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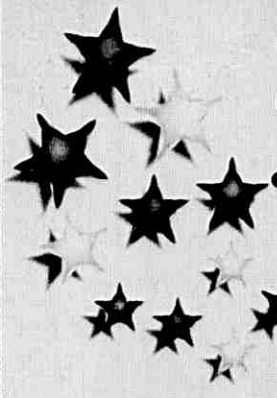
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(Robert Power Photography)

BY KEVIN KIRRANE

Higher commercial rates and the introduction of non-domestic water rates for businesses, schools and sporting bodies are some of the measures contained in this year's Waterford County Council budget which was passed recently by 21 votes to 2.

Hailed as "positive and progressive" by the vast majority of councillors, the 72 million euro budget will see an increased spending outlay across nearly all the programmes, including in housing, roads, water and waste management.

The spending increases were facilitated by an almost 11% increase in the Local Government Fund - the joint highest in the

country - which makes up the vast majority of council's yearly income. The council had been budgeting on a 7% increase.

COMMERCIAL RATES

Overall the budget provided for a gross expenditure of 72.2 million euro compared with 64 million last year. With gross income estimated at 66.9 million euro this left a deficit of 5.3 million euro falling on rates for 2007.

Funding this deficit, required a 4% increase in the general rate of valuation in the euro rising from 63.7001 euro in 2006 to 66.2423 euro this year.

This year also heralded the introduction of a new non-domestic water and waste water charge which will be payable by all non-domestic customers connected to the sewerage network in the county. A water charge of 1.06 euro per cubic metre will be payable for water supply and a charge of 0.53 per cubic metre will be payable for waste water. However, officials are already acknowledging that these charges are likely to increase over the coming years.

Meanwhile, costs for consumers using the kerbside recycling and ordinary collections were excluded from the Budget, having already been imposed by the County Manager, earlier in the year.

FAIR BALANCE

In his report, County Manager, Ray O'Dwyer was satisfied that the budget achieved "a fair balance" between the provision of a satisfactory level of public services while at the same time

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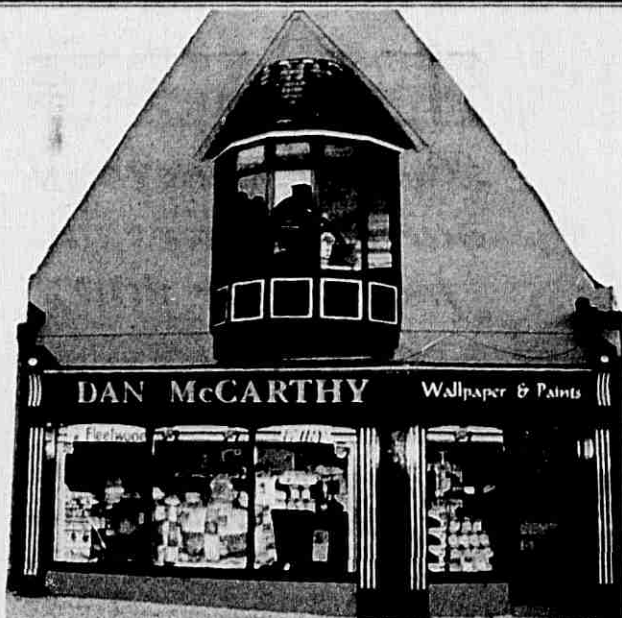
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99 Social And Affordable Houses To Be Constructed
By Kevin Kirrane

Sixty social and thirty-three affordable houses are to be constructed by Waterford County Council this year, according to Director of Services, Caroline Curley.

The figures which were part of the local authorities Budget 2007 show that 17 social and 8 affordable houses are to be constructed in Crooke, 10 social will be built in Lismore, 31 social and 25 affordable houses will be constructed in Tramore, and in Grange 2 social houses are to be constructed.

It's part of the council's 2004-2008 housing action plan, which shows a total of 400 units for construction in various locations around the county.

It's also estimated that a further 60 units for social housing will be provided through the application of the Part V scheme for Social and Affordable Housing although now it is anticipated that this figure will be significantly greater. "The council will also continue to work in partnership with voluntary and co-operative housing bodies in the provision of social housing," Ms. Curley said.

"The council recognises the important role of the voluntary housing sector and it is expected that a further 80 units can be delivered over the lifetime of the Action Plan in partnership with the voluntary associations."

Labour councillor Teresa Wright welcomed the plan but called on the council to continue its proactive approach in regards to social and affordable housing.

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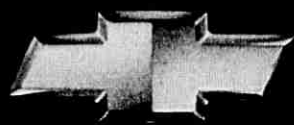
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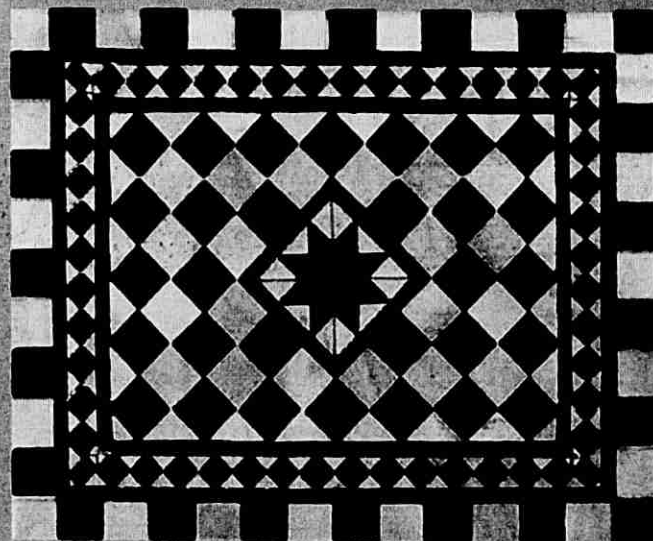
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DUNGARVAN C.B.S. NOTES

Hurling News

Congratulations to West Waterford Colleges on reaching the quarter finals of the Harty Cup. We wish our students on the panel the best of luck in this match which will be played at the end of January. Derek Barry (full back), Jerome Maher (centre back), Karl Duggan (wing back), Cormac Curran (full forward), Shane Kearney and Trevor Crotty (corner forward) have featured prominently throughout the campaign. Our School Rice Cup U14 hurling team have been drawn in a group alongside CBS Midleton and CBS Tipperary. Among the key players that will feature on this team are: Eoin Kearns (Touraneena), Kevin Phelan (Ballinameela), Jamie Barron (Fourmilewater), Richard Walsh (Dungarvan), Gary Hurley (Aglish), Colin Walsh (Ballinameela), Keith Healy (Dungarvan), Louis Queally (Modeligo), Kevin Sheehan (Touraneena), Donal Breathnach (An Ghaeltacht), Cathal Curran (Dungarvan), Jack McGrath and Lorcan Looby.

The CBS U15 hurling team recently played high scoring challenge matches against Cashel and Midleton. They are due to play CBS Nenagh in the first round of the Munster Championship.

CBS Successes in Quiz

CBS Dungarvan recently won the first round of the "Irish Examiner" Schools Quiz, defeating both Ard Scoil na nDeise and CBS Carrick-on-Suir. The contest was hosted by the Friary.

Team: Leo Kavanagh, David Lonergan, Alan Meehan and Joseph Foley.

Second Year Trip

Our second year students recently enjoyed a fun filled paintballing session. The following report was written by Mr. Anthony Kelly, one of the teachers who accompanied the students on their trip to distant Modeligo;

Second Year Socio-educational Trip

A fantastic day! Congratulations to all the lads in Second year who braved the elements and headed for Jeff Allen's Elite Paintball Camp in the Modeligo/Colligan woods.

Our trip down was full of excitement and anticipation....and we weren't disappointed! Pat Daly dropped us off and we were met by Pat Dalton, Luke's uncle, who led us to the camp. Jeff, Marie and the team were ready! Straight away our lads were divided into teams for the team building session in the morning. Pupils were instructed in sportsmanship and forest etiquette. Jeff's expert team were on hand explaining, encouraging and helping our boys with regard to equipment, techniques and manoeuvres. Eric Duggan shone brightly, showing his unique leadership skills. Mr. Kenneally said, "That guy is a genius!"

Lunch followed, and the lads were glad of a rest.

In the afternoon it was time for paintballing. Our pupils were kitted out and another safety instruction from Jeff and the instructors with regard to the equipment and rules. Our pupils learned to work in teams under war-like condition; they learned how to make decisions under pressure of time, how to trust each other, how to work out strategies and manoeuvres and carry them out, how to trust and observe instincts, how to discipline themselves and much more. Also the bonding and making of new friends was clear to see. The positive effect of the day was visible on the smiling faces of the pupils. From a safe position the teachers, Mr. Kenneally and Kelly observed from a safe distance. Four games were played, which involved different aims, skills and a multitude of communication techniques. Gary Hurley was so popular he was covered in paint by the end of it. Joseph Foley looked for needle and thread to turn up his trouser leg. We found out (thanks Jeff), that Ryan still loves his mother! Just when you thought it was safe to go into the forest Brendan 'Cartman' McCarthy was on the prowl.

Our lad's behaviour was exemplary! Once again we were very proud of our pupils and were delighted with the reception and hospitality Jeff, Marie and the team had for us.

Nótaí na Gaeltachta

RANGANNA OÍCHE / NIGHT CLASSES

Beidh ranganna oíche do dhaoine fásta ag tosú ar an 10 Eanáir 2007 i Meánscoil San Níoclás, An Rinn ó 7 p.m go 9 p.m. Beidh na cúrsaí seo a leanas ar fáil:

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Mairfidh na cúrsaí 10 seachtain. Is i dteannta le Comhlacht Forbartha na nDeise, Meitheal Forbartha na Gaeltachta agus Coiste Gairmoideachais Contae Phort Láirge atá na cúrsaí seo á reáchtáil.

Night classes will start in Meánscoil San Níoclás on Wednesday the 10th of January 2007 in Glass Design, Computer Basics agus Hurley making. Further information from the Meánscoil on 46464.

CLUB LEABHAR

Beidh an Club Leabhar ar siúl ar an Luan 8 Eanáir in Oifig an Údarás sa Sean Phobal ag 8 PM. The Club Leabhar will meet in the Údarás na Gaeltachta offices in An Sean Phobal ag 8 p.m on Monday 8th of January. Breis eolais ó Lorcán Ó Muirí ar (087)9107861 nó (058)46752.

SCÉIM NA BPICTIÚR

Beidh an chéad cheardlann eile le Mary Tobin ar siúl ar an Luan 22 Eanáir in Oifig an Údarás sa Sean Phobal. The next workshop with Mary Tobin will take place on Monday 22nd of January at 7.30 p.m in the Údarás na Gaeltachta offices in An Sean Phobal.

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Bíonn an tÁisitheoir ar fáil ag Halla Pobail na Rinne gach Luan ó 2 p.m go 5 p.m agus ag oifig an Údarás sa Sean Phobal gach Céadaoin ó 2 p.m go 5 p.m. The community facilitator is at Halla Pobail na Rinne each Monday from 2 p.m to 5 p.m and the Údarás office in An Sean Phobal each Wednesday from 2 p.m to 5 p.m.

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Melleray Notes TABLE QUIZ

Melleray community will hold a table quiz in aid of Fight For Siath (Iasis African Eye Project) on Saturday, 13th January at 8:30pm in Sportsman's Bar, Cappoquin. More details in next weeks edition.

DOLORES AND SEAN RAISE A WHOPPING €1,357 FOR HELVICK LIFEBOAT



Dolores Walsh, Hon. Treasurer, R.N.L.I., Dungarvan Fundraising Branch and her husband Séan, a former R.N.L.I. crewmember walked in the Dublin City Marathon recently and raised a whopping €1,375 for the R.N.L.I. Helvick Lifeboat.

They proudly presented the cheque to Joan Clancy, Hon. Press Officer of the Dungarvan Fundraising Branch in Tigh Uí Mhuirthe, Helvick.

It costs over €1,375 per year to train and equip each R.N.L.I. crewmember, who in turn, has the potential to save an almost unlimited number of lives in the future.

CERTIFICATES PRESENTED AT CARRIGLEA



Group pictured at Carriglea with Tim O' Malley, Minister of State at the Department of Health & Children at the presentation of certificates to those who entered the art competition for the cover of the National Intellectual Disability Database Report. Back row: Michael Leo, Christina Carey, Sr. Nora Leonard, Marie Griffin, Kathleen Walsh, Sandra Byrne, Jean Hewitt, Maureen Timoney, Margaret Thompson, Marlene Kirby, Sr. Mary Fitzgerald; front row: Ann Flaherty, Marion McGovern, Eilish O' Gorman, Pauline Molloy, (Winner), Minister Tim O' Malley, Susan Bristow, Mary McGrath, Kathleen McGrath, Margaret Fitzpatrick. —(Photo Pat Crowley).

Tallow To Dungarvan Bus Service Discontinued

By Kevin Kirrane

The Tallow to Dungarvan bus service, which also collects in Lismore and Cappoquin and is seen as a vital resource for the elderly in the West Waterford area, has been discontinued, it

emerged.

The decision was criticised by Lismore town councillor, Bernard Leddy. "I have learned with great sorrow that Bus Eireann have decided to discontinue the Tallow-Cappoquin

feeder bus service," he said.

"I am calling on Bus Eireann and all public representatives whose constituents will be affected by this unwelcome decision to get this reversed.

"A lot of elderly people, stu-

dents and so on use this service over the year and will be adversely affected by its withdrawal.

"This is another attack on services to rural communities," Cllr. Leddy claimed.

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L to R: Mr. J. Barber, Barber Institute, Mr. J. Thompson, President Erie City Council, Mr. J. Moynihan, Principal, St. Augustine's College, Fr. G. Horan, OSA, Judge M. Dunleavy, Erie Courts Service, Mrs. B. Barber, Barber Institute, Fr. M. Brennock, OSA, O.J. McCormack, McCormack Construction, Fr. J. Henneby, OSA, Principal, Good Counsel College.

During a recent visit to Mercyhurst College in Erie Pennsylvania, time was set aside for a meeting with the team assembled by Mr. Jim Thompson to work with what they refer to as the "Sister City Relationship" and what we call "Twinning". Mr. Thompson has been in contact with St. Augustine's College Principal, Mr. Joe Moynihan for two years now following their initial meeting at the graduation of Tony Fahey in Mercyhurst at that time. The twinning project has long since had the approval of Erie City Council and newly elected Mayor Joe Sinnott. This was matched by approval from Dungarvan Town Council as reported recently in the local press.

A working lunch at the Erie

Club beside the courthouse saw the sharing of pleasantries followed by exploratory talks with some key business people and Council officials. After dinner Mr. Moynihan gave a brief interview to Erie Network News explaining the planned twinning and outlining the reasons behind the move to proceed. He said that there are strong cultural links between the two towns and a great interest in Irish Heritage generally.

Mercyhurst College was founded by the Irish Mercy nuns and there has been a strong and active link between Mercyhurst and St. Augustine's College dating back 25 years. Currently two Dungarvan girls are studying at Mercyhurst and have settled in very well. Oonagh Foley and Sara Norris both

past pupils of St. Augustine's began their studies in September 2006 and at a meeting with Mr. Moynihan, Fr. Gerry Horan, Fr. M. Brennock and Fr. John Henneby in October, expressed their happiness with the whole experience.

The Director of International Admissions in Mercyhurst College visited St. Augustine's College in February last to speak with the TYs, 5th and 6th Year students. He is due to return in March 2007 for further talks with the hope of finding other interested student in the study abroad programme. Mr. Evans is also very interested in the twinning project and has played no small part in furthering the process. The President of Mercyhurst College, Dr. Gamble, is also behind the proj-

ect and may well visit Dungarvan in the near future. In a meeting with Mr. Moynihan he agreed to revisit the now well established JFK Scholarship Programme and consider increasing the numbers recruited in Ireland. A further meeting with one of the Deans, Dr. Behan (distant relative of Brendan Behan) also supported re-considering the Irish situation regarding scholarships.

More about the twinning project will follow in the coming months. St. Augustine's College is now one of about four centres in Ireland holding the SAT exams for entry to US Colleges. For more information on this visit www.collegeboard.com or contact the Principal on 058 41140.

MODELIGO NOTES

Arrangements

Mass on Friday morning (5th) at 10am at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Modeligo, for January First Friday, Saturday, January 6th is the Feast of the Epiphany, or the traditional Irish feast day of Nollaig na mBan. It marks the end of the Christmas season, and it's a Holy day of Obligation, with Mass at the usual time of 10am. The church certainly looked resplendent for the festive season, with a Jesse tree, a Star of David, a Christmas tree, an Advent wreath, a crib, and of course some red berried holly. Fr. Kiely thanked those who had been involved in the preparation of the church, especially Brid, Vigil Masses at Affane at 8:15pm on Friday 5th and Saturday 6th. The January 2007 Newsletter for Cappoquin, Modeligo and Affane is available in the Church porch, as is the Parish calendar for 2007. Please pick up your copy if you haven't done so already.

Naomh Brid

A sincere "go raibh maith agaibh" to all who supported our fundraising night at Decks on Friday night last. A fine crowd were there to enjoy the music of Teddy Barry. The occasion was also the 50th birthday of Naomh Brid and

Modeligo GAA stalwart Pat Troy, indeed Paudeen was the recipient of a surprise presentation from club Chairman Eddie Lonergan to mark the occasion, as well as acknowledging his many years of service as Naomh Brid treasurer. We'd like to invite all parents and interested parties along to our AGM which takes place this year in Tuar'n Fhiona, please check next weeks Naomh Brid notes for details.

Sympathies

We note with sadness the recent passing of Ellen Luby, and we offer our sympathies to her sisters, her nieces and nephews, and to their extended families. Following requiem Mass at Modeligo Church, the late Ellen, who was a member of the widely connected Luby family, Lyrerattin, was interred in the family plot in the local cemetery.

Leaba I mease na Naomh go raibh aici.

Scor na nOg

Once again Modeligo Community Centre were honoured to play host to the County finals of Scor na nOg. There was a fine standard of competition on the night, as well as quite a good crowd, despite there being some other things 'on' in the area. Comhghairdeachas to the

following winners: they now go forward to represent Port Lairge next weekend in the Munster semi finals at Riverstick, near Kinsale, Co. Cork.

Set dancing - Brickey Rangers; Solo singing: Laura Duggan, Glen Rovers (Melleray); Ceol Uirlise: Naomh Brid; Figure Dancing: Brickey Rangers; Recitation: Nicola Fennell (An tSraibhaile); Trath na gCeist: An tSraibhaile; Bailead Ghrupa: Naomh Brid.

Crannchur Aitíul

The jackpot wasn't won over the Christmas draws, mar sin beidh E700 sa phota oir don gcead babhta eile. December 23rd numbers: 20-22-24. December 30th numbers: 5-11-25. E25 winners: Ryan Duggan, An Cheapach; Tom Kiely, Ma Dheilege; Margaret Cunningham, Ma Dheilege; Ollie O'Connell, Ceapach Choinn; William O'Neill, Tuar'n Fhiona; Mikey Walsh, Farnane; Noel Murphy, c/o M. Murphy; Mrs. K. O'Donovan, Ma Dheilege.

MODELIGO PLAYGROUP

A big day was had by all at our Christmas party with a very special visit from Santa, laden with pressies for the kids. Thanks to all for contributions to the party table, the arts and crafts table and of course our song circle at the end. And the day was not to end there, as soon as the sun went down and kids went to bed, it was time for the Mums to come out and play. We had a lovely meal and party night at the Park Hotel.

The group meets back again at the usual place on Friday 12th January, and we look forward to seeing you all again and wish you all a happy and safe transition into 2007.

Modeligo Mum's and Toddlers group meet on Fridays at Modeligo Community Centre at 10.30am. Cost is E3 per family. We are a self help and mutual support group for parents and carers of babies, toddlers and pre schoolers. We encourage free play with hands on parental involvement.

1,000's Expected to Switch Mortgages to Spain Over Fears of Spouse Inheritance Tax Liability

It is believed many of the 50,000 Irish people who have bought property in Spain over the last 10 years may now transfer their mortgages to Spain amid concerns of a more aggressive approach from the Spanish Revenue and to avoid higher tax bills.

The majority of those 50,000 people who bought a property in Spain did so by re-mortgaging their home or other Irish property to fund the purchase. While this is a perfectly acceptable method of funding and may save a couple of thousand euros at the time of purchase, it is likely to add considerably to their annual Spanish tax assessment, the inheritance tax bill for their beneficiaries (including their spouse) as well as putting their Irish home at risk as interest rates continue to rise.

The inheritance tax exemption that applies between spouses in Ireland does not apply in Spain. This can come as a tremendous shock for the surviving spouse and can put them under severe financial pressure. The rates of inheritance tax can also be much higher in Spain than in Ireland depending on the circumstances.

Having a Spanish mortgage on property in Spain is likely to reduce the inheritance tax bill for the beneficiaries as the net asset (total value of the property less encumbered mortgage) is used to calculate the liability. As inheritance tax is calculated on the net assets inherited, therefore if there is a Spanish mortgage it is netted off the value of the property before calculating the inheritance tax, potentially saving thousands during this stressful time.

Many Irish investors are taking out Spanish mortgages, rather than putting themselves at risk through equity release on their Irish property. This is more appropriate as it matches the security with the borrowing - if the investor is unable to meet the mortgage repayments, then the threat of repossession exists. While this would be an extreme situation, it is clearly preferable for that threat to apply to the Spanish investment property rather than the primary residence at home in Ireland. Better to put your Spanish property at risk because while losing the holiday home would be disappointing it would not be as catastrophic as losing the main Irish home.

Taking out a Spanish mortgage should also reduce the annual wealth tax liability. All property owners in Spain are liable for wealth tax. Again this is calculated on the value of net assets in Spain so if there is a Spanish mortgage on your Spanish property then the tax is only calculated on the net value of the property. An Irish based mortgage would not be taken into account.

For further details contact Peter Quealy, IFG Mortgages, Dungarvan. 058-20060.

Ballysaggart Notes

Cards Results

21st December - John Kennefick and Joe Power; Stephen Cunningham and Tom Cahill; Mick Morrissey and Pa Geoghegan; Mary and Sean Kelly, Kit Crowley and Helen Morrissey.

Lucky Tables: Mary and Sean T. Kelly, Sheila Lonergan and Bertie Neville; Kit Crowley and Helen Morrissey.

Tickets: Cissie Power, P.J. Brennan, Tess Hale, Cassie Hyland, Rita Doocey, Sheila Lonergan, Kit Crowley, Pat Kiely, Tommy Nugent, Helen Morrissey, Ed Byrne, Pat Ryan, Pat O'Connor, Mick Morrissey, Paddy Duffy.

G.A.A.

A.G.M.

Just a reminder that the A.G.M. of the club will be held on Friday, 12th in the Community Centre.

Lotto

Numbers drawn Tuesday, 19th were 5-10-12-24. No jackpot winner. E15 winners as follows: Willie Mulcahy, Burncourt; Eddie Veale; Lena O'Brien, Cappoquin. A full list of the winners of the special Christmas draw is available from promoters. We took a break for two weeks so we will be on the road again on 9th January with a jackpot of E3,625. We thank everyone for the support of the lotto in 2006 and hope we can look forward to same in 2007.

Late Jim Daly

As we filtered out of Mass on Christmas morning, the news started to spread of the unexpected death of Jim Daly and it was received with a sense of complete shock. Jim was one of the characters of the Parish and will be sadly missed. The removal of his remains to Ballysaggart Church on Wednesday evening and his burial on Thursday morning were conducted in the presence of a huge congregation. To his nieces and nephews and to the Kenneally family we extend our sincere sympathy.

May he rest in peace.

Sympathy

We wish to sympathise with the family of Mick Drislane who passed away last week. May he rest in peace.

New Year Wishes

We wish all our readers and the Editor and staff of the paper a Happy and Peaceful New Year.



Pictured above are the pupils of Ms. Veale's 5th Class in St. Mary's Primary School, Dungarvan, who took part in Sleeping Beauty's Dream in the School Christmas Concert before the Christmas break.

County Roads Grants Increased By €5m.

BY KEVIN KIRKANE
 Over 27 million euro will be invested in the county's road network this year, according to County Engineer, John O'Flynn who was addressing the local authority's 2007 budget meeting recently. The total expenditure is over 5 million euro more than what

was spent in 2006. Meanwhile funding for non-national roads is also up.

The provision of funds, which come from the council's own resources for the upkeep of Local Roads, will see an extra 200,000 euro spent this year over 2006.

Over 800,000 euro will be spent on regional road upkeep, 390,000 on regional road surface dressing, over 2 million euro on regional road improvement, 1.7 million euro on local road surface dressing and 4.6 million euro on local road improvement.

In addition, Mr. O'Flynn said, a number of projects will be commenced or completed under the EU Co-Financed Specific Improvement Scheme.

Among these are 1.5 million euro for land acquisition and realignment works at the Clonea Strand Access. Cliff Stabilisation Completion works at Kilmurrin (180,000 euro); surfacing of the Coast Road (200,000 euro); 200,000 euro for the new Tallow link road; and 300,000 euro for the realignment of the Monang road.

Fine Gael councillor, Paudie Coffey welcomed the "continued investment" in the county's road network. He said the Government receives a huge income in taxes each year and the least people can expect is for some of that to be channelled back on to the roads.

Fianna Fail councillor James Tobin welcomed the recent road lining work on the top of Tallow hill, and the 200,000 euro for the Tallow link road. He said he hoped work would get underway as quickly as possible.

However, Fine Gael councillor, Pat Nugent criticised the funding provided for the Local Improvement Scheme. He said

the scheme is very successful but the amount being provided - 319,000 euro - is very small when divided between the five electoral areas. He called on the council to urge the Department to provide extra funding.

Labour councillor, Teresa Wright said one road constantly being ignored and which seemed to be forgotten about again this year was the road from the Dungarvan GAA field to the GlaxoSmithKline plant which is in a "very bad condition."

Over 1 Million For Disabled Persons Scheme

BY KEVIN KIRKANE
 A broad welcome was given to the announcement at Waterford County Council recent Budget meeting that one million euro is being set aside for the Disabled Persons Grant and Essential Repairs Grant schemes this year.

The provision of 1,175,000 euro represents an increase of 300,000 euro or 34% increase over the budget provision for 2006, Director of Services, Caroline Curley said.

Eighty disabled persons grants and fifty-seven essential repairs grants have been paid to date in 2006.

Fine Gael councillor, Paudie Coffey said the grants do an "awful lot of good" to improve peoples living places.

Fianna Fail councillor, James Tobin also welcomed the grants which he hoped would also ensure that any backlog from the previous year is cleared.



"Liam Fennell and Ann Ormond Fennell, Abbeyside, Dungarvan and Eau Claire, Wisconsin, USA wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Ciolagh Ann to Mr. Kevin Puente, son of Robert & Sally Puente, Park Falls, Wisconsin, USA." Pictured above are the happy couple after their engagement.



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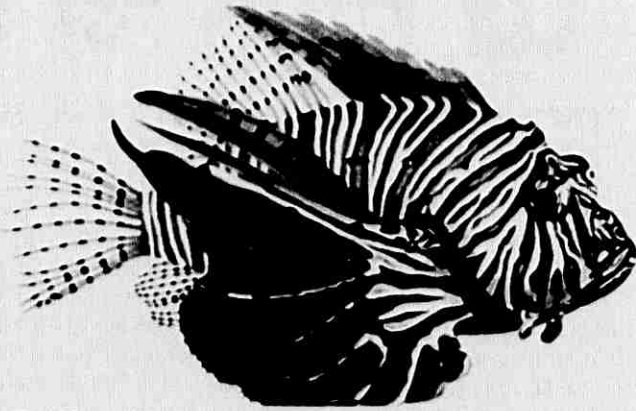
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Fish Facts



Most fish have a torpedo-shaped, cylindrical and streamlined body that tapers towards the tail. Many fish are dark on their upper side so that they blend in with the surrounding sea when seen from above, and have light undersides to match the sky when seen from below. Many fish sport a wide variety of colours - sometimes for camouflage, to attract a mate, or maybe even to warn off predators.

How A Fish Swims

A fish swims by bending its muscular body from side to side while moving its tail, which helps it to swim in a straight line. The dorsal fins on the top of the body and the anal fin on the underside near the tail keep the fish stable. The pectoral fins near the head and the pelvic fins on the underside are normally used for steering or propulsion. Most fish have a gas-filled swim bladder inside their bodies, which helps them to keep buoyant. By altering the amount of gas in the swim bladder the fish can rest at any depth in the water.

Fish Take Oxygen Through Their Gills

Fish get oxygen into their bodies by passing water through feathery structures behind the head, called gill. The gills absorb oxygen into the bloodstream and remove carbon dioxide.

Fish Bones

Many fish have skeletons made of bone, and are called bony fish. There are over 20,000 species of bony fish living in the sea and in fresh water. Fish with skeletons made of cartilage (a gristly tissue that is more flexible than bone) are called cartilaginous fish. There are over 600 species of cartilaginous fish, including sharks, skates and rays, all of which live in the sea.

Longest And Heaviest Bony Fish

The longest bony fish is the oarfish, which is found all over the world. With a length of some 8m (26ft), it has been called the 'king of the herrings'. The heaviest bony fish is the ocean sunfish. It is found in warm waters and weights up to 2,025 kg (4,500 lb).

Largest And Smallest

The largest fish of all is the whale shark (which is not a member of the whale family in spite of its name). The whale shark can measure up to an incredible 12m (40ft) long. At the other end of the size scale, with a length of only 8mm (1/3 in), is the dwarf goby found in the Indian Ocean.

DID YOU KNOW?

- ★ The puffer is both one of the most poisonous and one of the most delicious fish!
- ★ The swirling, twirling oarfish was responsible for early myths about sea serpents.
- ★ Enough fish are caught every year for every human on earth to consume 13 kg (28.6 lb)!
- ★ The ancient Egyptians wore amulets shaped like fish to protect them from drowning.
- ★ In Greek, the first two letters of the word fish are the initials of Jesus Christ, and the fish is used as a symbol of Christ.

Calls For Promenade And Car Parks For Clonea

BY KEVIN KIRrane

A new public car park and a promenade along Clonea Strand should be part of the multi-million euro works that will upgrade the area, according to Fine Gael councillor, Tom Higgins.

A promenade linking up all three car parks in Clonea was proposed twenty-five years ago, but was shot down over a lack of funding.

However, the 1.5 million euro road realignment works which will improve the road into the tourism hot-spot and hopefully lead to a boost in visitor numbers to the Blue Flag beach provides the perfect impetus to provide extra public

car parking near Clonea Strand Hotel and a promenade that would link up the car parks, Cllr. Higgins told a recent meeting of Waterford County Council.

The new funding for the road re-alignment works will take place over the next two years. But while County Engineer, John O'Flynn said a public car park would be constructed near the hotel, he ruled out a promenade.

He said the council doesn't have the funding at present to carry out the works.

"Perhaps it's something that can be achieved over time," he went on to say.



Cllr. Higgins



Mayor of Dungarvan, Cllr. Teresa Wright congratulates Jurga Allioniene on the opening of the Hair Factory, her Unisex Hair Salon on Emmet St., Dungarvan. Also included is Lina Velickaite. (Photo: Celtic Media)



The Original Wren Boys Ann Ryan, Sharon Boland and Breeda Dunne would like to thank their driver Patie Boland and all those who contributed to our collection during our Wren Tour on St. Stephen's Day. A cheque for €1,857.78 will be handed over to West Waterford Alzheimers Association. Thank you very much and Happy New Year.

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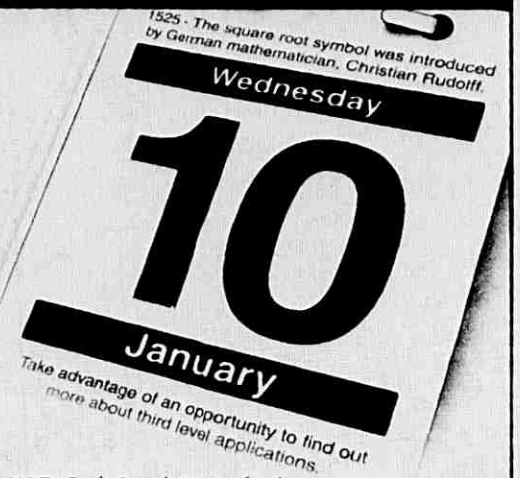
If you are aged 23 or over, the Regional Educational Guidance Services for Adults (REGSA) is providing TWO Information Sessions to assist Mature Students applying to CAO for first year entry into full time third level education, on Wednesday 10th January 2007.

Session 1 - 11 am - 1pm Main Auditorium, WIT, Cork Road, Waterford
Session 2 - 7.30pm - 9.30pm Ardmore Room, Tower Hotel, Waterford

(The same information will be covered at both information sessions)

If you don't feel ready to go to Third Level yet, but would like to discuss other options, REGSA is there to help.

Call REGSA on (051) 302287 or check out www.regsa.org



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Provision Should Be Made For Radon Testing

BY KEVIN KIRrane

Waterford County Council should undertake testing for radon, the natural forming gas which can cause cancer, in homes in the county.

The call was made by Fine Gael Cllr. Paudie Coffey, who urged that money should be set aside to carry out preliminary tests.

The National Radiological Protection Institute of Ireland has highlighted that areas in the county are hot spots for the gas especially in the east of the county and towns like Kilmac-thomas.

He said the high levels of radon are a cause for "much concern".

Director of Services, Caroline Curley said that discussions are taking place with the Department at the moment regarding a pilot test and she is confident that this will be carried out.

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ARIES Mar 21 to April 20

You offer a sense of security to those around you and equally, you need to know who you can rely on. Unexpected developments plunge you into uncharted waters but someone is set to help you navigate the rapids. You have an important ally and in current circumstances this is essential. Enjoy a weekend when you can catch up with friends. ☎ 1550-920-257

LEO July 23 to Aug 22

If someone is as cold as ice, melt that heart with words of kindness, a gentle touch or loving kiss. You may have felt that something is out of your reach. Not so. Stretch yourself. Today, you will be surprised at all you and your loved ones can achieve. It may be Saturday but you will have to remind others that you have work to do. ☎ 1550-920-261

SAGITTARIUS Nov 22 to Dec 23

A mischief maker has little effect when you catch them in the act. Use those eyes in the back of your head or at very least, your heightened intuition. In romance, recognise true love when you see it. Stop ignoring the obvious. This is a time to indulge in a little wishful thinking. Look twice. An admirer is not so secret! ☎ 1550-920-265

TAURUS April 21 to May 21

Someone isn't quite ready to share a secret with you. Be patient. All will be revealed in good time. Others don't understand your ideas but cannot fail to be impressed by your enthusiasm. This is a day to believe in the impossible, no matter how impractical the plan. Before the weekend is out, you will have a new life plan. ☎ 1550-920-258

VIRGO Aug 23 to Sept 22

Continue to be positive even in the most difficult of circumstances. A rolling stone has decided to come home and is simply waiting for your invitation. In work or business, you need to take a stand. Remind others of your position. In love, be true to your word. At home, someone is missing your company. Get in touch. ☎ 1550-920-262

CAPRICORN Dec 24 to Jan 20

Important professional changes are on the way. You are going from strength to strength and will soon leave troubled times behind you. Listen to those you love. They are talking a lot of sense. The shoe is on the other foot and someone can see things from your perspective. Over the weekend, someone is set to tune into your wavelength. ☎ 1550-920-266

GEMINI May 22 to June 21

Don't be effected by pessimism. You are more aware of your capabilities than others could ever be. The more you know of particular person, the less you understand. The feeling is no doubt mutual. Keep close to a family member who is in need of your support. A dream is ready to come true if you are ready to stay true to your word. ☎ 1550-920-259

LIBRA Sep 23 to Oct 23

This is a time to be seen to be true to your convictions. You are likely to see red when someone says something out of line. Keep calm, don't lose control and you will make the right response. Stay on top of things and avoid trusting important duties to those who are likely to let you down. Avoid a tendency to over spend. ☎ 1550-920-263

AQUARIUS Jan 21 to Feb 19

At last you feel on top of things and more in control. Now that life is more smooth sailing, you can finally set a definite course. Maintain your high ideals and focus on the positive. Fickle feelings fade and you must question your true intentions. It is simply not fair to lead someone on. Finances are set to improve. ☎ 1550-920-267

CANCER Jun 22 to July 22

You can stand the heat, so there is no way that you are going to get out of the kitchen! A fast pace and danger deadlines suit you. If anything, you work best under pressure. Others are bound to get caught in your tidal wave of enthusiasm and you really can make a big difference. A social Saturday scene proves the highlight of the weekend. ☎ 1550-920-260

SCORPIO Oct 24 to Nov 21

Your reputation is at stake. Keep up the good work. Financial trends are positive but it is still necessary to budget. Don't count your chickens or put all of your eggs in one basket. A professional opportunity is exciting but might not be for you. Be selective. Over the weekend, let someone know what you are thinking. ☎ 1550-920-264

PISCES Feb 20 to March 20

In work or business, your name is mentioned in higher circles and with much respect. It may well prove to be the case that you are earmarked for better things. Continue to be patient. Regrets are futile so concentrate on the future which is looking bright. Over the weekend, watch out for important clues and piece them together. ☎ 1550-920-268

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Dungarvan Leader - this Week in the Garden

Colourful lilies lift any border

LILIES are among the most graceful of summer-flowering plants and can add a splash of colour to any garden.

Their tall slim stems bear flowers with an amazing variety of dazzling colours and exotic shapes. Lilies are excellent border and woodland plants. They make superb companions for roses and are ideal cut flowers.

By choosing a combination of early, mid-season, and late-blooming varieties, you can have lilies in flower from mid June through mid September. These hardy bulbs require only minimal care. Each will eventually grow into a large cluster of flowering stems.

Asiatic and Oriental lilies are the two most popular types of lilies. Asiatic lilies are the easiest to grow as they are very hardy and are not particularly fussy about soil, as long as it drains well.

Oriental lilies are also popular, thanks to their large, exotic (often frilly) blooms and heavy, sweet perfume.

A few of the smaller lilies may be used to add summer colour to the rock garden when most alpine plants have already finished flowering.

Lilies are ideal for planting in containers, especially on terraces and patios.

Some species of lily also make excellent pot plants for the cold greenhouse or conservatory.

Planting

Always buy fresh bulbs and plant them straight away. Do not buy bulbs that are dry or shrivelled. Most lilies grow well in a wide range of soils.

Bulbs should be planted in a sunny spot 10-15cm deep, 20-30cm apart, in well-prepared, free-draining soil.

The routine care of lilies is similar to that of most bulbs and the plants must be well staked so the flowering stems do not snap.

You should not expect lilies to grow to their full height in the first year, but they will still produce a stunning show of flowers.

Staking

Lilies should be staked as soon as they are tall enough for a tie to be put around them.

Use plant support rings or insert cane stakes well away from the base of the stems so the bulbs are not damaged. The stem should be allowed to grow through the support ring or fixed firmly to the cane.

When the flower buds are forming, tie in the stem to the cane just below the buds to prevent the stem from breaking when the buds open.

Bulb care

If your bulb is planted in grass there is no need to feed it regularly but take care when you mow the grass.

Do not cut the grass until at least six weeks after the bulbs have flowered or the foliage is turning yellow.

Bulbs planted in borders and woodland should be fed with a low-nitrogen, high-potash rose fertiliser, as should any bulbs that are grown in containers outdoors.

Propagation

Lilies may be propagated easily by stem



Splash: Lilies can add colourful impact to any border.

bulbs, scaling, seed or by simple division. Always propagate from healthy stock. Many species produce stem bulbils in the leaf axils and bulblets at the base of the old flowering stem. Remove these and pot them to grow on. Seed sowing produces vigorous virus-free bulbs but it is a slow process.

THIS WEEK IN THE GARDEN

Protect all delicate and tender plants

Plants such as gunneras, eremuruses, eschallonias, evergreen ceanothus and crinodendrons will need frost protection if they are growing in exposed spots. Those plants which are not too exposed will need some protection too. Wall shrubs and climbers can be protected by hanging sacking or a double layer of fleece in front of them. The plant must not be closed off entirely to the air and the top of the cover should always be left open to let the stale air out.

Care for hardy plants

Roses are not tender but the flowers will benefit from protection from the elements during the winter months. All that is needed is a little protection from heavy rain and being splashed with mud.

Late celery may be damaged by the weather - cover them with straw, bracken or fleece held down with wire netting and dig a trench either side for excess water to drain into.

In preparation for January

With Christmas over, now is the time for gardeners to think about new equipment for next year and include it on their list of gift wishes. A new spade, a sharper knife, a pair of secateurs or some decorative pots. Include the essentials such as gloves, wellington boots, a small hand shovel and fork and if you are a complete novice, a gardening book or two.

Birds need more food

Put up a bird table within sight of your windows, between 1.5-2m high, with a rim to stop the food rolling or blowing away. Put out proper bird seed mixes daily, adding a few nuts and bread crusts if available.

If squirrels prove to be a problem invest in a squirrel proof bird feeder.

Avoid inferior quality peanuts as they may be poisonous to the birds. A food bar made of suet and seeds is particularly good for the birds.

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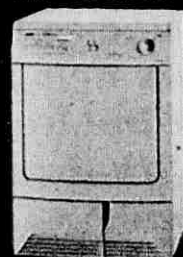
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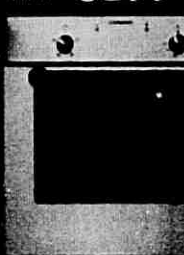
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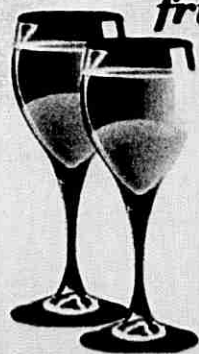


Siobhan's Hair Salon, Grattan Square, moves back to O'Connell Street under new ownership with Maria Cliffe

Maria Cliffe of Siobhan's Hair Group, Grattan Square, would like to inform her clients that from 1st January, 2007 Siobhan's Hair Group will be merging back to its original salon in 53 O'Connell Street.

Maria will be taking over as management/owner from her successor Siobhan O'Farrell. This is a fantastic opportunity for Maria who has been with Siobhan's Hair Salon for the last fifteen years. She has managed the sister salon in Grattan Square for the last four years and has built her reputation and clientele from strength to strength.

Maria and staff would like to invite friends, family, clients new and old to a Cheese and Wine Reception on Saturday, 13th January at 7 pm.



We do hope all can attend as we raise our glasses to toast new beginnings for Siobhan's Hair Group as Maria Cliffe embarks on a bright new future as she takes on her new role as Salon Proprietor.

