold and resistance to disease, under frames and cloches.

Cucumbers do not like root disturbance, so plant two seeds in an 8cm pot, pricking out the weaker seedling after germination. For quick germination, use a propagator at 18-21C, and allow five

ing out.. You will have to wait until the end of April to sow seeds in an unheated greenhouse or frame.

weeks between sowing and plant-

Cucumbers should be grown in a sheltered site in fertile soil, containing lots of organic matter to retain moisture, yet still well drained. Very acid soils need to be limed and plants need low nitrogen levels. The roots must not be allowed to dry

If sowing outside prepare holes at least 12 inches apart and 12 inches deep with plenty of well-rooted compost or manure as you back fill. Cover with about six inches of manured soil made into a small mound to ensure sharp drainage. Seeds should be planted on their sides, two or three together about one inch deep. Thin to one seedling after germination. Climbing varieties should be placed about 18 inches apart. In cool climates plants should be protected using a cloche or fleece.

control soaring temperatures on sunny days. The vines should be grown up supporting nets, fences or canes. Nip out the growing point after five or six leaves have appeared and train the resulting stronger growths up the supports.

Cucumbers need a lot of attention

and shading is usually necessary to

These may be tied if necessary. Fruit-bearing shoots should be

stopped two leaves beyond the developing cucumber. As fruiting continues, feed plants every two weeks with a high potash fertiliser or an equivalent organic liquid feed. Cucumbers may be affected by snails, aphids, powdery mildew, cutworm, glass house red spider mites, white flies, cucumber mosaic virus or root rot and these problems should be treated in the usual way. Harvest cucumbers regularly

from about 12 weeks after sowing when the sides of the fruit are parallel and about six to eight inches long.

Gherkins should be harvested when they are between one and three inches long or when they have reached a size suitable for pickling.



Rough and spiny: The outdoor ridge cucumber.

This week in the garden

Start begonia and gloxinia tubers If you own a well heated greenhouse you can

start tuberous-rooted begonias and gloxinias into

The begonias can be managed in a temperature of around 13°C, but a little more is advisable for

If the two have to be grown in the same greenhouse, the extra warmth won't harm the begonias. Prepare some deep seed trays with good drainage in the bottom and add a layer of moss peat. Set the tubers next to each other and cover with an extra layer of peat.

Make sure the peat is well soaked before using, as dry peat is very hard to get wet.

Sow early crop tomatoes

If you want a crop in June sow tomatoes now. This does mean your plants could be over a met high by May.

Sow in well-drained seed boxes and germinate in a temperature of 16-18°C.

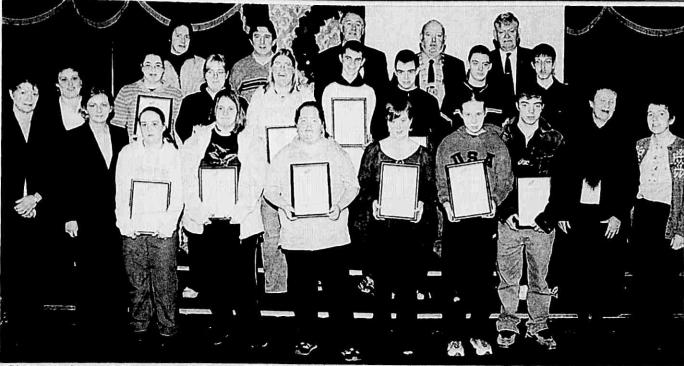
Tomatoes will not grow if allowed to get cold so you could cover them with glass and paper. Keep the soil well moistened but not sodden.

Sow exhibition sweet peas

If the peas were not sown in a frame in September they can be sown in pots now. A warm greenhouse will be needed for germination but it need be no hotter than 13°C. Sow about five seeds in each eight centimetre pot of compost.

Complete fruit tree pruning

Fruit tree pruning should have been done in November or December but if it has to be, it can be done in January - the sooner the better. Leave pears and apples till last and tackle the



Pictured above at the presentation of FETAC Certs to students of St. John's School are back row (I-r) Finbar Timmions (tutor), Gerry Lennox, Director of Day Project, Deputy Ollie Willkinson, Billy Kyne Deputy Mayor and Tom Keith. Middle row (I-r) Catriona O'Sullivan, Mary Morrissey, Donna Lonergan, Sean Stilwell, Henry Morrissey, Bryan O'Regan, Andrew Hickey. Front row (I-r) Anna Kirwan, Principal, Bethan Price (tutor), Helen Forde (tutor), Eileen O Donnell, Fiona Mullins, Katy Naisbett, Caroline Cunningham, Ciara Harty, Brendan Glavin, Ms. Mairead Egan F.E.T.A.C and Bernie Connolly (tutor.)

WATERFORD COUNTY FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

19 Calls In One Week

Waterford County Fire & Rescue Service had a busy Christmas responding to 19 calls. Four house fires, two traffic accidents and an industrial fire were among the calls received. Thankfully there were no serious injuries although one person was taken to hospital, by ambulance, suffering from smoke inhalation

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and burns. Station Officer Power, Kilmacthomas, who attended three of the house fires said, "Once again smoke alarms saved the day with the early warning allowing people to evacuate shutting doors as they go. This makes it much easier for the fire brigade to extinguish the fire." Assistant Chief Fire Officer Des O'Brien

thanked all the fire crews in Waterford for their dedication and excellent work over the Christmas. He also asked for each household to check their smoke alarms.

If you have to call the Fire Brigade please have your exact address ready to give to the operator. For example if you live in a town have the house number/name, estate, road/street, town name and county i.e. John Murphy, No 43 Riverview, Clonmel Road, Kilmacthomas, Co Waterford. In the county make sure you have the townland i.e. John Murphy, Kilnagrange, Kilmacthomas, Co

Waterford. Remember: Get Up Get Out Go to the Assembly Point Get the Fire Brigade Out Stay Out

Waterford Orienteering News

Waterford Orienteering will hold their final Winter league event at the Minaun, Cheekpoint, County Waterford on Sunday 11th January 2004.

The event will start from close to Faithlegg primary school between 11 and 1.30. All are welcome.

For more information, checkout the WATO website: www.iol.ie/~newtownw/wato or e-mail: wato2@eircom.net or phone (office hours) 051-

Melleray Notes

1st Divided - Tom Duggan, Anthony O'Rourke, Ger Power, Jimmy Power; 3rd Johnny Prendergast, Mick

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Raffle: 1st Roger McCarthy, 2nd Leo O'Donnell, 3rd Anthony O'Rourke

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We had mixed fortunes over the holiday period. On Sunday week last we went down heavily to Blackwater Celtic with a very weakened side due to sickness and injuries.

On Sunday last the lads bounced back to record a fine 1 all draw with table toppers Castlebridge Celtic. Celtic scored against the run of play after 15 minutes. We replied just before half time with a great goal from John Broderick. Both sides had chances in the second half, but will be happy with a share of the spoils. Next Sunday we are away to Bally Celtic. Team for Sunday last was O'Rourke, N. McCarthy, N. McCarthy, S. Kett, J. Dowd, K. O'Rourke, M. Collins, T. Hennebry. Broderick, P. Hennessy, P. Mc-Grath, sub used E. Nugent for P. McGrath (injured).

SCÓR The county final of Scór na nOg will take place in Kill on Friday night next. Melleray will compete in 5 sections: solo singing, recitation, ballad group, novelty act and set dancing. We wish all competitors the best of luck and look forward to your support on the

ENGAGEMENTS

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Letter To The Editor

The Dungaryan Leader. O'Connell Street. Co. Waterford

Re: The SS Kerlogue Although I was not at the ceremony at Abbeyside recently, I

enjoyed the write up in the Leader on the 4th January last. For the sake of the Keating family, I must point out that, alhough the Allridge family travelled over from Fishguard to Rosslare on the SS St. Patrick II in March 1941, Tommy Keating was not on board; in fact he left home for England in November 1941 on board the SS Great Western from Waterford Harbour,

when we were returning home to London. One of my earliest memories is of Tommy, on that journey, helping my mother to unwind green curtaining material from around sister Tina and myself on the train from Fishguard to Paddington - far from the eyes of His Majesty's Customs and Excise officers! We had been swaddled in yards of the stuff under our 'siren suits' to evade the Customs.

Since 2lbs of Dungarvan Creamery butter had been taken from our luggage and thrown on the floor in the Customs shed, she was even more delighted to have succeeded with the curtaining, which hung in our front room window for the following decade.

Since Tommy was such a great character, it is not beyond the realms of possibility that someday someone will be writing about him, and it would be a pity to get the facts wrong about his earli-

Kind regards, Sincerely,

Ann S. Allridge, Knockateemore, Dungarvan.

Problems Remains At "The Tracks"

KEVIN KIRRANE

Sinn Fein Local Election candidate, Brendan Mansfield has claimed that problems still exist at "The Tracks" after the public right of way was once again water logged over the Christmas period.

Mr. Mansfield stated the issue remained a major issue contrary to reports that remedial action had solved the problem.

Mr. Mansfield said he has been in communication with the council on the issue since he raised the issue in November, and added that it is his be-

lief that the contractor who carried out the sewerage works in the area - who also carried out the temporary repairs in November - may be back to dig the area up again, which would then give the opportunity for the tracks to finally be repaired

He said it was Sinn Fein's belief that the area should be turned into a Public Amenity Walkway for the people of Abbeyside and Dungarvan and that the local community should be encouraged to keep the area tidy and litter free.



John Mackay, Chairman Waterford Hot Rod Club presenting the "King of the Pike" tropy for 2003 to the winner, Ray Darcy. —(Photo: Sean Byrne).

PLANS FOR ELECTRONIC **VOTING IN LOCAL ELECTIONS BEING** "BULLDOZED" THROUGH - SAYS COUNCILLOR

A Waterford County Councillor has backed his party's assertion that the Government parties are trying to "bulldoze through" its' plans for electronic voting at next June's Local and European elections.

Labour's Cllr. Fiachra Ó Céilleachair, who expects to contest both the Dungarvan Town and Waterford County Council elections for the party in the poll

on Friday June 11th next, says the Government has initiated expensive plans to use electronic voting despite evidence from several experts expressing doubts about the system.

Echoing the view of his party's spokesperson on Environment and Local Government, Deputy Eamon Gilmore, Cllr. O Céilleachair said: "The Government is now proceeding with electronic voting in the face of serious doubts expressed by the Opposition parties. This is bad for democracy and for confidence in our voting system."

"I would suggest that trials on electronic voting should be extended at the Local and European elections on June 11th, but that the complete changeover should not be made until the system was further tested.'

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The Lotto

Jackpot E1,560

We had no winner of our Clashmore-Kinsalebeg GAA Lotto Jackpot on Monday night. The numbers out this week were 7,9,18,21.

Congratulations to each of the following who were winners of E15 consolation prizes.

Eoin O'Rourke (Ballinaclash), Tommy Keogh (Kinsalebeg), Billy O'Shea (Cappagh), Johnny Power (Kinsalebeg), Diane O'Rourke

Next week's lotto draw takes place at the Decies Bar and our jackpot will be E1,560.

Engagement

Congratulations to Liam Budds son of Sheila and Matt Budds, Summerhill, Kinsalebeg and Niamh Murphy daughter of Nuala and Francis Murphy, Glenmore on the occasion of their recent engagement.

Clashmore 45 Drive

Tomas Allen and Mick Ryan, Jim McGrath and Paddy Kelleher on eight games each shared the top prize at last Monday nights 45 drive in Clashmore. In joint second were Nell and Paddy Foley, Mary Dower and Jim McGrath, Mary Fleming

Best of the last five were Maura McGrath and John Connery, Liam Curran and Thomas Power.

Lucky last game winners were Assumpta Dalton and John Quinn, Jack Douris and Margaret Dower.

Pool Tournament

Well done to Tomas Burke who won last Sunday nights qualifier at Ul Domhnail's. Pool again on this Sunday evening - sign on at 6.15pm.

AGM This Friday

Members past, present, intending and any member of the local Clashmore-Kinsalebeg Community are invited to the Annual General Meeting of Clashmore – Kinsalebeg GAA

Club - which takes place on the following Co. Waterford this Friday night January 9th at the Heritage Centre Clashmore at 8.30pm, sharp

Poker Classic

Well Done to Geraldine Scanlon our winner of last Wednesday nights Poker Classic in Clashmore. Poker again this and every Wednesday night at UI Domhnaill's. All welcome

UI Domhnaill's Darts

The West Waterford Darts League resumes this Friday night. We have a game against Tigh An Cheoil. All players to be in attendance at 9.30pm. sharp.

Birthday greetings from all at UI Domhnaill's to Michael Fenton who celebrated his birthday last weekend.

Computer Classes For The Over 55's

Clashmore Heritage Centre will host computer classes for the over 55's beginning in late January. Last years participants are welcome to reapply. Anyone with course queries can contact either of these telephone numbers: (086) 8314103 or (058) 48861

Social Afternoon Resume

The weekly Senior Citizensering resumes at Kinsalebeg Hall on Thursday afternoon January 15th. Any one wishing to join the group are welcome along at 2.00pm.

Engagement -Dee-Smith Warmest congratulations to Paula Dee, Shanakill, Aglish

and Alan Smith of Adghada who announced their engagement over Christmas. Best wishes to you both for

the future from all your family

and friends. **Act Collections**

Clashmore Branch of Aid Cancer Treatment will hold Church gate collections at the following Churches over the next three weekends 10th and 11th January 04.

Collections will take place at

Churches

Aglish, Ballinameela, Cappoquin, Lismore, Ballysaggart, Affane, Colligan, Kilbrien, Kilgobinet, Ring, Old Parish, Clashmore, Mount Stuart, Knockanore, Kilwatermoy, Tallow, Fourmilewater, Nire, Touraneena, Modeligo, Mount Melleray.

17th and 18th January 2004, Piltown, Ardmore, Grange,

Glendine Co. Cork Churches: Gortroe,

Ballymacoda. Youghal Town Churches: (Holy Family, Strand, and St.

Mary's). 24th and 25th January 2004. Killeagh, Inch.

Clashmore Branch of Act welcome any help with the collections in any of the above area and your support for these collections would be very much

appreciated Clashmore Ramblers F.C. Under 12

Champions At Last Clashmore 3 Valley 1

On Saturday last we were crowned champions after we defeated a very strong v alley team 1 A deciding play-off.

We struck the front after just ten seconds when Brian O'Halloran found the net after a snazzy run down the left, on the fourteenth minute mark Brian struck to find the net from exactly the same situation to make it 2-0. We were playing really well with Adian and Jonathan supplying great ball to the front men and all the backs playing out of their skin.

Just before half-time we conceded a lucky enough goal. We were awarded a penalty shortly after but the valley keeper made a great save.

The second half saw us under a lot of pressure but Sean and Colm at the back mastered the show and were never really threatened. Then with just fifteen minutes remaining Brian struck the net again for his hat-

It was an all round superb display by every single person that was involved and big congrats is due to all the lads, thanks to every one who togged out during the year and though not all sixteen players could play on Saturday without them we wouldn't have had a chance of winning this league. The support of the parents on Saturday was great to see thanks to everyone.

Team: A. Seward, E. Mangan, S. O'Connor, C. Faherty, D. Foley, J. Walsh, J.Prendergast, A. Power, D. O'Connor, D. Byrne, B. O'Halloran. Subs: D. Trihy, for J. Walsh, T. Burke for A. Power, A Cunningham for E. Mangan, D. Collins and J. Cunningham.

On behalf of the parents and players we would like to say a special word of thanks to the team management - Brendan O'Connell and Michael Byrne.

Clashmore/Kinsalebeg **GAA Notes** Lotto

No winner of lotto draw held on Monday 29th December. Numbers drawn were 12 -14-19 and 21. E 15 to each of the following Pat Collins, Kilgabriel, Julie Jones, Ballinalash, Stefano Albertino. Creggs, Rachael Crawford. Knockanore and May Hynes, Clashmore. Results of draw held on Monday 5th for a jackpot of E 1430.00 will be in next weeks notes.

Annual General Meeting

Our AGM will take place on this Friday night at 8-30pm. sharp. We would urge all our players, members and supporters to attend on the night. AGM takes place in the Heritage Cen-

Annual Social

Our Annual Social takes place in the Park Hotel, Dungarvan on Saturday 31st January at 9.00pm. sharp. Tickets will be available from next week on a first come first served basis.

SHANDON ARMS

DUNGARVAN

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Friday - WLR's drivetime DJ OLLIE BRADY keeps the party going with his own mix of chart track and classic songs.

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Kevin Evans to Record Live at the Marine Bar

Kevin Evans makes a welcome return to Dungarvan to perform two concerts at the Marine Bar on Friday, 16th and on Sunday 18th January. Both concerts will be recorded live and Kevin hopes to release his "Live at the Marine" CD this Summer. On stage with Kevin will be Bob Quinn from Halifax Nova Scotia, a well travelled Canadian songwriter and musician as well as Hugh Carroll, the Gaeltacht based fiddle player. Two great nights of folk entertainment not to be missed.

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EVERYONE WELCOME. 9 p.m. Saturday January 10th —

PLAYBACK

FOOD SERVED UNTIL 8 P.M.

Kilrossanty **Notes**

Congarulations to John Cunningham (Grawn), who celebrated his 40th birthday, last week with a party for his family and friends in Crottys Inn.

MAST

An appeal has been made to An Board Pleanala by 02 Communications to erect a mast at Barnakill.

Submissions or observations in relation to ther appeal may be made in writing to the board within the appropriated period and on payment of the appropiate fee.

CARDS

Work has begun on the recording of deaths as given on mortuary cards which many people keep as memorials of the dead. Many of these have not been recorded on tombstones so any cards you have maybe th only record of the death outside the Civil records. This project will ensure that the people so commemmorated would not be forgotten at the back of a drawer or in an old prayer book.

If anyone has any of these cards and would like to have them recorded and remembered for the future generations please send them in to schools where they will be photocopied and returned immediately. kAny queries please ring Sheila Murphy, 051 291157.

SYMPATHY

Death Deepest sympathy is extended to Mary Ryan, Comeragh on the death of her brother in Tipperary over the week end. May he rest in peace.

RETIREMENT

Many happy years of retirement to Patricia Coade NT (Kilrossanty), Patricia has taught in Kilrossanty for the past twenty years.

BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to Nonie Keating (Comeragh), who celebrated her 40th birthday, last week with a party in Micilins.

ARG

ARG on Wednesday 21st January.

No 12 Bachelors in Trouble, starting this week.

KILROSSANTY GAA NOTES

AGM — Annual General Meeting of the club will be held this Friday night in the Clubhouse at 8pm. Hope to see a large attendAnce at this meeting.

Golf — Well done to the flowing who came 1st in the Golf Society Day held in Dungarvan Golf Club Grounds, on 27th December - Tom Quinlan, Tom prendergast and Mike Baldwin; 2nd Martin Lynch, Declan Walsh, Niall Walsh; 3rd Pat Cunningham Anthony Lynch and Ger Donovan. Anthony Lynch was th winner of the two club.

All enjoyed the day and looking forward to this years event.

COUNCILLOR SAYS PHONE SCHEME COULD BE EXTENDED

Reports that the Government may be considering a scheme to enable some pensioners to acquire mobile phones free of charge have been welcomed by Dungarvan area Labour Party Councillor Fiachra O Céilleachair.

Cllr. Ó Céilleachair says it is already the case that a landline telephone can be installed in households to the benefit of elderly residents and that some assistance towards rental and billing costs is available. Cllr. Ó Céilleachair says there is merit in extending the scheme to include non fixed lines.

Outlining views on the subject, Cllr. Ó Céilleachair said:

"There are many instances whereby the phone connection serves as a vital link in terms of the welfare and security of those who are elderly in our community - whether it be in towns, villages or rural townlands. It may well be the case that the laudable aims of the present landline based scheme could be enhanced through the utilisation of mobile numbers - with reasonable accompanying regulations - for this purpose."

"I look forward to the authorities concerned giving consideration to this issue and await developments."



BALLYDUFF NOTES

BALLYDUFF COMHALTAS NOTES

I hope you all had a great Christmas and we look forward to an exciting 2004 as plans for the Booley House tour to New York are being finalised. Fundraising is underway and I would like to thank all those who supported us on St. Stephens day when two

groups went on the wren. I'm sure everyone who was involved will agree that it was mighty craic and a very successful day. Thanks to Tony Dunne for

organising the day and to all those who took part especially our drivers who brought us from Clashmore to Conna and everywhere in between!

All our music and dancing classes are back in full swing this week and we look forward to seeing everyone back. Please note there will be a new Irish dancing beginners class commencing in St. Michaels hall on Monday 12th January at 6:45

News of the Town and nounaabout

DUNGARVAN G.A.A. LOTTO

Numbers drawn were 23, 7, 9, 14. No winner. Next week's jackpot will be €3,750. Two winners of €35 each went to Ann O'Brien, Shopwell and Don Sheil, Ballinroad.

Next draw at The Shandon Arms. Many thanks for your continued support

DEISE BRIDGE CLUB

Results Jan. 5th — 1st Margaret O'Donnell and Marianne Mulcahy; 2nd Austin Fenton and Pauline Dempsey; 3rd Euileen Frost and Percy Hallahan; 4th Tom Mulcahy and Justin Spratt.

BALLYDUFF MACRA

I would firstly like to wish all our members and friends a very Happy New Year. We look forward to a busy and fun year ahead

Meeting — Our next meeting is on in the Log Cabin next Friday the 9th at 9.00 pm sharp. All members to attend.

Soccer Championship — Best of luck to our members who are playing in this championship next Sunday in Meath.

BALLYDUFF **WALKING CLUB**

Twenty five walkers took part in our Christmas walk to Araglen on Sun Dec 28th. This was a most enjoyable afternoon and we would like to thank Joan O'Mahony of The Fox and Hounds Bar who provided good food in a friendly atmosphere.

Our next walk will be in Kilworth Woods on Sunday next Jan. 11th, meeting in the Kilworth Wood car park at 1.30pm sharp. This will be a two hour walk in the woods and boots are essential for stream crossing

Our annual night out will be on Thursday Jan 29th when we head for the dogs in Cork. Full cost including entry to track, meal and bus is fifty euro which must be paid to Ann Geary on Sunday next. Ann also requests that any members with annual fees outstanding will need to pay membership on Sunday for final submission to the MCI.

We have also decided on a location for our 2004 weekend away. This year our destination is The Burren where we have booked a hostel called "Clare's Rock" in Carron, which is in the heart of Burren country. As dates were very limited in this choice location we have paid a non refundable deposit for May 21st and 22nd with spaces limited to maximum of thirty. Due to the large number of names already taken, priority will need to be given to fully paid up

members who are regular walkers. Full cost will be advised within the next few weeks.

BALLYDUFF SOCCER NOTES

Over the Christmas period,

we played two League games. The first game was against Ballybridge over in the field. We were a goal down after ten minutes, but a John Twomey penalty made it even at half-

In the second half we totally

took control, with Brendan Hearn scoring our winner. Final score 2-1.

Then last Sunday we travelled to Araglen. From the start we were chasing the game

They scored after one minute. and by half time we were trailing 3-2, and by full time we had lost 4-3. This was our first defeat in the league, and our worst performance attitude

Our next game is home to Clashmore next Sunday



WATERFORD COUNTY COUNCIL (Comhairle Chontae Phortlairge)

TEMPORARY CLOSING OF ROADS

SECTION 75, ROADS ACT, 1993

Notice is hereby given that Waterford County Council, in accordance with the above Act, is proposing to close temporarily the following road from Wednesday 28th January to Friday 27th February 2004 for the purpose of laying of Broadband ducting

ROAD TO BE CLOSED:

Church Street, Dungarvan from its junction with Lower Main Street to its junction with Jacknell Street

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE:

Local access will be maintained and detours for through traffic will be via Castle Street and The Lookout. These will be marked clearly.

Any objections or submissions must be received by the undersigned not later than Monday 19th January 2004.

John O' Flynn.

Director of Services and County Engineer 7th January 2004

STRADBALLY NEWS

It was a sad post Christmastime for the Drohan and Crowley families of Knockraurand for all the people of the Stradbally area and beyond with the deaths of Gertie Drohan, nee Phelan, and George Crowley within twenty four hours of one another. Both had borne their ilnesses with courage and dignity for some time but their departure from this life

was nonetheless a great blow for their families and all who knew them. Both died at home as they would have wished, surrounded by their families to whom sincere sympathy is extended. Gertie Drohan died on Monday December 29 th and the remains were removed the following evening to Holy Cross Church where they were received and blessed by Fr. Michael Enright in the presence of one of the largest crowds seen at a funeral in Stradbally and it was the same again on Wednesday for the Requiem Mass concelebrated by Fr. Enright and Fr Michael Collender O.S.A.

The readings were shared by Gerties daughter Denise Cashman and her nephew Liam Vaughan while niece Collette McGrath sang the responsorial psalm. The prayers of the faithful were shared by gerties nieces Patricia and Bernie and next door neighbour Mcchelle Jones nee Corbett.

The gifts were brought to the altar by gertie's sisters Marie and Betty along with her great friends Kathleen Hogan, Margaret Corbett and Tessie Begley.

The communion reflection was narrated by Gerties daughter, Ann Kelly, and her son Walter paid a final moving tribute to his mother before burial took place in the adjoining cemetery.

Gertie is survived by her husband James, daughters Ann, Denise and Julie, sons-in-law Páraic and Séamus, sisters Betty and Marie, brother Tony and uncle Kevin Phelan, brothers-in-law Paddy McGrath, Tim Vaughan and Tom Drohan.

The remains of George Crowley were removed from his old homestead, Glen, on New Years Eve to St James Church of Ireland. Present were Dean Billy Beare, Rev. Tony Whiting, Rev. Jenny Crowley, Rev George Cliff and Fr Michael Enright. The same clergy were joined on New Years Day by Fr Liam Holmes, Fr Michael O'Byrne and Rev. Dunwoody for the funeral service in the presence of an overflowing congregation with more people outside the church than inside, such a great number of people had come to bid a sad farewell to Georgie who had endeared himself to so many people in his all too short life.

The funeral service was conducted by Dean Billy Beare with readings from Rev. Jenny Crowley and Rev. Tony Whiting. Life long friend Jim Cullinane gave an inspiring and at times light-hearted account of the life of Georgie. Fr Enright led the congregation in the prayers of the faithful and paid his own tribute to Georgie who had a great ecuminical outlook on life and who did so much to bring the two worshipping communities together.

There was a musical tribute to Georgie both in the church and by the graveside by well known irish musicians Tomás Clancy, grandsons Brendan and Noel, and others, with the haunting Danny Boy being played on flute, violin and guitar.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Georgies wife Margot, nee attend.

Gallagher, daughters Ishmay and Georgina, mother Lillian, sisters Eva, Jean, Lily and Patricia, brother Noel and the extended Crowley and Gallagher families.

The death took place recently of Statia Mc Namara, nee Hurley of Faha and burial took place on New Years Day in Ballyduff Lower after Requiem Mass. Sincere sympathy is extended to Paddy and Monnie Hurley of Faha, also Michael and jack Hurley and sister Babs in their bereavement.

LAMBING SEASON ALERT TO DOG OWNERS

Lambing season is about to start and dog owners are asked to be extra vigilant. Pat Fennell on behalf of the I.F.A. asks that dog owners do not leave their pets unattended and loose during the day or night. Family pets can turn into killers when left to roam, alone or in packs, and lambs are killed in this way every year. Dogs can easily travel miles, attack sheep and be home without the owner ever being aware. Some owners leave their dogs unsupervised and loose when they leave for work or head elsewhere. It is not the fault of the dogs who are just following their hunting instincts, it is solely the responsibility of the owner, who becomes liable for compensation to the farmer if their dog is caught attacking sheep. Ensure that your dogs are locked up when you go to bed and know where they are at all times during the day.

WINDFARM MEETING FEBRUARY

The next presentation on windfarms is scheduled to take place in late February, the date will be announced shortly. The last presentation by Hibernian Windpower Ltd. was organised by Stradbally Tourism & Enterprise Group, and was well attended by 49 landowners. The series of presentations are being organised to give farmers and landowners access to information from as many sources as possible about alternative uses for their land. Inquiries to P.R.O. Róisín O' Shea 051-293030, email info@roisinoshea.ie All are welcome to

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Budgeting is a word that sometimes gets a negative reaction.

This may be because some people see it as the task of keeping track of every penny. However, budgeting can be looked at in a very positive light when it is seen as a financial plan for spending.

Communication is one of the most important parts of any budget. If you alone are concerned with just looking after your own money, then you may need to have a good look at your own spending habits. If it is a budget between a couple or a family with children all those concerned must talk about the issue. Children who are old enough to understand will be made aware of where money for their lifestyle comes from. They in turn may be more satisfied with the decisions if they have helped make them. Generally, the more open the communication about finances the better the quality of the financial decisions.

The personal or family situation in the household can be very different. No two people or families are alike, therefore a 'one budget suits all' will not work. Lifestyle, expenses and income and past history all have to be taken into account. Age can also make a difference i.e. will there be children going to college over the next few years, or a simple family event such as Confirmation or Communion? How many years to retirement for the main earner in the household – should he or she be making retirement plans? Each person's occupation and talents will affect the budget. If you have plans to decorate the sitting room sometime over the next year, if one of the family members can paint or wall paper it will save on labour cost.

Remember – Distinguish between wants and needs. It is advisable to buy what is essential and needed first. What you actually want after that can be bought out of money that is left over if any!. A budget can help you use the money you have more effectively. It helps you to be sure that you are spending your financial resources in way, which are the most beneficial to your own particular situation.

The Money Advice and Budgeting Service is based at Civic Offices, Davitts Quay, Dungarvan (Tel 058-44922) and provides a service throughout the West Waterford area. It is part of the national MABS Service and is free, confidential and independent. Visit our web site at: www.mabs.ie

Ballysaggart Notes

Lotto

Having taken a two week break the lotto is on the road again. Jackpot for Tuesday 6th is E 800 – results next week.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Geraldine and Mike Murphy on the birth of a baby girl.

Sympathy

To Eily Moore we extend sympathy on the death of her brother Tom Heaphy.

Also to the relatives of Ned Quirke our sympathy on his death. May they both rest in peace.

New Years Greetings

As these are our first notes of 2004, may I wish all our read-

ers a happy New Year.

GAA Annual General

Meeting
On this Friday 9th we have the AGM of the GAA clubs.

We so often hear people say "why don't they" do this or that, well now is the time to become one of 'them'. Come along have your say and help in the running of the club in 2004. A special plea to players to attend. The meeting is timed for 8 o clock in the Community Cen-

Progressive '45' Drive

The weekly card game starts again this Thursday night 8th at 8 o clock

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LATE JOE WHELAN



Sincere regret was expressed with the passing on Saturday, 20th December at Drumhills Nursing Home of Joe Whelan, Ballincoush, who was a native of Kilnafrehan and was in his 94th year.

Of farming stock, Joe remained close to the land all his life. In his younger days, he was a noted handballer, was a valued member of Dungarvan Harriers and loved nothing better than his

Predeceased by his wife Bridget (nee Power) in 1995, Joe was very well known and enjoyed the respect of all. We sympathise with his sons Joe, Pat, Ben, Tony, Oliver and Tom, daughter Breda and many other relatives at this time.

Reposing at the Kiely Funeral Home following prayers and rosary recited by Canon O'Mahoney P.P. the removal took place on Sunday evening to St. Mary's Parish Church. Funeral Mass was offered on Monday by Canon O'Mahoney P.P. and Very Rev. Fr. Michael Kennedy P.P.

The readings were shared by Oliver and Tom (sons) and grandson Ronan. Prayers of the Faithful were read by Mary and Margaret (daughters-in-law) and grandsons David and Gavin James three years later complet-

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bread and wine, rosary beads, tape, photograph and tin whistle were brought to the altar by Dominic, Brian, Imelda, Gavin and Aaron Whelan and Michael Walsh.

After the requiem Mass the funeral cortege left for Kilgobnet Cemetery where following blessing and prayers by Canon O'Mahoney P.P., Joe was laid to rest after his life's labours.

Grandaughter Imelda played some of Joe's favourites on the tin whistle at the graveside in final tribute.

Chief mourners were sons Joe. Pat, Ben, Tony, Oliver, Tom. daughter Breda, daughters-inlaw Mary, Margaret, Marian and Ann, son-in-law Tom and other relatives including grandchildren, nephews and nieces.

Funeral arrangements were by James Kiely and Sons, Funeral

LATE PATRICK DALY 1987-2003



Christmas came early in 1987 for Pat and Marie Daly, when their son Patrick was born. Never was a little boy so wanted or so loved. For his proud parents this was a dream come true and the birth of their second son

Whelan. The offertory gifts of ed the family circle. This Christmas should have been a great celebration, when Patrick would have celebrated his 16thh birthday, and finally got his driving license. Sadly this was not to be.

At the tender age of just 15 years old, Patrick Daly had achieved more than most who reach ripe old age. He was an extraordinary young man with unique qualities seldom found in one so young. Despite the grown up image he tried to portray, underneath he was still very much a child untouched by any of the greed or bitterness which maturity brings. He was kind and compassionate, always thinking of others young and old. If wealth could be measured in the friendship, then Patrick Daly was the richest man in Ireland, wherever he went he made friends

He had a remarkable love and respect for the elderly, he loved to listen to their tales and stories, and he had a great ability to retain them. In his tribute to Patrick's life, Tommy Collins recalled one such friend of Patrick's, a great Youghal character Jimmy Corr who had a famous dog called Rollo. Patrick and his brother James together with their friends Thomas and Tadgh Keane would often go in and have a chat at night time with Jimmy Corr and his pal Paddy Hogan, keeping them company and listening to stories about Old Youghal told by Paddy and Jimmy. The highlight of the year always was 'Rollo' the dog's birthday party where the lads would bring in the goodies and Jimmy would get 'Rollo' to jump through a hoop. Patrick was a popular pupil

during his years at Gael Scoil Chorain primary school and more recently at Colaiste Eoin where despite his great hurry to get into the world of work, he managed to successfully complete his Junior Cert in June. His remarkable success in this exam brought great comfort to Pat and Marie when they received his results in August. A well read and highly intelligent young man, along with his great interest in local history and folklore, Patrick had a wonderful love for all things Irish, a large Irish flag takes pride of place on his bedroom wall and his favourite group were the Wolfe Tones. He enjoyed sports and was a great supporter of the blue and white. He achieved his own personal success on the playing field, when he won a medal with Colaiste Eoin hurling team, one of his proudest moments. He also enjoyed participation in the school shows, no doubt he added his own personal wit to the script.

Another proud moment for Patrick came in June 2000 when he appeared on the Hiudai programme on TG4 representing Gael Scoil Chorain on a game show.

Even before he could walk, Patrick's intrigue with all things mechanical was amazing. He loved the freedom his bicycle brought him in the streets of his beloved Youghal and these streets were his playground. He knew their every height and hollow. As he got older he ventured across the Blackwater and West Waterford became a second home to him. He loved all tractors and machinery from Tom McCarthy's vintage tractor and treshing machine to the latest in high tech silage harvesters at Leahy's farm in Monatrea. During the sileage season Patrick could be seen on his bike at

serving his 'apprenticeship' for the day when he would get his driving license, sadly this, his greatest dream, was never filled.

All those who worked with Patrick described him as a tour de force, he was at his happiest when he was busiest. Whether it was preparing the machinery or cutting grass, Patrick took pride in every job.

Tommy Collins in his tribute

spoke of Patrick's working career when he described him as a bit of an entrepreneur. While still in 6th class at the ripe old age of 12, Patrick along with his good friend Tadgh Keane see up

'K&D" gardening services. They were very enterprising and their first visit was to Billy Field to get business cards printed which they placed in shops around town. Fr. Bermingham who was new in town at the time and a keen gardener, (he inherited a garden which was badly overgrown) saw the sign for 'K&D' garden services. No job too big or too small, an answer to his prayers. He rang the two lads up and made an appointment. Wasn't he surprised to see the size of the two young lads Patrick and Tadgh when they called up to see him. He was so impressed with the enthusiasm of the two young lads, he gave them the job and off they went. But that was not the end of the story. Next day Patrick's dad Pat called around to see how the lads were doing. He saw them with a big bottle of weed killer. Who is paying for that he asked, that is expensive. 'Oh' says Patrick - he was quick just like his Dad- Fr. Bermingham is looking after that! The next day Pat called around again, there were the two lads sitting on a dumper. Who's paying for that? 'Fr. Bermingham, he has an account at the Tool Hire Shop, we can get anything we want' was the reply. The lovely end to the story was Fr. Bermingham was so pleased he gave them a good reference for future jobs, so successful was their business they even got to subcontract out the more difficult jobs.

Patrick's first 'official' employment was in J.J.'s chipper at Youghal Bridge and later in Cappagh at the chipper with Saoirse Fitzgerald. He loved Christmas when he got to help J.J. with the Christmas trees, when deliveries took them all over the country.

Patrick loved people. He was a wonderful communicator, his unique wit and charm won him favour with everyone. He brought a smile to the face of everyone he met and he was held in the highest regard. During his short life he made such a huge impact on so many people, he leaves behind some wonderful memories. He will never grow old, he will be Tom, William and Jim Daly, Directors, Cappoquin. forever full of youth and life in all our memories.

Many times Patrick and his friend Tadgh Keane would go out on the pilot boat with Barry Cloghessy to guide in a ship to the harbour. Patrick loved all things Maritime, especially water sports. How tragic it was here among the waves in his most favourite place that Patrick lost his life tragically on August 11th 2003.

In the days that followed his death, thousands of people came to pay their last respects to this remarkable young man and offer comfort and consolation to his heartbroken parents Pat and Marie and his brother James and all the family as he lay in repose 6:00am heading for Montrea, at Egan's Funeral Home. The

streets of Youghal to which he brought so much life, were still and silent as his funeral cortege made its way to the nearby St. Mary's Parish Church.

A guard of honour was provided by his classmates at Colaiste Eoin. Pallbearers, granddad David Mangan, uncles Patrick, David and Derek Mangan, uncle-in-law Pat Roche and cousin Jonathan Tobin took Patrick's remains to the altar for requiem Mass.

Mass was celebrated by Fr. Patrick Relihan C.C. He was assisted by Canon Browne P.P., Fr. Murphy C.C., Fr. Bluitt C.C. and Fr. Aidan Crowley. Patrick's cousins Sarah Daly read the first reading and sang the responsorial psalm and Andrea Cunningham read the second reading.

His aunt and godmother Margaret Tobin, aunt-in-law Mary Daly, cousin Haley O'Callaghan and uncle William Daly and best friend Diego Perrozzi read Prayers of the Faithful. Cousin Linda Daly and aunt-in-law Nora Daly took gifts of bread and wine, which become body and blood of Christ in the consecration, to the altar. Items reflecting Patrick's life were also taken to the alter, a baby photograph of Patrick who was born on 1st of December 1987, was taken up by Leanna O'-Callaghan his cousin. His other cousins Ryan and Aaron Tobin took up a tractor and car. A mobile phone was taken up by his best friend Garry Ducey. His cousin Jason Cunningham took up his Waterford jersey. The beautiful music and song of Geraldine and Trish Collins and Tommy Collins, wonderful oration were all a very fitting tribute to Patrick's life. Paddy O'Brien's tribute in song of Never Grow Old' filled the Church as the pallbearers - dad Pat, uncles Tom, William and Jim Daly, uncle-in-law Donnacha O'Callaghan and cousin John Daly took Patrick from the church on this final part of the journey to North Abbey Cemetery. Patrick's best friends Thomas and Tadgh Keane, James Leahy, Tony Colbert, John Foley, Gavin Trihy and Willie Leanne were present in Cork Hill to take Patrick to his final resting place, overlooking the river Blackwater and West Waterford which he loved and was second home to him. His friends Lisa Crowley and Marcella Riley played a final graveside tribute to Patrick on the bagpipes. To his parents Pat and Marie,

his brother James, grandparents James Daly, David and Breda Mangan, his aunts Helen Daly. Mary O'Callaghan, Margaret Tobin, Geraldine Cunningham, oche, uncles John.

