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Coláiste Chilllain celebrates 'daichead bliain faoi bhláth'

A SCHOOL which has established itself as a hub for the Irish language is celebrating the theme of daichead bliain faoi bhláth – or 'forty years in bloom', as it translates, reports *Hayden Moore*.
Forty years of history as a Gaelscoil was celebrated in Coláiste Chilllain

secondary school on Friday, October 27. After opening Scoil Chrónáin in Rathcoole, and amidst a rapidly growing Naíonra, community group Muintir Chrónáin opened the doors of another Gaelscoil, this time in Clondalkin in 1981.

Prionsias Ó hAilín was involved with Muintir Chrónáin at the time, and he became the first permanent principal of the school called Coláiste Chilllain. What started off small, has blossomed into a hive of Irish language and culture.
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A FATHER of seven kicked, punched and beat his wife with a wrench and some cable wire, knocking out two of her three remaining teeth, a court has heard, reports *Jessica Magee*.
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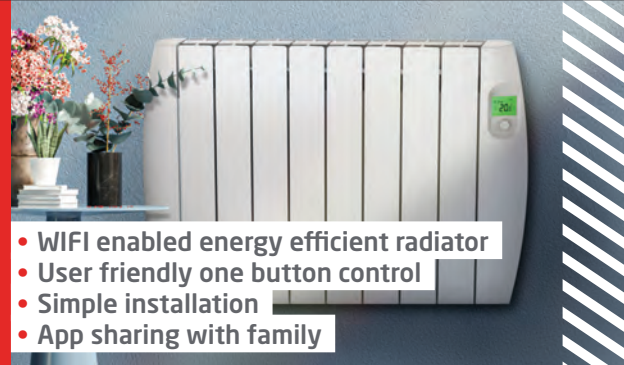
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DEBRIS: The remains of a bonfire in Clondalkin

A photograph showing the remains of a bonfire in Clondalkin. The image depicts a large pile of charred wood, metal, and other debris on a grassy area. In the background, there is a white wall and residential buildings.

Blessing of the Pets

A BLESSING of Pets will take place in St Martin's Church in Aylesbury this Sunday, November 6, at 11am. The special mass is being held in celebration of the Feast of St Martin, with members of the community invited to bring their pets for a blessing. All are welcome to the service which, is being held in the church courtyard, will celebrate the joy that pets bring to so many. For further details contact the parish office on 01 4510160.

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Chef Anna will be dishing out her thoughts on MasterChef

New role as judge for Old Bawn's Anna on BBC One's new TV series

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OLD Bawn chef Anna Haugh will be dishing out feedback in her new role as a judge on BBC One's new series of 'MasterChef: The Professionals'.

Anna, who is a past pupil of the Presentation in Terenure, has lived in London for several years and is a familiar face to TV viewers on both sides of the Irish Sea.

The talented chef, who trained in DIT, has appeared on BBC shows including 'Morning Live' and 'Saturday Kitchen', and on Channel 4's 'Sunday Brunch'.

Anna balances her TV work with running her restaurant, Myrtle, which is in Chelsea and features a menu of Irish-inspired dishes.

For her newest role, Anna will join Marcus Wareing and Gregg Wallace as a judge on Series 15

of 'MasterChef: The Professionals', replacing outgoing judge Monica Galetti.

Speaking about her new role as a judge on the show when it was announced last May, Anna said: "MasterChef has an impeccable reputation and legacy within the hospitality industry.

"I have long-admired Monica as an incredible chef and she's paved the way for female chefs. It's a privilege to be keeping her seat warm in the MasterChef kitchen."

Executive editor of MasterChef, David Ambler, said: "Anna brings a wealth of culinary expertise and experience to the competition, and we're delighted to welcome her as a judge on 'MasterChef: The Professionals'."

'MasterChef: The Professionals' returned to BBC One this week, and will air tonight, Thursday, November 3, at 9pm and on Friday at 8pm.



FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Anna Haugh will be a judge on MasterChef: The Professionals

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Jail for men found in possession of almost €1m worth of drugs

Combined seven and a half years prison for possession of cannabis and cocaine

TWO local men have been sentenced to a combined seven and half years in prison after being found in possession of just under one million euro worth of drugs, reports Claire Henry.

Vernon Loughran (59) of Oakdale Crescent, Firhouse, pleaded guilty to possessing cannabis and cocaine worth €840k after gardaí carried out a search of his home on March 12 2020.

Brian Kelly (60) of Kilmartin Avenue, Fettercairn, Tallaght, pleaded guilty to having cannabis worth €159k in a van that he was driving earlier that day.

Dublin Circuit Criminal court heard that gardaí received confidential information that Kelly would be transporting drugs in his van on that date.

Garda Padraic Rowan gave evidence that he took up surveillance of Kelly's van at Loughran's house at Oakdale Crescent.

The white Renault van reversed into the driveway, and Kelly went into the house and left carrying a large brown box which he placed into the van. Gardaí followed the van and approached Kelly at a petrol

INTERVIEW: Brian Kelly was arrested and brought to Tallaght Garda Station



station shop in Rathcoole.