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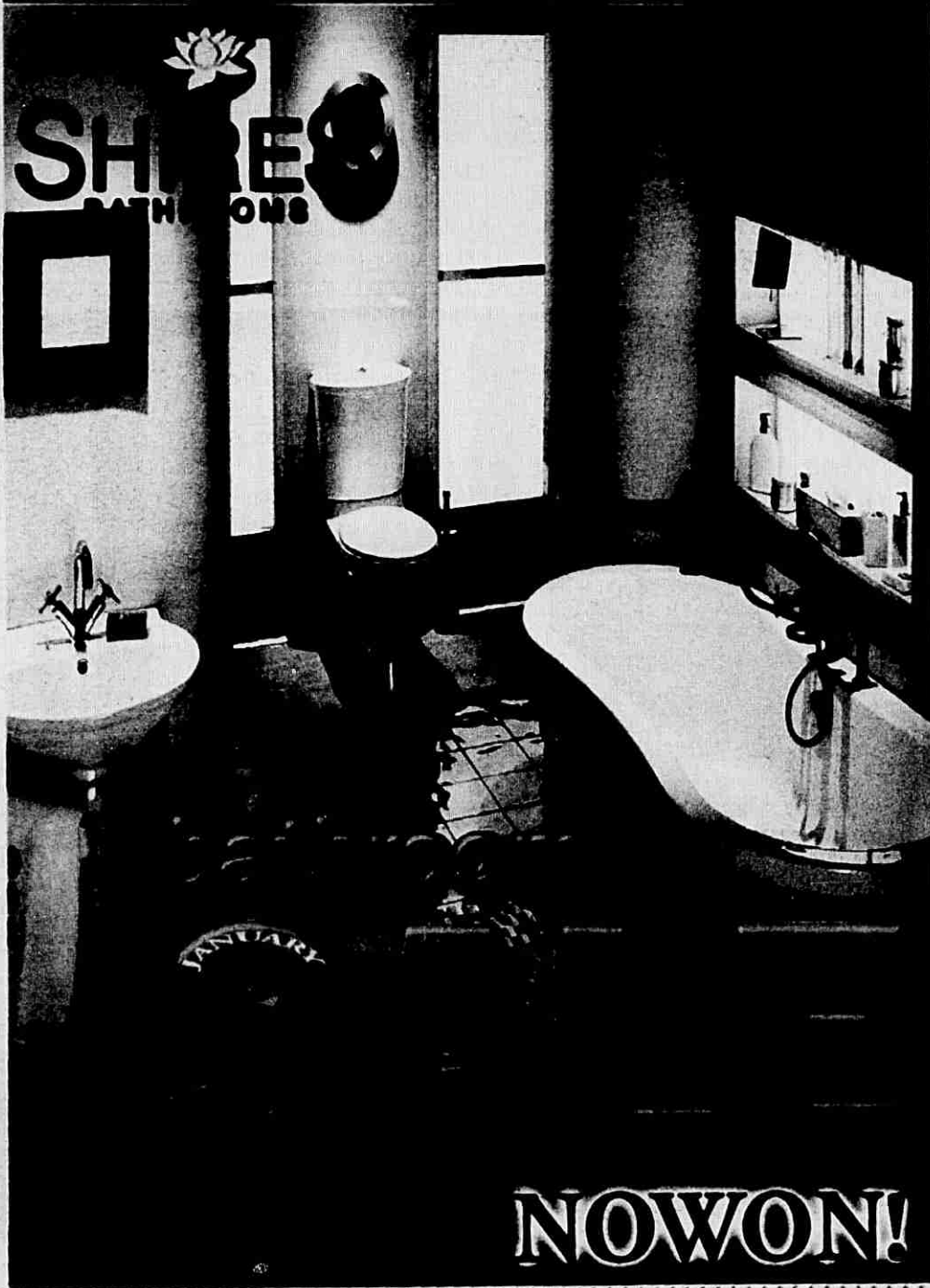
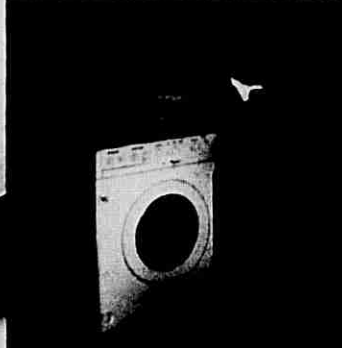
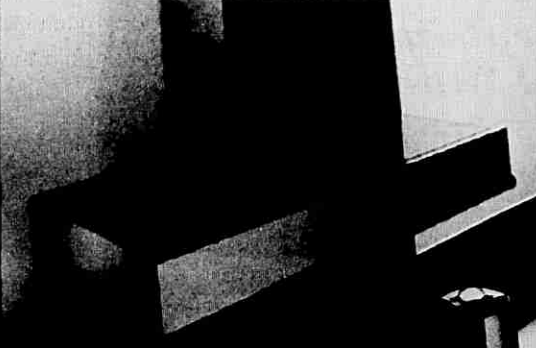
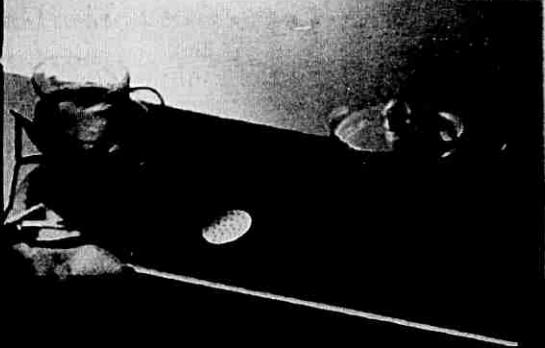
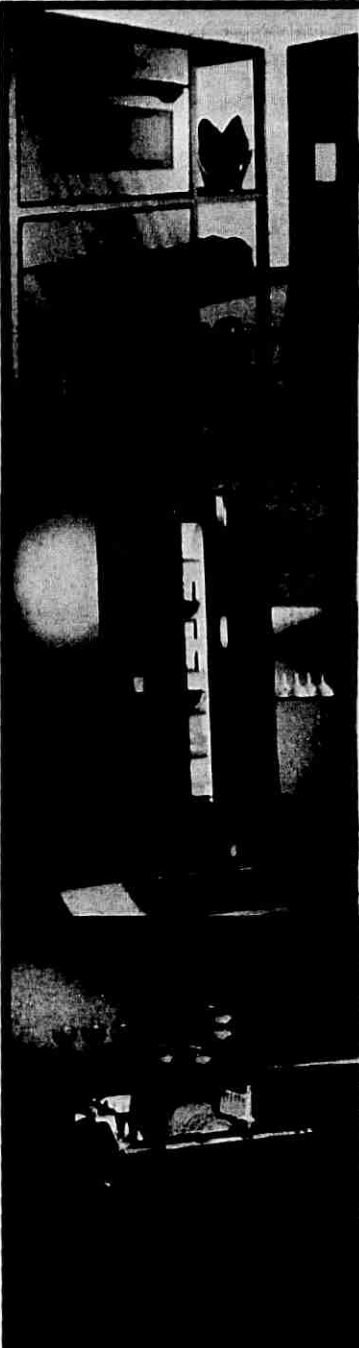
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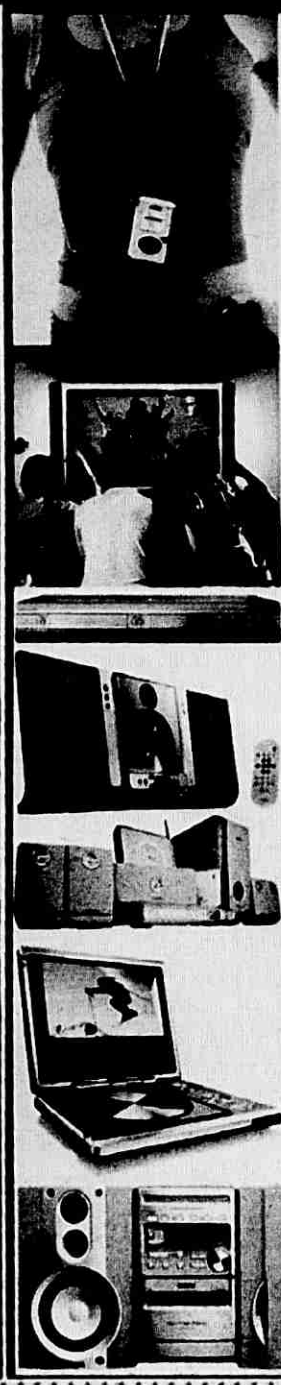
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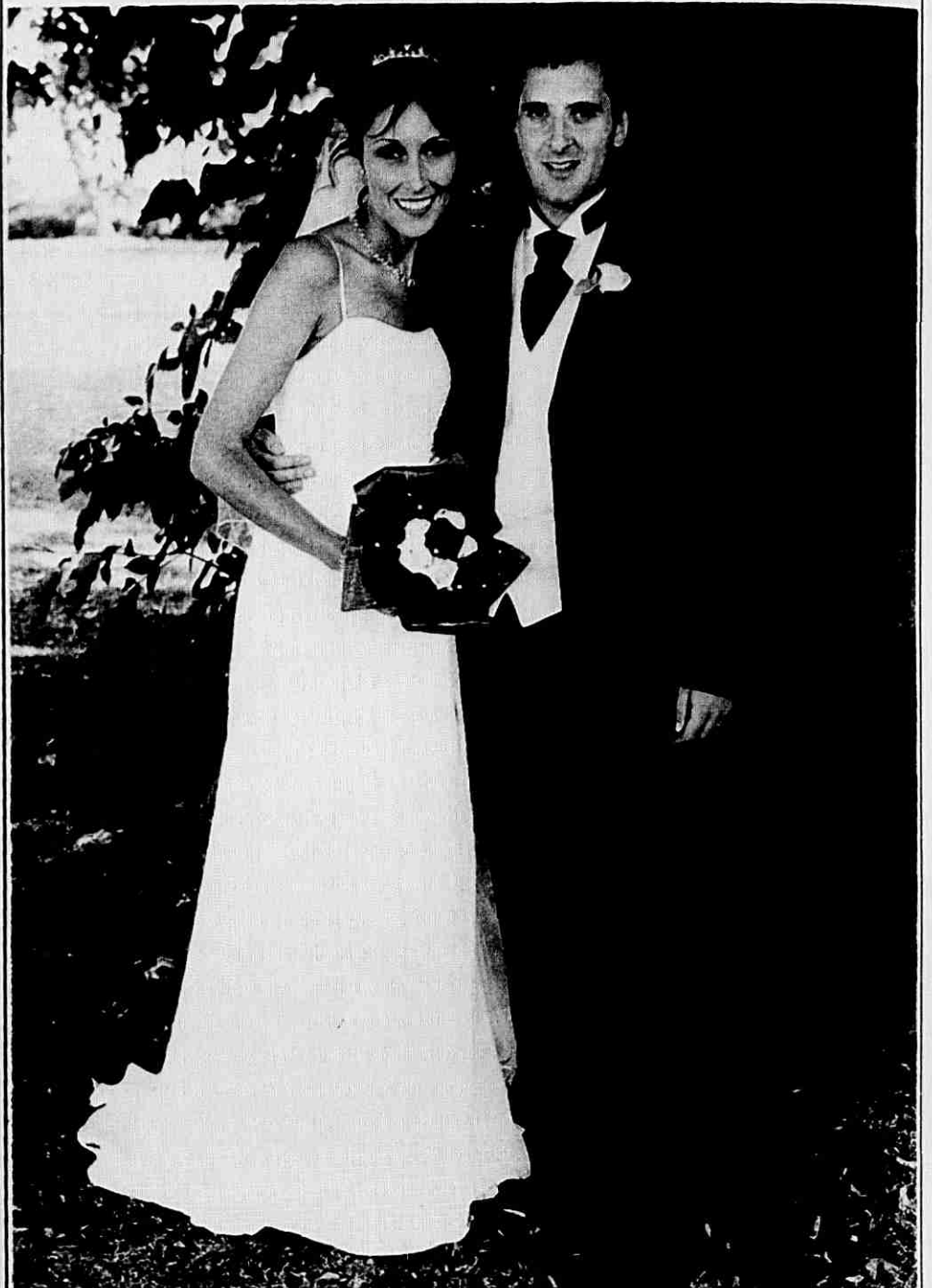


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Maggie O'Neill, Ballinacourty, Waterford winner, pictured at Hugh Lane Gallery, Dublin, at the Libraries Competition for "Design A Children's Book Mark."

Viewpoint

EXPENSES CONTINUE TO INCREASE

Well Viewpoint ended 2006 on the cautionary note that readers shouldn't expect too much in regards to its call on Waterford County Councillors to put a halt to the spiralling expenses they collect each year. Hope springs eternal they say but evidently not when it comes to giving a new meaning to a prosperous New Year.

Representational payments have increased from 370,000 to 411,703 euro, members allowances are to go from 122,000 to 128,100 euro, expenses of members at conferences have increased from 146,000 to 172,500 euro, and committee expenses have increased from 11,600 to 13,680 euro this year.

The Mayor will also get 33,920 euro up almost 2,000 euro from 2006 and the Deputy Mayor will receive a smaller increase of 150 euro to 2,650 euro.

Not that there was much of a peep from councillors about their own expenses in any case. With the exception of Sinn Fein councillor, Brendan Mansfield who questioned the 20,000 euro set aside for the council's annual junket to New York, not one iota was said about these spiralling costs.

In fact, during the morning briefing session, when most of the behind the scenes negotiations go on, the programme on expenses were helpfully skipped over by County Mayor, Mary Green as the council had to rush the business of the day to a close for councillors to be wined and dined in the Park Hotel – apparently at the council's expense. Just as well then that entertainment expenses are up too from 7,000 euro to 7,280 euro.

But enough of that. The main business of the day was the overall context of the 72 million euro Budget. In many aspects, as the majority of councillors said, it was indeed a "positive and progressive" budget.

It contains vital funding for a number of major road projects over the coming years, along with water and sewerage infrastructure, and new social and affordable housing starts. All very laudable. And all very welcome.

But the toss up here for every resident to make their minds up on, is the choice between high spending and higher taxes or lower spending with the consequent lower rates of increases.

The downside of all the projected spending over the next year is that it will have to be paid for. And the people paying for it, in the majority of cases, will be small businesses. Along with the already, to Viewpoints mind at least, exorbitant cost of waste management, commercial rates are once again up this year by a not insignificant 4%, and the introduction of non-domestic water rates will hit businesses, schools and sporting bodies hard.

Again there was scarcely a word uttered about these costs in the public forum, with the exception of Fine Gael councillor, Damien Geoghegan. It was unusual for the Dungarvan area councillor to oppose a budget – and indeed questions could be asked why he did not do so last year – but Viewpoint believes the officials were let off too lightly on this one.

The commercial rate was calculated on the council receiving just 7% from the Local Government Fund (the main source of the council's income.) I'm open to be proved wrong, but the 4% increase in commercial rates stayed in despite the council receiving instead 11% from the Government.

Rowing back some of the spending forecast for the next year could have also cut costs small businesses will face next year. We are all looking for new investment and new employment creation. While infrastructure is vitally important. So too is a proper economic climate to do business.

RAISING THE GOAL FOR CHARITY

In all the commercialised hoopla over Christmas, one act of charity that should not go unmentioned was the recent event of handing over the proceeds raised by the Round Ireland Powerboat Challenge.

Four powerboats, skippered by local Dungarvan-businessmen, raised a whopping 15,000 euro for the Irish Guide Dogs For the Blind. The proceeds were handed over to a grateful Bride Clancy of (IGDB) at Kiely's Bar recently.

It was a mammoth task to complete for the four local skippers and their support crews, during which they faced very choppy conditions. The sum raised and the manner in which they conducted themselves is a testament to their characters.



Hamper presented to Friends of St. Josephs by Cork Prison Officers Social & Charity Club in association with St. Augustines College. Pictured at the presentation are Pat and Tom Power, Prison Officers, Fr. O'Donnell and Sinead Power, St. Augustines with Bridget Burke, DON, Pat Harrington, ADON, Loreta O'Shea, CNMI and staff of St. Josephs Hospital. —(Sean Byrne Photography).

Decentralisation Figures Prove Government Proposal Flawed

— Deputy Brian O'Shea

Just 16 OSI Staff Volunteer For Dungarvan Move

By Kevin Korrane

Labour Party TD, Brian O'Shea, has learned that only 16 current Ordnance Survey of Ireland employees have so far volunteered to move to Dungarvan out of a total of 210 originally planned in the Government's decentralisation proposals.

"This proves the point that I have made in the past that this Government proposal was not properly thought out or planned and that it is not working because there was no prior consultation or agreement with the people most concerned - the civil servants themselves.

"When I asked the Minister for Finance, Brian Cowen TD, for a progress report, he told me that only 16 OSI staff have chosen to decentralise to Dungarvan but that a further 54 staff have been recruited to move there and a further 45 staff from other departments or state agencies have applied to move.

"I said on previous occasions that this proposal has all the hallmarks of a botched plan which was made up on the back of a cigarette packet and nothing I have been told in the most recent updates has convinced me that it is otherwise.

"The need for an economic boost which these secure and relatively well-paid jobs would bring to Dungarvan and Waterford city remains more urgent than ever but I cannot see any real progress on moving substantial numbers of civil servants from Dublin in the short or medium term, if at all.

"There was no prior consul-

tation with the trade unions representing the employees whose jobs were to be voluntarily decentralised. Such a major move does not suit many public and civil servants with young children or other family commitments in Dublin. It was quite obvious that such a plan could not be implemented solely on the dictate of the Government and it now looks as if the whole plan is a shambles with specialist staff particularly unwilling to move out of Dublin.

"The most recent figures which I have been given only strengthen the belief in some political circles that the decentralisation plan will be significantly scaled down after the next general election," he said.

Waterford County Council Arts Grants Scheme 2007

Application forms are now available for Waterford County Council's Arts Grants Scheme 2007. Guidelines and the application form can be downloaded from www.waterfordcoco.ie or by contacting the Arts Office on 058/41416.

The closing date for receipt of completed application forms is 12 noon on Friday 26th January 2007.

CINEMA REVIEW

By Barry Power

Night at the Museum****

Ben Stiller makes the cross-over from his usual role in wacky comedies to a more family orientated film in *Night at the Museum*, where he plays a middle aged loser Larry Daley, who takes a job in the National History Museum in order to keep in the good books with his son. Stiller has been moving apartments, switching jobs and hatching hair-brained work schemes for as long as his son can remember. He can offer no stability, meaning his son is growing closer and closer to his step-dad, and more disillusioned with Stiller by the day. All of which means Stiller needs a steady job so he can keep both his apartment and his little boy.

Of course, this may seem like a very normal script, and it is... up until the point where Stiller assumes guardianship of the museum after dark. Once the sun goes down an ancient Egyptian tablet has the power to make all of the museum's inhabitants come to life. Which is of course a problem for Stiller, who has to (in the words of outgoing night watchman Dick Van Dyke) make sure nothing gets "in OR out" of the museum at night. From the quarrelling miniatures, Wild-West adventurer Owen Wilson and Roman general Steve Coogan, to the museum's resident T-Rex, the entire population of the museum is out to cause trouble for poor old Stiller. Added into the mix is a love interest for Stiller, gorgeous history geek Carla Gugino, and a dastardly plot from the previous night watchmen.

Night at the Museum continues Stiller's incredible run of success of late. Packing in plenty of jokes, it also manages to have a strong emotional core without being overly soppy at any stage. The choice of a classical score rather than a pop-driven soundtrack is an inspired one; distancing the film from the scores of others aimed at the children's/early teen market. The topping on the cake is the strength of the acting; Stiller is as reliably charming as ever and his dalliances with Wilson and Coogan are refreshingly hilarious. Van Dyke proves his worth as the goodie turned baddie while Ricky Gervais and Robin Williams provide excellent cameos.

All in all, *Night at the Museum* is a clever, believable and funny film. It even keeps the current American trend of shoe-horning a moral into the script at bay, meaning that the film is purely enjoyable rather than an ethical sermon. Pure enjoyment, delivered well!

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Patrick Cockburn, native of Youghal, is the speaker at this month's Ailbrin Society meeting.

It is no exaggeration to say that Patrick Cockburn is one of the world's best known and most respected Middle East analysts. He is a regular contributor to RTE, is Middle East correspondent for the London Independent and his latest book, "The Occupation: War and Resistance in Iraq", is essential reading for those who want a real understanding of the tragedy which has unfolded over recent years in that country. Patrick, son of the late and memorable Claud Cockburn, has continued in the journalistic footsteps of his father, as have his siblings Alexander and Andrew. He contracted polio (about which he has written the evocatively entitled book "The Broken Boy") at a time when that disease blighted many an Irish family. However, despite this unfortunate setback, he went on to reach his present international status via studies at Oxford University, work at the Financial Times and much more.

The Ailbrin Society is delighted to play host to such an distinguished guest and, moreover, to one who continues to value the place of his boyhood, to which he is a regular visitor. Signed copies of Patrick Cockburn's book will be available on the night at a slightly discounted price.

From Youghal to Baghdad
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The following are the scheduled speakers for the remainder of the Ailbrin Society's season of presentations:
 21st February 2007 Patricia Reddlich, Agony Aunt with the Irish Independent will give a talk on a subject to be determined
 14th March 2006 Jeremy Meehan will give an illustrated presentation on the work of Bóthair



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NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM (PG) 108 mins.
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ERAGON (12A) 104 mins.
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**BONMAHON
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Hunt Meet

On New Years Day the Hunt meet took place at the Bridge in Bonmahon. This day was especially organised for new comers to the club. All the new horses and riders were taken down through cover section of the Mahon Valley, right back to Seafield School. Great care was taken of the new people as they

were tutored by older members of the club. On completion of their day out everyone went to the home of Francie and Eileen Lonergan, Ballinsisla where they were treated to drinks and sandwiches. Everyone had a great day and well done to the local Kill Harriers.

Flooding

After the Christmas storms

and downpours, the Mahon Valley looked more like the Killarney lakes, a familiar sight at this stage. Only ones winning out were sea birds, etc. The inclement weather has caused

many problems in the area, gouging up roads and drains and causing thousands of euros worth of damage. We can only wait for improvement in this situation.

Birthday Wishes

Congratulations to Siobhan O'Reilly who celebrated her birthday recently. Wishing her many, many more birthdays.



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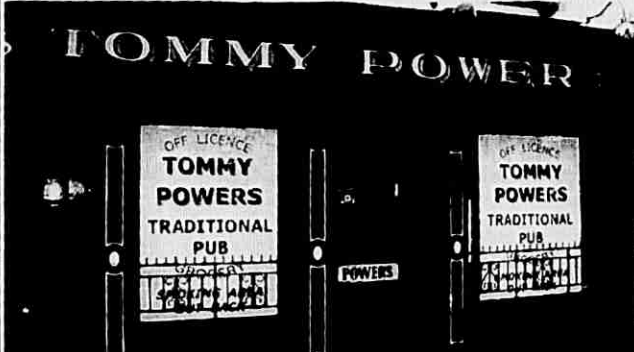
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Gradaim Aitheantais recipient Sean O Murchu from An Seán Phobail receives his prize from Pádraig O hAoláin Príomhfhéidhmeannach Udaras na Gaeltachta at the presentation of Gníomh don Gaeltacht and an Baile Beo awards by Udaras na Gaeltachta at Ostan Ghobnatan in Baile Bhuirne. (Pic Catherine Ketch)

Recent Elections of Waterford Foróige

The recent AGM of Waterford Foróige District council took place in Lawlors Hotel those elected on the night were Chairman: David Guilfoyle (Outrage club); Secretary: Helen Miller (Ballduff Upper) Treasurer: Elish Flynn (Ballyduff Upper club); Pro: Michael Flynn (Rathgormack Club) Congratulations was extended to the Leaders and members of Portlaw Foróige club on winning the Citizen awards which were presented by President Mary McAleese on their installing smoke alarms in the houses in the area that had none.

The Bi-Annual Dungarvan Antique Furniture And Collectables Fair At The Park Hotel, Dungarvan

The Bi-annual Hibernian Antique Furniture and Collectables Fair is upon us once again this Sunday, January 7th.

Now in its 2nd year, twice yearly we have grown it into one of the largest Antique fairs of its type in Ireland.

This time though, we have a lot of new things and fresh ideas going on. Having spent 14 years building the fairs countrywide (26 per year), Hibernian Antique Fairs has taken on a whole new image. With a new management structure headed up by Robin O'Donnell, the fairs have received a major facelift. The emphasis now above all is on quality. Quality furniture, quality jewellery, quality porcelain and china, quality Irish Art, etc.

'You will not find a shred of reproduction at our fairs' comments Robin. 'We decided recently with our new management team that the fairs needed more control over the quality of items we are accepting. So six months ago we started pushing out the more modern and poor quality items and replacing these poorer quality dealers with some older faces from the past and some wonderful new dealers from the present. We have 15 members of the Irish Antique Dealers Association showing with us on a regular basis.

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Switch off lights when you leave the room. Lighting accounts 10-15% of your electricity bill.

● Standby

Turn off televisions, stereos, video players and computers rather than leaving them on standby. A TV on standby can use as much as half the electricity as when it is turned on.

● Tea Breaks

Only put the amount of water in a kettle that you actually need- otherwise you are paying to heat water unnecessarily.

● A lagging jacket on a hot water cylinder will pay for itself in less than a year by saving 75% of heat loss from the cylinder.

● Home Heating

By lowering your home temperature by 1°C, you could cut your energy bill by 10%.

● Insulate your Attic

An uninsulated attic can allow up to 30% of the heat in your home to escape. Use 8" (200mm) fibre quilt and it will pay for itself in 2-3 years.

The Irish Energy Centre was established in 1994 as an EU funded initiative of the Department of Public Enterprise. As Ireland's national agency for energy efficiency and renewable energy information, advice and support, the Centre's mission is to promote the development of a sustainable national energy economy. You can do a home energy survey on the IEC's website www.irish-energy.ie

Step nine of the 10steps to a better environment is: "Turn Down and Switch off". Check out the "Its Easy to make a Difference" website at www.10steps.ie

ENFO has produced a booklet called Your Home and the Environment. Contact ENFO for a copy. info@enfo.ie www.enfo.ie

Happy New Year everybody.

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TWO CASES

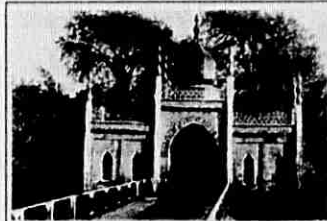
We have two glass cases at the Archive which contain many small items from money to part of a medieval floor tile!

In the near future we plan to empty both cases and refill them. It will be a change or people when we reopen on the 4th February, 2007. Should you have something you feel should be on display to the public each Sunday evening at the Archive, just get in touch with us and we will take it from there. We would like to say its only small items we are interested in for this project, as always our space is very limited. Should you have a glass case - size will not matter.

Note: as next Tuesday is the second of the month (9th Jan) we remind our committee that the monthly meeting takes place at 7 pm.

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to committee member Eddie Cantwell and all his family on the death of his father Tommy Cantwell, Ballinroad.



West Waterford Notes



ST. STEPHENS DAY IN CLASHMORE



James Fitzgerald and Ros Ledingham enjoying St. Stephen's Day in Clashmore

Once again we had the traditional St. Stephen's Day meet of the West Waterford Hunt in Clashmore village and as in previous years we had a fine turn out of horses and riders. Of course St Stephen's Day would not be the same with the Wren Boys and they too made a welcome appearance. Also making a welcome appearance were many of our emigrants back home from various parts of the world to spend the festive season with their families here in Clashmore- we hope they had a very enjoyable trip home and we wish them all a safe return journey.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

This week we extend belated birthday greetings to a wonderful Shanacoole Lady Mrs. Rita Keogh who recently celebrated her 90th birthday in style with a great reunion of family and friends at the Walter Raleigh Hotel Youghal. This was followed by second celebration on "B-Day" at home in Shanacoole organised by her neighbours and family. To you Rita we say a very happy Birthday and we wish many more years of health and happiness from all your family and friends.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament continues on alternative weeks in Clashmore on Thursday and in Piltown on Monday. feels free to come along on during any of the days and spend a little quite time in the presence of Jesus.

PRAYER GROUP

Our parish prayer group also meet each Tuesday night from 7:30 to 8:30pm in the Sacristy at Clashmore Church. New members are always welcome and there is no obligation to come every week so feel free to come along and join us

21ST BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Our congratulations to Padraig Smiddy, Ballyheeny who celebrated his 21st Birthday recently with family and friends at Moloney's Bar, Clashmore. A very happy birthday to you Padraig from all your family and friends.

CAROL SERVICE WITH A FESTIVE SPIRIT

On Monday night [December 18th] family and friends packed Clashmore Heritage Centre for a delightful Christmas Carol Service presented by the pupils of Clashmore National School. As always the children gave an outstanding performance thanks to their wonderful team of teachers Mrs. G Shine, Mrs. V Curran, Mrs. S Hynes, Mrs. C Butcher and Mrs. P White [music]. These ladies did Trojan work with the children in the weeks prior to the service to prepare the children for this special occasion. Our thanks to The Clashmore Enterprise Group for allowing us The Heritage Centre. A special word of thanks also to Geraldine Cunningham, Helen Lynch, and Myra Nolan who baked a wonderful arrangement of mince pies and tea cakes and Anne Coughlan and Kim Sweetnam who brewed up a the heart warming mulled wine. Thanks to everyone who sponsored prizes for the raffle and everyone who helped make the service so enjoyable. Last but not least thanks to our carol singers who got us all in a festive mood. A great night was had by all.

LATE MICK FITZGERALD

With great sadness we record the death on Saturday, December 16th at Waterford Regional Hospital following a brief illness of well-known Ardmore fisherman, Mick Fitzgerald, The Cliff, Ardmore.

Reposing at Kiely's Funeral Home Dungarvan on Sunday evening to St Declan's Church, Ardmore. Following requiem Mass on Monday, Mick was laid to rest at Holy Cross Cemetery, Ardmore.

Mick is survived by his wife Maisie, his daughters Mary Murray and Catherine Hourigan, his grandchildren, sons-in-law, sisters, relatives and many friends to whom we tender our deepest and heartfelt sympathy.

CLASHMORE/ KINSALEBEG GAA CLUB LOTTO Final Draw of 2007

Our thanks to everyone for their wonderful support for our lotto draws throughout the year. In our final draw of 2006 these were the numbers out were 8, 9, 13 and 16.

Our congratulations to the following who were winners of our €20 consolation prizes:

Shane Coughlan, D'Lough-tane; Anne Ormond, Clashmore; Tom O'Halloran, Clashmore; Kate Ormond, Clashmore; Jim Fitzgerald, Kilgabriel, Clashmore.

The first draw of 2007 took place on Monday night last January 1st the numbers drawn were 8, 16, 21, and 28, the following were the winners of our consolation prizes

Pad Collins and Mick Costin, c/o The Rising Sun; Billy Allen, Clashmore; Peg Cunningham and Declan Hurley; Niall Buckley, Knockanaris; Kate Cliffe, D'Lough-tane.

Thinking of going to the January Sales and need a little extra cash! Would winning the Clashmore/Kinsalebeg GAA club lotto Jackpot be the solution. Then be sure to get your tickets in for our second draw of 2007 which takes place on Monday night next at the Deise Bar. Thanks to everyone for the continued support and a happy New Year to one and all.

SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

Once again the more senior members of our community enjoyed their annual get together for the traditional parish Christmas Party at Kinsalebeg Hall on Sunday December 17th. Thanks to the organisers, a great day was had by all.

CLASHMORE/ KINSALEBEG GAA CLUB AGM

On December 13th Clashmore Kinsalebeg GAA clubs held their annual General meeting at the Heritage Centre in Clashmore. Our thanks to everyone who attended and thanks to our outgoing officers for their presentation of very detailed and informative reports.

On to the election of officers and we had just two changes to the panel of officers for 2007. Liam Dunne takes over the position of PRO and Jonathan Flavin replaces Tim O'Keefe on the committee. The officers were elected as follows: President: Fr O Gorman. Vice Presidents: Eamonn Lombard, Jim McGrath, Davy Foley. Chairman: Pat O'Halloran. Vice Chairman: Declan Hickey. Secretary: Noel Nugent. Assistant Secretary: Pat Collins. Treasurer: Tom Dee. PRO: Liam Dunne. Committee: Michael O'Neill, Tony Hickey, Liam Curran, Jonathan Flavin.

Congratulations to all the officers and best wishes to all for the coming year

HAPPY BIRTHDAY GRACIE

This week we wish to extend Birthday Greetings to "Auntie" - Gracie Cunningham, Coolboa, Clashmore. Gracie is presently a resident at Padre Pio Nursing Home Cappoquin, where she celebrated her birthday on Saturday last with a gathering of family, friends and her colleagues at Padre Pio. All enjoyed some great music, song, dance and refreshments arranged by Mary and staff at the home. Congratulations and many more years of health and happiness to you Gracie

THERE GOES OUR EDDIE WORLD CHAMPION WEIGHT THROWER

Eddie Mulcahy a native of Clashmore living in Sneem, Co. Kerry again had an outstanding year of Athletics in the weight-throwing field in 2006. He started by winning the Championship of Kerry Munster and Ireland in the 56lbs distance Under AAI. Rules. He went to England where he won the Championship of England where he won the championship of England at Rochester in the same events with the World Throwers Organisation

Next to Dunboye in the Co. Meath here he won three gold medals in the European Championships. For throwing the 56lbs, 35lbs, and 28lbs weight Eddie has not been beaten in World championships or any major championships for the past 15 years.

In his young days he gave almost 10 years at the top in the weight events with the mighty men from Cork - Tadge Twomey, Len Braham, Bart MacHugh, Ger Burke, Dennis Howard and the mighty man from Clare Gerry O'Connell- whose record over the bar 16 feet 3 inches still stands. Eddie holds no less than 4 World records (age related) for the 56lbs over the bar and distance. At the Irish Culture festival at Stone Hill in Boston 1995 while over 60 years of age he threw the 56lbs a distance of 26 feet 6 inches a record that may never be broken. At Neagh in 1988, he was the first man in the world to win the 56lbs weight indoors, having the record ratified in America, The Guinness book for Records refused to enter it in their records as they do not accept risks.

Far from finished Eddie is preparing for a trip to Germany and the World Championships in Oct of 07 and with all going well does not expect to be beaten. Eddie would like to thank the Cappoquin GAA for the use of their out side sports field where he trains at the 56lbs, hammer, shot, discus and javelin.



He is a native of Clashmore living in Sneem Co Kerry he is the Champion of Kerry, Munster and Ireland he is Champion of England in the 56lbs distance and 56lbs over the bar for 2006- this is Eddie Mulcahy.

CONGRATS' JOAN

Congratulations to local lady Mrs. Joan Hennessy, Grange on her recent success in the Kilscredan National School Development Draw, Joan won 1st prize, a Toyota Yaris 3 Door Car. We hope your prize brings you lots of enjoyment Joan.

Congratulations Sarah & Derek

Our congratulations to Youghal couple Sarah [nee Roche] and Derek Mangan on the birth of their baby boy over Christmas. Best wishes from all you family and friends here in Clashmore.

CLASHMORE 45 DRIVE

Welcome back to the Deise Bar to all our 45 drive players and a very happy New Year to you all. It was the first night of the New Year and it was great to see everyone out enjoying the 45 drive on Monday. Our first winners of 2007 were Margaret and Dan Leahy on nine games, in second place on eight games were Roger Hynes and John Hynes, sharing third prize on seven games each were Paddy and Nell Foley, Paddy Lynch and Jack Douris, Johnny Prendergast and Stephen Cunningham.

Best of the last five game winners were Mary Dower and Pat Duffy. Our lucky last game winners prizes went to Jim McGrath and Pat O'Halloran, John Quinn and Assumpta Dalton, Kathleen Osbourne and Eileen Dower, Noel Nugent and Liam Curran. Well done to all our winners and thanks to everyone for their continued support.

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is being extended to our learning support teacher Mrs. Brid Groeger, on the death of her sister, Mrs. Niamh Coughlan. Clonakilty, Co Cork, after a short illness at home on Christmas Day. Niamh is also survived by her husband Laurance and her three children Finbarr, Hugh and Anne Marie. Past pupils of Loretto Convent, Youghal will fondly remember Niamh [nee Russell], as she was a member of the teaching staff there in the late 1970's and early 1980's.

We pray that God will comfort this broken hearted family at this very difficult time as they try to come to terms with the loss of this wonderful wife mother and sister. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam dilis.

NEW ARRIVAL

For proud parents Rachael and Killian, Christmas came early to the McGrath Family in Knockanaris Clashmore with the most welcome brother for Jordan and Aaron. Congratulations and best wishes from all your family and friends.

CLASHMORE FIANNA FAIL CUMANN

MONTHLY CLINIC

Senator Brendan Kennelly will hold the first in his series of monthly clinics in Clashmore for 2007, on this Saturday January 6th at 11:30am at Beresford's The Rising Sun. No appointment is necessary, just drop in and Brendan will make every effort to be of assistance to you.

Christmas 2006 And Clashmore Was Missing An Angel!

So disillusioned by the mindless vandalism of our village Christmas tree in 2005. Having carefully considered the costs involved and the possibility of it being targeted by vandals again it was decided not to have a Christmas tree in the village this year.

Less notably absent this year in Clashmore was one of our Angels, for the first time in the year history of the Grotto - we had only one angel this Christmas.

On their return to work one Monday morning some weeks back FAS workers and members of the Tidy Towns Committee were devastated to find Street Devils had struck once again. This time the mindless vandals had targeted the grotto, by hacking the steel and concrete cast angel statue beyond repair for no apparent reason other than being intended on destruction. We must ask our selves why?

Photograph shows the Statue of the Angel from the grotto in Clashmore, which was hacked beyond repair by street devils recently.



RECENT DEATHS

Late Bridget Foley (nee Duggan)



Feelings of great sadness and regret were evoked with the passing of Bridget (Bidsey) Foley (nee Duggan), 48 O'Connell Street, Dungarvan at the Sacred Heart Unit, in St. Joseph's Hospital on December 12th.

A native of O'Connell Street, one of a family of twelve that blessed the marriage of Jack and Biddy Duggan. Bidsey was one of the old stock of our town. Like many she emigrated to England where she met her husband Monnie who hailed from Faha and who went to his eternal reward in 1972. Bridget herself when she returned home, worked at the Washeteria on Main Street. She loved life, music and dancing. She was the essence of good company and was often the life and soul of the gathering. She loved her night out in the Park Hotel with close friend Mai Flynn. A kind, warm hearted person, who was a wonderful neighbour, her many endearing qualities made her a great favourite.

She was a true friend to all on O'Connell Street.

Sadly she wasn't blessed with the best of health over the last year or two, the Sacred Heart Unit became her home and the wonderful staff were so special to her. Fr. Cooney O.S.A. led us in family rosary on Wednesday evening at the Kiely Funeral Home, the removal took place on Thursday to St. Mary's Parish Church where Canon O'Mahoney P.P. blessed and received the remains. Funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday morning by Canon O'Connor P.E. with co-celebrants Fr. Cooney O.S.A. and Canon O'Mahoney P.P. The interment followed in the adjoining cemetery.

The Lessons were read by Brendan Kiely and John Queally while Prayers of the Faithful were shared by Richard Ferncombe, Chelsea McCarthy, David Duggan and John Duggan. Jennifer Whelan sang the Psalm while Ann Ferncombe and Biddy Duggan brought the offertory gifts to the altar. A Communion Reflection was delivered by Tony Whelan. The music and voice of Lorna Daly was really appreciated by all present.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Bridget's brothers John, Joe, Ramie and Jim, her sister Cáit, sister-in-law May Duggan, brothers-in-law Donal Whelan and John McCullagh. We also think of her many nieces, nephews and other relatives who will miss her.

'The Light of Heaven to her gentle soul'

Funeral arrangements were by James Kiely and Sons, Funeral Directors.

Late Eileen O'Flynn

New Years Day brought the sad news of the passing of Eileen O'Flynn, 'Ar Neamh', Shear's Street, Abbeyside at her

residence.

Predeceased by her husband Tomás in 1990, only six months earlier she mourned the loss of her son Mícheál in Canada in 1989.

We sympathise with her family Maura, Bríd, Ann, Tomás and Eileen, her grandchildren, brothers, sister and other relatives at this time.

Reposing at her residence, Eileen's removal took place on Tuesday at 6:30pm to St. Augustine's Church, Abbeyside. Funeral Mass will be celebrated this Wednesday, January 3rd at 10am, with the interment afterwards in St. Mary's Parish Cemetery, Dungarvan. No flowers please, donations instead to West Waterford Hospice, c/o David Kiely Funeral Director.

Faoi bhrat Muire go raibh sí.
(Full obituary next issue)

Funeral arrangements were by James Kiely and Sons, Funeral Directors.

LATE BRIDGET NUGENT (Nee KIELY)

We received the sad news on Christmas Eve of the passing of Bridget Nugent, Ballytrishane, Old Parish who was predeceased by her husband James, parents Peter and Hannah, brother Michael, sisters Anna, Catherine (Kitty). Deeply regretted by family Francis, Marian, Joan, Peter, Breda and Paul, sisters Margaret Cummins, Hannah Nugent, brother John Kiely, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, many other relatives and friends. We sympathise with all at this time. Reposing at the Kiely Funeral Home, removal took place on Tuesday 26th, St. Stephen's Day to Old Parish Church. Following funeral Mass on Wednesday, Bridget was laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery.

Suaimhneas siorraí tabhair di, a thiarna.
(Full obituary next issue).
(Funeral arrangements by James Kiely & Sons, Funeral Directors, Dungarvan).

LATE FRANCES McCARTHY (NEE FAHEY)

We learned on Christmas Eve of the passing of Frances McCarthy at her residence in Skeheens, Ballymacarbry and formerly of Ard na Greine, Clonmel. We offer our heartfelt sympathy to her husband Michael and many other relatives on their heavy cross of bereavement. Reposing at her residence, the removal on Tuesday, St. Stephen's Day took place to St. Mary's Church, Touraneena.

On Wednesday after the funeral Mass was celebrated in gratitude for Frances' life, the interment was in the adjoining cemetery.

(Full obituary next issue).
(Funeral arrangements by James Kiely & Sons, Funeral Directors, Dungarvan).

LATE MOYA UI DHOMHNAILL (NEE FEDDIS)

D'imigh Moya Uí Domhnaill, Grianan, Rinn Ua gCuanach ar shli na firinne ar an 29ú Nollaig in Ospidéal Réigiúnach Phortlárige tar éis tréimse fada

breoiteachta a d'fhulaing sí le misneach. Baintreach Mhichíl agus máthair Chaitríona nach maireann. Meala mór a bás dá páistí Muireann, Mícheál, Eoin, Aodh, dá garpháistí Ailbhe, Ríoghach, Niamh, Lídáin, Calum agus Ella, a deartháireacha Robin, Philip agus Noel Feddis, a cliamhán Mac Dara Mac Donncha, Michelle, Ethel, a gaolta, a comharsain agus a cairde uilig.

Bhí an tsoeraid ann ar an Domhnach ó teach cónaithe Moya go Séipéal San Níoclás sa Rinn. Tar éis Aifreann na Marbh ar an Luan bhí an adhlacadh sa Reilig taobh leis an tséipéal.

'Ceangail grá go raibh ead-rainn go raibh gan scaoileadh.

Bhí Muintir Uí Chadhlha mar adhlacóirí ag an gelann.

LATE MARGARET (PEG) FOLEY

St. Stephen's Day brought the sad news of the passing of Peg Foley, Knockmeal, Ballinamult. Surrounded by her loving family she will be deeply missed by brother-in-law Pats, niece Breda, nephews Jimmy, Gerard, Joe, Billy, Fr. Liam, nieces-in-law Deirdre, Carmel, Margaret, Alice, nephew-in-law Seamus, grandnephews, grandnieces, especially Emma, Stephen, Donnchadha, Dearbhla, neighbours and friends. R.I.P.

Removal took place on Thursday evening last from the Kiely Funeral Home to St. Mary's Church, Touraneena.

Following Funeral Mass on Friday the interment was in the adjoining cemetery.

(Full obituary next issue).
(Funeral arrangements by James Kiely & Sons, Funeral Directors, Dungarvan).
Recent Deaths

Late Margaret Cashin

With sadness we record the passing of Margaret Cashin, Stradbally, which sad event occurred on December 21st.

Removal was from Drohan's Funeral Home on Tuesday evening, 2nd January to Stradbally Church. Following funeral Mass today, Wednesday at 11am, burial took place in the adjoining cemetery.

To her brother, sisters and relatives we extend our deepest sympathy.

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

Late Michael Moylan

With regret we record the passing of Michael Moylan, London and Dungarvan which sad event occurred recently.

Removal will take place on this Thursday at 8pm from Drohan's Funeral Home to Kilgobnet Church. Following funeral Mass on Friday at 12noon, burial will take place in the adjoining cemetery.

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

Late Paddy Mullaney

With deep regret we record the passing of Paddy Mullaney, Ballykerogue which sad event occurred on Thursday, December 21st. Removal was from

Drohan's Funeral Home on Friday evening to Kilrossanty Church. Following funeral Mass on Saturday morning, burial took place in the adjoining cemetery.

To his relatives and friends we extend our deepest sympathy.

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

Late Tommy Cantwell

With profound sorrow we record the passing of Tommy Cantwell, Ballinroad which sad event occurred on St. Stephen's Day. Removal was from Drohan's Funeral Home on Thursday evening to Ballinroad Church. Following funeral Mass on Friday morning, burial took place in the adjoining cemetery.

To his family and relatives we extend our deepest sympathy.

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

Late Nellie Fitzgerald

It is with great sadness we record the passing of Nellie Fitzgerald, Knockelan, Lemybrien which sad event occurred on New Years Eve.

Removal was from Drohan's Funeral Home on Tuesday evening to Kilrossanty Church. Following funeral Mass on Wednesday at 12noon, burial will take place in the adjoining cemetery.

To her relatives and friends we extend our deepest sympathy.

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

Late Willie O'Brien



Feelings of regret and great sadness were expressed with the passing of William (Willie) O'Brien, Toornaraheen, Mt. Melleray in the late hours of Thursday, 30th November at Waterford Regional Hospital

where he had become a regular patient in the last few months, he battled death until the very end.

Born in Mt. Melleray on 3rd July 1923, Willie was well known in Mt. Melleray and Cappoquin, a quiet, gentle, well mannered man. He spent his youth working as a farm labourer at Mt. Melleray monastery helping the monks with all their farming needs. He then moved across the water to England where he worked for a while, and visited his sister Bridgie regularly while there. Willie returned home where he spent the rest of his life until retirement working in the Forestry for Mr. Frenche.

Willie lived for his journeys to the races, he would often be seen heading off on his honda50 bike to the Clonmel races, for longer journeys like Goren Park, Tipperary and Lis-towel he would go with his best racing buddies Bob, Paddy and John and would be seen in Cappoquin each Friday. Willie lived his life to the full. He was a wonderful character, brother, uncle granduncle, cousin, friend and neighbour. He touched everyone's life in a special way and will be greatly missed by all. He was 83 years of age.

His removal was from Walsh's Funeral Home on Saturday evening to St. Mary's Church, Cappoquin where his remains were received and blessed on arrival by Fr. J. Kiely P.P. assisted by Fr. O'Connor C.C. Following requiem Mass on Sunday morning celebrated by Fr. R. Arthure P.E. concelebrated by Fr. B. Power, C.C. The Lessons were read by Breda Lonergan and Paddy Kelly. Prayers of the Faithful were recited by Cora Lambert, Dylan Maher, James Cotter, Paddy Kelly and Niall Maher. Beautiful hymns were sung by Cappoquin Church Choir.