Johnny, David, Patrick, David and Derek Mangan, cousins Eleanor, Sarah, Vincent Daly, Linda Daly, Lisa and James Buckley, Haley Leanne and Sophie O'Callaghan, Jonathan Ryan, Aaron Tobin, Michael, Andrea, Jason and Thomas Cunningham, Katie Roche and Aidan Mangan (England), we extend our deepest and heartfelt

May Mary our mother watch over you Patrick as you sleep.

SR. MARTHA BROGAN

It is with feelings of profound sorrow that we record the passing of Sr. Martha Brogan, The Convent of Mercy, Cappoquin which sad event occurred on 24th December at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan where she was in their tender and loving care for the past 10 years.

While reposing at the Convent chapel, many people came too express their sympathy to her family and community. On Friday, 26th December, removal took place to St. Mary's Parish Church, Cappoquin and on arrival her remains were received and blessed by Bishop Michael Neary of Tuam. Beautiful hymns were sung by the Cappoquin Parish Choir during the funeral Mass celebrated by Bishop Neary assisted by Fr. Kiely P.P., Fr. Mulcahy P.P., Fr. Arthure P.E., Fr. Nugent P.E., Fr. Francis O.C.S.O. and other visiting clergy.

Burial took place in St. Declan's Cemetery, Cappoquin, Bishop Michael Neary officiated at the graveside where Sr. Martha was laid to rest in the presence of a large cortege of mourners. May she rest in peace.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her relatives and friends and her Mercy Community.

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(Funeral arrangements were by Aidan Walsh and Sons, Funeral Directors, Cappoquin)

LATE MARY HEALY

It is with feelings of sincere and deep regret we record the passing of Mary Healy, 5, Shanbally, Cappoquin which sad event occurred on 29th December 2003 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan.

Removal took place on Tuesday evening from Walsh's Funeral Home, Cappoquin to St. Mary's Church, Cappoquin. Funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday morning and burial took place in St. Declan's Cemetery, Cappoquin.

We extend our deepest sympathy to her husband Mossie, sons Pa Cunningham, sister Stella, brother-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

(Full obituary next issue) Funeral arrangements were by

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Late Mary Fleming



It is with feelings of deep sadness that we record the passing of Mary Fleming (nee Coleman), Creggs, Clashmore on Monday, 1st December 2003 peacefully at her home, surrounded by her broken hearted family.

Mary was a native of Castlemartyr and Killeagh, Co. Cork and was the eldest of four children. She attended Secondary school in North Presentation Convent, Cork, completing all her studies through Irish. Indeed she maintained her love of the language all through her life.

After her schooling she worked with her father in the Butchers shop in Killeagh running the family business. In those days Mary delivered a lot of meat door to door and loved having the chat. It was on one such a trip to the Knockadoon Summer Camp with her weekly delivery that she met her future husband Willie.

Following their marriage in 1970, Mary crossed the bridge to Waterford and sported the colours of both counties, when the occasion arose! Many times she wore the blue and white in Thurles, even up to June of this year when she attended the Munster final and always thoroughly enjoyed preparing for the day out.

A united couple, Mary worked alongside Willie on the family farm and raised five children, two boys and three girls.

Mary had an active and full life and was never known to shy from rolling up her sleeves and getting involved. She became a very active member of Civil Defence and her First Aid case was always close at hand for those with a scratch or a fracture. She did ambulance duty on an annual basis for the Point to Points at Lismore, Dungarvan and Tallow along with the Dungarvan show and the

She held positions in St. Anne's Secondary School, Cappoquin and Colaiste Eoin, Youghal. In the local community she helped out with Community Alert, providing a more secure environment for the elderly ensuring that all those in the Parish had alarm phones.

Mary's deep love of Irish culture including music, dance and drama began while she was still in Killeagh where she helped organise the 'May Sunday' and 'Glenbower Festivals' on many occasions. She continued her membership and love for Comhaltas by ensuring her own children learned Irish dancing and musical instruments, later becoming members of Finnisk Comhaltas Group. Many are the 'Fleadh Cheoil' she helped organise and she also took to the boards in drama and plays.

A person of deep religious faith, she carried out a pilgrimage of the shrines in France and visited Lourdes on three separate occasions over her life. She also attended Beatification of Edmond Ignatius Rice in Rome. Closer to home, she took pride in the care

of the Church altar linen. She was Minister of the Eucharist, read at Mass and assisted with the Church flower arranging and cleaning. She also sang in the choir. She attended all these duties with admirable fervour and devotion.

Mary was a pioneer all her life and received a gold pin from the Blood Transfusion Service Board in recognition of her blood contributions.

Mary was never idle with her gifted hands and any visitor to her home will see the evidence of her embroidery, sewing, crochet and knitting.

A woman of worldly knowledge, she was always interested in education and travelled the world through her kitchen table atlas and television

Crosswords and quizzes were her specialty, the great test being the Gay Bryne 100 Question Quiz in its day. She was also a fanatic of the TV show the 'Antiques Roadshow'. Mary made time for everyone and was a very good neighbour, always willing to lend a hand to everyone in

The Summer of 2001 brought changes to Mary's life due to her illness which she bravely bore having been such a strong and active woman. She was an excellent patient throughout particularly since July 2003 when her health deteriorated and saw her to her final home on December 1st.

Mary was waked at home surrounded by family and friends and rosary was recited on Monday evening by Fr. O'Gorman. Throughout Monday and Tuesday a large cortege of mourners from near and far visited the home to pay their respects.

Following prayers led by Fr. Lucy, Marys remains were removed from her residence to Egan's Funeral Home on Tuesday at 4:00pm. Her remains were then taken to St. Cronin's Church, Clashmore on Tuesday evening where a guard of honour was provided by the Civil Defence who accompanied the cortege in formation on the procession to the church.

Her funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday, 3rd December by Fr. O'Gorman assisted by Fr. Lucy, Fr. O'Connor, Fr. Meehan and Fr. Drumgould. During the Mass Mary Dee and Mary's colleagues in the Clashmore choir and Con Ryan sang hymns that Mary loved.

Symbols of her life were brought to the altar at the beginning of Mass with Sr. Margaret Mary from North Presentation reading the explanation of the symbols. Family and friends assisted with the opening procession, readings, bidding prayers and offertory procession. A beautiful candlelit draped altar display was specially arranged by Phyllis O'Halloran and Cait Hickey

Mary was laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery. Graveside recitation 'Miss Me But Let Me Go' was recited by Fr. Drumgould (Dublin).

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mary's husband Willie, sons Patsy and Liam, daughters Anna, Pauline and Judy, her brother Liam, sisters Elsie and Nuala, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews and a large circle of friends.

(Funeral arrangements were by Egan's Undertakers, Youghal)

Late Austin Walsh

It is with sincere regret and sadness we record the passing of Austin Walsh, Main Street, Cappoquin which sad event occurred

on 24th December at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan.

A native of Cappoquin aged 85 years. Austin had a Hardware shop on Main Street which gave a great service to the town of Cappoquin and surrounding area for many years up until recent times when failing health prevented him from continuing on. To visit his shop was an experience in itself, you would be met with the words 'winner alright' or another one of his sayings 'everything going according to

Indeed, Austin was one of nature's true gentlemen. Much loved and highly respected in the community, he enjoyed having friends call to the shop for a chat about events in the locality and kept an eye on sporting events. Austin always had time for a smile and a chat. A man of deep religious faith he will be greatly missed and his passing is much regretted by all his family and

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On Friday evening, removal took place from Walsh's Funeral Home, Cappoquin where prayers were recited by Fr. Kiely P.P., in the presence of a large gathering. On arrival at St. Mary's Church, Cappoquin, his remains were received and blessed by Fr. Arthure P.E. assisted by Fr. Kiely P.P.

Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday morning by Fr. Arthure P.E. During the Mass, the lessons were read by his nephews.

Burial took place in St. Declan's Cemetery, Cappoquin. Fr. Arthure P.E. officiated at the graveside where Austin was laid to rest in the family grave. May he rest in peace.

The chief mourners were his nephews Vincent and David Barry, relatives and a large circle of friends

Funeral arrangements were by Aidan Walsh and Sons, Funeral Directors, Cappoquin.

Late Nora Colbert



It is with deep regret that we record the passing of Nora Colbert, Castlefarm, Modeligo and formerly of Knockalara which sad event occurred on Friday, 26th December 2003.

Nora, aged 82 was born and reared in Knockalara, Cappoquin by her beloved mother and father Alice and John Colbert. In 1949 Nora began work with the Cooney family in Ballintaylor and later in 1974 moved to Castlefarm, Modeligo with Joan Cooney Nugent.

Nora lived a most content and happy life at Castlefarm. She will be forever remembered for her loving and kind nature, her layers of long skirts and her toothless but ever smiling face. From morning to night she was to be seen bustling about feeding the heifers, hanging the laundry and gathering timber for the fire, May she rest in peace.

Removal took placer from Aidan Walsh and Sons Funeral Home on Saturday, 27th Decem-

ber to Modeligo Church where they were received and blessed by Rev. Fr. Barron P.P.

Funeral Mass was celebrated on Sunday morning by Rev. Fr. Hubbard C.C. Burial took place in Kilmolash Cemetery in the presence of a large gathering.

The chief mourners were daughters Mary, Sarah and Bridget, brother and sisters, grandchildren and all the Cooney / Nugent family, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Funeral arrangements were by Aidan Walsh and Sons, Funeral Directors, Cappoquin.

Months Mind Mass on Saturday, 31st January at 7:30pm at Modeligo Church.

Late Tommy Kenneally



It is with feelings of deep sadness we record he passing of Tommy Kenneally, Lyrattin, Cappagh on Friday, 12th December 2003 peacefully at his

Tommy had reached his 71st year. He was born and reared in Farnane, Cappagh and moved to Lyrattin in 1979. He was son of the late Thomas and Hanora (nee Walsh) of Churchquarter, Mod-

Tommy attended National School in Modeligo after which he began work on the family farm due to the ill health of his father. Tommy had two sisters and one brother who emigrated to England. Tommy's own father died when Tommy was 21 years old leaving him to run the farm.

Tommy married Catherine (nee O'Brien) in 1962. They were a very happily married and united couple who worked side by side and raised 6 children together (four boys and two girls).

In 1971 Tommy began shift work at Pfizers Quigley Magnesite factory in Ballinacourty. He worked there for 11 years and made life long friends. During these years Catherine took care of running things on the farm.

When Tommy became redundant from Quigley Magnesite in 1982, he returned to full time farming finally retiring in 1994.

Since his retirement, Tommy enjoyed life to the full having time to allocate to his life long passion, horses. He attended many race meetings, kept a brood mare and enjoyed the fact that two of his sons were involved with horses which kept his interest and knowledge of the game very keen.

He travelled to America three times and to Australia once over the last ten years of his life to visit his children, who he was very proud of.

Tommy was a great neighbour and friends which was testament to the large crowd who visited his home to pay their respects to his family and to those who attended his funeral to bid their final farewell.

Tommy's health began to deteriorate over the last two years. He bore his illness with dignity, with his wife Catherine nursing him at home.

Tommy's remains were removed from Aidan Walsh's Funeral Home, Cappoquin on Thursday, 16th December to

Modeligo Church where they

were received and blessed by Father Barron P.P.

The coffin was carried a short distance by members of Modeligo GAA club of which Tommy was a life long member and former Vice President. It was then passed to six of Tommy's closest friends and brother John until it was finally shouldered by his six children who took their father's remains to the altar.

The funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday, 17th December by Fr. Barron P.P. assisted by Fr. Hubbard C.C. and Fr. Larry Walsh P.E. (neigh-

The lessons were read by daughter Marie and grandchild Sharon. Prayers of the faithful were read by sons Tom and Eric,

nephew Kevin Dovaston and family friend Nuala Walsh. Symbols of his life were brought to the altar by his grandchildren Sharon and Shane Kenneally. Tommy's sister Ann and nephew Christopher Jones brought the offertory gifts. During the Mass, Noel Mason sang

panied by Mairead Cullinane on Fr. Larry Walsh spoke some words in glowing terms of Tommy and read the 'Togetherness' prayer from Catherine to

her husband to close the cere-

beautifully while being accom-

We gathered in the adjoining cemetery for final prayers and blessings where Tommy was

laid to his eternal rest. By the graveside, Tommy's oldest son Tom remembered and celebrated his fathers life in a few of his own words entitled

'Goodbye to Dad' Sincere sympathy is extended to Tommy's wife Catherine, sons Tom, John, Eddie and Eric, daughters Jackie and Marie, sister Ann, brother, John, eight grandchildren, daughters-in-law, son-in-law, brother-in-law, nephews, nieces, relations and a large circle of friends and neigh-

Months Mind Mass is on Sunday, 11th January at 10:45am in Modeligo Church.

Funeral arrangements were by Aidan Walsh and Sons, Funeral Directors, Cappoquin.

Late Margaret (Peggy) Hickey



It is with heartfelt sadness that we record the death of Peggy Hickey, Redgate, Cappagh at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungaryan on 19th December 2003 following a period of failing health.

Peggy (nee O'Brien) was a native of Graigue, Cappagh and moved a short distance to Redgate following her marriage to John (Jack) Hickey.

She was left a young widow with three young children following the untimely death of her husband Jack in 1970. She continued to work and carry on as home maker, whose main priority was always caring for her

Peggy was never idle with her gifted hands and any visitor to her home would see the evidence in her sewing, embroidery, home cooking and baking. She was a wonderful mother who loved her family and friends and in return she was held in high esteem by all.

Peggy was blessed with good friends, neighbours and relations whom she visited on a regular basis while her health prevailed.

During her lifetime she was an active member of the Ladies Club and enjoyed the parochial 45 drives. One of her great loves in her life was her garden where she spent most of her spare time tending to and looking after her many shrubs and plants. She was excellent at flower arrangements and on a day out she liked nothing better than a visit to a flower show or garden centre and chat to friends over a cup of tea and a

She was a woman of deep Christian faith and had great devotion to the rosary. Her fervent attendance at Mass right up to the end exemplifies her spirit with admiration. She was a member of the Legion of Mary and was a life long pioneer.

Reposing at Walshes Funeral Home, where very many came from near and far to pay their respects, Fr. Arthure P.E. recited prayers and imparted a blessing before the funeral cortege left for Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Modeligo, via the route Peggy used since she was a schoolgirl, where her coffin was received on arrival by Fr. T. Hubbard C.C

Following requiem Mass on Sunday morning celebrated by Fr. Ml. Barron P.P. assisted by Fr. Paddy O'Brien USA (brother), and Fr. Larry Walsh, the interment took place in the presence of a large gathering. Many beautiful floral tributes were placed on Peggy's resting

During the Mass, the Liturgy of the Word was read by sons John and Eamon and the offertory procession saw daughter Mary and daughters-in-law Helen and Helen bring gifts of bread and wine and her prayer book to the altar.

The beautiful music for the Mass was provided by Mairead Cullinane and her Mount Melleray choir and was very much appreciated. Peggy loved to listen to them at Mount Melleray Sunday Mass.

She will be fondly remembered by her loving sons John (Corbally, Limerick), Eam on (Redgate, Cappagh), and daughter Mary (Ballywilliam, Enniscorthy), her brothers Michael (Graigue, Cappagh), Fr. Paddy O'Brien (Seattle, USA), Frank (Rathgar, Dublin), sister Chris (Melmore Farm, Cappoquin), son-in-law, daughters-in-law, sister-in-law, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Peggy will be missed by all those who knew her.

May she rest in peace.

Funeral arrangements were by Aidan Walsh and Sons, Funeral Directors, Cappoquin.

Months Mind Mass will take place on Sunday, 18th January at 10:45am in the Church of the Assumption, Modeligo.

RECENT DEATHS

LATE JOHN JOE WALL



It is with feelings of profound regret we record the passing of John Joe Wall, Murphy Place, Abbeyside and formerly of Bleantis, Ballinamult, which sad event occurred on Thursday, 11th December.

John Joe who had reached his 85th year was born and reared in Bleantis, Ballinamult, A member of the farming community in Bleantis he retired in 1985 and came to reside in Murphy Place, Abbeyside. Son of the late Walter and Catherine (nee Walsh), Barrrashinanae, Ballymacarbry, John Joe was a staunch and loyal follower of GAA and there was nothing he enjoyed more than a good game of 45 and a chat with his friends. He was a quiet, unassuming man, always hard working and industrious and held in high esteem by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. His passing is much regretted. May he rest in

His remains were removed from Drohan's Funeral Home on Saturday evening to Abbeyside Church where they were received and blessed on arrival by Fr. Doherty P.P.

Following requiem Mass on Sunday morning delivered by Fr. Doherty P.P., interment took place in Touraneena Cemetery in the presence of a large gathering. Fr. Doherty P.P. officiated at the graveside.

The lesson was read by nephews Declan Lawlor, Walter Geary and Colm Boyle and niece Mairead O'Keeffe. The offertory gifts were brought by nieces Reene Sutton and Margaret Purcell. Church hymns were rendered by Francie Kenneally.

The chief mourners were: sister Nora Lawlor (Dublin), Nell Boyle (Dublin), Mary Geary (Luton, England) and Josie Wall (Murphy Place, Abbeyside); step brothers Thomas Howell (Crook, Passage East) and Stephen and Pat Howell (Luton, England); step sisters Kathleen Kehoe (Manchester), Bridget Dalton (Birmingham), Sheila Corcoran (Crook, Passage East) and Margaret O'Brien (Ballygagin); nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Funeral arrangements by Tom Drohan, Funeral Director, Dungar-

LATE MICHAEL 'MICK' ROCHE

With sadness we record the passing of Mick Roche, Woodhouse, Aglish, which sad event occurred on Wednesday, 17th December.

Removal was from Drohan's Funeral Home on Thursday evening to Aglish Church. Following funeral Mass on Friday morning, burial took place in the adjoining cemetery.

To his wife Aileen, sons, daughters and relatives we extend our deepest sympathy.

(Full obituary next issue)

Funeral arrangements were by Tom Drohan, Funeral Directors, Dungarvan.

LATE ELLEN (NELL) McCARTHY



The entire district was saddened to hear of the death of Nell Mc Carthy, Skeheens, Ballymacarbry, on 26th December following a short illness. Nell was a highly respected member of the agricultural community. She was born Nell Power, Glenanane, Ballinamult, was educated at Kilbrien National School and secondary school in Dungarvan followed by nursing training in London. She then returned home and married Rody McCarthy, Skeheens. Nell devoted her life to her husband Rody (deceased 1994) and their five children. As parents they were there to support and encourage their family in education and sporting activities. Nell was a thoughtful and helpful person to her neighbours and friends who will miss her sadly. Her passing leaves a void in the local community. Our sincere sympathy is extended to her fami-May she rest in peace.

Following prayers on Saturday evening, recited by Fr. Paddy Hallinan removal was from Drohan's Funeral Home to Touraneena Church where the remains were received and blessed by Fr. Hallinan and Fr. Kelleher. Requiem Mass was celebrated on Sunday morning by Fr. Hallinan assisted by Fr. C. Kelleher and Fr. P. Butler. The lesson was read by Declan (son) and Mairead (daughter). Prayers of the faithful were read by her grandchildren Lorraine, Kate, Emma and Kate. Hymns were sung by Touraneena Choir with the organ played by Theresa Butler. Interment took place in the adjoining cemetery in the presence of a large gathering.

The chief mourners were her sons Laurence, Michael, Richard, Declan and her daughter Mairead. Her daughters-in-law Rose, Maura, Geraldine, Margaret and son-in-law Jimmy Curran. Her sister Molly (London), brothers John and Dick (USA), Jim and Mick, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, 13 grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

Funeral arrangements were by Tom Drohan, Funeral Director, Dungaryan.

LATE GEORGE (GEORGIE) CROWLEY

With deep regret we record the passing of George Crowley, Ballyvooney, Stradbally which sad event occurred on Tuesday, 30th December.

Removal was from his residence in Stradbally on Wednesday afternoon to St. James Church of Ireland. Following funeral service on Thursday afternoon, burial took place in the adjoining cemetery.

To his wife Margo, daughters Ismay and Georgina, mother Lillian, brother, sisters and relatives we extend our deepest sympathy.

(Full obituary next issue)
Funeral arrangements were by
Tom Drohan, Funeral Directors,
Dungaryan.

LATE GERTIE POWER (NEE FIELDING)



It is with great sadness and deep regret we record the passing of Gertie Power, Ballyboy, Kilmacthomas on December 7th at her home surrounded by her close family

family.

One of five daughters, Gertie was born in Waterford City in 1920. Educated for a time in England, she also worked there before returning to marry Berkie Power in 1944. They enjoyed fifteen happy years together before Berkie died suddenly in 1959. A strong character and deep faith helped her through subsequent difficult years with six children under fourteen to rear and a farm to manage.

Friendship was very important to Gertie during her long life. Regular contact with childhood friends in Waterford City was maintained into her final days. Her neighbours and their children's lives were of particular importance to her always. Attending weddings, christenings, confirmations and birthday celebrations, she managed to play a guiding role in many lives. She also loved family gatherings, holidays spent with her sisters Mona and Cicely and especially her late sister Brenda and later daughter Philo, attending plays, concerts, musicals and had a great interest in sport. In later years her connections with the ladies of the Widows Group in Dungarvan/Abbeyside brought her wonderful joy, from the close bonds she made with them to the many memorable outings and parties she enjoyed so much.

Gertie was a valued and respected member of the community and parish of Fews/Kilrossanty for almost sixty years. To the many people who knew and loved Gertie, she will be a terrible loss. She was known as a fair and non judgemental mother, grandmother, great grandmother, aunt, cousin and friend. Her common sense advice was sought and valued by so many of us.

Gertie is sur Mona and Cicely, daughters Marie, Ann and Rita and sons Pat and Kieran. The loss to her fifteen grandchildren and seven great grandchildren will also be great but we, and all who had the privilege of knowing and being loved by this wonderful woman, will carry on in the knowledge that we were honoured to have been part of her inner circle. We take strength from her guidance and influence over the years. You will be remembered by us all. May you find the peace in Heaven you so richly deserve.

The Months Mind Mass for Gertie Power will take place in Fews Church on Monday 12th at 7:30pm. All are welcome.

Funeral arrangements were by Tom Drohan, Funeral Director, Dungarvan.

LATE LIAM O'FLYNN



An air of gloom was cast over the area as news broke of the unexpected and untimely death of Liam O'Flynn, Lackendarra, Colligan which sad event occurred at his residence on Sunday, 21st December.

Liam was well known in the area. A self employed welder he was a master craftsman. His great interest was machinery and he enjoyed going to auctions. Liam was a most popular member of the local community by reason of his jovial disposition and his great willingness to help others when the occasion did arise. He was a wonderful, loving husband and father. His passing at the all too early age of 41 years is a great loss and we extend our sincere sympathy to his sorrowing wife Nora, his son Tomas, daughter Roisin, his mother Berry O'Flynn and family. May he rest in peace.

Following rosary on Thursday evening recited by Fr. Kelleher P.P., his remains were removed from Drohan's Funeral Home to Touraneena Church where they were received and blessed on arrival by Fr. Kelleher P.P. and followed by an immense cortege of

mourners.
Following funeral Mass on Wednesday, celebrated by Fr. Kelleher P.P. assisted by Fr. Michael Kennedy P.P., Fr. Enright P.P., Fr. Walsh P.P., Fr. Nugent, Fr. Condon, Fr. Hallahan and Fr. Collender OSA. interment took place in the adjoining cemetery again in the presence of a large and representative gathering. The lesson was read by sister Aisling Langsley and sister-in-law Carmel Reynolds.

Offertory gifts were brought by son Tomas, daughter Roisin, auntie Honor and brother Eanna.

Appropriate hymns were sung by Rose Watson and Patricia Collins and John Gleeson sang at the graveside.

The chief mourners were wife Nora, son Tomas, daughter Roisin, mother Berry O'Flynn, Crough-clooney, Ballinamult, brothers Padraig, Oliver, Fergal, Conor, Eanna and Diarmuid, sisters Grainne, Aisling, Honor and Nessa, mother-in-law Mary Walsh, Currabaha west, brothersin-law, sisters-in-law, aunts, uncles, relatives and friends.

Funeral arrangements were by Tom Drohan, Funeral Directors, Dungarvan.

LATE NED FITZGERALD

It is with deep regret we record the passing of Ned Fitzgerald, Knockeylan, Kilrossanty which sad event occurred on Monday, 8th December.

Ned was well known and highly respected in the locality. He farmed all of his life. Educated at the Friary College, his one great love was sport and he followed all sports with enthusiasm. A gentle, unassuming man, his passing is much regretted. May he rest in peace.

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His remains were removed from Drohan's Funeral Home following Rosary to Kilrossanty church and were received and blessed on ar-

rival by Fr. Delaney P.P. and followed by a large cortege.

Following requiem Mass on Wednesday morning celebrated by Fr. Delaney P.P., interment took place in the adjoining cemetery again in the presence of a large gathering.

The lesson was read by Ann Mulcahy (niece).

The chief mourners were Nellie Fitzgerald and Hannah Walsh (sisters), Patrick and Joseph McCoy (nephews), Breda Moran, Ann Mulcahy and Caroline Royan (nieces), grandnephews, grandnieces, relatives and friends.

Funeral arrangements were by Tom Drohan, Funeral Directors, Dungaryan.

LATE MARGARET HARNEY R.G.N. R.M.N.



Deep regret and sadness was very much in evidence with the passing of Margaret Harney, Ballinmona, Ardmore and late of Ballinroad, Old Parish, on December 11th at Waterford Regional Hospital.

She received her early education at Ballymacart N.S., Old Parish, after which she attended the Mercy Convent secondary school, Dungarvan for two years. She completed her second level education at Brigidine Convent, Montrath, Co. Laois. In the early 50's she entered the nursing profession and commenced her training at the Luton and Dunstable Hospital in Bedfordshire. She was exemplary and most professional in her work, duties trust upon her shoulders were carried with vision and admirable dedication. One of her patients at that time was the world famous George Bernard Shaw and Margaret's association with him brought her in touch with many V.I.P.'s of the literary world including Royalty but Margaret was still proud of her Irish heritage.

After completing her training with first class honours she moved to the Royal Northern Hospital in London where again she was honoured to nurse the then famous playwright Terence Rattigan who kept in contact with her till his passing. The 60's saw her take a posting at St. Jamees Hospital, Dublin where she came in contact with the poor of Dublin, her compassion and affection for these Dubliners who were often marginalized and down trodden was noted, they saw in Margaret a friend and who was sympathetic to their plight. The Co. Wicklow T.B. Hospital at Crooksling benefited from Margaret's expertise. Her last assignment was at St. Otterans Hospital, Waterford where she completed her mental nursing training. An unfortunate car accident which saw her hospitalized for eight months brought the curtain down on a distinguished nursing career, her true vocation.

After many months of recuperation she purchased a house in Ardmore where she spent her last years, living quietly with her cats, dogs and birds. Sadly, she suffered the heavy cross of bereavement a few short years ago with the passing of her nephew James Fenton. Both were very close and Margaret found it very difficult indeed to cope with this loss.

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Known far and wide and a member of a family who enjoy the respect and are held in esteem by everybody, we tender our heartfelt sympathise to brother Joe. Old Parish, sisters Sr. Sarto, Sacred Heart Convent, Blackrock, Cork and Birdie Fenton, Aglish, brother-in-law P.J. Fenton, nephew Michael, niece Elsie Kiernan, Mullingar and friend Elaine who was so attentive to Margaret.

Reposing at the Kiely Funeral Home where prayers and rosary were recited by Very Rev. Fr. Ed Cullinan P., the funeral cortege left for Old Parish Church.

Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday at midday by Very Rev. Fr. Ed Cullinane P.P. (chief celebrant) will co-celebrants Very Rev. Fr. Milo Guiry P.P., Ardmore and Grange, Very Rev. Fr. Finbarr Lucey P.P., Aglish and Ballinameela, Very Rev. Fr. Michael Kennedy P.P., Kilgobnet, Kilbrien and Colligan and Canon Michael Buckley and Fr. Bermingham both Cork.

Beautiful and much appreciated music was provided by Lena Walsh and Kathleen Tobin. The liturgy of the work was shared by Sr. Sarto (sister) and Tessie Power (cousin). Michael Fenton (nephew), Fergus Kiernan and Elsie (niece) read the Prayers of the Faithful. The offertory procession saw brother and sister Joe Harney and Birdie Fenton with niece Elsie bring the gifts of bread, wine, nurses uniform and ornaments of a dog, cat and bird to the altar.

A huge concourse was present for the funeral obsequies, where pall bearing duties were carried out by P.J. and Michael Fenton, Fergus Kiernan, Liam, Joe and Patrick Harney.

In the adjoining cemetery following blessing and final prayers, Margaret after her seventy five years among us was laid to rest.

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hanam. Funeral arrangements were by James Kiely and Sons, Funeral Di-

LATE PADDY MEEGAN

With sadness we record the passing of Paddy Meegan, Aglish, Cappoquin which sad event occurred on Monday, 29th December.

Removal was from Drohan's Funeral Home on Tuesday evening to Aglish Church. Following funeral Mass on Wednesday morning, burial took place in the adjoining cemetery.

To his wife Mary and family, we extend our deepest sympathy.

(Full obituary next issue)
Funeral arrangements were by
Tom Drohan, Funeral Directors,
Dungarvan.

LATE GERITE DROHAN (NEE PHELAN)

With profound sorrow we record the passing of Gertie Drohan, Knockrower, Stradbally, which sad event occurred on Monday, December 29th. Removal was from her residence on Tuesday evening to Stradbally church. Following funeral Mass on Wednesday morning, burial took place in the adjoining cemetery.

To her husband James and family, we extend our deepest sympathy

(Full obituary next issue)

Funeral arrangements were by Tom Drohan, Funeral Directors, Dungaryan.



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2004 is a hugely important year for all farmers. We all know now that farming as we have known it for the last 20 years will change in 2005 with the introduction of the single payment system. Farmers will not have to keep livestock or grow crops in order to draw down premia. This new era brings challenges and opportunities to every farm.

There will be an opportunity to increase output with the removal of quota and stocking rate restrictions. Each farmer will be challenged to survive and prosper in a lower price environment. Standing still is not a viable option. The challenges must be met by expansion and/or improving efficiency or looking for opportunities outside of the farm gate.

Every farmer must analyse his/her current position, evaluate the opportunities and threats and make definite plans to adapt. While planning has always been important it is now vital for a successful transition into the new era of entitlements. The old cliché "failing to plan is planning to fail" was never truer than now for all farm families.

We in Teagasc see our primary work for 2004 as helping our clients to evaluate their position and make the necessary plans and decisions. Please contact your adviser at an early date in 2004 and make an appointment to discuss and plan your future.

Milking Machine Care:

- It may now be worth less than all other machines on your farm, but:
 - It works for 30 40% of your working day.
 - Which other machine does that?
 - It is responsible for the health of your main source of profit, the cow's udder.
- What damage can a mal-functioning machine do to the cows udder?
 - Teat end damage
 - Cracks and cuts to teats
 - Under milk Over milk
- What are the consequences?
 - Higher SCC's More mastitis
 - Less milk per cow
 - Poorer quality
 - More antibiotic and veterinary costs
- Slower milking due to more interruptions
- No question about it, your milking machine is vital to you:
- Service it now Get an IMQCS qualified technician to do it.
 - This is essential, as these people have been trained and know what they are doing.
 - Would you let a "quack" deal with the health of a family member? Of course not.
- In the past we have been skimpy in our investment in the milking machine. If there is any doubt about inferior parts, replace them with Moorepark approved ones:
 - Replace old or suspect pulsation systems.
 - If vacuum reserve is tight replace the vacuum pump with a bigger one.
 - Do not hold on to dodgy regulators, claw pieces, liners, or rubber wear.

Take the drudgery out of calf rearing.

- Dairy farmers are spending 2 4 hours per day caring for calves in Feb-March.
- 30% of farmers are feeding older calves from buckets, twice-a-day with hot milk, having carried that milk from the milking parlour to the calf house, 50-60 yards away, in buckets.
- 4 out of every 10 farmers with less than 110,000 gal-Ion guota holders, clean out calf houses with a fork and
- Farmers are just looking for the hard ways to do things contrary to all research findings.
- What does research say, and what are labour conscious farmers doing?
 - You can feed calves once/day from 10 days old.
 - Cold milk gives the same weight gain as hot milk. Old Moorepark research has shown that calves can be successfully reared outdoors from one week old and many farmers have confirmed this for themselves by
 - doing it. Multi-teat feeders or steel troughs are successfully used to group feed calves.
 - Yoghurt treated milk has been a massive move forward in preventing calf scours.
 - Ironically, many farmers are not washing out these multi-teat feeders from the start of the calf feeding to the end of the season (big saving in labour).
- Therefore, set up your calf rearing system this year to embrace these labour saving principles.
 - You really need a very good reason for not doing so.

Happy New Year.



FARMING LEADER

GRAY SAYS ANIMAL MORTALITY RATE **OF 3% IN** NATIONAL HERD

Waterford IFA County Chairman, Harry Gray has said the factual situation in relation to animal mortality in 2002 among Ireland's 7 million cattle is that the average death rate on 128,000 holdings is 1.5 animals per farm per annum, equating to a mortality rate of less than 3%.

Mr. Gray said for the Minister for Agriculture to present these figures which have been on the Department's website for some time, in any other way was unjustified and presents a distorted picture of the reality of mortality and animal welfare on Irish

The Waterford IFA Chairman said that on closer examination of the figures, it is clearly evident that the losses are concentrated in the main calving period and many are closely related to parturition (the process of birth). This is a natural phenomenon and reviews of the scientific literature would show that death rates in bovine populations is generally between 5% and 10%.

Mr. Gray said, "The Minister in his presentation of the figures clearly left them open to misinterpretation, which could only be damaging to Irish Agriculture and consumer confidence in quality assurance and traceability. A very simple explanation by the Minister would have clearly shown that 200,000 as a percentage of 7 million does not equate to 10% but rather 2.85%"

Concluding the Bonmahon man said current moves by the Department to restrict the supply routes and availability of animal vaccines to farmers will increase the mortality rate on Irish farms. The Department 's policy in relation to the use of preventative medicine is archaic and retrograde. The use of preventative medicine such as vaccines has been clearly demonstrated to reduce the mortality rate and the over use of therapeutic substances. This ultimately benefits consumers.

BEET CAMPAIGN DRAWS TO A CLOSE

The Waterford IFA's Sugar Beet Section representative, James Coughlan has reported, that this year's beet crop had exceed all expectations with sugar production estimated to be greater than 223,000 tonnes.

As this year's beet campaign draws to a close, with both the Mallow and Carlow sugar factories finishing processing this week the IFA representative said beet growers had experience sugar percentages unknown to Irish conditions as a result of this year's extremely favourable weather conditions.

"While sugar production far exceeds the national sugar quota of 197,498t, farmers have received on average 53 per tonne of contract beet. The average national sugar content is estimated to be 17.4%, over 1% higher than 2002. This sugar advantage to growers, along with excellent harvesting conditions and good tare returns for the first two-thirds of the campaign provided growers with above average returns.



JOHN BRYAN ELECTED NEW IFA NATIONAL LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

County Kilkenny farmer John Bryan was elected as the new Chairman of the IFA National Livestock Committee in Dublin today (Thursday).

A fulltime integrated suckler farmer and beef finisher from Inistioge County Kilkenny, John Bryan farms 100ha of which 30ha are leased.

John Bryan said his priorities as the leader of Irish Livestock farmers over the next number of years will be strong viable cattle prices and the full protection of the new single farm payment under the Fischler Reform pack-

The new IFA Livestock Chairman said with decoupling, cattle prices must rise to meet production costs and leave a margin for farmers. He said by strong marketing Irish beef exports can achieve this necessary cattle price increase.

On the single farm payment, John Bryan said it must be protected in full going forward. This means no cuts or deductions and the abolition of all the unnecessary bureaucracy associated with applications and inspections under the current premium schemes

The IFA livestock leader said it is essential bureaucracy and red tape are abolished to allow decoupling work at farm level and in the market.

John Bryan paid tribute to the tremendous work of the outgoing IFA National Livestock Committee Chairman Derek Deane on behalf of livestock farmers over the last 4 years.

John Bryan has been a member of the IFA National Livestock Committee for 5 years and is also Chairman of the IFA Kilkenny County Executive.

IFA HIGHLY CRITICAL OF MINISTER ON BUREAUCRATIC SHEEP TAGGING

Waterford IFA Sheep Chairman, Michael Looby has said today that he was "highly critical of the Minister for Agriculture Joe Walsh for not defending Irish sheep farmers against unnecessary bureaucracy over sheep tagging" at the EU Farm Council meeting in Brussels.

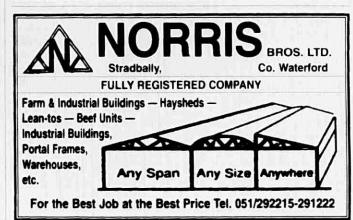
Mr. Looby said, "Minister Walsh has voted for the EU Commission's complex and bureaucratic system of sheep tagging and registration, despite the fact that these proposals were rejected out of hand by the European Parliament and by Irish

The Waterford IFA Sheep Chairman called on the Minister to hold an independent review of the sheep identification system as agreed under the national Partnership agreement, Sustaining Progress in order to move to a simpler and more practical systent which would actually work in practice at farm, mart and factory level.

Mr. Looby said, "The current system of sheep identification operated by the Department is not working and is adding no value to the sheep sector. The Irish system involves individual identification, tagging and recording which is so complex it is driving farmers out of sheep. Now Minister Walsh is compounding his mistake by agreeing to EU proposals which he knows are equally unworkable".

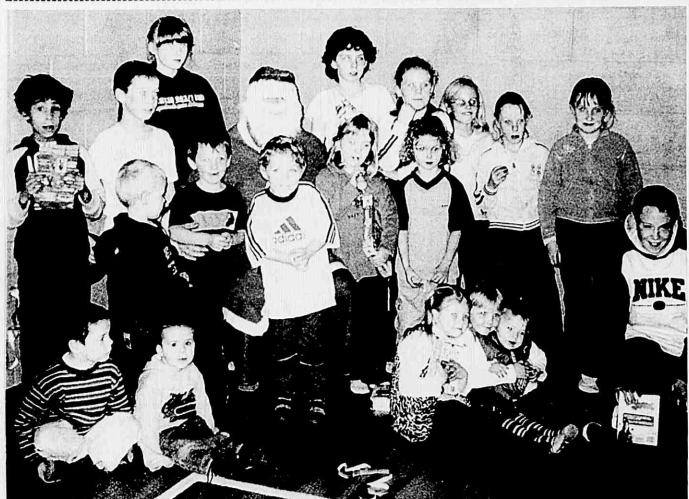
The Sheep Chairman pointed out "over 6,200 sheep farmers have given up production since its introduction in 2001 and our ewe numbers are down 607,000 head".

Mr. Looby said, "the EU system agreed in Brussels today involves double individual tagging (an individual tag in each year) and an extremely complex system of registration. The Farm Ministers have also agreed the introduction of electronic tagging from January 1st 2008".



Lismore Notes





Bothar Mochuda Childrens Christmas Party — Getting close to Santa. We the Residents Assocation would like to thank Cahill's, Willie Roache and the Red House for their kind donation for our draw.

LISMORE **SOCCER** NOTES



On Sunday morning last we travelled to Fermoy to take on third place Accrington. On a very tight compact pitch we knew before we kicked off this was going to be a very difficult test as our game would be suited to a much larger pitch. 20 minutes into the game and we made a very important breakthrough, Alan Landers sweet left wing cross totally deceived the home keeper and go straight to the far corner of the net. Without a couple of regulars, we did in fairness control the game for most part even if the scoreline did not reflect our superiority. 1-0 lead at half time. We had the small fall of the pitch in our favour in the second half and tried the long ball tactic for the first 20 minutes but to no avail. It really isn't our style any longer. The introduction of William Cunningham with 25 minutes remaining really helped our cause, with his extra pace things started to open up around the box. Cunningham was fouled 25 yards from goal at the 75th minute. The resulting free kick from man of the match Sean Ormonde was brilliantly delivered to the 18 yard box where Dan Shanahan acrobatically volleyed home a cracking left footer. The game was slowed to walking pace for the last 15 minutes, however the homeside did get a late consolation goal on 88 minutes.]