Garda Rowan told Fiona Crawford, BL, prosecuting, that the van was searched and a box containing eight large vacuum packed packages was seized.

Two mobile phones, one of which was a burner phone, were also seized. Kelly was arrested and brought to Tallaght Garda Station.

The court heard that during his interview, Kelly outlined that he was sorry for what he

did, that it was wrong and that he took full responsibility for the drugs. The drugs were analysed, and cannabis worth €159,922 were found. Kelly told gardaí that he became involved in transporting the drugs as his nephew had a drug debt of €30,000, and he believed his nephew was in personal danger.

Gardaí then obtained a search warrant for Loughran's house. Loughran was not home at the time of the search but he later

presented himself for interview with gardaí.

The court heard that Loughran had become involved due to his habitual cannabis use and had gotten into debt. As a result, he allowed his home be used as a base to store and distribute drugs.

During the search, drugs worth €840,000 were found at the house and combined with drugs seized in Kelly's van, drugs worth just under one

million euros were seized in total.

Anne Rowland, SC, defending Kelly, said her client was a married man with six children. As a result of his drug use, his marriage broke down, and he became homeless.

He is now in a long-term relationship and worked as a security supervisor at the Citywest vaccination centre during the covid-19 pandemic.

She said he is also a Stardust survivor and suffers from survivor's guilt. He has now overcome his drug addiction and provides for his children.

Garnet Orange, SC, defending Loughran, said his client had financial difficulties due to problems with alcohol and cannabis, and it was his cannabis habit that drew him into holding drugs. Counsel said he has a high level of remorse and shame for his actions and pleaded guilty at an early stage. Judge Melanie Greally said that Kelly had a much more confined role and was trying to alleviate his nephew's difficulties.

She took into account as mitigating factors, his immediate admissions of guilt,

his high level of remorse and his lack of relevant previous convictions, as well as his family circumstances, his employment history, his relationship history, his role in animal welfare and his success in overcoming his drug addictions.

She sentenced Kelly to thirty months in prison.

In sentencing Loughran, Judge Greally outlined the significant value of the drugs stored at his address. She said he was "storing and arranging the distribution of drugs" with the motivation to reduce his drug debt.

Judge Greally took into account as mitigating factors, his guilty plea, his cooperation and absence of relevant previous convictions, his high level of remorse and shame and his relief in being detected which brought his offending to an end.

She also noted his favourable engagement with the probation and psychological services and that he is at moderate risk of re-offending.

Judge Greally sentenced Loughran to six years in prison with the final twelve months suspended.



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Double children's benefit from Budget 2023 will be paid to 638,000 families

THE double child benefit announced in Budget 2023 was this week paid to 638,000 families to assist with cost of living, reports Mary Dennehy.

The child benefit for November will double from €140 to €280 for 1.2 million children nationwide.

According to the Department of Social Protection, the double child benefit payment would be received in family bank accounts from Tuesday, November 1.

Announcing the details during a visit to the Ballyroan Community and Youth Centre in Rathfarnham last Tuesday, Minister Heather Humphreys said: "Child Benefit is an extremely important income support that reaches hundreds of thousands of hardworking families.

"As Minister, I'm deeply conscious of the difficulties families are facing right now in

meeting their bills."

Minister Humphreys added that over the coming weeks she will be announcing details of further lump payments to support people with their household bills.

These include the €400 lump sum fuel allowance payment, the €200 payment for people living alone, the €500 payment for carers, the €500 support for people with disabilities and the €500 payment for those in receipt of the Working Family Payment.

These will be followed by the payment of the Christmas Bonus in December.

"This €1.2 billion package of lump sum payments is about helping families and our most vulnerable with the rising costs they are facing over the winter period," she said.

The double child benefit payment this month is costing a total of €170 million.



DOUBLE JOY: Minister for Social Protection, Heather Humphreys with (from left) twins Bobby and James Jessop, and Mia and Noah Hilliard during a visit to the Ballyroan Community and Youth Centre in Rathfarnham

Sliotars in Their Eyes variety show in Faughs

A VARIETY show with a spin is set to take place in Faughs GAA Club on Saturday night which will see people mimicking their favourite acts, in the same vein of Stars in Their Eyes.

Representatives from different teams in the club will be dressing up for the annual Faughs variety show, Sliotars in Their Eyes.

Johnny Harte and Mel Cawley will be performing 'You Gotta Roll Lift It', as Oasis, while Andrea Durkan will be Lady Gaga, and PJ Shevlin will dress up as Elton John among several others.

Rumours have also been swirling for weeks that a special double act, Marty Morrissey and the Village People, will be making an appearance on behalf of the Under 8 and 9 camogie team.

All funds raised are going towards upgrading the facilities in Faughs, including the gym upgrading, Astro viewing area and function room upgrade works.

There will be three judges on the night, with "massive prizes" up for grabs for the four best acts.