The funeral proceeded to Mt. Melleray cemetery where Willie was laid to rest. Fr. Arthure officiated at the graveside assisted by Fr. J. Kiely P.P., Fr. B. Power C.C., Fr. Francis O.C.S.O.

Chief mourners were Bridgie, Peggy, Nora (sisters), nephews, nieces, grandnephews, grandnieces, cousins and other relatives.

Months Mind Mass for Willie will be celebrated in Mt. Melleray Church on Sunday, 14th January at 12noon.

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

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RECENT DEATHS

LATE CHARLIE DALY



The entire community was plunged into shock and deep sorrow at the sudden passing of Charlie Daly, Tircullen, Tallow, which occurred on December 7th, 2006.

Charlie was born in Slaveen, Knockanore on March 8th, 1926. He received his education at Knockanore National School. He went on to work at Kiely's, Knockanore and Ballinatrane Estate. He then joined the army for some years.

He met his wife Margaret in Tallow where she worked and they later married and moved to England to work. He worked in Birmingham for a while and after starting their family they returned to Tircullen to live. They later went on to have five children in all.

Charlie took up work for Moorehill and Tourin Estates where he remained until his retirement. He worked hard for his family through many a difficult time.

He possessed a great sense of humour and got on extremely well with old and young alike. He was very much in tune with nature and loved animals, big and small. He was a very decent, hardworking, honest and extremely nice man who helped many but never took centre stage. Charlie loved gardening and grew most of his own vegetables. He kept a hive of bees and also two canaries.

Charlie's favourite pastime of all was dancing and playing music. Since the death of his wife, Margaret, three years ago he filled his lonely evenings in

the company of friends from "Cumann na Daoine" in Youghal. He looked forward to his Thursday outing to the Day Care Centre in Cappoquin where he made a lot of friends. Charlie also enjoyed the annual weeks holiday in Wexford every summer with all his friends. Although eighty years of age and in fine health, he possessed the spirituality and soul of a man half of his physical age.

If he had a chance to script his ending from this world, he would not have changed much, as he passed away in the milieu of dancing and entertaining his friends with music. He has left a void nobody will ever be able to fill and he will be sorely missed by his loving family and seventeen grandchildren.

Rosary was recited by Sr. De Lourdes, Cappoquin, on Friday evening. His removal was from Aidan Walsh's Funeral Home on Saturday evening to the Sacred Heart Church in Knockanore where his remains were received and blessed by Fr. Keogh P.P. in the presence of a large crowd. Funeral Mass was concelebrated on Sunday by Fr. Keogh P.P., Fr. Fitzgerald, former P.P. and Fr. Arthur P.E., Cappoquin after which Charlie was laid to rest beside his wife Margaret in the adjoining cemetery. The lessons were read by Shane O'Neill (grandson) and Natasha Daly (granddaughter). Prayers of the faithful were recited by Sandra Giles, Fiona O'Neill, Mary-Anne Daly, Carleen Casey and Tara Casey (granddaughters). Beautiful music was provided by Breda and Teresa O'Brien, Youghal.

Chief mourners were sons Bill and Tom-Joe, daughters Patricia, Margaret and Mary, brothers Tom, Billy and Joe O'Keeffe, daughters-in-law Brenda Daly and Anne Daly, sons-in-law Tom O'Neill, Francis Giles and Pat Casey, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, grandchildren, relatives and friends.

Ar dheis De go raibh an am dila.

(Funeral arrangements by Aidan Walsh & Son, Cappoquin).

Months Mind Mass on Saturday, January 6th in Kilwatermoy Church at 7.30 pm.

Kill Happenings

Christmas Swim

The Michael Power Memorial Swim took place at Kilmurrin on Christmas morning. Hundreds of people turned out for the occasion, as this year's swim for Our Lady's Hospital, Crumlin, a very worthy cause. Councillor Pat Leahy was one of the many swimmers. He has always supported the swim at Christmas. It was a wonderful spectacle to watch the many colourful costumes and even men in drag. The swim was carefully monitored by sea and cliff rescue and Order of Malta officials. No doubt that a lot of money was raised. Congratulations to all the swimmers who took part and a big thank you to the organising committee. Well done everyone.

Sincere Sympathy

To the family of the late Bridget (Bridie) O'Mahoney of Carrigeen, Kill who passed away last week. Mrs O'Mahoney was a lovely lady who gave her life to teaching in the National School. She was a wonderful person and was loved by all who came in contact with her. She had a long life as she had just reached 100 years of age. I am sure she saw difficult times in education as well as good times. I have been told that when children made their First Holy Communion, she would invite them back to her house for breakfast, as in those days every child who have to fast before communion. Her husband Jimmy predeceased her by many years. He was a member of the Garda Siochana. After a very moving ceremony in the local church, she was laid to rest next to her husband in the family grave. A legend has taken her leave of us now but she will be fondly remembered by all. We offer our deepest sympathies to her family and friends.

May God and his Angels hold you close in the Heavenly Kingdom.

Long Puck

Our long puck took place on the 27th December. Once again we were very lucky with the weather. The day held up well after a poor start. 114 teams took part and everyone had a most enjoyable day. Winners on the day were Jerry Wall, Michael Power and Brian Cleary.

Ladies section was won by Karen Kelly, Mairead Murphy and Joanne Fitzgerald. In 2nd place in the Men's section was Wayne Power, Sheamus Nolan and Paul Power of Butlerstown and in 3rd place were local men Michael O'Gorman of Lismore, with a shot reaching 111 metres. 2nd place in the ladies section was local St. Anne's girls Rachel Ahern, Ciara Queally and Lorena Mooney and in 3rd place was Lynsey Harty, Lisa Prendergast and Ciara Queally. Once again we would like to thank the organising committee and the Kill GAA club for a great day. A special thanks to all the hurlers who came from near and far to support this worthy cause, to the Kill Community Centre for the use of the Hall, to all the ladies who helped out

with catering and to the sponsors we say a big thank you as well. This was another massive community effort in our little village that will raise E10,000 for the South Eastern Cancer Association in Waterford. Well done to everyone.

Missing From Annestown

A chocolate coloured Labrador has gone missing from the Annestown area. His name is Ben. He has some very distinctive features and is easily recognisable. His right front paw is slightly turned in. Any information would be greatly

appreciated. Please contact 086-2641547. There is a reward for recovery of this dog.

County Final

Our men were not successful in their quest to win the County final against the Brickeys at Walsh Park on Saturday, 23rd December. Never the less we are so proud of their Eastern final success. Each and every one of them giving 100% and having completed more than 65 training sessions. We say a big thank you to the club and its men for the great entertainment provided. There's always next year lads.

Kill G.A.A. A.G.M.

Will take place on Friday night, 5th of January at 7pm sharp in the Kill Community Centre. All players, members, officers are asked to attend.

Best Wishes

To Mikey Kiely of the Village who is still a patient in St. Patrick's Hospital.

Kill Disco

Will take place on Saturday night, 6th of January with DJ Muzzy G. Doors open at 9pm. Admission E10. Hall rules strictly apply. No alcohol. Please come early as a large crowd is expected.



Danny Corcoran, Bohadon, winner of the Dungarvan Shopping Centre write a letter to Santa competition pictured with Santa and Gerry O'Connor, Dungarvan Shopping Centre. Danny's winning letter got him a visit at his home from Santa and €500 worth of toys.



Sabrina Byrne, Manager O'Neill's Sweet Store presenting first prize in the shop's Christmas colouring competition to Sean Curran. Included are Alan Curran, Eoin O'Shea and Michelle Keane, O'Neill's Sweet Store.

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Waterford County Council — Planning permission is required for a two storey dwelling, garage, entrance, septic tank, percolation area, borewell and ancillary works at Cahernaleague, Ballinamult, Co. Waterford for Mr. E. Hickey. This application may be inspected or purchased at the offices of the Local 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). Submissions or observations in relation to the application can be made in writing to the planning authority upon payment of a prescribed fee, for a period of five weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application.

Waterford County Council — We, Tom and Marcella Scanlan intend to apply for permission for development at Curraghroche, Cappoquin, Co. Waterford. The development consists of a single storey extension to the sides and 1st floor extension to the rear of the above premises. The planning application may be inspected at the offices of the Planning Authority, Civic Offices, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford during normal opening hours i.e. 10.00 a.m. to 3.300 p.m. Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays and first Wednesday of every month). 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 euro. Signed: Tom Scanlan.

Waterford County Council — I am applying for planning permission to extend wintering accommodation by building an additional easy feed slatted house at Coolbeggan West, Tallow. Signed: Patrick Corkery. The planning application may be inspected at the offices of the Planning Authority, Civic Offices, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford during normal opening hours i.e. 10.00 a.m. to 3.300 p.m. Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays and first Wednesday of every month). 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 euro.

Waterford County Council — I, Henry Skehan, intend to apply to Waterford County Council for planning permission to construct a slatted house with feed passage, at Parkeennaglogh, Newtown, Kilmacthomas, Co. Waterford. The application may be inspected or purchased at the Planning Department, Waterford County Council, Civic Offices, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford, and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed 20 euro fee, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

Waterford County Council — I, Michael Keane, intend to apply to Waterford County Council for planning permission to construct a slatted cubicle house, and walled silage slab to provide a roof over existing collecting yard and slatted feeding area and to put a concrete floor in existing loose house, at Garranurton, Kilmacthomas, Co. Waterford. The application may be inspected or purchased at the Planning Department, Waterford County Council, Civic Offices, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford, and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed 20 euro fee, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

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Like falling leaves the years go by,
But memories of you will never die.
Sunshine passes, shadows fall,
But memories of you outlast them all.
In the centre of God's garden,
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.)



WALL — Seventeenth Anniversary — In loving memory of Ann Wall (nee Power), late of Fitzgerald Tce., and Comeragh Crescent, Dungarvan whose seventeenth anniversary occurs on the 4th January.
A bouquet of beautiful memories,
Sprayed with a million tears,
Wishing God could have spared you,
If just for a few more years.
(Inserted by her husband Tom, son David, daughter Shirley, daughter-in-law Nicola and grandchildren.)

CLIFFE — Eleventh Anniversary — In loving memory of Mary Cliffe, late of Carragaun, Ballinamult, who died on January 1, 1996.
We hold you close within our hearts,
And there you shall remain,
To walk with us throughout our lives,
Until we meet again.
So rest in peace, dear mother,
Will those who think of her today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.
(Always loved and remembered by your family.)

DRUMMEY — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of my father Tom Drummey, 8 Cloneeey Villas, Dungarvan who died on 6 January, 2003. R.I.P.

A smile for all, a heart of gold,
One of the best the world could hold,
Never selfish, always kind,
These are the memories you left behind,
To hear your voice, to see your smile,
To sit and talk with us a while,
To be together in the same old way,
Would be our dearest wish today,
Though absent you are always near,
Still loved, still missed, still very dear.

(Always remembered by your loving son Thomas, daughter-in-law Rose and grandchildren Simon, Eoin, Aoife and Ciara.)

DRUMMEY — Anniversary remembrance of my dear father, Tom late of 8 Cloneeey Villas, Dungarvan who passed away on the 6 January, 2003.

Some day we'll meet again
Dad,
Where sorrow is unknown,
Some day I hope to hold your hand,
Before God's heavenly throne,
No more the longing sigh,
I will see again the face I loved,
So much in days gone by,
I smile under my heartache,
As you would want me to,
And often shed a lonely tear,
No one sees but you.
I often pause in my daily work,
And by my side you'd be,
A million memories bring you back,
To stay a while with me,
But among my tears and heartache,
There is one thing that makes me glad,
Is the love and joy you shared with us.

(Sadly missed by your son Brendan and daughter-in-law Claire and grandchild Alanna.)

DRUMMEY — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of my Dad, Tom Drummey, late of 8 Cloneeey Villas, Dungarvan who died on 6th January, 2003.

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 ways,
No verse can say, no flowers repay,
The wonderful Dad I lost that day.

(Loved and miss you always Dad — your daughter Jacqueline, son-in-law Jim and family xxxxx).



DRUMMEY — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of my husband Tom Drummey, late of 8 Cloneeey Villas, Dungarvan who died on 6th January, 2003. Anniversary Mass for Tom on Saturday, 6th January at 10 am in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Missed in the morning of every day,
Missed in the evening as light fades away,
Missed in a thousand and one little ways,
Around every corner a memory stays,
My heart is full of memories,
With pride I speak your name,
Though life goes on without you,
It will never be the same,
Today is your anniversary,
You would not want a fuss,
Just to be remembered,
And a prayer from all of us.
(Lovingly remembered your wife Nellie XXX).

DRUMMEY — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of our dear Dad Tom Drummey, late of 8 Cloneeey Villas, Dungarvan who died on January 6, 2003.

Dad happy and smiling always content,
Loved and remembered wherever you went,
A beautiful life came to an end,
You died as you lived,
Everyone's friend,
Of all the gifts in life,
However great or small,
To have you as our father,
Was the greatest gift of all.

(Sadly missed, never forgotten your sons, daughters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and great grandson Jake X).

DRUMMEY — In loving memory of my Dad Tom Drummey, late of 8 Cloneeey Villas, Dungarvan who died on the 6 January, 2003.

You always had a smile to share,
Time to give, time to care,
Someone to talk to, kind and true,
One in a million that was you,
We hold you close within our hearts,
And there you shall remain,
To walk with us throughout our lives,
So rest in peace Dad and thanks for all you've done,
You are never more than a thought away.

(Loved and remembered by your son Paddy Joe, daughter-in-law Helen, grandsons Justin and Colin.)

DRUMMEY — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear father, Tom, late of 8 Cloneeey Villas, Dungarvan who died on 6th January, 2003.

It was a sad January day,
We stood by an open grave,
We watched them lower the Dad we loved,
We tried so hard to be brave,
We know we could not awaken,
Your silent remains in the clay,
So we laid our hearts down beside you, Dad,
And sadly walked away.
The next time that we meet you, Dad,
Will be at heaven's door,
You will be there to meet us,
And we will cry no more.
We will put our arms around you, Dad,
And kiss your smiling face,
Only then will our broken hearts,
Fall gently into place.

(Sadly missed, never forgotten — your daughter Gabrielle, grandsons Christopher, Brendan, Stephen xxx).

DRUMMEY — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of Tom Drummey, late of 8 Cloneeey Villas, Dungarvan who died on 6th January, 2003.

Unknown to the world you walk beside us,
There is a love that can never be put out,
You shared our yesterdays,
Our joys and our sorrows,
We wish you were here to share our tomorrows.
We smile at the world as you would have wished,
You always had a smile to share,
A laugh, a joke, a time to care,
You left a place no one can fill,
You were always our brightest star,
We miss you Dad and always will.

(Lovingly remembered by your sons Derek and Damien.)

DRUMMEY — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of Tom Drummey, late of 8 Cloneeey Villas, Dungarvan who died on 6th January, 2003.

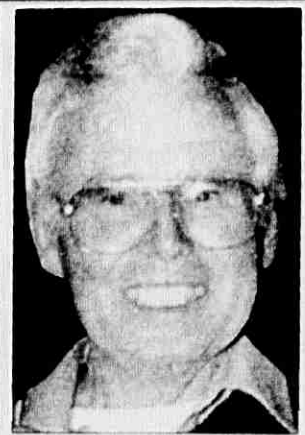
No length of time can take away,
Our thoughts of you from day to day,
Though absent you are always near,
Still loved, still missed, still very dear.

(Always remembered by your son Oliver xx).

McGRATH — Remembering Pat (Sharkey) McGrath on his anniversary. May he rest in peace.
(Bunty, John and family).

BEECHER — In loving memory of Batt Beecher whose anniversary occurs at this time.

Our memories of you will never grow old,
They are locked in our hearts in letters of gold.
(Remembered always — Bunty, John and family).



DUGGAN — Third Anniversary — In loving memory of our dear brother and uncle, Johnny Duggan, Tacoma, Washington and formerly of 7 Cathal Brugha, Dungarvan.

We hold you in a special place,
So deep within our hearts,
And in those loving memories,
We'll never be apart,
You will never be far away,
Your presence we will feel,
We'll wrap ourselves in memories,
And slowly we will heal,
The years we shared,
The little joys, the laughter and the tears,
Our love for you will never die,
But strengthen with the years,
Will those who think of him today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.
(Loved and always remembered, your family at home and away).

FRAHER — Second Anniversary — In loving memory of my brother Paddy, late of Cappoquin who died on 6 January, 2005.

Will those who think of him today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.
(Always remembered Michael, Jenny and family).



HENLEY — Third and Second Anniversary — In loving memory of Jimmy and Kathleen Henley, Galbertstown, Holy Cross. Anniversary Mass on January 6th at 11 o'clock in Holy Cross Abbey.

You were very special people,
A friend to one and all,
But to us you were Mum and Dad,
The greatest gift of all.
(Your loving family).

HODNETT — Forty-fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of Edward Hodnett, late of Ballyhane, Cappoquin, who died on January 5, 1963. Mass offered.

Will those who think of him today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.
(Inserted by his daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren).



GEARY — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of John Geary, Main Street, Tallow, who died on January 6, 2003.

Forever in our hearts, thoughts and prayers,
Anniversary Mass on Sunday January 7th in Church of the Immaculate Conception, Tallow at 11 am.
(Always remembered by your wife Mary and family).

HOGAN — Thirtieth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear mother Joan Hogan, late of Kilwinny, Tallow who died on January 1, 1977.

Memories are a gift to treasure,
Ours of you will last forever.
(Always remembered by Eileen, Michael, Owen, Eimear and Shane).



KIELY — First Anniversary — In loving memory of Ned Kiely, 5, Mary St., Dungarvan whose first anniversary occurs on Friday, 5th January. Anniversary Masses for Ned will be offered on Friday, 5th January at 10 am in St. Joseph's Hospital and Saturday 13th January at 6.15 pm in the Friary Church.

(Always in the thoughts and prayers of David, Margaret, Siobhán, Darragh (Kiladangan).)

KEANE — Twenty-third Anniversary — In loving memory of Bobby Keane, late of 71, O'Connell Street, Dungarvan who died on 4 January, 1984. R.I.P.

Will those who think of him today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.
(From his wife and family).

LYONS — In loving memory of my father, Jimmy Lyons and my brother Michael, late of 2, St. Brigid's Terrace, Dungarvan whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Will those who think of them today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.
(Always remembered by Brenda, son-in-law Larry and family Michael, Cora and Cormac).

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LYONS — Seventh Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear husband Michael, late of 2, St. Brigid's Terrace, Dungarvan, who died on January 6th, 2000. Masses offered.

Memories are something no one can steal,
Death is a heartache no one can heal,
Time slips by and life goes on,
But from my heart Michael, you are never gone.
(Lovingly remembered — your wife Kitty.)



O'BRIEN — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of Liam O'Brien, St. Garvan's Terrace, Dungarvan who died on January 4, 2003.

Every day in some small way,
Thoughts of you come our way,
Years may pass, tears may dry,
But memories of you will never die.
Will those who think of Liam today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.
(Always remembered by his loving brothers, sisters and families).

O'SHEA — Seventeenth Anniversary — In loving memory of a dear brother, Pius O'Shea, late of St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, who died on January 5, 1990.

A million times we've missed you,
A million times we've cried,
If love could have saved you,
You never would have died.
Things we feel most deeply,
Are the hardest things to say,
Our dearest one we've always loved you,
In a special way.

(Never forgotten by his loving sister Michelle, Kiki, Robyn and Shay)



O'SHEA — Seventeenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear son, Pius O'Shea, late of St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, who died on January 5, 1990.

Anniversary Mass in St. Joseph's Hospital on Friday, January 5 at 10 am.

A million words could never explain,
The wonderful son I lost that day,
The joy that you brought, the laughter we shared,
I just hope you know how deeply I care.
I think of you daily, Pius and the happy times we had,
You are never far from me,
For I thought the world of you.

Look after him, Lord,
Don't leave him alone,
For this is his seventeenth year,
Away from home.
(Your heart-broken Mam, Pearl.)

O'SHEA — Seventeenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear brother, Pius O'Shea, late of St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, who died on January 5, 1990.

Sometimes it's hard to understand, Pius,
Why certain things must be,
And the reason why they happened,
Is so often hard to see.

We miss you and we mourn you in sorrow unseen,
And dwell on the memory of days that have been.
Wherever life may lead us,
In everything we do,
Part of us will always long,
For yesterday and you.

Time and years go swiftly by,
But love and memories never die,
Memories are the loveliest things,

They last from day to day,
They don't wear out, they don't get lost,
And can never be taken away.

We never part from those we love,
No distance can divide us,
With memories dear, and love sincere,
You'll always walk beside us.

So young to die,
So precious to lose,
God's will be done,
We could not choose.

(Always remembered by your loving brother Adrian, Tracy, Jessica and boys.)

O'SHEA — Seventeenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear brother, Pius O'Shea, late of St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, who died on January 5, 1990.

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.

(Always remembered by his brother John, Cian, Pius and Colm.)

O'SHEA — Seventeenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear brother, Pius O'Shea, late of St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, who died on January 5, 1990.

Look around Your garden, Lord,

For an angel with a smile,
He won't be hard to recognise,
He must stand out a mile.

So put Your arms around him, Lord,
And kiss his smiling face,
For he is very special,
And can never be replaced.
We do not need a special day,

To bring you back to mind,
For a day without a thought of you,
Is very hard to find.
Wherever life may lead us,
In everything we do,
Part of us will always cry,
For yesterday and you.

(Always remembered by his loving sister Caroline, Eddie, Barry, Dean, Joshua and Jade.)

O'SHEA — Seventeenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear brother, Pius O'Shea, late of St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, who died on January 5, 1990.

Today we are thinking of someone we love,
But we know he is happy in heaven above,
Loving memories are all we have left,
Of a brother we loved and will never forget.

(Never forgotten by his loving brother Thomas and Jackie, Amy, Dawn, Tammy, Lauren, Lucey, Willie and Bronwyn.)

O'SHEA — Seventeenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear brother, Pius O'Shea, late of St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, who died on January 5, 1990.

Have you ever lost a brother 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 brother,

He takes a part of you.
I think of you in silence, Pius,
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, Pius,
We may be worlds apart,
But you're always on my mind

And forever in my heart.
(Always loved and remembered by your loving sister Mag, Willie, Nicola and Liam.)

O'SHEA — Seventeenth Anniversary — In loving memory of Pius O'Shea, late of St. Patrick's Crescent, Dungarvan, who died on January 5, 1990.

Gone from us that smiling face,
The cheerful, pleasant ways,
The heart that won so many friends,
In bygone happy days.
Will those who think of him today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.

(Never forgotten by your loving mother-in-law Kitty Tutty.)

REGAN — Thirteenth Anniversary — In loving memory of Lar Regan, late of Seapark, Abbeyside who died on January 9, 1994.

We never part from those we love,
No distance can divide us,
With memories dear and love sincere,
You will always walk beside us.

(Always loved and remembered by your wife Josephine and family.)

WALSH — Twenty-third Anniversary — In loving memory of the late Patricia Walsh of Townspark West, Lismore who died on the 4th day of January 1984.

In a near and silent graveyard,
Where the trees their branches wave,
Sleeps a kind and loving daughter,
In her cold and silent grave.

Time will never heal the heartache,
Or end the silent tears,
Or take away the memory,
Of a daughter we love so dear.

(Never forgotten, your loving Mam.)

WALSH — Twenty-third Anniversary — In loving memory of my sister Pat, whose 23rd anniversary occurs on January 4th.

Gone from our home that smiling face,
The cheerful, happy ways,
The heart that won so many friends,

In bygone happy days.
The voice is now silent, the heart now cold,
The smile and the welcome that met us of old,
We miss her and mourn her in sorrow unseen,
And dwell in the memory of days that have been.

(Always in our thoughts sister Ann, Bernard and Lynne.)

WALSH — Twenty-third Anniversary — In loving memory of my sister Pat, whose twenty-third anniversary occurs on January 4th.

Every day in some small way,
Thoughts of you come our way,
Years may pass and tears may dry,
But memories of you will never die.

Will those who think of Pat today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.

(Always remembered by Pa, Mag, Nicola and Tanya.)

WALSH — Twenty-third Anniversary — In loving memory of my sister Pat, whose anniversary occurs on January 4th.

Your name is often mentioned,
Our thoughts are with you still,
You have not been forgotten,
And what's more you never will.
You left us as you loved us,
Quiet and without fuss,
And on the day you went away,
You took a part of us.

(Always remembered by Nora, John, Kelly Ann, Shaun and Rob.)

WALSH — Twenty-third Anniversary — In loving memory of my sister Pat, whose anniversary occurs on January 4th.

Treasured memories keep you near,
As time unfolds another year,
No need for words, except to say,
Still missed and loved in every way.

(Always remembered by Mag, Clem, Patricia and Daniel.)

Acknowledgments

LATE NICHOLAS POWER

Romford, London and Lackendarra Upper, Ballinamult

The wife, daughter, son-in-law, grandchildren, brothers, sisters and many relatives of the late Nicholas Power wish to convey their sincerest thanks to all who shared their loss. For your letters, Mass cards and your comforting presence at the funeral obsequies and your much appreciated floral tributes our grateful thanks. To Fr. Kelleher P.P. for such a lovely Mass, to Alice Chapelwoman, altar servers, bell ringer, gravediggers and to James Kiely & Sons Funeral Directors a sincere thank you. We wish to thank Therese Butler and the Parish Choir for their music. The kindness of our neighbours and friends won't be forgotten. Finally to the Ladies Committee who did all the catering at the Community Centre our thanks.

Please accept this notice as a token of our heartfelt appreciation and gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for all your intentions.

LATE CATHERINE (KITTY) KIELY

Park Lane, Abbeyside and Old Parish

The brother, sisters and relatives of the late Catherine (Kitty) Kiely wish to thank everybody on their expressions of sympathy at Kitty's recent passing. For your Mass cards, cards of sympathy, floral tributes and your attendance at the funeral obsequies our heartfelt gratitude. To Fr. Cullinane, P.P., Fr. O'Riordan, P.P., Fr. O'Doherty, P.E., Fr. Cooney, O.S.A., Fr. D. Slater, Fr. P. Moran, Fr. M. Leahy, Fr. F. O'Callaghan, a sincere thank you. To Dr. Higgins and staff, Abbeyside Medical Centre, a sincere thank you. To Paul and Sadie Moynihan, our neighbours and friends a special word of thanks. A thank you to Kathleen and Marian for their music; to the gravediggers, bell-ringer, sacristan and James Kiely & Sons, Funeral directors for all their services.

As a token of our gratitude the holy sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for all your intentions.

Month's Mind Mass for Kitty will be celebrated this Thursday, 4th January at 7.30 p.m. in Old Parish church.

Month's Mind Mass

LATE JIMMY CROTTY

Month's Mind Mass for the late Jimmy Crotty, 11, St. Martin's Terrace, Dungarvan will take place on Sunday, January 7, at 9.45 p.m. in Mount Stuart Church.

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Tallow Notes

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Tallow 1981 County Junior Hurling Champions Back row left to right: Tom McSweeney, Pat Henley, John Beecher, Samus Treacy (R.I.P.), Don Henley, Noel Sheehan, Pat Murphy, John Fitzgerald, Kevin Tobin, Liamy McCarthy, Con Ryan, John Wm McCarthy, Dinny Cunningham. Front - left to right: Martin Murphy, John Henley, Jim O Donoghue, Jimmy Cronin, Seany Pratt, Dermot Cantillon, Ned Power, Aidan Ryan, Johnny Geary, Johnny McCarthy, Johnny Curley.

Cobhron

Tallow GAA club extends deepest sympathy to the Cantillon family on the death of Mrs. Patt Cantillon (nee Beecher).

Ar dheis De go raibh a nam uasal.

Cobhron

The club extends deepest sympathy to the Murray family

on the recent passing of Sean Murray. Ar dheis De go raibh se.

A.G.M.

A reminder to all, that our annual general meeting will take place on Thursday 11th January. We would welcome some young blood on board. Beidh failte roimh each.

NOTES FROM SCOIL MHUIRE, TALLOW

The school term ended as it began with a school Mass celebrated by our Parish Priest Rev. Fr. M. Farrell. The Christmas Mass is a joyous occasion as the excitement of the children is infectious and everybody is in anticipation of a happy holiday time.

The Concern Fast was undertaken by Ms. Keevers and by the following pupils - Alex Shasby, Cara Curnin, Eimear and Aisling O'Brien, Emily Ahearn, Billy Buckley, Megan McGrath, Shannon Corcoran, Lisa Rohan, Katie Ahern and realised the sum of E588. We thank all who contributed so generously to this appeal.

We also had a raffle in school. The proceeds of the game went to the local Vincent de Paul committee.

Visitors

During the term we had a visit from members of the local Fire Service who talked to the children about the importance of keeping safe from fire. John Grey gave a most interesting account of where and where it is necessary to be vigilant about fire safety. The children received handouts which they found relevant and informative. John was ably assisted by Noel Buckley.

Sr. Antoinette Dilworth, acting as diocesan adviser, visited the school to talk to the children about religious matters. She highly praised the work being carried out in the school

in relation to the spiritual development of the children.

On Saturday, 16th December during the Vigil Mass, the children who will receive their First Holy Communion in May 2007 participated in an Enrolment Service. Ten children in total were recipients of enrolment certificates at the Mass namely Chloe Beecher, Mona Condon, Sophie Cronin, Rachel Delaney, Lauren O'Sullivan, Darragh Buckley, Adam Feeney, Cathal Geary, Conor McCarthy and Dan O'Keefe.

K-Nex Challenge

The children of 4th and 5th classes took part in a K-Next Challenge. This is a competition run in conjunction with W.I.T. to help foster interest in technology and engineering. Our winners with their rescue craft 'The Blue Express' were Kirsty Connell and Emma Murphy. The girls will represent the school at County level later in the year. Our runners up were Dylan and Darragh Gegan with their rescue boat 'The Mean Machine'.

Christmas

Our visit to the Opera House to see the panto 'Aladdin' was a real treat. It was a memorable occasion to be among the audience of 1,000 children who filled the auditorium with their voices when invited. We look forward to attending our local production of the same panto in

the same year.

The children sang carols around the Christmas tree in Tallow to celebrate the turning on of the Christmas lights in the town.

Five children from the school lit the candles on the Advent Wreath in the church prior to the Vigil Mass each week.

The children sang at the Senior Citizens Christmas party in

the Community Hall and delighted those present with their renderings. Our youngest pupil, Jamie O'Hara, had the honour of carrying the infant Jesus to the crib on Christmas Eve Mass which was celebrated by Fr. M. Farrell P.P.

We wish all associated with Scoil Mhiure a very happy, healthy and successful 2007.

HUGE TURN OUT FOR CHARITY SWIM AT CLAYCASTLE ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Up to one hundred people braved seasonal temperatures and took to the water on Christmas Day to raise funds for the benefit of patients in Ward 2D at Cork University Hospital. There was a tremendous turn out also of participants families and friends to lend moral support on the day. The main purpose of the event was to raise funds for a worthy cause but it was also a wonderful social occasion and an opportunity for people to meet, greet and exchange good wishes on Christmas Day.

Without mentioning any names, because literally hundreds of people contributed in one way or another, we would like to thank all who made it such a spectacular success. We do not yet have a final tally as money is still coming in but we expect to exceed the target of E15,000. As soon as all contributions are in we will be arranging a presentation evening and will notify all through the group text or local papers.

BRIDEVIEW UTD A.F.C. NOTES

Short notes this week just to keep you up to date with the clubs lotto and games over the Christmas period.

Lotto

On the weekend of the 22nd the lotto draw was held in the Weigh Room and the numbers were as follows - 7 14 20 22. The jackpot was not won and there were no match three winners. The following week the 29th the numbers drawn were 15 16 20 24 and again the jackpot was not won with two match three winners Margaret Condon and Anne Walsh. Next week the jackpot will be E 3300 and Lizzy Langtons will be the venue for the draw on Friday 5th of January.

Junior Results

The A team had two fixtures over the holiday period while the B team had a friendly match. The A side suffered a defeat against Gortroe on a 2-1 scoreline with John Doyle on target. The next fixture saw them run out 3-2 winners over local rivals Lismore with Paul Kearney, William Henley and Paul O'Brien all finding the net. The New Years Eve fixtures were victims of the weather. The B team played Youghal Hibs in a tournament game and despite leading 2-0 they ended up losing 4-2.

Calendar

Unfortunately due to our printers holidays we will not have the calendar until the second week in January.

Meeting

A very important club meeting will be held Wednesday week we will inform you closer to the time

Fixtures

Araglen V Brideview Utd A 2pm

Brideview Utd B V Glenview 11.30am

Schoolboys check ECWW Notes elsewhere in the paper.

PRETTY WEDDING



Sinead Delaney, Tallow and Thomas Cunniffe, Galway who were married recently in Galway.

Recipes



COOKERY CORNER

Spicy chicken thighs

BURSTING with flavour, this is an easy-cook dish which just uses one big frying pan from start to finish. Meaty little chicken thighs make a good, inexpensive mid-week meal for the family.

The tasty tomato sauce is well spiced with cumin and coriander, and a pinch of chilli powder adds a pleasant heat without being fiery.

Ingredients:
(Serves 4)

- 15g butter
- 15ml vegetable oil
- 1 medium onion, skinned and chopped
- 1 garlic clove, skinned and chopped
- 5 ml ground cumin
- 5 ml ground coriander
- Large pinch of chilli powder
- 8 chicken thighs
- 397g chopped tomatoes
- 15ml tomato puree
- Salt and pepper
- 30 ml chopped fresh parsley

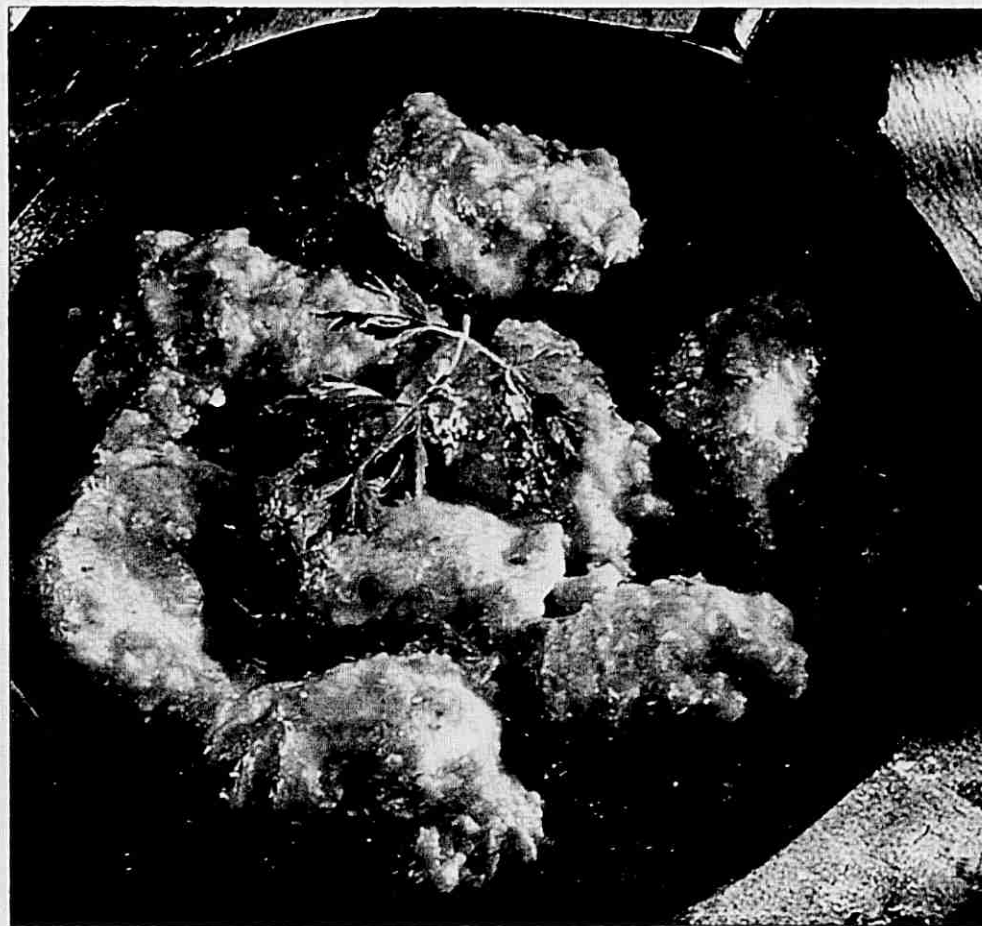
Method:

HEAT the butter and oil in a large frying pan, add the onion and garlic, cover and cook for 4-5 minutes, until

the onion is softened. Add the cumin, coriander and chilli powder and cook for 1 minute, stirring continuously. Push the onions to one side of the pan, then add the

chicken and brown on both sides. Stir in the tomatoes and tomato puree and season to taste. Bring to the boil, stirring continuously.

Cover and simmer gently for about 30 minutes or until the chicken is tender. Stir in the parsley and serve immediately with boiled rice.



APPITISER SALAD

DESPITE being a much-loved vegetable, the cauliflower is often overcooked and unimaginatively served. However, it can provide a satisfying main dish, as well as a tasty accompaniment to meat fish and egg dishes.

Ingredients

- (Serves 4-6)
- 1 large cauliflower
 - Salt
 - 8 tbsp olive oil
 - 3 tbsp lemon juice
 - 8 anchovy fillets, finely chopped
 - 2 shallots, finely chopped or crushed in a garlic press
 - 1/2 tsp French mustard
 - Ground black pepper
 - 1 red pepper, finely chopped
 - 3 tbsp finely chopped parsley
 - Pitted black olives, to garnish

Method:

Parboil the cauliflower in 2cm of salted water for 8 minutes.

It should remain distinctly crisp. Drain the cauliflower in a colander.

As soon as it is cool enough to handle, divide it into florets and put them in a bowl. In a small pan, combine the olive oil with the lemon juice, anchovy fillets, shallots, mustard and a grinding of black pepper.

Put the pan on the heat and slowly bring the dressing to the boil, stirring. Immediately pour it over the cauliflower. Add the chopped red pepper and parsley. Toss lightly and season to taste with salt. Chill and serve garnished with olives.

As an alternative, serve the florets, raw or cooked, with a soured-cream cheese dip - soured cream blended with mild blue cheese, 1 tsp of finely chopped shallot or chives and a few drops of Tabasco sauce.

Cold chocolate orange souffle

Ingredients:

- (Serves 6-8)
- 450 ml fresh milk
 - 175 g plain chocolate
 - 3 eggs, separated, plus 1 egg white
 - 75g sugar
 - 15ml gelatin
 - Grated rind and juice of 1 orange
 - 300ml fresh whipping cream
 - 15ml chocolate liqueur

Method:

LINE a 900ml souffle dish with greaseproof paper to make a collar.

Put the milk in a saucepan and break 150g chocolate into it. Heat gently until the chocolate melts, then cook over a high heat until almost boiling.

Whisk the egg yolks and sugar together until pale and thick. Gradually pour on the chocolate milk, stirring.

Return to the saucepan and cook, stirring continuously, until it coats the back of a wooden spoon. This takes about 20 minutes. Do not allow to boil.

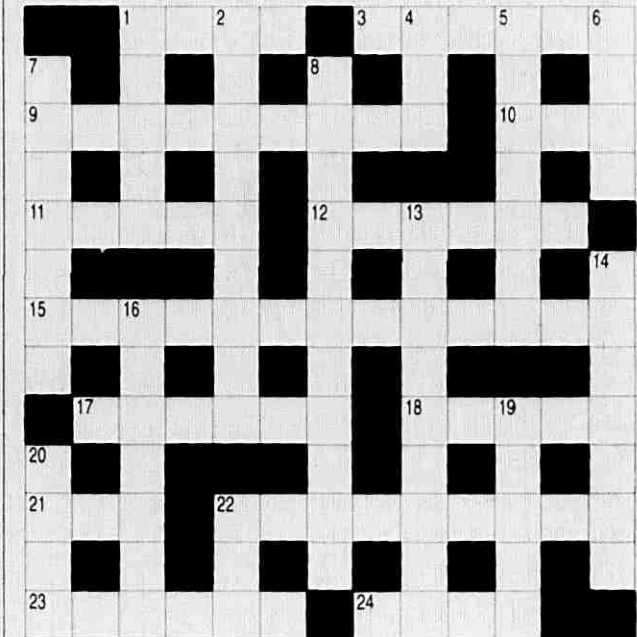
Sprinkle the gelatin in 45 ml of water in a small bowl and leave to soak. Place the bowl over a saucepan of simmering water and stir until dissolved. Stir into the custard with the orange rind and juice. Cool.

Whip the cream until it just holds its shape, then fold most of the cream into the cold mixture. Whisk the egg whites until stiff and fold into the mixture.

Pour the mixture into the prepared dish and leave to set. Remove paper collar. Stir the liqueur into the remaining cream and use to decorate the souffle.

Leader Crossword

SOLUTIONS AT BOTTOM OF PAGE



ACROSS

- 1 Funny — indicates amusing rather than peculiar (2-2)
- 3 One of the two moons of Mars (6)
- 9 Anagram of ASYNDETIC (9)
- 10 Pressurised butane or propane used in place of petrol or diesel fuel (1,1,1)
- 11 — with means considered without really being interested (5)
- 12 Object referred to as being useless if made of chocolate (6)
- 15 Double act whose theme song was We Belong Together (5,3,5)
- 17 Just out of the medals (6)
- 18 How a lady in a song is attired (2,3)
- 21 Help given to a country in need (3)
- 22 Scene of a disaster in 1986 (9)
- 23 No matter which person (6)
- 24 Chopped or cut with an axe, etc. (4)

DOWN

- 1 See 20
- 2 Electrical device that produces warm air (9)
- 4 Gardening tool used mainly for weeding (3)
- 5 Arthur James —, prime minister and later, in World War I, foreign secretary (7)
- 6 A long narrative about Icelandic or Norwegian heroes (4)
- 7 Each of two or more forms of the same element (7)
- 8 Actor whose films include Apocalypse Now (6,5)
- 13 Any apparatus (9)
- 14 William —, Bible translator whose work later became the basis of the Authorised Version (7)
- 16 One of the 12 o'clocks (7)
- 19 Israeli prime minister assassinated in 1995 (5)
- 20 1 down Scottish cargo boat skipper Peter McFarlane (4,5)
- 22 The post of steering a ship (3)

Health Tips from "Remedies"

Christmas and New Year can be demanding - put your decorations, what presents to buy whom, what food and drink to provide your relatives with. It's a time of year when many people tend to eat and drink too much, a time when many are lonely and feeling down, and a time of year when those of us that are parents rapidly go grey trying to find exactly what our little munchkins would like from Santa Claus.

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Leader Crossword

SOLUTIONS - Questions on top of page

- ACROSS:** 1 Ha-ha, 3 Phobos, 9 Syndicate, 10 LPG, 11 Toyed, 12 Teapot, 15 Pinky and Perky, 17 Fourth, 18 In red, 21 Aid, 22 Chernobyl, 23 Anyone, 24 Hewn.
DOWN: 1—, 2 Hairdryer, 4 Hoe, 5 Balfour, 6 Saga, 7 Isotope, 8 Martin Sheen, 13 Appliance, 14 Tyndale, 16 Noonday, 19 Rabin, 20 1 down Para Handy, 22 Con.

Cappoquin Notes



Mary Cliffe, daughter of Michael and Cait Cliffe, Lismore and Brian Whelan, son of Billy and Catherine Whelan, Cappoquin, who were married on the 9th of September in St. Mary's Church, Cappoquin. Fr. Robert Arthure officiated and the reception was held in Clonea Strand Hotel. Also included are (l. to r.) Rick Foley (groomsman), Liam Whelan (bestman) and Triona and Ally Cliffe (bridesmaids).

CAPPOQUIN CIVIC LINK



Christmas Farmer's Market

Following the success of the Farmer's Market at the last two Cornerstone Carnivals, it was decided to try one for Christmas. Thanks to the hard work and participation of many people, it was a great success and can be even better next year. A wide range of products were available including Knockalara and Knockanore cheeses, Crinnaughtaun apple juice, McGrath's jams, Salterbridge honey, Glenribbeen fruit and vegetables, Barron's bread and cakes, and Cappoquin's latest book.

Eventhough it was so near to Christmas, it was great that so many people made the effort to be in Cappoquin for the Market, we met a number of people who travelled from outside the area to be there. The many children present were thrilled and excited when Santa Claus made his surprise visit. Well done to Michael O'Rourke for arranging Santa's special sleigh and horse for his journey up the main street. One observant child commented on the wheels on Santa's sleigh, but it seems that Rudolph and his normal sleigh do not comply with today's traffic laws! A special thanks to Bridget Murray, Vanessa Ormond and Fintan Murray for their preparations, that made Santa's visit so special. Thanks also to the Gardai for assisting with the traffic.

Later in the afternoon, the raffle for the Christmas cake for Cappoquin Day Care Centre was held. The winning ticket of Helen Cunningham was drawn by Fintan Murray and a total of 387euro was raised.

The proposed impromptu Carol sing a long ended up being "non-promptu"! but there is always next year?