Final Score: Accrington 1 Lismore 2

Team: M. Shanahan, K. Hornibrook, S. Ormonde, D. Howard, A. Landers, B. Walsh, E. Bennett, P. Quinn, A. Roche Dan Shanahan, E. O'Donoghue. Subs: G. Dalton, W. Cunningham.

P.S. Great to see E. O'Donoghue back on Sunday, well played Eoin.

Our underage soccer fanatics are back training this weekend. 8 year and under 10:00am to 11:00am and over 8's 11:00am to 12:00am this Saturday morning, don't forget your 1 lads and lasses. A small bit of help with both age groups would be very welcome on Saturday morning Dads! The Under 11 league will be starting in the next couple of weeks. I will be needing help from then on. There shall be an underage meeting at 9:00pm on this coming Friday, 9th in the Red House bar. All welcome, fathers and senior players willing to make the effort.

LISMORE BRIDGE **CLUB NEWS**

Results - 10/12/03 - 1st: Brid Bergin and Chris O'Sullivan; 2nd: Andrew McGrath and Mary Radford; Joint 3rd; Joan Howard and Martha Keniry; Mary McCarthy and Mary Hanrahan.

We extend our congratulations to Betty Kelleher and Brid Bergin on being placed fourth overall in the recent Irish Bridge Union simultaneous pairs competition.

C.L.C.G. Lios Mor

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It's that time of year again, the Annual General Meeting of C.L.C.G Lios Mor will take place this Friday night 9th January in Lismore Hotel at 8.00 p.m. All are welcome.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our members, supporters and readers the very best for a happy and prosperous New Year.

As we have mentioned previously, the gym is now in full operation for the winter months. Membership of €115 is now due and can be paid at the gym any night or to any Officer of the

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ollie O'Dowd and Val Mangan who got married over the Christmas Season and best wishes for a long and happy life together.

SYMPATHY
Sincere sympathy is extended to the Geoghegan family on the recent death of Mary. Ar dheis De go raibh a h-aimn dilis.

C.L.C.G. NA NOG LIOS MOR/BAILE NA SAGGART **END OF YEAR**

The club would like to thank all the people who were involved with the club throughout the year. To the selectors, trainers and coaches we thank you for all your help and commitment to the underage during the year past. Also well done to all those who assisted with the teams and tournaments. Finally but not least to all our players who had an excellent year and did the club proud, we look forward to 2004.

SPONSPORSHIP

We thank all our sponsors who supported us during the year and helped the many teams involved. Without your assistance it would be difficult for us to continue.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The juvenile club will hold their Annual General Meeting on January 23rd 2004 in Lismore Hotel. We look forward to seeing you all at A G M when we plan the year ahead

CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING DRAW WINNERS

Hamper-Cissie Power. Waterford Glass-Michael O'Donnell. Café Molisse Voucher-Grainne Rourke. Kearney's Voucher-Fintan Murray. Christmas Cake-Stephen Mills. Bottle Brandy-Julianne Bennett. Bottle of Vodka-Michael Buckley. Gift Set— Sarah O'Keeffe. Chocolates— Sarah Boras. Biscuits—

We wish all our supporters, players and members a very Happy New Year and look forward to seeing you all for a successful



7th Annual County Waterford Environment Awards, presented by Waterford County Council — Lismore Tidy Towns Committee pictured with their many awards received on the night, with Co. Mayor, Ciaran O'Riain and Acting Lismore Mayor, John Campion. (Photo: Sean Byrne)

Sable animbedable



Coolagurtwee, winner in the Cappoquin branch Christmas customer promotion draw, included are Staff members, Val Byrne and Breda Condon. (Photo; Sean Byrne.)

Cappoquin/Affane

Club Lotto

At the Sportsmans Bar on Monday 29th December the numbers drawn were 10. 14, 15, 19. There was no jackpot winner, consolation prizes of 20 went to the following: Dearmuid & Donnacha Mc-Grath, Main Street; Paddy Mc-Grath, Sunlawn, Affane; Michael Condon, Cappagh; Brendan 'slimmer' Casey, Green Street and Breda Cash-

This weeks draw was held at the Central Bar on Monday last, January 5th and the jackpot was 5,600. Results will appear in this section next week.

Club Social

Our club social takes place on Saturday, January 24th at The Park Hotel, Dungarvan. It has been a number of years since our last social so let's make this a great success and start off the new year on a high note. On the night our championship winning teams will be presented with their medals. Let's show our appreciation of these young players by being present. Tickets should be booked immediately from Mary Coughlan (058-52085), James Devine (058-54542), James Morrissey (058-54449) and Pat Fitzgerald (058-54819). These functions are a great way of getting players, committee and members together so get 2004 off to a successful start by attending the event.

A Blast From The Past

6th November 1966 Intermediate Football County Final at Dunhill

Affane Defeat Ballyduff -Portlaw in Hard Fought Encounter Affane 2-4, Ballyduff -Portlaw 1-2

Affane who shot back into prominente in Gaelic games a few years back took the intermediate football title back to the west, when they defeated Eastern champions Ballyduff -Portlaw by 2-4 to 1-2 in a hard fought county decider at Dun-

Monty Scanlon got the winners off to a great start with a well taken goal after five minutes but the eastern side settled down quickly after this set back and levelled and then went ahead.

Affane came to the fore at this stage and Paddy McGrath put them on level terms again and then came missed chances which might have proved costly when Affane missed four close frees in a row, just on half time Ballyduff/Portlaw pointed to give them the advantage at the break.

For ten minutes after the resumption play swung from end to end with both sides struggling for the initiative and when Pat Denn pointed two frees in the 12th and 13th minutes Affane were on the road to

Bob Troy crashed through for the score which clinched the issue when he connected with a high hitting centre and crashed the ball to the back of the net a few minutes later.

Affane: Pat Stapleton, Tom Stapleton, Jimmy McGrath, J. Foley, D. Coughlan, Paddy Mc-Grath, Bill Flynn, Paddy Mc-

Grath (Bellville), Pat Denn, on Sunday", who said it? Tony McCarthy, Monty Scanlon, Eddie O'Shea, Tomas Scanlon, J. Kiely, J. Buckley, sub Bob Troy for J. Foley.

Three To Answer

Being the Kerry manager is probably the hardest job in the world because Kerry people, I'd say are the roughest type of f..... animals you could deal with and you can print that", who said it?

There is a notice in the Great Southern in Sligo and it reads, 'A wise man learns more from a fool than a fool learns from a wise man', who

That's football or any sport, horse, hound or man they run badly today, they run great

Answers will appear in this section next week

Last Weeks Answers

Liam O'Brien, Seamie Hannon and Mossy Walsh were the three Tallow minor hurlers defeated by Cappoquin in the 1969 Western Final that were on the Waterford side defeated by Cork in the 1982 Munster Senior Hurling Final in Thurles.
2. Jimmy "Mac" Mc-

Grath captained Affane to win their first county title in 1963 when they defeated Fenor in the Primary Football County Final at the Fraher Field.

The great Mick Mackey (Limerick) played his club hurling with Ahane.

CONGRATULATIONS

The club would like to congratulate first team midfielder Conor Prendergast and Jeanette Power who got engaged over the Christmas, hopefully this will have a calming effect on our fiery midfielder, only joking C.P.!

Congratulations to Aidan Walsh, Lower Main Street and Marie Power of Monamon who got engaged.

Also to Elaine Prendergast, Dromroe East and P.J. Ahern of Arraglen who also got engaged. To Trisha O'Brien, Shanbally and John Nolan, Claremorris, Co. Mayo who got engaged recently. Congrats to Davina Hickey, Allen Street and Stephen Mooney of Little Island, Cork who got married recently.

Congratulations to more couples who got engaged recently, Donal Fraher, Shanbally and Emily Smith, Ballyhane. Ben Maderson, Kilderriheen and Niamh Davis, Aglish. Pierce Mc-Carthy, Mill St. and Caroline Foley, Shanbally.

SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to Mossie Healy and family, Shanbally on the passing of his wife Mary.

Sympathy is also extended to William and Tom Farrell, Shanbally on the passing of their uncle Ned Quirke.

Railway **Athletic Notes**

Division 1 A

Southend 2 Railway 1

On Saturday afternoon last we were away to city side Southend in our first league game of the New Year. Without the services of Brian Whelan, Stephen Quinn and Kevin Foley. This was going to be a daunting task against a side that beat us 7-2 in the first game of the season.

However, it was to be a very eventful game, with us putting the homeside under pressure right from the start. Anthony McCarthy playing well at full back combined with John Lynch on numerous occasions to put the city side under a lot of pressure. Our break came in the 20th minutes when a long ball over the Southend defence saw Frank McLoughlin, challenge both the advancing keeper and the Southend centre half, Franks determination paid off and he broke through to put us a goal up. The ideal start we wanted. Our lead didn't last long when 10 minutes later Southend got a soft goal when our keeper slipped in the poor underfoot conditions and the homeside striker had an easy tap in. As a result we had Conor Prendergast sent off for an off the ball

Southend now attacked with everything and five minutes before half-time they went a goal up when their striker scored another soft goal.

In the second half Railway played the more determined football even being a man down, we fought for every ball our defence death with every Southend attack and John Lynch, was causing all sorts of problems for the Southend defence. Disaster struck with twenty minutes remaining when Anthony McCarthy was red carded for a foul outside the box. Now down to nine men and a goal down, you would expect a team to die but no way was this team going to give up.

David Lenane was brought on at centre-half with Kenny Mason now operating at midfield and Frankie Keniery was also brought on.

Even with numerical disadvantage we had the homeside on the back foot on several occasions. With five minutes remaining some good play from Kenny Mason led to Pakie Manahan, being taken down in the box for a penalty and the draw looked on the cards but it wasn't to be our day when the Southend keeper saved well from David Lenane. This was a point we should have got, but on a good note the team spirit, fight and determination of the team in the second half when under pressure was amazing. Training again on Tuesday and Thursday nights at 7pm.

Team: Liam Morrissey, Anthony McCarthy, Eamonn Murphy, Tom Mansfield, Kerry Mason, John Lynch, Pakie Manahan, Conor Prendergast, Liam McLoughlin, Frank McLoughlin, Kieran Cotter.

Res: David Lenane, Frankie Keniery, both used.

AFFANE BRIDGE **CLUB NOTES**

The club recently held a very entertaining Christmas party. Our presidents Miss Patricia Doyle extended a warm welcome to everyone to the Park Hotel, Dungarvan. A very lively nights bridge play followed. Before presenting prizes Miss Doyle thanked everyone who contributed to the success of the evening. She had particular praise for the management and staff of the Park Hotel for their assistance and especially for the wonderful meal that was laid on. Speaking on behalf of club members Mrs. Mary Navin thanked Miss Doyle for all her hard work in preparing for the evening and in particular for the lovely selection of prizes.

Club Notes

Our President recently extended congratulations to two members who brought great honour to the club. Mrs. Betty Kelleher and Mrs. Brid Bergin came fourth in all of Ireland in the recently Simultaneous Pairs competition. Well done to both of you on your great achievement.

Christmas Party Results, December 12th

1st Mary Navin & Mgt. Clancy; 2nd Monica Walsh & Chris Roche; 3rd Fr. Barron & Betty Kelleher; 4th Helen McGrath & Una Mason.

December 1st: 1st Mary Radford & Patricia Doyle; 2nd Brid Bergin & Brid Culloo; 3rd Addie Buckley & Helen Buckley; 4th Helen McGrath & Andrew McGrath.

December 8th: 1st Andrew McGrath & Eileen Coffee; 2nd Mick Lineen & Brid Bergin; 3rd Lil Costin & Monica O'Sullivan; 4th Eileen O'Driscoll & Rebecca Keevers.

Tallow Notes

BRIDEVIEW UTD. A.F.C NOTES

Red House League Defeat for Utd.

It was a poor weekend result wise for Utds two junior team, who both lost. Our U14s team had a big win on Saturday evening last over Cappoquin.

Our lotto jackpot was not won so at E4,500, it would get the New Year off to a good start. The holiday season is over now and it was great to see so many people back home for Christmas.

Results: Premier Division Ardmore 2 Brideview Utd 1

The league leaders continued their winning run on Sunday morning last when they came from behind to defeat Utd.

Utd took the lead after 16 minutes when William Henley scored, it was the start Utd wanted. However the seasiders pressed forward and Utds keeper Billy Sheehan brought off two marvellous saves to keep Utd in front.

The seasiders pulled a goal back before the break and the siders went in level at 1-1.

Utd had plenty of chances in the second half but Ardmore took the lead during this half despite some great saves again from Billy Sheehan.

Utd tried hard to get back on level terms but it was not to be and Ardmore held out for all three points

Utd: B. Sheehan, G O'Neill, W. Murphy, J.P.Grey, G. Beecher, S. Pratt, G.Doyle, E. Murphy, M. Curley, W.Henley, P O'Brien.

Res used: S. Barry, M. Keating, W. Curley, M O'Brien, D. Martin.

Division One Ballybridge Utd 5 Brideview Utd 1

A big defeat here for our division one side. It was an uphill battle as they fell behind 2-0 in the first half.

Utd found themselves 4-0 down in the second half when they were awarded a penalty. Andrew McCarthy made no mistake from the penalty spot however it was the home-side who added a fifth goal late in the game to collect full points.

Utd: J. Farmer, P. Cronin, R. Cronin, P. Costigan, T. Linehan, E, Forbes, S. McCarthy, M. Norris, B. Donnelly, J. Tobin, A. McCarthy.

Res all used: F O'Gorman, P. Murphy, P. Smith.

Speedy Recovery

All in the club wishes Dylan Mangan a speedy recovery. We are glad to report that Dylan is on the mend.

Under The Thumb

I was glad to see that one of our Premier players is doing what he is told.

He was out shopping on New Years Day with the boss Ahern! Ahern! Among the messages was a video. Are you going out tonight I asked, no he is not said the boss. Ha! Ha! I like it, I said.

Lotto Jackpot Now € 4,500

Last weeks numbers 13-15-19-20.

No winner. Match 3 winners Marian O'Brien, and Geraldine Murphy. Draw this Friday in Luke McCarthys at 10 o clock sharp.

Please get your ticket early.

Fixture For Next Weekend

Saturday January 10th U18 League.

Mogeely V Brideview Utd Kick off 2.30. Players at the Square at 1.30 sharp.

Sunday January 11th Premier Division

Valley Rangers V Brideview Utd Kick off 11.30

Division One Ballyduff V Brideview Utd kick off 2.30. Players at the Square 1.30 sharp.

Speedy Recovery

All in the club wish Bridie Cunningham a speedy recovery. Bridie is feeling a bit under the weather at the moment but no doubt Thomas will soon have her back on her feet.

Committee Meeting

On this Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock in the gym. All members to attend.

Happy Retirement

This week we wish brothers Michael and Eamonn Donnelly many years of life on easy street. Both lads retired last week from Dairygold Co-op. Michael tells me he has worked three lifetimes in the job.

No more getting up at 5.30 a.m. lads, oh and already the lads are making the most of it. The postman tells me that the lads are still in bed after he calls, that's after 10 o'clock. Shame on both of ye. Anyway enjoy the good life now lads and no doubt Biddy and Josephine are giving ye breakfast in bed, rights girls.

Brideview Utd Schoolboys Soccer Notes Brideview Utd U14 (8) V

Brideview Utd U14 (8) V (1) Cappoquin U14.New Year Goal Feast.

Despite a long wait since their last game our U14's sprung straight into goal scoring form away to Cappoquin last Saturday. After a few minutes the boys got into their stride showing no festive blues, the Twister went close with a shot and on 12mins a John Owens free kick was tapped home by William (the Wizzard) Cashman to make it 1-0. On 21mins a super corner from John (PLAY IT LOUD) Owens to the far post was met by Ryan on the full volley to fire it to top of the net 2-0. We were now laying seige to the opposition goal while at the other end Ross (the Cat) saw very little action, again on 28 mins another Owens corner troubled the Cappoquin defence

and was bundled home by Shane(Sol) Aherne, although Sean (the Rebel) Long was also on hand. The next goal came from a long clearance by Ross Livingston to Sean long who played through to Thomas Ryan who made no mistake to send Brideview in at half-time 4-0.

In the second half Kieran (the Bruiser) Geary went close early on while at other end the Cat was now been called into action and made several super saves this half as Cappoquin tried to salvage something from this game. On 20 mins some neat play between Cashman and Geary let in Thomas Ryan for his hat-rick and Brideview's fifth goal, a lapse in concentration saw the home side score to make it 5-1. Normal service was resumed when another Owens corner was touched home by that man again Shane (Sol) Aherne, who was spending so much time forward from his central defensive duties that he had to come back through Immigration, 6-1. Once again on 27 mins the Cat sent a long clearance via Sean long to Ryan who played in Geary to make it 7-1 and finally before the end Owens got on score sheet to finish the game 8-1.

All in all a very pleasing effort from all the players including subs who were used.

Team: Ross (the Cat), Keith (theBoneshaker), Shaun (theS-lider) Dean (Deano), Shane (Sol), Kieran (the Bruiser), William (the Wizzard,Sean(the Rebel), Kevin (Dynamo), John (play it loud), Thomas (the Twister), subs used Donnacha (Muller), John (Coolio).

Man of the Match :Shane Aherne, Goal of the game: Ryan Volley to roof of net.

Reminder Trip to

Players who are definately travelling give names to NOEL by January 10th.

Get Well Soon

To Philip (philo) Cunningham who was unwell over the holiday season, also to Bridie Cunningham who is in Hospital at the moment but on the mend.

Thank You

To all our sponsors who made our 2004 calender such a success, without their generousity it would not be possible to finance our under age teams as the sponsorship of our calender is a main source of income so THANKS again. So remember if it can be got localy then buy local and support local buisnesses.

TALLOW ANGLING CLUB

A social evening will take place in The Walter Raleigh on Friday, February 6th.

Tickets € 25 can be got from any committee member.



Blackwater Community School held a very successful halloween table quiz for 5th & 6th Class pupils of local primary schools. Pictured are Whitechurch NS. Winners. (I. to r.) Ann Fitzgerald, Vice Principal, BCS, Evan McGrath, Maria O'Brien (teacher), Tom Curran, Jim Curran, Bridget Taaffe (teacher), James Ryan, Captain and Denis Ring, Principal, BCS. (Photo: Sean Byrne)



Deputy Mayor Billy Kyne pictured above with James and Jillian Burke at a recent exibition at the Old Market House Arts Centre.



Pictured above are the recipients of presentations from the Dungarvan Branch of Soroptimist International, the proceeds of their recent Art and Craft Exhibition and Sale. From left: Ms. Frances Conway, President, Soroptimist Ireland, Dungarvan; Ms. Joan Nugent, Treasurer; Sr. de Lourdes Gogarty, (Cappoquin Day Centre); Sr. Helen O'Neill, (Deise Day Care Centre); Mrs. Phyllis Davis-McGuinness, (Lions Club) and Sean McGuire, Cathal Brugha Place Homework Club; Mrs. Joan Coffey (Stroke Club).

PLANNING NOTICES

Waterford County Council — Outline permission is sought for 2 no. Bungalows, septic tanks and entrances at Ballycurrane, Clashmore, Co. Waterford. This planning application may be inspected or purchased at the offices of the Planning Authority, Civic Offices, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford during normal opening hours i.e. 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m., and 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays). A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application on payment of a fee of €20. Signed: Jerry Cunningham.

Dungarvan Town Council — We, P. J. O'Brien and Michael O'Brien are applying to the above Planning Authority for Planning Permission for change of use from residential to retail on ground floor with fire door from rear of shop to lane to car park and offices/retail on first floor. Provision of two off street car parking spaces at No. 38 Mary Street, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at the offices of the planning authority and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee (€20) within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

Waterford County Council — Permission is sought for extension and renovations to existing club house at Tourin, Desemne, Cappoquin, Co. Waterford. This planning application may be inspected or purchased at the offices of the Planning Authority, Civic Offices, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford during normal opening hours i.e. 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m, and 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays). A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application on payment of a fee of €20. Signed: Tourin GAA Club.

Dungarvan Town Council — Full planning permission is sought for the erection of floodlights, Scoreboard and Dug-outs at Clogherane, Dungarvan. Co. Waterford. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at the offices of the planning authority and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee (€20) within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application. Signed: Cieran Curran, Chairman, Dungarvan GAA Club.

Waterford County Council — Permission is sought for split-level dwelling including garage and entrance at Ballinageeragh, Dunhill, Co. Waterford. (PD02/931). This planning application may be inspected or purchased at the offices of the Planning Authority, Civic Offices, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford during normal opening hours i.e. 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m, and 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays). A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application on payment of a fee of €20. Signed: Christeen Jones.

Waterford County Council — We, Sean and Mary Moriarty, apply for approval to construct single storey dwelling, septic tank, percolation area and ancillary works at Boolakiely, Cappoquin. Outline reference 01/662.

Waterford County Council — Permission is sought for extension to existing dwelling and auxiliary services at Monea, Ardmore, Co. Waterford. This planning application may be inspected or purchased at the offices of the planning authority, and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee (€20) within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application. Signed: Breda and Willie Power.

Waterford County Council — Permission is sought for the construction of a garage to the side of my existing house at Knockeylan, Leamybien, Co. Waterford. This planning application may be inspected or purchased at the offices of the planning authority, and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee (€20) within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application. Signed: Robin Atkinson

Waterford County Coucil — I, Seamas O'Dwyer am applying for permission to build a boat shed together with ancillary site works at Ballyncourty. The planning application may be inspected at the offices of the Planning Authority, Civic Offices, Dungarvan, Co Waterford, during normal opening hours, i.e. 10.00a.m. to 1.00p.m. and 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays). A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, on payment of a fee of €20.

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Cappoquin Community Development

Happy New Year to all residents of Cappoquin! Hope everyone had a fabulous holiday with their friends and family and all the kiddies were delighted with what Santa brought them on Christmas morning!

The Cappoquin Community Development Lotto draw was held on 5th January 2004. Numbers drawn were 1, 17 and 29. There was no winner. Consolation prizes were given to Danny Coughlan, Ber Beecher, The Foley Family, John McGrath, Emma Barrett, and Jack & Jade Fraher! Congratulations! Thanks for playing and supporting local initiatives.

Next weeks jackpot will be 1800 euro! Buy a ticket for only 2 euro and you'll have the chance to win the jackpot! It could pay for your Christmas excesses, a holiday or just tuck it away for a rainy day (and we've even been lucky with those lately!)

We held our AGM in Bohodoon on Friday night last after Fr. Kennedy celebrated Mass in Kilgobinet for all past members and friends. The Chairman opened the meeting to one of the biggest crowds ever, our secretery Matty Fahey, gave a detailed report on what was a very successful year in becoming hurling county championships and only loosing by a point in the football in our first year at intermediate level and also losing the B Hurlling Western Final. Our Treasurer Mick Dunford in his financial report showed that it costs more to run the club every year and said more fund raising will have to be done in future to balance the

books.

Eamonn in his final address as Chairman thanked everyone who worked with him during the last nine to ten years and congratulated the players on another County title. We would like to thank Eamonn for all he has done as Chairman. He was involved in the development of the field and the Sports Centre and in his last two years the two County Finals.

We wish our new Chairman We Paddy Lynch the best of luck

for the future.

The club held an internal draw for all paid-up members of The Deice Development Draw, with the following winners, E30.00, Thomas Corcoran (Bohadoon), Tommy Hickey (Kilgobinet), Michael Burke (Ballyneety), Ann McCarthy (Abbeyside), Mark Radley, Anthony Beresford, Breda Walsh, and Mick Dunford.

The following officers were elected, Hon President, Martin Curran, President John Walsh, Chairman Paddy Lynch, Vice Chairman Marty Kiely, Secretary Matty Fahey, Assistant Secretary and Pro Jim Walsh, Treasurer Mick Dunford, Membership Officer, Kieran Devine, Field Manager, Paddy Lynch, Draw Co-Ordinators, Breda Walsh and Liam Dalton, Insurance Officer, Mark Radley, Committee, Tom Power, Laurence Curran, John Nugent, John Byrne, Paddy Cummins and Kieran Byrne.

Selectors Inter Football-Tommy Radley, John Fahey and Kevin Walsh, with Jimmy White as Captain.

Junior Football-John Walsh, John Nugent, and Tommy Burke with Jamie Cummins Captain.

Intermediate Hurling - Laurence Curran, John Morgan, Kevin Walsh with Jim Walsh as Captain.

Junior Hurling - Paddy Cummins, Marty Kiely and Jim Walsh with Chopper Hayes as Captain.

Do not forget Friday 16th January is our Victory Social in Lawlors Hotel. Tickets available from any committee mem-

DUNGARVAN CAMERA CLUB NOTES

A.G.M
Our AGM will be held on Tuesday 13th January at 8pm The Park Hotel. Club activities for the coming year will be discussed so it is everybody's interest to attend.

New members always welcome. Wishing all club members a Happy New Year.

TOURANEENA NOTES

Touraneena Racquetball Club - Summary of 2003

2003 was yet another successful year for the local racquetball club. We won a total of 6 National 'A' titles and 2 National 'B' titles. In the National under 12 boys grade, Garvan Dunford ruled supreme to claim the title from Ballinrobe's Barry Healy. Triston Hickey won his 6th National title when he beat Castlebar's Kevin McNamara to take the under 18 title. Gemma Cliffe came up trumps in the under 11's girls grade where she beat Ballinrobe's Linda Feerick in a top class game of racquetball. The star of the year was Niamh Coffey, winning 3 National titles to equal Seamus Power's club record of 7. She was victorious in the under 17, 18 and 21 grades.

We also had a total of 4 National silver medals. Julie Skehan couldn't have been closer in the under 16 grade, losing the final to Moylagh's Ailish Gibney 11-10 in the tie-breaker. Julie also finished as runner up to Niamh in the under 17 final. Karen Cliffe finished in the bronze medal position in the under 14 grade. Eanna Power qualified for his first final in the recent under 13 grade and was extremely unlucky not to have taken the top honour. He faced 2 times National title holder, Martin Clarke who himself predicted that he would win the title handy. Eanna however gave it his all and can feel very unlucky not to have caused an upset. A 15-14, 15-13 scoreline tells how close it really was.

These 6 victories have brought our National total to 29 since the club was formed in March 1997. The even age group finals will be held on the weekend when our club will be 7 years old in Castlebar on the 6/7 of March next year. Hopefully we will come up trumps and reach the 30 mark or beyond it. Even though our club is only formed with nearly 7 years, we have already secured second place on the overall National underage medals table. A lot of the other clubs have been winning titles since as far back as 1982. The top 5 are as follows: 1. Fermoy (71), 2. Touraneena (29), 3. Ballinrobe (26), 4. Templederry (22), 5. Mitchelstown (21).

At the beginning of the year, the Skehan sisters, Julie and Eithne travelled to the west of Ireland to participate in the National 'B' Championships. Both had Ballinrobe opposition in their final encounters and both came away with the gold medals

One of the highlights of the year was when 2 of our players namely Niamh Coffey and Triston Hickey were selected on the lrish senior team that travelled to Zoetermeer in Holland to participate in the European Championships. It proved to be an outstanding week for the Irish as both the men's and women's teams won the team events. On top of that Niamh finished in third position in the senior individual singles which is an outstanding achievement especially at the age of 17. Joachim Loof from Germany who is the greatest ever European racquetball player stated that Niamh will be a future European Champion.

Triston won the silver medal in the under 18 boys final. In an extraordinary game, he was beaten by his compatriot Michael Haverty 11 -9 in the tiebreaker of the final. He also teamed up with Fermoy's Liam Hughes, whose mother originally comes from Tallow to reach the final of the senior men's doubles championships. En route to the final they overcame the German pairing that included the 6 times European champion, Joachim Loof. The final proved one bridge too much to cross as they had to give way to the Dutch pairing that included Pascal Matla.

Their achievements were deservedly recognised when on returning home they were named the joint winners of the July Park Hotel Sport-star of the month. Everybody involved with the club would like to wish them the very best of luck at the yearly award ceremony which will be held on Saturday 17th January. We would like to thank all the local people who turned up at the Community Centre for the night that was held to recognise the achievements of both players.

A further congratulation must go to Niamh as she was recently named the Ard Scoil na Deise Sport-star of the year.

Currently we are in the later stages of the local winter league which this year is being kindly sponsored by Finisk Furniture. The league has players of the calibre of 13 times National Open champion Noel O'-Callaghan, Christy Slattery and Liam Hughes. It is catering for players of all grades and standards and hopefully we will have the final night in early Jan-

The club also hosted a very successful road race on the June bank holiday Monday evening. The race was again sponsored by local business man Declan Kiely, painter and decorator for which the club is extremely grateful. We also got great support from business people from the local and surrounding areas for which we are again very grateful. The race itself was a massive success and we would like to thank all who participated and everyone who helped in any way with the smooth running of the event.

Next years race is the 9th running of the event and we are planning for it to be the best ever. Already a lot of things are in the pipeline and hopefully we will be announcing them in the very near future.

Over the year many people helped out the club in some form and we would like to thank all of them for their efforts. Two people in particular deserve a lot of credit for the way the club has progressed over the year. Pat Dalton and Eleanor Hickey are the main reasons why racquetball is being played in the parish and for this we are all very grateful.

Looking Forward to 2004

Hopefully the coming year will prove just as successful as the previous 6 1/2. Already players have returned to the court

nally we hope to have the Finisk Furniture Winter League finished in the next 2 weeks and we will then be commencing the Spring league with immediate effect. Once all the finals are played, a presentation night will be held in the Community Centre. Entry forms for the Spring league will be out shortly and this year it will be played on a new format. Every player will be guaranteed 2 games and the entry fee is again E5 per player. Forms can be got from Pat Dalton or Pat Keane.

Club Outing

One of the highlights of the Racquetball Calendar this coming year will be the National Junior Open which will be played in Kingscourt, Co. Cavan on the last weekend of March. The Kingscourt Sports Complex is the finest Racquetball facility in Europe. It has 4 courts of which 3 of them are brand new.

2004 is the 25th anniversary of the National Association and to celebrate this, the newly formed National Junior committee are currently organising this tournament which will prove to be a must for all supporters of racquetball. The beauty of this tournament is that players do not have to qualify to play in it as is the way with the National underage Championships. All grades of players will be catered for. The age-groups will be under 11, 13, 15, 17 and 21. There will also be doubles grades so start practising with 4 in the court straight away.

The local club have decided to make this a club outing for all our players who wish to travel. We will hire a 50 seater coach and it will travel up on the Friday evening so that players will be ready to play at the starting time of 10am on the Saturday morning. It involves a 2 night stay over so if the trip is to go ahead, it will be compulsory to have I adult with every 5 junior players that are under the age of 18. No details are finalised yet as we are working with the national association in regards to accommodation etc. A letter will be sent to the parents of all our Junior players that are eligible to play in the near future outlining all details and then a meeting of the parents of players who are interested in travelling will be held.

All Ireland "B" Championships

The National Junior 'B' Championships will also be played in Kingscourt on Saturday 24th of January. A lot of our players are ineligible to play in this event as they already have won a National 'A' gold or silver or a National 'B' gold medal. Hopefully however, we will have a few players that will travel up as it acts as a great stepping stone for players to win these Championships.

Munster Even Junior

Championships Fermoy is the venue for the Munster Junior Championships on Sunday 8th February. This year, an under 10 grade have been added to the championships which is good news for some of our players. The grades will be under 10, 12, 14, 16 and

after the Christmas break. Inter- 18. The top 4 players in each grade will qualify for the National finals in Castlebar on the 6/7 March. Hopefully this will be the weekend in which we win our 30th title on the weekend that sees us enter our 7th year of existence. Who will get the honour of getting the milestone???? We have several who are capable of doing it.

Azzurri Munster Senior Championships

The second annual Munster Senior Championships are due to start in early February. This years Championships are being kindly sponsored by Waterford based sports-wear manufacturer, Azzurri. The entry forms are now out and they can be obtained from Pat Keane. The grades are Open, C/D and novice for both men and women. Last year's Open women's grade was won by Niamh Coffey while Triston Hickey went to the semi-final stage of the Open men. Aidan McGrath qualified for the quarter finals of the novice men last year. All are welcome to enter; the only stipulation is that any player who has won a National under 16, 17, 18 or 21 title may not play in the novice grade.

National Development Team

The National Association are currently setting up some National training squads where the top players in the country will be brought together for elite training. The aim is to bring the top players to an international standard over the next 3 years.

The first phase is already in place where the top female players between the ages of 16 and 23 are selected to attend a training session in Templederry on Saturday 10th January. Touraneena have 4 players selected namely Niamh Coffey, Mairead Hickey, Julie Skehan and Eileen Hickey. The aim for this group will be that they will be pushing for a place on the National senior team for next years European Championships which will be played in Germany or England. Following that, if sufficient progress is made, hopefully some of the group will make up the team that will hopefully be travelling to the Dominican Republic in 2006 for the Senior World Championships.

Phase 2 will be to select the top junior between the ages of 11 and 15 to be part of a follow up development squad. Player's performances at the recent and upcoming provincial and national championships will contribute greatly to whether they will make this squad or not. More than likely, this squad will be named towards the end of April. We will have a good few players in contention for places in this squad so keep training hard and your efforts will be rewarded.

Other plans are also in the pipeline and as soon as they are released, the local players will be informed.

SLIABH gCUA/ ST. MARY'S G.A.A. NOTES A.G.M.

Our AGM is being held in the Community Centre, Touraneena on Sunday afternoon next, 4th January 2004 at 2:30pm. All players and members attend please.

Sympathy

We would like to extend our sympathy to the Wall/Howell family on the death of John Joe Wall, Bleantis, who was a great fan of our club. Also, we offer our condolences to the O'Flynn and McCarthy families who had bereavements over the Christmas. May they all rest in peace.



Presentation of proceeds from the recent very successful garden walk hosted by the Sliabh gCua Ladies Group, held in aid the Marie Keating Foundation. Pictured (left to right) Nancy Condon, Mairead O'Mara, Marion McCarthy, Teresa Cliffe, Mary Kearns, Kitty Cullinane and Catherine Barron. Linda Keating accepted the cheque of €2,215.25 on behalf of the Marie Keating Foundation. Well done to all concerned.

SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy is extended to Nora O'Flynn and family on the death of her husband Liam O'Flynn, Lackendarra, at a young age. Sympathy is also extended to his mother, Berry, his brothers, sisters and all relatives of the deceased. Interment took place in Touraneena. May he rest in peace.

Sincere sympathy is expressed also to the sisters Nora, Nell, Mary and Josie, step brothers Tom, Stephen and Pat, step sisters Bridget, Sheila and Margaret, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of the late John Joe Wall, Bleantais and Abbeyside who went to his eternal reward recently. May he rest in peace.

CHURCH SERVICES

Large crowds turned out for all the Christmas Services in St. Mary's Church, Touraneena. Fr. Kelleher P.P. was delighted with the numbers that attended, young and old, over the Christmas period. Congratulations to Alice, Veronica and Johnny who had the Church is splendid condition for the Christmas season.

HAPPY EVENT

Congratulations to Noel and Pauline Drohan (nee O'Sullivan) on the birth of their first child, a beautiful baby girl called Rhona. Congratulations also to the proud grandparents.

Community Centre monthly meeting at 9pm on Monday night, 12th January.

SLIABH gCUA LOTTO

Week ending 4th January 2004. Winning numbers - 14-25-27. No winner. New jackpot is 300. 20 x 3 winners: Maureen O'Neill; Terrie Burke; Kate and E. Whelan.

Happy New Year to all. Promoters prize winner of 15 is Mary Dunford. Next draw will take place in Dunne's on Sunday, 11th January,

ABBEYSIDE TOPICS Senior Citizens Party

At approximately 12:30pm members of the Abbeyside/Ballinacourty GAA club entered their cars and drove to houses throughout the Parish and further afield to collect our Senior Citizens and they transported them to the Gold Coast Hotel where they were feted for the afternoon by the Senior Citizens committee.

Congratulations to club secretary Bernard Shields who coordinated the entire transport

2:00pm - Committee members brought welcome drinks to the guests at their tables.

2:05pm - As both our Parish Priests and Curate are ill, Chairperson Betty Tutty said grace before meals and stated jokingly she would be hearing confessions later on in the evening.

2:15pm - Rosanne Kiely brought cloakroom tickets to each guests at their tables.

2:20pm - Soup was served by the hotel staff.

2:30pm - The main course was served and could be washed down with red or white win if the guest felt so inclined.

2:45pm - The committee members sit down for lunch and the few hic-cups are discussed and reasons for same explained in detail.

2:49pm - Manageress June McShane asks everybody if they are alright and satisfied.

3:20pm - Red and White wine has loosened tongues at the top table and there is an excellent discussion about politics. The array of spot prizes look fantastic.

3:25pm - Dessert is served and there is a choice of plum pudding, trifle or ice cream. Yours truly is offered more

3:32pm - Tea or coffee is served with delicious mince

3:40pm - Committee members are discussing the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

3:45pm - M.C. Ned Keane and Chairperson Betty Tutty are deep in conversation at the bar. Willie White, Des Baumann and Joe Foley tune their instru-

4:00pm - M.C. Ned Keane wishes everybody a Happy New Year and entertains us with a few jokes. He talks



A youthful Aggie Hourigan entertains the guests at the senior citizens party

about the tremendous work of Chairperson Betty Tutty. Ned sings 'The Banks Of The

4:30pm - Draw is made for some of the spot prizes.

4:40pm - The guests sing Happy Birthday to Aggie Hourigan and she then gives us a rendering of the Galway

5:00pm - The Dungarvan Ballroom dancers entertain all of us and they were brilliant. It was evident that this years committee was the best ever.

5:15pm - Liam Organ sings 'See Them Pass By' and 'I Wish You All A Last Goodbye'.

5:20pm - The Gospel Choir entertain us and they were brilliant. At this stage of the evening it was evident that the Senior Citizens party gets better every year.

6:00pm - Seamus O'Brien announces the results of the Wordsearch in the Christmas Edition of the Parish news.

6:03pm - Chairperson Betty Tutty thanked everybody who helped make the day the success it was turning out to be. Those who donated spotprizes were thanked, especially the shops and businesses. A special mention to the pubs who donated bottles - Paddy Foleys, Tommy Powers, Tony Mountains, Downeys, The Park House, John Keanes, Bridie Dee's, The Tudour House, Muiris O Cadla, The Enterprise, The Anchor, The Moorings, Minnies, The Village Inn, The Diplomat, Bridgie Terries.

Thanks also to Stephen and

Dearbhla for helping on the day. The committee members were thanked and a presentation was made to Mary Rossiter for services rendered over a long number of years.

6:10pm - More spotprizes. 6:15pm - Tea and Sandwiches are served. The band play

background music. 6:45pm - Eileen Lenihan from Boithrin na Tra who is a member of The Gospel Choir sang 'Four Green Fields'

6:55pm - Mrs. Cashin and Mrs. Kiely sang a duet in the Irish language. The song is called Cruacha Glas na hEire-

7:00pm - Members of the GAA club arrive to transport home the happy and contented party goers.

Happy New Year to all those who made the day possible.

Photo 1 - Left to Right: Mary Breen, Martins Tce; Kathleen Breen, Upper King Street; Bernie Regan, Murphy Place; Mikey McGovern, Murphy

Photo 2 - M.C. Ned Keane and saxaphone player Des Baumann enjoy their soup at the Senior Citizens party.

Photo 3 - A youthful Aggie Hourigan entertains the guests at the Senior Citizens party.

Photo 4 - Richard Purcell in front of the table of spotprizes at the Christmas party.

Photo 5 - Ballroom dancers entertain the Senior citizens at the Gold Coast.

Photo 6 - Liam and Kathleen Organ take to the floor at the Senior Citizens party.



Enjoying the Christmas Party were (left to right): Mary Breen, Martin's Terrace, Kathleen Breen, Upper King Street, Bernie Regan, Murphy Place and Mikey McGovern, Murphy Place.

Sean McGrath and Coursing



Sean with his greyhounds left to right Dungarvan Champions 'Sonet Shore', Wexford Champion 'Polka' and Knockgraffon Champion 'Graceful Babs' all winners of trial stakes.

Sean's house would be better known for the display of Christmas lights in the bungalow off the Burgery with people coming from as far away as Carlow to witness the wonderful colourful display.