Tickets are only available for purchase online, with full details available at www.faughs.ie/sliotars

Sliotars in Their Eyes starts at 7.30pm in Faughs clubhouse this Saturday, November 5, with doors open from 6.15pm.

€26m redevelopment of offices to house 200 people

Vacant for 20 years office space will provide 86 social housing units

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A RETROFIT of an office space in Park West is nearing completion to provide 86 social housing units, in a redevelopment scheme costing €26 million.

The project sees the conversion of 10,000m² of existing commercial office space into residential use for more than 200 people who are on Dublin City Council's housing waiting list.

Harcourt Developments was granted planning permission to convert the two office blocks, 70 and 72 The Plaza, into apartments with community space by Dublin City Council back in 2018.

Planning permission to make modifications to the permitted residential development, increasing it from 84 to 86 units, for Blocks 70 and 72 Park West Avenue and Park West, Park West in Dublin 12 was obtained in April 2021.

Plans were approved by the city council for 36 one-bed units and 50 two-bed units, and includes one parking space per apartment at basement level with the provision of 167 bicycle parking spots as well.

Vacant for some 20 years, The Plaza in Park West was purchased by approved housing body, Tuath Housing, from



RETROFIT: The Plaza in Park West will provide 86 social housing units

Harcourt – who built the 230-acre business campus in the 1990s and 2000s.

In 2020, Tuath started the process to acquire the properties with a view to converting the offices into homes for 220 people in a mix of one- and two-bed units.

The two-year conversion project, which was undertaken by Harcourt on behalf of Tuath, used financing from Department of Housing and a loan from AIB's Social Investment Fund for the project.

Coming in at about €309k per apartment, the retrofitting for residential purposes are in line with Tuath's strategic objectives, in particular around sustainability.

In Tuath's Strategic Plan 2021 -2025, it states that "retrofitting homes will not only reduce our carbon footprint over the long-term it will help to boost the economy in the short-term".

With all tenants lined-up and ready to move in next month, Tuath Housing is set to manage the scheme on behalf of

Dublin City Council.

In a statement to *The Echo*, Harcourt Developments said the project is considered "one of the largest office to residential conversions in recent history".

Complete with a new penthouse floor, the development possesses exhaust air heat pumps, heat recovery ventilation systems and photovoltaic solar panels were installed to provide for modern heating and ventilation systems, according to Harcourt.

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New BusConnects route 'failing local needs'

NEW G Spine BusConnects routes are "failing local needs", according to Cllr Hazel De Nortúin (PBP), reports Maurice Garvey.

The BusConnects routes G1, G2 and 60, were introduced on October 16, to replace the 79, 79A and 40 routes – running from Clondalkin and Liffey Valley, Cherry Orchard, Ballyfermot, Inchicore, to the city centre.

Cllr De Nortúin said there has been "major delays and cancellations" with the new routes, buses slowed to a crawl during peak times because of "bottlenecks on new routes", buses aren't arriving at stops on time, and real time information is not working.

"The disdain we've seen from the National Transport Authority (NTA) for those with mobility issues is disgraceful," said Cllr De

Nortúin.

"With the bus service we had before, lower Ballyfermot was served directly and often. But now there is only one bus each hour running on Decies Road, the 60. This bus is often delayed and it has even been cancelled at times because of lack of staff. Elderly residents and those with mobility issues can't get up to the shops, can't get to mass, they are being left completely isolated. This is not acceptable."

A spokesperson for the NTA told *The Echo* they are working with Dublin Bus to monitor performances along the routes, but acknowledged peak-time traffic conditions throughout Dublin, have been "particularly poor in recent weeks" making some services run late.

"Due to the traffic conditions, some trips arrived late at their destination and operated a curtailed trip on their return journey, missing out some stops to get the overall service running on time again and leading to longer waits at stops," said the NTA.

"We are aware that all this means passengers' journeys are taking longer than they should. We are sorry for this, and we are working with Dublin Bus to add resilience to the schedule so that this does not happen."

Cllr De Nortúin is calling on the NTA listen to the feedback from locals, who want a bus running "at least every half hour on Decies Rd and a direct route into the city centre, to avoid bottlenecks".

The NTA said they are using feedback in

conjunction with their running-time data to "fix issues in order to achieve better punctuality and reliability along the new routes, which will bring an overall improvement to the service as soon as possible."

The NTA first published the new network in September 2020 following three rounds of public consultation and over 72,000 submissions received.

They said the G Spine was designed to provide a frequent service (every eight minutes) between Ballyfermot and the city centre. They also said route 60 caters for those who "would find it more difficult to get to the Spine, and provides a brand-new link for Palmerstown Woods, which has been requested for some time".

Fireworks and cash are seized

Gardaí seize fireworks valued at €11,500

AN OPERATION Tombola conducted search of a property by members of An Garda Síochána resulted in a large quantity of fireworks valued at €11,500 and more than €8,500 in cash being seized.

Operation Tombola is a nationwide policing plan focused on the prevention and detection of the sale of fireworks and associated public order and anti-social behaviour issues during Halloween.