Heritage Group Notes

An update on book sales

One or two of our sellers are on holidays at present but the most accurate possible tally of sales of 'Cappoquin: A Window on the Past' by Saturday, December 30th had reached 783. This means that in excess of €4,400 clear profit has been realised from sales to date. This will initially go towards funding the outstanding costs of the heritage trail project which will begin to be rolled out in January, all going according to plan. We still had 110 books in our storage base on December 30th, with small amounts of the remaining books available in most of our selling outlets or from committee members as desired. While the Christmas cards sold out long before Christmas, anyone wanting a Heritage Trail calendar can still get one in many of the shops around town, at a modest cost of €2.

The committee would like to express its sincere gratitude to everyone, from the dozen or so retail outlets who have sold the book, cards and calendars so willingly, to the hundreds of people who bought them, naturally. By taking the decision to launch the book in time for Christmas, we had to forego the possibility of some Heritage Council funding for it if we had waited until next February. However, the popularity of the book as a Christmas present has justified the decision, we think. We know that dozens of books have gone to Cappoquin natives across the Atlantic and further. Enquiries to our website alone have seen books ordered for Britain, Italy and Australia. Once again, we thank everyone for the support and can assure people that work has already begun on volume 2.

CAPPOQUIN SNOOKER & BILLIARDS CLUB

Market House League Ladder

There has been plenty of action in the opening week or so in the Market House League Ladder. Some major movers none more so than Michael "Dots" Doherty who has moved into the top eight with ease over the Christmas period. Plenty of action on Tuesday 19th December when Eddie then had a crack at Eamon O'Shea but alas for Eddie Eamon was in fine form and once again defeat was his lot. Never one to give up Eddie then challenged John Quann Snr and after another tough game Eddie just edged past John. Liam Whelan and Mike Roche then played and this turned out to be a great game with Rochie coming out on top. Michael Casey challenged Eamon O'Shea and this produced some fine snooker with Eamon keeping up his very impressive start to win.

Mike Doherty then had a very convincing win over Eamon Costin to start his move up the league ladder. After the Christmas break then Ray Curran challenged young David Cahill. Cahill who is a very fine prospect duly beat Ray but met his match when he came up against the much more experienced Mike Doherty with Dots emerging victorious. Dots also had two more games since beating John Quann and Rhiney Walsh to move up over fifteen places in total. On Monday last Michael Casey played Martin Reddy and again Casey played some fine snooker to emerge victorious. They met again later on in the evening and this time Reddy got the better of Casey to win. So after some exciting contests the league ladder now looks like this;

1 Liam McLaughlin, 2 Brendan Walsh, 3 John Noonan, 4 Conor O'Leary, 5 David

Mason, 6 Michael Doherty, 7 Michael Roche, 8 Liam Whelan, 9 Tony Hickey, 10 Robert Walsh, 11 Brian Whelan, 12 Darragh Wilkinson, 13 Eddie Hickey, 14 John Quann, 15 Robert Allen, 16 Alan Barry, 17 Eamon Costin, 18 David Cahill, 19 Eamon O'Shea, 20 Ray Curran, 21 Martin Reddy, 22 Michael Casey, 23 Jack McGrath, 24 John Walsh, 25 Anthony O'Rourke, 26 Eric Heaphy, 28 Bobby Walton, 28 Stephen O'Keeffe.

Committee Meeting

All committee members please note that a committee meeting will take place on Monday 8th January next in the hall at 9 pm sharp. It is important that all committee members attend.

Membership

Club membership is increasing on a weekly basis and at present we have nearly sixty

paid up members which is great. Anyone who is interested in snooker should come along and enjoy the fantastic facilities available to everyone.

Ladies Snooker

It is great to see the ladies in the hall on a regular basis. Playing a few games of snooker and having a bit of craic. If any more ladies are interested in playing you are more than welcome to come along any night and have a game and a bit of craic.

Duty Officers

Duty Officers for the coming week are Thursday 4th Robbie Allen and Ray Curran. Fri. 5th Liam Whelan and Brian Whelan. Mon. 8th Martin Reddy and Michael Casey. Tue 9th Rhiney Walsh and Eamon O'Shea. Wed. 10th Eamon Costin and David Mason.

WEST WATERFORD DARTS

Christmas Week Results

A League - Morrissey's 2 Moloney's 6; Swallow Inn 4 Red House 4; Lindsays 5 Tigh an Cheoil 3; Riordan's a bye 5 points.

B League - Tigh an Cheoil B2 4 Kiely's Cross 4; John Paul's 6 Tigh an Cheoil B3 2; Riordan's B 0 Deckies 8; Old Mill 7 Moloney's B 1.

Next series of games will be on 5/1/07.

Paddy Corcoran of Lindsay's and Thomas Burke of Moloney's A both have a 141 check out and Joe Keogh of the Old Mill has a 145 check out. Swallow Inn fined E10 for not ringing in results.

AFFANE/CAPPOQUIN GAA CLUB NOTES

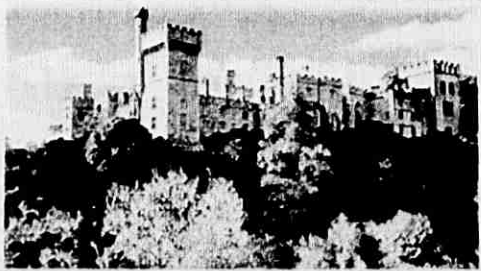
New Year Wishes

We would like to wish all our members and past members a very Happy & Prosperous New Year. We hope that this year will be as successful as last year.

Sincere Sympathy

The Club would like to offer our sincerest sympathy to the Lacey and McCarthy families on the recent death of Joan Lacey, Lower Main Street. Her passing is a great loss to the town. Ar dheis dea go raibh a haman.

Lismore Notes



Storybox Toddler Group

On December 21st the group visited Leahy's Open Farm, and what a wonderful day was had by all. The kids were enchanted from the moment of arrival, and the magic of the Christmas experience will be certainly be remembered as one of the fondest of the year. We were delighted to see some of our Dads join us and hope to see more of you in the future. Don't be scared, Dads!

As most of you know we have had some difficulty in the past months with regards to a home for our special group. It has been a brain teaser to say the least to get all the factors influencing a safe and happy environment for our children just right. I hope the period hasn't been too unsettling and I'm sure you'll all be happy to hear that the issue seems to have finally been resolved. From Thursday January 11th, the group will

now be meeting in the downstairs of the Library, instead of upstairs. Thank you to everyone for your efforts in negotiations, the searching and the time taken to find the best place for our children and for your help in the clean up. Thank you also to the County Library for your continued support.

We'd also like to send a get well wish to Caitlin from Castle Arts, we look forward to seeing you fighting fit in 2007. May I take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and safe transition into 2007.

Lismore Storybox Mum/Carers and Toddler group meets on Thursdays Lismore Library (opposite the Bank of Ireland) entry via front door. Cost is €3 per family. We are a self help and mutual support group for parents and carers of babies, toddlers and pre schoolers. We encourage free play with hands

on parental involvement and we always welcome new members, particularly from the local environs.

"Lismore" FREE Training Opportunity

Faillte Ireland are commencing a Restaurant/Bar Service Skills course in Lismore on Monday 15th January 2007.

If you would like to hear more about this exciting training programme which will be delivered over 10 weeks (2 days per week - 09.30 - 2.30pm each day). Training allowance of €300 will be given to all attendee's. This is a certified training course.

For further information please contact: Niamh Kuhne, Local Employment Service, 21 Church Street, Dungarvan. Tel: 058 45750 / 087 686 5968

LISMORE DRAMATIC SOCIETY NEWS

Even though the "season to be jolly" may have just passed us by, Lismore Dramatic Society, in an unprecedented move, have decided to reprise the hugely popular play "The Cripple of Inishmaan" which played to packed houses in November and bring much needed mirth into the month of January.

We will be presenting the play on Friday, Saturday and Sunday 19th, 20th, 21st January in the Courthouse Theatre, Lismore. Tickets will shortly be on sale in Cahills. Looking forward to seeing you there.

KILROSSANTY NOTES

Engagement

Congratulations to Jack Murphy, Furraleigh and Treas Kelly, Galway who announced their engagement recently.

Keys

A set of car keys found in Kilrossanty Church grounds. Please contact Breda Crotty on 051-291424.

Sympathy

Sympathy to Tommy Dee, Graiguerush on the death of his brother John, who died recently in America. Sympathy also to the relatives of Paddy Mulaney, Ballykerogue who also died recently.

Baby Girl

Congratulations to Aiden and Catherine Dunwoody, Comeragh on the birth of their baby girl recently.

Sympathy

Deepest sympathy to Eileen Lonergan, Lemybrien and her sons and daughters on the sudden death of Matty who died on December 23rd. It was a double blow for the Lonergan family as Matty's brother Jim had only died two weeks before him. Sympathy to Matty's brother John who is the last surviving member of the Lonergan family. Burial took place in Kilrossanty Cemetery.

May he rest in peace.

Sympathy also to the nieces and nephews of Nellie Fitzgerald, Knockeylan who died on Sunday last

May she rest in peace.

Date

Ladies keep 1st February free for the Annual I.C.A. dinner. Non members very welcome. Details at a later stage.

A.R.G.

A.R.G. Christmas party was

enjoyed by all. The monthly meeting of the A.R.G. will take place on 17th January at 8:30pm. A guest speaker will be present on the night. Come along for refreshments and music in the Hall.

A.G.M.

A.G.M. of the Hall at 8pm on 17th January.

KILROSSANTY G.A.A. Clotto

Clotto was held last Saturday night in Micilins. Jackpot getting bigger as there was no winner. €25 to each of the following: Ger McGrath, c/o Teresa Kiely, Ballingown; Sean Lennon, Lemybrien; Paddy

Long, c/o Ashley Lennon, Lemybrien; William Keating, Carrigeenageragh; Frank Nolan, c/o Benny Whyte, Cutteen; Jason Boland, Scrahan; John O'Mahoney, Shanacoole; Joe Hayes and Elaine Brazil, care of Crotty's. Sellers prize went to Liam Brazil, Grawn; Linda Barry, Garryhalish; Tomas Keating, Comeragh; June Whyte, Cutteen.

Numbers drawn were 6-7-14-16. Jackpot €11,500 next Saturday night in Crotty's Inn.

Late Matty Lonergan

Shock and disbelief surrounded the parish on December 23rd when the unexpected death of

Matty Lonergan was became known. Matty has been his usual self up to his death. His brother Jim only passed away two week before him which makes it all the more poignant.

Matty played football for Kilrossanty, Waterford and Munster and won Senior medals at senior level with his club.

Sympathy is extended to his wife Eileen, sons James, Mark and Kevin, daughter Martina, Geraldine, Patricia, Marie, Paula and Angela, his brother John and all his other relatives.

Burial took place in Kilrossanty Cemetery. May he rest in peace.



John McGrath, Downeys Bar, Main Steet, Dungarvan with Artists Guggi and Gavin Friday at U2 show in Tokyo recently

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Question

Can I claim tax relief for third-level tuition fees?

Answer

Yes you can, providing the courses are eligible. Tax relief for third-level tuition fees is available for the following courses:

Approved undergraduate and postgraduate courses (full-time and part-time) in both private and publicly funded third-level colleges in the State

Approved undergraduate and postgraduate courses (full-time and part-time) in both private and publicly funded third-level colleges in any EU member state

Approved undergraduate and postgraduate courses (full-time and part-time) operated by colleges in any EU member state providing distance education in this State

Postgraduate courses in certain private and publicly funded third-level colleges in non-EU countries.

Undergraduate courses must be of at least 2 years duration. Postgraduate courses must be for at least 1 academic year, but not more than 4 years, and must lead to a postgraduate award based on a thesis or an examination.

Tax relief is also available for approved information technology and foreign language courses in the State resulting in a certificate of competence (not just a certificate of attendance) and of less than 2 years duration.

Tax relief is at the standard rate of income tax (20%). The maximum relief allowable for the academic year 2006/2007 is €5,000. For the information technology and foreign language courses the relief applies to fees ranging from €315 to €1,270 maximum.

The tuition fees must be paid by you on your own behalf or on behalf of your spouse, your child or someone for whom you are the legal guardian. Application forms (IT 31) are available from the Revenue Commissioners' website at www.revenue.ie or telephone Lo-Call 1890 306 706.

Further information is available from your own tax office and from the Citizens Information Centre below.

This column has been compiled by Dungarvan Community Information Centre which provides a free and confidential service to the citizens at the Courthouse, Dungarvan, office hours 11a.m. - 1p.m. Monday to Friday. Tel. 058-44633.

MONEYMATTERS

FINANCIAL COMMUNICATION

If you have made that big decision to move in together or get married, try to sort out financial responsibilities while the situation is exciting and new. Don't wait until a crisis strikes to work out who should be paying for what! Money is one of the major causes of a relationship breaks down and, if things go wrong, you could find yourself not only single again, but also in debt and homeless. Partners who ignore financial matters do so at their peril!

Examine your income and expenditure. Make a list of joint expenses - rent, bills, food, household expenses, evenings out, etc. Decide how you are going to divide these. This is particularly important if one of you is earning more than the other.

Remember these relationships are based on trust and it is important that you can talk about money. Merge your finances gradually as the relationship becomes stronger. From the start however, you should have a joint account for ordinary bills like food, ESB, TV Licence, etc. Make a decision on how much you are going to put into these expenses every month and arrange to pay it either by direct debit or some other reliable way. Talking about money is almost as important as saving it.

If you have decided to rent a property together, register both names on the tenancy agreement. This will ensure that you both have equal rights to live in the property or to terminate the agreement.

All couples argue about money at some stage, but the two things, which really drive couples apart, are debt and overspending. Some people only resolve financial arrangements when they hit a crisis situation. Remember to plan ahead and divide out the financial responsibilities equally. The key is to communicate about your financial commitments and the more the better. It is a process, which may take some getting used to, but it will help to avoid those unnecessary arguments.

The Money Advice & Budgeting Service is based at Civic Offices, Davitt's 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 website at: www.mabs.ie

DUNGARVAN FOXHOUNDS NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL



All the way from Walkinstown, Dublin for the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Annette Byrne, Helen Hurley and Beth Fitzpatrick.



At the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Christy, Eileen and Genevieve Gee.



At the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were David Flavin, Kelly Dunford, Daire Feehan and David Ferncombe.



Denise Conway, Martina McGrath and Orla Murphy at the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel.



Enjoying the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Paddy and Annette Byrne with Helen and Tom Hurley.



At the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Eamon Lynch, Gillian McNamara, Johnny Healy, Marie O'Donovan and Mary Clare Harney.



Sinead Dahill and John Buckley at the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel.



At the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Caroline Qually, Martina Raheer and Nicky and Kitty Qually.



At the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Gary Burke, Gillian McGrath, Emma Hennessy and John Hurney.



At the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Kill Harriers members, Ann Power, Fahri Demir and Una Power.



Enjoying the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Kevin Burke, Yvette Hickey, Shane Moore, Katie Duggan and Chris O'Brien.



At the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Aoife Landers, Genevieve Gee and Ruth Landy.



At the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Noreen Qually, John Hickey, Emma Phelan, Francis and Bernie Dwan.



Committee members with President, P.J. Veale, Chairman, David Dineen and Treasurer Jim McGrath at the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel.



At the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Colin Boreford, Carol Hickey, Eamon and Susanne Gough, John and Catherine Higgins and Anthony and Yvonne Hickey.



At the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Eddie and Michelle Murray with Karen and John O'Connor.



Enjoying the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Owen Mackey and Cliona Kirwan with Jillian and Richard Hayes.



Noel and Rita Whelan enjoying the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel.



Helen and Pat Doherty at the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel.



3 Joint Masters, John Hickey, Martina McGrath and Jim McGrath at the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel.



At the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Gerard O'Donovan, Eamon Lynch, P.J. Veale, Club President, Terry McCarthy and Dave Connor.

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Enjoying the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Hilda Howard and Noelle Quann.



Enjoying the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel were Denise Conway and John Hickey.



Tom and Beth Fitzpatrick at the Dungarvan Foxhounds New Year's Eve Ball in Lawlors Hotel.

Abbeyside Ballinacourty G.A.A. Notes

UNDER 21 HURLING

We recorded a very good victory over Fourmilewater on December 23rd last in the Western final. After 15 minutes we led by six points to nil but thereafter our opponents came back into the game and there was little between the teams up to the final whistle which left us victorious on a score of 4-8 to 3-6.

After the game Western Chairman Paddy Walsh presented the cup to captain Eoin Enright who thanked selectors Bernard Gorman, Padjoe Lannigan, Seamie Murray, Paudie Donnelly and Jim Mahoney. Eoin also complimented Fourmilewater on the great game they gave.

Team: D. Ryan, T. Murray, J. Kindregan, J. Mullen, B. Scannon, R. Foley, P. Lynch, S. O'Hare, E. Enright, J. Gorman, M. Fives, P. Hurney, M. Ferncombe, S. Hanrahan, M. Gorman. Sub: E. Brackett.

Our opponents in the County final are Ballygunner with whom we have had some great games at Minor and Under 21 in recent years.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Our Christmas raffle took place in Minnie's Bar on December 22nd. Once again it was a great success and we thank all those who bought tickets to support our Juvenile section.

1st prize E300: Matty Kiely; 2nd prize Christmas Hamper: Gerry Murphy; 3rd prize Fruit Hamper: Michael Kelleher; 4th prize Turkey and Ham: Theresa McGovern; 5th prize Wine and Cheese Hamper: Eddie O'Halloran; 6th prize Bottle of Brandy and Whiskey: Christy Phelan; 7th prize E50 Meat Voucher: Pascal Doyle; 8th, 9th and 10th prizes E50 Meat Voucher: Kevin Tobin, Noel Donoghue and Margaret Cliffe.

CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING

The first meeting of 2007 takes place in the Parish Office at 8pm on Thursday, January 11th.

SYMPATHY

On behalf of all in the club we would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the late Mr. Tom Cantwell.

Ar dheis lamh Dé go raibh a anam uasal.

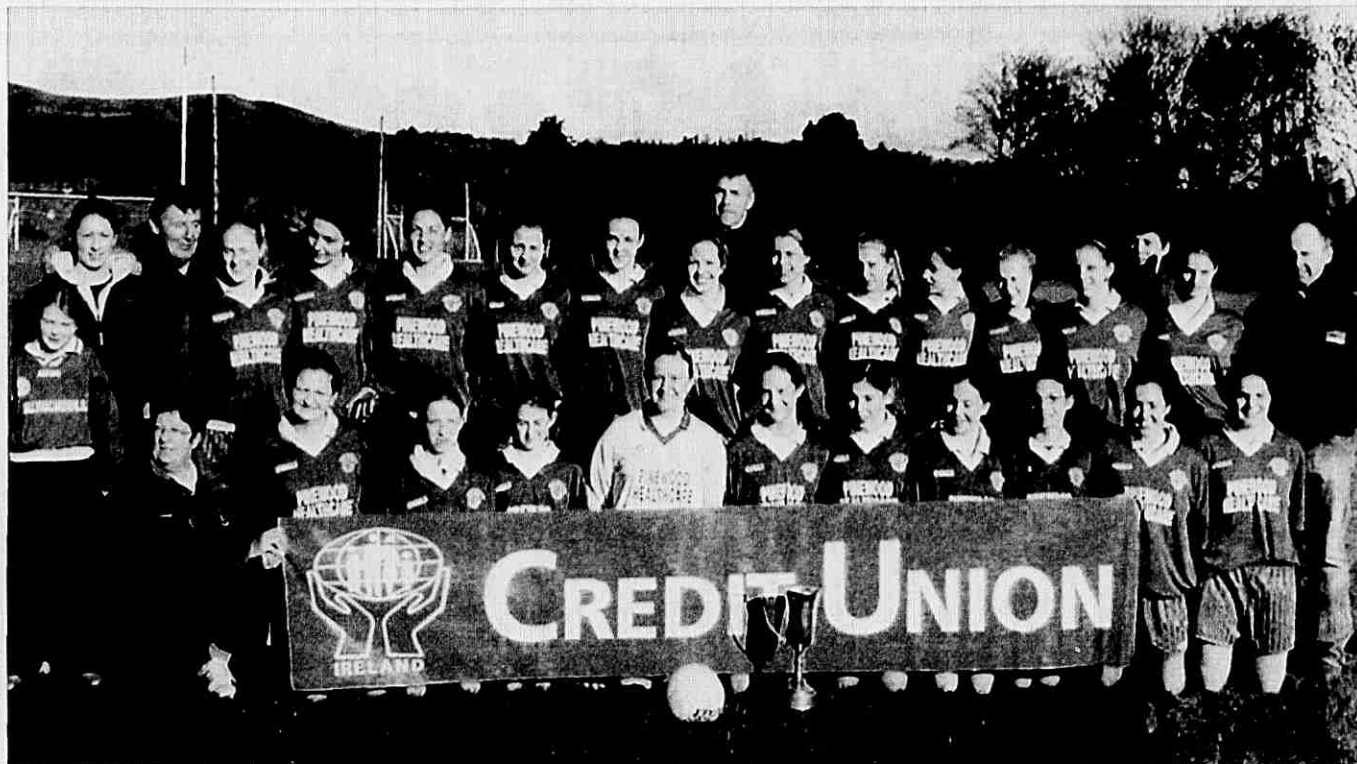
SLABH gCUA/ST. MARY'S G.A.A. CLUB NOTES

MEETING

Our first meeting of 2007 will take place on Tuesday night next, 9th of January at 9pm in the Community Centre. All committee members please attend.

SPEEDY RECOVERY

We would like to wish Bob Keane a speedy recovery as he was hospitalised over the Christmas period. We hope that you will be back on the road again Bob.



Ballymacarbry ladies minor team who won the County Minor football title recently, beating Kilrossanty in the final. Included in photo are members of Dungarvan Credit Union (sponsors).

STRADBALLY SOCCER NOTES

THE DEVELOPMENT

While most people were enjoying and partying the Christmas and New Year season, there was significant advancements in our development.

Work on our dressing rooms recommenced and now the dressing rooms are fitted with the Kingspan sheets which means that the upstairs area and roof and all gutters are completed. For four full days Francis Sheehan and John Sheehan bared the wind and rain to get this job done before the New Year. Also Damien who spent the four full days on site willing to give a helping hand. Also thanks to Sean, William, Tadgh, Paddy Joe, Liam, Emmett, Garvan who helped in many ways.

We are also very grateful to Norris for lending their hoist to us over the period and also to Liam Whelan along with Liam Gough who transported the hoist to us. With all hands on board, things will get done.

Next on the agenda will be the floor and block work. The ESB just before Christmas have installed the poles to connect us to the electricity grid. On New Years Day Nicky Power of Glen Road fitted and provided the equipment for the netting at the back of the lower goal and installed the netting. This is a great job and again

we are much indebted to Nicky as this is specialist work that can only be done by those with experience in this trade. Thanks to Tadgh and Kevin who were on site to help.

CHRISTMAS DAY SWIM

Many thanks to all who contributed in any way to making the Christmas Day Swim a success in aid of Waterford Hospice. We had up to 40 swimmers in the water and some in costume. Many thanks to Mary Crowley who looked after the Soup department to feed the cold and hungry swimmers, Richie Power, Bridget Drohan and Eoin Connors who looked after the whiskies, Caroline Whelan who once again supplied the glasses and our Santa Claus in the person of Alan Stone.

An unique feature of the swim this year was our Chairman Ollie Lawlor who arrived by boat from Helvick into the Cove to set the swim in motion. Much appreciation to Ger and Mikie Carey for supplying the boat. I bet Ollie didn't think it would be as rough!

We decided this year that we would collect all funds within a four week period of the swim, rather than dragging it out. Therefore we are hoping that all funds would be in if possible within the next two weeks and most importantly we are very grateful to all the swimmers on the day and all the sponsors and contributors.

LOTTO

The last draw took place in the Bally Inn on the week before Christmas. This was a Christmas special with extra prizes. The numbers called were 8-11-17-22. With no one having all the numbers, the following won the consolation prizes - E100 Mags Kiely; E50 Kevin Cunningham; E25 M. Kenneally and E25 to Damien Sheehan.

ASTRO TURF

We are back to Dungarvan Astro turf on this Wednesday (tonight) at 9pm. We want all players be it 2nd or 3rd Division to come in as this is training, so we expect all who can to turn up. Anyone else looking

for a game of ball, come in.

FIXTURES

The only fixture we have to date is an Under 16 match home to De La Salle at 2:30pm this Saturday. We do not know yet if we have any junior league games. This must be the worst winter in a decade. Soccer mustn't be a favourite sport of the man above.

CHRISTMAS HAMPER UNDERAGE DRAW

The following are the prize winners in the Christmas draw

in aid of the Underage teams - 1st prize Christmas Hamper: Marion Callaghan McElduff, sponsored by Underage committee; 2nd prize Food Hamper; Nicholas Drohan sponsored by committee; 3rd prize Meat Voucher: Brian Campbell, sponsored by Condon Butchers; 4th Fruit Basket: Ailish Pollock, sponsored by B and M; 5th Wine and Cheese hamper: Emmett Cummins, sponsored by committee; 6th Child's Hamper incl Leisure

Zone vouchers: Anthony O'Keefe, sponsored by Leisure Zone.

Thanks to our ladies on our committee who organised this draw and to all who sold and purchased tickets.

NAME OF FIELD

Had everyone given in their suggestion of the new field? We are giving until the end of January for suggestions and winner will be decided at first committee meeting in the first week of February.



WATERFORD
SPORTS
PARTNERSHIP

Once-off Grants to Increase Participation in Sporting Activities by Disadvantaged Young People

Waterford Sports Partnership would like to invite Sports, Youth and Community Clubs/Groups/Organisations to apply for once-off funding made available from the Dormant Accounts Fund (Economic and Social Disadvantage Measures 2006).

Eligible projects may include:

- New sports club programming (additional to existing provision) involving the provision of coaching and skills development opportunities to encourage greater participation by disadvantaged young people.
- Purchase of essential small equipment/ hire of halls, etc directly linked to new sports programming and not currently funded under the Department of Arts, Sport & Tourism Capital Programme.
- Other Innovative actions which might encourage greater participation by young people in sports including sports club outreach programmes and come and try events.

Note: Applications from sports clubs which demonstrate linkages with local youth organisations and community groups and demonstrate their ability and willingness to support increased opportunities to sports participation among disadvantaged young people are encouraged. The minimum grant payable is €500 up to a maximum of €10,000.

CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS 5PM, 7th FEBRUARY 2007.

Those interested in availing of this funding are invited to attend an Information meeting on Wednesday 24th January at 3pm in Rainbow Hall, Kilmacthomas. Please book your place in advance.

Application forms and grant guidelines available from: Waterford Sports Partnership at 058 21192 or on www.waterfordsportspartnership.ie or by e-mail request to info@waterfordsportspartnership.ie.

West Waterford East Cork Schoolboy League

UPCOMING FIXTURES

Wednesday 3rd of January

U-12:— Cappelquin v Lismore 6.45pm S. Forde

U-14:— Cappelquin v Lismore 8pm S. Forde

Saturday 6th of January

U-12:— Ballybridge v Ardmore 1.30pm D. O'Sullivan

U-14:— Ballybridge v Ardmore 2.45pm D. O'Sullivan

U-12:— Pinewood v Brideview 1.30pm D. Whelan

U-14:— Pinewood v Brideview 2.45pm D. Whelan

U-12:— An Gaeltacht v Valley 1.30pm P. Marks

U-14:— An Gaeltacht v Valley 2.45pm P. Marks

U-14:— Mogeely v Cappelquin 2.30pm S. Forde

U-16:— Clashmore v Cappelquin 2.30pm E. Cusack

HORSE RACING SNIPPETS

BY MARK PHILLIPS

CLEARANCE SALE

Trainer Robbie Osborne was unlucky to lose a number of inmates from his stables at the recent Fairyhouse sales. The following horses were sold at that sale

Latino Magic-	240,000 Euros
Moon At Midnight-	2,600 Euros
La Mandragola-	2,500 Euros
Lafayette-	1,000 Euros

The trainer in fact purchased Moon At Midnight himself. The proceeds of the sales did not go to owner Dylan Creaven but went instead went to CAB (Criminal Assets Bureau) in settlement of outstanding monies due.

A DATE WITH GALILEO

Alexander Goldrun formerly trained by Jim Bolger is now back with her owner Noel O'Callaghan after her recent race in Hong Kong. A winner of five Group 1 events Alexander Goldrun is booked in to Galileo for next years breeding season.

INGLIS DREVER AND BLACK JACK TO CLASH

Inglis Drever and Black Jack Ketchum are on course to clash in the Cleeve Hurdle at Cheltenham on January 27th.

KASTORIA PLANS

The John Oxx trained Kastoria who was so unlucky in her last race outing in Hong Kong is due to be mated with Gone West in the Spring of 2007.

PIZZARO RETIRED

The injury prone nine year old Pizarro has been retired from racing. Trained by Edward O'Grady Pizarro won the 2002 Cheltenham bumper with Jamie Spencer in the saddle. He has not run since finishing third to War Of Attrition in the Daily Star Chase at Punchestown in October 2005.

HAIRY MOLLY UPDATE

The Joe Crowley trained Hairy Molly who won the 2006 Bumper at the Cheltenham festival is back in work. The now seven year old gelding injured himself in October when being prepared for a hurdle race and should see racecourse action in the next month or so.

TRIAL DATE SET

The date is now set for the trial of six times champion rider Kieran Fallon. Along with fellow riders Fergal Lynch and Daren Williams Fallon faces charges for race fixing and the date for his trial is fixed for September 24th.

GALATEE AND TROPICAL LADY

Galatee and Tropical Lady both former inmates of the Jim Bolger yard have both been retired. Both mares are due to visit Invincible Spirit at the National Stud.

DEMOCRATIC DEFICIT SOLD

Formerly trained by Jim Bolger Democratic Deficit has been sold to Italy for stallion duties.

HEDGEHUNTER UPDATE

The Willie Mullins trained Hedgehunter missed an intended engagement in the Lexus chase at Leopardstown last week after disappointing in a home gallop. Hedgehunter will

now be entered in the Hennessy Gold Cop at Leopardstown on February 10th.

KING OF THE CASTLE

Alan King is one of the Britain's rising young trainers and he now has 130 horses under his care at Bambury Castle.

IMPEK OUT FOR THE SEASON

Trainer Henrietta Knight announced after Christmas that the Jim Lewis owned Impek has a hairline fracture of a shinbone and is out of action for the remainder of the season.

TOM BACK WITH A WINNER

County Waterford jockey Tom Queally returned to action after an injury over Christmas and booted home a 33/1 winner at Wolverhampton.

IRISH POINT-TO-POINT FIXTURES

Sunday January 7th

United Foxhounds, Topcross, Lisgoold, Co Cork 12.30pm

SCOBIE BREASLEY DEAD

After suffering a stroke in his native Australia the legendary Scobie Breasley passed away at the age of 92 just before Christmas. Born in Wagga Wagga Scobie captured two Epsom Derby's, five Caulfield Cup's in Australia and A Prix De L'Arc de Triomphe. In all he rode 3,251 winners and rode ten consecutive years having partnered a hundred winners or more between the years 1955 and 1964.

FURTHER CHARGES

Jockey Tony Culhane is the latest jockey in the UK that could face charges by the Horseracing Regulatory Authority.

FEATHERED LADY BACK IN TRAINING

The Colm Murphy owned Feathered Lady is back in training after she scanned clear of injury last week. Her County Wexford based trainer is hopeful of getting at least one race into his high-class mare before heading to Cheltenham.

THIS WEEKS FIXTURES

Wednesday — Kempton, Lingfield and Wetherby

Thursday — Thurles 12.55pm, Fontwell, Lingfield and Wolverhampton

Friday — Musselburgh, Newcastle and Wolverhampton

Saturday — Cork 12.55pm

Sunday — Naas 12.55pm

A HIGH NOTE

Young Dungarvan pilot Richie Kiely ended 2006 on a winning note at Punchestown last Sunday guiding the ageless Adamant Approach to victory over hurdles.

EINO SCORES

Slieverue trainer Eoin Griffin is enjoying a great spell with his runners and as well as sending out two Leopardstown festival winners he was also on the mark at Limerick.



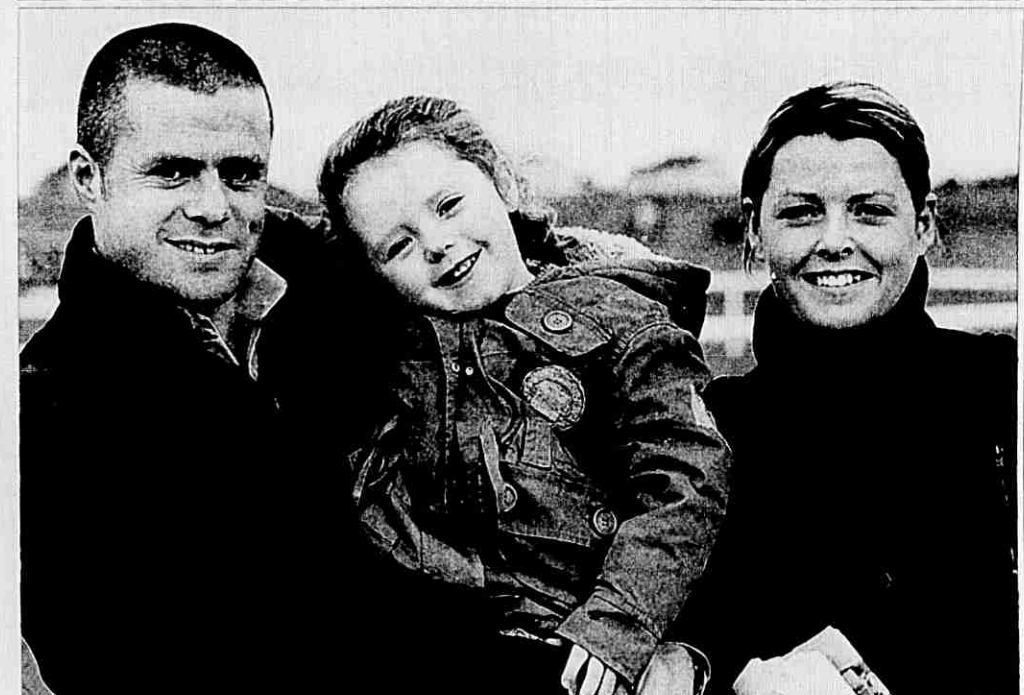
At the New Year's day racing at Tramore were Brendan, Maria and David Prendergast from Lismore.



Marie and Eileen Dower with Vera Murphy at the New Year's Day racing at Tramore.



Enjoying the New Year's Day racing at Tramore were Michael Walsh, Karen Burke and Anthony Morrissey with Sue Phelan, Manager Waterford & Tramore Racecourse.



Enjoying the New Year's Day racing at Tramore were Pat Sullivan, Sarah Louise Sullivan and Joanne Duggan from Dungarvan.



Good Christmas For Some, Santa Not Good For Others

WEATHER SPOILS LAST WEEKEND OF THE YEAR

In our final notes for 2006 we wrote that the results over the Christmas period would be a telling factor for many clubs, in promotion and relegation and for the top teams in the premier. Unfortunately some of the teams did not play over Christmas and last Sunday wash a total wash out thanks to the wind and rain that fell early on Sunday morning rendering grounds unplayable.

Some teams that played over the festive period will be happy with their results. Accrington won their two games and moved away from the bottom of the table. They scored six goals in their two victories, courtesy Tom Twomey, who scored all six goals. Lismore swapped positions with Accrington, losing their two games, although they have games in hand over the teams above them.

At the top end of the table Mogeely lost their two games and points that would have top of the league as we enter 2007. The honour of leading the Premier into 2007 belongs to Cappoquin, who did not play during the holiday period. Ardmore the reigning champions, won one of their two games and are now making it very difficult to retain their title, but with 13 games still to play they have the games to collect the points necessary to win the league. As we enter the January fixtures, the title race is wide open and at this stage is difficult to predict the outcome. The one thing that seems certain is we are in for one of the best league finishes for many seasons, at both ends of the table, while promotion from the 1st division is between any two of six teams. Exciting times ahead.

Next Saturday night will see the final game in the group stage of the Oscar Traynor Cup, when we entertain the Munster Senior League in Cappoquin. This is a game we must win and win well if we have any aspirations of qualifying for the open draw.

GORTROE 2 BRIDE VIEW 1

The home side were delighted with this win just before Christmas as it moved them away from the bottom of the table. Two goals in the opening half from Damien Ring and Paul Horgan gave them a comfortable lead at the break. However in typical Bride View style, the visitors came more into the game and scored through John

Doyle, but try as they might they could not break through the Gortroe defence for an equaliser.

MOGEELY 1 ARAGLEN 3

As we predicted, the visitors are in sparkling form of late and continued their impressive run with a deserved win against Mogeely. After a scoreless first half, Paddy Kearney opened the scoring 16 mins into the 2nd half. Pat Buckley increased the lead with 12mins remaining and when Kearney scored again the points were on the way to North Cork. Jake O'Shea converted a penalty in the last minute for the home side.

ACCRINGTON 4 LISMORE 3

The only game played on Christmas Eve, saw the bottom two against each other and the Cork side won by the odd goal of seven, and a one man show from Tom Twomey who scored all Accrington's goals.

Eddie Pollard gave the visitors the lead, only for Twomey to equalise. Langan then had Lismore in the lead again, but Twomey responded with another goal to equalise. He completed his hat-trick before the break and scored his and Accrington's 4th straight after the break. Terence Walsh pulled a goal back for Lismore, but too little, too late.

ARDMORE 4 MOGEELY 2

Another bad result for Mogeely, losing twice in the space of 4 days, this time to reigning champions Ardmore at Ardo. Wayne Hennessy had the champions in the lead and when Clinton Hennessy doubled the score the pressure was on Mogeely. They responded with a goal before the break from Alan O'Collins. However Ardmore were not going to let this game slip and scored twice in the 2nd half when both Wayne and Clinton Hennessy scored their 2nd goal each to give champions a comfortable lead. Mogeely scored at the end when Jake O'Shea converted a

OSCAR TRAYNOR THIS WEEKEND

penalty.

LISMORE 2 BRIDE VIEW 3

The home side went down to their 2nd defeat in 3days when neighbours Bride View avenged their Bolger Cup defeat at the same venue a few months ago. As in that game they led at the break by 2 gls to nil, thanks to Paul O'Brien and Paul Kearney finding the net. In the 2nd half Eddie Pollard pulled a goal back for Lismore and William Henley then restored the visitors two goal advantage before Kevin O'Donoghue scored for Lismore and try as they might they were unable to get the equaliser.

ACCRINGTON CELTIC 2 ARDMORE 1

An understrength Ardmore travelled to Fermoy on Friday afternoon last to meet a much improved Accrington Celtic who were recording their second win in a week.

Tom Twomey opened the scoring for the home side, and with 5mins to the break Johnny Hennessy equalised for the league champions. With 10 mins remaining to the final whistle, Accrington got the winning goal when Twomey scored his second and winning goal for the home side. Indeed, Accrington have scored 6 goals in their two games and all six were scored by Twomey. A great result for Accrington, but not for Ardmore who are now losing ground in defence of their title.

VALLEY RGS 3 CLASHMORE 2

A game of penalties at the Conna venue, with a total of three spot kicks awarded and both teams scoring once. Clashmore had an opportunity to salvage a point from the game's third spotter but failed. In the opening half both Diarmuid Hogan and Stephen Kennelly swapped penalties and Deckie Allen scored before the break to give the visitors a half time lead. Adrian Carr equalised in the 2nd half and the same player scored again to give the Conna side the lead. Clashmore then failed from a

spot kick to share the points and Valley claim all three points from this win.

BLACKWATER 1 PINWOOD 0

Both sides drew a few days previous in Ballymac and this game seemed to be heading the same way as both sides found the opposing defences on top. In practically the last moments of the game a Blackwater corner was cleared and fell to Jason Radley who shot from all of 25 yds and his effort went into the top corner of the net giving Conor Ryan no chance in the Pinewood goal.

A bad result for the visitors who are starting to lose ground after a wonderful start to the season.

CLASHMORE 1 BLACKWATER 0

A great game of football at Pablo Park on St Stephen's Day. This was a typical local derby with plenty at stake as Clashmore needed to win to get back on track and Blackwater needed the points to extend their lead at the top of the table. Dereck Cronin gave the home-side the lead early in the first half.

The visitors then piled on the pressure as they went in search of an equaliser, but could not penetrate the home defence. In the final 2 minutes they had three corners and from the final one Peter Fitzgerald made a very good save to deny the league leaders a share of the points.

GLEN VIEW 1 PINWOOD 5

The visitors knew this was a game they had to win to keep their promotion hopes alive and win they did in style as they swept away the challenge of the Melleray outfit. Maurice O'Gorman gave the visitors a half time lead. Shane Walsh increased the lead after the break and O'Gorman went on to score two more to complete his hat-trick.

Ger McGrath had the final Pinewood goal and John Broderick had a consolation goal for Glen View who were not strong enough on the day for a very good Pinewood side.

W.W.E.C. League Table

(WEEKENDING 31/12/06)

MARI MINA

PREMIER DIVISION

	Pt	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cappoquin (A)	10	7	2	1	27	12	23
Valley Rgs. (A)	10	7	1	2	23	14	22
Mogeely F.C.	11	7	1	3	26	18	22
An Gaeltacht	10	6	3	1	32	15	21
Araglen Celtic	11	6	3	2	27	14	21
Inch United (A)	11	5	1	5	14	18	16
Ardmore A.F.C.	9	5	0	4	28	16	15
Gortroe F.C.	12	4	2	6	19	26	14
Brideview (A)	11	3	2	6	17	20	11
Accrington Celtic	13	3	1	9	16	42	10
Kilworth Celtic	12	2	1	9	10	34	7
Lismore A.F.C.	10	1	1	8	14	24	4

SHERRY FITZGERALD REYNOLDS DIVISION ONE

Blackwater F.C.	12	8	2	2	35	14	26
Pinewood Rgs.	12	8	1	3	39	18	25
Castlebridge Cel.	12	7	1	4	37	32	22
Glenview United	11	6	1	4	32	18	19
Clashmore Rbls.	9	6	0	3	22	15	18
Valley Rgs. (B)	9	6	0	3	21	19	18
Modeligo F.C.	11	4	0	7	19	33	12
Inch United	11	3	1	7	15	26	10
Cappoquin (B)	11	2	2	7	17	27	8
Brideview (B)	10	0	0	10	10	45	0

W.W.E.C. RESULTS

MARI MINA PHARMACEY PREMIER DIV

Gortroe 2	Bride View 1
Mogeely 1	Araglen 3
Accrington 4	Lismore 3
Ardmore 4	Mogeely 2
Lismore 2	Bride view 3
Accrington 2	Ardmore 1

SHERRY FITZGERALD REYNOLDS 1ST DIV

Valley Rgs 3	Clashmore 2
Blackwater 1	Pinewood 0
Clashmore 1	Blackwater 0
Glen View 1	Pinewood 5



W.W.E.C. Fixtures

SATURDAY 6TH JANUARY

OSCAR TRAYNOR CUP AT CAPPOQUIN

WWEC v Munster Senior League 7pm

Ref. A. Horgan, Assistants: T. Griffin and E. McCarthy

SUNDAY 7TH JANUARY

MARI MINA PHARMACEY PREMIER DIV

An Ghaeltacht v Cappoquin 11.00 E Cusack

Ardmore v Gortroe 11.00 E McCarthy

Kilworth v Lismore 11.30 T Griffin

Mogeely v Inch 11.30 A Horgan

Accrington v Valley Rgs 2.00pm P Marks

Araglen v Bride View 2.00 P Browne

SHERRY FITZGERALD REYNOLDS 1ST DIV

Bride View v Glen View 11.30 S Forde

Modeligo v Cappoquin 2.00pm E Cusack

Valley Rgs v Pinewood 2.00pm R Barrett

Blackwater v Inch 11.00 P Marks

Castlebridge v Clashmore 2.00pm D O Sullivan



W.W.E.C. PREVIEW

THIS WEEKEND WILL SEE SOME REAL TOP OF THE TABLE CLASHES

AN GHAELTACHT V CAPPOQUIN

Match of the day and a real crowd puller to the Old Parish venue. Both sides have been idle for the past few weeks and the rest will probably help both teams. A game neither will want to lose, as a win will set them up nicely as we enter the 2nd half of the league. Both teams are having their best seasons for a while with Cappoquin the opposite to this time last season, when they were constantly fighting relegation. An Ghaeltacht on the other hand were fighting for promotion and with the league restructure were promoted to the premier and have proved to be a great attraction with their attacking play and are the premier's leading goal scorers with 32 goals scored in 10 league outings. This is a game we are looking forward to, and a game difficult to predict. We will predict a draw.

ARDMORE V GORTROE

After the Christmas break neither side will want to lose ground on the leaders. Ardmore, if they want to retain their crown must win this tie at home, but they are very inconsistent at present, although they have plenty of games to play. Gortroe must also win if they want to get away from the relegation zone. We think Ardmore will prove too strong on the day and will win.

KILWORTH V LISMORE

The battle of the bottom two, and a must win for both teams. How times have changed for Lismore. Last season they were fighting to retain their league title and the 2nd team was almost promoted. This season with just one team and a change of personnel, they are finding the transition to the top flight difficult and many players are still trying to adapt to a stronger division. Kilworth are similar and have not been able to field at full strength for most of their games. They should with home advantage be too strong for Lismore.