What is not as well known is that Sean has a deep interest in greyhounds which he runs at coursing meetings all over the country. Sean worked for many years in Dublin and returned to Dungarvan in 1991. He was senior manager for Eircom in the Waterford District Service Operation. In the course of his work he travelled throughout Waterford, Wexford, Clonmel, etc and travelled to Portlaoise once a week. He took early retirement after 38 years service in August 2002 in order to pursue his lifelong hobby which is training successful greyhounds. Some friends in England requested him to train coursing dogs for them. It is basically a Winter sport and six years ago he had given up greyhounds but since he rediscovered his passion for the sport he has trained dogs that have qualified to race at the National meeting in Clonmel held in the first week in February.

Last year was pleasantly successful for Sean having won three Oaks Trial Stakes in Knockgraffon, Dungarvan and Wexford. He is hopeful they will give a good account of themselves at the National Meeting which takes place in four weeks time.

Sean also had major success last year when he won the Ladies International Nominator Stake with a bitch named 'What No Problem" who has been returned to him to be prepared for the same stake in Clonmel. That event takes place on the day prior to the National meeting. Sean is ably assisted by his son Rian who also has a passion for greyhounds. He favours the treadmill for exercising the dogs. We wish Sean and Rian every success in their upcoming events and indeed for the future. We thank Sean for a very pleasant interview in his lovely home.

Abbeyside Reference **Archive**

Maritime

As we always say we like to add to our Maritime collection, so when before Christmas a man gave us a large brown envelope we were delighted to find it contained much maritime information and photo-

The message he gave with it was music to our ears as he said Photocopy as much of this as you like and give me back the originals".

I ask you what could be fairer than that?

It contained five pages on the FOLIA sunk off Ardmore on the 11th March 1917.

Eight pages on the "Kerlogue" rescue of 1943.

A nice photograph of the "Kathleen and May" enroute to Cork 1954.

Also photographs of the "De Wadden" "Eliza O'Keeffe" and many more.

This Sunday evening Emma Flynn will be at the Parish Office minding the Maritime section and all the other sections.

Abbeyside B & B Runner-Up In Best **Family Home Awards**

Co. Waterford featured strongly in the Best Family Home Awards of 2003, with one Abbeyside B&B awarded the runnerup prize at a recent ceremony at the Falls Hotel, Ennistymon,

The award winners are nominated by guests who find the hospitality they received and the feeling of being welcomed, deserving of recognition.

Brian Wickham of 'Cairbre House' B&B, Strandside North, Abbeyside was awarded an engraved Hurricane Lamp from Galway Irish Crystal as his runners up prize.

Also from Co. Waterford, and a Certificate of Excellence winner were previous double winners (1999 and 2002) of the Best Family Home Award, Maureen & Tony Reynolds, 'Comeragh View B&B', Ballyvoile, Stradbally,

They were presented their certificates by Edmond and Doirin Hickey, Directors of Family Homes of Ireland.

ABBEYSIDE TOPICS

Boxing Tournament

Jeromy O'Mahoney, Murphy Place, is taking part in the upcoming Ireland v France Boxing International. The first leg of the two day tournament takes place in the National Stadium on Friday, 16th January and the second leg is scheduled for the Park Hotel on Sunday 18th January. His father Jerry O'Mahoney is the manager. Two champions John Paul McDonagh, Waterford City Club and Paddy Reilly, St. Paul's will also be boxing for Ireland.

We wish Jeromy and his friends the best of luck. All in all the tournament in the Park Hotel should provide good entertainment and support would be appreciated.

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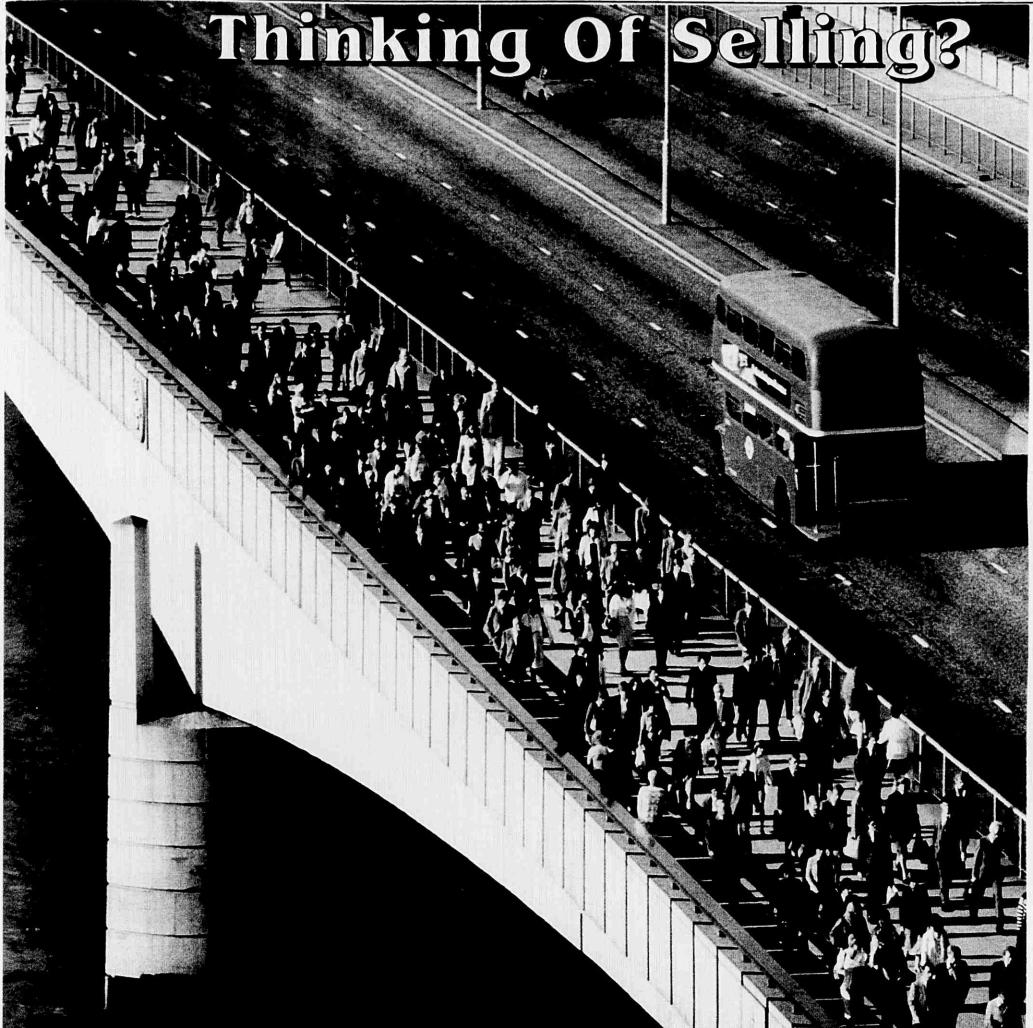
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BALLYMACARBRY NEWS

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

The presentation of the Dungarvan Pub League medals for 2003 will be presented to the victorious Doocey's B team on Saturday, January 10th at Doocey's Oriel Bar, Ballymacarbry. They collected the cup back in August when they won 1-0 against The Local, Dungarvan. The panel comprised of M.J. O'Ryan, J.J. Moore, David Ryan, Mike Byrne, Anthony O'-Gorman, Tom Flynn, Pat Walsh, Paudie Halpin, Ger Walsh, Declan Spellman, Aidan Ryan and Declan Power. The winning manager was Tom Doocey, who has flown back from the States for this special occasion. All are welcome

FOURMILEWATER HURLING CLUB TO TAKE STOCK

The postponed 78th Annual General Meeting of Fourmilewater Hurling Club will now take place on Sunday, 11th January at St. Patrick's Parochial Hall, Ballymacarbry at 3pm, when Chairman Michael Danagher will report on the activities of a busy rural club, the winning of a County Minor Hurling title being the main event. Ballymacarbry Badminton Win

All Ireland Club Title

Congratulations are extended to the newly re-formed Ballymacarbry Badminton club on winning the All Ireland club title at Gormanston, Co. Meath. In the final they defeated Aer Lingus. The winning team were Richard Guiry, Kevin Fahey, Ger Maher, Trudy Kennedy, Triona Walsh, Rose Clooney, Teresa Heffernan.

BALLYMACARBRY COMHALTAS REVIVAL

After a lapse of some years, Ballymacarbry branch of An Comhaltas has been revived. At a recent meeting in Melody's Loft, Ballymacarbry presided over by Mr. Michael O'Brien, the following officers were elected: President: Pat Melody; Chairman: Jim Fenton; Vice Chairman: Paddy Griffin: Secretary: Maria Wilde; Joint treasurers: Grace Ormonde and Ann Kelly; PRO: Kathleen Reynolds; Committee: John Harte. Denis Kiely, James Cliffe, William Cullinan and Richard Brennan, Tina Condon, Ann Joy; Gaelic Officer: Helen McGrath.

Ballymacarbry Set Dancing

Ballymacarbry Set Dancing has resumed it's sessions at Doocey's Oriel Bar/Lounge, Ballymacarbry on Thursday, 8th January at 9pm.

DEGREES CONFERRED

Congratulations are extended to Miss Helena Foley, Glen-An-Oir, Ballymacarbry who was recently conferred at UCC where she is now studying for her Masters. Also congrats to Miss Michelle Prendergast, Lyre West, Ballymacarbry, who won the award at W.I.T. for the most diligent student in her group.

Fourmilewater Hurling Club 45 Card Results

1st: Dick O'Donnell and Terry Mulcahy, Clogheen; 2nd: Patsy and Eileen Halloran, Kilsheelan; 3rd pairs: Paddy Wall and Michael Creed; Carmel Kirwan, Kilrossanty and Peter Crotty, Dungarvan; Michael Nugent, Newcastle and Jim Skeehan, Rathgormack; Pat and Mary Guiry, Rathgormack.

Lucky tables: Breda and John Ahearn, Touraneena; Tom Kearey, Nire and Donal Fraher, Kilbrien; Tom and Margaret Brazil, Nire; Dick Tarrent, Cahir and Larry Boyle, Knockmeal.

Results 2nd January – 1st: Patsy Hackett and Mary Morrissey, Dungarvan; 2nd: Michael O'Donnell and Tony Wright, Dungarvan; 3rd: Billy Carroll and Jimmy Quinn, Cloppel

Lucky Tables: Rev. Fr. M. Cooney and Tommy Carey, Dungarvan; Mem Nugent and Nellie Nugent, Newcastle.

Cards each Friday night, 9pm sharp.

Fourmilewater Hurling Club Lotto

Lotto 20th December 2003 – Numbers drawn 6-13-15. No winners. 10x 30 winners: Tommy Ryan, Knockalisheen; Brian Fahey, Knockavenna; Pat Power, St. Martin's Place; Mary O'Gorman, Glasha; James Gough, c/o Oriel Bar; John Molloy, Ballymacarbry; Kathleen Shiels, Clogheen; Margaret Meehan, Knockmeal; Mary O'Grady and M. Hogan, c/o Billy Doocey; Pat Ryan, Curtiswood. Jackpot this week 1,050.

27th December 2003. Numbers drawn 8-17-23. No winner. 5 x €30 winners: Catherine Ryan, Curtiswood; Noel Ryan, Graignagower; David O'Grady, Lyre; Liam Kelleher, Ballybrien; Lar Fahey, Ballymacarbry.

Lotto results 3rd January 2004

Numbers drawn 14-18-21. No winners 5x €30 winners: Kit Fenton, Clonanav; Pat Walsh, Croughaleskin; Pam Power, St. Martin's Place; John Condon, Augavoulavaine; Mickey Nugent, Newcastle.

Jackpot this week €1,350.

Proud Day As School Opens New Gates

day for all at Listonagh National School last week and most of all for young Molly Mackler whose imagination and talent will now be preserved for years to come. The occasion was the official opening of the new School gates which were made and donated by Ted Channon, from a design by Molly Mackler. Children, staff and parents gathered at the school on a bitterly cold December morning to admire the work of Ted Channon and his team as well as Molly's inspiration behind the project. The tape for the occasion was cut by Mayor of Clonmel, Ald, Phil Prendergast, who paid tribute to the school and to the contractors for their work in getting the gates ready. Principal of the school Kathleen Campbell thanked the sponsors for their generosity towards the new gates and said that not only is the entrance to the Lisronagh National School enhanced as a result, but the whole village and surrounding area. "They're an extraordinary work of art and will be long cherished long into the future" she commented. "They're special in a number of ways, they're a tribute to the skill and workmanship of Ted Channon who made them, and a talent of the gifted child, Molly Mackler, who imagination inspired the design". A special certificate was presented to Molly by the Lord Mayor and then the assembled pupils of the school officially exited through the gates for the first time only to return again for their break time. The Parents Association were very grateful to Ted Channon for his generous donation to the school, and are confident that the gates will be a worthwhile addition to Lisronagh for a long time.

Late Mr. William Cahill

It is with deep and sincere regret we pen the death of Mr. William (Willie) Cahill, Bolton Street, Clonmel, has come as a severe shock to his wife Betty and family around whom his life revolved. It is so difficult for them to come to terms with the loss of such a wonderful husband and father as he had not been ill or complaining but was so active about the home in his usual cheery manner. He was recently honoured at a special reception by Clonmel Rugby club for the longest serving member of the club, the other recipients Jack Ryan and Noel Magner in a well deserved tribute. He was son of William and Mary Cahill of Bolton Street, Clonmel, he was one of a family of four boys, educated at the Christian Brothers Primary School and the High School. After school he joined his father in the family carpentry business where he learned his trade.

His grandfather, James too, was a carpenter and Willie or 'Squill' as he was affectionately known liked to mention the fact that his grandfather was the first Labour Mayor of Clonmel, whose term of office coincided with the jubilee year of the Mayoralty 1908-1909. One of the people his grandfather received was Countess Markevich and he often recalled driving her in a Landan through the streets of the town.

Willie emigrated to England in the early 40's where he worked with the MGM studios over there and the film company sets. He returned to Clonmel in 1950 and two years later he married Betty Fox. Betty was a member of the Fox family of Blind Street, where they had a thriving sweet shop. Following his marriage they took up residence in Connolly Park and they reared four children.

A fine singer, Willie joined St. Mary's Choral Society and also being in the Rowing Club he and Betty had some relaxing evenings on the river.

He has an abiding interest in Rugby and played with the local club and then became a life long member. He was a great family man and he loved to spend his Summer holidays in Clonea, Co. Waterford. For the past fifteen years he used to spend a month each year in Dunmore East where they became well known especially in the Strand Hotel and the Butcher Powers. With his wife they loved to get out on weekends for a social drink in Eldons where he would sing his favorites, My Heart and I and Bless This House.

His remains were removed to S.S. Peter and Paul's Parish Church where they were blessed and received by Rev. Fr. Brian Power C.C. On the following morning, requiem Mass was celebrated for the happy repose of his soul, the celebrant was Rev. Fr. Brian Power C.C. after Mass the funeral took place to St. Patrick's Cemetery where he was laid to rest.

Fr. Power C.C. officiated at the graveside.

Late Mr. John Joseph Wall

It was with deep and sincere regret the district learned of the death of Mr. John Joseph (John Joe) Wall, Murphy Place, Abbeyside and formerly of Bleantis, Ballinamult which sad event took place on Saturday, 13th December 2003.

Deceased in his mid eighties was a member of a well loved and respected Sliabh gCua family of the farming community. John Joe had connections with Four Mile Water Parish, his mother was Catherine Walsh, Barrnashinnae, and his grandmother was Hanora Whelan, Graignagower.

A quiet and unassuming man and a neighbour of few equals always ready with the hand of help. He was an outstanding Gael and was a regular spectator at the Fraher Field down the years, he was a man who enjoyed the game of 45 at which game he was a skilled player. He retired from farming close on 20 years ago and took up residence in Abbeyside where he enjoyed life. On Saturday evening, his remains were removed from Drohan's Funeral Home, Dungarvan to St. Augustines Parish Church, Abbeyside where they were blessed and received by Very Rev. Fr. Richard Doherty, P.P., Abbeyside/Ballinroad/Garranbane. On Sunday morning, the feast of St. Nicasiuis (Martyr), requiem Mass was celebrated for the happy repose of his gentle soul. The celebrant was Rev. Fr. Richard Doherty P.P., after Mass the funeral cortege left for St. Mary's Cemetery, Touraneena where on a cold December day he was laid to rest in the family plot with mother Catherine, who predeceased him by some thirty years.

Fr. Doherty P.P. officiated at the graveside in the presence of a large concourse of mourners who were present to pay their last respects to a Christian friend whose memory they will treasure. Im baclainn na maith deanna Muire go bhfuil a anam Naofa. Undertakers were Drohan's Funeral Directors, Dungarvan.

Late Mr. Raymond Condon

With deep and sincere regret we pen the death of Mr. Raymond (Roy) Condon, Whitesport Lower, Kilmanahan, Clonmel, which sad event took place at South Tipperary Hospital, Clonmel on Thursday, 18th December.

Deceased a member of the farming community in his mid sixties, was a member of a well loved and respected county Waterford family, whose father Richard was an Insurance agent and cattle dealer from the Old Bridge, Clonmel. Many years ago, his father purchased a farm at Whiteport Lower, Kilmanahan and the complete family moved there.

Raymond married a girl from across the Suir, a Rockboro lady and they settled down in life and reared a family of nine children, he was a kind and loving husband and father, his wife and family were his pride and joy.

He was a man who loved horses and he used to breed lovely animals. For some time back he had not enjoyed the best of health and after a recent stay in hospital he passed to his reward.

On Saturday evening, his remains were removed from Fennessy's Funeral Home, Clonmel to St. Laurances Parish Church, Fourmilewater where they were blessed and received by Very Rev. Fr. Patrick Condon, C.C., Fourmilewater/Newcastle. On Sunday morning the feast of St. Thomas (Apostle), requiem Mass was celebrated for the happy repose of his gentle soul. The celebrant was Very Rev. Fr. Edmond Tobin, P.P., Fourmilewater/Newcastle.

After Mass the funeral took place to St. Mary's Cemetery, Ballybacon where he was laid to rest in the family plot with his parents who had predeceased him.

To his wife and family, brother and many relatives we extend our sympathy.

Go dtugadh Dia solas na bhflaigheas da anam. (Undertakers Fennessy's, Clonmel)

SYMPATHY

Sympathy of the district is extended to the Walsh family, Skeehans, Ballymacarbry on the death of their sister, Mrs. Maureen Cummins, Greenfields, Rosbrien, Limerick. She was wife of the late Garda Jim Cummins, who predeceased her by some years.

Her death took place on Sunday, 21st December at the Regional Hospital, Limerick. On Tuesday evening, her remains were removed from Thompsons Funeral Home, Thomas Street, Limerick to Our Lady of Lourdes Church where they were blessed and received. On Tuesday morning, the feast of St. Servulus, requiem Mass was celebrated for the happy repose of her gentle soul. After Mass the funeral took place to Kilmurray Cemetery, Castlelyons where she was laid to rest.

A chroi ro Naofa dean Trocaire air.

(Undertakes Thompsons, Limerick)

Late Mr. Liam O'Flynn

It was with deep and sincere regret the district learned of the unexpected death of Mr. Liam O'Flynn, Lackendarra Upper, Colligan, Dungarvan which sad event took place at his residence on Sunday, 21st December 2003.

Deceased in his early forties was a member of a well loved and respected county Tipperary family, the O'Flynn's of Crough-clooney, Ballinamult. Liam was educated at Ballymarcarbry National School and from there he went on to higher education where his aims were Electric and Welding and after some years he set up his own Welding and Precision Engineering company and recently had his workshop extended to deal with extra work. Some years ago he married and became a kind and loving husband and father of two children, his wife and family were his pride and joy and to them he was utterly devoted.

He loved to visit the local at the weekends and have a craic with his friends who were many. A wonderful neighbour, his integrity, courtesy and outgoing sincere nature commended him to young and old alike. He was a true gentleman in every sense of the word and a host of friends who appreciated his company, advice or assistance in any way now grieve for his passing. The respect and high regard in which deceased and his family are held over a wide area was truly evidenced by the immense concourse of mourners who were present when his remains after Rosary and prayers were recited, were removed from Drohan's Funeral Home, Dungarvan on Tuesday evening to the Parish Church of St. Mary's Touraneena where they were blessed and received by Rev. Fr. Cornelious Kelleher P.P. with other clergy. On Wednesday morning, the feast of St. Thrasilla and Emilana (virgins), requiem Mass was celebrated for the happy repose of his gentle soul. The celebrant was Very Rev. Fr. Cornellious Kelleher P.P., Nire/Touraneena with many other clergy.

After Mass the interment took place in the adjoining cemetery. Rev. Fr. C. Kelleher P.P., Nire/Touraneena officiated at the graveisde in the presence of yet another immense concourse of mourners, testifying to the esteem and high regard in which Liam and his family are held. Many friends and neighbours together with his family wept openly as they laid to rest a good Christian man whose memory will always remain with them.

To his wife and family, his mother, brothers, sisters, uncles, aunts and his many relatives we extend our sympathy.

Ag Criost an Siol, ag Criost an fomhair, in iothlainn de go

dtugtar sinn.
(Undertakers, Drohan's Funeral Directors, Dungarvan)

Late Mr. John Hallinan

It was with deep and sincere regret the district learned on the death of Mr. John Hallinan, Greennane Cottage, Clonmel and late of Aughavoulavaine, Ballinamult which sad event took place at South Tipperary General Hospital, Clonmel on Saturday, 27th December.

On Monday evening his remains were removed after prayers from Condon's Funeral Parlour, Clonmel to St. Mary's Parish Church, Irishtown and after 12noon Mass on Tuesday the funeral took place to St. Laurences Cemetery, Fourmilewater where he was laid to rest.

(Full obituary next issue).

Late Mrs. Ellen McCarthy

It is with deep and sincere regret we record the death of Mrs. Ellen (Nellie) McCarty (nee Power), Skeehens, Ballymacarbry, Clonmel which sad event took place at Our Lady's Hospital, Cashel, Co. Tipperary, on Friday, 26th December. On Monday evening her remains after prayers and rosary were recited, were removed from Drohan's Funeral Home, Dungarvan to St. Mary's Parish Church, Touraneena and after requiem Mass on Tuesday, she was laid to rest in the family plot in the adjoining cemetery. (Full obituary next issue)

KILL NOTES

Maureen and Keith would like to wish all their customers and friends a Happy New Year.

Kill Disco

The next disco will take place on Saturday, 24th of January. Doors open at 8:30pm. Admission 7. Hall rules strictly apply. No alcohol and no smoking.

Michael Power Memorial Swim

On Christmas day, the Michael Power Memorial Swim took place at Kilmurrin. Even though the day was cold and windy, all swimmers were in great spirits as they waited for the group photograph to be taken. At 12:00 noon close on 100 swimmers took to the icy waters of Kilmurrin and may I add each and every one of them enjoyed themselves. Some of the faces in the crowd were Councillor Pat Hayes and Councillor Pat Leahy who always take part in the swim. During the swim the Bonmahon Lifeguards and Cliff Rescue as well as the Order of Malta were on duty to help with any casualties. Hot beverages were also available after the swim and sponsored by Maureen Kirwan and Padraig Dunphy of the local pubs. This year all monies collected from the swim will go towards the purchase of a new ambulance for the Order of Malta, Tramore. So now if you are one of the people who have sponsored a swimmer, please give the money as soon as possible to ensure a quick closure to this years event.

Christmas Lights

This year was no exception when it came to local houses lighting up for the festive period. Congratulations to all who made an effort to make this years Christmas a little brighter for everyone.

Church Services

As in all churches, large crowds turned out for all the Christmas Services in the local church. Fr. Callinan and Fr. Crowley were delighted with the numbers that attended over the Christmas period. Congratulations to the erectors of the crib as well as the floral arrangements. It looked beautiful for Christmas. Well done to everyone.

Scor na Nog

The Scor na nOg County final will take place in the Kill Community Centre next Friday night starting at 7:30pm sharp. Don't miss a great nights entertainment. See you there.

Will take place next Friday night in the Kill National School at 7pm sharp. All officers and members are asked to attend.

Local Business Vandalised

On New Years night the glass front of Gers Fast Food Take Away was completely smashed by vandals. Some video footage of the attack is currently with the Gardai for examination but Ger is offering 200 reward for any information to the name/names of the vandals in question. Contact 086-8552081 or the local Garda station.

BONMAHON NOTES

News From Hayes

Congratulations to Anthony Dwane who was last weeks darts winner. Nolie Whelan won the Shanghai. Congratulations to Theresa Keane who was last weeks lotto winner. Set dancing will resume the middle of January. Richard and Louise would like to wish all their customers and friends a healthy and prosperous New Year.

Sincere Sympathy

Sincere sympathy to Tommy Power and family on the death of his wife Alice which occurred on Christmas Day. Alice was laid to rest in Kill on Sunday last. Report next week. May God and his Angels have Mercy on her soul.

Birthday Wishes

Congratulations to Siobhan O'Reilly who celebrated her birthday during the week with family and friends. Wishing you many, many more!

Services At Saleen

Over the Christmas period large crowds attended Masses at Saleen Church. Congratulations to all who made the church look so beautiful for the Christmas season.

Lighting Up Like All The Rest

Bonmahon was no exception when it came to Christmas lights as well as a beautiful Christmas tree in the village. Many householders made a special effort to light up their houses signalling the arrival of Santa Claus and celebrating the birth of Jesus. It is a wonderful time for children especially so parents keep making the effort and well done to everyone. Happy New Year

To all readers of the local notes. Wishing you all a Happy New Year, looking forward to your news and views in 2004. Your local correspondent can be contacted on 086-2641547 or 051-396355 or email bgall@iol.ie.

Dungarvan Museum Notes

Membership.

Membership fee is *13.00, Students *10 which must be paid at the Museum before Jan 1 2004, as for Insurance purposes it is important that the Membership fee is paid before taking part in Museum activities. New members are wel-

Museum Dinner:

This takes place on Friday Jan. 30. Booking at Museum for members only and payment in advance please as soon as possible.

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Kilmanahan & District: Ben Guiry. Tel. 086 8468084.

An Rinn/An Sean Phobal: Nioclás Ó Griobháin, Radharc na Mara, An Rinn. Guthán 058-

Article on Tallow:

This article by E.M.P. Beecher Cantillon has been put on our web-site over Christmas. It contains a brief history of Tallow originally published in booklet form. It contains information on Lisfinny Castle, The Carmelite Monastery, the townlands of Tallow, famous Tallow people, sports and a mid 19th century directory of Tallow res-

The table of contents is as fol-

- 1. Early Days In Tallow
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MINISTER CULLEN'S **COMMENTS TO LEAD TO** A CHANGE IN PLANNING **GUIDELINES?**

A Dungarvan area Labour Party Councillor says recent comments from Waterford Environment & Local Government Minister Martin Cullen in relation to easing restrictions on planning for single dwellings in rural areas are of "potential significance"

Cllr. Fiachra Ó Céilleachair says there is now an opportunity for Waterford County Council to apply its mind to a rethink on how its Development Plan defines "settlement areas". Cllr. Ó Céilleachair is critical of stringent criteria pertaining to planning applications occurring in rural townlands outside of such priority zones. He has also advocated that the present review process of the County Development Plan should reshape how such requests are dealt with.

Cllr. Ó Céilleachair says it is politicians, nationally in laying down planning guidelines and locally through adopting policies marked out in County Development and Area Action Plans, who set the framework for County Managers in their approach to approval or rejection of planning applications in rural areas. Cllr. Ó Céilleachair says Minister Cullen's comments may now be an indication that "officaldom" may be prepared to concede to the his argument that potential sellers or buyers of sites in various parts of Co. Waterford were being denied planning for no other good reason than the piece of ground in question did not lie inside the nearest de-

fined priority "settlement

Cllr. Ó Céilleachair says he will now "await with interest" to see if Minister Cullen's lead results in a change of guidelines. "No one wants a free for all" argues Cllr. Ó Céilleachair, "but whilst cognisant of environmental context and reasonable infrastructural provision, I'd like to see planners having more flexibility in terms of approving permanent residences in the countryside for those

who currently cannot get

around the criteria in that re-

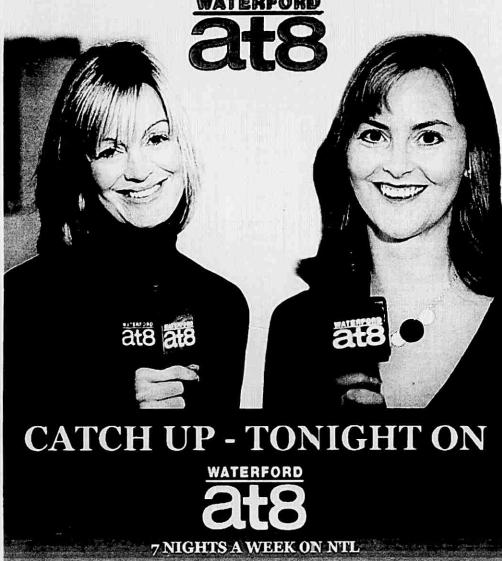
DUNGARVAN **PREMIER** PIGEON CLUB

The results of the Dungarvan Premier Pigeon club draw held in Paddy Foley's, The Square, Dungarvan on the 31st December 2003 were:

1st: Ed Egan, c/o John Woods; 2nd: Eamonn Martin, Bridie Dee's; 3rd: John McGrath, McCarthyville, Dungarvan; 4th: Coady Moore, Kilmacthomas.

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Modeligo notes

No winner of the first lotto draw of 2004, so we have a jackpot of €900 waiting to be claimed on Saturday night. The price of a sun holiday perhaps or even a trip to the Alps to see some snow! What are you waiting for get a ticket! Last weeks numbers were 8, 14 and

€15 Winners: Johnny and Helen O'Byrne, Glen; Tomás Curran, Modeligo; Cian O'Byrne, Glen; Mary Flynn, Redgate and Claire Reddy, Cappoquin

WEDDING BELLS

Congratulations to John Whelan and Mary Sullivan, Ballyhane, who were married on 29th December 2003. Many years of happiness is wished to you both

MODELIGO DRAMATICS

Following the success of last years production of "The New Gossoon" the local dramatic group are currently well under way with rehearsals for their latest offering "Anyone Could Rob A Bank". Written by Thomas Coffey this three-act comedy is set in the provincial town of Ballybawn, during the period of the nineteen-sixties. The kitchen at the back of Grey's shop is a hive of activity on the week of the local annual fair, as a plot is hatched as to how the town bank might be robbed, but do any of the local wise men have the wherewithal to bring the scheming to fruition?

Once again the production is by Michael Stack, and the group welcome two new members to the cast, John Stack, who recently took the lead role in the musical "Buskin" in Fermoy and Ann Fetton, who is new to the stage.

The play is scheduled to be staged in Modeligo Community Centre on the weekend of Saturday, 31st January and Sunday, 1st February at 8:15pm nightly. The group are looking forward to seeing all our many supporters and patrons coming along and enjoying the comedy and intrigue which the cast will have on offer. Modeligo Dramatics are grateful once again to our sponsors, the Arts Office of Waterford County Council.

MODELIGO SOCCER CLUB **Red House League Super** Draw

The R.H.L. draw ended recently and it proved to be a great success for the club and we would like to thank all those who bought and sold tickets. The following is a list of all who supported the Mod-

eligo Club, Patrick O'Doherty, Noel O'-Doherty, Kevin Joyce, Liam Dalton, Shane Reddy, Katie Walsh, Mickey Kearns, Mary Dee Whelan, Ellen Dee, Michael O'Neill, Seán O'Neill, Owen O'Neill, Bernie O'Neill, Ann Murray, John Coady, Pat Phelan, Tom Phelan, Pat Troy, Johnny O'Byrne, Richie Kiely, Henry O'Keeffe, William Scanlon, Jessie Power, Tom Kiely, Bridget Kiely, Ned Morrissey, Frank and Cáit Ryan, Darrell and Richard Ryan, Ann Nolan, Brendan Walsh, Lena Walsh, Ned Ryan, J.P. Ryan, James Maher, Alison Casey, Jack Hennessey, Adam Bend- a few years ago!

ing, Michael Hayes, Kevin Burke, Majella O'Dwyer, Ned Kennefick, Ed Lonergan, Nick O'Donovan, David O'Donovan, Ciara O'Donovan, Gerard O'Donovan, Vince O'Donovan, Ann O'Donovan, Noreen O'Brien, David Fitzgerald, Michael and Ellen Walsh, Mike Dalton, John and Bernie Troy, Carmen Ann Dalton (I promise you'll win next year, Gosh), Paul Lonergan, Sadie Hourigan, Dungarvan Nissan, John Hourigan, Shane Hourigan, Gillian Mc Carthy, Joe Lacey, Tony Deegan, Liam Moore, Lorraine Fox, Peggy and Helen Carey, P.J. Carey, Mary Daly, Mary Pratt, Jim Foley, Darren Foley, Caroline Foley, Biddy Foley, Paddy O'Donnell, B Coffey, Norah Cooney, Edwina Cooney, Micheál Dalton, Máiread Brett, Michael Walsh and Tommy

Lena Walsh won a prize in the final draw and Johnny O'Byrne was a winner in the second draw so congratulations to both and to everyone involved in the draw

RECENT BEREAVEMENT

The club would like to extend condolences to James Maher and his family on the recent loss of his grandmother Mrs Colbert. A minute silence was observed as a mark of respect at our recent game against Kilworth.

R.H.L. UNDER-12 LEAGUE TEAM

On Saturday 17th January there will be four youth matches played in Modeligo and all players are asked to attend and give assistance with the running of the event.

RED HOUSE LEAGUE MATCH REPORT Clashmore 1 Modeligo 4

On Sunday last Modeligo claimed their first league victory of the season against a strong Clashmore outfit. It was a game we had to win and everyone rose to the occasion. After some early Clashmore pressure we got a break away goal. The ball broke kindly in the box from a Dane O'Donovan cross and Damien Keavers lashed on to the ball to send it flying into the back of the net. However, ten minutes later Clashmore drew level after a slip up in defence. We had a couple of more good efforts but it ended 1-1 at half time.

We played great soccer in the first half and improved still in the second half. Clashmore did not seem to have any answer with Shane, Shiner and Matty all going close. The breakthrough came after 20 minutes when a long punt up field and a flick on left, Adam one on one with goalie and 10 minutes later when Adam once again scored nearly a carbon copy goal to finish the game as a

contest. Clashmore nearly got back in the game with two minutes to go only Johnny Buckley to make a great clearance off the line. Just when we thought we had seen everything up step the mighty Ferret to shock us all. Straight from a corner kick the ball sailed into the opposite corner of the goal. Anyway, I am sure we will all hear about it above in Joe O'Brien's some night! I think we finally got an equal to 'the banana free kick'

Three players who stood out on the day were Johnny, Matt and Shane. With Matt and shane lording midfield and Johnny having his best game yet in a Modeligo shirt.

Team: Paudie Denn, David O'Donovan, J.P. Ryan, Sean O'Neill, Johnny Buckley. Damien Keavers, Matty Cashman, Graham Nagle, Shane Reddy, Adam Bending, Shane Troy, Colin Walsh, Pat Doherty, John Coade.

Please note time and venue of next weeks match in the Red House League notes

MODELIGO PARENT AND

TODDLER GROUP Modeligo parent and toddler group are re-commencing after the Christmas break on Friday 9th January. We meet every Friday in Modeligo community centre from 10.30am to 12noon. We welcome babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers from surrounding areas accompanied by a parent or carer. The children can enjoy the use of a junior gym, slide, tents, tunnels, buggies, push along trucks, musical instruments and much more. So if you would like to get to know other adults while having fun with your child, do come along. For further information contact Loretta at 47983 or Ann at 087-7841719.

Fourmilewater Hurling Club Notes

The clubs AGM will take place next Sunday, 11th January in St. Patricks Hall at the earlier time of 3pm. We would like to see everyone who has any interest in hurling attend. This is the only time of the year you can have a say. All are welcome.

Lotto

There was no outright winner of the club last Saturday night, 3rd of January. Five runners up prizes of 30 each go to Kit Fenton, Pat Walsh, Pam Power, John Condon and Mickey Nugent.

The Late Liam O'Flynn

The club wishes to express its sympathy to the family of the late Liam O'Flynn who died recently. Liam played underage for the club in the seventies and was a regular contributor to our club. May he rest in peace.

SLIABH gCUA ST. MARY'S G.A.A.NOTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The continuation of our A.G.M. was held on Sunday last, 4th January 2004 in the Community Centre at 2:30pm. It was a very well attended meeting and one of the most interesting we've had in recent years. There were several debates on a range of issues and there was a very positive feeling from players and members for this year, coming from the floor.

Our Chairman Declan Kiely gave an outline of our priorities for the year ahead. Training will begin on the first week of February, and with this new feeling in the club, we would hope to see everyone attending the sessions and getting fit for the coming year.

The following were elected for the coming year: Intermediate Hurling manager: Joe Coffey; Intermediate Football manager: Liam Tobin; Junior Football manager: Seanie Kearns. Captains - Intermediate Hurling: Denis Coffey; Vice Captain:

Brian Whelan. Intermediate Football: David Whelan; Vice Captain: John Queally.

Junior Football: Patrick Coffey; Vice Captain: Pat Hearn.

Under-21 Hurling: John Queally. Under-21 Football: Darren O'Connor.

Selectors: Fr. C. Kelleher, John Hallinan and Royco Ware for Hurling and Football.

Field Development

We have a big development project for the field in the pipeline, for which we hope we will get the go ahead this year. The new sub committees for this development are as follows: Field Development - John Hallinan, Tom Condon, Michael Quinlan and Mike Murray.

Financial - James Condon, Fr. Kelleher, Brendan Tobin, Sinead Condon, John Fitzgerald, Seanie Kearns, Seamus Skehan, Tomas Keane and J.P. Fitzgerald.

Development Submission and Application - Declan Kiely and Tom Condon. **CHRISTMAS DRAW**

The winners in our Christmas draw were as follows: Hamper Dick Power, Touraneena; D.V.D. player - Lar Whelan. DEISE DEVELOPMENT FREE DRAW

For everyone that bought tickets this year.

1st prize: Betty Condon - €50; Bottle of whiskey: Nancy Kiely; Chocolates: Bridget O'Connor; Bottle of wine: Seanie Kearns;

Promoters prize; Seanie Kearns, Royco Ware, Sinead Condon, Fr. Kelleher and Mike Murray.

Once again, we thank everyone that supported us during the past year, and we look forward to your continued support in the future.

Dungarvan **Boxing** News

There were two tournaments on over the holiday period: the newly formed Kinsale Boxing Club held their first show on Saturday 20th December in St. Multose Hall and it was a great success.

Dungarvan had two boxers taking part, Daniel Ryan (Boy 4 48 kg) had a unanimous win over Eoin Irwin from Kinsale B.C. It's good to see Daniel back on winning form. Thomas Kiely had a very good fight against Conan Dillon, Kinsale B.C. (Youth 1 64 kg.) Those boxers were very evenly matched but Dillon beat Kiely to the jab every time and went on to win the contest, a good contest and one I would like to see again on some future show.

Clonmel held their tournament on Sunday afternoon, the 21st December in St. Oliver's Hall, and their opponents were Olympic B.C., Galway.

Dungarvan had two young boys making their first appearance for the club in exhibition bouts. Arthur McDonagh put on an excellent display against David O'Mahony, Clonmel although O'Mahony did prove to be a bit too strong in the last round. His club mate Michael McDonagh also had a brilliant bout when he boxed Luke Whelan, also from Clonmel. This was very even, it was those four boxers first time in the ring and they showed a lot of skill and a lot of promise for the future. Credit must go to their coaches, well done.

Also boxing for Dungarvan was Stephen Shasby (Youth 2 60 kg). Stephen is building up quite a repertoire of impressive bouts of late and this was no exception as his all action style and superb fitness proved too much for M. J Ward, Galway.

IRELAND V FRANCE

It's all systems go as Dungarvan Boxing Club prepare for this major boxing International which takes place Sunday 18th January in the Park Hotel. The Irish squad has now been selected, it will be divided into two teams, one to box on the Friday night, the 16th in the National Stadium and the other in the Park Hotel. The team manager for both teams is Dungarvan's Gerry O'Mahony. This will be Gerry's fourth time managing an Irish team, but this one is special as it's in Dungarvan and his son Jeremy is also on

The second leg which is being held in the Park Hotel will have the three national champions from County Waterford on that team, Jeremy O'Mahony 75 kg (Dungarvan B.C). Paddy O'Reilly 64 kg and John Paul McDonagh 57 kg both from St. Paul's B.C., Waterford.