Gardaí from Ronanstown Garda Station made the seizures after conducting the search of a residence in Clondalkin last Sunday, the day before Halloween.

A Garda spokesperson commented on the

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matter following the seizure.

"Gardaí conducted a search under warrant of a residence in the Clondalkin area, Dublin 22 on Sunday 30th October 2022 at approximately 2:30pm," the spokesperson told *The Echo*.

"A large quantity of fireworks, with an estimated value of €11,500 and cash in excess of €8,000 were seized in the course of the search."

While there were no arrests made in relation to this incident at the time of *The Echo* going to print on Wednesday afternoon, investigations are still ongoing.



SEIZURE: Fireworks seized in Dublin 22 by Gardaí from Ronanstown

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Youth who drove vehicle at pedestrians gets 6 months jail

Many of the shoppers thought they were witnessing a terrorist attack

By Isabel Hayes

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A YOUNG man who drove his car at a number of pedestrians outside a Dublin shopping centre complex has been jailed for six months.

Joel Omokhudu (19) was in a “temper” after being ejected from Liffey Valley shopping centre when he decided to drive his car at speed in a pedestrian area, narrowly missing a number of Christmas shoppers, including children, Judge Martin Nolan said on Tuesday.

Dublin Circuit Criminal Court heard that some of those present believed a terrorist attack was taking place, with the car at one point becoming airborne as it mounted a flower bed.

Omokhudu, of Hazel Grove, Portrane Road, Donabate, pleaded guilty to one count of endangerment at the shopping centre in Clondalkin on December 8, 2020.

He also pleaded guilty to two counts of dangerous driving, one count of driving without insurance and one count of criminal damage to a concrete seating area and a flower bed.

The court heard that at the time, the shopping centre was busy with Christmas shoppers following a relaxation in Covid restrictions. Video



REAL DANGER: Liffey Valley Shopping Centre, the scene of the incident

footage of the incident was played in court.

Garda Alexander Hudson told Fiona Crawford BL, prosecuting, that on the day in question, Omokhudu was escorted out of the shopping centre along with a group of other people after a row broke out in Nando's restaurant.

Omokhudu then went to his car and started driving erratically around the car park, the court heard. He mounted the pedestrian area outside the shopping centre, narrowly missing a

woman who was with her daughters, aged 8 and 14, and a number of security guards who were at the scene.

Omokhudu then reversed the car into a flower bed, nearly hitting a security guard who came into contact with the car with his outstretched arms. He then took off towards a nearby retail park, where he parked his car outside B&Q and left the scene.

Omokhudu was arrested close by a short time later. He made no admissions to gardaí but DNA from a pair of earphones he left in the car was

linked to him. No one was injured in the incident.

He has previous convictions from the Children's Court, including assault.

Garrett McCormack BL, defending, handed in a psychological report and a Probation Services report to the court. He acknowledged Omokhudu had engaged in “extremely reckless behaviour” and there was no excuse for it.

He asked Judge Nolan to take into account a number of mitigating factors including his youth, early guilty pleas

and lack of criminal convictions since this incident.

Sentencing him, Judge Nolan said Omokhudu got into his car and “out of temper” drove it into the pedestrian area outside the shopping centre, causing “great apprehension”.

He noted Omokhudu endangered a number of people, including children. He handed down an 18-month sentence but suspended the final year on a number of conditions.

He disqualified him from driving for four years.

Designer-in-Residence to bring benefits to hospital

INNOVATE Health at Tallaght University Hospital is delighted to announce a new Designer-in-Residence position co-funded by the HSE Spark Innovation Programme.

This position, announced as the hospital celebrates its second annual Innovation Week, will bring the benefits of design perspective directly to the ideas and challenges of frontline staff in the hospital.

Designers can provide an invaluable role in healthcare – they start by developing a clear understanding of the problem, rather than jumping directly to a potential solution.

By more clearly understanding the problem and in particular by empathising and co-designing with users, in this case patients and staff, the ideas and solutions can be more clearly crystallised and hopefully more impactful.

The Spark Programme has been a key proponent of the benefits of design within healthcare. Dermot Burke Spark's National HSCP Innovation Fellow commented: “We are delighted to help bring to life this exciting new position at TUH. Design in healthcare, with its creative and human centred approach, can help provide impactful solutions that benefit both the patient and the health service. At Spark, we strive to encourage and support frontline

innovation and look forward to seeing what this partnership between design and health can deliver.”

Dr Natalie Cole, Head of Innovation at Innovate Health TUH said “We are really looking forward to having this position within the Hospital.

“The designer role will bring a particular skillset to support us in addressing user-identified needs and challenges. We hope this will help us in the delivery of our vision of actionable innovation with direct benefits for our patients.”



DELIGHTED: Publicising the new Designer-in-Residence position at TUH were Dr Hannah O'Keeffe (SPR in Innovation), Dermot Burke (Spark's National HSCP Innovation Fellow), John Kelly (Deputy CEO of TUH) and Dr Natalie Cole (Head of Innovation at Innovate Health)

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Used promises of a job to entice young boy

A FORMER shop manager used promises of a job to entice a young boy into a flat where he was sexually assaulted by two men, a court has heard, *reports Declan Brennan*.