MOGEELY V INCH

A local derby with so much at stake for both sides. Mogeely lost both their fixtures over Christmas, while Inch lost last fixture which was against Valley Rgs. Mogeely are always difficult to beat at home, although Araglen overcame that, and Inch will have to do likewise if they want to get maximum points. We make Mogeely favourites to win and stay in the top three in the table.

ACCRINGTON V VALLEY RGS

Before Christmas we would have said Valley would win, but after the two wins for Accrington over Christmas, Valley will not find their visit to Fermoy an easy experience. Tom Twomey has scored all six goals for the home side in their two wins and if he continues in this goal vein, the Fermoy outfit might cause a surprise. We find it difficult to go

against Valley, as they are more consistent and we make them favourites for the three points.

ARAGLEN V BRIDE VIEW

The North Cork side are having their best season for many years as they have had a wonderful run of victories in the past few months. Bride View are the opposite, winning only three games all season and finding themselves in the unusual position of just above the relegation zone. This is a difficult game for the Tallow team and we think Araglen will collect all three points.

BRIDE VIEW V GLEN VIEW

This is a game the visitors must win as they lost ground on the leaders with their defeat at home to Pinewood on St Stephen's Day. They will be favourites against a Tallow team that has yet to register a point in the 10 games played. Glen View to win.

MODELIGO V CAPPOQUIN

This local derby has always produced plenty of good football and both teams need points to move away from the bottom of the table. At this the halfway stage of the league, both sides appear out of the promotion race unless they start winning. Modeligo to win.

VALLEY RGS V PINWOOD

One of the top games in the division between two teams with promotion prospects. The visitors in 2nd place after a few bad results before Christmas came good in Melleray when they scored 5 goals against Glen View to record a good victory. Valley also going well with games in hand over the Ballmac side and have had some good results before Christmas. We think Pinewood will prove too strong and should win.

BLACKWATER V INCH

After some great results by Blackwater they fell to Clashmore on St Stephen's Day by the only goal of the game.

The home side will take nothing for granted as they must win this game to keep them at the top of the table. Inch have only won three of their 11 games and we don't see them stopping Blackwater. Home win.

CASTLEBRIDGE V CLASHMORE

Probably the top game of the division. The home side, after a slow start, have come good in the past few weeks with a run of wins. On Sunday they must continue their winning ways to stay in touch with the leaders. Clashmore are likewise, a must win, and after their great win over Blackwater will be full of confidence. With games in hand and a win on Sunday, Clashmore can be in the top three in a few weeks. However we think this game will be a cracker and could end in a draw.

Oscar Traynor Cup Game Under Lights

On Saturday night next at the Cappoquin venue under lights the final group game between ourselves and the Munster Senior League will take place. This is a must win situation for the WWEC as we already drew with the Clare League and they play Limerick in their last game. Limerick have qualified, but will want to win the group and this does give the WWEC a wonderful opportunity of finishing runners up. Selectors Mick Sheehan, Billy Collins and Noel Hegarty will want a full commitment from their squad for this very important fixture. We feel ourselves that we will win on Saturday night, but we need goals to ensure we have a better goal difference if we finish level with Clare.

Through our notes we would ask all clubs to support the team on Saturday night and give them that bit of encouragement to ensure victory. The game kicks off at 7pm. See you there.

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

Through our notes on behalf of the W.W.E.C. Junior League we wish all clubs, players and supporters and our readers the very best for 2007 and we look forward to their comments for the rest of the season.

DELEGATE MEETING

The January Delegate Meeting of the W.W.E.C. will take place on Monday night next 8th January at 9pm at the Red House Bar Lismore.

The 2nd draw in the Super Draw will take place at 10.15pm. All are welcome to the draw.

DUNGARVAN TYRE CENTRE CUP DRAW

It is that time of the season when the draw for the 1st round of the Dungarvan Tyre Centre Cup will take place. The draw takes place during the delegate meeting on Monday night next 8th January.

The cup arises much excitement as all league teams enter the hat together and the prospects of premier playing 1st division opposition can add to the excitement and gives teams a break from the weekly league fixture. Best of luck to all teams.

SUPER DRAW

The 2nd draw in the Super Draw will take place at the Red House Bar Lismore on Monday night next 8th January at 10.15pm immediately after the delegate meeting.

The 1st prize is a Cash and Carry Kitchen valued at 4000E, 2nd prize is a trip for two to Cheltenham and 3rd prize is Premiership trip for two. Other prizes include weekends away, his/her watches, digital camera, televisions and vouchers for DIY. There are prizes to suit all ages and all tastes. Tickets can still be bought from any club in the league and remember if your not in you can't win.

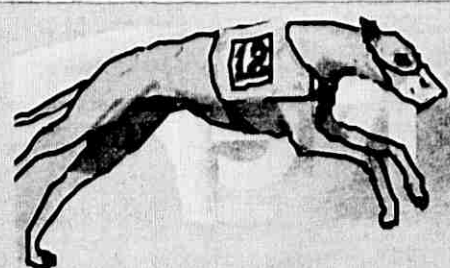


West Waterford East Cork Junior League 10th Co-op Draw (2006/07)

1st Draw at the WWEC Delegate Meeting, 18th December, 2006

	Prize	Ticket	Name	Address	Club
1st	€5,000 Cash	425	Phil Savage	Ballydason, Youghal, Co. Cork	Inch
2nd	€2,000 Fitted Furniture	3482	Mike Ware	Aglis, Co. Waterford	Blackwater
3rd	€1,000 Rugby Trip	2087	Martin Nichol森	Cappoquin, Co. Waterford	Glenview
4th	€549 20" Philips LCD TV	687	Tom Byrne	Rath, Kinsalebeg, Co. Waterford	Clashmore
5th	€500 Toss Bryan Voucher	2095	Niamh & Heather Tobin	Cappoquin, Co. Waterford	Glenview
6th	€398 Quality Hotel Weekend Break	3096	Mary Sweetnam	Ashgrove House, Castlemartyr, Co. Cork	Mogeely
7th	€300 His/Her Watches	1920	Jonathan Turner	Kenny Cross, Castletyons, Co. Cork	Castlebridge
8th	€250 Digital Camera	1129	Timmy & Rose Lehane	College Rd., Ardmore, Co. Waterford	Ardmore
9th	€292 Oakwood Trip	2844	Olive O'Dowd	Main St., Lismore, Co. Waterford	Lismore
10th	€229 14" Philips TV/DVD Combi	1202	Damian Power	29 Byrneville, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford	An Ghaeltacht
11th	€199 Vodafone Ready To Go Phone	1204	Sean Drohan	Knocken Power, Ring, Co. Waterford	An Ghaeltacht
12th	€110 Sony MP3 Player	1280	Paddy Joe Curran	Ballinacourty, Ring, Co. Waterford	An Ghaeltacht

Next draw Monday 8th January at the W.W.E.C. delegate meeting.



GREYHOUND NEWS

BY MARK PHILLIPS

FRIDAY DECEMBER 29TH

Decoy Lakes Splashed His Way To Victory

After prolonged spells of heavy rain the going was very testing in Kilcohan Park last Friday night where races over four bends were rated .30 slow while the sprint distance was rated .15 slow.

Wexford owner Willie Robinson sponsored the four first round heats of an A4 stake and fellow county owner/trainer Eamon Moore helped himself to a double in heats two and three courtesy of the litter sisters Ortuna 2/1 and Ma Ma Blue 1/1 both greyhounds being members of the Pinewood Blue ex Pinewood Queen litter. The C Shanahan owned Ortuna left trap three smartly and tacking over to the rails Ortuna led around the first turn from Eyes Asmiling. This order of running remained unchanged for the duration of the trip with Ortuna going on to open her account by a length and a half in 30.01.

Ma Ma Blue adapted similar front running tactics when obliging in 29.97. The T Mahoney and P Nolan owned Ma Ma Blue did well to get the better of an early duel with Greenmount Jack. Bounding clear down the back Ma Ma Blue always looked comfortable in the lead and in a one sided contest Ma Ma Blue went on to beat the running on pair of Gurrane Bond and Daveys Gap.

In heat one of this event track newcomer Dibbers Forte (Jordans Elect-Roan Queen) running for Gorey owners D Wilde and S Collett came from behind to win out in 30.01. As expected Sycamore Matt cut an early dash from trap five but railing tightly Dibbers Forte hit the front at the second last bend. Erris Coleen moved into second place over the final two bends but it was Dibbers Forte who emerged victorious by two lengths.

In heat four the D Wilde and M Maddox owned Droopys Javine (Droopys Vieri-Droopys Cheryl) caused a mild upset this 4/1 shot making every stride a winning one in 29.79. Coming away in front from trap one Droopys Javine kicked clear from the slow starting but early paced Feagh Darroch and seeing the trip out well Droopys Javine went on to defeat a fast finishing Deckos Nelly by three lengths.

In the opening race of the session the T Kenny and J Cullen owned Farmhill Rap (Pacific Mile-Starlight Rap) 3/1 made the best possible start from her middle draw to stretch well clear of the pack and making light of the underfoot conditions Farmhill Rap cruised to a ten lengths success over Tee Jays Choice. Time 30.40.

Track newcomer Related Jo (Larkhill Jo-Initial Success) credited owner C Kavanagh with an all the way 30.27 success in the second contest. Aclamon Queen broke well from trap three but accelerating into a first bend lead Related Jo 5/2 from trap one quickly put the issue beyond doubt racing on to a facile six lengths win over Aclamon Queen.

In a two bend dash the T Duggan owned Glenhouse Dan 6/4 made a pleasing winning debut to score in 17.09. Puddys Tric came away in front but it didn't take Glenhouse Dan long to assume control of matters up front and motoring into a handy lead Glenhouse Dan (Sycamore Dan-Tinlough Julie) raced on to a three lengths win over Puddys Tric.

In the fourth contest the May Aylward owned and Perry Aylward trained Mays Magnet (Larkhill Jo-Skilful Sabina) 1/1 overcame a three months absence to triumph in 30.01. Led early on by Kilkenny Child Mays Magnet joined issue up front on the back stretch and despite drifting wide into the home stretch Mays Magnet stayed on well on the run to the winning line to beat Kilkenny Child by a length.

In the fifth contest the S Whelan owned and Catherine Redmond trained Piercestown Doll (Kiowa Sweet Jo-Scorned) 3/1 came back a second time to land the spoils in 30.22. Breaking smartly Piercestown Doll dropped back to third place as Padres Power and Ebony Pearl went on to lock horns up front but coming with a renewed challenge Piercestown Doll finished best of all up the home stretch to beat Ebony Pearl by a neck.

The four-year-old Decoy Lakes (Roanoke-Ballinaboola Lil) ran out a trap to line 29.69 winner of race six for UK owner P Band and Wexford trainer Nick Turner. Drifting in the betting market from an opening show of 6/4 out to 5/2 Decoy Lakes powered clear from trap five and despite a late run by Cloncunny Jo Decoy Lakes held firm to score by two and a half lengths in a best of night time.

In the final race of the session decided over the 550 yard trip the Ratpack Six Syndicate owned Elldan Honcho (Top Honcho-Bangor Jilly) 3/1 recorded back to back victories in 30.62. Producing a polished front running performance the fast starting

Elldan Honcho led throughout from Vaughan Moy before scoring by two lengths.

TRAP DRAWS-FRIDAY JANUARY 5TH

Willie Robinson PVC A4 Stake

First semi final

- 1 Droopys Javine
- 2 Gurrane Bond
- 3 Feagh Darroch
- 4 Ma Ma Blue
- 5 Crubeen Cruiser
- 6 Deckos Nelly

Selection — Droopys Javine

Dangers — Deckos Nelly, Crubeen Cruiser

Second semi final

- 1 Willies Lad
- 2 Ortuna
- 3 Dibbers Fortune
- 4 Ma Ma Blue
- 5 Eyes Asmiling
- 6 Thirtimeastar (W)

Selection — Ma Ma Blue

Dangers — Ortuna, Willies Lad

SATURDAY DECEMBER 30TH

Nice Prince Stormed Home In Kudos Final

The final of the Kudos Catering A3 Stake was the showcase event on last Saturday nights well-balanced 12 race card. The Dick Ryan owned Nice Prince (Droopys Vieri-Brykat Kariba) was despatched as the 6/4 favourite and timing his run to perfection Nice Prince stormed home to capture the 3,000 Euro first prize in 28.97. Led for a long way in this decider by the early paced Stage Mikey Nice Prince kept wide on the bends but quickening into the lead close home the local entry pounced for a two lengths defeat of Stage Mikey with the always prominent Ullid Pilot just behind in third spot.

Racing kicked off with the two semi finals of the Tote Intertrack Unraced competition. In the first qualifier the T Commins owned and Pat Norris trained Corbally Again (Top Honcho-Drama Lass) the evens favourite eased his way clear of the pack with a burst of early pace but in a driving finish the jolly was all out to hold the late rally of Timber Belle by half a length with Mystical Josh a neck further behind in third. Time 29.69.

In the second qualifier Nice Light was bumped at the first turn but still managed to retain a healthy back stretch lead over Cotts Lady and Paw Prince. Owned by P and M Cotterill and trained by Tom Barron Paw Prince (Clover Hare-Garas Trail) 4/1 however made rapid late headway to come through in the dying strides to register a head win over Nice Light in 29.71.

In the Kilcohan Park A5 decider Hollylake Tom made a bold effort to lead all the way but as this decider wore on the M Walsh owned and Anton Butler trained Clover Hero (Judicial Pride-Dons Midnight) 2/1 began to eat into the leaders advantage and finishing full of running Clover Hero sprinted up the home stretch to outstay Hollylake Tom by one and a half lengths in 29.52.

Local owner Stan Bergin kindly sponsored four first round heats of the Bergin Monumental Works Guys and Dolls A3 Stakes. In heat one of the "Dolls" event the Christy Jacob and Jackie Roche owned and Vic Roche trained Cailin Liath (Climate Control-Quivers Dodge) 3/1 set a very high standard making every yard of the running to score in a career best and fastest of night 28.96. The opposition only ever had a rear view of Cailin Liath as this 3/1 chance made the long break for home and try as she might Kenwood Lark the 5/4 favourite could not make any impact on Cailin Liath who went on to score by an easy four lengths.

The S Denn owned Whitegate Sense (Jet Spray-Seventh Sense) 4/1 also dipped under the 29.00 mark when taking heat two in 28.99. Whitegate Sense drove up the inside of Sophies Pride around the first turn to lead down the back. After a moderate break Kingsmill Jo the well supported evens favourite made sound late headway but Whitegate Sense had flown the nest to deservedly prevail by two lengths.

In heat three the Pamela Holt owned Peggy Gadfly (Top Honcho-Go Ahead Ivy) returned to winning ways at odds of 5/2 in 29.20. Rounding a tightly packed group at the first turn Peggy Gadfly motored into a back stretch lead over Bullish Babe and maintaining a hot gallop up front Peggy Gadfly went on to account for Bullish Babe by four lengths with a hampered evens favourite Kenwood Magic back in third spot.

Heat four produced a stylish 29.04 trap to line winner in the shape of the Patsy Larkin and Phil Holland owned Wee Jinky this strong running daughter of Rapid Ranger and Miss Forbes leading everywhere at the rewarding odds of 4/1. A slick exit from trap three saw Wee Jinky dash clear of Miss Gym Fit and Sparta Bluebell and despite a late effort by the rails running Kiltrea Bambi Wee Jinky went on to win a shade cosily by three lengths.

In heat one of the "Guys" event the Sean and Ray Jennings owned Draw Your Weapon (Haliska Hilander-Roan Queen) made light of his 5/1 starting price making every yard of the running to win, as he liked in 28.99. Leaving trap one running Draw Your Weapon kicked clear from the chasing pack and while Five Fiddlers was noted making sound late headway Draw Your Weapon was gone beyond recall obliging in the finish by two lengths.

In heat two Jimmys Spring was heavily punted from 5/2 into 6/4 but he was severely crowded at the opening turn and failed to finish the course. Meanwhile up front Monbeg Rock dashed into a third bend lead from the long time leader Skyview Hawk but it was all change up front on the run to the winning line as the Willie Robinson owned Willie Drink 5/1 finished best of all up the inside to outstay Monbeg Rock by two lengths in 29.22. The winner is a February 2005 son of Willys Toby and Precilly Flash.

In heat three the George Roche owned Show Million (Hot-show Ben-Betfivemillion) 6/4 made short work of the opposition leading all the way in 29.19. Making sound use of his early pace Show Million was pushed early on by Balymurn Shark but seeing off that challenge Show Million went clean away in the closing stages to record a five lengths success over Balymurn Shark.

In heat four the early leader Airmount Crouch was badly interfered with at the penultimate bend by a wayward Sundial Special. This incident saw the Eugene Dempsey owned Skyview Black (Captain Mackey-Whitewood Salem) 4/1 enjoy a clear run in as the Wexford dog went on to beat the slow starting evens favourite Bigger Bang by five lengths in 29.19.

TRAP DRAWS-SATURDAY JANUARY 6TH

Tote Intertrack Unraced Final

- 1 Mystical Josh
- 2 Slaneyside Ceoil
- 3 Timber Belle
- 4 Corbally Again
- 5 Nice Light
- 6 Paw Prince

Selection — Nice Light

Dangers — Timber Belle, Paw Prince

Bergin Monumental Works Dolls A3 Stake

First semi final

- 1 Bullish Babe
- 2 Kingsmill Jo
- 3 Kiltrea Bambi
- 4 Local Touch
- 5 Cailin Liath
- 6 Kenwood Lark

Selection — Cailin Liath

Dangers — Kingsmill Jo, Kenwood Lark

Second semi final

- 1 Kenwood Magic
- 2 Quanns Bridie
- 3 Wee Jinky
- 4 Whitegate Sense
- 5 Sparta Bluebell (W)
- 6 Peggy Gadfly (W)

Selection — Kenwood Magic

Dangers — Wee Jinky, Peggy Gadfly

Bergin Monumental Works Guys A3 Stake

First semi final

- 1 Killaspy Jo
- 2 Willie Drink
- 3 Gortkelly Ruud
- 4 Draw Your Weapon
- 5 Skyview Hawk
- 6 Monbeg Rock

Selection — Draw Your Weapon

Dangers — Killaspy Jo, Willie Drink

Second semi final

- 1 Willies Flash
- 2 Show Million
- 3 Bigger Bang (W)
- 4 Five Fiddlers (W)
- 5 Balymurn Shark (W)
- 6 Skyview Black (W)

Selection — Show Million

Dangers — Five Fiddlers, Willies Flash

The Leader's News Review 2006

Kevin Kirrane



NEWS REVIEW 2006



Finan Murray, Blackwater Community School, celebrating his success for his project "The Unbreakable Hurley" at the BT Young Scientist Exhibition recently. Included are School Principal Denis Ring, Science teacher David King and Deputy Mrs. Anne Fitzgerald.

Widespread opposition and anger greeted the imposition of a flat fee charge in both Waterford County Council and Dungarvan Town Council areas. The flat charge of 150 euro in the county and 130 euro in the town came amid widespread political and public opposition. A spokesperson for the county council said the new charge – which spawned an opposition group



Ard Scoil na nDéise CSPE Class 3.1 with their teacher Mrs. Joan Collins present a cheque for €1,000 to Mr. Jeremy Meehan of Bothar.

called Householders Against Service Charges (HASC) – was the only course of action open to the local authority following the closure of the last landfill in the county at Tramore on the last day of 2005.

Over 250 m euro was allocated by the Department of the Environment for new water and sewerage infrastructure in the county over the period of 2005 to 2007. Minister Dick Roche said the package of measures including new streamlined procedures would significantly reduce delays and enable Waterford County Council to press ahead with the provision of the much needed infrastructure.

A twelve turbine wind farm, located in the north of the county was granted planning permission by An Bord Pleanála. The wind farm is to be constructed on a 597 hectare site on the townlands of Knockalassa, Knocknabronem, Glenforran, Parktoeben and Ballyduff. It was granted subject to 15 conditions.

People caught speeding should be locked behind bars for seven days – was the solution to the mounting carnage on our roads, according to one member of Fianna Fail. Cllr. Ciaran O Riain said those driving over the speed limit should be brought to book through the full rigours of the law.

Waterford County Council's book of estimates was passed by a single vote after Fianna Fail councillor Dan Cowman voted with Fine Gael in favour of the multi-million euro programme of works. Cllr. Cowman switched sides as the marathon meeting went into its sixth hour of tense and often fiery debate. Earlier Tom Higgins claimed Minister Martin Cullen behaved like a fascist by taking away the councillors powers, and following on the same theme said County Manager, Ray O'Dwyer was Hitlerian in the way he imposed the 150 euro charge.

County Waterford's waste management crisis deepened even further with the confirmation that the Environmental Protection Agency de-

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Peter Wright, Paul Wright, Ann Wright, Ame O'Byrne (President ILCU), Henry Morrissey (18+ Special Winner), Michael Morrissey, Katie Wright (front) (8-10 Special Winner) at the National Poster Competition Presentation at the Gresham Hotel.

ecided to refuse a waste treatment licence in respect of a proposed new landfill at Garrynagree outside Dungarvan. The decision shocked and disappointed the management's of both Waterford County Council and Waterford City Council who planned to utilise the new fifty acre landfill when it was developed.

In the end it was a tense and close run affair but Dungarvan Town Council lived to fight another day when the estimates for 2006 were adopted by a solitary vote. It was a classic case of "back from the brink" with the crucial vote of lone Independent, Cllr. Michael O'Riordan, enabling the council to survive and avert probable disbandment by Environment Minister Dick Roche.

The threat of closure of one of West Waterford's most jobs intensive industries was dramatically averted when workers at Cappelquin Chickens voted to accept a redundancy and cost cutting package. The workers faced the stark choice of accept the redundancy package or cease trading.

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There were emotional and poignant scenes in Lismore as an entire community united in grief to bid a final farewell to the two young men whose lives were so tragically lost in a horrific single car crash on the outskirts of the town. The picturesque heritage town came to a virtual standstill for five hours as more than one thousand mourners provided a dignified setting for the funeral of twenty-one year old Thomas O'Grady and his twenty year old life long friend, Robert Lineen.

Mayor of Dungarvan, Fiachra O Ceilleachair officially unveiled a memorial plaque to the late Peter Crotty, a renowned sportsman and a leading Irish boxer of the 40's and 50's at the old town hall, the location of some of the most exciting bouts in the hey day of boxing in the town.

Waterford County Council, in consultation with their project partners in Waterford City Council, decided not to appeal the recent decision by the Environmental Protection Agency to refuse a license for the proposed landfill at Garrynagree. A spokesperson for the council said in making the decision not to appeal, the council has taken particular account of recent court decisions establishing the primacy of the EU habitats directive. They said it was the councils view that any appeal would fail and result in further cost and delay to no advantage.

In another dramatic twist in the ongoing garda investigation into allegations of irregularities within the planning depart-



Co. Mayor Ger Barron, Cllr. Teresa Wright and Eddie Walsh, Chairman of the "Residents Against Service Charges" deep in discussion before Monday's Co. Council Meeting.



Pictured at the unveiling of a commemorative plaque to the late Peter Crotty at the Old Town Hall/ Waterford County Museum last Saturday afternoon. Included are the Mayor of Dungarvan Cllr. Fiachra O Ceilleachair and members of the Council, Deputy Ollie Wilkinson, Peter's daughter Myra and her daughters Leanne and Eimear, as well as representatives of Dungarvan, St. Mary's and Carrick-on-Suir Boxing Clubs and William Whelan, President and other members of Waterford County Museum. —(Photo: Rory Wyley)

ment of Waterford County Council an official of that department was arrested and questioned for several hours at Dungarvan Garda Station. However, the official was subsequently released without charge. The arrest was part of the ongoing probe into irregularities.

The controversy over the imposition of the flat fee charge continued to brew as opposition escalated into a major but peaceful protest outside the civic offices in advance of the monthly meeting. Senior representatives from the Householders Against Service Charges met with County Manager, Ray O'Dwyer prior to the meeting but ultimately came away empty handed. But they vowed to continue to escalate their campaign.

The so-called Battle of the Bins continued the following week with the news that Waterford County Council were set to go head to head with private companies to win the hearts, minds, and most important of all the custom of householders countywide for the privilege of collecting their refuse. The council issued an uncompromising warning to householders that they might well face prosecution if they switch over to a company that is not collecting the waste strictly in accordance with the

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conditions of the Regional Waste Plan.

Meanwhile, following up on their protest at a meeting of Waterford County Council up to a hundred protesters gathered outside a meeting of Dungarvan Town Council in a vigorous continuation of their vigorous campaign against the introduction of new flat charges for the refuse collection service.



Pictured inspecting operations at the MRF plant are - Cllr. Paudie Coffey, Dick Roche T.D., Minister for Environment, Heritage & Local Government, Paul Daly, Senior Engineer and Ollie Wilkinson, T.D.

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At the official launch of the Waterford County Museum's New Image Archive Website were (l. to r.) Alan Healy, Image Archivist, Cllr. Damien Geoghegan, Deputy Mayor of Dungarvan, John Deasy T.D., who officially launched the new site, Willie Whelan, President Waterford County Museum and Willie Fraher, Museum Curator.

The major news to emerge from Fine Gael's election selection convention in Dungarvan's Park Hotel was the shock defeat of Maurice Cummins. Five hundred voting delegates packed a convention that was presided over by Cork TD Bernard Allen and at the end of the night the party had chosen outgoing TD John Deasy and newcomer Jim Darcy, a Waterford City Councillor, as its two man team to contest the election. However, their was a major outcry over the ruling that only one county and one city councillor could be selected, essentially putting Portlaw based councillor, Paudie Coffey out of the running, despite finishing second.

Up to 50 demonstrators engaged in a noisy protest at the filming of an RTE television programme 'Showhouse' at a controversial new housing development in Ring. Protestors claimed that the new housing development, Na Ceithre h-Airde, was a prime example of bad planning in the area over the last six years.

Over one million euro of taxpayers money was spent on the scrapped plans for a municipal landfill at Garrynagree outside Dungarvan. Waterford County Council footed 369,150 euro of the total price.

Abbeyside native, Fergus O'Brien scored a great success as the producer of the BBC's hit new documentary, "The Armstrongs" which was described by the Guardian newspaper as the best fly on the wall documentary ever.

Son of Vincent and Sarita O'Brien, New Line, Abbeyside, Fergus was producing and directing his own television documentaries since 1998.

A delegation of councillors from Waterford County Council jetted off to the Big Apple for the St. Patrick's Day festivities amid fierce criticism of the decision to send a delegation at a time when householders were facing unparalleled costs for their waste service and when the council itself was hemorrhaging money at an alarming rate.

Meanwhile, just 50% of the council's 11,000 customers paid the annual flat charge fee of 150 euro before the council's deadline for payment. It came amid increasing fears that the council may decide to pull out of collection if customers do not support the charge.

A Labour party activist was co-opted onto Lismore Town Council following the retirement of Cllr. Mark Khan. Jan Rotte, a Dutch national, was co-opted at the March meeting of the Town Council.

Walton's Park in Abbeyside was to get a major revamp and re-design under plans presented to Dungarvan Town Council. The council hoped that the new plans would curb ongoing problems with anti-social behaviour and reinvigorate the park itself.



Pictured above Fergus O'Brien with John and Ann Armstrong and his film crew while he was filming with The Armstrongs in Las Vegas last April. Fergus is pictured on the right in the check shirt.



Photo shows Ian O'Sullivan, Director i.to i. with their award for Best Trainer in Ireland, sponsored by FAS.

Dungarvan Town Council unanimously gave the go-ahead for the diversion of one million euro from the controversial sale of land at the Clonea Road towards an ambitious plan for a community development on the site of the former Presentation Convent. It was hoped that a three storey building housing several community groups were planned for the site.

A Gaeltacht planning opposition group welcomed An Bord Pleanála's landmark ruling requiring that 60% of those living in a new housing estate in Maoil a Chorine must speak Irish to a required level. Describing the ruling as a victory for common sense, Caomhnoiri na Gaeltachta warned that they would continue to appeal planning decisions as long as the planning authority granted planning permission for large urban style estates.

CCTV was in the pipeline for Dungarvan in a bid to stamp out anti-social and criminal behaviour. Dungarvan was one of seventeen towns around the country selected for CCTV which would be developed and managed by the private sector.

Anger greeted the National Road Authority's plans to close a busy slip road close to Piltown Church and Healy's pub as part of its multi-million euro Kinsalebeg road re-alignment works. The NRA was accused at a meeting of Waterford County Council "of playing games" over the plans.

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Members of the Waterford County Museum Image Archive project team. L to r: Image Archivist Alan Healy, Museum President Willie Whelan, Curator Willie Fraher and Déise Design Software Developer Martin Whelan.

Fianna Fail councillor, Kevin Wilkinson said he was one hundred percent satisfied with the explanations and the outcome of an investigation into the operation of the after-hours doctors co-operative, Caredoc. Cllr. Wilkinson called on Caredoc to publish a statement rubbishing the claims made about the service following a meeting between local area councillors and senior ranking representatives from Caredoc.

Sending a delegation to the St. Patrick's Day parade in New York cost cash strapped Waterford County Council just under 20,000 euro. The figures for the eight man delegation were up substantially from the previous year, fuelling renewed anger over the trip.

The leader of a pressure group which is campaigning against the annual fixed charge for the waste service described as a "load of rubbish" claims that he is using a private waste firm to collect his own waste. Eddie Walsh of Roselawn, Tramore was responding to claims made by Cllr. Pat Daly during the March monthly meeting of Waterford County Council.

The digital image archive constructed by Waterford County Museum was awarded the Best Small Museum site at the prestigious museums and the web international conference in Albuquerque - selected by an eminent panel of academics and web

designers. A war of words erupted at a meeting of Waterford County Council as elected representatives from Fianna Fail and Fine Gael rounded on Sinn Fein councillor Brendan Mansfield over reports of the 20,000 euro fact finding mission to New York. Cllr. Mansfield came under repeated attack over his position with one councillor calling on him to stop lecturing respectable elected members, and called his attempt to take



Art Students Complete Playground Mural - Picture shows Art Students, Michael O'Riordan, Gabriel Foley, Dungarvan Town Council and Danny Cunningham, Art Portfolio Course Co-ordinator.



An Taoiseach, Bertie Ahearn pictured presenting the Public Service Excellence Award to County Mayor, Ger Barron at a ceremony which took place in Dublin Castle.

the high moral ground "a bit rich" while Labour councillor Teresa Wright likened the conduct of some members to hyperventilating bloodhounds going after one individual.

Offices housing the Ordnance Survey of Ireland - the Government agency set to relocate to Dungarvan under the Government's decentralisation plans - will be built by the end of 2009, according to County Manager, Ray O'Dwyer. But councillors at the April meeting of the county council aired further doubts over who would fill the building with just a handful of civil servants committed to making the move.

Labour councillor, Fiachra O Ceilleachair unexpectedly stepped down as Mayor of Dungarvan two months before the completion of his term due to illness. Cllr. O Ceilleachair was hospitalised suffering from double pneumonia. However, he said he would continue to work as a councillor.

Grattan's Squares 200th anniversary looked set for a 3 million euro upgrade after architects drew up plans for the extensive plans for its redesign and redevelopment. Controversially though, the plans would see car parking spaces being slashed to just 29.

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Blackwater Community School student wins trip to U.S. with 'Graduate Online Youth Quiz' — Valerie Robinson, Manager, CSF Information Office, NDP (sponsor) presenting Student Patricia Ryan with her prize.

From the moment it was officially opened by its patron Micheal O Muicheartaigh to when it closed at the end of the unique Bucket Singing competition, Feile na nDeise proved to be a huge success. With an ambitious and expensive programme of events the Feile was a hit with all the family.

Just a week after it was announced, businesses in Grattan Square came together to claim that 300 jobs would be put at risk if the plans for the two hundred year old historic landmark went ahead. The group, which claimed to represent dwellers, workers and traders on the square also slammed the plans as being disappointing, very basic and unexciting.

A controversial recycling plant, which was branded an eyesore and a dump close to the heart of Ireland's tidiest small town, Lismore shut its gates for a final time. Run by English man, Graham Leake, the company was the subject of a number of complaints over its operation since it first began sorting household waste for Waterford County Council.

Ardmore beach received the worst possible blow leading into the peak summer season after the beach was declared unfit to bathe in. The tourism hot spot was just one of five beaches in

the country and the sole one from the county to fail the minimum mandatory EU bathing water standards.

The National Union of Journalists flexed their collective muscles to complain about the tone of the criticism meted out to the local media over the reporting of the trip to New York by an eight strong delegation. Chairman of the NUJ South East, Paul Mooney, said many of the comments made were unfair and without foundation and said they took particular exception to a comment by a certain councillor who described the reporting of the issue on local radio and newspapers as scandalous and disgraceful.

Traders and dwellers added their qualified support to the aspiration of an upgrade to the historic landmark of Grattan Square during a presentation to a meeting of Dungarvan Town Council. However they were opposed to the pedestrianisation of the central throughfare and suggested a smaller reduction in the number of car park spaces to be slashed as part of the multi-million euro works.

Plans for a twenty-one house development overlooking Dungarvan Harbour were given the go-ahead by An Bord Pleanála. The decision paved the way for developer, John A Tierney to begin work on the site known as Abbey Farm, Strandside South, Abbeyside.

A candidate could well stand on the health ticket at the next General Election, Lismore Town Council heard as the fallout over the Caredoc Controversy continued to brew. Cllr. Peter Ahern warned that those against the set up of a clinic in Lismore would face a hostile reaction on the doorsteps at the next election.

A long-promised new 32 bed District Hospital for Dungarvan went to the planning stage after confirmation that it is to receive a multi-million euro grant to the replace the 180 year old structure. It would replace St. Vincent's District Hospital which has been branded as antiquated, delapidated and a fire hazard.

Householders who opted out of the county council's waste service were warned that prosecutions would follow if they could not prove their waste was being disposed of in a proper manner. In a move slammed by waste opponents as a waste of time, manpower and money, the tough new crackdown was

expected to target the three or four thousand householders who had not yet signed up to pay the controversial flat charge fee.

Waterford County Council, meanwhile received a warning in turn – this time from the resident in Ring who said they would take European court action over the deficient water supply in the area. Cllr. Fiachra O Ceilleachair said the EU's water framework sets binding quality objectives for drinking water.

People living near noisy and badly behaved neighbours were going through absolute hell, Dungarvan Town Council heard. Cllr. Teresa Wright said that once darkness falls in some estate it becomes an absolute hell for people living there.

Fine Gael's executive council added Cllr. Paudie Coffey to its general election ticket, joining Deputy John Deasy and Waterford City Councillor, Jim Darcy as candidates in the constituency.



Pictured above are young artists from Knockanore who were finalists in the Irish part of the "European Union And The Rights Of The Child" Poster Competition. Back row (from left) Martin Territt, Director of the European Commission Representation in Ireland, Ombudsman for Children Emily Logan, Minister of State for Children Brian Lenihan T.D. and Tara McKeown, the children's facilitator. Front row (l. to r.) Emma O'Neill, Jack Neville, Cara Ahearne and Oisín McKeown-O'Neill.

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Dungarvan girl packs a punch at National Innovation Awards — Pictured (l. to r.) John McGowan, President of Engineers Ireland, Malcolm Banks, Sales Manager of Medical Solutions for Siemens and Kathleen Hurley from Dungarvan, winner of the Siemens Innovative Engineer of the Year Award.

Dungarvan's push to secure a top of the table finish in the prestigious Irish Businesses Against Litter league continued apace when for the second time in a row it rose up the rankings, this time to eighth place, while also retaining its much vaunted Litter Free Status.

The public shouldn't be made pay for the council's mistakes and mismanagement through increased development charges, Fine Gael Deputy, John Deasy said. The Dungarvan-based TD called on the 23 elected members of Waterford County Council to hold firm and not punish the public for what he described as the council's blunders in the operation of its waste management system.

Dungarvan bade a fond and sad farewell to the great entrepreneur and innovator, Sean Casey who brought the worlds of multi-channel television and an internet service that is the envy of Ireland to Dungarvan. His unexpected death left a deep void in the community.

Waterford County Council's ever deepening waste crisis continued to worsen as the local authority was brought to book over a number of breaches in the terms laid down for its work on its landfill in Tramore. At a court hearing Waterford County Council pleaded guilty to two breaches in a case brought by

the Environmental Protection Agency – resulting in a fine of 4,000 euro.

Sports clubs and organisations in Cappoquin, Dungarvan and Kilmactomas were among those celebrating significant Government funding in the sports capital grant scheme. Among the largest beneficiaries was Cappoquin Community Development Company who received 140,000 euro to complete construction of a new sports complex in the town.

The man who was hoped to help attract millions of euro in investment and spearhead a number of ambitious projects to kick start the local economy resigned from his post with Waterford County Council. Brian Rafferty, the Business Development Executive, whose special focus was on attracting and sparking growth in the Dungarvan economy resigned after just seven months in the post.

Disturbing levels of mismanagement and chronic deficiencies in financial control throughout Waterford County Council have been exposed by the Local Government Auditor. Dungarvan based Deputy, John Deasy blasted the mistakes as staggering and said the financial management of the county council was a shambles.

A major jobs creation initiative was needed after Dungarvan recorded its worst unemployment figures in a decade. According to figures from the Central Statistics Office, the number of people signing on the live register jumped from 843 a year ago to 1034 last May, a rise blamed mostly on the closure of the Waterford Crystal Plant in Dungarvan.

What started out, almost five years ago, as an exciting new relationship between Waterford County Council and Lismore-based, Samshire Ltd to operate the country's first ever kerbside recyclable system ended in bitter acrimony with both side set to face each other across the local District Courts. Waterford County Council signalled their intention to pursue owner of Samshire, Graham Leake, for the failure to remove 2,960 large bales of waste from the site.

Hundreds of jobs were promised to be created on a new business park on

the outskirts of Dungarvan if proposals to develop a business park at Ballygagin were pushed through, a meeting of the town council heard. According to a well-known businessman behind the deal, protracted negotiations had taken place with two prospective companies who would – all going to plan – would create upwards of two hundred jobs in the locality.

New rules governing developments in Dungarvan stalled plans for a major re-design and redevelopment of Walton's Park in Abbeyside for a number of months. With the judging of the Tidy Towns competition nearing, concern was expressed at the June monthly meeting of the town council over the delays associated with the new Health and Safety rules, and over the "abysmal" state that Walton's Park was left in.

A unique fundraising event took place for the Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind. Four powerboats captained by owners Maurice Kiely, Paddy Dwane, George Horsom and Tom Shanley travelled around Ireland to collect much needed funds for the charity.

Rathgormack-based councillor, Mary Green became just the fourth elected representative from the Suir electoral area to be elected Mayor of County Waterford. Mayor Green succeeded Labour councillor Ger Barron as first citizen of the county.

The IDA made just four site visits to Dungarvan in as many years, according to damning new statistics obtained by Waterford TD, John Deasy. Deputy Deasy said that just one site visit was made since the closure of Waterford Crystal compared to twelve visits to Waterford City in the same period. Deputy Deasy said Dungarvan was being treated as an afterthought.



Householders Against Service Charges (HASC) protesting outside the Civic Offices on Friday last

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The outgoing Mayor of Dungarvan Cllr. Damien Geoghegan investing his successor Cllr. Teresa Wright with the chain of office. —(Rory Wyley).

Cash-strapped Waterford County Council paid out close to 300,000 euro to the twenty-three elected representatives in the past six months, new figures showed. Fianna Fail councillor, Pat Daly was the highest earner on the council, raking in over 17,500 euro.

Labour Cllr. Teresa Wright was elected as the new Mayor of Dungarvan at the Town Council's AGM. It was the second time the popular community activist was elevated to the role, the first time being in 2001.

A gang of armed and masked robbers made away with 35,000 euro in cash and cheques in a hold-up at Grange, near Ardmore. The three-man gang held-up a female clerk at gunpoint

while she was transporting Credit Union money from the Ardmore branch to headquarters in Youghal.

Kerry based Garvey Group, officially announced their purchase of Coolagh Service Station in Dungarvan. The forecourt was acquired from local businessman, Michael Queally, who operated it for over 15 years.

Soaring land prices were blamed as the Health Services Executive pulled out of a deal to construct a Sesame School in Shandon, Dungarvan. The Health Board passed up an opportunity to buy a parcel of land for just 293,700 euro two years ago from Dungarvan Town Council.

Amid warnings of spiralling death rates on our roads, speed limits in four locations in Dungarvan could be changed under a major Waterford



Hero's welcome for Round Ireland Fundraisers — Picture shows family and friends greeting the four powerboat skippers after they sailed home into Dungarvan Harbour.



Contestants in the Knockanore Festival Queen 2006 with the winner Elaine Baldwin pictured centre. Sean Byrne Photography

County Council review. The review would not see any drastic changes, speed limits would be pushed further out towards the edges of the town boundary.

Aquaculture firms operating out of Dungarvan received a significant cash boost with the news that grant aid totalling over 700,000 euro was to be channelled into five oyster farms on the Cunnigar. The news was welcomed by both Deputy Ollie Wilkinson, and Minister for Transport, Martin Cullen.

Waterford County's population grew by 6.9% - the highest recorded in over 50 years, figures from the 2006 census showed. There are now 62,167 people living in the county. Dungarvan recorded a significant rise too, up by 8.5% to 7,831.

Waterford Minister, Martin Cullen, TD welcomed a Government grant of 159,000 euro over three years for Comhlact Forbartha na nDeise for the promotion of the Irish language in the Ring Gaeltacht. The grant was provided by the Department of Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs to help develop a language strategy and to implement it over a period of three years in Gaeltacht na nDeise.

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The unacceptable slowness in progressing the provision of sewerage schemes in seven County Waterford villages is holding back job creation, tourism development and other investment, according to Brian O'Shea, Labour party spokesman on Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs. Deputy O'Shea was told in a written Dail reply by Minister of State for Communications, Marine and Natural Resources, John Browne TD that in the case of foreshore licences, which are necessary for the schemes to go-ahead in a number of villages, expert reports are awaited in relation to Ardmore and Stradbally.

The 90th Dungarvan Agriculture Show was a milestone in the history of the show as competitions came to a close shortly before 9pm. Cars continued to roll into the showgrounds up to 6pm and visitors commented on the wonderful venues made available to the committee by the Phelan and Buckley families in Cappagh.



Drinking a toast to the success of the new McDonald's were (left to right): Cllr. Fred Forsey, Deputy Mayor of Dungarvan, Christopher Pim, Manager, Cllr. Mary Green, Mayor of County Waterford and Shay Harty, President of Dungarvan & West Waterford Chamber of Commerce —(Rory Wyley).

Dungarvan got its first taste of the Big Mac experience as the world famous fast food chain opened its newest outlet in the town. At a pre-opening function, attended by Mayor of the County Mary Green and Deputy Mayor of Dungarvan, Fred Forsey, Christopher Pim said he was thrilled to open the restaurant in the fast growing town.

Ireland's first Sri Lankan restaurant was officially opened by the Honorary Consulate to Ireland, Dr. Aelred Samarkoon. Quasi Lanka in Dungarvan Shopping Centre was en fete for the beautiful ceremony that intertwined Irish and Sri Lankan customs.



Pictured above cutting the tape at the official opening of the Quasi Lanka Eastern Restaurant, the first and only Sri Lankan restaurant in Ireland, sited beside Dungarvan Shopping Centre is The Honorary Consulate of Sri Lanka, Dr. Aelred Samarkoon. Included are (left to right): Meril Fernando (joint owner), Fred Forsey, Deputy Mayor of Dungarvan, Mary Greene, Mayor of Co. Waterford, Kathleen Samarakoon, Lynne F. Descours, Meril's wife and joint owner.

The installation of seven CCTV cameras were to go-ahead in the next twelve months, Fine Gael Deputy John Deasy said. Deputy Deasy, along with Cllr. Damien Geoghegan first raised the issue of CCTV cameras six year ago. Deputy Deasy said the cameras would act as a deterrent to crime.

Helvick Head lifeboat carried out the heroic rescue of two adults and two children from a boat which was drifting after losing engine power off Ring. The lifeboat was quickly at the scene and rescued the occupants in what could have been a life threatening incident.

New Look, a ladies and teenage UK fashion chain, announced that it was to open a new store in the High Street shopping complex in Dungarvan. Shane Houlihan, the developer of the shopping complex, said it was a great boost for the town and a great vote of confidence.

German discount store Lidl were granted planning permission for a new store in Shandon Business Park in Dungarvan. The decision was given a broad welcome by elected representatives and local retail groups.