This will be a unique occasion to see Ireland's top Juniors and Cadets taking on the pride of France. There will be about ten bouts in all in the comfort of the Park Hotel. It promises to be a night to remember.

Tickets are 15 euro adults and 10 euro for students/children. If you are coming as a group why not book a table in advance. It is advisable to get your tickets in advance as a large attendance is expected, especially supporters from outside the Waterford area following their boxers.

Master of Ceremonies, Harry McGavock who did such a magnificent job on the last show in the Park Hotel is hoping to make the International. He is doing the first leg on the Friday night in the Stadium and is flying to London to do a professional show for Match Room Boxing on the Saturday night. He then hopes to fly back to Cork on the Sunday for the Dungarvan leg.

As you can see the Dungarvan club are pulling out all the stops to make this a memorable occasion.

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IN MEMORIAMS



BUCKLEY — Third Anniversary — In loving memory of a dear mother, Margaret Buckley, late of Chapel Street, Lismore, who died January 8, 2001. R.I.P. Anniversary Mass Saturday, 10th January in St. Carthage's Church at 7.30 p.m.

January comes with sad regret,

The day, the month, we will never forget,

No length of time can take away,

Our thoughts of you from day to day.

Though absent you are always near,

Still loved, still missed, still very dear,

Will those who think of her today.

A little prayer to Jesus say. (Always remembered by your son Liam, daughter-in-law Ann and grandchildren Aoife, Clodagh and William).

BUCKLEY — Third Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear mother, Margaret Buckley, Chapel Street, Lismore, who died January 8, 2001. R.I.P.

A lot in life has altered, A lot in life is new,

But things that never alter, Are memories of you.

It isn't what we write, it isn't what we say,

It's how we feel inside, when we think of you today.

(Always remembered by your daughter Catherine, Tom and family).

BUCKLEY — Third Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear mother, Margaret Buckley, who died January 8, 2001., R.I.P., late of Chapel Street, Lismore.

It isn't what we write, or even what we say,

It's how we feel inside, as we think of you today.

You always had a smile to share,

A laugh, a joke, a time to care,

No longer in our lives to share,

But in our hearts you are always there.

A wonderful mother, warm and true,

Those are the memories we have of you.

(Sadly missed by Teresa and son-in-law Eddie).

NANNIE
If roses grow in heaven,
Pick a bunch for me,

Pick a bunch for me,
Place them in my Nannie's
arms,

And tell her there from me. (Love, Evan X X X).

BUCKLEY — Third Anniversary — In loving memory of my mother, Margaret Buckley, late of Chapel Street, Lismore, who died January 8, 2001, R.I.P.

Silent memories keep you near,
As time unfolds another

year,

Each of us in our own way,

Have special thoughts of you today.

(Always remembered by your son Denny and Laura).

BUCKLEY — Third Anniversary — Cherished memories of my dear mother, Margaret Buckley, who died January 8, 2001., R.I.P., late of Chapel Street, Lismore.

Our hearts are full of memories.

We treasure them with care, The way you had to leave us mother,

Will always seem unfair. It broke our hearts to lose

you,
But you did not go alone,
For part of us went with you,

The day God called you

home.

We lost a mother in a million.

We loved you till the end,
We lost two precious things
that day,

Our mother and a friend. (Always remembered by your daughter Margaret and family).



BURKE — Third Anniversary
— In loving memory of
Michael (Mikie) Burke, late of
Carrigeeen, Ring, who died on
January 10, 2001. R.I.P.
Masses offered.

Anniversary Mass on Saturday evening at 7.30 pm. in Ring Church.

Will those who think of him today,

A little prayer to Jesus say. (Sadly missed by his sisters and brothers at home and away).

CANTWELL — Twelfth Anniversary — In loving memory of Liam Cantwell, Ballinroad, who died on January 6, 1992.

God came and stood beside your bed,

He took your hand and gently said,

You've suffered enough, more than you can stand,

You'll come with me to a better land.
You had a smile for every-

one,
You had a heart of gold,

You left the sweetest memories,

The world could ever hold. (Never forgotten, Mary Maher and family.)



CANTWELL — Twelfth Anniversary — In loving memory of Liam Cantwell, who died on 6th January 1992.

Fold your arms around him Lord,

And treat him with special care,

Make up for all he suffered, And all that seemed unfair, If memories bring us closer, We're never far apart,

God has you in his keeping, We have you in our hearts.

(From his loving father, broth-

ers and sister).

CANTWELL — Twelfth Anniversary — In loving memory of Liam Cantwell, Ballinroad,

who died on January 6, 1992. Quietly today your memory we treasure,

Loving you always, forgetting you never.

Never more than a thought

away,
Loved and remembered every

day. (Always remembered Mary, Michael, Kayleigh, Nicola, Aedin and Eoin Regan.)



CUMMINS — Twenty second Anniversary — In loving memory of Martina Cummins, late of Kyne Park and Fermoy, who died on January 7, 1982. Like falling leaves the years go by,

never die.

Sunshine passes, shadows fall,

But memories of you outlast them all. In the centre of God's gar-

den, There is someone special

there,
That someone is our daughter.

The best beyond compare.
Will those who think of her today,

A little prayer to Jesus say. (Lovingly remembered from Mam and Dad, brothers and

sisters and niece Lorna.)

DRUMMEY — First Anniversary — Treasured memories of Tom Drummey, 8 Cloneety Villas, Dungarvan, who died on 6th January 2003.

Your life was full of kindly deeds,

A helping hand for others needs,

Sincere and true in heart and mind,
Beautiful memories left

behind.
(Forever remembered by Maurice and Frankie.)

DRUMMEY — First Anniversary
— In loving memory of my
beloved father Tom, late of 8
Cloneety Villas, Dungarvan who
died on 6th January 2003.

A father is a special gift, One you think will stay, You never think the day will come.

When he will go away, Memories we keep one by one,

Things you have said, Things you have done, They bring a smile and often a tear,

But always a wish that you were here,

I lost a father with a heart of gold, How much I miss him can

never be told. (From your loving daughter Jacqueline, son-in-law Jim and grandchildren XXX).

DRUMMEY — First Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear father Tom, late of 8 Cloneety Villas, Dungarvan, who died on 6th January 2003.

In the early morning, When the birds began to sing, You heard a gentle call, You took the hand of God, And quietly left us all, You suffered much in silence, Your spirit did not bend,

You faced each day with courage, And smiled right to the end, Lots of things have happened

Since you went away,
Things you could have shared
with us.

If God had left you stay, Though life goes on without

It will never be the same, You haven't been forgotten, What's more you never will. Will those who think of him today,

A little prayer to Jesus say. (From your loving daughter Gabrielle, grandsons Christopher, Stephen and Brendan XXXX).

FOWLER — Seventeenth Anniversary — In loving memory of Anthony Fowler, late of 13, Byrneville, Dungarvan, who died on January 16, 1987.

You never miss the sunshine, Till the evening shadows fall, You never miss loved ones, Till they are gone beyond recall.

So be forever with him, Lord, Hear him should he call,

And light a star above his grave,
When evening shadows fall.

(Always remembered by your loving sisters Lorraine and Theresa, nephew Wayne and nieces Toni and Cody.)

FOWLER — Seventeenth Anniversary — In loving memory of Anthony Fowler, late of 13, Byrneville, Dungarvan, who died on January 16, 1987. R.I.P.

Your memory is precious and never grows old,

It is locked in our hearts in letters of gold, Your presence we miss and

memories we treasure, Missing you always, forgetting

you never. (Never forgotten by his aunt Birdie, Joe and family, Stockwell, London.)

FLYNN — Eleventh Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear Mam, Nell, late of Ballinamuck who died on 9th January 1993. Aged 87 years, R.I.P.

Will those who think of her today,

A little prayer to Jesus say. (Never forgotten by your loving daughter Mary, son-in-law Pat, grandchildren and great grandchildren).

HODNETT — Forty-first Anniversary — In loving memory of our dear father, Edward Hodnett, Ballyhane, Cappoquin, who died on January 5, 1963. R.I.P. Masses offered.

Will those who think of him today,

A little prayer to Jesus say. (Inserted by his daughters, grand-children and greatgrandchildren).

FRAHER — Ninth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear father John (Jack) Fraher, late of Cahernaleague, Ballinamult which occurs on 7th January. Anniversary Mass on Sunday 11th January at 11 am in St. Mary's

Parish Church, Touraneena.

I lost a father with a heart of gold,

How much I miss him can never be told,

He shared my troubles and helped me along,

If I follow his footsteps, I will never go wrong, I miss you from the fireside

chair,
Your loving smile and gentle air,
Your vacant place no one can

I miss you father and always will,

fill

He was a father so very rare, Content in his home and always there, On earth he toiled, in Heaven

he rests, God bless you father, you were one of the best.

(Sadly missed by your daughter Eileen, son-in-law Jamie, grandchildren Keith and Gillian). FRAHER — Ninth Anniversary
— In loving memory of my dear
Dad, John Fraher,
Cahernaleague, Ballinamult
who died on January 7th, 1995.

I think of you in silence, Without an outward show, But how I really miss you

Dad, No one will ever know, You worked so hard for all of

us, When we were children

small,

And just when life was getting easy,

You were taken from us all, You gave us everything you had Dad,

Your time, your love, your care,

You never asked for anything,

And you were always there, Your life was lived unselfishly, With your gentle, loving ways,

No verse can say, no flowers repay,

The wonderful Dad I lost that day.
(Love and miss you always Dad, your daughter Pauline and

grandson Mark).

FRAHER — Ninth Anniversary — In loving memory of my father, John (Jack) Fraher, Cahernaleague, Ballinamult who died on January 7th, 1995.

Although we sadly miss you, We know we are not alone, 'Cause you are watching

over us,
In a place you now call home.
So always stay beside us,
It helps to know you're there,

And thank you for the memories, And for all your love and

(Always remembered by Leonard and Carmel).

REGAN — Tenth Anniversary
— In loving memory of Lar
Regan, late of 50, Glendine
Drive, Abbeyside who died on
January 9th, 1994. R.I.P.
Anniversary Mass in Abbeyside
Church at 7 pm on Saturday

January 17th.
Time unfolds another year,
Memories we keep very dear,
You are loved and thought of

every day,
Will those who think of Lar today,

A little prayer to Jesus say. (Always remembered by your loving wife Josephine and family).







McGRATH - BONNER — In loving memory of William, his wife Bridget, their son Jim and their granddaughter Loretto Bonner, all of whose anniversaries are around this time.

Gone from our home those smiling faces, Their cheerful happy ways.

The hearts that won so many friends,

In bygone happy days.

Always remembered by Maggie, son-in-law Ted, grandsons

Kieran, John, Michael and James, granddaughter Bridget and great grandson Amar).

TOBIN - Sixteenth Anniversary

Tobin, late of 6, Connolly Row,

Dungarvan, who died on January

true.

kind.

11, 1988.

there.

she knew

left behind.

and greatgrandchild.)

A heart of gold, a life so

Loved and remembered by all

Always willing, helpful and

What beautiful memories she

(From her loving daughter

Rosarie, James, grandchildren

TOBIN - Sixteenth Anniversary

In loving memory of Elizabeth

Tobin, late of Connolly Row,

Dungarvan, who died on January

A loving spray of memories,

Memories we will treasure,

Of the one we dearly loved.

In the centre of God's garden,

There is someone special

That someone is our moth-

The best beyond compare.

law Christy and grandchildren.)

(From her daughter Ann. son-in-

TOBIN - Sixteenth Anniversary

- In loving memory of Elizabeth

Tobin, late of 6 Connolly Row,

Dungarvan, who died on January

But the things that never alter,

It isn't what we write, it isn't

It's how we feel inside, when

we think of you today.

Acknowledgment

LATE TOM RYAN

Comeragh, Leamybrien

The wife, sister and relatives

of the late Tom Ryan, wish to

thank most sincerely all who

sympathised with them in their

recent sad bereavement, all

who sent Mass cards, letters

of sympathy and floral trib-

utes, all who attended the

rosary, removal of the

remains, Mass and burial. A

very special thank you to Fr.

John Delaney P.P., also Fr.

Michael Enright and Fr.

Garrett Desmond. To Nora

Hogan Walsh and the Parish

Choir, the readers and all who

took part in the offertory pro-

cession, Altar servers

Sacristan and grave diggers,

our sincere thanks. To Doctor

Roache Neagle who took care

of Tom throughout his illness,

to our very kind neighbours

and friends for all their help

and support, especially all

who travelled long distances

to be with us. Our most sin-

cere thanks to Drohan's

Funeral Directors. Trusting

this acknowledgement will be

As a token of our appreciation

the holy Sacrifice of the Mass

will be offered for the intentions

Months Mind Mass in

Kilrossanty Church at 11 am

on Sunday, 11th January.

accepted by all.

of all.

A lot in life has altered.

Are memories of you.

A lot in life is new,

what we say

(Pat, Annie and family).

Tied up with all our love,

In loving memory of Elizabeth

IN MEMORIAMS



TOBIN Sixteenth Anniversary - In loving memory of my dear mother, Elizabeth Tobin, late of 6, Connolly Row, Dungarvan, who died on January 11,

They say in time you will forget,

Dear Mam, that isn't true, For every day in some small way,

I always think of you.

To me you were someone special,

Someone kind and true, You will never be forgot-

For I thought the world of

Will those who think of her today,

A little prayer to Jesus say.

(Always remembered - your loving daughter Breda, son-inlaw Martin and family).

TOBIN - Sixteenth Anniversary In loving memory of Elizabeth Tobin, late of 6, Connolly Row, Dungarvan, who died on January 11, 1988.

God chose to take my mother, He wanted one so fine, Oh God above, please tell me, Why it had to be mine. To know her was to love her,

Her kind and loving smile, To have her as my mother, Made everything worthwhile,

No length of time will heal my My love for you is far too deep, With broken heart I whisper

low. God bless you, Mam, I miss you so.

(From her daughter Betty and Billy, Eliza, Liam and Tamara.)

TOBIN — Sixteenth Anniversary - In loving memory of Elizabeth Tobin, late of 6, Connolly Row, Dungarvan, who died on January 11, 1988.

As time goes by without you, And days turn into years, They hold a thousand memories,

And a million silent tears. You showed us love and kindness

You showed us how to care,

You bound us all together, With a love few families share.

Someday we will meet again,

Where sorrow is unknown, We will fold our arms around

And tell you we've come home.

May the God of love be with you, Mam,

And grant you eternal rest. From her loving daughter Margaret, Paddy and Gillian.)

Anniversary - In loving memory of my dear mother, Elizabeth Tobin, late of 6, Connolly Row, Dungarvan, who died on January 11, 1988.

The years have passed since we parted Mum,

Our hearts still yearn for

We watched you battle till the There was nothing we could

We stood around your bed-

And watched you fade away. We prayed and prayed to God

above, That He would let you

stay, But no, God came and took

your hand, And whispered from pain you are now free.

You will be with me in para-

How happy you will be, Will those who think of her

A little prayer to Jesus say. (Never forgotten by her loving daughter Marie, son-in-law Denis and grandchildren Barry, Darren and Ross.)

Sixteenth Anniversary - In loving memory of my dear mother, Elizabeth Tobin, 6, Connolly Row, Dungarvan, who died on January 11, 1988.

No matter how we spend our days,

No matter what we do, There is a longing in our

hearts. For yesterday and you. Remembering you is easy,

We do it every day, But missing you is a

heartache, That never goes away.

(Your loving son John, daughter-in-law Frances, grandchildren Michelle, Siobháin, Deirdre, Lorraine, Jacqueline.)

TOBIN Sixteenth Anniversary - In loving memory of my dear mother, Elizabeth Tobin, late of 6, Connolly Row, Dungarvan, who died on January 11, 1988.

Have you ever lost a mother who meant the world to you.

One you loved so very much and miss just like I do,

If you've never had this feeling, pray you never do,

For when God takes your mother, He takes a part of

I think of you in silence, Mam,

I often call your name, What I'd give to hear your voice,

And you to call my name. You may be out of sight, Mam.

We may be worlds apart, But you're always on my

And forever in my heart. (Never forgotten by your loving daughter Kathleen, son-in-law John and grandchildren Yvonne, Paul, Tony and Eoin, and greatgrandson Lee.)

Birthday Remembrances



POWER Remembrance of Grandad, Bobby Power, late of 8, St Brigid's Terrace, Dungarvan whose 93rd birthday is on Saturday, January 11.

Never more than a thought away,

Loved and remembered everyday,

Will those who think of him today,

A little prayer to Jesus say. (Lovingly remembered Catherine, Patrick, Robert, Majella and baby Mia).

MURRAY - Birthday remembrance of Brian Murray, late of King Street, Abbeyside whose birthday occurs on 8th January.

Your life was love and labour, Your love for your friend was

You did your best for all of us, We will always remember you. (Always loved, never forgotten by your second family John, Breda and girls).

Death Notice

DUGGAN, Johnny, Seattle, Washington, USA and late of Brugha Place, Cathal Dungarvan, who died on Tuesday, 6th January, 2004. Lovingly remembered by his wife Kathleen and family, USA and family at home.

NOVENA

NOVENA TO 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 prayer, not mine. Amen. Say this prayer for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted. Never known to fail - G. F.

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HORSE RACING SNIPPETS BY MARK PHILLIPS

BEEF OR SALMON

Beef Or Salmon who disappointed in the Ericcson Chase at Leopardstown over Christmas was found to have mucus in his lugs when scoped by trainer Michael Hourican. His trainer states however that he should be ok within seven days.

PAULS PAYDAY

When Ruby Walsh guided Cornish Rebel to victory at Newbury last week it took trainer Paul Nichols past the £1 Million prize money mark for the season.

DID YOU KNOW

Trainer Henrietta Knight enjoyed a profitable festive season where two of her inmates Edredon Blue and Best Mate won Grade 1 chases but did you know that Henrietta Knight was a schoolteacher prior to turning her hand to training racehorses.

BEST MATE PLANS

Best Mate after his brilliant win at Leopardstown will now head straight to Cheltenham where he appears well on course to posting a hat trick of victories in the Tote Cheltenham Gold Cup. The last horse to win three Gold Cups was the great Arkle who proved successful in 1964, 1965 and 1966.

SUCCESSFUL FAMILY

The odds on three racehorses from the same dam winning on two successive days is pretty high. Well top class brood mare Katday achieved this notable achievement.

Her first winner was the eight-year-old Best Mate (by Un Desperado) who won at Leopardstown. That afternoon Inexorable (by Roseleir) a five year old won at Limerick while the following day at Newbury the six-year-old Cornish Rebel (by Un Desperado) came up trumps under Ruby Walsh.

THIS WEEKS FIXTURES

Wednesday — Punchestown	1.00pm,	Musselburgh, Hereford,
Linafield.		

Thursday — Southwell, Wolverhampton, Wincanton.
Friday — Ludlow, Towcester, Wolverhampton
Saturday — Navan 12.55, Haydock, Uttoxeter, Warwick,
Ascot, Lingfield

Sunday — Leopardstown 12.50

WORKING WITH HORSES

Just as with generations before them many Irish folk have been brought up with horses and this talent is nurtured through working for one of the top studs or training stables.

RACE the Racing Academy and Center of Education has provided a grounding for many top jockeys including Johnny Murtagh winner of 12 Group 1 events in six different countries in 2000 and Ireland has thrown up countless leading riders including the legendary Mick Kinane, the now recently retired Pat Eddery and the current UK champion jockey Kieran Fallon who rode winners in Tramore for Kevin Prendergast.

The Irish National stud also offers a course that has seen graduates go on to hold major positions in stud operations around the world while there are several equine degree courses available in Ireland.

HORSE SALES IN IRELAND

Ireland boasts two world-class sales companies in Goffs of County Kildare and Tattersalls (Ireland) at Fairyhouse in County Meath. The two sales companies would sell in excess of 6,000 horses in any one-year for a figure in excess of Euro 110 million. Goffs flagship event is the Orby Yearling sale in the Autumn. Grandera the 2003 World Racing Series Champion is the most recent high profile graduate of this sale. Goffs hold major auctions of mares and young stock in February and November from where Rock Of Gibraltar's dam was bought for Ir £11,500.

Tattersalls (Ireland) which sold Cheltenham Gold Cup winner Best Mate as a foal stages one of the worlds largest thoroughbred sales in November with an unrivalled catalogue of National Hunt stock as well as a renowned Derby sales of National Hunt store horses in June and a major Flat yearling sales in September.

TONY'S BAN

Deanos Beano landed rider Tony McCoy in hot water with the Cheltenham stewards on New Years Eve. This well-known stayer has his own ideas on racing and he failed to line up properly for a hurdle race. The starter proved ever so patient however as McCoy got stuck into Deanos Beano. It did not make good television and no doubt those animal welfare do gooders were jumping up and down the country crying foul.

Deanos Beano did consent to race in the finish and ran quiet well. As soon as McCoy returned to the weigh room he was called before the stewards where he was hit with a five day riding ban.

TRAMORE UPDATE

Despite the cold and wet conditions quite a decent crowd attended the New Years Eve National Hunt card at Tramore. Waterford jockeys continued their fine run of late and three of them visited the winner's enclosure during the afternoon.

lan Power from Abbeyside got off to a flying start guiding the Andrew Lee trained Exile 100/30 to a hard earned but fully deserved two and a half lengths victory over Lorenzetti.

Gary Hutchinson from Tramore made his intentions known from the drop of the flag in the Maiden hurdle as the always-prominent Snapper Creek cruised to a six lengths victory over point-to-point winner Supreme Madam.

The combination of Waterford and Kilkenny came good in the closing Beginners chase as Larry Hurley rode the Aoife Kent trained Intercounty 6/1 to a very easy victory. Course winner Intercounty went straight into an early lead and jumping for fun Intercounty had his rivals in trouble a long way out and despite pecking on landing over the last Intercounty raced to an easy win over Our Bob who came from behind to outstay Kilt Destruvial for the runner up spot.

Dunhill jockey Shay Barry completely dominated the New Year's Day meeting where the race cards were completely sold out before the first race. Shay wasted no time in getting off the mark steering the Dusty Sheehy trained Paddys Girl to victory in the opening Novice hurdle. Victory number two arrived courtesy of Redlyn who jumped from fence to fence in the Novice Chase coming home well clear of his field.

Waterford based owner John Brennan supplied Shay with his treble as the John Codd trained 12/1 outsider Ira Hayes shouldered top weight of 12 stone to victory in the handicap chase.

The showcase event of the afternoon was the Wilf Dooly Steeplechase which carried a winners prize of just over Euro 17,000. Barry Geraghty always had the Tony Mullins trained Barrow Drive in a prominent position and staying on strongly on the uphill climb to the finish Barrow Drive easily accounted for Ceoil Agus Craic. The David Casey ridden Ground Ball was destined for the runner up spot when taking a crashing fall at the final fence. Thankfully both horse and rider escaped with just a shaking.

The provision of a large screen on the infield of the track was much appreciated by the large attendance on both days.

TRAMORE FIXTURES FOR 2004

Tuesday	January 27th
Saturday	March 20th
Sunday	April 4th
Saturday	June 5th
Thursday	August 12th
Friday	August 13th
Saturday	August 14th
Sunday	August 15th
Thursday	October 14th
Friday	December 31st

NEW CLERK OF THE COURSE

Former amateur rider Pat Graffin officiated as Clerk Of The Course for Tramore on New Years Day having taken over from Max Fleming.

PIERSE HURDLE

The big race at Leopardstown next Saturday is the Pierse Hurdle of Euro 130,000.

I cannot fancy Arch Stanton with 11 stone 3 pounds on his back and my each way fancy is the Noel Meade trained Snob Wells

POINT-TO-POINT FIXTURES SUNDAY JANUARY 11TH

Shillelagh Foxhounds, Fairwood, Tinahely, County Wicklow, 12.30 pm

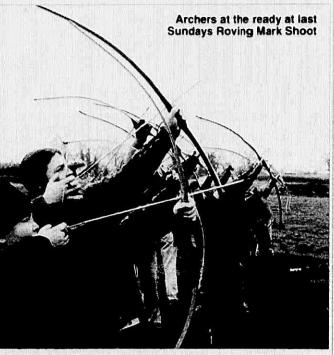
Stonehall Harriers, Toomdeely, Askeaton, County Limerick,

Muskerry Foxhounds, Aghabullogue, County Cork 1pm

JOCKEY AWARDS

Two recent awards that deserve mention was the Park Hotel Sports star of the month for November to Shay Barry while County Meath jockey Barry Geraghty was voted the RTE/Hibernian Sports Personality of the Year last Saturday night.





ROVING MARK SHOOT

Happy New Year to all, well were back in action again after the festivities last Sunday seen the first of our 2004 Roving Mark Shoots. There will be approximately six of these throughout the year with a prize for those who accumulate the highest points total at the end of the year.

A good crowd turned up on Sunday to shoot across the town lands of Bewley and Knockalara on the land of Michael Roche to whom we are most grateful. Once again our course coordinators did a brilliant job in creating a challenging and interesting course. Well-done lads.

Kevin Power sets the pace after the first round shoot closely followed by Vinny O'Donnell while on 25 junior archer Stephen Power-showed the seniors how to do it. One must state that young Stephen shot the majority of the course from the same starting point as the seniors. Well done.

When all the shooting was done the following scores were achieved:

Kevin Power	35
Vinny O'Donnell	34
Stephen Power	25
Liam Power	20
Robert Greaney	17
Michael Dee	16
Virginie	15
Michael Power	14
Aideen Mulcahy	14
Bob Greaney	13
Dan Doyle	10
Brian Mulcahy	9
Carl Geoghean	8

Next week we are back to Chavasses shoot off at 11.00 a.m.

COACHING

Archery coaching will take place over the next couple of weeks please make arrangements with Kevin or Carl for same.

BY THE WAY

In relation to Roving Mark Shoots, Kevin will also be running a workshop in the near future in the art of "plinking" this is a method of firing an arrow which everyone thought was lost to man. So it's thanks to Kevin for resurrecting this lost style of archery.

Watching in hope Bob, Rob, Mike Dee and Virginie



DUNGARVAN CREDIT UNION CYCLING CLUB NOTES

POST CHRISTMAS SPINS

We have had a very busy programme over the Christmas period, and have been very fortunate to get favourable weather on most occasions. The exception to this, of course, was Stephen's Day, which was very wet, but nonetheless attracted several to stretch the legs after the festive period.

New Year's Eve was a different morning entirely, as we headed around our favourite Ballyduff. This spin proceeded at a steady pace to Lismore, where five of our number decided to return directly home, as the rest headed to Ballyduff via Southpark, Woodville and Glenmore Bridge. We negotiated tricky icy road conditions on Ballyduff Bridge, and headed uphill through Coolydoody, Coolowen and Knocknamuck, before swinging right along the N72 back to Lismore and Dungarvan. Taking part on this lovely spin were: Francis Barry, Padraig de Búrca, Vincent Feeney, John Flynn, Brian Guiry, Eddie Moore, Millie Murphy, Tony Murray, Tony O'Sullivan, Vincent Tutty, John Treacy and Terry Carey. One member had a mechanical problem on the return and phoned the Broom Wagon back in town. Of course when support arrived he didn't want to sit in, he just borrowed a wheel. This spin picked up a strong pace home from Affane, and increased a bit more from Ballylemon, finishing with a good sprint at Kilrush.

Last Sunday, January 4th proved to be a very cold morning, but dry, and much more pleasant than had been forecast. So much so that a larger group than usual assembled for our 10 am departure from the Square, as follows: Padraig de Búrca, Justin Coonan, Ray Dwyer, Vincent Feeney, Brian Guiry, Brett Lynam, Eddie Moore, Tony Murray, Martin Veale, Vincent Tutty, Eoin Whyte and Pat Kennealy.

As mentioned above, this spin left at precisely 10 am, as will all future spins. We are grateful for our members' punctuality on recent spins. However anyone thinking that we will wait a few minutes for latecomers, unfortunately will find that they have cycling to catch up to us, just when you need to have easy warm-up cycling. Many cyclists commented last Sunday on the steady pace acceptable to the entire group, with the exception of the first few miles, which needed to be steadier, just to warm up cold muscles. Faster cycling does not do this effectively, and can cause an injury.

In addition to our Club Spins, many others were spotted on the roads over the Christmas and New Year, notably Maurice Hickey, Willie O'Driscoll (with his new 30-gear machine), Thomas Hogan, Mark Power, Paddy Murphy, Rory Wyley and Joe Kelly. Other members, who need to get in shape for the New Year, please get moving ASAP.



LIONS CLUB
CHRISTMAS APPEA

Members of the Dungarvan Credit Union Cycling Club who took part in the clubs sponsored cycle in aid of the Lions/WLR FM Christmas Appeal Fund. (Photo: Rory Wyley)

CANARIES 2003

As part of our review of 2003, we include this week an account from the trip undertaken by Dungarvan Credit Union Cycling Club to Gran Canaria.

On Saturday March 1st, a 16-strong group flew out from Cork, arriving at the Parqumar Apartments in Gran Canaria at about 7pm. Our first job was to assemble the bikes. Sunday morning saw the first of many spins, taking us up to Fatica and back the main Airport Road. These spins involved really tough climbing, but also great downhill stretches. After that, it was a mixture of spins between Fatica, Moean, Puerto Rico, The German's and beyond, depending on how much climbing we were willing to endure in one day.

Our full team of 16 cyclists cycled every day bar one, when some chose to go for a run, while others took a well-earned break.

Unfortunately Friday evening came around much too quickly, and after the last spin it was time to pack the bikes away for the early pick-up time of 4.30am the following morning. All said, we had some great cycling, aided by the exceptional weather (28 – 33 degrees every day).

Our club trip for 2004 sees a lot of the same names back again, together with a few additions, 18 in total. We will be flying out from Cork on February 28th, 2004. A balance of

Fuary 28th, 2004. A balance of €350 must now be paid to Court Travel by December 31st, 2003. And then, there's

the small matter of training... MEMBERSHIP

Membership forms for 2004 will be available within the nest week. If you are not currently a member, but are interested in cycling with us, please contact us for an application form. All participants for this year's Canaries Trip will be expected to have their licence renewal sorted in good time. No exceptions. The secretary can be contacted at 43422, or email us at dungar-vance@eircom.net

NEWCOMERS WELCOME

We will welcome along any others who would like to join us on our regular Sunday spin, whether they be newcomers to the sport, or other existing members. Come along and have fun. Your fitness level will increase very quickly, and you will enjoy the experience.

Winter spins leave the Square on Sundays, and John Foley's Garage, Kilrush on Saturdays, at 10am on both days. Please take note that it is our intention that all spins leave exactly at the stated time, and you are asked to be in attendance promptly.

GOALS FOR 2004

Why do we make New Years' resolutions? Well, it's a great way to set out for yourself what you would like to achieve during the year.

Whether it be any of our Club planned events, such as Canaries Trip in March, Wicklow in June, Ring of Kerry in July, Blazing Saddles and Coast-to-Coast in September, or other Club events such as our 12-week Summer Series, our Kelly Pharmacy Race in May, the Pattern Race in August, or racing / leisure events at many regional locations, you will achieve your goals by finalising your intentions as early as possible. Perhaps, on the other hand, as a beginner cyclist, you might set out to cycle shorter distances on a regular basis. Whatever the case, make your plans for the year, and set out to achieve your goals.

NO. 14 IN THE UK CHARTS

A recent visit to http://www.bcf.uk.com which is the website for the governing body of British Cycling, reveals that Dungarvan cyclist Rory Wyley is now at number 14 in the Elite Category section rankings at the close of the 2003 season. This is a tremendous achievement, and augurs well for the season ahead. Well done Rory.

NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday from Kilrush and Sunday from the Square, 10 am. A few members have indicated that they would like to venture into Tipperary soon. The Vee was mentioned. Others are thinking of Knockanore and County Cork. Whichever way, it looks like the hills are beckoning...

Beginner cyclists will be most welcome on these spins. If you are interested only in a shorter section of our intended spin, join with us at the start, and turn for home whenever you wish. In all probability you will not be on your own as someone will turn with you.

The spins for the months of January and February will be organised by the Canaries Group. They will set the routes, distance and pace for these spins, and, although all other

club members are most welcome on these training spins, you are asked to leave the control of these spins to those directly involved. Extra spins on the menu as the date approaches, with lots of severe hills to help reduce the Christmas pounds.

COMMITTEE MEETING

First meeting of the new committee will be held next Monday, January 12th, in the Park Hotel at 8.30 pm. Full attendance required.



Brian Guiry, Dromore, pictured prior to a recent spin.



Gran Canaria March 2003: Back row, l to r: Pat O'Brien, Tony Elsted, Maurice Hickey, Ray Dwyer, Eddie Moore, Francis Barry. Front row: James Veale, Martin Veale, Philip Cleary, Michael Dwyer, Alban O'Donoghue, and Anthony Dwyer. Missing from photo: Pat Scanlan and John Treacy.

RED HOUSE LEAGUE ROUND-UP

Wins for Top Two **Ardmore and Lismore**

BALLYDUFF ARE BEATEN IN CRACKER

Lismore and Ardmore set the pace in the Premier when both had good wins on Sunday last and they have now opened a gap resulting at the halfway stage into a two horse race. However, with most teams having seven games to play it is far from over although the top two must be favourites to battle it out for the title.

RE HEL Does this mean Joe will stay with Lismore and not take over from Gerard at

Ballyduff lost their first league game in a seven goal thriller in Araglen and Castlebridge are held by Glenview.

ARDMORE 2 BRIDEVIEW 1

This game was switched to the seaside resort on Saturday and both sides served up a very entertaining 90 mins. Brideview took the lead after 16 minutes when William Henley found the net. But the league leaders fought back and got a deserved equaliser through Anthony Ahearn. Ardmore had the better of the play at this stage and it took two first class saves from Billy Sheehan to deny Ardmore and keep Bride View in the game.

In the opening twenty minutes of the second half Brideview piled on the pressure but could not turn the many chances into scores. With 15 minutes remaining a Johnny Hennessy cross was brilliantly headed into the net by the long serving Anthony Ahearne for the winner. With 3 minutes remaining the Tallow side had the best chance of score with only the keeper to beat. Straight from the kick out Johnny Hennessy had the chance to put the game beyond Brideview but Billy Sheehan again made another brilliant save.

Overall a very good game by two teams intent on playing attacking football and helped in no small way by good refereeing from Tommy O'Sullivan who kept the game flowing as much as possible so as we head into 2004 Ardmore still lead the table and remain undefeated.

ACCRINGTON 1 LISMORE 2

After their draw in Tallow the previous break. week Lismore were cautious last Sun-Landers goal settled them. Accrington to their credit fought hard and the game flowed from box to box but the home side could not score before the break.

In the second half it was much of the same but Dan Shanahan put the game beyond Accrington when he scored for Lismore. The home side pulled a goal back just before the final whistle when Will Twomey scored. Lismore will be glad to have collected all three points, especially with Ardmore winning against Brideview.

Joint Manager Joe will be delighted with "the double" - Lismore winning and Liverpool defeating Yeovil in the F.A. Cup.

PINEWOOD RANGERS 2 CAPPOQUIN 1

Anfield? Time will tell.

Cappoquin continued their dreadful season when they lost their fifth game of their league campaign away in Ballymacarbry to an inform Pinewood Rangers.

Pinewood took the lead from the penalty spot, per Martin Walsh. They increased their lead through Ml. O'-Grady.

In the second half Cappoquin pulled a goal back but that home side held on for a very good win.

VALLEY RANGERS 3 GORTROE 1

Valley won just their 2nd league game when they overcame the challenge of an understrength Gortroe side.

Terence Rumley scored twice and Colin Hogan once while Leonard Byrne had a consolation goal for Gortroe. At the half way stage Gortroe appear to the game but Stuart Barry could not be in a very serious spot at bottom of the table and need points to avoid the drop. Valley Rangers are just above the relegation spot at present.

ARAGLEN 4 BALLYDUFF 3

What a cracker we had in Araglen. Seven goals, plenty of goalmouth chances, two penalties and Ballyduff lost their first league game.

2 goals from Paddy Kenneally and one from Brendan O'Brien against two from Brendan Hannon gave the game 4 goals in the opening 30 minutes. Tom Kenneally then converted a penalty to leave the home side leading at the

Shortly after the break John Twomey day on their trip to Fermoy but an Alan equalised from the penalty spot before Brendan O'Brien got his second and the winner for Araglen. As we said a cracker and the result opens up the division somewhat.

INCH 2 KILWORTH 1

A good result here for the home side who led at the break through a Declan Fogarty penalty. Kilworth equalised in the 75th minute when a Colin Lynch shot was deflected into the net. With just 5 minutes remaining Jimmy Foley scored the all important winner for the home side and pushed Inch into second spot in the league.

BALLYBRIDGE 5 BRIDEVIEW 1

Goals from MI. Rohan and Vinny Coonan gave the home side a 2 goal

lead at the break. In the second half Aidan Ryan took over, scoring a hattrick in 45 minutes. Andrew McCarthy had a consolation goal for Brideview who were not strong enough for a Ballybridge outfit who are now in a challenging position for promotion.

CLASHMORE 1 MODELIGO 4

Both sides come into this game without a win and at half time both teams were level at one goal each thanks to Pa O'Rourke for Clashmore and Alan Bending for the visitors. In the second half Vince Donovan's team took complete control with goals from Bending, Shane Redding and David Gleeson.

Both sides along with Bride View will on current form be fighting to avoid relegation.

AN GHAELTACHT 0 **BLACKWATER RANGERS 2**

A wonderful game of football between two sides who played with an attacking flair, the result of which could have gone either way.

There were just 10 mins remaining when John Tobin scored and 5 minutes later David Cotter got the insurance score which has Blackwater top of the table with Castlebridge after this result.

GLENVIEW 1 CASTLEBRIDGE 1

The visitors will be bitterly disappointed with this result. On current form this result is a shock. Castlebridge took the lead after just 15 minutes when Barry O'Connell scored. Glen View got their equaliser when John Broderick scored a magnificent goal.

In the second half Castlebridge took complete control but brilliant goalkeeping, some terrible misses and the woodwork deprived the visitors of a goal which should have come.

Not a good result for Castlebridge who will look on this as 2 pts lost.

MOGEELY 3 VALLEY RANGERS 3

Not a good result for Mogeely who needed all 3 pts to stay in the promotion hunt. They had goals from Alan Collins, Jake O'Shea, Dwane Bernard, while Valley had their goals from Billy Carr (Snr), Seamus Hogan and Diarmuid Hogan. The Conna side will be delighted with this display and we are glad to see Billy Carr still getting on the scoresheet. What a servant he has been to Valley and the Red House League.

Red House League^{*}

PREMIER DIVISION							
Ardmore	6	6	0	0	16	7	18
Lismore	8	5	2	1	19	11	17
Accrington	7	3	1	3	14	15	10
Pinewood Rgs.	8	2	1	5	16	14	7
Valley Rangers	7	2	1	4	18	16	7
Bridview	4	1	1	2	8	8	4
Cappoquin	7	1	1	5	11	19	4
Gortro	7	1	1	5	11	23	4
1ST DIVISION							
Ballyduff	8	6	1	1	19	9	19
Inch	8	4	2	2	17	7	14
Araglen	8	3	3	2	13	9	12
Kilworth	6	4	0	2	7	4	12
Ballybridge	7	3	2	2	16	12	11
Modeligo	7	1	2	4	8	16	5
Clashmore	8	0	3	5	12	23	3
Brideview	4	0	1	3	3	15	1
2ND DIVISION							
Blackwater	8	6	1	1	18	4	19
Castlebridge	8	6	1	1	16	4	19
Mogeely	8	5	1	2	22	8	16
Affane	7	4	2	1	14	8	14
An Gaeltacht	8	3	1	4	17	20	10
Valley Rangers	8	1	2	5	9	17	5
Glenview	8	1	2	5	7	26	5
Bally Celtic	7	0	0	7	0	16	0

OSCAR TRAYNOR CUP NEWS

On Friday night last we went to Ardroit Park, Youghal to see the Red House League Oscar Traynor Cup side training. From a panel of 20 players, fifteen were training while the other five were injured. We were delighted to see the commitment all players are giving the management team of Liam, Joe, Paddy and Ben. Last Friday night's training session took place in a continuous shower of rain but the enthusiasm shown by the players present augurs well for the game against the Sligo/Leitrim selection.