Jim Fitzsimons (60) abused the 12-year-old boy after he and another man, convicted sex offender Kevin Brazil, had lured the child back to Brazil's Dublin city flat.

In a victim-impact report, the victim described how he went from being a happy child to one who struggled with anxiety and depression.

He said he turned to drugs as a way to cope and this drug abuse led to crime and prison.

Fitzsimons, of Westbourne Park, Clondalkin, had pleaded not guilty to three counts of sexually assaulting the victim on dates between May and August 2002.

He was convicted by a jury on October 10 after a short trial at Dublin Circuit Criminal Court.

Fitzsimons is originally from Carberry, Co Kildare but has lived and worked in Dublin

most of his adult life and was working as a shop manager in the summer of 2002.

Judge Melanie Greally noted that Brazil had lured this victim and other boys to his flat with the promise of alcohol and that Fitzsimons had also used the possibility of employment in the shop he managed as an enticement.

Both men then engaged in plying the boy with alcohol before molesting his private parts and forcing the boy to masturbate them. Fitzsimons gave the boy cash sums of €150 and €50 on various occasions.

Judge Melanie Greally noted these were large amounts of cash for a child of that age and this, along with the other enticements, was a form of grooming.

In 2002, the boy told his father what had happened and they went to a local garda station. Gardai went to the flat and brought Brazil and Fitzsimons in for questioning but inexplicably the then investigating garda did not send the file to the Director of Public Prosecutions.

Judge Greally said that this was a regrettable feature of the investigation. She said that it may be that if a prosecution had been pursued at the time that some of the damage to the victim in the years that followed may have been lessened.

She said the victim showed great fortitude in coming forward again in 2016, engaging with gardai in a very full and co-operative way, and going through the very difficult process of giving evidence in court.

She noted the significant emotional and psychological damage caused by being sexually abused at a delicate age.

She accepted that Fitzsimons may be less responsible than Brazil, who was more deeply involved in the process of bringing the victim and other boys to this house and arranging for Fitzsimons to join in the activities.

She said she was heartened to read in the victim-impact report that the conclusion of the trial and the guilty verdicts were a source of optimism for the victim's future.

She set a headline sentence of 40 months but reduced this to 30 months after taking into consideration mitigating factors, including the absence of any other convictions. She also noted Fitzsimons came from a respectable family who continued to support him.

Brazil (52), formerly of Wainsfort Manor Grove, Terenure, was jailed last year after he pleaded guilty to sexual assault of the 12-year-old child.

His sentence hearing at the Central Criminal Court heard that when gardai first questioned Brazil in 2002 he made admissions, but that "inexplicably" the then investigating garda did not send the file to the Director of Public Prosecutions.

Superintendent Barry Walsh told the court that when he began investigating allegations against Brazil from a different victim in 2016, he discovered the 2002 complaints.

He said files on these cases should have gone to the DPP but he was not in a position to say why this had not happened.

Father of seven attempted to strangle his wife with cable wire

Accused given six years in jail for three counts of assault causing harm

A FATHER of seven kicked, punched and beat his wife with a wrench and some cable wire, knocking out two of her three remaining teeth, a court has heard, *reports Jessica Magee*.

Mark Doyle (45) also attempted to strangle his former partner with cable wire during a series of assaults which his own barrister described as "savage".

Doyle, of Barnaville Park, Ballyfermot, has been sentenced to six years in jail at Dublin Circuit Criminal Court for three counts of assault causing harm.

Passing sentence on Thursday, October 27, Judge Martin Nolan said the description of the attacks was "pretty harrowing" and that Doyle deserved a severe custodial sentence.

Judge Nolan said Doyle had a "habit" of attacking and beating his unfortunate former partner with various weapons including a wrench and cable wire, causing her to repeatedly fear for her life.

The court also heard that Doyle threatened to pour boiling water and sugar over his wife's face so that "another man isn't going to look at you again."

Garda Dabhach Dineen told Jennifer Jackson BL, prosecuting, that he spoke to the victim on May 16, 2020, when she reported with severe facial swelling and a bloodshot eye.

The woman told Garda Dineen that the previous evening, the couple had been in their inner city apartment when Doyle had asked her if she had been with a certain man on Facebook, which she denied.

She said Doyle then took a cable wire from a drawer and hit her all over her body, and also boxed her in the face three or four times. The woman said Doyle tied the cable round her neck and when she tried to pull it



off, he boxed her hand away and threw her onto the floor.

The victim told gardai that Doyle got on top of her and that she can't remember how many times he punched her with his two hands as she was in and out consciousness.

She said Doyle was shouting "I'm going to murder you, I'm going to kill you," and that when gardai knocked at the door to ask about their eldest daughter who was missing, she didn't tell them

what had happened as she was afraid of her husband.