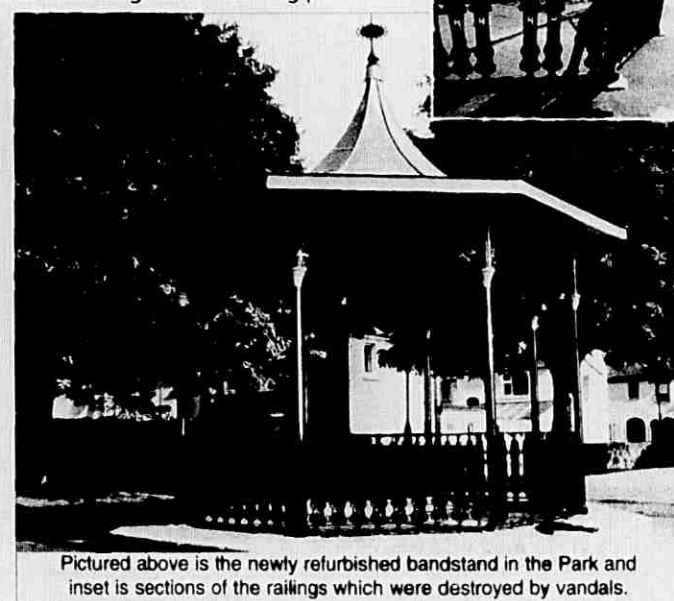
Seats on a popular pedestrian walkway were smashed to pieces, graves in the protestant graveyard were vandalised, and

a shop window broken over the Bank Holiday weekend. The spate of vandalism was condemned by Fianna Fail councillor, Anne Marie Rossiter who said CCTV would help Gardai tackle anti-social behaviour and late night vandalism in the town.

Waterford County Council started the use of satellite technology to assist in its campaign against backyard burning and illegal dumping. A spokesperson for the council stated that the purchase of GPS technology would enable clear identification of households which were not making proper arrangements for waste disposal.

The spiral of vandalism continued after vandals smashed at least five cast iron railing in a mindless attack on the bandstand were smashed, apparently by a heavy instrument which snapped the railings at the top and base, wrecking damage that could cost several hundreds of euros to replace.

Over one thousand people signed a petition in the hope of saving an historic wall and popular gardens at Cairbre House in Abbeyside from destruction. Owner of the guesthouse, Brian Wickham, handed in the petition to Dungarvan Town Council in a bid to save the demolition under the Monang road widening plans.



Pictured above is the newly refurbished bandstand in the Park and inset is sections of the railings which were destroyed by vandals.

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A burned out shell was all that was left of the former Deise Day Care Centre at Mitchell Street, Dungarvan after a serious arson attack. As a result of the fire, the smouldering wreck of the one-storey pre-fab building is thought to be structurally unsound and may have to be demolished.

As schools opened for the start of the new school year, a number of parents were left under a cloud of uncertainty over the availability of school transport for their children. While the problems were not said to be as chronic as the previous year, a significant number of children were left stranded without the service.

The Tannery Restaurant in Dungarvan won the coveted Munster Best Restaurant of the Year title at the Restaurant of the Year awards in Dublin and in a double celebration Paul Flynn was runner up in the Munster Best Chef category.

Lismore was once again crowned County Waterford's golden town after being awarded a gold medal at a lavish ceremony in Dublin Castle where the winners were announced for this year's Tidy Town competition. The award was yet another recognition of the hard work done by Lismore's voluntary committee which sees hundreds of people involved in picking up rubbish from the streets of the town every week. Meanwhile, Dungarvan were perhaps the biggest winners at the ceremony. The cap-

ture of a bronze medal along with the capture of county and regional honours was a huge boon for the town.

Ballyduff woman, Glenda Powell won the inaugural Emerald World Masters Casting Championships, which were held at the prestigious location of Carton House Estate in Maynooth, Co. Kildare. Glenda the proprietress and resident casting instructor at the Blackwater Lodge salmon fishing hotel in Upper Ballyduff, fended off competition from the USA, Japan, UK, Scotland, Norway, Poland and Australia to take gold in the Salmon fly distance and silver in the Salmon Spey Distance events.

Illegal dumpers, despoiling whole stretches of a scenic area in West Waterford should be dealt with by the full rigors of the law, according to Fianna Fail councillor, James Tobin who said they should be jailed for their filthy and disgusting behaviour. With the situation coming to a head, community alert members were patrolling the area in a bid to bring a halt to the activity with members said to be keeping a vigil on a rota basis.

The fate of a multi-million euro housing development close to the heart of Lismore will be decided by An Bord Pleanála after local objectors lodged an appeal that claims the plans would create an isolated ghetto and were without planning merit. However they received short shrift from the elected members. Cllr. Jimmy O'Gorman recalling the days when emigration was rife said they was a groundswell of support and it would aid the fight for a new Caredoc centre.

Members of Dungarvan Town Council roundly rejected suggestions that Abbesside NS should be moved in favour of having one major school in Ballinroad. Councillors across the political divide reiterated their opposition to proposals put forward by Town Manager, Denis McCarthy that Abbesside and Ballinroad would be better served having one major national school for both localities.

Just two people came forward to join the Garda Reserve in County Waterford despite being hailed by Justice Minister and Tanaiste, Michael McDowell as a force that will bolster and aid the work of the permanent force.

It was a lucky day when Lena Walsh from Cappagh walked into Eason's in Dungarvan and purchased a national lottery Winning Streak ticket. She scooped 37,500 euro in the popular show hosted by Derek Mooney.



Ballyduff woman, Glenda Powell, was crowned World Champion at the inaugural Emerald World Masters Casting Championships, which were held at Carton House Estate in Maynooth, Co. Kildare.

NEWS REVIEW 2006

OCTOBER



Michael Cliffe, Alex Fahey and Rian O'Donoghue pictured on their first day at Naionáin Bheaga, Scoil Ghárbhain.

A sizeable number of Lismore Town Councillors called County Manager, Ray O'Dwyer to abandon the flat fee charge of 150 euro in favour of a system based on the Polluter Pays Principal. Labour councillor, Jan Rotte proposed the motion. But Town Manager, John O'Flynn said a shortfall of 700,000 euro in waste management is sinking the council further into the red.

Lismore Town Council again ratcheted up the pressure on Waterford County Council to take action over the thousands of tonnes of waste from the defunct Samshire recycling facility amid warnings that court proceedings against the owner may drag the contentious issue on further.

This year's estimates meeting looked like it would be nothing more than a talking shop after the County Manager Ray O'Dwyer hiked up waste charges in

the county by 4%. Mr. O'Dwyer insisted that the increase matched inflation while a number of councillors described the moderate increases as a good day for the council saying that fears that massive increases in the fixed charge or even the privatisation of the waste service had proven groundless.

Building contractors were invited to submit detailed drawings for the new Ordnance Survey of Ireland headquarters in Dungarvan in what was dubbed the clearest indication to date that work on the decentralised offices will go-ahead.

Officials in the planning department were threatening to withdraw assistance from Waterford County Councillors if they did not tow the line on planning matters, Fine Gael Deputy Deasy said. The Dungarvan-based TD said an immediate revision of planning policy was needed and he accused planning officials of going too far.

The GAA was accused of selling their souls after agreeing to sell up in Abbesside and move two miles outside the town. Fine Gael councillor, Tom Higgins made the comments in the course of a debate in which it was decided to rezone 3.9ha of land at Duckspool from open space to residential.

A target date of late next year was set for the installation of CCTV cameras in Dungarvan in a bid to crackdown on crime and provide enhanced policing.

County Manager, Ray O'Dwyer imposed a 2-3% increase in Dungarvan's waste service at meeting of the town council. The small increase are in line with the costs of inflation. The charges will see the flat charge remain at 130 euro, recycling increase by 25c to 2.50 euro, the brown bin reduced from 7.50 euro to 7 euro and the refuse bin will increase by 1 euro to 11 euro.

As part of their drive to attract investment to the county, Waterford County Council hosted a highly successful "Invest in Waterford" seminar at the Clonea Strand Hotel, where the Director General of the Department of Enterprise, Sean Gorman launched two new websites.

Fight Club star, Brad Pitt enjoyed the delights of Lismore in a whirlwind tour of the historic heritage town. Pitt, the forty-two year old movie star, whose film credits include Mr. & Mrs Smith, Twelve Monkeys and Se7en was spotted by a number of customers enjoying a drink with two American friends at the popular restaurant, Barca.

Mobile and fixed speed cameras are to be put in place on some of the county's worst death traps in a bid to curb the continuing carnage on our roads. The so-called red zones cover an 8km stretch and will be reduced to amber and green zones once the accident rate lowers.

The Health Service Executive was criticised for discontinuing a training programme for those with mental illness. Raising the issue at the October meeting of Dungarvan Town Council, Sinn Fein councillor Brendan Mansfield said the programme, called Sonas, which was run by the VEC with the financial support of the HSE was discontinued this year.

The organisers of the successful Invest in Waterford Seminar were left red faced when it emerged they had failed to formally invite the Mayor of Dungarvan, Cllr. Teresa Wright to the event. It was branded as serious breach of protocol and a snub by Dungarvan Town Councillors.



Tuckey Organ greeting Taoiseach Bertie Ahern when he visited Dungarvan recently.



Pictured above is David Reynolds and Sinead McCarthy, Sherry FitzGerald Reynolds, at the launch of the Crystal Spa Residence, Bulgaria, Exhibition in Lismore.

NEWS REVIEW 2006

NOVEMBER



Pictured is John Stack during his performance which saw him crowned WLR FM Sony Star Search winner.

Plans for a major new Business Park in Ballygagin in the outskirts of Dungarvan which had the potential to create hundreds of new jobs was refused planning permission by Waterford County Council. The developers behind the project had promised to bring between 160 and 240 additional new jobs into the area if the business park went ahead.

An end to the tortuous thirty six year wait for the commencement of a multi million euro sewerage scheme finally looked to have taken a significant step closer after a commitment to progress a key element of the scheme was made by the Department of Communications, the Marine and National Resources. The Department vowed to attempt to progress the foreshore licenses for the 45 million euro scheme that once it goes ahead would provide state of the art sewerage infrastructure in Ardmore, Ballyduff, Cappoquin, Dunmore East, Kilmacthomas, Stradbally and Tallow.

In one of the most keenly contested and popular music events ever held in Waterford 27 year old John Stack from Cappagh sang his way to success and potential stardom in the WLR FM Sony Star Search final held in the Tower Hotel and broadcast live to a huge home audience.

A war of words erupted amid tempestuous scenes near the end of Lismore Town Council's November meeting over accusations that the Mayor of Lismore, Helen O'Sullivan had misinformed the members of the council of an alleged conversation she had with Town Clerk, Eric Flynn over the visit of An Taoiseach, Bertie Ahern to the town.

Waterford County Development Board made a submission to the Dungarvan Town Development Plan calling for 16ha of land at Monang to be zoned for clean light industrial use in a bid to attract companies to the area, and facilitate the expansion of others already in the town.

Labour party councillor, Billy Kyne warned that a motion of no confidence in the council executive would be put forward if they continue a policy of not filling staff vacancies. The warning followed a statement by the council's finance chief, Michael Quinn, who said the council are not filling vacancies in staff in a bid to save money.

An accident hotspot will be the subject of major road safety works in a bid to curb the carnage at the notorious stretch of road. The Cusham to Killineen West road at the Pike Hill has been the location of an alarming number of accidents.

Building work was expected to start on the new 10 million euro 32 bed hospital for Dungarvan in the Spring. The HSE were said to be preparing to advertise for tenders to build the project, according to Fianna Fail Deputy Ollie Wilkinson.

The Dungarvan Town Development Plan was adopted by a vote amid controversy over the rezoning of 40 acres of land at Monang for light industry and education.. As the council teetered on the brink and with warnings from the council executive that the failure to rezone the land from agriculture to light industry would send out the wrong message to investors, the council passed the vote on a 5-4 majority.

Fianna Fail councillor, Bernard Leddy expressed mystification over a Health Service Executive letter denying that rodents are a considerable problem at the Samshire plant in Lismore. The HSE inspector denied seeing any rodents during a recent inspection of the plant - apparently in



Micheal O Faolain presenting a copy of his book "Just for the Craic" to Waterford senior hurling manager, Justin McCarthy at the launch of his book in the Park Hotel. Included are Micheal, wife Phil, Cllr. Teresa Wright, Mayor of Dungarvan, Kieran O'Connor, Glanbia and Fr. Brendan Crowley.

direct contradiction to a phone call Cllr. Leddy received from the HSE earlier in the year.

Legal action was called for over the condition of An Grianan estate in Ballinroad by one Labour councillor. Cllr. Billy Kyne also called for the bond to be withheld from the developer over the unfinished and unsatisfactory condition of the estate.

DAMIEN DILLON & COMPANY CELEBRATE 21 YEARS



Picture shows Damien Dillon and staff members getting ready to celebrate 21 years in practice in Dungarvan - (l. to r.) Derek Byrne, Jean O'Brien, Cathy Hughes, Ann Fuller, Damien Dillon, Michelle Flynn, Vincent Murray, Sean Finnegan and Tom Ryan.

NEWS REVIEW 2006

DECEMBER



Members of the Lismore Tidy Town Committee with their awards at the Tidy Towns Awards presentations held in Lismore Castle Arts, Lismore, Co. Waterford with Minister Batt O'Keeffe, TD, Minister of State at the Dept of Environment, Heritage and Local Government. Included are Helen O'Sullivan, Mayor of Lismore, Ollie Wilkinson, T.D. Ray O'Dwyer, Waterford Co. Manager, John O'Flynn, Director of Services WCC and Cllr. Kevin Wilkinson.

A Gaeltacht planning group were said to be considering appealing a High Court ruling allowing a developer to sell houses to people who have competence of the Irish language to Leaving Certificate level. Five members of Caomhnoir na Gaeltachta and residents of the Ring Gaeltacht took a High Court bid to restrain a developer from selling a number of houses in a small housing development in An Rinn to people without proven competence in written and spoken Irish.

Gardai in Dungarvan were investigating the cause of an explosion that ripped through the award winning Quasi Lanka restaurant in the Dungarvan shopping centre. It was believed the cause of the explosion was a gas leak.

The December meeting of Lismore Town Council was devoid of any seasonal goodwill as the fallout from the previous month's unruly scenes resulted in the meeting being adjourned almost before it began. Independent councillor, John Campion

came under intense pressure to apologise for remarks he made about the Mayor of Lismore, Cllr. Helen O'Sullivan during the November meeting. He apologised for his unruly behaviour, but refused to withdraw his comments for claiming, in the strongest possible terms, that the Mayor and Town Clerk were telling untruths about an alleged conversation they had during a previous meeting of the council.

Waterford County Council and the Arts Centre in Dungarvan were urged to buy one of the works by one of the towns most famous residents, Sarah H Purser - fifty-nine of whose works of age were on sale in Dublin. The estimates for the art works ranged from 600 to 800 euro to 20,000 - 30,000 euro for Young Girl with a Daisy.



Eoin Murphy is greeted by the 5th & 6th class pupils of Knockanore School at a recent visit by the Shamrocks All Star.



Pictured (left to right), Mr. Noel Brennan, Principal, Michael Kennealy, Winner of National Concert Hall Snowman Colouring Competition and Ms. Catherine Southern, Art Teacher.

WEST WATERFORD ATHLETICS NEWS

Big Turnout For Dungarvan G.A.A. Club Charity Run

€3,000 PRESENTED TO ALZHEIMERS UNIT AT ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

The largest turnout to date of 150 runners and walkers took part in the St. Stephen's Day Annual charity fun run and walk organised by Dungarvan G.A.A. Club. The run this year was in aid of the local Alzheimers Unit at St. Joseph's Hospital in the town and the response to the event was fantas-

tic with a terrific amount of money collected at the event, plus more expected in from outstanding sponsorship cards. The event under the organising committee headed up by Derek Lyons, Paddy Fitzgerald and club chairman Kieran Curran of Dungarvan G.A.A. Club is growing in numbers with a

great mix of walkers and runners taking part this year all of which are to be congratulated on their participation and contributions to this most worthy local cause. This run is held each year in true Christmas spirit and is totally a fun event were the important aspect is the fact that we are all supporting a



Pictured at the cheque presentation after the St. Stephen's Day Charity Run at Dungarvan G.A.A. Club in aid of the Alzheimer's Unit at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan were (l. to r.) Tony Ryan, Derek Lyons, Kieran Curran, Paddy Fitzgerald and Grace O'Callaghan. Front: Michael Tutty and Kathleen Feeney who accepted the cheque on behalf of St. Joseph's Hospital.



"Come on lads" says Jean Brennan to Albert McGrath and Jacinta Sheil during the Dungarvan G.A.A. Club charity run/walk on St. Stephens Day.



Brian Fahy, Moya Verling, Mick Verling and Mark Gallagher pictured at the Dungarvan G.A.A. Club St. Stephen's Day Charity Run in aid of the Alzheimer's Unit at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan.

worthy local charity. Thanks to all the stewards who gave of their time to ensure the safety of the runners and walkers and special thanks to Grace O'Callaghan and Denise Clancy who looked after the administration side of things on the day. Kathleen Feeney was on hand to accept the cheque on behalf of the hospital and she also got into the spirit of the event by taking part in the walk. Derek Lyons spoke on behalf of the club thanking all involved. Congratulations to the organisers, Dungarvan G.A.A. club and a very special thanks go to all the ladies who looked after the catering with plenty of soup, teas and sandwiches for all which were most welcome. Thanks also to Michael and Tony who were on P.A.

There were spot prizes drawn among all those who participated and the following won these - Claire Murphy, Pierce Moloney, Fiona Synott, David Connors, Sinead O'Rourke, Johnny O'Connor and Charlie Barry. We expect this St. Stephen's Day charity event to get bigger and bigger so spread the word and next year bring along a friend or two.

SUCCESSFUL WREN DAY EVENT

For the first time this year as part of the St. Stephen's Day fun run/walk charity day, a wren day was organised by club member Liam Kavanagh. Liam brought together the towns finest musicians which number over a dozen to the Gows Pub on Main St. from where the event kicked off. A huge crowd supported the Wren Day which was much appreciated by the organisers and here too a large collection was made to top up the monies already collected at the run earli-

er in the day. Thanks to the management and staff of the Gows who were so supportive of the event and special thanks to all the fine musicians who came along

helping to make the event such a success. It is hoped now that this part of the fund raising day will continue next year. Well done to Liam once again for his part in this success.



Bobby Lyons and John Butler pictured after completing the Dungarvan G.A.A. Club St. Stephen's Day Charity Run/Walk.



Cyril Daly and Louise Hyslop pictured coming into complete the Dungarvan G.A.A. Club Charity Run/Walk on St. Stephen's Day.

WEST WATERFORD ATHLETICS NEWS

All-Ireland And Munster Titles Won By West Waterford Athletes In 2006

It was a most successful year at All-Ireland and Munster level for the club in 2006 with titles won on the road, indoors, track and field and cross country. Below is the table of winners over the past year.

MUNSTER TITLES 2006

1. Diane Behan, Ellis ni hAodha, Ann Dunford, Máiréad Flynn — O/35 Cross Country County.
3. Eilis ni hAodha — Masters Indoors 200 metres, 800 metres, Long Jump.
2. Terri Gough — Masters Indoors 200 metres and 3000 metres.
1. Sandra Brazil White — Masters Indoors 200 metres.
2. Joe Gough — Masters Indoors 800 metres, Long Jump.
1. Liam Houlihan — Senior Indoors Pole Vault.
1. Siobhán Brackett — Junior Indoors Pole Vault.
1. Mark Bannon — Junior Indoors Pole Vault.
1. Shona Curran — Junior Cross Country County.
1. Seán Stillwell — Junior Cross Country County.
1. Susie Lonergan — Junior Outdoors Pole Vault.
1. Mark Bannon — Junior Outdoors Pole Vault.
1. Diarmuid Ó Foghlú — Junior Outdoors Steeplechase.
1. Diarmuid Cummins — U/23 Outdoors (3K).
4. Jacinta Sheil — Masters Outdoors, Javelin, Shot, Hammer, Discus.
3. Terri Gough — Masters Outdoors, Hammer, Shot, Javelin.
3. Joe Gough — Masters Outdoors 400, 800, 1,500 metres.
2. Helene Hayes — Masters Outdoors 100 metres, 200 metres, 1,500 metres.
1. Sandra Brazil White — Masters Outdoors 200 metres.
1. Dermot Cummins — Senior Outdoors 1500 metres.
1. Sandis Bralitis — Senior Outdoors 5000 metres.
1. Stephen Dunne — Senior Outdoors Javelin.
1. Ann Dunford — Masters Half Marathon.
2. Norma Wall, Sinéad Crotty, Regina Byrne, Ann Whelan — Novice Cross Country Team and Intermediate.
1. Norma Wall, Sinéad Crotty, Regina Byrne — Intermediate Cross-Country County.

ALL IRELAND TITLES 2006

2. Joe Gough — Masters Indoors 400 metres, 800 metres.
3. Terri Gough — Masters Indoors 200 metres, 400 metres, 800 metres.
1. Brendan Moran — Masters Indoors 60 metres.
1. Sandra Brazil White — Masters Indoors 200 metres.
1. Mark Bannon — Junior Indoor Pole Vault.
1. Sandis, Raivis, Dzintars — National Senior 5k Relay.
2. Jamie Costin — Senior Outdoors 20k Walk, 10k Walk.
2. Joe Gough — Masters Outdoors 400 metres, 800 metres.
2. Brendan Moran — Masters Outdoors, 100 metres, 200 metres.
1. Terri Gough — Masters Outdoors Javelin.
1. Terri Gough — Masters Road Half Marathon.



Ann McLoughlin, Michael McLoughlin, John Joe Henley and Luke Brennan before the off at the St. Stephen's Day Charity Run at Dungarvan G.A.A. Club.

Marathon Deliveries Mallow '10' On Sunday, January 7th

The John Buckley Sports/Munster Ten-Mile Spring Classics Series kicks off Sunday next January 7th with the Marathon Deliveries sponsored Mallow 10. The aim of this ten-mile Series is to promote each race at the classic distance of ten miles, while rewarding the runners who complete all four races with a specially commissioned long-sleeve t-shirt. As well, there will be prizes for the leading male and female runners, which will be decided on the cumulative times over the four races. Once again, there is no additional entry fee for the Series - just run the four races (however - your entry must have been accepted for Ballycotton). Mallow A.C. have been promoting a 10-mile race for a number of years, although this course has only been used since 2001. A nice flat loop, comprising of town and country roads, it has met with unanimous approval. Mallow is also well served with a good roads network, making the venue very central for people travelling from any part of the country. Unfortunately, last year the race had to be postponed due to dense fog and when it was re-arranged for May, numbers were understandably down somewhat. The winning time of 56:05 by Willie Reidy was the slowest ever for the race but there was a superb performance by Niamh O'Sullivan who finished eight overall in a new course record of 58:47. With the closure of Irish Sugar, this year sees a new sponsor in Marathon Deliveries, a company fronted by well-known Mallow runner Peadar Curtis. The race gets underway at 12.30 p.m.

The dates for all four races are as follows

Marathon Deliveries/Mallow '10' — Sunday, January 7th, 12.30 p.m.

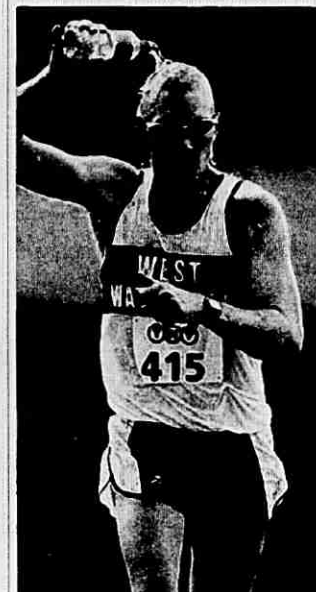
GlaxoSmithKline/Dungarvan '10' — Sunday, February 4th, 2.00 p.m.

Ballycotton '10' — Sunday, March 4th, 1.30 p.m.

Sonny Murphy Memorial Kilnaboy '10' — Sunday, April 8th, 2.00 p.m.

JAMIE COSTIN SETS HIS SIGHTS ON JAPAN

I had a welcome visit over the festive season from club member and International race walker Jamie Costin and I am glad to report that all is well with the Ring athlete with a steady improvement in his form over the last couple of months. Jamie has had an up and down kind of a season in 2006 but is hopefully now over all his injury worries and is eagerly looking forward to 2007 with his sights set on the I.A.A.F. World Championships in Osaka, Japan, which will be his main aim for the coming season. He will, of course, have to attain the qualifying time of 3:57 for his chosen distance the grueling 50k walk.



He has been competing pre Christmas and over the much shorter distance of 5k he took part in a Grand Prix event in Granada, Spain and covered the distance in an impressive 20.31 finishing 12th in a top class field of Europe's best international walkers. On December 16th last he was back in Ireland taking part in Dublin in the National 30k finishing a very good 2nd to the inform Colin Griffin. Griffin was clocked at 2.17.32 and Jamie 2.18.36. Jamie is at home in Ring presently for the festive break and will compete on Sunday 14th January in the A.A.I. Indoor Games in Nenagh before heading out to training camp in Spain the following week. We wish him well and we hope that luck is on the side for this most dedicated athlete in 2007.



Megan Daly and Sarah Lyons pictured at full flight during the Dungarvan G.A.A. Club Charity Run/Walk in aid of the Alzheimers Unit at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan.

Colligan Cup Date Changed

After the fiasco for our Munster B Juveniles and Masters Cross Country runners who made the long journey to Clare before Christmas to discover that the fixture was cancelled, we can now report this week that a new date has been decided on, January 21st at the same Clare venue.

This now means that our scheduled Colligan Cup event fixed for 21st will have to be deferred till the following week Sunday 28th.

This is an unfortunate rescheduling which is completely out of our control.

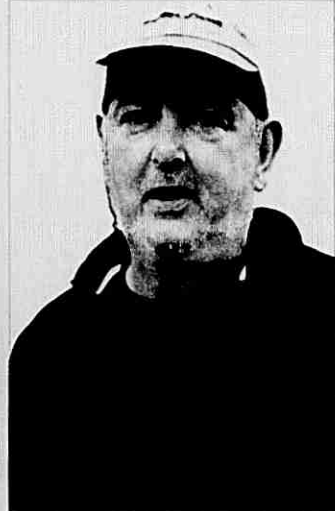
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Well done to the Murphy Girls — Jackie, Claire, Sharon and Deirdre who were pictured on route during the Dungarvan G.A.A. Club Charity Run/Walk in aid of the Alzheimer's Unit at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan.



Onra Power in festive mood as she comes into finish the Dungarvan G.A.A. Club St. Stephen's Day Charity Fun Run.



Cllr. Billy Kyne pictured taking part in the St. Stephen's Day Charity Run/Walk in aid of the Alzheimers unit at St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

On behalf of all at West Waterford we wish all our members, sponsors, friends and supporters a prosperous new year and may 2007 bring all that you wish for. Our thanks to the editor and staff of this news paper for all their help and co-operation throughout 2006 and we look forward to your ongoing support in the year ahead.

ALLROUNDER WINTER LEAGUE RESUMES TONIGHT



434 RUNNERS NOW REGISTERED FOR LEAGUE

The Allrounder Sport Winter League resumes tonight Wednesday, January 3rd from the Sports Centre at Quann's. With 7 nights behind us and another 8 to come the divisions are now set and the league really starts in earnest. In the 6-mile run there are 214 runners registered. The 2.7-mile league has 220 runners in total registered to-date. This gives us a grand total of 435 different runners taking part which is on par with last years numbers. It is expected that many who started with the 2.7 miler at the beginning of the league will now move up to the 6 miler which they are more that welcome to do. We also expect to see many new faces, so if you haven't already started there's no time like the present, we just ask you to come along before 7pm, if you are registering for the first time. The first of the runners will get under way at 7.20pm sharp. Buckle down now lads and lassies, the aten and drinkin is over ,get the bib and the number out, it's party time.



Marian Moloney pictured at the St. Stephen's Day Charity Run/Walk at Dungarvan G.A.A.Club.

Prizes For West Waterford Athletes In Clonmel

The Annual St. Stephen's Day 4 miler in Clonmel the Tony O'Connell Memorial Race was held in good weather conditions and there was a good turn out of West Waterford athletes participating in the field of 213 finishers. The race attracted a top field of athletes vying for the cash prizes on offer with no less than 16 athletes breaking the 21 minute mark for 4 miles which is excellent running. A personal best time of 18.56 over the 4 mile distance for club man Sandis Bralitis still didn't give him victory on the day, it's not often we see Sandis filling the runners up spot, but this was his lot in Clonmel when he had to settle for that position to an inform Kilkenny City Harriers athlete Brian Maher who took the win in a time of 18.54. There was little between the two with Maher just that little bit stronger over the last 50 metres clinching the win by just 2 seconds. Sandis will be pleased all the same with a personal best after smashing his previous best time of 19.18. Tommy Evans of Gowran was third in 19.10. A (p.b.) was also the order of the day for Dzintars Klava when he finished an excellent 6th in a time of 20.00 minutes even, his previous best time was 20.14 so a good days work from Dzintars.

Our next finisher was Raivis Zakis in 8th place in a time of 20.11 another good run from Raivis with a top 8 finish. Jim Fleming back in his home town for the festive break had a good run finishing 38th overall in a time of 22.45. Norma Wall had yet another good run and was the clubs next finisher in 86th place finishing 8th lady overall in a time of 25.31. Con Kelleher was our next man in 25.35. Con won the over 55 prize with this performance. Regina Byrne completed the course in a time of 27.06 solid running from Regina again. Mike Moloney was 127th with a time of 27.41 and another Michael, Michael Wade was 145th in 28.49, Inese Melne was 155th in 29.13 and our final finisher on the day was Joanne Dunford in 197th place with a time of 33.54. Well done to all.

Raivis Wins Shanagarry 5k Race

One of the final races for the year the Shanagarry 5k was held on Saturday December 23rd last and the club had a sole representative at the event in the East Cork village. Raivis Zakis made the journey a worth while one taking an impressive win in a time of 15.42. Raivis, Sean McGrath and James McCarthy both from the East Cork club made the early pace and after 1km these three were clear of the field. They stayed together until the 1km to go mark when on an uphill section McGrath lost contact after the climb with 400 metres remaining Raivis upped the tempo to draw clear of McGrath taking the title from last year's victor. A nice win for Raivis as a very busy year comes to a close.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP NOW DUE

Your club membership for the coming year is now due. At €25 you will have to agree its great value with a huge array of races over the upcoming 12 month period with something to suit everyone. So please don't put it on the long finger, register now with West Waterford A.C. and enjoy your running with Ireland's largest running club. Michael Tutty is our club registrar.

RUNNING QUOTE

Dedication and commitment are what transfer dreams into realities. — Sinead Crotty

SYMPATHY

West Waterford Athletic Club extends sincere sympathy to the family of Patrick O'Doherty, Boherard, Killossera, who passed away recently. Also to the family of Francis McCarthy, Ballinamult, who passed away over Christmas. May they rest in peace.

C.L.G An tSean Phobail

AGM

Tionólaídh an Cruinniu Cinn Bliaina ar an 29/12/06. The following is the list of the elected officers.

Comh Uachtarán: Paddy Hourigan, Fr.Cullinan, Jimmy Kirwan, John Murphy, Michael French, Michéal Tóibín.

Cathaoirleach: Pádraig Ó Cuírrín; Leas-Cathaoirleach: Muiris Uada; Runaí: Áine Ní hÓgáin; Leas-Runaí: Ray Ó Turraoin; Cisteoir: Proinnsias Ó Innseadúin; Leas-Cisteoir: Michéal Ó hÓgáin; P.R.O.: Cormac Ó Innseadúin; Coiste: Sean Uada, Luke Ó'Bhrinan, Pádraigín Ní Cadhla, Pádraig Ó Céithin, Michéal Tóibín.; Membership Officer: Daithí Ó Chondúin

Ath Bhlhain Faoi Mhaise

I would like to wish the community a happy and prosperous new year. Hopefully 2007 will be the year that the shocks make the breakthrough.

Slán go fóill

The club would like to wish Tomás and his family the best of luck in Dublin. Don't worry Tomás we will tell you when the games are on.

Shock's Lotto 31/12/06

This week's numbers: 1, 6, 9, 11. There was no jackpot winner. Winners of €15 — 1) H O'Donnell, 2) Tina Fitzgerald, 3) Sarah Leahy, 4) Julie & John Fitzgerald, 5) Jessie & Kirsty Fahey. Next week's jackpot: €2, 270.00.



Brickeys with their young supporters and mentors following their victory over Kill in the Co. Intermediate football final.

Brickey Rangers G.A.A. Club Notes

COUNTY CHAMPIONS

The year 2006 ended in a spectacular fashion as our Intermediate footballers beat Kill in the County Final played in Walsh Park on Saturday, December 23rd. Kill opened the scoring with the first point, while the Brickey team took a while to settle into the game and it looked like we were in trouble as the net rattled in the Brickey goal and Kill notched up a 1-1 lead. It was at this point that the Brickey team took control of the game and notched up 6 points with no reply with a exhibition of defensive play from our backs. Half time score Brickey 0-6 Kill 1-1.

In the second half our team took over where they had left off and following this the outcome was never in doubt as the final whistle blew we ran out county champions on a score of Brickey Rangers 0-11 Kill 1-3.

Jubilant scenes were witnessed as captain David Hickey was presented with the Dunne Cup from county board Chairman Pat Flynn.

On the evidence of our performance we are going to be a major acquisition to senior ranks in 2007.

Afterwards the team and supporters enjoyed a meal and celebratory refreshments in the Park Hotel as Santa came early and Christmas celebrations will end maybe in February.

Team: Conor Fitzgerald, Padraig Nugent, James Sheehan, Johnny Cooney, Kieran O'Brien, David Hickey (capt), Richard Halpin, Olan Casey, Dermot O'Neill, Carthach Shalloe, Shane McGrath, Mark Scanlon, William Queally, Conor McGrath. Subs used; Ian McCarthy, Fergus Nugent, Vincent McCarthy.

First Aid Officers; Treas Cummins, Joanie McGrath. Selectors; Jim McGrath, Willie Halpin, John O'Connell.

COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the executive committee will take place in the Club Pavilion Bushy Park on Friday 5th January at 7 pm. This will be the last committee meeting before the AGM and all committee members are asked to attend.

SCÓR NA NÓG COUNTY FINAL

We travelled to Modeligo on Friday night last, 29th December to participate in the County Final of Scór na nÓg. As there was no competitors from East Waterford, all participants qualified from the Western final. In all we had six groups of dancers group A, B & C in the

figure and group A, B & C in the set. We also had two teams taking part in the quiz and Lisa Houlihan recited a recitation. Well done to all who participated but they only had to be one winner in each section. Congratulations to our B Figure dancers who came out on top and also our B set dancers.

The figure dancers performed 'Hi Caul Cap' to perfection and their win was well deserved.

Figure dancers were Lisa Houlihan, Lorna Daly, Chloe Halpin, Coleen Whelan, Naomi Lyons, Stacey Lyons, Edwina Cooney and Emma McCarthy.

Our set dancers performed "North Roscommon Dancer" and again there was no doubt that they were well deserved winners.

Set Dancers were Emma McCarthy, Edwina Cooney, Stacey Lyons, Naomi Lyons, Lorna Daly, Lisa Houlihan, Yvonne Hillard, Lorraine Wyley.

All were presented with their county medals and were equally on par with our intermediate footballers in a week when the Brickeys captured three County titles.

Great credit is due to all participants and especially to teacher Shane Hallahan. On Sunday next we are competing in the Munster semi final in Riverstick, Co. Cork. Best of luck girls.

CHRISTMAS DRAW RESULTS

1st prize: Voucher for Country Life Store/Glanbia - Martin Power, Portlaw.

2nd prize: Christmas Hamper - Pat Nugent, Carrigroe.

3rd prize: E100 meat voucher - Nora Lynch, Scart.

4th prize: Meal for 2 in Park Hotel - Eddie Walsh, Cappagh.

5th prize: E100 voucher for Tommy Powers - Mike Nugent, Childers Estate.

Promoters prize: Bottle of Brandy - Carthach Shalloe.

BRICKEY MINI LOTTO RESULTS

Weekend 21st December - Numbers drawn were 1-18-29. No winner. E25 winners were McGrath family, Kate Moore, Michael Cosgrave, Bernie Hickey, Ned Lenihan, Diarmuid O'Keeffe, Ian McCarthy, Conor Whelan.

Weekend 28th December - Numbers drawn were 8-14-28. No Winner E25 winners were Paddy O'Keeffe, Mary O'Keeffe, Jim Gee, Mickey Whelan. This weeks draw will take place in Tommy Power's bar and the jackpot will be E2,150. Tickets only E2 each.

A.G.M.

Our A.G.M. will take place in the Club Pavilion, Bushy Park on Saturday, 13th January at 7pm. All members and intending members are welcome.

SYMPATHY

The club extends sincere sympathy to Percy Walsh, Killossera on the death of his brother John. May he rest in peace.

Ballyduff Upper G.A.A. Notes

Club Lotto - The numbers drawn in the Christmas lotto on Tuesday December 19th were 2-7-25. There was no winner of the jackpot. The prize winners were Elaine Daly, Sunday Lunch Voucher, Pat Higgins, Will Power, Patrick Kearney, €30 each, Mary Scanlon, Waterford Jersey, Cian Leamy Waterford T-Shirt, Batt Leahy Snr., Bottle of Wine, Abbey Prendergast Ballyduff T-Shirt, Hannah Higgins, Bottle of Whiskey, Adrian Power, Box of Chocolates, Paddy O'Brien, Bag of Coal, Tereasa Noonan, Meal Voucher, Maura Lindsay, Don Kenneally, Liam Power, €30 each, John O'Keeffe (Terrace), Bag of Coal, Jim Hannon, Bottle of Wine, Corner House, Box of Chocolates.

The numbers drawn in last week's lotto draw in An Sibin on Wednesday December 27th were 14-15-19. There was no winner of the €950 jackpot. The €30 winners were Kate Browne, Denis Twomey (Jnr), and Phyl Hannon. This week's jackpot was €1,100 and the draw took place in the Log Cabin on Tuesday January 2nd. The results of this draw will appear in next week's notes. You can get results and club news by visiting our website at www.ballyduffgaa.eu

Munster Senior Hurling League - We will play Bride Rovers (Cork) or Kilmoyley (Kerry) in the Munster senior hurling league final on Saturday January 27th. The venue for this game is to be decided.

Meeting - A club committee meeting will be held in St. Michael's Hall on Tuesday night next January 9th at 8.00pm.



The WLR FM / Granville Hotel G.A.A.. Award for November was presented to to the Nire's Brian Wall. Brian won his award for his outstanding performance as Captain of the Nire in the County Senior Football Final against Stradbally and in the Munster Club Football Championship. Brian received his award at a special lunch in The Granville Hotel, pictured from left: Caroline Dwyer, WLRfm; Liam Cusack, Granville Hotel; Brian Wall; Seamus Grant, Sec., County Board and Stephen Frampton.

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SHAMROCKS G.A.A. CLUB NOTES

Club Lotto - In the latest draw held on Saturday night, December 23rd, the numbers drawn were 5-8-13-17 and there was no jackpot winner. E20 consolation prize winners were "The Gal 5", Teresa Mills, Laura, Ciara and David, Vera Murphy, Gretta Barry. The next draw will be on January 8th when the jackpot will be E6,750 and tickets at E1.50 each can be had from the usual promoters.

Don't Forget - The Club A.G.M. will take place on this Friday night, January 5th at the Shamrock Inn, Knockanore following 7:30pm Mass in Kilwatermoy Church which will be celebrated for all living and deceased members. We look forward to a full attendance and new members welcome.

Best Wishes - We wish to thank everybody who assisted the club in any way during 2006. To all members, players and supporters, to the Editor and staff of the Dungarvan Leader for their co-operation at all times and looking forward to the same in 2007.

Poc Fada na Rinne

Bhí ard lá ann ag Poc Fada CLG na Rinne ar Lá le Stiofán le déanaí. D'eagraigh CLG na Rinne agus an cumann camógaíocht comórtas i gCeann Heilbhic, sa Rinn. Bhí triúr ar gach foireann, fear os cionn 16, bean os cionn 16 agus duine faoi 16. Ghlac 14 foireann san iomlán páirt sa chomórtas.

Taispeánadh an-chumas ar fad chun an slotar a stiúradh thart ar an bóithre cúnga agus ba iad na leads óga, ach go háirithe, a léirigh na cleasanna iomána. Ba iad foireann bhóthar na sop de Criostóir Breathnach, Déirdre Breathnach agus Gearóid Breathnach a chríochnaigh sa chéad áit. Tháinig Ciarán Ó Maoileoin, Finní Uí Bhroin

agus Eoin Mac Craith sa dara áit. D'fhreastail slua mór ar an mbronnadh in Halla Pobail na Rinne ina dhiaidh agus bhain gach éinne sásamh as an tae, ceapairí agus cistí a cuireadh ar fáil. Bhronn Cathaoirleach CLG na Rinne, Éanna de Faoite, na duaiseanna a bhí urraithe ag Nemeton ar na buaiteoirí agus T-Léine, a bhí urraithe ag Raidió na Gaeltachta, an duine ar na daoine faoi aois.

Ba mhaith leis an gclub a mbeochoas a chur in iúil do na maoir, na daoine a chur an bia i gcóir agus gach éinne a chabhraigh ar na lá. Bailíodh 280 Euro ar mhaithe le Lions Club Dhún Garbhán.



Doireann de Faoite, Éanna de Faoite agus Bríd de Faoite ag baint sult as an gcomórtas.

Déirdre Breathnach, Criostóir Breathnach agus Gearóid Breathnach a chríochnaigh sa chéad áit.



Eoin Ó Murchadha ag glacadh le T-Léine ó Éanna de Faoite.

CLG na Rinne

Torthaí Lotto C.L.G. na Rinne
De Luan 18/12/2006

Bhí pota óir de €1,000 ann agus bhí se ar siúl i dTigh an Cheoil. Ní raibh aon bhuaiteoir. B'iad 7,15,17,20 na huimhreacha a tharraingíodh

Bhuaigh na daoine seo a leanas €20: Risteard Breathnach, Tommy Grace f/ch Aisling Kelly, Shauna Young f/ch Spar, Mairead Uí Lionnain f/ch Cliona, Eibhlís Rossiter f/ch Nora
Bhuaigh na daoine seo a leanas duaiseanna i gCrannchur na Nollag:

0.	Deirdre Nic an Oige -	Buideal Fion
.	D. O'Brien -	Buideal Fion
.	Treasa Gough	Leine Phort Láirge
.	Shane Breathnach	Leine Phort Láirge
.	Éanna de Faoite	Leine Phort Láirge
.	Jacinta Morrissey	Buideal Jameson
.	Eoin Mac Craith	Leine Phort Láirge
.	Caitlín Uí Mhaolchathaigh	Buideal Brandy
.	John Morgan Lillis	Buideal Baileys
.	Jimmy de Bhial	DVD Player
.	Risteard Breathnach	Leine Phort Láirge
.	Kathleen Roche	Buideal Jagermeister
.	Aine Ni Chuirrin	Leine Phort Láirge
0.	Padraig O Lonain	Dhá buideal Fion

Poc Fada

D'éirigh go hiontach leis an bpoc fada a d'eagraigh CLG na Rinne agus an Cumann Camógaíochta. Ba iad foireann bhóthar na sop de Criostóir Breathnach, Déirdre Breathnach agus Gearóid Breathnach a chríochnaigh sa chéad áit. Tháinig Ciarán Ó Maoileoin, Finní Uí Bhroin agus Eoin Mac Craith sa dara áit. D'fhreastail slua mór ar an mbronnadh in Halla Pobail na Rinne ina dhiaidh agus bhain gach éinne sásamh as an tae, ceapairí agus cistí a cuireadh ar fáil. Bhronn Cathaoirleach CLG na Rinne, Éanna de Faoite, na duaiseanna a bhí urraithe ag Nemeton ar na buaiteoirí agus T-Léine, a bhí urraithe ag Raidió na Gaeltachta, an duine ar na daoine faoi aois. Ba mhaith leis an gclub a mbeochoas a chur in iúil do na maoir, na daoine a chur an bia i gcóir agus gach éinne a chabhraigh ar na lá. Bailíodh 280 Euro ar mhaithe le Lions Club Dhún Garbhán.

Comhbhrón

Ba mhaith leis an gclub comhbhrón a dhéanamh le muintir Uí Dhomhnaill ar bhás Moya Uí Dhomhnaill le déanaí. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam.

ARDMORE G.A.A. NOTES

WEEKLY LOTTO

The jackpot now stands at €5300 so if you're not in you cannot win.

Christmas Draw Winners: €50 Each - Vanessa Hennessy, Paddy Mac, Nicholas Cunningham, Carol Morrissey, BJM, Carol Morrissey, Pauline & Alana Flynn, Josephine & Tony, Mary Nevin and Josephine and Tony.

Draw Results 27/12/2006 of €20 Each - Patrick & Lisa, Marie Stillwell, Deuglan Cunningham, Sean Power and William Mulcahy.

GYMNASIUM

A professional Instructor is on hand on Monday Nights to assist and set individual programs for new and existing members. This is a great opportunity for patrons wishing to use the facilities on hand. For further information dial the clubhouse at 024-94850. Please note that the gym will be closed from the 21st Dec-4th Jan.07.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our A.G.M. will be held this year on the 5th January 2007 @ 7pm sharp. All are welcomed as this year celebrates the 50th anniversary of the club foundation.

PITCH CLOSURE

Our pitch is now officially closed for the winter months.

SYMPATHY

Our club extends sympathy to the family and friends of Mick Fitzgerald who passed away recently. Ar dheis De go raibh a anam.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our best wishes go out to Declan and Lindsey who got engaged over the festive period.

Matty Lonergan R.I.P.