This will be a real test for the Red House League but the league management is leaving no stone unturned in making sure the team is fully fit and prepared for the task on the 1st February.

We will write on this for the next few weeks and give a pen picture of the squad of 20 players and the management

PHONE IN RESULTS

Once again we would ask clubs to please phone in there results of their games (home and away teams) to Anthony Kenneally at 087-8843739 before 5 pm each Sunday. There should be no need for us to mention this at this stage of the league, but there are some clubs who are not doing so. According to rules those clubs will be fined. It does appear to this writer that some clubs are not very worried but they will complain and criticise the league if things are not going their way.

Let us hope the league management will deal with this situation urgently.

RED HOUSE LEAGUE ROUND-UP

OSCAR TRAYNOR CUP NEWS

J. P. Grey A Serious Doubt!

The Red House League Oscar Traynor Cup side trained in Youghal's All Weather pitch on Friday night last but injuries to John P. Grey, Paul Quinn and Alan Landers are causing the managers some worries.

The most serious injury causing most concern to us is John P. Grey said Joe Tobin. I'm confident that Paul Quinn and Alan Landers should be ok next week. However, we are not so sure about John P. Grey. We have lost two players from the squad due to work commitments but we have three new faces in the squad. They are Michael John Hennessey, Rob Cronin and Kelly. We had hoped to have these lads in the panel before now but proper work held this up.

Tobin continued that the league are building for the future. We will always be on the look out for new players but we have a good squad assembled right now and I feel these players will put it up to Sligo stated Tobin.

It's the first time that there is a buzz about the players and I have no doubt that this squad will improve again after this year. That's what the league is trying to do at the moment. It's all about building for the future.

If we can keep the squad we have at the moment together

then who knows what can happen. We have three players who have played Youth football this season namely Conor Harley, Pat Walsh and Jack Crowley.

These are players of the future stated Tobin, most of the squad are in their mid twenties so there is much more to come from these players added Tobin.

Paddy Pollard was also happy with the players progress. We have come along way in the past twelve months both at Oscar Traynor Cup level and Youth level. It's now starting to pay off. We are getting a great commitment from these players and we can only go forward from here stated Pollard.

We are also lucky that most of the clubs in the league are fully behind the team added Pollard.

Hopefully our injured players at the moment will be back to full fitness soon as players like Landers, J.P. Grey and Quinn have been outstanding this season and any one of these players would be a loss. However, added Pollard we have also good players ready to step in. The Oscar Traynor cup teams are now based on a squad of players. At the moment we have a squad of 21 players.

RED HOUSE LEAGUE WEEKENDPREVIEWS



Lismore v Cappoquin

When both sides met in November Lismore scored three times and since then Lismore have suffered

just one defeat, whereas Cappoquin have lost four games and are at the bottom of the table.

On current form it is difficult to see Lismore dropping points here.

Ardmore v Valley Rangers

Definitely match of the day this has the makings of the cracker style. Ardmore have scored 16 goals and Valley have netted on 18 occasions. Against that the Conna boys have conceded 16 goals whereas the Ardmore defence has only been penetrated seven times. Ardmore will not want to drop any points and Valley need points to get away from the relegation zone, so this is definitely anyone's game. When they met in Conna in November a Johnny Hennessy goal separated the sides, so on form an Ardmore win.

Gortroe v Brideview

Both sides were beaten last Sunday and both must win on Sunday. Bride View could have snatched a draw last Sunday against Ardmore, so might start favourites. Anyone's game here. A draw won't surprise me.

Pinewood Rangers v **Accrington Celtic**

In form Pinewood should prove too strong for the Fermoy side on Sunday, and maintain their good run. Last Sunday's defeat at home has left Accrington with a lot of ground to make up. Pinewood to win.

Modeligo v Inch

The home side had their first league victory on Sunday last while Inch are second in the league table.

On form Inch should win this tie. When they met in November they scored three times against Modeligo to claim all 3 pts. Should win on Sun-

Ballyduff v Brideview

Ballyduff and when they last met the win. Village won by 2 goals to nil. Ballyduff lost their first game last Sunday and will want to atone for that defeat. Bal-

Aragien v Clashmore

Current form says Araglen should win and maintain their promotion challenge. Clashmore yet to secure a league victory may have to wait a bit longer. Araglen to win.

Kilworth v Ballybridge

This has the makings of a very good game. The home side lost last Sunday

and the visitors won against Brideview. This will be their first league meeting this season. A hard one to call. Ballybridge might just shade it.

Bally Celtic v Glenview

Not alone have Bally Celtic not won a league game all season, they have yet to score a goal. Glenview's only win of the season was against Bally Celtic in November.

After their great draw last Sunday against Castlebridge, Glenview will fancy their chances.

Valley Rangers v Castlebridge

A local derby here. When they last met the Castlelyons side scored 4 goals and conceded none. They will want to make up for their performance This game is being transferred to last week in Melleray. Castlebridge to

Affane v Blackwater

A draw was the result when they last met and both sides have been fairly consistent since then. Home advantage might suit Affane but we think Blackwater might just prove too strong on the day.

An Ghaeltacht v Mogeely

The East Cork side scored six times when these two teams met, but An Ghaeltacht are improving and if they don't win then we think a draw is on the cards.

Sympathy — Through our notes we wish to sincerely sympathise with Sheila Fraser, Tallow and the Hurley family, Tourtane, Lismore on the death of Jimmy Hurley over Christmas. Ar dheis De go raibh a anam.

RED HOUSE LEAGUE RESULTS

SUNDAY 4TH JANUARY

Premier

Accrington 1 Lismore 2 Ardmore 2 **Brideview 1** Gortroe 1 Valley Rangers 3 Pinewood Rangers 2 Cappoquin 1 1st Division Ballyduff 3 Araglen 4 Kilworth 1 Inch 2 Ballybridge 5 **Brideview 1** Modeligo 4

2nd Division

Clashmore 1

An Ghaeltacht 0 Mogeely 3 Glenview 1

Blackwater 2 Valley Rangers 3 Castlebridge 1

YOUTHS LEAGUE

Cappoquin 3

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Victories For Cappoquin **And Kilworth**

Cappoquin and Kilworth Celtic both has good victories last week.

RESULTS

Mogeely 1		Ki	worth	Celtic 3	3.	
e league table includ	ding Su	nday, 4	4th:			
	Р	W	D	L.	Pts	
Cappoquin	2	1	1	0	4	
Kilworth Celtic	1	1	0	0	3	
Mogeely	2	1	0	1	3	
Brideview Utd	1	0	1	0	1	
Ardmore	2	0	2	٥	0	

FIXTURES FOR SATURDAY, JANUARY 10TH

Kilworth Celtic v Cappoquin. Kick off 2:30pm.

Ref: M. Hartnett

Mogeely v Brideview United. Kick off 2:30pm.

Ref: P. Marks

Ardmore 1

Red House Fixtures

PREMIER

Lismore v Cappoquin at 2.30 pm (T. Griffin) Ardmore v Valley Rangers 11.30 am (W. Collins) Gortroe v Bride View at 11.30 am (N. O'Donoghue). Pinewood Rangers v Accrington at 11.30 am (T. O'Sullivan).

FIRST DIVISION

Modeligo v Inch at 11.30 am (P. Browne) Ballyduff v Bride View at 2.30 pm (T. O'Sullivan) Araglen v Clashmore at 2.30 pm (M. Hartnett) Kilworth v Ballybridge at 11.30 am (M. Hartnett).

SECOND DIVISION

Bally Celtic v Glenview at 2.30 pm (P. Marks) Valley Rangers v Castlebridge at 11.30 am (T. Griffin) Affane v Blackwater at 11.30 am (P. Marks) An Ghaeltacht v Mogeely at 11.30 am (M. Condon)

Dungarvan United A.F.C. Notes

TRIP TO DUBLIN

At the end of the month we will embark on the long journey to the Capital to take on the mighty 'Shelbourne' in their own back yard. This of course is the last 32 of our National Cup in the Under 16 grade and is most certainly one of our biggest games in recent years as regards schoolboy's football. So, if any present or past members would like to shout on the boys we would love to have them on board the bus as we set off. Price for adults is €10. Also any information can be had by contacting Francis O'Brien at 087-7769125.

SATURDAY ACADEMY

We return raring to go next Saturday at 1:30pm for our 5-6-7's and 2:30pm for 8-9-10's. Hopefully we will have a good turnout.

DELEGATE MEETING

We had the privilege of hosting the monthly delegate meeting in the clubhouse on Monday night. It is an honour to open the doors to such meetings and to highlight the excellent facilities that are available for use.

MAIN PITCH

Last Sunday saw our main pitch being used once again for action after a well earned rest due to repair work and it certainly drew favourable comments from both teams. Well done to all for the hard work that was carried out.

BUILDING WORK

At the time of these notes being penned, we are waiting for the commencement of the building on our new dressing rooms which will be a great asset to all teams in the club.

WELCOME 2004

After our well earned rest during the Christmas period we return to carry on where we left off. I trust that all our club officials and players enjoyed their break and that they are all fit and well for the remainder of the season.

ASTRO TURF

Again this is back in full swing after the break and there are a few slots available for booking during the week. Also during the weekend there are certain times available for birthday parties. Inquiries can be made to 087-7769125.

WEEKEND RESULTS

Under-16 Abbeyside 4 Dungarvan 2
Premier Dungarvan 1 Tramore 3
1st Division Mooncoin 1 Dungarvan 5

WELL DONE

To U14 player Gavin Crotty who has continued his hard work from last season by making the squad for the Waterford Development Squad. Also to our representative for Under-12 Michael Byrne who has also settled in well with his squad.

DUNGARVAN SOCCER LOTTO RESULTS

Numbers 2-27-28. No Winner. €25 winners — Aoife Sullivan and Joe Flynn. Jackpot next week €1,100. Draw in John Keanes on Sunday 11th January

FIXTURES

Saturday 10th Jan

1B League — Crusaders v Dungarvan 2.00 p.m.

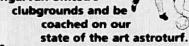
Sunday 11th Jan

Premier — Dungarvan v Southend 11.00 a.m.

DUNGARVAN UNITED SCHOOLBOYS



Calling all children between the ages of 5 to 10. Every Saturday afternoon you can call out to Dungarvan United's cluborounds and it





5, 6 & 7 year olds — 1.30 to 2.30 p.m. 8, 9 & 10 year olds — 2.30 to 3.30 p.m.

ALL ARE WELCOME

€1 CHARGE

Manchester United Supporters Club WATERFORD BRANCH MEETING

The next general meeting will take place on the 23rd January at 8 pm sharp in Lawlor's Hotel. At this meeting members travelling to the Leicester match must have their ticket money paid 40 euro adult, 20 euro junior. Anyone travelling must be in attendance at this meeting as there are a few issues to be clarified for this trip. The general meeting will be preceded by a committee meeting at 7.30 sharp.

LEICESTER FIXTURE CHANGE

As previously advised this fixture originally set for 12th April is now on Tuesday 13th April at 8 pm so if you haven't got travel sorted be aware of the change

UPCOMING FIXTURES

Any member wishing to apply for a match is advised to contact the secretary at 086-3925677 prior to sending the application.

OLD FOE HOME FOR XMAS

It was great to see Smiley Mullarkey over the Xmas. He is an avid Spurs fan but he didn't enjoy the result over Xmas, among the Spurs fans in John Keanes. He normally perches himself at White Hart Lane for his troubles.

Ardmore Soccer News HAPPY CHRISTMAS FOR ARDMORE

Ardmore had reason to celebrate over the Christmas period when two vital was, away to Pinewood and home to Brideview puts us on top of the league

PINEWOOD 1 ARDMORE 2

All the goals in this game were scored in the first twelve minutes. Clinton Hennessy netted from the spot after two minutes. Shane Walsh Pinewoods most dangerous player equalised with a header, but Johnny Hennessey had the final say when he pounced on a goal keeper error to clinch the points. That was all in the first twelve minutes. There was plenty of football played for the rest of the game, some of the play from the Ardmore midfield was sublime. They totally outplayed Pinewood and hit the crossbar three times in the second half but couldn't add to their tally. Ardmore's best Wayne Hennessy

ARDMORE 2 BRIDEVIEW 1

This was our toughest test to date as Brideview at times outplayed us and to be fair might have deserved a draw. Full credit to Ardmore who came from behind to clinch the points when Anthony Aherne equalised ten minutes before the break and the same player scored the winner with twenty minutes remaining. This was a hard fought game that could have went either way. In the first half we could thank Cathal Hennessy who was outstanding for saving us with some excellent tackles.

Both sides had chances with the Brideview keeper making some excellent saves to keep Johnny Hennessey at bay. On the day, the spoils go to the homeside leaving Ardmore on top of the league. Ardmores best-Cathal Hennessey.

Ballinroad Schoolboys Soccer News

UNDER-14 LEAGUE

Balfinroad 7 Mooncoin 2 Ballinroad were at home to Mooncoin for our first game of the new year. We hadn't played for a few weeks so we were a bit rusty at the start. It took us a while to get going, but after 20 minutes our opening goal came. A good layback from Owen McCullagh to Jamie Collender and Jamie finished well. On 28th minutes a through ball from Owen Mc-Cullagh found Austin Kiely and Austin tucked it away neatly for our second. Mooncoin had their chances but Johnny Fitzgerald was well positioned for any shots on goal. Just before half time Jamie Organ scored a fine goal after a good pass from James O'Mahoney.

Ten minutes into the second half Mooncoin scored an (og) after a mix up in their defence. We then brought on Conor Moloney and Stephen Slater. On 50 minutes Owen McCullagh got in for a well taken goal and a few minutes later Owen had a cracker of a shot come back off the crossbar. Then on 55 minutes Mooncoin were awarded a penalty which they converted for their first goal. Jamie Organ got in for his second goal with a good finish after a neat pass from Alan Sheil. Kevin Delahunty finished off our scoring with a fine header after a good cross from Austin Kiely. Mooncoin got their second goal in the final minutes of the game. A good win for Ballinroad but we have a lot of tough games ahead.

ahead.
Panel: Johnny Fitzgerald,
Colin Ryan, Tom Hanrahan,
Donal Henley, Kevin Delahunty, Jamie Collender, Alan
Sheil, Owen McCullagh, James
O'Mahoney, Austin Kiley,
Jamie Organ, Conor Moloney,
Stephen Slater.

Next training on Sunday 11th January at 11.30 a.m.

Blackwater Rangers Soccer News

We played three games over Christmas and won two of them. We had victory over Glenview and An Ghaeltact but lost to Castlebridge. Well done lads. Hope to see lads with flu back to full fitness soon again.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

I wish all our members and supporters a Happy and Prosperous New Year. I would like to thank everyone who helped out the club in anyway during the past year.

SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy is expressed to the wife and family of the late Paddy Meegan who died recently.

STRADBALLY F.C. NOTES

SINCERIEST SYMPATHIES

This has been a very sad week in Stradbally with the passing to their eternal reward of two very well known and well respected people, Gertie Drohan and George Crowley.

We as a club would like to offer our sincerest sympathies to the Drohan Family, James, Ann, Denise, Walter and Julie on their sad loss.

We would like to offer our sincerest sympathies to the Crowley family, Margo, Ismay and Georgina on their sad loss.

STRADBALLY LOTTO

The latest draw took place in Curran's Bar last Sunday evening with a jackpot of *2300. There was no jackpot winner and the three consolation prizes of *25 each went to Helen Curran, Stradbally, Liam Hogan, Knockrower and Virgil Power, Carrigbarahane. The promoter prize of €25 went to Peggy Carey.

The Christmas lotto held in Whelan's Bar, Stradbally on the 21st of December had three winners of €100 each. These went to Liam Hogan, Knockrower, Ollie Lawlor, Viewmount and Michael Norris, Englishtown. The promoter prize of €25 went to Tadgh Crowley.

Next draw takes place in Durrow Pub on Sunday the 18th of January with a jackpot of €2400.

3rd DIVISION

We had a good win away to Tycor last Saturday afternoon. Paddy Kiely and Stephen Lawlor scored two excellent early goals to set us on our way. Liam O'Brien made it three nil from the penalty spot. Tycor responded with a goal before a super Wayne Kiely lob and a 40 yard piledriver from Stuart Fee made it 5-1 in our favour.

Our next game is away to Piltown this Saturday afternoon, the 10th of January at 2.00pm and we are away to Tramore Rangers on Saturday the 17th of January at 2.00pm.

UNDER-15

A Thomas Kiely strike ensured victory over Carrick at home in our last game and the upcoming fixtures are as follows. All are at 2.30pm.

Sat 10th Jan — Home v Piltown. Sat 17th Jan — Away v Kilmac. Sat 24th Jan — Home v Tramore Sat 31st Jan — Home v Ferrybank

ABBEYSIDE UNDER-16 A LEAGUE

Abbeyside Prove Too Strong For Dungarvan

ABBEYSIDE 4 DUNGARVAN UTD 2

On Saturday last we saw Abbeyside UNDER-16 cruise to victory over local rivals Dungarvan Utd. It was a hard fought match but with 15 minutes gone an error by the Dungarvan keeper gave Kevin Ryan his first goal of the season. 5 minutes later Dungarvan were awarded a penalty when Cahill took down a Dungarvan player, but the penalty was brilliantly saved by Dane Tobin.

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Dungarvan then got on level terms with a rocket of a shot hitting the roof of the net. The second half saw Abbeyside come out a lot more stronger and within five minutes saw a superb goal scored by Mark (Ronaldo) Ferncombe – 2-1 Abbeyside. Dungarvan then levelled it to make it 2-2. Abbeyside got a corner, the ball fell to Owen Bracketts feet and he pile drived the ball home to make it 3-2 to Abbeyside. Up next was the brilliant, slick, fast moving Ferry to sink Dungarvan to a 4-2 defeat to Abbeyside.

Team: Tobin, Morrissey, Healy, Meehan, Deegan, P. O'-Donnell, Ferncombe, Delahunty, Ryan, Sheehan. Subs: Brackett, O'Donnell, Hourigan all used.

Man of the match: Mark Ferncombe.

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RESULTS FROM SATURDAY JANUARY 3RD

Under-12 League Playoff

Valley Rangers 1 Under-13 Cup Final Clashmore 3

Ballybridge 3 Under-15 Cup Final Blackstone 0

Castlebridge 3

Pinewood 4

Results to be phoned in after games to 024-94335 or 087-9083563_ Welcome to our first notes of the New Year. While we have been

Welcome to our first notes of the New Year. While we have been off the aim however action has continued on the playing fields with the conclusion of the u13 and u15 Cup competitions while the u12 League was also decided after a playoff on Saturday last.

UNDER-15 CUP FINAL

Pinewood Win Cracking Cup Final

CASTLEBRIDGE CELTIC 3 PINEWOOD RANGERS 4

This Under-15 Cup Final took place in Conna on the Saturday after Christmas and it proved to be a cracking match. Castlebridge were a little understrength going into the game and they were soon a goal down as Darren Guiry opened the scoring to put Pinewood ahead early on. Castlebridge hit back however and superbly taken goals from Steven Walsh and Gerald O'Brien had them ahead as half time approached. Pinewood were on level terms by half time when a speculative shot from Craig Guiry found the net so it was all still to play for in the second half.

There was no let up in the efforts of both sides but again it was Pinewood who were to hit the front as once again Darren Guiry pounced to put them back in front. Castlebridge fell further behind mid way through the half when once again Guiry was the instigator as he went through but was tackled with the ball falling kindly for Shane Gleeson who found the net to put Pinewood 4-2 in front with just lifteen minutes left. Those final; minutes were put to good use however as Gerald O'Brien carved out a superb chance which was finished by Shane Sullivan and now it was game on again. John Verling and Leo Sexton went close for Castlebridge but James Ryan kept his goal intact and so it was Pinewood Rangers who were crowned u15 Cup winners after a splendid contest. League Chairman Brendan O'Connor presented the Cup to Pinewood Captain James Ryan. The man of the match award, which was chosen by the match officials, was presented by referee Maurice Condon to Darren Guiry who gave a great display up front for Pinewood.

UNDER-13 CUP FINAL

Ballybridge Come Out On Top

BALLYBRIDGE 3 BLACKSTONE 0

This Cup Final took place on Saturday last and was the first match of the New Year. It certainly got the schoolboy league off to a flying stant as it produced a cracking game and while Ballybridge scored three goals to claim the title it could just as easily have went to Blackstone as they did everything but score. Ballybridge started the better and a through ball from Niall Griffin sent Gavin Foley clear and he made no mistake with an angled shot to put his side ahead. Blackstone had started rather nervously and they were to concede a second goal midway through the half as the ball was spilled from a corner allowing Fergal Duffy to force it over the line as Ballybridge were two goals in front even though Blackstone were playing the better football. The score remained 2-0 in favor of Ballybridge thanks in the main to some superb goalkeeping from David Hyde who pulled off three great saves to deny Gavin Daly and Kevin O'Sullivan as Blackstone continued to press forward.

The second half saw Blackstone who had introduced Kevin Field in goal continue to dominate but the goal the craved never came as they again went close on numerous occasions while at the other end Kevin Field twice brought off superb saves to deny Niall Griffin. Ballybridge did however get a killer third goal as Griffin squared for Jamie Hodnett to finish and this goal finally put paid to the gallant Blackstone challenge with young Gavin Daly having a superb match. On the day however Ballybridge were the ones to score and claim the u13 Cup with League Treasurer Pat McCarthy presenting the Cup to Ballybridge captain Jamie Hodnett. Again the officials selected the man of the match award and here Niall Griffin was those for his fine display in midfield. The award was presented by Referee Paul Browne who had a superb match in this his first final.

LEAGUE MEETING

The first Schoolboy meeting of the New Year will take place on Thursday night in the Devonshire Hotel in Tallow. All clubs are asked to be present for this important meeting. Draws will take place for the u 11, u 12, u 14 and u 16 Cup Competitions while plans for the upcoming Inter League matches will also be finalised. Fixtures for the u 11, u 13 and u 15 Leagues will also be made so please be there. The meeting will start at 8-30pm.

So far the u16 League has been decided with Ardmore retaining their Title while at U12 Clashmore are champions after a playoff. In u14 Pinewood are out in front at the moment. In the Cup competitions Pinewood at u15 and Ballybridge at u13 are the champions.



won the Under-12 League Play-off against Valley Rangers recently. Pictured over is Declan Barron representing the Schoolboy League sponsors The Imokilly People, presenting the Under-12 Shield to Clashmore captain Brian O'Halloran.

UNDER-12 LEAGUE PLAYOFF

Clashmore Win U-12 Play-Off

VALLEY RANGERS 1 CLASHMORE RAMBLERS 3

A Brian O'Halloran hat-trick was the essential difference between these sides who produced another cracking match. The game was just seconds on when Brian O'Halloran broke free to open the scoring in Clashmore's first attack as Valley were rocked back. Clashmore continued to make the running with David Burns having a goal ruled out by the linesman as Valley rode their luck on more than one occasion. A second goal for Clashmore on 12 minutes had them looking comfortable but in schoolboy football things change fast as Valley saw their fortunes change when Conor Hegarty pulled off a great save from the penalty spot to deny Brian O'Halloran a first half hat-trick. Valley took heart from then on and when John Cashman scored with a well placed shot it was game on again as Clashmore led by 2-1 at the break with Valley very much in contention.

Valley continued to press forward in the second half and they too were denied an equalising goal as again the linesman flagged for off side. Clashmore were having to defend for all their worth but with John Prendergast and the O'Connor brothers Sean and Donal along with Darren Foley putting in some superb tackles they weathered the Valley onslaught. Clashmore finally broke free with Brian O'Halloran again doing the damage to complete a hat trick but there was still more drama to come with Aidan Seward making a number of saves before this time it was Valley who were awarded a penalty but unluckily for them Kevin Walsh's well struck shot went the wrong side of the post and so they had to be content with the runner up spot as referee Willie Collins brought a superb match to an end with Clashmore being crowned the u12 League Champions after a superb season. Declan Barron on behalf of the Sponsor the Imokilly People presented the League Shield to Clashmore captain Brian O'Hallorn along with the winners and runner up trophies to both sides.

East Cork /West Waterford Schoolboy League Tables

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U-16 League	Pl	W	D	L	Pts
Ardmore	7	7	0	0	21
Inch	7	5	1	1	16
Ballybridge	7	4	2	1	14
Brideview	7	3	0	4	9
Castlebridge	7	2	0	4	6
Valley Rangers	7	1	1	4	4
Cappoquin	7	1	1	5	4
Blackstone	7	0	3	4	3
U-12 League	PI	w	D	L	Pts
Clashmore	8	6	1	1	19
Valley Rangers	8	6	1	1	19
Ballybridge	7	4	2	1	14
Castlebridge	7	4	1	2	13
Blackstone	7	4	1	2	13
Cappoquin	8	3	0	5	9
Pinewood	7	2	1	4	7
Brideview	8	1	2	5	5
Ardmore	8	0	1	7	1
U-14 League	Pl	w	D	L	Pts
Pinewood	6	5	1	0	16
Brideview	4	2	1	1	7
Gaeltacht	4	1	0	3	3
Blackstone	3	0	1	2	1
Cappoquin	4	0	1	3	1

Juvenile GAA News From The Deise County

ALL OUT-GOING OFFICERS RE-ELECTED AT BORD NA NOG COUNTY CONVENTION

All outgoing officers of the County Board were re-elected at the Annual Bord na nOg Convention held in Dungarvan before Christmas. Fourmilewater's Pat Grant who had a very tough first year in the position of Chairman was re-elected for a second term. Pat is proving to be a very good chairman and could possibly go on to become chairman of Western Adult Bord or County Adult Bord in the years to come.

Mount Sion's Robert Grace was re-elected for a second term as Secretary. Long standing Treasurer Joe Cleary of Abbeyside/Ballinacourty was also re-elected for another term. Joe each year is responsible for handling a large amount of money and is another person who could in time go on to serve as an officer of the Western or County Adult Boards.

P.R.O. John O'Leary of the St. Mary's club was also re-elected for another term as was Abbeyside/Ballinacourty's Seamus O'Brien who was re-elected as the Boards registrar. Both of these two men are amongst the busiest officers in the county as both are actively involved in a number of committees at county, provincial and national levels.

Along with the above officers, the following will have responsibility for underage activities in the county during 2004, Eddie O'Shea (Western Bord na nOg Chairman), Paula Power (Eastern Bord na nOg Chairperson), Paddy O'Grady (Western Bord na nOg Vice Chairman), Martin McNamara (Eastern Bord na n-Og Secretary), Sean Breathnach (Western Bord na nOg Assistant Secretary), Jimmy McCarthy (Western Bord na nOg Treasurer), Jack Laffan (Eastern Bord na nOg Treasurer), Paddy Foley (Western Bord na nOg Assistant Treasurer) and Thomas Keane (Western Bord na nOg PRO).

Once a secretary of the Western Bord na nOg has been appointed at the first delegate meeting of th4e new board this person will also sit on the county board. In the West of the county a number of people have said that they would help out the board in any way they can. These people will all be part of the Western Bord in non officer positions.

Chairman's Address to Convention

County Bord na nOg Chairman in his first address to Convention opened his speech by thanking those within the clubs in the county for the work that they are doing to promote underage hurling and football in Waterford City and County. He then congratulated the winners of the various competitions run by the County Bord during 2003, and remarked that during the course of the year that there were some very good and exciting games played.

The Chairman thanked the sponsors of this years competitions, Supermaes, Ger Wyley Sports and Footwear, the combined Waterford and Tramore Credit Unions, the Dublin Branch of the Waterford Supporters Club and the Bridge Hotel in Waterford who came aboard in 2003 with the sponsoring of a player of the month award.

The work done by the small band of referees in the county was acknowledged by Pat Grant in his address. He asked delegates to put a stop to their club mentors, players and supporters abusing referees and to stop doing the same to opposing teams.

The Chairman pointed out that during the course of the year a major problem with the transfer of players from one club to another particularly in the East of the County came to his attention. He pointed out that from 2004 there would be uniformity in the way juvenile transfers would be handled. He pointed out that when it came to transfers and to other official correspondence that rule eleven of the official guide book would be adhered to.

He also made mention of the poaching of players that is going on within the county. He said that it was unfair that small clubs could bring players up from a young age and that once they go to secondary school and get to know players from the bigger clubs that they be approached to join their clubs.

The work done in the schools and colleges of the city and county was also commented upon by Pat Grant. He congratulated both Colaiste na nDeise and De La Salle on reaching the knockout stages of the Dr. Harty Cup and also congratulated both St. Augustine's and Dungarvan CBS on reaching the latter stages of this years Senior Football Competition.

The De La Salle Club were singled out for special praise by Pat Grant. He congratulated their under 14 hurling and football teams on winning out their division in this year's Feile na nGael and Feile Peil Og competitions.

Thomas Ryan of the Cois Bhride club was congratulated on winning the Feile Skills competition at this years Feile na nGael by Pat Grant and he also congratulated County Adult Secretary Seamus Grant on the honour bestowed upon him by the Munster Council towards the end of the year.

Pat Grant closed his report by thanking his fellow officer board and the divisional boards for their help and co-operation during the course of the year. He also in his closing remarks pointed out that from 2004 no under 12 players can play in an under 16 competition and that no-under 14 player can play at Minor level.

At the recent County Bord na nOg Convention which was held in Lawlors Hotel the following invited guests were present: Sean Fogarty (Vice Chairman of Munster Council and Chairman of Munster Coaching and Development Committee), Muiris O Suilibhean (Secretary Munster Coaching and Development Committee), Paddy Joe Ryan (Chairman County Adult Board), Paddy Walsh (Chairman of West Adult Board), John Jackson (County Adult Board PRO) Tony Morrissey (Treasurer of County Adult Board) and Pat Moore (Coaching Officer).

Sean Fogarty and Paddy Joe Ryan both addressed the delegates and were high in their praise for the work being done for underage hurling and football. CALL FOR CHANGE IN THE RUNNING OF UNDER 16 FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

At the annual convention of the County Bord na n-Og dissatisfaction in the way the under 16 football championships are run off in the county was expressed by Rathgormack's Tom Hassett. He pointed out that change was needed in the way this championship is run off. He pointed out that at present the championship is run off in late February, March and April and by the month of May when fields are coming into their best condition it is only the teams in the county finals are left in the competition.

He went on to say that a number of players who were not good enough for the starting team for the Minor team and too old for the under 14 team as things stand if clubs do not reach the knock out stages of the divisional championships they could have to wait nearly twelve months for their next game of football.

A number of delegates joined the debate and all agreed that something had to be done to ensure that players have the chance to play football all year round. Vice Chairman of West Waterford Bord na nOg Paddy O'Grady suggested a championship that would run from early Spring to late Autumn. He suggested that the football and hurling championships run together, with clubs asked to play in the league stages of the competition one game in each code once every five weeks)ie clubs would play football on week one, they would have no game on week two, hurling would be played on week three and there would be no game on week four, and on week five before the next round of games would take place).

All clubs in the county were informed of the meeting and all but three or four were present. On the night none of the clubs were opposed to football and hurling being played throughout the year. The chairman asked that delegates go back to their clubs and discuss the matter and to get back to the Board with any solutions they had come up with by mid January.

CALL FOR COMPULSORY USE OF HELMETS FOR UNDERAGE HURLING GAMES MADE BY TRAMORE CLUB DELEGATES

The Tramore delegates at the recent Bord na nOg Convention asked that the wearing of helmets be made compulsory at all games. With the growing number of facial and head injuries to players in recent years at hurling games it was clear to see where the Tramore Club were coming from with this motion.

Over the past twelve months a number of leading experts in head and eye injuries have made a similar cry as they have seen a major increase in the amount of people attending casualties as a result of injuries picked up in hurling matches and at hurling training ses-

However at present there is no rule at national level which states that all juvenile players must wear a helmet during a game. In saying this it is possibly only a matter of time before a motion is put forward requesting that all players from minor level down be made wear helmets and when it does come before congress it is hard to see the motion being defeated.

However in the meantime most clubs in the country have a rule that states that all juvenile players from minor level down must wear a helmet. The officers of every club in the country should ensure that such a club rule should be in place and further ensure that the rule is enforced by the selectors of all teams.

CO. CHAIRMAN APPEALS FOR A NEW WESTERN BORD NA NOG SECRETARY

During the course of the Annual Convention of the County Board na nOg which was held in Lawlors Hotel, Dungarvan on Thursday December 18, the Chairman of the County Board na nOg Pat Grant made an appeal for clubs in the West of the County to come up with names of suitable candidates to take up the position of Secretary for the coming Year.

Pat Grant pointed out that the position of Secretary is the most important on the Board and that without a secretary the board could not function.

COUNTY GROUNDS FOR DIVISIONAL AND COUNTY FINALS

The delegates of the Sacred Heart Club at the recent Board na nOg Annual Convention asked that the County Grounds be made available to divisional and county Bord na n-Ogs for the playing of their finals.

The delegates pointed out that their club had reached a number of finals during the year and for one of these finals could not play the game at Walsh Park because of its unavailability.

Chairman of Western Bord na nOg Eddie O'Shea said that in the West the clubs could not complain as, as many as possible of the finals were played in Fraher Field. He pointed out that sometimes the field is not available and that when this happens clubs are very understanding.

Chairman of the Adult County Bord pointed out that while he is chairman it has always been his policy to make both Fraher Field and Walsh Park available for all finals. He went on to say that however it may not be possible to make the grounds available as they may have been required for an important Munster or National

He went on to say that he enjoys to see underage hurling and football being played at our county grounds. He told delegates that over the past few years he has made numerous visits to Fraher Field on mid week evenings on his way home from work to watch underage games of hurling and football being played.

Pat Grant pointed out that during the course of the year some adult games were moved around so that juvenile games could be played at our county grounds. He pointed out that as far as possible all juvenile finals are played at the county grounds but that if a replay was needed it might not be possible to play it at Walsh Park or Fraher Field.

Kevin Tobin of the Abbeyside/Ballinacourty Club asked that because all county finals were played in Walsh Park in 2003 due to the redevelopment of Fraher Field would all county finals be played at Fraher Field in 2004. Pat Grant said that this would be the case except for where a situation might occur that two eastern teams would be involved in the finals.

COUNTY HURLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Eamonn Lonergan of the Cois Bhride Club at the recent Coursty Bord na nOg Convention asked if it was possible to play games in the county under 14 and 16 hurling championships on any other day other than on Monday evenings.

He pointed out that from parts of far West Waterford if clubs were to travel to Waterford City or to have to go to a club outside the city meant a journey of about an hour and a half to two hours. He pointed out that by the time the players get home it is getting late and that often it is the case that the players would have to be up early for school the following morning.

Chairman Pat Grant pointed out that some years back it was agreed between county and divisional Adult and Bord na nOg that Monday night would be set aside for juvenile games and that the adult Bords would not fix games for these nights. Therefore it was not possible to move games to another date.

MAN OF THE MATCH AWARDS

It was asked from the floor at the recent County Bord na nOg Convention that seemingly that in the County under 14 and 16 Hurling Championships which are sponsored by Supermacs and the Waterford Supporters Club in Dublin there is a player from each team picked out as a player of the match and presented with an award at a later date, could the same be done in football.

The officers of the Board said they could see no reason why it could not be done and when negotiating a deal for the 2004 championships with the sponsors that an awards night for the players of the match be worked into the deal.

Ballyduff Upper Chairman David Flynn asked at the recent Annual Convention of the County Bord if players could play with their own club at a lower level and play also with another club at a higher level. He felt that a player could not but had been asked through his club to ask the questions.

Seamus O'Brien said that it was against the rules of the GAA that a player could play for two different clubs, except when it was a case that a player was playing football for a sole football club and hurling for a sole hurling club. Seamus said that he could not play for more than one duel hurling and football club.

THE LOCAL MEDIA

County Bord na nOg PRO at the Annual Convention thanked the local media for all their help and co-operation in getting underage hurling and football promoted in the county. He thanked the editors of the local papers and also thanked Catherine Power of WLR for all their help.

He pointed out that it is only with the help of clubs that this coverage can continue and be improved upon. He told delegates that it was important that the information about tournaments, games played etc. had to come through from the clubs. He said that if the information was supplied it will get aired on the radio and get printed in the local papers.

Clubs who wish to get things publicised should get in contact with John O'Leary or Thomas Keane who will do all they can to get items publicised for the clubs.

EXCELLENT PUBLICATION

The Publications committee of the adult County Board which is one of the hardest working of all committees within the various Bords have to be complimented and congratulated on yet another very good publications which hit the shops just before Christmas.

The committee of Jim O'Keeffe, Tony Morrissey, Charlie Lapthorne, Breda Kiely, Seamus O'Brien, Siobhain Keane, Emer Barry, and John Jackson all worked under leadership of former county Bord PRO Paddy Dunphy to produce a publication that covers almost every aspect of the GAA.

NEW YEAR

2004 is now upon us and clubs are beginning to get themselves ready for the start of the new playing year. A number of clubs have already had their Annual General Meetings and have put their officers and trainers in place for the year ahead. The clubs that have not held their Annual General Meeting will be doing so in the next few weeks.

Of the clubs that have had their Annual General Meetings it has been noted that some of these clubs have elected some new officers. The names of these new officers plus their addresses and telephone numbers should be passed on to the divisional and county secretaries as soon as possible as they will be updating their club lists in the next few weeks.

Clubs will also be getting their players into the fields shortly to prepare for the first of this years championships which will be commencing in late February or early March.

A happy new year is wished to all juvenile players, selectors/coaches, supporters of juvenile games and sponsors of the Juvenile Championships.

GRADING FOR 2004

The officers of the Western Bord na n-Og are meeting tonight (Wednesday) to draw up provisional gradings for 2004. The clubs will be posted these gradings within the next few days. The clubs will also receive with the gradings the prices for affiliation for the 2004 western championships and also will be given a date for the first meeting of the full board.

Transfers will be dealt with at the first meeting of the new Bord. Applications for transfer forms will only be accepted from the club secretary and must be returned to the acting divisional secretary at least one week before the delegate meeting. Transfer forms must be completed properly. Any transfer form not filled in correctly will not be allowed to go through.

HANDBALL

Congratulations and well done to the Waterford players who competed in the USHA National Junior Championships in Modesto, California during the Christmas period. Full marks also to the news team at WLRfm for keeping GAA followers up to date on their progress throughout the championships.

The news team at WLR proved that if the information is provided to them they are more than happy to relay it to their listeners.

Waterford **Ladies Football** Notes

Waterford Ladies Football AGM took place on the 15th of December. Opening the meeting secretary Pat Toomey gave a short and comprehensive report on the years happenings. This was followed by a very precise outline of the financial state of the county board by treasurer Eleanor Hickey. Following this PRO Brendan Gallagher gave his report and thanked all his fellow officers for their support over the years as this year Brendan was stepping down from the PRO position.

Development officer George Young spoke of the many courses which had taken place throughout the year and the benefits they had to individual clubs. He said many more courses would take place in 2004 to ensure a continuation of the work that needed to

Registrar Marian Cliffe thanked the many clubs that sent in their registrations especially the ones that had all their paperwork done properly. Peter Jordan spoke briefly on the accident fund and explained to the delegates the best way to make a claim.

This was followed by the chairman's address. Michael spoke on all aspects of Ladies Football throughout 2003. He thanked the many mentors and young ladies that had committed themselves to County teams as he said sometimes it can be a thankless job. He also congratulated Marian Cliffe on behalf of the Munster Council on the way she presented her books in her first year as registrar of the County. Marian was singled out for praise at the recent meeting of Munster Council. Michael offered sympathies to all those who had bereavements throughout 2003

He thanked his fellow officers for their commitment to ladies football and he hoped that 2004 would bring much more to the ladies throughout the County. Michael spoke at length of the tremendous sponsorship ladies football receives from Michael Ryan of Saltan Properties. Words couldn't express the gratitude felt by all delegates and members throughout the board for the support in which Saltan Properties would continue with their most generous sponsorship.