Doyle was arrested two weeks later and denied hitting his former partner.

A second attack took place in the couple's apartment in Dublin's inner city less than a fortnight later on June 23, 2020.

The woman said Doyle had put a pot of water on the cooker and when she asked him why, he started talking about sugar and water that would make her skin

peel and said, "another man isn't going to look at you again."

She said Doyle punched her and swiped at her chest with a pen, causing a laceration, and then hit her in the thighs with a brush.

Garda Brian O'Carroll told the court that Doyle was on bail for these attacks when the following year on April 11, 2021, gardai were called to the apartment and could hear a woman screaming.

The door was blocked with heavy pieces of timber and furniture but when gardai eventually got it open they found the woman cowering under a blood-stained blanket.

Garda Carroll said there were fragments of the woman's teeth on the couch and that she was bleeding heavily from the mouth, with a large cut on the top of her head which was also bleeding.

She was taken to hospital by ambulance.

The woman later told gardai that herself and Doyle had had "a bit of an argument about other men" and that he had picked up a wooden stick from one of the bunk beds and hit her again and again all over her head and body. at one point breaking the stick over her body.

The court heard Doyle also stamped on her and punched her and used a wrench to hit her, at one point knocking out two of her remaining three teeth.

Rónán Prendergast BL, defending, said Doyle acted out of "paranoia and jealousy" and described the assaults as "savage".

He said his client had been dependent on alcohol and other substances and his eldest daughter was missing at the time of the initial offence.

Mr Prendergast pointed out that the victim was herself serving a two-year sentence at Mountjoy Prison on another matter.

The court heard that the victim declined the judge's invitation to give evidence or to make a victim-impact statement, saying that she did not wish for the father of her children to be locked up for years.

Mr Prendergast said Doyle was a member of the Travelling community and one of 21 siblings. The court heard he lost both his parents when he was aged 13.

Doyle is engaging in therapy and was taking part in an Alternatives to Violence programme while in custody and is using his time in prison well, the court heard.

Judge Nolan sentenced Doyle to two sentences of three years each, to run consecutively, and backdated the prison term to July 28, 2021.

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The nominations are in for Person of the Year Awards

An opportunity to honour our local unsung heroes

MORE than 153 individuals, groups and businesses have been nominated for Tallaght Person of the Year Awards 2022.

The much loved community led awards recognise and appreciate the power of the community heroes and volunteers in Tallaght – the individuals, groups, organisations, sports clubs and businesses that contribute positively to Tallaght, or the accomplishments of Tallaght natives on a national stage in their chosen field.

The awards run by Tallaght Community Council (TCC) ensure there is a strong and visible recognition of Tallaght locally and indeed nationally. The awards ensure Tallaght stands tall and celebrates the many talented Tallaght natives and community champions.

After two years online during Covid, the much-loved celebratory awards ceremony is now back “in-person” this year – just in time to celebrate the 39th year of the awards in Tallaght.

A diverse selection of nominees has been put forward for the awards ceremony, which takes place in the

Maldron Hotel on Saturday, November 19.

Liz Kennedy, Chair of TCC 2022/23 said: “We were very pleased to receive over 300 nominations this year, for 150 nominees this year. It is not a focus on quantity in our awards, but ensuring we shine a light across Tallaght to spotlight the very many who deserve to be acknowledged.

“We would like to thank everyone who took the time to nominate. In a busy world, it is important to stop, reflect and appreciate the person, club, team, coach or business in your part of Tallaght you admire and value. A nomination is a practical but powerful way to show gratitude and acknowledgement to others.

“In our awards, the focus is on every nominee. They all get recognised, receive a certificate of appreciation, are listed in the media, the awards brochure and from the stage on awards night. We hugely value every nominee of the 2022 awards.”

Tickets for the awards night are now on sale from the ticket box office at 01 4685350. Tickets which are €49.50,

include an entirely positive atmosphere, a welcome drinks reception, a 4 course meal, a keynote speech from our guest speaker, the awards ceremony and quality musical entertainment throughout the evening. Tickets can be purchased Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm until Monday, November 14.

Looking forward to the awards, Ms Kennedy said: “We strongly urge all nominees who wish to attend the gala awards ceremony to purchase their tickets from the box office. The demand always exceeds supply, please don’t be disappointed and miss out.

“We have an amazing special guest this year, Barry Cummins of RTE and wonderful musical entertainment by The Walkeles and Ruffus. The night promises to be one of the highlights of the year.

“The final word goes to the many Tallaght businesses who partner with us enabling us to host these awards. Thank you for your continued support to us and these very positive awards. Go raibh maith agaibh.”