Yet another legend of the Comeraghs passed away recently when very well known footballer of the fifties and sixties Matty Lonergan passed to his eternal reward just a couple of days before Christmas.

Matty was one of the leading lights of the Kilrossanty team in the halcyon days of the club and was a regular on the county senior football team for a number of years and he also played minor football for the county at full back. He played in the Railway Cup for Munster in 1958.

Matty's involvement saw him win county championships wearing the green and gold of his beloved Kilrossanty in 1951, 1952, 1957 and again in 1964. He was living in New York when Kilrossanty won the championship in 1960.

Back in 1957 when Waterford footballers defeated Kerry in the Munster championship in Walsh Park he was one of six Kilrossanty players on the team (Mick Prendergast, Jimmy White, R.I.P. Jim Timmins, Jimineen Power and Billy Kirwan and himself with Sean Ormond and Jimmy Maher as substitutes)

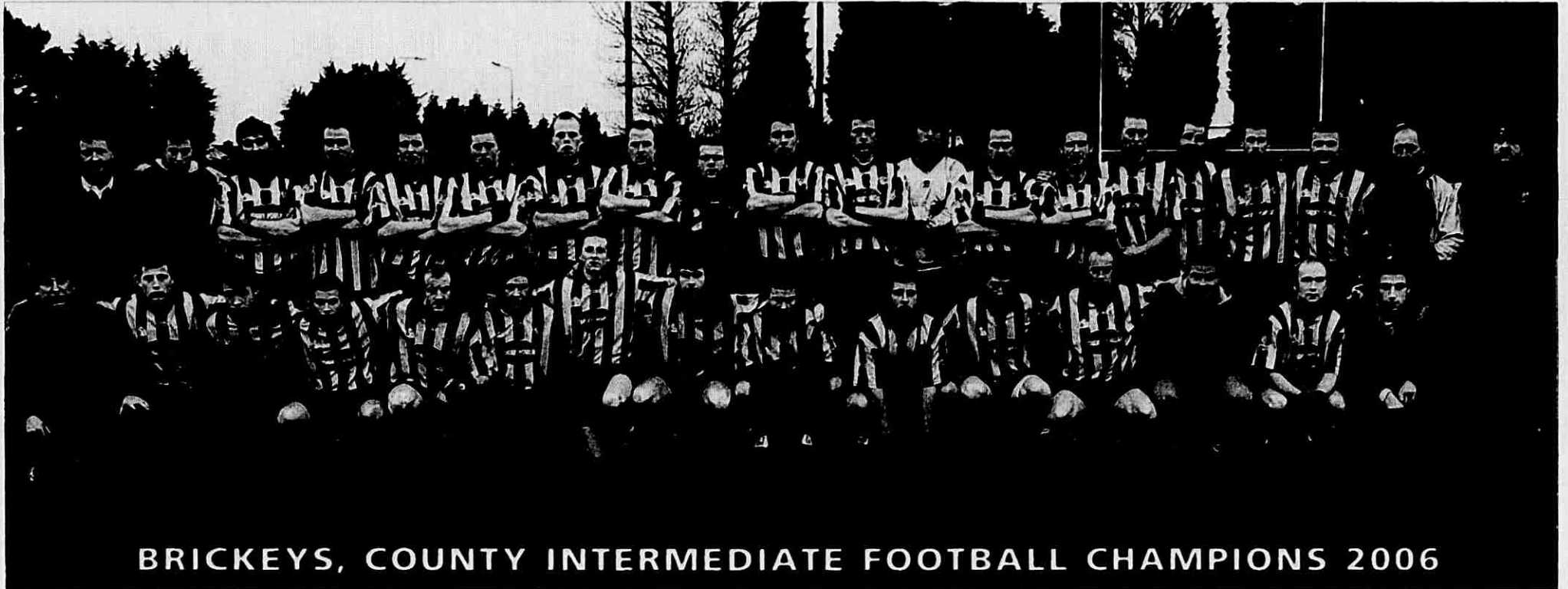
Also, when Kilrossanty became the first club to represent Waterford in the Munster Club championship in 1965 Matty is recorded as being the highest scorer in the game against U.C.C. He then played in the semi-final against Shannon Rovers (Limerick).

The massive crowd which turned out for his funeral and burial, included members of every football club in the county, and were in themselves a deserving tribute to a player who served his club, county and province to the limit of his ability.

To his wife, Eileen and family we offer our profound sympathy.

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BRICKEYS, COUNTY INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS 2006

INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL FINAL

Brickey Rangers Win A Third County Title In 2006

BRICKEY RANGERS 0-11 KILL 1-3

Winning a super game of intermediate football in the county final against Eastern champions, Kill, certainly put the 'icing on the cake' for Brickey Rangers who brought their total of victories for the year to 3 county and 3 divisional titles.

The intermediate final was played only 2 days before Christmas and I'm sure that had this final been played a month earlier their claim to the Club of the Year award would have been considerably strengthened.

Kill who had won a most exciting replay of the eastern final

against Newtown on the previous Sunday had been regarded as favourites and in the early stages of the game it looked as if this favouritism had been justified when the eastern champions raced into a four point lead following a very early goal by Anthony Kiely. However the Brickeys never lost their composure and having settled took almost complete control and kicked six unanswered points to give them a four points half time lead (0-6 to 1-1)

In the second half the western champions maintained control throughout thanks in the main

to an exceptional defence and accurate point taking in the forward division. In fact throughout this half they contained Kill to a point from play and a point from a free to leave them deserving winners of a title which they also won just twenty years ago.

Scorers: Brickey Rangers — Andrew Murphy 0-6, William Queally, Carthach Shalloe, Conor McGrath, Mark Scanlon and David Hickey 0-1 each. Kill — Anthony Kiely 1-1, Peter Kirwan 0-2

Brickey Rangers — Conor Fitzgerald, Padraig Nugent, Jimmy Sheehan, Johnny

BRICKEY RANGERS BACK IN SENIOR RANKS

Cooney, Kieran O'Brien, David Hickey, Richard Halpin, Olan Casey, Dermot O'Neill, Carthach Shalloe, Shane McGrath, Mark Scanlon, William Queally, Andrew Murphy, Conor McGrath. Substitutes — Fergus Nugent for W. Queally; Ian McCarthy for C. McGrath; Matthew Kiely for C. Shalloe. Kill — Aidan Whelan, Liam Lannan, Brian Mooney, Jim Murphy, Niall Flynn, Mick Ahern, Fergal Whelan, Brendan

Mooney, Shay Keevans, Niall Hennessy, Anthony Kiely, Peter Kirwan, Darragh Lannon, John Power, Anton Lannon. Substitutes — Conor Hennessy for A. Lannon; Peter Torpey for D. Lannon; John Kiely for N. Flynn; Paudie Raheer for C. Hennessy.

Referee: Maurice Condon (Clashmore)

PRESENTATION

The trophy was presented to the winning captain David Hickey by County Board Chairman Pat Flynn amid scenes of great excitement and here the joy of getting back to senior ranks was clearly expressed in the celebrations which followed.



Chairman County GAA Board, Pat Flynn, presents the Co. Intermediate Football Cup to Brickey's captain, David Hickey.



Brickey's captain David Hickey is carried shoulder high after their win in the Co. Intermediate football final. (Photos: Sean Byrne Photography)

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Abbeyside, winners of the Sean Byrne Photography sponsored Western U-21 (A) Hurling championship. They beat Fourmilewater 4-8 to 3-6 in the final at Fraher Field.

UNDER-21 HURLING WESTERN FINAL

Abbeyside Defeat Fourmilewater In Thriller At Fraher Field

**ABBEYSIDE 4-8
FOURMILEWATER 3-6**

On a cold but very dry winters afternoon, just two days before Christmas, the Western Board staged its final championship match of the long season.

The game between two very evenly matched sides provided a grandstand finish to one of the busiest seasons on record. The fare was rewarding for the small crowd who braved the cold to see the game.

The result which saw Abbeyside complete the under 21 hurling and football double for 2006 gives them a date with the under 21 title holders Ballygunner on a date to be fixed. The county final will be played in Fraher Field.

Abbeyside/Ballinacourty last achieved the under 21 double in 1970.

Fourmilewater who had defeated the holders Ballyduff on the previous week were fairly confident of beating Abbeyside and for a time entering the closing stages it looked as if it was going to happen after the scoring gap had been reduced to a mere 2 points before the winners shot the goal that was to copper fasten the result in their favour almost on the call of time.

In the early stages Abbeyside set up an 0-6 to nil lead, but after Fourmilewater settled, the game remained wide open throughout.

At the halfway stage Abbeyside led 1-6 to 1-1.

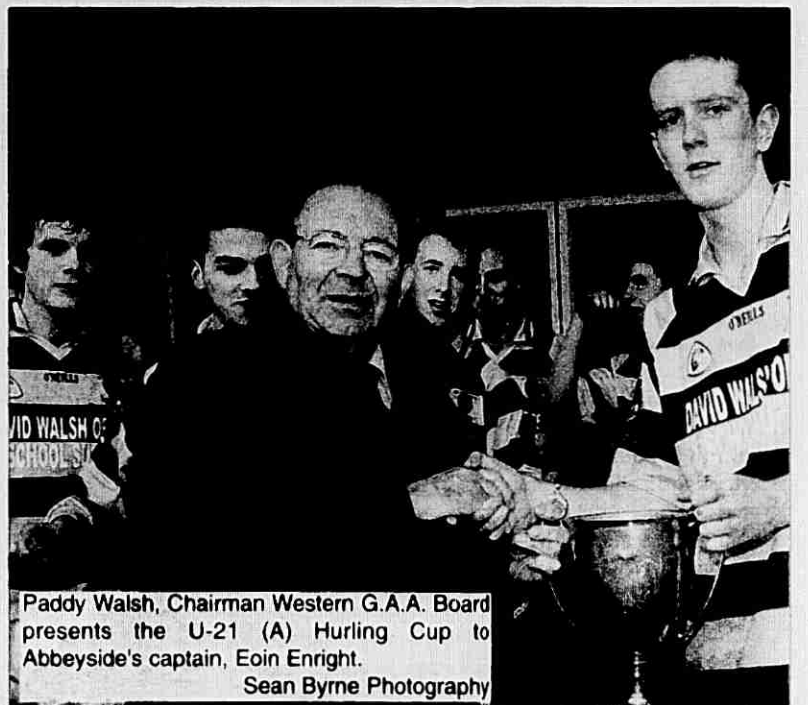
On the turnover Fourmilewater had a goal to reduce the Abbeyside lead to 2 points and although the eventual winners came back for another goal, their lead was back to just two points in the closing stages of a splendid game of winter hurling.

Scorers: Abbeyside. — M. Gorman 2-2, M. Ferncombe 1-1, P. Hurney 1-0, J. Gorman 0-4, E. Enright 0-1. Fourmilewater — M. Moore, 1-0, M. Gorman 1-0, D. McGrath 1-0, R. Fenton 0-2, Mautrice O'Gorman 0-2, P. Walsh 0-1, L. Lawlor 0-1.

Abbeyside — D. Ryan T. Murray, J. Kindregan, J. Mullen, P. Lynch, R. Foley, B. Scanlon, E. Enright. S. O'Hare, J. Gorman, M. Fives, P. Hurney, M. Ferncombe, S. Hanrahan, M. Gorman.

Fourmilewater — T. Walsh, J. P. Fitzgerald, T. O'Gorman, D. O'Gorman, S. Lawlor, M. O'Gorman, P. Horkan, S. Lawlor, C. Guiry, E. Wall, L. Lawlor, R. Fenton, P. Walsh, M. O'Gorman, M. Moore.

Referee Tommy O'Sullivan, Cappoquin/Affane.



Paddy Walsh, Chairman Western G.A.A. Board presents the U-21 (A) Hurling Cup to Abbeyside's captain, Eoin Enright.
Sean Byrne Photography



Fourmilewater, beaten by Abbeyside 4-8 to 3-6 in the final of the Sean Byrne Photography sponsored Western U-21 (A) Hurling Championship.

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Role of Honour 2006

For the first time in a number of years it is not possible to complete a Role of Honour for the season because of the late finish to two of our championships. Unfortunately both the under 21 hurling county finals have not been played due to unforeseen circumstances. These will be played at the end of January or early February.

Hereunder is the incomplete list.

SCH —	Mount Sion 2-13	Ballygunner 0-12
SCF —	Nire 1-5	Stradbally 0-3
IHC —	Clonea 2-9	Dungarvan 2-4
IFC —	Brickey Rangers 0-11	Kill 1-3
JHC —	Lismore 1-10	Fenor 1-8
JFC —	Stradbally 1-10	Tramore 0-3
U-21 F —	Ballinacourty 2-12	Tramore 0-2
U-21 F B —	Brickey Rangers 2-10	St Marys 0-3
MHC —	Ballygunner 2-12	Cappoquin 2-5
MHC B —	Brickey Rangers 2-7	Roanmore 1-4
MFC —	Stradbally 2-9	Gaultier 2-6
MH B —	Dungarvan 3-7	Roanmore 1-2

In the honours list outside the county we had a total of eight players nominated for senior hurling all-stars namely Eoin Murphy (Shamrocks), Tom Feeney (Ballyduff), Tony Browne (Mount Sion), Ken McGrath (Mount Sion), Dan Shanahan (Lismore), Dave Bennet (Lismore), Michael Walsh (Stradbally), John Mullane (De La Salle).

The following three were honoured Eoin Murphy, Dan Shanahan and Tony Browne.

Also honoured with an All-Star for ladies football was the outstanding and very talented Mary O'Donnell (Seana Phobal).

In the Munster awards Tom Feeney and Dan Shanahan were awarded All-Stars and Gary Hurney (Ballinacourty) was awarded a football All-Star.

Board Meetings

A number of meetings have been arranged to kick-start the new season and by all accounts January will be a busy time for club and board officers.

On Thursday January 18th the Western Board will hold its first meeting to accept affiliations and payment of the various insurance premiums, etc.

The board will again meet soon after the second County Board meeting to agree on a format for the various championships and make whatever draws that are necessary. The processing of transfer applications will not be on their agenda this time round since these will have been dealt with by the special sub committee.

The County Board will hold its first meeting on Monday January 22nd to discuss championship systems and a formula for both hurling and football.

Not all clubs are happy with the present systems, so it will be interesting to see what new proposals emerge.

The County Board will assemble again one week later to make their championship draws and to discuss other championship related matters.

Board na nOg East, West and County have also arranged meetings to set the new season in motion. So the next several weeks will be busy ones for all.



The WLR FM / Granville Hotel G.A.A. Award for December was presented to The Nire brothers Maurice and Tomas O'Gorman. They won their award for their outstanding performances in The Munster Club football final against Dr. Crooke's. Pictured from left: Tim Hassett, Sales Manager, WLRfm; Pat Flynn, Chair, Co. Board, Maurice O'Gorman, Liam Cusack, Granville Hotel; Thomas O'Gorman, Seamus Grant, Sec. County Board and Caroline Dwyer, WLRfm. (photozone)

Waterford Footballers Take On UCC In McGrath Cup

This first round winter tournament game will be played at Fraher Field, Dungarvan, on Sunday next with the winners going forward to meet W.I.T in the semi-final at Walsh Park on the following Sunday.

The fact that the game is being played so early in the season makes it difficult to surmise what the line out will be but the expectations are that most of the regulars who remain loyal to the panel throughout the long season of 2006 will again be available.

During last year Waterford's football profile improved very considerably with national

football league victories over Sligo and Cavan and a tremendous Munster championship display against the eventual All Ireland champions Kerry and it is hoped that 2007 will see this profile maintained if not improved on.

UCC have been a strong team in the Cork Championships and for this game will likely have their full panel available since studies will have resumed in the college. However, Waterford will be hopeful of getting off to a winning start for the season and hopefully there will be a good attendance of football supporters to provide en-

couragement. The game has a 2 p.m. start.

NOTE

It is not often that Waterford are given a mention about football related matters on the high profile G.A.A. magazines or publications. So it is surprising then to find our football manager John Kiely given a full page profile in the very popular annual magazine, 'A Season of Sundays' which was in the shops over Christmas. In the picture John is shown in pensive mood and reflecting on his team's performance against Longford in the league at Walsh Park last year.

Greetings Of The Season

To all readers of my weekly notes I extend greetings of the season and offer my sympathy to those members who have suffered bereavements during the past year.

Like everyone in the county, my big wish is for success on the intercounty front.

Over the past several months we have heard almost non-stop complaints concerning the effect that the intercounty programme (and senior hurling in particular) has had on the running of our club championships. Personally I feel that the complaints for the most part were justified. The late finish to the championships was to some extent caused by the intercounty preparation programme. As a result

of all this, relations between clubs and the members responsible for running our intercounty games, were strained and the whole thing certainly generated bad feelings.

However 2006 is now gone into history and a new year has dawned and the people having complaints have had their 'say' and those on the other side having taken serious note of them, the time has come for everyone to put the past behind and work in harmony with the management committees in both codes and in all grades and get the county moving as one in an effort to achieve what ever can be achieved in the year ahead. Standing united we have the better chance.



Pictured at Waterford Crystal for the draw of the Waterford Crystal Hurling Tournament — (l. to r.) Denis Hanrahan (Secretary Waterford Eastern Board), Sean Fogarty (Chairman Munster Council), Frank Hickey (H.R. Director Waterford Crystal), Pat Flynn (Chairman Waterford County Board) and Seamus Grant (Secretary Waterford Co. Board). Photo: Jim O Sullivan

New Year New Rules

With the start of the new season, the well debated new Disciplinary rules are now in force and will apply as and from Monday last.

The Hearing Committee who will adjudicate on all serious breaches of the code and who will operate on behalf of all boards in the county, will shortly be appointed by the county management committee before getting the approval of the county committee.

All clubs will be expected to familiarise themselves with the changes after they have received copies of the new official guide which should be available in late January.

This is a subject to which I will return in the very near future when I intend giving an outline of the rule changes.

National League Fixtures

Holding their final meeting as the G.A.C. sub committee, the County Competitions Control Committee have named the home venues for the hurling and football leagues.

Hurling

February 18th —	Wexford v Waterford (away);
March 3rd —	Waterford v Cork at Walsh Park.
March 18th —	Waterford v Clare (away)
March 25th —	Waterford v Down, at Fraher Field.
April 1st —	Waterford v Offaly at Walsh Park

Football

February 4th —	Waterford v Wexford at Fraher Field.
February 11th —	Waterford v Sligo (away).
February 25th —	Waterford v Antrim at Fraher Field.
March 3rd —	Waterford v Wicklow at Fraher Field,
March 25th —	Waterford v Tipperary (away).
March 31st —	Waterford v Meath (away)
April 4th —	Waterford v Cavan at Fraher Field.

Ballinameela G.A.A. Club Notes

We held the AGM of the club on Friday last the 30th of December in the Community hall in Ballinameela. Our Chairman Pat Barron welcomed all present to the meeting and asked the Secretary Mike Walsh to read the minutes of the last AGM. Mike followed the minutes with a detailed report of the activities of the club over the last twelve months. While the majority of the clubs activities were focused on the field we did hold two events which were both very successful. The first being a BBQ in Kereen Bar during the summer and the hosting of "The Stacks in Concert" in November. Both events took considerable organisation and special thanks must go to the organising committee for the effort they made in making both nights so successful.

Another thing which seemed to catch peoples attention from the secretary's report was the fragmented way in which the playing season was run. I will comment on this later in my report. Mike mentioned the effort which all those in charge of teams had put in over the year and thanked them for the work which they had done.

After the secretary's report our treasure Mark Cliffe laid out in great detail the clubs financial activates for the year, and while we broke even for the year the costs of running the club are getting higher and higher which in turn means greater effort and imagination must go into fundraising.

In the Chairmans address Pat thanked all those who worked so hard in the different aspects of running the club and expressed the wish that the club would achieve the potential it has on the playing field.

The election of officers was went through very quickly with only two changes John Fletcher took over as membership officer and Tom Power took the position of club development officer. Selectors were also picked those given the responsibility of the hurling and football teams for 2007 are Jim McGrath, Decky Glavin, Terry McCarty and Mathew Fogarty.

At this stage a number of issues came up for discussion but most notably the running of championship and leagues. The club had entered in the county hurling and football leagues and only played a handful of games in both, and we played our first championship football match in April and the next in September. Young people will not stay playing the sport if we continue in this fashion. We must put in place a structure where a fixture list can be formulated and strictly adhered to which will provide a coherent league and championship season, this should be done in conjunction with all boards in the county. It is in my opinion the responsibility of everyone to make this the number one focus of every club and board official until we have fixture schedule which can be sent to each club which gives the dates for each game which will be played in the forthcoming season. I don't presume this to be an easy task but I do believe it to be achievable. If we as clubs and boards do not address this we will loose more and more players. Lets stop talking about this issue lets take the lead and produce an organised playing season for everyone.

GERALDINES GAA NOTES

LOTTO

22nd Dec 2006: - Winning numbers 13, 25 and 30. No winner. €20 winners: - Aidan O'Connor, Martin Colbert, Michael Irwin, Tom Scanlan and Gretta Kelleher. Christmas €50 Winners: - Niamh Kiely, Eoin Coughlan, Maebh Morrissey, Michael Ronayne, and Mary and Emma Lenihan.

Next weeks Jackpot is €3,950 and the draw is in the Cruiscin.

AGM

This years Agm will be held on this Saturday 6th January at 8pm sharp in our hall in Aghlish. Everyone is welcome to attend and of course we expect all members and especially players to do so.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Christy Lombard and Jane Horsom who got married recently.

It's also been a busy Christmas for our club officers as firstly our Secretary Donnacha Tobin and Fiona McGuire had a baby boy Enna and also announced their engagement while our Chairman David Cullinane and Tricia Cahill also got engaged. So busy times ahead and congratulations to all!!



Pictured above are the winners of the "Man of the Match Awards" from the Under 14 County Football finals sponsored by Combined Waterford and Tramore Credit Unions — Back row (l. to r.) Anthony Fitzpatrick, Portlaw/Mollerans, Padraig Prendergast, Lismore, Luke Egan, Dungarvan, Robert Grace, Secretary County Bord na nOg, Garry Hurney special guest, Eamon Power, Tramore, Greg Murphy, Ferrybank, Jim Curran, St. Olivers and Thomas Keane Assistant P.R.O. County Bord na nOg. Front row (l. to r.) Joe Cleary, Treasurer County Bord na nOg, Pat Flynn, Chairman County Board, Eddie O'Shea, Chairman County Bord na nOg, Jimmy O'Gorman, Vice-Chairman Munster Council, Marion Murphy, Dermot Murphy both of Combined Waterford and Tramore Credit Unions and John O'Leary, P.R.O. County Bord na nOg. (Robert Power Photography)

TOURIN G.A.A. AND NEIGHBOURHOOD NOTES

A.G.M.

Another year has dawned and let's hope that 2007 will be a good year. The Annual General Meeting of both the Tourin Hurling and Ballinwillin Football clubs will take place on Saturday, 13th January at 8:15pm. Venue: Toby Jug, Cappoquin. All are welcome. There will a presentation of medals on this night also.

RESULTS OF CHRISTMAS DRAW

Thanks to everyone who supported the draw and to those who provided prizes.

1st prize: Dolls House - Brian Whelan, Melleray Road, Cappoquin; 2nd prize: Hamper - Richard Iorda, c/o John McGrath, Dungarvan Road; 3rd prize: Waterford Crystal - Emily Devine, Lismore; 4th prize: Sports Top - Chris Dalton, Cappoquin; 5th prize: Leg of Lamb/Wine - Mary McGrath, Melleray; 6th prize: Handmade Basket/Bottle of Baileys - Seamus Hearne, Dunmore Badminton Club; 7th prize: Waterford Crystal - Paddy Fives (Snr), Tourin; 8th prize: Bottle of Baileys - Maura Greene, Cappoquin; 9th prize: Bottle of Wine - Martin Kenefick, Aghlish; 10th prize: Box of chocolates - Helen Cotter, c/o Ken O'Donnell.

LONG PUCK IN KILL

A few members of the GAA club travelled to this event on Wednesday, 27th December. It has now become a big social event in the Christmas Calendar and is organised by the Kill club. The beneficiary this year was the South East Radiotherapy Trust, this organisation helps to transport cancer patients for treatment to and from Cork on a daily basis.

CHRISTMAS SWIM

One of our members, William Leahy braved the elements during Christmas to plunge into the cold waters in Lismore. (And that was without a wet

suit! Brr! Brr!) But it was all for a good cause as William was fundraising for the Lismore Branch of the St. Vincent de Paul - Well done William!

BADMINTON

Please check with committee members regarding training/social badminton. The mixed league should be getting underway shortly and I believe the Cup competitions are not too far off either.

CAPPOQUIN - A WINDOW ON THE PAST

This book was launched early in December by the Cappoquin Civic Link and if you have not

got hold of a copy yet, you are missing out. There are some very interesting pictures of Cappoquin and there are also photographs of past Tourin Hurling teams. Book only costs E12 and is available from any of the Civic Link committee.

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

As always, Christmas is tinged by sadness and our deepest sympathies are extended to the families, relatives and friends of those who have died not alone in our own parish but in other neighbouring parishes too.

STRADBALLY G.A.A. CLUB NOTES

A.G.M. DATES

Our Underage A.G.M. will go ahead next Friday, January 5th at 8pm. The Adult A.G.M. will be held on Monday, January 15th at 7pm sharp. All are welcome.

SOCIAL

Our clubs annual social will take place in the Park Hotel on Saturday, February 17th. Tickets will be on sale shortly.

SYMPATHY

We extend sympathy to Martina Roche, High Street and Patricia McKeon, Chapel Road on the death of their father Matty Lonergan, Leamybrien.

We also extend deepest sympathy to the Drohan family, Knockrour on the death of John Drohan, Waterford and formally of Stradbally.

Deepest sympathy also to the family of Margaret Cashin, Stradbally.

May they rest in peace.

SCOR NA NOG

Well done to our quiz team of Gillian Ahearn, Eileen O'Brien and Nicola Fennell and also to Nicola Fennell in recitation who won the County final recently. Also well done to the figure dancers and second quiz team who were beaten in the final. The Munster semi final goes ahead next Sunday.

WEEKEND AWAY

All money for the weekend away in Prague must be paid by this Friday. Everyone travelling must have a valid passport.

MCGRATH CUP

Best of luck to our players who play for Waterford against UCC in the McGrath Cup next Sunday.

Clashmore Kinsalebeg GAA Notes

LOTTO

There has been no winner of the lotto with the past two weeks so the jackpot has risen substantially. Spot prizes of €20 are still on offer and we thank everyone for buying and selling tickets.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

The club would like to extend good wishes for 2007 to everyone involved supporting and contributing to the club. Let's hope for a successful and enjoyable year for all concerned.

GET WELL SOON

Our new PRO, Liam Dunne, is still waiting to take the hot seat as he is currently out of action. All of the club are thinking of you and hope to see you around again soon.

Also the club extends our well wishes to committee member Eamon Beresford who is also recovering from a brief stint in Hospital. We hope for good health with our members in the coming year.

Saint Olivers G.A.A. Notes

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

Best wishes to all our members for 2007, hopefully it will be a bright year for club and county.

INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL

Congratulations to our near neighbours The Brickeys on their recent victory in the 2006 intermediate football championship.

The Leader Sports Review 2006

By Kevin Kirrane



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JANUARY



Some of the West Waterford A.C. Master athletes who competed in the Munster Indoor Athletic Championships

There was a big turnout on St. Stephen's Day for the Annual Charity Fun Run and Walk organised by Dungarvan GAA club. The run was in aid of the local Sesame Pre-School and the response was tremendous with a sum of 2,500 euro collected.

Nine Masters athletes from West Waterford AC made the journey to Nenagh for the Munster Indoor Athletic Championships and started the New Year celebrations off early by running off with a haul of twenty-five medals. Three individual gold's were won by the Kilmeaden supremo Ellis Ni hAodha in the 800m, 200m and long jump. Her fourth came when she successfully captained the women's relay team to victory. Joe Gough meanwhile kept his unbeaten 800m record of 13 years intact by winning the 800m. Joe also took gold in the long jump and bronze in the 600m, 200m and relay bringing his impressive medal tally to five.

The Park Hotel Sports Star of the Month was Waterford born Shane Robinson who plies his trade with Drogheda Utd. Shane

Waterford AC were to the fore again filling the top two placings at the years end with Judy Hanrahan toping the pile ahead of Ann Dunford to be named the club athlete of the year.

Siobhan Brackett and Mark Bannon both took gold in the pole vault in the Munster Junior Championships while rounding off a very successful day for West Waterford athletes Liam Houlihan took the Senior Men's Pole Vault with a vault of 4.00 metres.

Run away table toppers Ardmore strengthened their grip on the WWEC league after defeating second placed Lismore 2-0,

joined an elite group of Waterford soccer players to have captured an FAI cup medal, after his side defeated Cork City in a well-contested final.

In what was one of the best ever Tony Bolger Cup Finals, Accrington Celtic deservedly overcame Mogeely 3-2 after extra time in a thrilling game. In the Plate Final Lismore's cup tradition continued with victory over Blackwater Rangers 2-0.

The female athletics in West

came away with medals from the World Championships, which were held in Mexico.

Dungarvan Utd advanced to the last 16 of the FAI Junior Cup after a powerful performance against Rock Rovers. Dungarvan overcame the Limerick side 2-0 in what was an emphatic win.

Inter county and Ardmore Senior Hurler, Seamus Prendergast won the overall WLR FM/Granville Hotel GAA award for 2005. The centre forward put in a mighty display in the All-Ireland quarterfinal against Cork and was an All-Star nominee for the past two years.

Limerick produced a comprehensive display to defeat Waterford in the Waterford Crystal Mini Senior Hurling Tournament. Waterford lost out on a scoreline of 1-18 to 1-9 in a match in which the nine point winning margin adequately illustrated



Seamus Power wins Park Hotel Supreme Sports Star Award



Dungarvan United's Premier side who defeated Rock Rovers 2-0 to advance to the last 16 of the FAI Junior Cup.

widening the gap at the summit of the table to twelve points. While it was heartache for Lismore's A side their B-side would be playing Division One football next season after clinching promotion with the 3-0 demolition of Brideview Utd.

In racquetball, Julie Skehan, Gemma Cliffe and Eileen Hickey all from the Tourneena club

the difference in standards.

Meanwhile in Senior Football, Waterford put in a spirited performance but lost out to Kerry on a score of 2-10 to 2-2 in the McGrath Cup.

Ardmore were crowned WWEC Champions after another comprehensive victory over Cappoquin. The Seasideers produced a 4-0 victory to put them out of reach of second placed Lismore to clinch the title, with an incredible record of 10 wins in eleven games.

Seamus Power was named Park Hotel Sports Star of the Year, at a star studded ceremony capping off a tremendous year for the young golfer. Seamus from Ballinamult had a comprehensive win in the Irish Open Youths Championship over a top class field of international amateurs from Ireland, the UK and Europe in what was the highlight of his glittering career to date.

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FEBRUARY

Sandis Bralitis was in sparkling form in the Waterford AC hosted Waterford Crystal 10km race in what was the first race of the Michael Roche Carpets Spring Series. Sandis went on to win the race by smashing the Crystal road race record of 50.08.

Dungarvan bowed out of the FAI Junior Cup at the last 32 stage in a blaze of glory having put up a tremendous showing against cup giants St. Ita's of Limerick. St. Ita's went through to meet Portmarnock after a 2-1 win.

It was promotion and relegation thrills and spills in the WWEC league with 33 goals scored in the three Divisions. Valley Rangers were almost there in Division One, stretching their lead at the summit to five points over Araglen; while at the bottom of the Premier Division one point was all that separated four teams, Kilworth, Cappoquin, Gortroe and Inch as the relegation battle heated up.

Waterford edged out UCC in a close final of the Senior Hurling Waterford Crystal Plate. In what was a splendid contest from start to finish at Colligan, UCC pushed Waterford to the limit with the Deise men eventually edging out UCC by a single point 1-14 to 1-13. Conor Carey was Waterford's top scorer on 1-2.

five seconds off his personal best time for 1,500m and coming in second behind James Nolan of UCD.

In the Dungarvan Tyre Cup, Ardmore relinquished their hold on the cup, losing for the first time in the competition for two seasons, by losing at home to Cappoquin 1-0. Araglen, Mogeely, Bride View and Valley Rangers were among the other sides to march on.

Waterford were lucky to take all the points against an exceptionally strong challenge put up by Wexford at Fraher Field in the opening National League fixture. The game was tremendously competitive and thoroughly enjoyed by the 5,000 attendance. Paul Flynn scored 1-6 of Waterford's 1-13 to 0-14 win.

A poor start proved costly for the Waterford Senior Ladies Football team when they lost out in the National League to Kerry. Conceding 2-4 in the opening quarter meant it was always a case of playing catch up. Despite a brave fight-back, the ladies lost out 2-13 to 2-8.



The Waterford senior footballers who beat Sligo in the National League.

Seamus Power capped a magnificent year after being awarded the Pat Noctor award for Supreme Young Sports Star of the year. In front of a packed attendance, the young golfer received the final accolade, following his Park Hotel Sports Star Award, to fill his trophy bag for what was an exceptionally fruitful season for him.

Waterford defeated Tipperary in the Senior Hurling Crystal Plate semi-final in Colligan. Waterford won out on a scoreline of 2-20 to 0-9 with Ballygunner man Paul Flynn bagging 2-3.

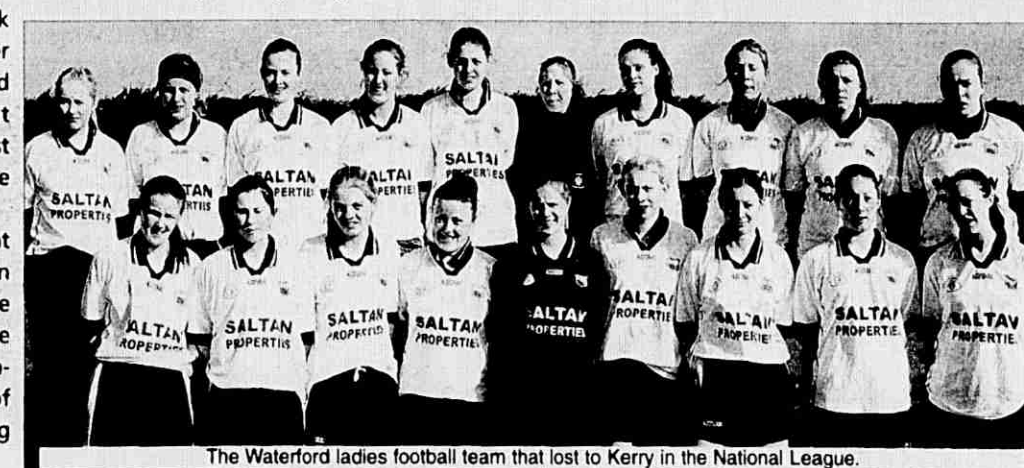
Waterford Ladies football team meanwhile produced an impressive performance to defeat Dublin to open their National League campaign in the best possible style. They defeated the Leinster champions on a score of 3-11 to 0-13 with top scorer Niamh Briggs bagging 2-3 and Aoife Murphy scoring 1-4.

Hurney to break the deadlock with the sides locked together on the scoreboard. Waterford nevertheless deserved what was their first ever win against a Connaught county on a score of 2-7 to 0-12.

David McCarthy took silver at the National championships in Belfast. Running against the cream of Senior Irish middle distance athletes, the Ballinamult youngster had the run of his career to date, creaming



Ronan Dunford and Mike Kearns Junior B Racquetball National Champions



The Waterford ladies football team that lost to Kerry in the National League.

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David McCarthy wins the gold medal in the All Ireland senior boys cross country race in Dublin.

Brigid Coffey was crowned champion of the 6 mile All-Rounder Sports Winter League on the final night of West Waterford AC's most successful ever series. Brigid knocked whopping two minutes off her time to take the title at the death. Raivis Zakis was second Jason Dee third in the series.

Fourteen men Waterford shocked the favourites Cork to snatch a comprehensive victory in the National Hurling League. Without fielding All-Stars Ken McGrath and Tony Browne and having Seamus Prendergast sent off for a second yellow card offence as early as the seventeenth minute, Waterford were always up against it. Ultimately Eoin Kelly with some masterful scores and Paul Flynn with 0-6 were major contributors in Waterford's valuable and morale boosting win.

The first ever clash between Waterford and Armagh senior ladies took place in the National Football league with the Desie emerging the winners of the clash on a scoreline of 1-11 to 1-8.

The battle for the league WWEC title may have been over but the relegation crunch was really hotting up in both the Premier and First Division. With Inch and Gortroe fighting it out to avoid the bottom placing in the Premier Division both had a game in hand on Cappoquin and Kilworth who had just three points to spare to avoid the drop.

Tournaneena's Triston Hickey teamed up with Arklow's Adam

Nearly for the first time to win the National Doubles championship open competition for the first time.

Raivis Zakis retained the Paddy Joe Delaney Memorial Shield at the Ballycotton 10 ahead of a record entry of 160 Waterford AC runners. Overall, he finished second in what was an extremely strong field ultimately headed by Vinny Falvey of Raheny AC.

It was back to league action for the WWEC clubs and both Inch, who had a win against second placed Lismore and Gortroe who had an even better 5-1 win against Bride View bridged the gap to Cappoquin and Kilworth at the foot of the Premier Division. Just a single point separated the four teams as the relegation battle took yet against twist. Meanwhile in the First Division Valley Rangers were celebrating after clinching the title after a 0-0 draw with third placed Araglen.

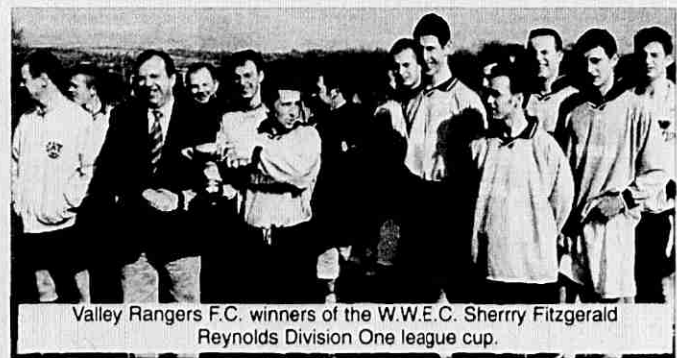
David McCarthy of West Waterford AC was named the combined Waterford City Credit Unions 2005 Supreme Juvenile Athlete of the Year at the City Hall, Waterford. It marked the start of another great weekend for the St. Augustines cross-country runner, who celebrated his success with another - this time taking the Senior Boys 6,500 metre All-Ireland Championship title.

Waterford Senior Footballers comprehensively went down to Wicklow in the National Football League. Three goals, one of which was against the run of play, made all the difference, with



Local lads become Munster Handball Champions.

MARCH



Valley Rangers F.C. winners of the W.W.E.C. Sherry Fitzgerald Reynolds Division One league cup.

the Garden County running out 3-7 to 0-6 winners.

There was disappointment too for the Senior Hurlers who lost out to Clare in an exciting and tense encounter in the National League with the Deise falling to the deserved winners Clare on a 1-16 to 0-15 scoreline.

There were Gold, Silver and Bronze medals for West Waterford AC's pole-vaulters at the National Junior Indoor Championships in Nenagh. Clearing a single jump set at 3.60 metres Mark Bannon, who was badly injured in the days leading up to the championships, cleared to take Gold. In the Ladies Junior Siobhan Brackett and Susie Lonergan took silver and bronze respectively.

There was further joy for West Waterford AC athletes at the Munster Road Championships where they collected 26 medals. There were individual medals for Raivis Zakis who had a super second place finish, where Ann Dunford took a silver medal in the over 35 section and bronze in the same category went to Mairead Flynn. Meanwhile in the teams competitions West Waterford took no less than three sets of inter club medals and three sets of inter county medal points.

In the National Football League, Tipperary took the points at Fraher Field, as missed chances proved costly for Waterford, losing out on an eventual scoreline of 1-11 to 1-6.

Inch and Gortroe faced next season playing in the First Division after their attempt to haul in Cappoquin and Kilworth eventually proved fruitless. Inch lost out to League Champions Ardmore to lose their bid to retain their Premier Division status for another season.

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APRIL



Waterford Under-21 Footballers who defeated Clare in the Munster semi final.

West Waterford AC athlete Brendan Moran wearing the green singlet of Ireland set a new Irish record at the World Masters Championships in Austria. He was unfortunate to lose out on a place in the final, ultimately finishing fourth in his heat.

Waterford defeated Clare in an exciting Munster semi final at Fraher Field in U-21 Football. Played in atrocious weather conditions, Waterford ran out 1-8 to 0-7 winners with Patrick Hurney striking the killer goal with just seven minutes of the second half remaining.

Waterford were too strong for Tyrone in Ladies Football in the quarterfinals of the National League. Niamh Briggs scored 1-4 of Waterford 1-13 to record a four points win over their Northern opposition.

There was further good news on the Camogie front, when Waterford produced the best possible opener to their National League campaign with the demolition of Meath by 3-17 to 1-2 with Karen Kelly contributing 2-5.

Dungarvan Boxers did extremely well in the Munster Boys Championships. Out of the five boys competing from Dungarvan BC three qualified for the All-Ireland Finals in Dublin's National Stadium. Michael Walsh, Richard Walsh and Michael Pio McDonagh all won through to the finals by dispatching Munster rivals.

Waterford shocked Cavan in an exciting tie in the National Football League. Having to play with fourteen men for three quarters of the game and having a penalty scored against them

onship ahead, Waterford lost out 3-14 to 0-15 at Birr.

In the National Camogie League, Waterford were taking out a leaf out of the Wildcats book after another excellent performance, this time against Carlow. Wildcats star Oliva O'Reilly gave the team talk that spurred Waterford to a 2-12 to 2-3 win.

Fresh from his terrific run in the Rotterdam marathon three days earlier Raivis Zakis won his fourth and the final stage of the Copytype Secretarial League ahead of Kevin Kenneally and Keith Radley.

Cappoquin and Mogeely were to square off in the WWEC Dungarvan Tyre Centre Cup Final after Cappoquin disposed of their B side 3-0 and Mogeely had a hard fought win over Valley Rangers in the semi-finals.

The National Hurling League ended in disappointment for the Deise as a lacklustre second half display saw the Deise fall to old foes Limerick by 0-21 to 0-14 before a 20,000 attendance at Semple Stadium.

Waterford had no answer to a rampant Cork side in the Munster U-21 Football final, with the scoreline of 4-14 to 1-6 telling a sad story of the big

gap in standards between a Waterford team and a Cork team who were going for their third in a row U21 title.

In the Minor Football championship their was more disappointment as Waterford went down to Limerick on a score of 2-11 to 2-4.

But there was no slip up for a rampant Waterford Camogie side who disposed of London comprehensively by 5-13 to 2-2 with Karen Kelly scoring 2-6 of the total.

Dungarvan Boxer Michael McDonagh won his second National title in the Youths and Boys Championship in the National Stadium Dublin. In the final, McDonagh fought back from two points down in the final round against Donegal opponent, Anthony Brady, winning on a 9-6 score.

In the WWEC Leonard Fraser Youths Cup Final, Ardmore defeated Cappoquin on penalties after normal and extra time failed to produce a winner. Ardmore won 4-2 on penalties.

Clashmore cruised to an easy victory over Kilmacthomas in a game that never rose above mediocrity in a Senior Football Championship clash at Fraher Field with Clashmore running out 1-8 to 0-5 winners.

In the other Senior Football Championship match of the weekend, the Nire proved too strong for an under-strength Tramore side. Leading by five points at half time, the Nire never looked in danger of losing this match and were deserving 0-12 to 0-4 winners.



Brideview United Under-16 team with managers Noel and Mary Cunningham after they had defeated Pinewood Rangers in the final of the Under-16 Cup.

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MAY



Mogeely, winners of the W.W.E.C. Dungarvan Tyre Centre Cup final in which they defeated Cappoquin on penalties after extra time.

Mogeely were celebrating cup success with a penalty shoot-out win over Cappoquin in the final of the Dungarvan Tyre Centre Cup. The East Cork side won through 3-2 after the sides finished all square after extra time. It was Mogeely's first cup success in their eighteen-year history. Meanwhile in the East Cork Oil Youth League, Brideview defeated Cappoquin 3-1 after extra-time.

It was an action packed weekend too in the Senior Football Championship where five in a row champions, Stradbally looked very impressive in overcoming An Rinn 1-17 to 0-6 while Gaultier defeated Ardmore by a single point 0-13 to 1-11 in a



Luke Egan, Dungarvan, winner of the County Feile Skills Competition.

gold when winning the junior 2000-m steeplechase.

A first national title at an adult grade was the prize on offer for Waterford in the National Camogie League Division 3 Final against Roscommon. In the end, Waterford's ability to convert chances was the difference between the side in an awesome performance by the Deise ladies who ended winning by 5-12 to 1-10.

De La Salle proved too strong for Fourmilewater in a low-key contest in the Senior Hurling Championship. It was double scores for De La Salle who defeated Fourmilewater 0-12 to 0-06. In other games in the championship, Stradbally pulled off the shock of the weekend by defeating county champions Ballygunner 3-10 to 0-15 while Lismore defeated Abbeyside 1-5 to 0-12 in Cappoquin.