He also thanked the many small sponsors who also help out. And on wrapping up his speech, Michael was delighted that a new fixtures committee would be set in place for 2004. He offered all clubs and members throughout the County a Happy

This was followed by the election of officers. The results of the elections as follows:

President: Noel Murray; Chairman: Michael Ryan; Vice Chairman: Brendan Gallagher; Secretary: Pat Toomey; Asst. Secretary; Peter Jordan; Treasurer: Nora Kirwan; Asst. Treasurer: Eleanor Hickey; PRO: to be filled; Registrar: Marian Cliffe; Accident Fund: Peter Jordan; Development Officer: George Young; Referees co-ordinator: Brendan Gallagher; Disciplinary committee: Anthony Raher, Johnny Landers, Jimmy O'Rourke, Sean Power, Marian Cliffe, Terry Power, Carmel Buckley; New fixtures committee: Jimmy O'Rourke, Peter Jordan, Seamus Skeehan; Irish Language Officer; Sylvia Shanley; Finance Committee: Michael Ryan, Eleanor Hickey, Nora Kirwan, Nell Dalton, George Young, Noel Murray, Nuala Murphy and Brendan Gallagher. This con-

cluded the election of officers for 2004 COUNTY BOARD MEETING

Next County Board meeting will take place on Monday, 19th January 2004 at Lawlor's Hotel at 8pm sharp. All clubs are asked to attend. Registration fees will be due at this meeting, also a list of all officers elected at club AGM's which should be finalised by this date. The list of officers is to be presented to secretary Pat

COUNTY TRAINING

Will resume on Saturday at 11am in the Friary Grounds for all under aged teams. For further information contact Johnny Kirwan on 051-294746 or John Frewen. All clubs should endeavour to send in players.

Gaelic Games Coaching Corner

SCHOOL COACHING VISITS For Tuesday 13/01/04 to Friday 16/01/04

Scoil Bothar Na Naomh 13/01/04 Tuesday An Liosmhor Abbeyside Wednesday 14/01/04

15/01/04 Clashmore/Ballycurrane Thursday St.Josephs 16/01/04 Friday

Will take place in Kill N.S.

G.A.A. **NOTES**

LONG PUCK AN OUTSTANDING SUCCESS

The long puck which took place last Sunday was a great success. 47 teams turned out for the event. This event was the brainchild of Ray Hennessy which first took place in 2002 and the goal for this year was to double the numbers taking part in the event. So this year Ray in association with the Kill GAA club began planning for the puck in November. A lot of work was done by individual members such as Michael Casey, Jack Power, Tommy Hennessy, Sinead Hennessy, Brendan and Tracey Gallagher, Theresa Keane, Tom and Hannah Power as well as Chairman Mick Aherne.

Thanks to Richie Galvin and Billy Lonergan who looked after the stewarding. Thanks to Padraig Dunphy who made his premises available as headquarters this year and sponsoring a prize, finally a special thank you to Peter and Eileen Queally for making the ground of GardenMorris available for the puck.

We were very lucky with the day as the sunshine beamed down as All Stars Ken and Eoin McGrath, Colm Bonner, John Galavin, John Mullane, James McGarry, Declan and Seamus Prenderegast, Paul Foley, Liam Fennelly, Mickey Mahoney, Colin Keogh, Damien Bryne and many others too numerous to mention.

We would especially like to thank all the clubs that made an effort to be with us and some that gave donations that couldn't be with us, we are grateful. A special thanks to Liam Fennelly who brought with him a signed hurley of the Kilkenny team which was raffled later on in the evening.

Thanks to the people who sponsored the event Tara Crystal who sponsored first prize, Dawn Meats, Dawn Foods, Curran Frozen Foods and Padraig Dunphy. Finally thanks to all the hurlers who gave so generously of their time and money to make this years event a great success.

The overall winners of the puck were Mount Sions Mc-Grath brothers who covered the course in 67 shots. The brothers received a beautiful piece of cut crystal designed by Eamonn Flynn M.D. Tara Crystal.

A total amount of €1,700 was raised in the two and a half hour period. A presentation night will be held in Padraigs soon. Date to be decided. All monies will go to Medical 4 Oncology unit, Waterford Regional Hospital. As Ray and the members of the Kill GAA club make plans to make next years puck even bigger.

OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

on Friday night next, 9th January at 7pm sharp. All members and officers are asked to attend



Friary/Abbeyside/ **Ballinacourty** Handball Club's **Trip to California**

club over the Christmas holidays when a party of roll, 21-9, 21-12. our young players travelled to take part in the Jason O'Brien and David Hickey had a great American Junior Championships.

After a very long journey, Abbeyside/Shan- Handball, Sean Lemming, before going out on non/Boston/San Francisco/Modesto, 21 hours in the score of 6-21, 17-21. practice and get used to the Alley. After Christ-tion and very popular with the American mas morning Mass, said by Fr. Pat Moran, for all audience. the Irish touring party, total of 42, we headed Our remaining under 15 doubles players went some sightseeing.

Friday evening saw the games starting and with Back into the singles at four in the evening. Monday 29th. 25 Irish players took part.

campaign in the competition.

Next in were John Kindregan, Jason O'Brien, superb lobs and kills. David Hickey, Darren Hamilton and Michael Noel's vast experience saw him through on the Brennock; of these five Jason was the only player s core of 11-21. to go through. Our 19 and unders; Seamus Jason O'Brien gave an outstanding display in his Lavan, Michael Browne and Billy Walsh were second game of singles against a very hard-hitting the last of the group to play. Seamus played his American and brought the contest to a tie breaker usual good handball. Billy found the going hard where he was unfortunate to lose out 10-11. and bowed out at this stage. All who lost in the John Kindregan was next to play and gave a first round were into the consolation shield.

On Saturday morning all the players were back hard-hitting American player.

at the alleys for an early start. Patrick Hurney All our young players were exposed to top challenging day of handball.

scheduled to play his second round game at 1pm. to the development of Waterford Handball in the Michael Browne and Patrick Hurney were the future. only players to go into the quarter final of the The Club would like to thank the following championship proper. At this stage he found him- who made the trip such a success. All the parents self drawn against second seed Robert McCarthy of the players, Mary Casey of Asketon, Co Limin the third round of the singles. Patrick had to erick who looked after our stay in San Francisco play his first doubles with John Kindregan at when we arrived, and Eddie Corbett who had all 4pm. After the heavy demands of the day Patrick our players in good form and ready for the was not able to rise to his best form for the 7pm. games. game and had to cede victory to the second seed.

All progressed into second round to be played on drove our minibus. To Fr. Moran who made sure

our players progressed into the second round. a great send off with a Christmas Dinner. Michael and Seamus went out to two Americans I would like to say to all the players, you did on a score of 21-15, 18-21, 6-11.

In the Quarter Finals, John Kindregan and Happy New Year to All.

A very successful trip was undertaken by our Patrick Hurney went out to McCarthy and Car-

battle with one of the greats of American Junior

total, the players had little time to recover and get Michael Brennock and Darren Hamilton lost to ready for the games. Christmas Eve saw us head- two Mexicans on the score of 10-21, 17-21. Daring from San Francisco to Modesta to get some ren and Michael proved to be a good combina-

back to San Francisco for Christmas Dinner and out in the second round after putting up a good

over two hundred players involved it was going First up was Michael Browne against the top to take some effort to get the games finished by Irish Seed in the 19 and under. What a performance Michael put on, not over awed by his On Saturday, 12 of our players started off their renowned opponent, Noel Mchugh. Michael brought the game to Noel and made him fight for First in were our 15 and under singles, James every ace before going down 6-21. It was the Phelan, David Walsh, John Walsh an David second game that Michael showed what he was Power. All gave a great account of themselves made of. This game was played at a very fast and two went through to played in the second pace with Michael giving his all. All that is good in handball came through, great all round play,

good account of himself before losing out a very

started off at 9am and was heading off into a very quality handball competition with different international styles and this should prove to be a good After winning his first round game, he was learning experience to them and prove beneficial

Ciaran McCloster and Peter McNamee, two Ty-In the evening, all our doubles were in action. rone friends living in the USA who hired and all our players had plenty of water, etc, and final-In the Shield games competition all but two of ly to Bab's Kiely and her staff who gave the lads

yourselves, your families, and your Club proud.

G.A.A. NOTES

BY "COMMENTATOR"

ON ENGERSORE ON ENGERS ON THE COUNTY ON CHAMPIONSHIPS

Following country meetings with county board officers, team managers and other interested people, the Special Task Force have completed their examination of the structures and have announced a proposed formula for the 2005 intercounty championships, if approved by Congress at Killarney in April next.

Not everyone is in agreement with the new plan and among those who have voiced their opposition is Waterford County Chairman P.S. O Riain who told delegates at county convention that there is no need to change the present intercounty championship formula which is

regarded as being satisfactory both by players and the public. The vast increase in attendances, he said, is ample evidence of this.

The Report states "the senior hurling championship be confined to 12 teams

(counties) and with a qualifier structure comprising of two groups of four teams in each, including Galway and the Ulster champions.

This championship to now have 4 quarter finals (as opposed to the current 2). Munster and Leinster champions versus Round Robin Runners Up and Munster and Leinster Runners Up versus Round Robin winners. A separate 2nd tier hurling championship (10 teams) and a 3rd, tier hurling championship

Other features of the Task Force Report include a separate football championship be introduced for designated counties who are knocked out in Rounds One and Two of the current qualifier system.

Recommendations are made regarding the playing of club fixtures, including the discontinuing of the "live" televised games on Saturday evenings.

It is recommended that home venues be used in Rounds 3 and 4 of the All Ireland football championship qualifiers.

It is recommended that a 13 day gap we left between Provincial finals and the 4th round of the football qualifiers for defeated Provincial finalists.

It is proposed to discontinue the All Ireland minor football championship Quarter finals and to introduce Junior and Intermediate All Ireland club championships on an official intercounty basis.

The winners of the Secondary football and 2nd, tier hurling championships will travel to New York and the North American Board areas each year, to play American teams.

Even though opposition to the proposals were expressed at our

county convention, the proposals must be debated at county board level in order to instruct delegates for congress.

Other Games In Croke Park?
The controversy rages on and on and continues to gather momentum as the weeks go by on the run up to Annual Congress.

The 'for and against' argument looks to be split down the middle in Munster with Limerick, Kerry and Clare favouring the proposal and Waterford, Cork and Tipperary against.

A media survey which was carried out in Limerick among the club chairmen showed about 75 % in favour of change.

News Bits

The presentation of the Annual Awards is most unlikely to take place until sometime in February because there is a spate of meetings listed for January. It is expected that an official announcement on the subject will be made at the County Board meeting on Monday January 19th.

New Under Age Rule

As announced by Bord Na nOg county chairman, Pat Grant at the juvenile convention, the under age rule which restricts under 12 players from playing under 16 and under 14 players from playing in the minor grades, came into effect on Thursday January 1st.

Its introduction is likely to create problems for a number of under age units whose panels of players is very limited and I can see this rule change eventually leading to more amalgamations.

Of course clubs will have face much bigger problems if they ignore the rule.

Counting The Cost?

Like all other counties in Munster, as well in most other provinces, Waterford fielded teams in all 14 intercounty championships last year.

We played a total of 38 intercounty games, 23 championship and 15 national leagues matches. As well we played 14 official challenge games and for all our county teams there were 204 training sessions.

The Balance Sheet presented at Convention gave us the details of the cost of all this and looking through the convention booklet, we find a figure of just slightly more than €333,000. This includes a figure of 8,000 paid out in fines and a figure of almost 37,000 for team kit, jerseys, equipment, hurlers, etc. etc.

What is really amazing about all this is that at the annual gathering, no one seemed to be even slightly concerned. It was higher last year than it was in the previous year and that trend has continued for many seasons.

Now the board officers know that it is going to be higher again next year, because the travel expenses for senior players has increased to 50 cents per mile from Jan. 1st.

New County Sub-Committees

Three new sub committees will be appointed by the county board in the very near future. This is a requirement of the Strategic Review Committee as it was part of their report adopted at the Special Congress.

The sub committees are: a Finance committee which will be chaired by the County Treasurer; An Information Technology Committee which will immediately set about updating our technology and communications systems, etc. This group will be chaired by a qualified member. The third sub committee that must be appointed is a Players Panel Finance committee





▲ Ballyduff (above) winners of Div. A of the Waterford Primary Schools girls football championship. They beat Dunhill NS in the final.

Breda Cleary, Secretary Co. Primary schools board. presents the Girls Div. A Football Shield to Ballyduff's captain, Katie Hannon. —(Photo; Sean Byrne).



▲ Kinsalebeg, winners of the Div. 3 final of the Western Primary Schools boys football championships. They beat Clashmore in a triller in the final.

Seamus Fitzgerald, PRO presents the Div. 3 cup to Kinsalebeg's captain, Brian O'Halloran. —(Photos: Sean Byrne).



G.A.A. NOTES

BY "COMMENTATOR"

Record Number

The annual 'transfer market' is now open and according to rumours circulating around the county there may be more movement of players than at any time in recent years.

A number of 'big' names are mentioned.

Players move away from the home club for a variety of reasons. Some transfer because they are moving residence. Others move because they see no future in the club to which they are presently attached and hope to do better after they move. This latter category show a lack of loyalty and usually are of little benefit to their new club. Also we hear, now and again of 'perks' being offered by strong clubs to players who are deemed to have potential.

In practically all cases transferring can cause sadness in clubs, many of whom are struggling to keep alive.

There are strong rumours, too

of amalgamations and practically everyone knows of the negotiations that are in train involving two adult clubs in the Eastern division. Both have won senior championships in their day, but for a variety of reasons, are now feeling the pinch because of lack of numbers, etc. This is not the only 'amalgamation' rumour that has been floating about in recent

The most important item on the agenda for this Western Board meeting will be the discussion on the championship format.

All clubs will have their say

in this debate and no doubt, the decisions on structures will advance at club meetings. Final meeting.

topic will be well discussed in than be deferred to the second

WESTERN BOARD **MEETING**

Contrary to what might have been conveyed in an earlier announcement, the first meeting of the divisional board which takes place on Thursday of next week at Lawlor's Hotel, will deal with affiliations, regradings, transfers, groupings, etc. All this business has to be transacted because the first meeting of the County Board is scheduled to take place before the second meeting of the Divisional board. All matters relating to affiliations, regradings and transfers must be submitted first to the western board before being presented to the county board for approval at their first meeting.

Senior **Footballers** On The Move

The new management committee have expressed themselves happy with the response from the panel of players and attendance at training sessions is excellent.

On Sunday next according to their planned training programme, they will play a challenge against U.C.C. at the

Following this, a team will be selected to play Limerick in the semi-final of the McGrath Cup. Originally it was thought that Tipperary would be our opponents in this game. We are scheduled to play Limerick in Limerick, but the venue has still to be confirmed. The availability of the Fraher Field for national league matches remains a matter of concern for selectors and a decision must be taken on this issue very soon.

Walsh Park is also due for a 6/8 months shut down for drainage and surface treatment and its non availability will also be of concern to selectors.

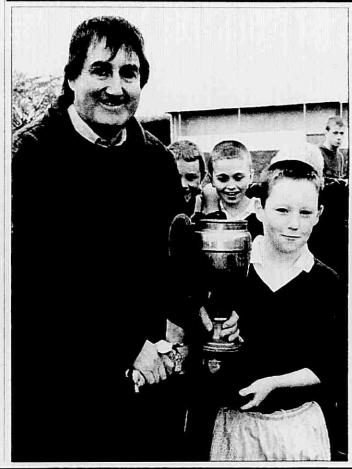
All The Top G.A.A. **Journalists Are** contributors

More Than A Game, is the title of a publication by author Con Houlihan and is probably the best and most interesting book on sporting events ever published for the Christmas market.

The author, Con Houlihan is undoubtedly Ireland's outstanding sportswriter and there are very few people with an interest in sport, who have not read his reports and newspaper columns since he decided to go into print almost 50 years ago.

It covers all sports including the Olympics, horse racing and

every imaginable field game. I would rate this as the best book on sport that I have ever read





A St. Josephs Dungarvan (above) winners of the Div.1 final of the Western Primary Schools boys football championships. They beat Ballyduff in the final.

Seamus Fitzgerald, PRO Western Primary Schools presents the Div. 2 cup to St. Joseph's captain, David Houlihan. —(Photos: Sean Byrne).



A Bunscoil Bothar Na Naomh, Lismore (above) who beat Rathgormack NS in the Div. B final of the Waterford Primary Schools girls football championship.

Breda Cleary, Secretary Waterford Primary Schools Board, presents the Girls football shield to Lismore's captain, Caitriona McGlynn. —(Photos: Sean Byrne).



G.A.A. NOTES

Or dope testing as it is being labelled, was introduced for senior intercounty players three years ago and now the National Sports Council have approved of an extension of the code and players in the above category can be drug tested outside of games. While such tests cannot be undertaken at the home or workplace of the player, the testing officer can visit players in training or during challenge games, etc.

It will be mandatory on all players of senior intercounty status to submit to such tests if so required. Refusal to submit will be met with heavy penalties, resulting in long suspensions.

Two seasons ago, when after defeating Cork in the Munster semi-final in Thurles, much of the rejoicing was marred when two Waterford players refused to submit to a test. All the proper procedures were followed by the people responsible for carrying out the tests and the two Cork players submitted despite having to endure the agony of defeat on the day.

Players who object to such drug testing should state their objections before joining the county panel and so save the county possible embarrassment later on.

DEISE DRAW

The new Deise Draw, which is the chief fund raising scheme for clubs and the county development committee is scheduled to commence in March, as it did last year.

An announcement, giving details will likely be made at the first meeting of the senior board on January 19th.

Christmas Books

There is never a year in which annuals do not come on sale during the festive season and this year as well as our own Year Book, two others of note are on the bookshelves.

Our own Year book has sold very well and everyone with an interest in what happened to and in the county last year, have obtained a copy. I understand that there are a few still available.

The Croke Park Annual went on sale for the first time over Christmas. It was the first ever launched in Croke Park. It is a review of the 2003 season in Croke Park and features reports from all the main hurling and football games played in the stadium as well as interviews, special historical features, a photographic recollection of the Special Olympics, a look at the G.A.A. Museum and much more.

SHAMROCKS GAA **CLUB NOTES**

On next Friday night January 9th we will be holding our Annual General Meeting at the Shamrock Inn, Knockanore. Prior to the meeting Mass will be offered at Knockanore Church, for the living and deceased members of the club, commencing at 7.30 and the meeting will get underway at 8.30pm. All members and intending members are invited to attend.

Club Lotto

In last Saturday nights draw the numbers drawn were: - 18 -19 - 20 - 23, and there was no jackpot winner. E 15 consolation prize were won by - Gina Heffernan, c/o Rose Casey, Mary Leahy, Ballyroe, Joe O'Niell, Crossery, Teresa O'Neill, Crossery, Bonnie Marshall, c/o Bessie Buckley. In next Saturday nights draw, the jackpot will be E4,000, and tickets at E1.50 each can be had from the usual promoters.

STRADBALLY GAA

Underage AGM

Our underage Annual General Meeting goes ahead on this i nursday, night January 8th at

Adult AGM

Our adult Annual General Meeting takes place on Sunday next January 11th at 2 pm sharp. All are welcome.

Sympathy

The club would like to extend deepest sympathy to the Drohan family Ballyvooney on their recent sad bereavements. Congratulations

Congratulations to Paul and Michelle Mullaney, Balyvoile on the birth of a baby boy last week.

Social The clubs annual social will take place on Saturday February 7th in the Park Hotel. Tickets are now on sale on a first come first served basis. There is a limited number of tickets available so please book early from Pat Fennell, or George Walsh.

BRICKEY GAA NOTES

No winner of jackpot in last weeks lotto. Numbers drawn were 10-17-27. Jackpot this Thursday night is E 1,650. The E 20 winners last week were Kathleen Flavin, Derek Farrell, Noreen Tobin, Christina Tobin.

The AGM will be held on Saturday. 24th January at 7.30 sharp in Bushy Park.

BY "COMMENTATOR"



The Hartys and the Prendergast families from Ardmore pictured at the presentation of the Munster U-21 football medals at a special function in Lawlors Hotel, Dungarvan. —(Photo: Sean Byrne).



All-Ireland and Munster Camogie U-16 Medal Presentation held in Lismore — The Waterford u-16 camogie team with National Camogie Board chairperson Miriam O'Callaghan (third from left), with Tipperary camogie winner Emily Hayden holding the Corn Aoife All-Ireland Cup and team captain Laura Buckely (centre). Missing from photo are Alice Moore and Aine Brennock. —(Photo: Pat Crowley).



Scoil Mhuire, Abbeyside, beaten by Bunscoil Bothar Na Naomh in the Div. 1 final of the Western Primary Schools boys football championships. —(Photo: Sean Byrne).

Abbeyside Ballinacourty **GAA Notes**

VICTORY BANQUET CLONEA STRAND HOTEL SATURDAY 31ST JANUARY AT 8PM.

The response to date has been excellent and the respective team managers, John Foley, Greg Fives and Bernard Gorman will be morning one final check in respect of players - prior to a further meeting of the sub-committee on this Thursday night in the Parish Office at 9.20

Tickets which can be purchased from Greg Fives, Tom Whelan, Paudie Donnally, John Foley, Matthew Hogan and Tony Mansfield, will go on sale on this coming Friday 9th January - Sales are expected to be very brisk so our advise is to purchase early (tickets are prised at E 25 each).

Thus Saturday 31st January will be "Red Letter Day" for our club, when a total of nine (9) sets of 2003 championships medals will be presented to our players while all attending players, team mentors, club officials and our loyal supporters will also celebrate being named as club of the year in 2003.

COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Club Committee will be held in the Parish Office on this Thursday night commencing at 8pm sharp and concluding at 9-15pm

MEMBERSHIP 2004.

In recent year's our club has been successful in expanding our membership base and this policy will be continued in 2004 under the direction of our Membership Officer, Greg Fives and your cooperation in this effort is requested, by purchasing your 2004 membership as soon as possible.

WEEKLY BINGO SESSION

An important, part of our clubs financial affairs are our weekly bingo sessions at the CBS Hall in Dungarvan, every Sunday night under the direction of Pa McGovern, Larry Cliffe, Sevie Bauman, Mary Flynn, Mary Fitzgearld and Emma Flynn

BEST WISHES

Best wishes are extended to former players and loyal club member Liam Morrissey who was hospitalised recently.

SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

Once again our club provided the transport for the annual Parish Senior Citizen's Party, which was held at the Gold Coast, on Sunday last under the direction of Club Secretary, Bernard Shields and sincere thanks is extended to all who helped out.

Our own Ned Keane was the popular M.C.

IMPORTANT JUVENILE MEETING

The juvenile section will hold an important committee meeting at the Club Pavilion, at 8 pm. on Monday 12th January next at which team managers will be appointed for 2004. All nominations should be forwarded to Billy Hickey (Chairman) or Jonathon Donavon (Secretary).

MICHAEL BRIGGS TAKES OVER

Michael Briggs our new (PRO) takes over from this week and all items for inclusion in our notes should be forwarded to "Mick" from here on in our thanks to all who helped out since Neil Moore. Set off for "03".

Dungarvan G.A.A. Club Adult & **Juvenile Notes**

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL FUND FUN RUNWALK

St. Stephens Day saw the running of the Annual Dungarvan GAA Fun Run/Walk. Overnight weather conditions gave concern to the organising committee but the decision was taken to go ahead with the event, particularly in light of the cause we were supporting. Despite our concerns we had a tremendous turnout on the day with at least 60 or seventy runners and a good number of walkers also took on the challenge of the 4mile course. It was nice to see some old and current club personnel taking part on the day and it was particularly pleasing to see Eddie and James (Jamie) Burke taking part in the Run. I would like to single out, for special thanks, the following people who gave freely their time to assist on the day with the smooth running of what is now becoming one of the most popular events on the Running Circuit. Maura Curran, Bridget O'Mahony, Joanne Daly, Mary Fitzgerald, Paddy Fitzgerald, Michael Curran, Mikeen Lyons for turning up and eating sandwiches.

At the time of penning these notes a figure of €2,500.00 has been raised and we are hopeful that more will be raised before our cut off point which will be some time later this month. So, to all you people that have yet to contribute to this worthy cause, YOU STILL HAVE TIME.

Thanks to all involved in West Waterford A.C. without whom this event would not be taking place. Fair play to all the Athletes who come up trumps every Year. See ye all Next St. Stephens!!

THE YEAR AHEAD

Happy New Year to all and good rid dins to 2003. Yes, I suppose that would be a fair view to take, in club terms, on the Year gone by. With limited success, and a lot of failure thrown in for good measure, it's not a Year that we will want to remember for too long. Unfortunately it will be remembered for the Year we lost our Senior status in Football and it is im-

perative that we do all within our powers this Year to rectify the situation and get us back where we belong in senior ranks - this Club has too much tradition and history attached to it to be any where else. Hopefully our new Adult and Juvenile Committees will "take the Bull by the horn" and rise to the challenges that lay ahead this Year - particularly at Adult level. To the last Man and Woman, they know how important a Year 2004 is going to be and everybody has to row in behind them and assist in whatever way we can. After all it's OUR club and we all have to take responsibility for it during the good and the bad times.

UNDER-16 FOOTBALL

To all our under 16 footballers we hope to starting training within the next week or two due to the early start to the Championship. The team mentors will be in touch with all of you in the near future so start cleaning those boots!

JUVENILE TRAINING

Training continues this Saturday morning 10th January in the Sports Centre at the usual times i.e. U. 6 at 10.00 a.m., U8 at 11.00 a.m. and U10s at 12.00.p.m. Under 12 training resumes this Thursday 8th January at 5.00 p.m. in the Sports Centre also.

ADULT TEAM TRAINING

I hope to be in a position to announce our Adult Team Managers, Selectors and Trainers in next week's notes. Needless to say we wish whoever is involved the very best for the Year and hopefully they can bring us some well overdue success.

LOCAL PAPERS

A big thank you to all working at both the Dungarvan Leader and Observer Offices for their continued support to Dungarvan G.A.A. during the last year and indeed Year's gone by. It is a great facility for any Club to have to inform its players etc. of all happenings within the Club free of charge I might add. Your good deeds are not going un-noticed.

Until next time!

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LOTTO RESULT

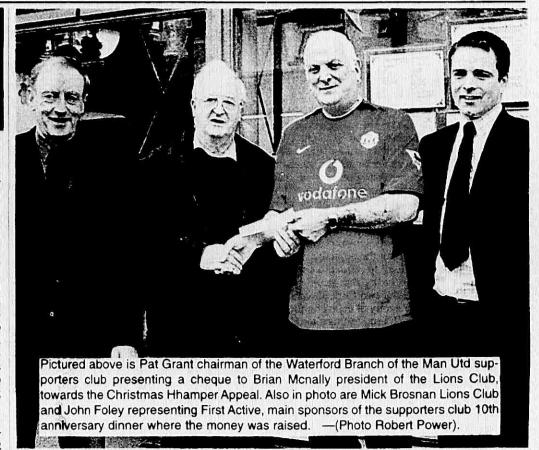
There was no winner of our Lotto Jackpot worth EUR1550. The numbers drawn were 11, 18 and 29. The following were the winners of EUR20. Frank Keating, Dungarvan; Gerry Fitzgerald, Villierstown; Pat O'Donovan, Ballygambon; Kevin Power, Peg Cunningham, Clashmore. The winner of this weeks promoters prize was Johnny O'Brien. Next weeks Jackpot will be €1,700.

A.G.M Just a reminder that this years A.G.M takes place on Saturday 17th of January at 8.30pm. We would ask all members to make a big effort to attend. Especially to the players who will have their chance to discuss any issues directly affecting them for the coming year. This meeting is your chance to have your say.

SYMPATHY Sincere sympathies are extended to the Meagan Family Aglish on the recent passing of Paddy Meagan. Paddy was a familiar figure around the village and will be sadly missed. May ha rest in peace.

BEST WISHES

Good luck and best wishes to Christy Lombard and Jane Horsom who are heading off to Austrailia for a few months.



K.C.K. **Athletic** Club Notes

ior cross country championships were held in the Friary College grounds on Sunday last.

In the junior girls Sara Flavin had a brilliant performance to finish in second place. This is just reward for Sara as she has put in alot of hard work over the last few months with the Munster, Junior and All Ireland B Championships coming up over the next few weeks. Sara will be looking forward to both events with confi-

In the junior men Sean Stilwell had another brilliant run to finish in third place with John Behan in 10th place and Padraig Casey in 12th place, it's a pity their team mates did not turn up as they could have made the team prizes.

Aoife McCormack had a brilliant run in the Tramore Baldy Man 5.7 mile race to win the junior girls section.

Great news last week as three of our athletes were chosen for trials for the British A.A.A. Indoor Championships at the end of February, Kevin Harty, Conor McGrath high jump and Brenda Doherty 200 meters.

Race Night All roads lead to Dannys, Kilmacthomas on Saturday, January 17th for the clubs race night. It is hoped that all parents of club athletes will turn out on the night to support the race night. All are welcome as a great night is assured.

A.G.M. K.C.K's Athletic Clubs A.G.M. is brought forward to Tuesday, January 13th in Lawlors Hotel at 8 p.m. All committee members and parents are asked to attend this important meeting.

DUNGARVAN LADIES HOCKEY CLUB NOTES

Great Start To New Year

DUNGARVAN 6 MALLOW 0

Sunday last saw a great start to the New Year with a fantastic victory over Mallow in the Munster League. We are progressing very well in this season's Munster league having yet to lose a game and only drawing once against our Cork Opponents Ashton. An early start to the year's games saw us without full team, with some players still away on holidays and others out due to illness. However, having the odds stacked against our ten players on the day, we rallied on and won, gaining some valuable points on our Munster league table.

Ann Brennan displayed her outstanding skill yet again by scoring our first goal in the fifteenth second straight from tip off! An unbelievable display of skill, she followed through from tip off undeterred by any opponent and pocketed our first goal! Text book material! Well done Ann!

This gave our ten players and early boost and ten minutes later Sharon Duggan who was giving the Mallow side a serious run for their money and with the help of Anna Casey gave us our second goal! Our third goal came from the Mallow side when unfortunately for them a defender's deflection scored us our third goal! Great participation from Louise Enright and Kim Kirwin ensured the ball remained on the "right side of the pitch" throughout the entire game. Our defence showed great skill defending, so good that no short corners were awarded against us through out the entire match! Nor was any goal

Well done to Annelise, Martina, Nollaig, Aisling and Sarah! Three Nil at half time we were very confident! The second half opened with a shuffle around of the team, Sarah came out to right back, Annelise to midfield and Anna into the goal for her debut as the goalie! Well done Anna who managed to keep the score board clear! Ten minutes into the game saw Annelise nicely leading a great goal for Sharon who netted us our fourth goal of the game! This was followed quickly by a fifth goal from Ann Brennan with the help of Louise Enright. Five minutes before full time the Dungarvan Ladies netter our sixth goal craftily scored by Ann Brennan!

Well done to all who pulled together despite being a player short to earn us our deserved victory on the day and Many thanks to Kim Kirwin for filling in on a minutes notice!

Team: Anna Casey, Sarah Power, Nollaig Sheehan, Annelisa Crotty, Martina Landers, Aisling Sheehan, Kim Kirwan, Louise Enright, Sharon Duggan, Ann Brennan

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations from all the club to our long standing member and goalie Carol Fraher on the birth of her new daughter! Looking forward to seeing you take up your regular place in the goal very shortly Carol!

JUINOR HOCKEY

Junior Hockey will resume this Saturday at 10am in the Friary Pitch. It is open for school going children from 6-13 years and costs €3.00 per child. New players are very welcome and are encouraged to come and join in the fun!

TRAINING

Training resumes this Thursday at 7pm in the Sports Centre. All members are requested to make a special effort to attend and new members are very welcome.

WEST WATERFORD ATHLETICS NEWS

Mark Langford Wins His First County Senior Title

WEST WATERFORD DOMINATE TEAM AWARDS

West Waterford's Mark Langford was the hero of the day last Sunday at St. Augustine's College, Abbeyside where the Waterford County senior and junior cross country championships were held. Held in ideal weather conditions, West Waterford figured very well in all four events. The mens race was won for the first time by West Waterford's Mark Langford who was well clear of Waterford's Michael Hally after completing the 10,000 metre course. Garry McCormack, West Waterford, showed great determination and grit to hold onto third place when he had a real battle with Ferrybank's Kevin O'Brien with both athletes sprinting to the line. The team title also went to West Waterford with Mark, Garry, next to score was Conor Murray running a great race to finish 5th and the ever reliable Con Kelleher 7th. We also had on our team new member Billy McGuire in 9th and Michael Wade was 13th - both ran very well also

The ladies race also saw the largest turn out at a senior county championship in quite a few years, with the title going to Marie Hally Ferrybank with West Waterfords Phyllis Flynn putting in a brave attempt with some fine front running from the gun. However the Ferrybank lady kept her in her sights and on the last lap caught Phyllis who would have preferred the course probably to be little longer, as she definitely does prefer distance running. Anyway on the day Phyllis had to settle for third when she was just caught over the last 200 metres for second place also. Nevertheless a great run to win the bronze medal. Phyllis led our ladies to team gold plus we had an added bonus here when we also secured the silver team medals as well. The following were the placings for West Waterfords two teams Phyllis Flynn 3rd, Joanne Jackman 4th, Diane Behan 5th, Corinna Walsh 6th, these were the gold winning team. The silver team winners were Ann Dunford 8th, Ann Whelan 9th, Brid Veale 11th and Judy Hanrahan 12th. Well done to each and every

DEIRDRE **DUFF WINS** JUNIOR TITLE

WEST WATERFORD **SECURES GOLD** AND SILVER

In the junior ladies race West Waterford's Deirdre Duff was a run away winner by a big distance. This was a win which must be said was well deserved as this young athlete who has great determination and application to her training has not always had the best of luck over the year with injury and then sickness which curtailed her somewhat. However she certainly put things right Sunday when leading from the gun to come home a clear winner. West Waterford also had the third placed athlete in Sinead Crotty and along with Ashling O'Connell 4th and Jenny Mulcahy 5th, Kim Coates 6th, they

secured the team gold. Our Junior mens team won silver behind a very strong Ferrybank outfit. Nevertheless there were some fine performance here too with Ferdia O hAodha a good 4th, Deirmuid O Foghlu 7th, Conor Phelan 10th, Shane Power 11th and Brendan Walsh 13th. All in all another good days work for the club and well done to all athletes, team managers and coaches for having such a big turn out.



West Waterford Athletic Clubs Junior mens team who captured the silver medals in last Sunday's County Cross Country Championships held in St. Augustine's College, Abbeyside. Photo shows from left: Brendan Walsh, Ferdia O hAodha, Dairmuid O Foghlu, Conor Phelan and Shane Power.

ALLROUNDER WINTER LEAGUE RESUMES TONIGHT

Yes folks the holidays are over and it's down to brass tacks again in the Allrounder Sports Winter League. We start back tonight Wednesday 7th at 7.30p.m. from the Sports Centre, with signing on from 7.00 p.m. Oh yes it's time to shed those extra pounds gained over the Christmas period — so throw away the chocolates, throw away the drink (at least until mystery tour night) early to bed no - more late nights, the league tables are now in situ and it's time to rumble lads and lassies. This is where the Allrounder Winter League really gets going. Who is the safe money on for champ this year. My moneys on the Brickey man. As important for most of us is the thought, how much more can I improve? Can I stay ahead of him (or her)? I wonder were they training much over the Christmas? Well all of these questions and so many more will be answered. Don't forget, if you haven't already ran the Winter League, don't be shy come along Wednesday and make the start, you will be made most welcome. We're all in the same boat!

Mark Langford

(West Waterford A.C.)

winner of the county

senior cross country

NORMA WALL WINS FRIENDS OF WEST

WATERFORD CUP IN CLOSE CONTEST

BUS TO MALLOW 10

As mentioned already in these notes the start of the Spring Classics gets under way on Sunday Jan 11th next with the annual Mallow 10. This is part of the four 10 mile Munster classic races. Please note a bus will travel to Mallow and is bookable through club secretary Tony Ryan on a first come first served bases.

COMMITTEE MEETING

The first committee meeting of the New Year will be held this coming Thursday 8th January at 8.30 p.m. at the Park

est Waterford senior mens team winners of the Waterford Senior County Championships

last Sunday. Photo shows (I. to r.) Billy McGuire, Con Kelleher, Michael Wade,

Mark Langford, Conor Murray and Garry McCormack.

Our thanks to all members who participated in the competition and well done to those who Colin Lyons reached the top ten. By anyones standards to reach this many points in a twelve month period takes huge effort and commitment. Our thanks also to Siobhan O'Mahony for looking after the Joe Gough

(excuse the pun) the title has gone to a lady

member of the club. Norma Wall with 60 points,

will be crowned Club Athlete of the Year 2003, and at a date in the near future will be presented

final week after a long twelve months and filling

the runners up spot with 58 points was Ann Dun-

Michael Deegan a further point behind on 57

points.

This years club competition for Athlete of the competition during the year - not an easy task I Year was a very close affair right up to the con- can assure you. Siobhan can take things easy clusion of the competition last Wednesday 31st now as Norma as the new title holder takes of December. With just four points separating the the task of looking after the tables for 2004. Best top four contenders, for the second year running of luck to all members for the coming year and remember if you compete in a race that is not a local event the onus is on you to let Norma

The following standings were the top ten fin-

with the perpetual cup by the winner in 2002 ishers for 2003. Siobhan O'Mahony. In contention right up to the Norma Wall Ann Dunford 58 ford who came within two points of the title with Michael Deegan 57 Johnny O'Connor 56 points. Also right up there till the final few races was Johnny O'Connor who finished with 56 Anthony Dwyer Corinna Walsh Vincent Tutty 42 42 Michael Dwyer 41



WEST WATERFORD ATHLETICS NEWS

Joe Gough Smashes Irish 1,500 Metres Indoor Record



Yes it's that man again West Waterford's Joe Gough and this time it's the Masters Over-50s 1,500m Indoors Munster Championships in Nenagh last Saturday. When he goes about setting records he does it in style, how stylish I hear you ask, how's about taking 8 seconds off the old standard set in 1991. Yes you read right, no 800s of a second for our Joe, but an incredible 8 seconds. He recorded an excellent time of 4.36 smashing the old record of 4.44 with style. What a great start to the new year for Joe and for West Waterford with no less than 12 Munster medals won at Nenagh last Saturday by a very strong club team, under the stewardship of Joe Gough and Ann Dunford. Records are records and they are very hard to set in any event and in any category, but at present Joe Gough is in the form of his life and seems to be unbeatable over 400, 800 and 1,500 metres in his age category. Will the coming year bring the same level of success as last year for the Dungarvan man, staying injury free I say (we ain't seen nothing yet). We also had a great performance by another of our athletes in Nenagh when Brendan Moran took a double gold in the 60 metres and the 200 metres for Masters under 45. This is a great achievement by Brendan and this year he is really running as well as ever and I know that Brendan is putting in a great deal of work on his running at present and have no doubt we certainly will be hearing a lot more of him in the com-

Running her first indoors event ever for the club was Eibhlis Ni hAodha and she had a super run in the ladies over 40 1,500 metres taking gold to add to her Novice All Ireland cross country medal. A great few months for her too since joining our club. Back from a very long lay off through sickness Con Kelleher is quickly returning to full health and fitness. Running in the 3,000 metres Con took silver and was well in contention up to the final few laps, nevertheless a very good run and all at the club are delighted to see Con back to good health. The final events of the day were the relays and here again West Waterford were in the medals in the 4 x 200 with the mens taking silver Joe Gough, Brendan Moran, Richie Power and Danny Mc-Grath. Well done to all four.

In the ladies 4 x 200 we were

unlucky not to be second, beaten on the line. Nevertheless a great bronze with the team of Ann Dunford, Ann Whelan, Ailish Ni hAodha and Brid Veale. All four ladies along with Danny and Richie were running relay for the first time so this added to their delight of winning a Munster indoors medal.

Colin Lyons who also traveled with the team competed in the 3,000 metres but was feeling a little unwell during the day and had to cry off for the remainder of the day, but he was a great inspiration to all from the sidelines. All in all another red letter day for our club and a great experience for everyone. Much thanks is due to those who made the trip and to Joe and Ann for their input into getting the teams together well done. And of course not forgetting our photographer for the day Sarah Gough, super job.