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Civic Theatre Tallaght town centre
DAMS Vocal Ensemble Avonbeg
Drama Beans Kilnamanagh
Geoff Tracey Bawnville
Greg McKeown St Anne's GAA
Ian Delaney Kilnamanagh
Jackie Mullen Springfield
Keith McClean
Pat Lynch Kingswood
Paul Chillage
Rua Red Tallaght Town centre
St Marys NS Ghost Walk Tallaght village
Tallaght Little Free Library Seskin View
The Vine Group Jobstown

BUSINESS

Alan Dunne, Celtic Contractors Kiltipper
Animal Hospital Tallaght village
Antoinette Barry & Lorraine Reynolds,
Primary Pals Tymon & Firhouse
Borza Takeaway Tallaght village
Caffé Duomo Firhouse
Coffee@The Edge Avonmore
Daniel Potts, The Career Coach The Edge
Dr Patrick O Connor Glenview
Fine & Candy Tallaght
Joan O' Brien, The Bliss Café Mountain Park
K & C Hair and beauty Tallaght village
Karen Doherty Homelawn
Linda & Karen, The Wreath Co Killinarden
Lisa Neville,
Scoil Iosa Afterschool Fettercairn
Matt Roche, MRA Accs Tallaght village
Michelle O' Hagan Killinarden
Priory Vets Tallaght village
Reflections Hair Salon Aylesbury
Justine's Flowers Tallaght village
Susi Lodola, CBT Counselling Ballycullen
The Bread Shop Old Bawn
TU Dublin Reprographics Tallaght Campus
Village Vets Belgard
Wayne Crosbie, The Crosbie Group Tallaght
Zip and Stitch Tallaght village

SGT ANDREW CALLINAN COMMUNITY AWARD

Annmairie O'Neill, Thrombosis Ire Firhouse
Bernadette Sherlock Bancroft
Cecil Johnston Tallaght
Debbie Fettercairn
Emily Hannon St Marks JNS, Springfield
Gillian Doyle Old Bawn
Glenview Mens Shed Glenview
Joe Cullen Aylesbury
John Conroy Kilnamanagh
Linda Maritza Aylesbury
Margaret Doyle Balrothery
Mark Luttrell Jobstown
Martin Black Jobstown
Mary McGuigan Tallaght
Mick "The lollipop man" Scoil Carmel, Firhouse
Nico Crowley Old Bawn
Patricia Kane KCCYP Killinarden
Paul Dalton Kingswood
Samantha Griffin
Sammy "The friendliest security man" Super Valu, Firhouse

Sandra Lambert Brookfield
Sharing Is Caring D24 Tallaght
herin Hughes Tallaght
Suzanne Duggan Belgard
Teresa Howard Firhouse
Terry Carthy Aylesbury
Tony Carolan Aylesbury
Tracy Griffin, Ballycullen Food Bank Ballycullen

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Brendan Nolan Old Bawn
Feebee Foran, Forager.ie Firhouse
Friends of Tymon Park Tymon North
John Connolly Aylesbury
Noel Fleming Aylesbury
Patrick Buddy, KAI Killinarden
Sean Sherlock, Eamon Lenihan

& Bobby Gordon Aylesbury
Springfield Litter mugs Springfield
Teagans Treats Firhouse
Teresa Harford Firhouse
Tim & Brigid Glynn Old Court
Tymon North and St Aongus Tidy Towns
Tymon North

HEART OF GOLD

Aaron Brown Seskin View
Alannah Brown Seskin View
Daniel Tighe Riverview
Éabha Ryder Kingswood
Evelly Dardis Milbrook Lawns
Evie Purdy Tallaght
Jared McGuirk Dunwoody Aylesbury

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Amanda Delaney Kilnamanagh
Brian Murray TUD Tallaght Campus
Emmet Ronan Tallaght Training Centre
Fr Gerard, Priory Institute Tallaght village
Kevin Shortfall St Aidans
Lynn Byrne Killinarden
Robbie O'Connor TUD Tallaght campus
Sharon Keegan, Peachy Lean Springfield
Tallaght Community School Balrothery

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Jackie Fox Old Bawn
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Sinead Fallon St Dominic Church
Zak Moradi Thomas Davis

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Demand for the installation of ‘covert CCTV’ to deter dumpers

Illegal dumping black spot near New Nangor Road is becoming attractive to fly-tippers

By **Hayden Moore**
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CALLS have been made for the installation of “covert CCTV” in a bid to deter fly-tippers at a prominent illegal dumping black spot.

In a motion, which was passed at the recent Clondalkin Area Committee Meeting, Cllr Eoin Ó Broin called for the use of covert CCTV or other means to deal with a dumping black spot on a pathway.

The pathway in question joins the New Nangor Road and Old Nangor Road, splitting Coláiste Chillian Secondary School and Millpark housing estate.

This has become an attractive location for dumpers, with parents of pupils in the nearby school and locals contacting Cllr Ó Broin in relation to the issue as it “seems to be getting worse”.

When asked to elaborate on the need for “covert CCTV” as opposed to regular CCTV, the Social Democrats councillor cited costs.

“Covert CCTV is where South Dublin County Council hires mobile CCTV that is discretely

“Installing permanent CCTV is way more expensive, and controversial, as permanent CCTV can monitor anything



SHOCKING: Dumping on the pathway at New Nangor Road – Old Nangor Road, next to Coláiste Chillian Secondary School

installed for a week to see if it can catch whomever is the dumper,” Cllr Ó Broin told *The Echo*.