There was heartache for Waterford in the Munster Minor Hurling semi-final as the Deise crashed out to a talented Cork side 1-15 to 1-8 in Fraher Field.

Dungarvan CBS scored a hard-earned victory over St. Declan's in the Waterford Colleges Senior Hurling Final played at Fraher Field.

thriller at Leamybrien.

There were medals and records alike for West Waterford athletes in the Munster Track and Field Junior and U-23 Championships. Mark Bannon recorded a splendid win in the pole vault in the Junior Boys. Emma Dunne, Susie Lonergan and Aisling Fennell filled the top three positions in the Ladies competition while Diarmuid O'Foghlú was another West Waterford athlete to taste

Goals by Cormac Curran and Eoin Brackett proved the difference between the sides with Dungarvan eventually emerging 2-7 to 0-7 winners.

Ballyduff defeated De La Salle in a thriller in the Senior hurling championship in what was a splendid contest with great scores and goalmouth action aplenty at Fraher Field. Ballyduff overcame the city side by 3-13 to 4-6.

Also in the Senior Hurling Championship Tallow and Lismore shared the points in a rip roaring contest at Cappoquin 2-13 to 1-16 while Mt. Sion enjoyed a narrow victory over a resolute Ardmore side 1-12 to 1-10.

In the Munster Senior Football Championship, Kerry overcame a solid Waterford challenge. Rank outsiders Waterford put the mighty Kingdom to the limit for more than three-quarters of the game before eventually giving way 0-16 to 0-8 in what was a rather misleading scoreline in a keenly contested game.

Brave Dungarvan CBS bowed out of the Rice Cup at the semi-final stage losing out to Doon CBS by 4-6 to 0-7.

Julie Skehan and Triston Hickey of Tourneena Racquetball club made the National Senior Team that will compete in the World Championships in the Dominican Republic.



Lismore Under-11 team who won the Ber Ryan Tournament.

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JUNE

In the U-21 A Football Final Champions Ballinacourty retained their title in a match of two halves against the Nire. Ballinacourty emerged the winners by 3-9 to 0-10.

Meanwhile, Brickey Rangers clinched the U21 B Football Final with a four point's win over Stradbally in an exciting game. The Brickey's won on a scoreline of 1-11 to 1-7.

In the Intermediate Hurling Championship, the Geraldines finished all square 1-6 to 1-6 in a tense and exciting clash.

West Waterford AC were crowned Munster Track & Field Champions when their athletes came away with a massive haul of 65 medals. Twenty-seven athletes made their way to the championships in Kerry and came away with the top club award for the first time as well as a host of individual and team medals.

A wasteful Waterford side lost out to Tipperary in the Munster Senior Hurling semi-final played out at Pairc Ui Caoimh in front of 28,000 spectators. However, the final scoreline did not do justice to a splendid Waterford effort. Eoin Kelly of Tipperary scored 2-5 of his sides 3-14 to 1-12 win.

Meanwhile, Waterford also were pipped by Tipperary in a closely contested Intermediate Hurling semi-final. Waterford lost out by a single point 1-13 to 0-15.

Sandis Bralitis lead West Waterford AC to Gold in the National 5,000m championships in Navan. It was West Waterford AC first ever national gold medal on the track.

The Waterford U-21 hurlers defeated Limerick in an exciting contest in Fraher Field by a single point. Coming in the wake of the disappointment at Pairc Ui Caoimh three days before the

result brought a measure of compensation to the county's hurling supporters. In what was a very close knit affair, vigorously contested all through, it was Waterford who emerged on the right side of a 0-11 to 0-10 scoreline.

Dungarvan Utd reached the final of the Aghada Cup defeating city side Villa on penalties. With the prospect of playing league champions Carrick in the final awaiting both sides, it was tough encounter for the Blues and ended all square after extra time. Dungarvan, however, went on to win 6-5 on penalties.

An in-form Waterford scored a decisive win over Westmeath in the qualifiers after a splendid first half performance virtually blew away the midlanders. Dave Bennett scored seven points while goals came from Ken McGrath, John Mul-lane and Dan Shanahan in Waterford's 3-22 to 1-14 demolition of Westmeath.

Waterford senior footballers tested hot favourites Longford in an exciting match in the All-Ireland Qualifiers. Longford were put to the pin of their collars in the course of a 1-16 to 1-9 win over Waterford.



St. Joseph's Dungarvan, who defeated Bothar na Naomh, Lismore in the Blake Cup.

he excelled to take the two superb titles home.

The Nire were clearly the stronger team in the Senior Football Championship recording an excellent win against Kilmacthomas. In what proved a total mismatch the Nire ran out winners by 5-12 to 0-5



Athletes from Carriglea who participated in the All Ireland Special Olympic Games in Belfast.

There was double gold success for West Waterford AC member Kieran Coleman in the Special Olympics in Belfast. Recording two personal best times, Kieran won the 1,500m and 3,000 m when



Ballinroad A.F.C. Under-11 with Ireland and Manchester United star John O'Shea at a tournament in Ferrybank.

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JULY



Billy Coleman presents the Michael C. Nagle Memorial Trophy to Sandis Bralitis after he won the Dungarvan Leader Dromana 5 mile road race.

West Waterford athletes were among the medals at the All-Ireland track and field championships for Junior and U-23's in Tullamore. Aisling Fleming secured silver in the Junior

Waterford's winning run in the All-Ireland Junior Camogie Championship came to an end against Roscommon after a lacklustre first half performance. The first half was a tale of missed opportunities and nervous defending and that proved the difference between the sides at the end with Roscommon ending up the victors by 2-7 to 1-9.



Waterford lady footballers who beat Kerry in the Munster semi final at Fraher Field.

ladies pole vault. Dermot Cummins continued his good form, talking a super silver in the 5,000 m and David McCarthy took silver in the 400m.

Sandis Bralitis was the first home in a record field for the Dungarvan Leader sponsored Dromana 5 mile road race. Sandis took first place in 24.42 smashing the magic 25-minute barrier for 5 miles to retain his 2005 title.

Waterford defeated Galway in a thrill a minute All-Ireland Senior Hurling Qualifier at Walsh Park. Waterford overturned the bookmaker's odds who were predicting that the Deises championship record against the Tribesmen was about to come to an end. However, in a hard fought match it was Waterford who emerged victorious in front of 10,000 delirious supporters who roared the team on to a 1-25 to 2-20 win.

In the County Senior Football Championship, meanwhile, An Rinn pulled out all the stops to record a shock win over St. Saviours in the second round by 1-15 to 1-8.

David McCarthy secured qualification for the World Junior Championships in Beijing in the 800 m after reaching the qualification time at the All-Ireland Track and Field Championships at Tullamore.

Waterford Senior Hurlers topped their qualifying group after coming out on top with victory over Laois. The win by 2-17 to 1-13 saw goals coming from Michael Walsh and John Mullane to book the Deise a place in the quarter-finals against Tipper-

ary. West Waterford athletes had their most successful weekend ever at the All-Ireland Championships winning seven gold, four silver and two bronze medals in Tullamore. Among the medal winners were Zoe Scanlon, Thomas Houlihan, and Diarmuid O Foghlu.

The Deise Ladies Football team scored a deserved victory over Kerry, sending them through to the Munster Final and guaranteeing them an All-Ireland quarterfinal berth. They overcame the Kingdom by two points at the end of a tight contest on a scoreline of 1-8 to 1-6.

Ballinacourty scored a deserved win in the Phelan Cup by overcoming the challenge of Gaultier at Walsh Park. Ballinacourty comfortably led at half-time and they rarely let up during the second, eventually ending on the right side of a 1-14 to 1-9 win.

Cork stormed to victory in the final minutes of the Munster U21 Hurling Semi-Final against Waterford in what was an titanic battle for hurling supremacy in Pairc Ui Caoimh. It was an open contest until the final ten minutes when Cork proved to have that little bit more in reserve and won deservedly by 3-17 to 1-12 in the end.

Jamie Costin took Gold at the National Track and Field Championship in Morton Stadium, Santry in the 10,000-m walk. It was Jamie's third National 10k to add to his two 35k titles and a 5k indoor title.

A battling Deise inflicted defeat on Tipperary in a thrilling contest at Croke Park in the Senior Hurling Quarter Final. Of the four quarter finals over the weekend, journalists plumped for this game as the tie of the lot and they were not disappointed as it proved to be an epic contest with Ken McGrath and Dan Shanahan giving displays of All-Star quality. Dan produced a man of the match winning performance with one commentator describing the big Waterford forward as being majestic and his relieving goal and five points from play were a major contribution to Waterford's 1-22 to 3-13 victory.

In the Tommy Murphy Senior Football, Waterford were unlucky not to full off a result against Tipperary, falling to a two points defeat, 0-12 to 1-7.

In a U-21 County Football double header, Western sides won A and B titles with Ballinacourty recording a terrific win over Tramore 2-12 to 0-2 and the Brickey's defeating St. Mary's 2-10 to 0-3.



Ballinacourty who beat Gaultier to win the 2005 Phelan Cup.

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AUGUST



The Waterford senior hurling team who narrowly lost to Cork in the All Ireland semi final.

win the All-Ireland title proved too strong for the Deise Ladies eventually winning out 1-17 to 1-6.

The Deise was out of luck in another Croke Park thriller, this time against Cork as they suffered an agonising one point defeat in the All-Ireland semi-final. While in the final analysis the reigning All-Ireland champions were the slightly better team on the day those who

Sixteen year old Peter Moloney from Colligan Equestrian Centre jumped to victory at the prestigious RDS Pony Show. The competition was extremely tight with many of Ireland's most promising young jockeys taking part. However, Peter won the 148A class thanks to his unbeatable performance on his pony Jacknell Street.

There was All-Ireland glory for the Cunnigar Pitch and Putt club's John O'Shea. John kept his cool during the final round at Larkspur Park Pitch and Putt club of -3 to give him a total score of 160, putting him a massive five shots clear of the field to secure All-Ireland glory.

Ballyduff Lower were deserving winners of the Senior Hurling clash with Ardmore while in the same championship Ballyduff West went through to the quarter finals with victory over Four-milewater.

The line up for the Bolger Cup for the semi-finals was becoming clearer after Bride View A defeated Accrington Celtic, Lismore defeated Gortroe, Mogeely easily disposed of Araglen and Valley Rangers lost out to Cappoquin.



Peter Moloney before his victory at the prestigious RDS Pony Show with sponsor David Geoghegan of Equestrian World of Maynooth.

watched the game would agree that Waterford deserved at least a draw. A late free struck by acting team captain Ken McGrath hit the upright and denied Waterford the score that would have sent the game to a replay. In the end however, it was Cork who went on to the All-Ireland final by 1-16 to 1-15.

Abbeyside scored a decisive win over Tallow in the Senior Hurling Championship after well taken goals within a five minute spell helped the Villagers to a nine points advantage in very entertaining game at Cappoquin. The gap was maintained throughout the second half with Abbeyside going on to win 4-15 to 1-15.

The WWEC football season began with the kick-off of the Bolger Cup. Of a number of interesting fixtures included a rematch between Ardmore and Inch, who coincidentally played against each other on the last day of the previous season. It was Ardmore who prevailed again defeating Inch 2-1 in an entertaining game. Other results saw Mogeely defeat Clashmore on penalties, Castlebridge winning the local derby against Valley Rangers and Araglen defeating Blackwater Rangers.

Billy Coleman took the spoils in the West Waterford AC club mile race at the RSC. The forty-year old former footballer turned athlete predicted his time for the mile at 6.30 and he ran it in 6.34 which was the closest predicted time on the night.



Pictured is John O'Shea, Cunnigar Pitch and Putt, receiving the Junior All Ireland Cup from the President of the Pitch and Putt Union of Ireland.

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Dungarvan Minor 'B' football team who captured the Western title after a fantastic second half display against Kilrossanty.

Lismore and Bride View won through to the final of the Bolger Cup final with Lismore winning through to the final thanks to a 5-2 thumping of Ardmore while Bride View defeated Mogeely 2-1 in the semi-finals of the WWEC season opening competition.

West Waterford AC's Sandis Bralitis was the recipient of the Miceal O Hogain C up for the 2006 after he attained a 100% record by winning all eight races. Fellow countryman Dzintars Klava won the two races he didn't race in.

Ballinacourty overcame Ardmore in the Senior Football championship. While on the scoreboard Ballinacourty appeared to win easily by 1-13 to 0-4, if the 13/14 wide kicked by Ardmore were taken into the equation this was not a one sided game. But Ballinacourty were the better team on the day and had it not been for two spectacular saves made by Ardmore 'keeper Conor Hurley the margin could have been wider still.

Missed chances proved costly for the Waterford Ladies Football team in the All-Ireland Quarter Final in Cavan when Waterford went down to Armagh. Both sides had three great chances for goals. But the difference on the day was that the Northern side scored two while Waterford missed all three chances to finish the game on the wrong side of a 2-10 to 0-9 scoreline.

De La Salle defeated wasteful Tallow in a close encounter in the Senior Hurling championship. An overall total of 18 wides as against 8 for De La Salle certainly left Tallow out of the running for the 2006 senior hurling title in a match that never rose to the heights predicted with De La Salle eventually running out the victors by 1-12 to 1-10. In the other Senior Hurling Championship game, Abbeyside strolled past Roanmore in a mismatch by 4-17 to 0-9.

Mary Flynn from Rathgormack was named the Guinness Hurl-

ing Champion of Fans. Mary who was presented with her award by Micheal O Muircheartaigh won 10,000 euro plus premium level tickets for two years for every All-Ireland hurling match in Croke Park.

The opening round of the WWEC league kicked off with a multitude of goals. Cappoquin and Bride View drew 2-2, as did An Gaeltacht and Lismore, while Modeligo beat Glen View by the odd goal in five; promotion favourites

Blackwater thumped Cappoquin 5-1 and Bride View B lost 2-0 to Pinewood.

Brickey Rangers defeated Cois Brid in a pulsating Minor Hurling B Championship decider at Cappoquin when the Brickey's holding their two points lead became the divisional champions on a 1-12 to 1-10 scoreline.

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The opening round of the Oscar Traynor Cup saw the WWEC draw with Clare at Cappoquin. Both sides served up some wonderful football over the 90 minutes. Clare who into the game as pre-match favourites had three in the side who won the Junior Cup three seasons ago, but in a sporting game the WWEC could feel happy with the draw in a game that augured well for their meeting with Limerick at Jackman Park.

The Minor Football County Final between Stradbally and Gaultier ended in a draw. Gaultier were in command up to the halfway stage with the Western Champions Stradbally fighting back to a fully deserved draw.

It was the same two clubs who faced off against each other in the Senior Football Quarter Final but in this encounter, there was a clear winner. Stradbally demolished their eastern rivals with a sparkling second half display to win 2-10 to 2-5.

Dungarvan put themselves just a single step away from regaining Senior Hurling status after defeating Clashmore 2-14 to 1-6 in the Intermediate Hurling Western Final. Dungarvan were the deserving winners having dominated throughout the match.

Stradbally were to bid for an historic sixth County Football Championship in a row after holding out after a strong challenge from Ballinacourty in the first of two semi-finals of the

In the Intermediate Football clash of the weekend, meanwhile, Brickey Rangers were again the victors, this time over Dungarvan by 1-11 to 1-5.

But Dungarvan emerged victorious in the Minor Football B Final overpowering Kilrossanty with an awesome second half display to win 4-11 to 0-5. There were two Senior Hurling Championship games as well when favourites Ballygunner overcame Ardmore and Fourmilewater defeated Ballyduff East by seven points.

The following weekend produced another exciting programme of games. In the Senior Hurling Championship, Abbeyside's great first half display was not enough as Stradbally came through in the closing stages to win 1-10 to 0-8; champions Ballygunner overcame a brave Ballyduff challenge to win 2-13 to 1-13 and Lismore and Fourmilewater finished all square after a tremendous contest in Fraher Field. The replayed game produced another tight cracking game with Lismore eventually surviving the Fourmilewater challenge to advance.

There was one game in the Senior Football Championship where Clashmore advanced at the expense of Kilrossanty 1-11 to 2-4.

NOVEMBER

weekend. In the other game, late scores saw the Nire through after defeating Ardmore 2-11 to 0-10.

WWEC side Lismore won in the Munster Junior Cup against Crusaders of Waterford with a marvellous 3-1 win, and booking a next round tie against fellow league side Clashmore. In league action, meanwhile Aragen had a 6-2 win over Kilworth, Bride View beat Accrington 3-0, Mogeely lost to Cappoquin 4-1 and Inch fell to Gortroe 2-1 in the Premier Division.

Stradbally's six in a row dream was shattered in a bruising contest in the Senior Football County Final as the Nire ruled supreme in what was a titanic contest. It was the Nire's sweetest hour in their sporting history. Scores were hard to come by but when they came they invariably went to the Nire who eventually won by 1-5 to 0-3.

After embarrassment of the previous week when they were unable to fill a side to play in the prestigious FAI Junior Cup Ardmore answered their critics in the best possible style with a crushing 9-0 win against bottom side Accrington Celtic who had conceded 29 goals in just eight outings in the WWEC Premier Division.

In the Minor Football County Final replay Stradbally snatched a deserved victory over Gaultier to bridge a 42 year gap back to 1964 when the club won their last Minor A Football title. They defeated Gaultier 2-9 to 2-6.

In the Intermediate Hurling County Final Clonea survived a strong challenge from a courageous Dungarvan side in a game played in atrocious conditions. Clonea ended up winning by 2-9 to 2-4.

In the Minor B County Final Brickey Rangers proved best in an entertaining contest with Roanmore. Brickey Rangers won the game on a scoreline of 2-7 to 1-4.

Limerick District League proved too strong for the WWEC selection in the Oscar Traynor Cup. WWEC were defeated 6-1 in the second round of group matches played in Jackman Park.

DECEMBER

Stradbally had a one-point victory over a wasteful Ballinacourty side in the Western Junior Football Final in what was a splendid game between two well-contested teams. Stradbally eventually emerged the victors on a scoreline of 2-5 to 1-7.

In the Munster Club semi-final, a marathon contest ended all square in the 68th between the Nire and Aherlow. The Waterford champions had reason to feel disappointed with the outcome of what was a very bruising game that saw 13 black book wavings, 6 yellow cards and two players sidelined. The replayed game a week later saw a masterful display by the Nire to win against a fiercely determined Aherlow side before a very large crowd at Fraher Field. The Nire eventually went on to win 1-10 to 0-6.

In Cappoquin, history was made with the opening of the newly refurbished and extended snooker hall in the town. Fr. Kiely PP carried out the official opening.

Brickey Rangers defeated Kilgobinet in the Western Intermediate Football finals. After defeating Dungarvan in the semi-final, it was expected that Kilgobinet would prove to be strong challengers, but in truth, they had no answer to the power and superior football of the Brickey's who were in control from the start. They eventually ran out winners by 1-14 to 0-5.

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Joan Bolger presenting the Bolger Cup to Lismore captain Aidan Roche. Also included are Colm and Linda Nagle, Dungarvan Leader (sponsors), Michael O'Neill, League Chairman and Joan's grandchildren Carole and Elaine McCarthy.

In the West Minor Football Final, Stradbally came out best in a well-contested game against Ballinacourty eventually coming out on top on a score of 1-5 to 0-6. Cappoquin captured the Western Minor A Hurling Championship with the defeat of Dungarvan by 1-14 to 0-12. In the hurling relegation tussle, meanwhile, Tallow and Ballyduff East were to play again after coming out all square in the first contest.

Dungarvan Ladies Hockey team had a busy and productive weekend, first seeing off the challenge of Belvedere by 2-0 and then thumping a Church of Ireland selection 5-0 in the second game with three of the goals coming from Ann Brennan.

Julie Skehan of Tournaneena Racquetball club reached her first open finals in the Hamburg Open, just failing to win the title at the final hurdle against the German No. 1 Yvonne Kortez.

Dungarvan Boxing Club presented a fantastic night of amateur boxing at the Park Hotel for the Annual Peter Crotty Boxing Tournament. Richard Walsh and Adam Coleman of Dungarvan BC were among the prizewinners on the night.

OCTOBER

In the Senior Hurling Championship semi-final, favourites Mount Sion were pushed all the way by a tenacious Stradbally in an exciting contest, but it was the city side who counted Eoin and Ken McGrath among their starting fifteen who emerged the winners in the end by 2-11 to 0-8.

In the Senior Football Quarter Final Ballinacourty scored a clear cut win over Clashmore to see them advance thanks to a comprehensive 2-14 to 1-6 win. In the Junior Hurling semi-final, meanwhile, Modeligo were the winners of a tight and tension packed thriller against Ballinameela winning 1-12 to 1-10 to set up a final decider with Lismore, with Lismore eventually winning out an action packed tussle with a great second half display by 0-11 to 0-4.

West Waterford AC's Sandis Bralitis was again in medal winning mood, this time at the Waterford Senior Cross Country Championship where he took his first championship while Diane Behan was the victor in the ladies race.

In the Senior Hurling Championship semi-final, Ballygunner pipped Lismore in a real thriller. The game went down to the wire and kept the 3,000 strong crowd on their toes throughout. Ballygunner, however, eventually won through by a single point 1-13 to 1-12.

In the Senior Football championship, Nire overwhelmed St. Brendan's in a low key contest by 2-10 to 0-5 while there was drama in the Intermediate Semi-final where the Geraldines defeated Colligan Rockies by 1-11 to 0-10.

Mt. Sion won their 35th County Senior Hurling title after an exciting Senior Hurling Championship encounter with Ballygunner. An electric start by Mt. Sion saw them 2-0 to 0-0 up in the first six minutes. However, Ballygunner fought back in this epic contest between the two big guns Senior Hurling.

Lismore took the Junior Hurling County title from Fenor who had led coming into the final minutes of the game. However, Lismore rallied in the closing minutes to eventually win the match by 1-10 to 1-8.

DUNGARVAN GOLF CLUB NOTES



Dungarvan Golf Club Captains Drive-in 2007 — (Left To Right): Emer O'Kennedy, Lady Captain, Tadgh Sheehan, Captain, with members and friends of Dungarvan Golf Club. —(Photo Pat Crowley).

Gents Results Dec. 06

Lions Club Christmas Hamper/Enright's Eurospar: (4 day appeal) 16th, 21st, 22nd & 23rd: 1 Liam O'Droma (18) 36 2. Mossie Walsh (9) 35, Gross John Reynolds (Scr) 30 3. Robert Hyde (13) 34 CSS N.Q. 18h S'Ford 24.12.06 1. Liam Treacey (19) 2. J. Corbett (15) 25 B6.

4 Day 11 Hole Mullinahone Fourball

Re-entry S/ford sponsored by two prominent members: 1st M. O' Mahony (13) J Whelan (17) 69pts, 2 Ml Kelly (8) D. Kelly (10) 63, 3 David Walsh (10) Noel Brennan (12) 62.

Gents Fixtures Jan. 2007

Winter League sponsored by Mahon Bridge Electrical - Thur. 4th, Fri. 5th Open 16 H singles s/ford, Sat. 6th and Sun. 7th Club 16 Hole Singles s/ford.

Ladies Results

Dec: Sat. 30th 11 hole S/ford:

1st Tish Baumann (9) 23, 2nd Carmel O' Brien (11) 20pts.

Ladies Fixtures

Sat. Jan. 6th 16 holes s/ford. On going rumble until Sun. 7th Jan. Tues. 9th 11 holes stableford.

LIONS CLUB EVENT

We are delighted to announce that €1,200 was raised between the Mens & Ladies Club. Thank you to all who contributed.

CAPTAINS' DRIVE-IN

Well done to Captains Tadgh Sheehan and Emer O' Kennedy who drove off in style at the Captain's Drive-In on January 1st 2007. There was a large turnout for the scramble which followed.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Thank you to all members who promptly paid their fees. Please note the deadline for collection of remaining subs and social levies was 1st January 2007.

PROGRESSIVE 45:

21.12.06

Winners Michael Kelly & Pat McGovern Runners Up Percy Hallahan & Tom Osbourne Tom Coffey & Noel Brennan Last 5 Tom Melody & Michael Kelleher Lucky Table Micahel Fitzgerald & Tom Phelan.

Progressive 45 every Thursday night at 8.30p.m. in the Clubhouse. All are welcome.

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Results for Wednesday 20th December Winner Johnny Hogan (17) 24 pts Best Lady Peg Hennerbry (21) 15 pts Best Gent Ted Dipple (15) 20 pts

Next competition: Wednesday 3rd January 2007 Draw for partners at 1.30 (Scramble)

DUNGARVAN GOLF CLUB MINI LOTTO (2 WEEKS RESULTS)

Week ending 24.12.06 Winning Numbers: 1, 9, 18, 20

Next weeks jackpot €3000.00 15 Euro Winners: Maura Kindregan, Ann Harney Ballydurn, Fr. Nicholas Power, Liam Treacey Ballycoo, Bernine Hayes. Next Draw Sunday 31st December. Thank you for your support.

Week ending 31.12.06 Winning Numbers 11,15,21,24 Jackpot Winner (No Winner) 15 Euro Winners: Aidan Hanley Carriglaine, Heidi Nielsen C/O Marian Roche, Margaret Foley Ballinacourty, Geraldine Reynolds, Nicola Norris c/o Norris Bros. Next Draw Sunday 7th January 2007. Thank you for your support.

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Dungarvan Golf Club - (front) Jack Leacy Holding the Juvenile Cup; (back): Donal Williams, Captain, Colm O' Hare, Ian Prendergast, representing sponsor David Hayes, Eoin Stack, Mark O' Keefe. —(Photo Pat Crowley).

West Waterford Golf & Country Club

Competition Results:

Sunday 31st December and Monday 1st January - Club competition, 16-hole Stableford

1st: Michael Healy (17) - 38pts. 2nd: Bertie Hallahan (14) - 37pts.

Friday 29th and Saturday 30th December - Club competition, 16-hole Stableford

1st: Pat Crotty (18) - 41pts. 2nd: Austin Spratt (6) - 37pts. 3rd: Bertie Hallahan (15) - 37pts. Gross: Karl O'Callaghan (3) - 32pts.

Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th

and Thursday 28th December - Junior fundraising competition kindly sponsored by Mahers Golf Emporium Cork, 16-hole Stableford

1st: Brian Hilliard (15) - 44pts. 2nd: John O'Shea (18) - 41pts. 3rd: Noel Conway (15) - 39pts. Gross: Austin Spratt (6) 0-31pts. 4th: Gavin Fitzgerald (11) - 38pts.

Christmas day 9-hole Bottle of Brandy, Sponsored by Management West Waterford Golf Club, Winner: John O'Connell (9) - 21pts

Saturday 23rd December and Sunday 24th December - Club competition, 16-hole Stableford

1st: Declan O'Donnell (16) - 37pts. 2nd: Bertie Hallahan (15) - 37pts. 3rd: James O'Donnell (17) - 36pts. Gross: Karl O'Callaghan (3) - 32pts

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 20th, 21st and 22nd December - WLRfm Lion's Club Christmas Hamper Appeal

1st: Pat Landers (13) - 41pts. 2nd: Donal O'Brien (14) - 39pts. 3rd: Michael Landers (15) - 38pts. Ladies: Ann O'Neill (36),

Waterford - 37pts.

Brickies Victorious

Congratulations to the Brickies on winning the County Intermediate Football Final and their elevation into the Seniors grade in 2007.

Fixtures

Wednesday 3rd January to Sunday 7th January 16-hole Stableford -

1st Round of the Winter League, kindly sponsored by Comeragh Oil

Wednesday 10th January to Sunday 14th January 16-hole Stableford -

1st Round of the Winter League, kindly sponsored by Comeragh Oil

A full list of our fixtures and other information is available on our website:

Winter League 2006 Sponsored by Comeragh Oil

Teams are now posted for the League which is scheduled to commence on Wednesday 3rd January. If there are any members still interested in participating in the league who are not already on a team they are urged to place their name on the list posted in the Clubhouse, or alternatively they may contact the office on 058-43216 or Pat Power on 087-6611276. All new members are especially welcome to take part.

Dungarvan Golf Triangle

Golf tourism as we all know is now a big business in Ireland and the Dungarvan area is ideally placed to garner its share of

this ever-expanding market. A major selling point of our three courses, Dungarvan Golf Club, Gold Coast Golf Club and ourselves West Waterford Golf Club is that we are all within 5 minutes drive of Dungarvan town center. The "Dungarvan Golf Triangle" effectively, allows you to purchase a ticket that enables you to play each of the three courses, Monday to Friday for the combined price of €80, and in this era of high green fees rates, this represents good value. 'The Dungarvan Golf Triangle' is being advertised through all the usual mediums and is on sale in each of the three golf clubs. Tickets are valid up to 31st December 2007.

Dungarvan Golf International

Following feedback from previous competitors and extensive discussions between the 3 local golf clubs, the Classic will undergo some changes in date and formats to provide fresh impetus to the event. The 2007 Classic is taking place on the 12th, 13th and 14th June 2007, for information on the event please contact the Tournament Co-coordinator Marie Curran on 058-42870 or 087- 2347918.

Congratulations

Congratulations from the members and Management to Ciara and Ray Donnelly on the birth of Aobhinn Teresa prior to the Christmas festivities.

Golf Lessons:

T.W Murphy E.G.T.F is available for golf lessons. Timmy can

be contacted by ringing 086-3521070 for an appointment.

West Waterford Ladies Notes Happy New Year to you and here's to a successful golfing year for all!

Special putt on the 18th for April Dawson! Congratulations to April and fiancé John Sinclair on getting engaged.

It happened on the 18th when John slipped the ring into the 18th hole. April putted and the rest is history! Well done!

On a sadder note Lady Captain and all the lady members would like to send condolences to Margaret and Mick Connolly on the death of Margaret's mother Mary Brennan who passed away shortly before Christmas. May she rest in peace.

Results:

13 Hole bottle competition
1st: Jean Conway (25) 30pts
2nd: Mary Spratt (27) 28pts
3rd: June Whyte (18) 27pts
9 Hole for December sponsored by Marie Curran
1st: Mary Donnelly (31) 39pts
2nd: Jean Conway (25) 37pts
3rd: San Power Culley (26) 36pts

Fixtures

9 Hole for January 2 cards to count.

13 Hole S/F January 2nd ongoing with re-entry

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West Waterford Golf & Country Club Open Week. Hole in One sponsored by Maher's Golf Emporium, Cork. l to r; Ollie Broderick, Captain. Brendan Cullinan, President presenting the Hole in One prize to Noreen Tighe and Mary Quinlan, Lady Captain. (Sean Byrne Photography)

GOLD COAST GOLF CLUB NOTES

Results

Mon to Fri 22nd Dec: 18 Hole Stableford.

1st: Fred Starmer (16) 41 pts.

Gross: Brian O'Connor (8) 31 pts.

Sat/Sun 24th Dec: 18 Hole Stableford.

1st: Martin Murray (13) 43 pts.

2nd: Willie Moore (19) 40 pts. Gross: Brian O'Connor (8) 32 pts.

St. Stephen's Day: Eoin Foley (18) 47 pts.

Friday 29th Dec: 18 Hole Stableford.

1st: Paul Cleary (18) 40 pts Slievenamon

Sat 30th Dec: 18 Hole Stableford.

1st: Vincent Noonan (16) 44 pts.

Gross: David O'Connor (5) 34 pts.

10 Hole No.1: Jim Whelan

10 Hole No. 2: Sean de Paor.

Fixtures

Mon to Friday 5th Jan: CPC Open Qualifier: 18 Hole Stableford.

All week: 10 Hole Competitions.

Saturday/Sunday 6th/7th Jan: Club Competition.

Sunday 7th January: Junior Alliance, tee reserved from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

NEW YEAR'S WISHES

Our Captain, Patsy, our President, Austin, Tom and Brendan in the kiosk, and all at GoldCoast Golf Club would like to wish everyone concerned with the club all the very best for the new year, we hope that all your wishes come true and that you and yours have a very happy and safe 2007.

NEW DIARY

This should be available in a weeks time and can be collected at the kiosk.

A big thanks to everyone:

Despite losing the Sunday during the competition for the Lions Christmas Appeal the members still dug deep and raised a whopping €2,000 for the appeal. The Cheque was presented to John Coade, Dungarvan Lions Club, on Thursday before Christmas by our 2 Captains, Patsy and Fidelma.

SOUTH EAST JUNIOR ALLIANCE

Thomas Larkin, who is the current President of the Alliance, will be on hand on next Sunday to welcome all the members to the GoldCoast. The tee is reserved from 10 a.m. to 12 noon for the Alliance.

CPC OPEN

Michael Kavanagh, Joe Meade, Tom White, Tom O'Connor, Noel Casey, Cahir Park and Fred Starmer have all qualified for the play-off in Dundrum in May. There are still another 17 spots available. It was a great day last year and all those who played in last year's event will be anxious to return again this year.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

The first half of the membership fees are now due. Members who have not paid part of their membership will not be eligible to win prizes and their scores will not count for the Winter League. Mansfield EBS Winter League:

The league resumes on Thursday 11th January. Reality golf is also back that week. The league will run for four weeks on the trot after which the knock-out stages take place.

DUNGARVAN SENIORS PAIRS CLASSIC

This competition, which was a huge success last year, will run over the three courses, Dungarvan Golf Club, West Waterford Golf Club and the GoldCoast Golf Club on Tuesday 10th, Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th April 2007. The competition will consist of a 2 person rumble, a 2 person scramble and Fourball betterball. The cost is as follows: 2 nights B & B, 3 rounds of golf and entry €142 p.p.s. For visitors not staying the cost is: 3 round of gold and entry: €67 per person. For members of the three clubs the cost is €62 per person. Last year the event was full and hopefully the same will happen again this year. Already entries are very good and we hope that this continue. Entry forms are available at all three courses. Golfers Insurance:

This can be purchased any time from now to the middle of March when we will be renewing our policy for 2007.

EMAIL:

Information is sent to many club members every week by email. Any member wishing to avail of this service should send an email to goldcoast-golf@cablesurf.com and we will add you to the list.

Ladies Notes:

Coastal Alliance:

Next Round at the GoldCoast Golf Club on Thursday 11th January at the GoldCoast.

Winter Alliance starting Monday 8th January.

10 Hole Bottle competition now in progress.

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Phidelma Horsom, Lady Captain and Patsy Walsh, Captain at their Captain's Drive In at the Gold Coast Golf Club on Sunday 17th December. —(Sean Byrne Photography).

LISMORE GOLF CLUB NOTES



Lismore Golf Club - Winners Munster Country Clubs 2006 — Back row: John McGrath, John Whelan, James Bennett, Bill Aherne, Ted O'Leary, Jimmy Hornibrook, Paul McCarthy (Manager); front row: Colm Burke, Frankie Corcoran, Cal Aherne (President), Seamus Beecher, Dermot O'Leary (Captin), Richie Ormond. Missing from photo: Bill Walsh and John Kenneally.

Lismore Golf Club Results

Christmas Day 2 club competition 1st Jimmy Hornibrook (17) 21.5 Pts

Tuesday 26th to Monday 1st January 12 Hole Champagne Scramble

1st Richard Ormonde (8) Richie Ormonde Snr(10) & Billy Ormonde (18) 70 Pts L6

2nd Richie Ormonde Snr(10) Billy Ormonde (18) & Stephen Hales (21) 70 Pts L6

3rd Fiona Howard (6) Dan Howard (19) & Pat McGrath(22) 70 Pts.

Lismore Golf Club Fixtures

Tuesday 2nd to Sunday 7th January 07 12 Hole Stableford.

Last card Sunday 7th @ 9.30. Captains Drive in on Sunday 7th @ 12.30 followed by 9 Hole Mixed

Dermot O'Leary sponsored Spring League starting Monday 8th January.

Entry Sheet in clubhouse. Draw Sunday evening.

We had another very good turnout for our Festive season 12 hole 3 ball Champagne scramble Competition the

weather was very up and down with a large amount of rainfall making the course very sticky. As usual what ever the conditions the scoring was of a high standard. Our winners this week all had super scores of 70 points so the top 3 places were sorted out by the countback system in 1st place due to a superior last 6 holes were Richard Ormonde (8), Father Richie (10) and Uncle Billy (18) the runners up due also to a better last 6 holes were Richie and Billy again this time partnered by the form man of the Festive Season Stephen

Hales (21) another family affair took 3rd place Dan Howard (19) joined by his easy swinging daughter Fiona (6) and Pat McGrath (22).

Our Christmas Day 2 club 9 hole challenge was won by local lad Jimmy Hornibrook (17) with 21.5 points. This coming Sunday we will have our Captains Drive In at 12.30pm. The following Day Our Dermot O'Leary Agri sponsored Spring League will start so if you want to be a part of the "Big League" there is a name sheet posted in the Club-



Dungarvan Lions Club Christmas Day Swim 2006

Photos by Sean Byrne Photography



Marathon Cheque Presentation



Rita Thompson presenting a cheque for €6,799.32 (proceeds of sponsored Dublin City Marathon) to Bridget Burke, DON, who accepted it on behalf of the Friends of St. Josephs Hospital. Included are Paula French, ADON, Sarah McCluskey and Hospital Staff. (Sean Byrne Photography)

Dungarvan Treatment Plant Expected To Come On Stream

By Kevin Kirrane

Dungarvan's new multi-million euro Waste Water Treatment Plant is expected to be fully commissioned in the first quarter of 2007, County Manager, Ray O'Dwyer told a recent meeting of Waterford County Council.

The treatment plant which was due to open in May 2006 was delayed due to difficulties in commissioning the sludge drying machine. However, this issue is now being addressed by the contractor.

Work is also progressing on the Tramore Waste Treatment Plant and the Severn Villages Scheme will be moving to the contract stage early in 2007. There are also plants being developed in Aghlish, Clashmore, Villierstown and Piltown which will be commissioned this year, he said.

The cost of operating these plants and pumping stations and funding the commercial element of the capital cost is significant and will cost the council approximately 2.5 million euro this year. That's expected to rise to over 3 million euro in 2008, Mr. O'Dwyer said.

Higher Rates And New Water Tax In Store

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limiting the increased cost to the consumer.

"Clearly there are areas within the budget where I would like to have had additional

monies but having regard to the constraints on expenditure, this was not possible.

"I am satisfied that with proper management, monitoring and

control of expenditure and the co-operation of members and staff that the budget will enable the council to continue to progress its services over the coming year."

TAX AND SPEND BUDGET

However, Fine Gael councillor, Damien Geoghegan dubbed it as a classic example of a "tax and spend" budget.

"Last year, the County Manager acted unilaterally and imposed a charge of 150 euro on householders against the wishes of the council. This year with the increase in commercial rates and water charges small businesses and other non-domestic bodies including schools and sporting bodies etc. will be hit the hardest.

"We also have a continued lack of Government funding, coupled with large spending increases with a result that there is increased charges being imposed by the executive of this council.

"Other councillors can support this budget as is their prerogative but county councillors had no input into the framing of this budget. Councillors are expected to come in and rubber stamp this budget after minimal discussion of two hours.

"The whole budget process and the role of the councillor in it has become almost farcical," Cllr. Geoghegan said.

TIMING

However, Labour councillor, Billy Kynne questioned the timing of his decision. He said that

last year had been a traumatic estimates with the introduction of the 150 euro annual charge. That year Cllr. Geoghegan supported the budget, but this year, in what was a "more positive" budget "he decides to vote against it."

His party colleague, Cllr. Teresa Wright also supported what she called a "very progressive budget" and a comprehensive capital works plan. However, she described some of the outlay spent last year on officials moving office as "unsavoury" and "uncalled for."

But, Sinn Fein councillor, Brendan Mansfield said he would not support the estimates because of the service charges introduced over the heads of the elected members earlier this year.

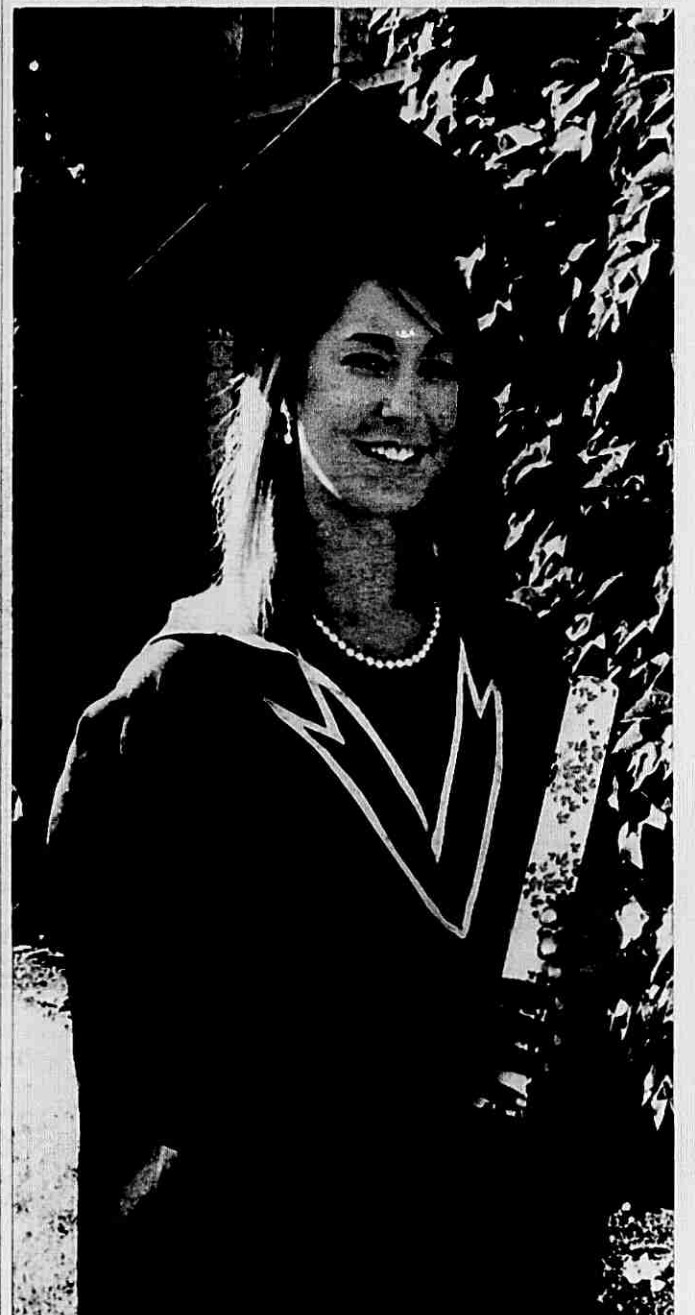
"It was regrettable that the county manager once again took the decision to impose service charges over the heads of locally elected representatives. This is anti-democratic and an affront to the democratically elected councillors who stood before the public. The Manager's decision was not only a slap in the face to councillors but to the people of Waterford," he said.

VOTE

On a show of hands, Fianna Fail, Fine Gael with the exception of Cllr. Geoghegan and Labour voted for the Budget. Sinn Fein councillor, Brendan Mansfield and Cllr. Geoghegan voted against.



Marie Curran, Stradbally, who graduated from W.I.T. with a B.A. in Design in Communications.



Gemma Gleeson, Lyre West, Ballymacarbry, daughter of Mary and Jim Gleeson, who graduated recently from U.C.C. with a Bachelor of Arts Degree. Gemma is a past pupil of Loretto Convent, Clonmel.

Youthreach Awards Presentations



Youthreach Awards Presentation — Trainees receiving FETAC and LCA.1 Certificates — Photo shows seated (l. to r.) David Brophy, Leah Bray, Michelle Cummins, Caroline Lynch, Kathleen Cawley and Helen McDonagh. Standing (l. to r.) Pat Lavelle, C.E.O.V.E.C, Liam O'Rourke, Youthreach Co-ordinator, Cllr. Teresa Wright, Mayor of Dungarvan, Mary Walsh, AEO and Fr. Humphries. (Sean Byrne Photography)



Youthreach Awards Presentation — Trainees receiving LCA.11 Certificates — Photo shows seated (l. to r.) Shane McGee, Sean Power and Sean Ryan. Standing (l. to r.) Paddy Lavelle, C.E.O.V.E.C, Liam O'Rourke, Youthreach Co-ordinator, Cllr. Teresa Wright, Mayor of Dungarvan, Mary Walsh, AEO and Fr. Humphries. (Sean Byrne Photography)

News of Town and Roundabout

DUNGARVAN PREMIER RACING PIGEON CLUB CHRISTMAS DRAW RESULTS

1st 300 euro Robert Allen, Shanbally, Cappoquin; 2nd Lee Moore, Caseyville; 3rd 100 euro M. Murphy, Coolagh

Road; 4th 100 euro Willie Drummey, Childers Est. ABBEYSIDE/BALLINROAD /GARRANBANE SENIOR CITIZENS GROUP

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- 2nd prize- Donna Hallahan, Ballinahemry.
- 3rd prize- Ivor Gordan, Clonea Strand.
- 4th prize- Pat Phelan, Coolnasmear.
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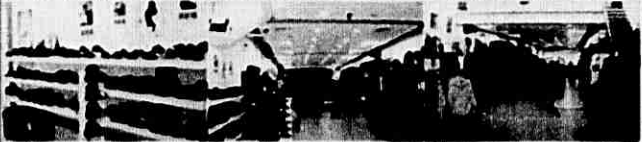
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