Pictured at the Munster Indoor Championships in Nenagh last Saturday were the West Waterford A.C. ladies relay team who took bronze in the 4 x 200 metres. Photo shows (from left) Ailish Ni hAodha (who also took gold individual in the ladies 1,500 metres), Ann Whelan, Ann Dunford and Brid Veale.

SECOND ANNUAL MUNSTER 10 MILE SPRING CLASSICS

In the cycling world, the 'Spring ton!). Classics' are an integral part of the competitive year and seen as instrumental in the build-up to the more arduous Tours later in the season. Now, for the second year, the running world has its own 'Spring Classics'. Once again the organisers of the four 10-mile races to take place in Munster between January and April have got together to pro-mote a unique Series. The aim is to promote each race at the classic distance of ten miles, but it will also offer a specially commissioned Tshirt (of the long-sleeved variety) to each runner who completes the four January, February and April. If you for the leading male and female you have an alternative. Or even if runners, which will be decided on

Last year the overall winners were Derek O'Leary and Mary Sugar/Mallow '10', 12.30pm. Sweeney, both of St. Finbarrs AC.

Irish Sugar/MALLOW '10' -Sunday January 11th. Start time: 12.30pm

Waterford Crystal/DUNGAR-VAN '10' - Sunday February 15th. Start time: 2.00pm

BALLYCOTTON '10' - Sunday

March 7th. Start time: 1.30pm.

Sonny Murphy Memorial/KIN-ABOY '10' - Sunday April 11th. Start time: 2.00pm

TEN-MILER EVENTS

The following are the details of the four other 10-mile races held in events. As well, there will be prizes cannot get into Ballycotton, at least you are running on March 7th, you the cumulative times over the four can compare your time by sampling one (or all) of these 'tens'.

Sunday January 11th: - Irish

Mallow AC have been promoting For the second year we are de- a 10-mile race for a number of lighted to have John Buckley Sports years, although this course has on board as overall sponsor of the only been used since 2001. A nice Series and our thanks to John for flat loop, comprising of town and his kind sponsorship of this series. country roads, it has met with There is no additional entry fee unanimous approval. Mallow is for the Series - just run the four also well served with a good road races (however - your entry must network, making the venue very have been accepted for Ballycot- central for people travelling from

all parts of the country. Last January a total of 215 finished with victories going to Cathal O'Connell (52:08) and Mary Sweeney (62:50).

There is also a 10km walk starting at 12.00 noon.

Sunday February 15th: - Waterford Crystal/Dungarvan '10', 2.00pm.

Formerly a 10km race, the move to 10-miles two years ago proved to be a very successful one, with a big increase in numbers. For 2004, a new course with potential for fast times will be used. Starting and finishing near the Dungarvan Crystal Sports Centre, the race is also part of the Michael Roche Carpets Spring Series. Winners in 2002 were Philip Harty (52:20) and Mary Sweeney (63:38) and 223 finished.

Sunday March 7th; Ballycotton 10 1.30 p.m. This race as we all know unlike the other three, Ballycotton operates on a pre race entry and if you're in by now its too late. Regarded by many and (rightly so) as one of the top 10 mile road races held anywhere, the popularity of this race is immense as can be seen from the entry of over

2,000 for this years race. Sunday April 11th: - Sonny Murphy Memorial/Kilnaboy '10' (Co. Clare), 2.00pm.

One of the oldest 'tens' in the country, outside of Ballycotton.

Usually held on Easter Sunday, the most recent race again saw a big increase in numbers with 175 finishers. First man was Pat Nugent (54:24) with the women's title going to Lucy Brennan (61:12). The slightly undulating circuit on the outskirts of The Burren contains some stunning early spring scenery, passing through the tourist village of Corrofin. It is also an ideal opportunity to enjoy an early-season break in ideal outdoor surroundings. Also, like Mallow, there is a 10km walk starting at 1.30pm.

The three races featured above are all organised by enthusiastic runners themselves, so you can be sure of a warm welcome and a well-organised race, with free refreshments and free results afterwards.

Give them your support, they deserve it - and we need to keep those races at the classic distance of 10 miles on the road!

DECLAN AND DAVID McCARTHY MAKE THEIR MARK

Clonmel athletic club hosted the Tony O'Connell 4 Mile road race on St. Stephen's Day in good conditions. The early heavy rain gave way to a good morning for running. Once again a top class field assembled for the race. From the start the pace was fast and soon a group of five dictated the pace down the Waterford road. That group included Martin Fagan (Mullingar Harriers), Derek Treadwell (Limerick) Robert Wade (Waterford), Mick Traynor (Raheny Shamrocks) and Mick Kelly (Gowran). These athletes went through the first mile in 4 mins. 5 Isecs, with the chasing pack not far behind. This chasing pack included our own West Waterford junior athlete David Mc-Carthy, Michael Hassett (St Catherine's) and Peter Duggan (St Joseph's). The leading five were still together as they approached Ferryhouse with Martin Fagan setting the pace. Martin gradually opened a gap on the others. He extended this as he went through two miles in 9 mins 38 sees with Robert Wade overtaking Derek Treadwell for 2nd place at this stage. Martin kept this strong tempo going all the way. He went through three miles in 14 mins. 25 secs. and he had a sizable lead at this stage. He crossed the line a clear winner in 19 mins. 9 secs. This was a very good performance by Martin who is now back to his best form for some time. For the record Martin moves into joint 5th place in the all time best time over this course. He joins Tommy Moloney (Thurles Crokes) who ran 19 mins. 9 secs. over this course in 1989, which he won. The course record of 18 mins. 25 secs. is set by Seamus Power (Kilmurry Ibrickane). He set it

Robert Wade (Waterford) maintained his strong pace to finish a very good 2nd in 19 mins. 26 secs.. Derek Treadwell (Limerick) recovered well over the final stages to finish 3rd in 19 mins. 37 secs. Mick Traynor (Raheny Shamrocks) was 4th in 20 mins, 4 secs, 5th Mick Kelly (Gowran) 20 mins, 20 secs, 6th was David McCarthy (West Waterford) who was the winner of the Junior Mens event in a great time of 20 mins. 27 secs. He was closely followed home by Michael Hassett (St Catherine's) in a time of 20 mins. 35 secs. This run by Michael saw him winning the 0/45 Veteran's prize. Peter Duggan (St Joseph's) was 8th with Owen Gahan (St Senan') 9th in 20 mins. 46 secs. and 20 mins. 52. secs respectively. 10th place went to another West Waterford athlete who is running brillantly at present Mark Langford in 20 mins. 57 secs.

The 1st 0/40 prize went to Declan McCarthy who runs for the Derry club Sparta North West. Declan is originally from Ballymacarbry and is an uncle to David McCarthy. Both athletes are coached by non-other than the great Malcolm McCausland of Derry, himself an accomplished athlete and still running in the masters categories as well as coach to many upcoming young stars. Declan's time was 21 mins. 51 secs a very respectable time indeed. Leslie Smyth (Coolquill) won the 0/50 prize in a time of 24 mins. 9 secs. when finishing 43rd overall. Paddy Shelley (Ballynonty) held off the challenge of Joe Grinsell (Clonmel) to win the 0/55 prize in 28 mins. 1 sec. Myles McHugh (Clonmel) won the 0/60 prize ahead of Pierce Purcell in a time of 28 mins. 39 secs.

JOANNE THIRD IN LADIES RACE.

The Ladies race once again attracted a top class entry. Rosemary Ryan (Bilboa) underlined her good form with a very impressive performance. Rosemary crossed the line in 21 mins. 30 secs. when finishing 14th overall. Sinead Cummins (St Joseph's) was 2nd in 24 mins. 7 secs. Joanne Jackman (West Waterford) was 3rd in 25 mins. 54 secs, This again was a very fine performance by Joanne who was part of our silver medal winning ladies Novice All Ireland Cross Country team two weeks previously, Donna Nagle (Clonmel) was 4th in 27 mins. 20 secs. Mary Sheehan (Grange Fermoy) won the Ladies 0/35 prize in a time of 25 mins. 53 secs. with Denise Compton 2nd in 26 mins. 57 secs.



YOUNG ATHLETE AWARD — The October young athlete award winner is West Waterford Athlete Shona Curran. During the month Shona was selected on the Irish Under 15 mountain running team to compete in Scotland, in the British Mountain running championships. The Ard Scoil Na nDeise athlete finished 1st of the Irish team and 4th individual in the race, Shona also won the County Cross Championships under 15. Other athletes who featured in October were Ann O'Shea, David Earley, Lisa Houlihan, Ciara Kennedy, Karen English, David McCarthy and Sarah O'Brien.

Pictured is Ray Moore, Dungarvan Credit Union presenting the October Juvenile Athletic Sportstar award to Shauna Curran, WWAC. included are Shauna's parents, Austin and Allison with Antoinette O'Brien and Mary Ashe, West Waterford A.C. (Photo; Sean Byrne)

DUNGARVAN

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Photo shows Lady Captain Ita Fahy and Captain John

Reynolds, drive their way in to the New Year watched by

members and friends of Dungarvan Golf Club.

"Happy New Year" was the greeting of the day on January 1st when a large group of members braved the cold to watch the ceremonial "Captains' Drive-in". First up to the tee was Ita Fahey, fully recovered from her recent eye operation, and did she belt it down the fairway? "Follow that John Reynolds", they shouted, egging him on in the hope that he would avoid the neighbouring field (he put two in there the day before!). John duly obliged and the two new captains were loudly applauded as they embarked on the major task of steering their respective clubs through 2004. The role of Captain is a huge honor in any golf club; the amounts of time and work involved are major, but acknowledged and appreciated by the members who support all the clubs' efforts throughout the year. We all wish Ita and John the best for their year. The Drive-in was followed by a mixed scramble over nine holes, which was very enjoyable. The front nine was won by Anne Morrissey and husband Garry ably assisted by Dermot Walsh and Jackie Fahey, while the back nine was won by Marian Moloney, Tom Conway, Sean Power and (playing 'out of his skin') Michael Buckley. And to cap it all there were hot whiskies in the bar with suitable finger food. Lovely way to start the New Year! Lest I forget, congrats to Captain John on winning the gross at West Waterford in their pre-Christmas Lions Club Appeal Competition.

THE CURTIS CUP

The New Year's Day Scramble at Dungarvan G.C. included a very distinguished Scottish international playing off three- Fiona Norris, who was recently announced as Manager of the Great Britain and Ireland team to play against the U.S.A. in the 2004 Curtis Cup. This competition for amateur golfers is the ladies' equivalent of the Walker Cup. Fiona's appointment is not surprising as she success-

and Ireland when they won the 2003 Vagliano Trophy, beating Europe at Baltray by a single point. Fiona's sister is Mhairi McKay, a leading professional who played in the 2003 Solheim Cup in Sweden- the ladies' version of the Ryder Cup. And Fiona's husband is local man Pat Norris Jr. who comes home regularly from Scotland to win gross prizes off scratch or represent our club in the Senior Cup.

Fiona's selection from eight ladies will take on the U.S. team at Formby G.C. near Liverpool on June 13th/14th three foursomes followed by six singles - in the hope of wresting the Curtis Cup from the yankee grasp for the first time since 1996. Ada O'Sullivan of Monkstown will captain the squad which includes Trish Mangan of Ennis and Dubliner Martina Gillen who attends university in the U.S. All at Dungarvan G.C. will be rooting for Fiona and her team.

Boys and Their Toys! Christmas morning brought out the best in Danny and a well-known scratch golfer when playing remote control golf with Seamus' new toy. Without leaving the clubhouse they drove and pitched, chipped and putted, and never got their feet wet. I hope they won't be nagging the juveniles for playing robustly in the clubhouse. That reminds me; was it nagging at the AGM or a sense of duty that got JP to do his major clean-up of the chandeliers? It was poetry in motion to see him up and down on the good oak table; it reminded me of polishing my shoes without taking them off! Rogie O'Connor knows now that he needs only three clubs to score; he won the Christmas Day prize with nineteen points for the back nine, using only a three wood, eight iron and putter. He says he has eleven clubs going cheap! Was it drinking out of a damp glass that gave Tom Coffey the heavy cold which kept him off the course over Christmas? He seems well enough now to beat TC Curran in the semi-final of the snooker; and fully managed Great Britain if he doesn't win it will not be

for lack of practice. The Marian Year? Yes, you can expect the Marians in the club to be celebrating 50 this year; mind you, Clagga says that one Marian of his acquaintance could add on a few! Finally, I heard some card player saying that Vincent "hadn't a clue" how to play 110 before he joined the Golf Club in the early 80's!

LIKE FATHER LIKE....

Alan O'Donnell had 42 points on Dec 27th playing off eight. Three over after two needed three birdies on the back nine to give him twentyfive points. And then he did it off seven on Jan. 3rd. Alan's two birdies on the front nine were surpassed by three on the back nine for twenty-three points. And then Sunday 4th he featured again, in second place with 41pts. Watch out Jimmy! No need for David Buckley to vie with his father! He had a fine score to win on Sunday with 45 points off seven, including successive birdies on 9, 10 and 11. And I hear that Michael McGrath fluffed his second on the twelfth during the week and then put the ball in the hole from 250 yards with a driver. Some eagle!

RESULTS(MEN)

27th Dec 18H S/ford Open -1st C. Shean, Slievenamon GC(17) 44pts; 2nd J. Broxson, Carrick-on-Suir GC(7) 43; Gross M. Greene, Carrick(3),

J. Harty (8) 37pts.

Jan 3rd 18H S/ford — 1st A.

8th/9th, 10th and 11th 18H S/ford

Twomey (26) 30pts, 2nd L. Fleming (12) 28.

Ladies Fixtures Jan 10th 15H, 10th/11th 9H, 13th and 17th 15H 17th/18th 9H and Winter League 3rd Round. Jan 20th 15H 20th/21st

37; 3rd A. O' Donnell(8) 42 CSS 40.

28th Dec Open Fourball Winners - R. Hyde (13) and J. Moroney (7) 45 pts; 2nd T. Melody Sr. (8) and C. Power (17) 45; Gross P Phelan (9) and

O'Donnell (7) 42pts; 2nd P. Terry (13) 42, Gross: P. Norris Jr. (Scr) 38; 3rd J. Curran (12) 41; 4th P. Breen (10) 41 CSS

Sun 4th 18H S/ford — 1st D. Buckley (7) 45pts; 2nd A. O'-Donnell (7) 41; Gross T. Melody Jr (2) 38, J. Lavan (13) 40, N. Brennan (10) 40; CSS

FIXTURES

Ladies Results Dec 27th 15h - Winner M. O'Donnell (14) 29pts.

30th 15H - Winner A.

Jan 3rd 15H — Winner R. Byrne (28) 32pts 2nd P. O'Brien (18) 30

Winter League 3rd Round

Sixty.Com Results for Wed. 17th December: Winning Team Peg Phelan(21), Tony Wilson(24), Maurice McHugh(17)



Dungaryan Golf Club — Golfer of the Year 2003 (sponsored by David Walsh, Office & School Supplies) — Photo shows (I. to r.) Donal Verling, President, Tony Brady (winner) and Eugene Slater, Captain. (Photo: Pat Crowley)

Ann Twomey(26), Tom Phelan(16), Donal Verling(11) and Jack Elstead(14). 3rd Joan Buckley(38), Jack Clancy(24) and Danny Barry(11). Next Competition Wed 7th Jan. 1.30

45 DRIVE

The weekly 45 drive will restart after the holiday on Thurs. 8th of January at 8.30 p.m. New faces and all shades of 45 players are welcome to this 15-game progressive, with the prospect of a rubber afterwards if you are not rushing home. I hope to see you there -

and Johnny Hogan(14). 2nd yes the club PRO is coming out of retirement; a threat or a promise?

MINI LOTTO

Week Ending 04.01.04 -Winning Numbers 7, 8, 10, 23. Jackpot Winners: No winner. 15 Euro Winners - Mgt. Kavanagh, 9 Pinewood Lawn; Maura Kindgregan Clonea Road, Abbeyside; Paudi Kirwan, Kealfoun, Kilmac; Paudi Kirwan Kealfoun, Kilmac; Bernie Norris c/o Club. Next week's jackpot €4,050. Tickets on Sale in the Clubhouse Next Draw 11.01.03. Thank you for your support.



RESULTS

Mon 22nd Dec - Fri 2nd Jan: 9-Hole singles stable- due to frost. ford — 1st: Dan Howard (17) 21 1/2pts, 2nd Paddy O'Leary (10) 21 pts L6.

Thurs 1st Jan: Captains Drive In: 9-hole mixed champagne scramble, 1st Pat Morrissey (8) Nora O'-Sullivan (22) Bree Condon (40) 27 pts. 2nd Wille Henry (10) Connie Dowd (20) Catherine Moynihan (18) 26

Sat 3rd: 12 Holes singles stableford. 1st Terry Hassett

at Lismore Golf Club. Photo Sean Byrne

(16) 31pts.

Sun 4th: Course Closed

FIXTURES

Mon 5th - Fri 30th Jan: 9-Hole singles stableford reentry

Wed 6th Jan: Ladies day. Sat 10th Sun 11th: 12 Holes singles stableford reentry.

Our Christmas ongoing 9hole competition was won by Dear Dan Howard (17) with a fine score of 21 1/2points, edging out Paddy O'Leary (10) whose 21

points was just enough to see off the chasing pack on the last six.

On New Years day we had a great turn out for our Captains Drive in. Well done to both Shaun & Gerty and all those who came along to support. All had a very enjoyable day. On Saturday our winner in our 12hole stableford was Terry Hassett (16) with a fantastic score of 31 points.

Sunday was unfortunately lost again to Jack frost. Our spring league will commence this year on Monday the 19th of January.

Closing date for entries is Sunday the 18th @ 6.00pm. Anyone interested please put your name on the notice board as soon as possible.

Country Club Notes

COMPETITION RESULTS

Winter League 2003/4 sponsored by Comeragh Oil — This years winter league competition has started in earnest with 272 players (including re-entries) taking part between Wednesday 31st December to Sunday 4th January.

The 1st round will be completed between Wednesday 7th January and Sunday 11th January. The team positions will be published thereafter.

competition over the holiday period, prizes are awarded to down to eight places. Wishing all teams good luck, keep up the enthusiasm.

Results - December 31st to January 5th -1st Donal O'Brien (13) 40 pts; 2nd John Halahan (12) 40 pts; Gross Mark Shanahan (Scratch) 40 pts; 3rd Michael Purcell (13) 40 pts; 4th Pat Collins (18) 39 pts; 5th Eddie Fogarty (14) 39 pts; 6th Mick Shalloe (11) 39 pts; 7th Graham O'Mahoney (15) 39 pts; 8th Michael Stack (21)

JUNIOR COMPETITION

Results for the junior competition held on Friday 2nd January - 1st James Murphy (36) 41 made available for hire to members on the waitpts; 2nd Philip Walsh (15) 39 pts; 3rd Dara Shalloe (36) 39 pts.

Wednesday 14th January to Sunday 18th January 16 Hole Stableford - 2nd round of the Winter League

A full list of our fixtures and other information is available on the club Website:

CARE OF THE COURSE

Repairing of pitch/plug marks on greens is absolutely essential and the replacing of divots on tees and fairways is also very important with regard to care of the course. As a means to heighten awareness of the problem of pitch/plug marks and in order to attempt to alleviate this scourge on greens, it has been decided to allocate responsibility for each of the 18 greens for the year 2004 to a Winter League Team members. Unraked bunkers are also an ever-present problem and each member of each team is urged to co-operate with this request. Regarding pitch/plug marks and bunkers, the list is as follows: -

> 1st green 10th green 2nd green 11th green 3rd green 12th green 4th green 13th green 5th green 14th green 6th green 15th green 7th green 16th green

Brickeys. Affane. Carriglea. Ardmore. St. Olivers. Glenbeg. Cappagh. Grange. Abbeyside. Youghal. Carrigtwohill. Clashmore.

Dungarvan.

East Cork.

Old Boro'. 9th green 18th green Dungaryan.

It has to be stressed that responsibility for repairing the pitch/plug marks and raking bunkers is not only for the duration of the Winter League but also for the 2004 golfing year.

TIMESHEETS

Please remember: Players with their names on the timesheet

Because of the very enthusiastic start to the have priority on the 1st Tee. This is especially appropriate throughout the Winter League competition period with increased playing numbers and of course the shorter playing time available.

 Owing to increased playing numbers, the practice of putting down a name +1 or +2 is no longer acceptable. Only individual names will suffice as this facilitates the smooth running of the timesheet, by identifying who is actually booked in to play with whom.

LOCKER ALLOCATION

The locker fee for 2004 is EUR 15 and if this and any arrears are not paid by mid-January 2004, the relevant locker will be forfeited and be

LADIES BRANCH

As the festive season finally draws to a close, it Wednesday 7th January to Sunday 11th Janu- was great to see so many ladies playing over the ary 16 Hole Stableford - 1st round of the Winter holiday season and it certainly augers well for 2004. Early January sees the various alliance competitions re-commencing and there are currently on-going 13 Hole and 9 Hole competitions

Springfield Nurseries 13 Hole Competition: The Springfield Nurseries have very kindly put up Cornet Apple Trees as prizes for our on-going 13 Hole competition and to date this competition has attracted a lot of entries.

Home Alliance: Phil Kelly, Co-Ordinator Home Alliance informs me that the January Home Alliance competition will run from this Thursday January 8th through to Sunday next January 11th. Please phone Club-House to put your name on the time-sheet.

Coastal Alliance: The January Coastal Alliance has been proving very popular and provides the participants with an opportunity to play different courses. On Thursday January 15th the competition will take place in Faithlegge Golf Course, Waterford.

Annual Club Subscriptions: Now that 2004 is upon us please note that your annual membership is due for renewal.

Committee Meeting: A committee meeting of the Ladies Branch has been scheduled for this Friday night, January 9th in the Park Hotel at 8.00 p.m.

Happy and Successful golfing in 2004. **CLUB CONTACT DETAILS**

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West Waterford Golf GOLDCOAST GOLF **CLUB NOTES**



Golf Club presenting a cheque for €1265 on behalf of the club to Phylis Davis-McGuinness, President Dungarvan Lions Club. Also included is Jack Stephenson, Lions Club. (Photo: Sean Byrne)

BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR.

May we take this opportunity to wish you and yours all the best for 2004. May you have good health and happiness throughout the year and this time next year we hope that you will be able to look back on 2004 with fond memories.

RESULTS

Mon to Fri 2nd Jan: 10 Hole Stableford — Tom O'Connor (19) 28 pts.

Thursday/Friday 2nd Jan: 18 Hole Stableford. CSS 40 pts -1st: Pat Power (5) 42 pts; Cat 0-8: Kieran Laffan (5) 42 pts; Cat 9-15: Michael Walsh (12) 42 pts. Carrick-on-Suir; Cat 16+: Dara Power (17) 41 pts. Carrick-on Suir.

Sat/Sun 4th Jan: 18 Hole Stableford. CSS 40 pts — 1st: Tony Condon (17) 47 pts; Cat 0-8: Peter Kirwan (8) 41 pts; Cat 9-15: Sullivan Doherty (12) 45 pts; Cat 16+ John Shelly

FIXTURES

Stableford. Thursday/Friday 9th Jan: 18 Hole Stableford. Friday 9th Jan: Open 18 Hole Stableford. Sat/Sun 11th Jan: 18 Hole Stableford. Sun 11th Jan: South East Junior Alliance. GREENS

We have been very lucky with the weather over the past number of weeks, and this had given rise to an unprecedented amount of extra traffic on our greens. We must sincerely thank the players, who so diligently repair their plug marks and also plug marks made by other players. We would ask the players who do not repair their plug marks to start taking their responsibilities more seri-

NEW RULE BOOKS

The new rule books are now available at the kiosk, and players should familiarise themselves with the changes as soon as possible. Over the next few weeks the notes will carry sections of the new rules. This week we will give part of the introduction, which deals with the spirit of the game:

Unlike many sports, golf is played, for the most part, without the supervision of a referee or umpire. The game relies on the integrity of the individual to show consideration for other players and to abide y the rules. All players should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship at all times, irrespective of how competitive they may be. This is the spirit of the game of golf.

MANSFIELD EBS WINTER **LEAGUE ROUND SEVEN** Results — Dunhill B 8 Wa-

terford 12; Old Boro 9 Mid County 11; Abbeyside 11 Kill ; Nire/Iouraneena / Dunnill A 13; Dungarvan 9 Cork 11; Burgery 2 Ballinacourty 18

Team Positions - Ballinacourty 92, Mid County 80, Dungarvan 77, Dunhill B 76, Waterford 75, Old Boro 74, Dunhill A 72, Old Boro 74, Dunhill A 72, Nire/Touraneena 70, Kill 62, Cork 58, Abbeyside 56 Burgery 48.

Top Nett Players - Tom Landers 268, Maurice Swan 262, Michael Ferncombe 258, Pat Power 258, Michael Kavanagh 256, Tony Flynn 256, Ian Pericho 25, Mick Ahearne 254, Eoin Mansfield 254.

Top Gross Players - Pat Power 228, Ian Pericho 208, Morrie Ferncombe 208, Mark Lenihan 197, Willie Morrissey 194, Michael Kavanagh 193, John White 191, Michael White

LADIES NOTES

Results — Christmas Competition - 13 Hole Stableford -1st: Margaret Mulhearne (45) 28 pts; 2nd: Geraldine Murphy (22) 27 pts; 3rd: Maureen Morrissey (38) 26 pts.

Fixtures - New Year Competition now in progress ends Sat 10th Jan. See notice board for details.

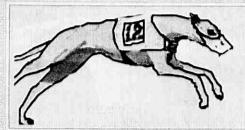
Away Alliance - Next round of the Away Alliance will take place at faithlegg Golf Club on Thurs 15th Jan.

SOUTH **EAST GOLF ALLIANCE**

Rosslare Sunday 4th Jan 2004 — 1st Nett Pat Carew (5) Waterford 72 nett; 2nd Nett Gerry O'Keeffe (3) Waterford 72 net; 3rd Nett John Lynch (4) Waterford 73 nett; 4th Nett Joe O'Keeffe (6) Waterford 73 nett 1st Gross Brendan McDer-

mott (Scr) Waterford 76 Gross; 2nd Gross Paul Madigan (2) Callan 77 Gross; Back 9 Eamon O'Brien (5) Waterford 37 nett

Next Outing Sunday Jan 10th 2004 at Dungarvan



GREYHOUND NEWS BY MARK PHILLIPS

FRIDAY JANUARY 2ND 2004

Cricket Hit His Rivals For Six

The feature events at the first meeting of 2004 were the four first round heats of the Friday night confined 29.80 Stake.

Heat One — The Alan and Hugh Faulkner owned and Damian Quigley trained Giglis Stranger (Carlton Bale-Giglis Jeepster) 6/4 to 4/6 landed some tasty wagers with a polished front running performance to oblige in 29.32. Coming away in front from trap one Giglis Stranger edged into lane three on the run up and led at the first bend from the early paced Deneview Moth. The latter made the favourite work hard to protest his slender back stretch lead but asserting his superiority over the final two bends Giglis Stranger powered clear up the home stretch to run out a clear cut six and a half lengths winner over Deneview Moth.

Heat Two — Trap one also housed the winner of this qualifier as the Thomas Henebery owned and Jim Scully trained Ballybrazil Ash (Frisby Flashing-Tycoon Lady) made every post a winning one in 29,54. Motoring into an early lead over Mountview Comet 'Ballybrazil' who was nibbled in the betting market at 2/1 always looked comfortable in the lead and despite a late rally by Hunts Wolf Ballybrazil Ash won a shade cosily by four and a half lengths. Last week was a good one for trainer Jimmy Scully as he also bred the winner of the third race Caimins Caper at the Tramore races on New Years Eve.

Heat Three — Monmahogue Ned 1/1 and Quanns King 2/1 were the best backed pair here but it was the Patrick Veale owned and Mick Cronin trained Lennons Lady (Moyne Rebel-Mops Spark) 3/1 who made all the running from trap six to open her account in 29.71. Taking a flyer from traps Lennons Lady headed straight for the rails to lead from a slow starting Monmahogue Ned who did well to move into second place around the first turn. It proved all so easy for Lennons Lady from that point onwards as she kicked clear down the back to race on for a comfortable nine and a half lengths win over Quanns King who was badly hampered at the first and second bends.

Heat Four — The C Brine owned Master Hansen (Toolibuk-Foxcover Gem) 2/1 ran out an impressive winner in 29.49. A fast starting On Stage Lucy sprinted clear early on from Murfs Shadow and Boher Chief and while he was only in fourth spot down the back stretch Master Hansen picked off his opponents one by one and coming through on the inside of On Stage Lucy off the fourth bend a determined Master Hansen bounded clear to oblige by two lengths.

The O'Brien's from Graiguenamanagh sent out the first two novice winners on the card as the litter comrades Cricket 2/1 and All Shook Up 6/4 from the May 2002 litter by Larkhill Jo ex Lovely Machine both proved easy winners of their respective contests. Flashing into an early lead from trap one in the opening race the Catherine O'Brien owned Cricket recorded the fastest time of the night with an impressive all the way success in 29.14 an eye catching return on a damp surface. Hitting his rivals for six a strong running Cricket led early on from Bang On Time and increasing his lead throughout Cricket drew well clear for a comfortable twelve lengths victory over Bang On Time.

Litter brother All Shook Up 6/4 running for Maureen Lehman displayed plenty of early dash in the second race leading at the first turn from a tightly packed bunch and making the best of his way home All Shook Up kept on well to defeat the evens favourite Millpark Lad by three and a half lengths in 29.63.

The Aoife Scurry owned Graigue Song (Empire Waker-Best Rose) was dispatched as the 4/6 favourite in a 300 yard dash and the Kilmacthomas lady did not disappoint opening her account in 16.93. When a fast starting Myella Snowy clashed with Sadlers Jo at the first bend Graigue Song darted into the lead to run out an easy three lengths winner over a youthful Sadlers Jo.

In the fourth contest the Andrew Weldon and Marie Queally owned Adeles Belle (Top Honcho-Myross Mistress) 3/1 got

back on the winning trail posting a well deserved all the way victory in 29.55. Shooting clear of Wee Phantom Adeles Belle kept on strongly in the closing stages to beat the slow starting 6/4 favourite Narabane Tom by a length and a half.

In a 730 yard marathon Scallywag Suzie cut an early dash over Bective Lady but easing her way into the lead at the entrance to the back stretch the Andrea Kemp owned Miss Dynamite (Carlton Bale-Asti Gold) 1/1 quickly established a winning lead over the opposition and stretching clear Miss Dynamite came home all of seven lengths clear of Frisby Crackers in 41.67.

In the final race of the night a well backed Bowrawn stalked the early leader Battlestar for three quarters of the trip but in a driving finish the Sean Jennings and Anton Treacy owned Treacys Hotel (Powerful Flash-Related Subject) finished best of all up the home stretch this 4/1 outsider defeating the pacesetter Battlestar by two and a half lengths in 29.78.

FRIDAY NIGHT SEMI FINALS

Confined 29.80 Stake

FIRST SEMI FINAL

Murfs Shadow

Lennons Lady Sir Honcho

Quanns King

King Emperor

Mister Hansen (W)

Selection - Master Hansen

Dangers - Quanns King, Lennons Lady,

SECOND SEMI FINAL

Ballybrazil Ash Deneview Moth

Giglis Stranger

Mountview Comet On Stage Lucy

On Stage Lucy Hunts Wolf

Selection — Giglis Stranger

Dangers - Ballybrazil Ash, Deneview Moth

SATURDAY JANUARY 3RD 2004

Savana Snowstorm Won An Incident Packed Final

The showcase event on last Saturday nights card in Kilcohan Park was the final of the Hugh Smyth Memorial Stake and what an incident packed event it proved to be. Never Give Up was backed in from 5/2 to 6/4 but he stumbled leaving trap two hampering Take Me Back in the process. The early paced Star Prince made a gallant attempt to make all the running but the Kevin Baker owned and Dave Maltby Baker trained Savana Snowstorm (Some Gamble-Kevitt Blaze) 4/1 was always close at hand on the rails and finishing full of running Savana Snowstorm came through smoothly on the fence to outstay Star Prince by a length and a quarter in a fast 28.99.

A well-balanced card also featured the four first round heats of the Waterford Fireplaces Confined 41.40 stake.

In heat one Knockadoon Ford motored into an early lead over Almost Pushy and Full Of Patches but biding her time the John A Marriott owned and Derek Kehoe trained Alices Best (Droopys Zidane-Fearsome Misty) 3/1 produced a well timed challenge over the final two bends to come through for a half a length win over Knockadoon Ford in 41.92.

The Thomas Murphy owned Kildoon Mist (Larkhill Jo-Springtown Charm) 3/1 went a good deal faster in heat two winning out in a smart 41.15. In third place early on as Brykat Cherub took over in the lead on the back stretch from a tiring Caladh Ghualaim Kildoon Mist brought her stamina into play off the home turn sweeping into the lead to run out a convincing three lengths winner over Brykat Cherub.

Heats three and four went all the way to the wire keeping a good sized Saturday night attendance on their toes. In heat three Determined Teddy cut an early dash to lead from Good Eye who went to the front on the backstretch. Overcoming a difficult outside draw however Bill Walsh's Bishops Tess 6/4 cut through the field with lethal accuracy getting up close home to deny Good Eye by a short head in 41.22.

In heat four Determined Pet 5/1 and Slaneyside Scamp 5/4 enjoyed a battle royal throughout matching strides from the outset and in a mad scramble for the winning line the Benny Fox owned Determined Pet (Jamaican Hero-Slight Problem) poked her head in front to triumph by the minimum distance in 41.75. This victory for Determined Pet proved a welcome tonic for owner Benny Fox who has not been well of late.

Enniscorthy born but County Tipperary based Derek Kehoe sent out his second winner of the session as Slaneyside Laird (Droopys Veiri-Shess Okay) opened his account at odds of 3/1 in the opening 525. The evens favourite Ballyroan Tycoon was clipped from behind at the first turn by Slaneyside Laird who scampered clear of the chasing pack down the back. To her credit Ballyroan Tycoon regained her composure to claim the runner up spot albeit four lengths in arrears of Slaneyside Laird. Time 29.52.

Despite having suffered a serious hock injury in the past the Betty Loftus owned Claudies Best (Arrigle Phantom-Stormaway Jane) 3/1 recorded a career best run when making every post a winning one capturing the second event in a smashing 29.04. Bursting into an early lead over Ferata Rocket Claudies Pet was always going like a winner up front coming home two lengths clear of a staying on Kellymount Icon.

The Hole In One Syndicate owned Sineads Ashling (Come On Ranger-Sineads Ivy) 3/1 got back on the winning trail for trainer Jimmy Frisby posting a trap to line 16.47 sprint success in the third event. Quickly into her stride Sineads Ashling was pushed all the way by Run For Myles who eventually tasted defeat by a length

With Dalcash Hotshot a non-runner in the ninth contest over the 550-yard trip the Madge Moore owned Minglers Style (Roanokee-Minglers Lassie) was the punters choice at 4/6 and the Carrigeen lady duly lived up to expectations producing a smooth trap to line 30.04 victory. Special Treat performed with distinction in second place but she could never get to the long striding Minglers Style who kept going at full speed up front to triumph by two and a quarter lengths.

The tenth and final contest was brimful of incident especially in the vicinity of the second last bend. On Stage Jim set a hot gallop from trap two but was joined on the rails at the penultimate turn by Minglers Prime. Maryville Bluff closed right up on the two leaders at this point but all three appeared to come in contact with one another. While all this was going on the Bridget Stanton owned Brunswick Mags (Top Honcho-Elbony Venus) 5/1 bounded into the lead to win out by two lengths from Minglers Prime in 29.33.

MARATHON SEMI FINALS SATURDAY JANUARY 10TH

FIRST SEMI FINAL

1 Bishops Tess 2 Good Eye

3 Knockadoon Ford

4 Pearls Action

5 Brykat Cherub

6 Determined Pet

Selection — Bishops Tess

Dangers — Knockadoon Ford, Determined Pet

SECOND SEMI FINAL

1 Alices Best

Chloes HeroResttm

4 Kildoon Mist

5 Sorrento Belle

6 Slaneyside Scamp (W)

Selection — Kildoon Mist

Dangers - Sorrento Belle, Alices Best

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McGEOUGH (Soccer)

The genial Northern Ireland masterminded Waterford United's march to national League honours, taking the Division One title, and winning promotion to the Premier Division for 2003 season.

FEBRUARY



JASON MORAN (Rugby)

Selected at tight head prop for the Irish under 21 Six Nations rugby team that beat Scotland, and again played a vital role in Irelands U-21 victory over Italy.

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HILTON HINCKS (Motor Cycling)

Took a major step towards landing the inaugural Irish Superbike title when he had four wins to bring him into pole position for the final, and also set him up for the Royal 600cc Lambert & Butler 1000cc titles.

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MARCH



GOUGH (Athletics)

Had a brilliant win in the European Indoor 800 metres over 50 Championship in San Sebastian, Spain, to claim West Waterford's first European title for Waterford.

APRIL



JOHN **KELSEY** (Rugby)

Was instrumental in getting the best out of the Waterford squad which dominated the Third Division of All-Ireland Rugby League and gained promotion to the Second Division.



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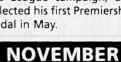
JOHN O'SHEA

(Soccer) He played over fifty games this season and was outstanding for Man. Utd in their Cup Champions League and League campaign, and collected his first Premiership medal in May.

SUSAN McGILL AND TOM SCANLON (Special Olympics)

Both were coaches to thirty athletes Waterford who won twenty five medals at the Special Olympics and ten special challenge medals for the severely disabled.







SHAY BARRY (Horse Racing)

Now rated among Irelands top National Hunt jockeys, and during the month visited the winners enclosure no fewer than eleven times, including a treble and two doubles.

DAVID CASEY (Horse Racing)

six doubles. Leopardstown including two doubles, and is now one of the top four jockey's in the country.

SEPTEMBER



MICHAEL WALSH (Gaelic Football)

Man of the match against Cork in the semi-final, and six days later was outstanding for Waterford when they defeated Kerry to capture the Munster U-21 football final.

OCTOBER



ALAN KIRBY (Soccer)

Had an outstanding game for Longford Town when they made history by winning their first ever senior title defeating St.Patricks Athletic in the FAI Carlsberg Cup Final.

DECEMBER

Had an incredible month with fifteen wins, including At the Christmas meeting, had six winners,

FRIARY DEBS BALL 2003

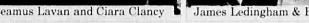
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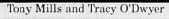


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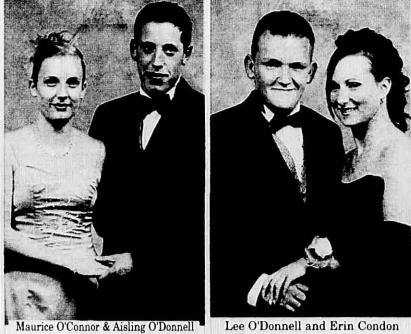
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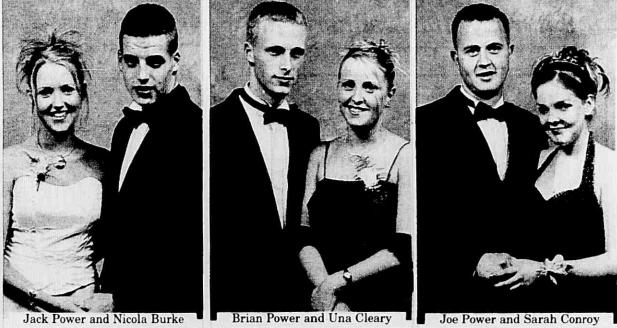






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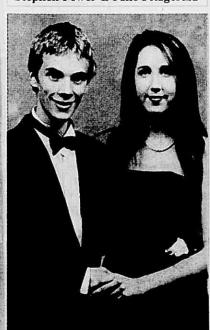
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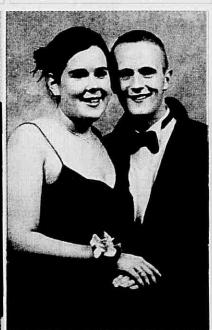




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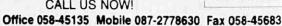
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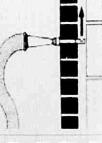
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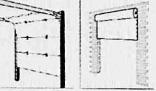
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