“It costs about €1,500 a week for the council to hire.

“Installing permanent CCTV is way more expensive, and controversial, as permanent CCTV can monitor anything really rather than just focusing on a single issue, which in this case is dumping.

“There is also the issue of who would actually monitor permanent CCTV. Would the guards have the resources? Hardly.”

In their response, council management outlined how it could use temporary CCTV under the Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 2022 (the Act), which was signed into law in July, 2022.

These amendments to the law include provision for the approval of CCTV schemes by local authorities, subject to conditions, “for the purposes of deterring environmental pollution and facilitating the deterrence, prevention, detection, and prosecution of offences”.

Cllr Ó Broin added on this decision from the council: “Temporary use of CCTV is allowed to

catch dumpers, but the LGMA, Local Government Management Association, have still to draw up guidelines on its use.

“Until that happens there will be no CCTV deployed but let’s hope that happens soon.”

The location referred to in the motion is to be considered for any CCTV schemes proposed for approval subject to the requirements set out in the Act.

In the interim, the authority will consider alternative measures that can be deployed to deal with the issues reported at this location – such as through planting shrubbery.

Students at Kishoge College celebrate annual Racial Justice Week

STUDENTS, staff and parents in Kishoge Community College kicked off Black History Month 2022 by celebrating their annual Racial Justice Week event, *reports Clara Murphy*.

In the first week of October, the Lucan school celebrated its racial diversity through a range of student and staff-led initiatives.

The school demonstrated a commitment to celebrating diversity and campaigning for racial justice through the unveiling of the new Kishoge Racial Justice Flag.

In 2021, the Art Department ran a competition for students to design a new flag celebrating the range of cultures within the school.

This competition was won by 5th year student Cailín, and her flag now flies proudly next to the school’s tricolour, LGBTQIA+ and Green Schools flags.

During the week, public areas in the school were also adorned in displays and posters of inspirational leaders and difference makers from a variety of ethnic backgrounds.

Teachers from different departments created hallway displays with a focus on representation in their subject areas.

On Friday, all staff and students were encouraged to celebrate their cultural identity during a non-uniform day.

Hallways and classrooms were awash with colour as students and staff wore traditional clothing from around the world, Irish county jerseys and the colours of their flag.

All week, TY students were selling food from around the world, including Japanese Pocky Sticks, Malaysian Oatcakes and

Ghanian Plantain Chips.

Throughout the week many subjects dedicated lessons to the themes of equality, with each student had an Ethics class on celebrating different cultures and racial justice.

The junior year groups had a Black History Month trail and poster creation project, while the seniors focussed on how to create racial equality using examples from the past.

Sixth Year students, Noon and Ian, delivered ‘Kishoge Talks’ presentations on the themes of ‘Stop Asian Hate’ and ‘Empowerment Through Hair’.

According to the school, students and staff had a fantastic week celebrating their cultural history and planning is underway for Racial Justice Week 2023.

All money raised from the week went to support the Irish Networks Against Racism (INAR).



JUSTICE: Students from Kishoge at the annual Racial Justice Week



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Fifteen groups awarded €35k for Tidy Town efforts

Lucan, Rathcoole and Crumlin win out in awards



By **Hayden Moore**
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TIDY TOWNS results are in, and 15 local groups have been awarded a collective €35,000 for their efforts in making their towns and villages a welcome place to call home, and visit. There were some 882 entries to the competition this year, with around €1.4 million announced in grant aid to Tidy Towns groups nationwide.

While Trim in Co Meath was announced as Ireland's Tidiest Town for 2022, there was strong local representation in the awards.

A gold, silver or bronze medal is awarded to an entrant with a score falling within a specified range of marks of the overall winner of the competition – Trim, with 366.

Lucan picked up a bronze medal, which carries a cash prize of €400 alone, after finishing up on 248 marks overall.

High markers overall, Lucan attracted a few new ideas, along

with compliments, in the adjudicators report.

Lucan is a busy village with a lovely, homely feel to it – you'd easily forget you were so close to Dublin and that," the report reads.

"There are 6,000 of you living there. You have maintained a strong hub for the community with many amenities such as a River Promenade and the Village Green.

"Congratulations to your many volunteers for their efforts." Across eight categories, Lucan Tidy Towns increased their marks in seven to retain their bronze medal status.

"We are happy to say that we have retained our bronze medal award yet again this year," Lucan Tidy Towns said on social media.

"We got some good constructive ideas in the adjudicator's report.

"We intend to sit down and review and include in our plan for next and following years.

"We will be calling on all locally to support us in our work so keep an eye and ear out for the call.

"Thank you to all who support us in any way, including our local link person in SDCC who encourages and promotes biodiversity and supports us with supplies and advice."

The Endeavour Award is awarded to the entrant in each county that made the biggest percentage improvement on the previous year's score.

Last year, Rathcoole was adjudged to have earned 228 marks, and this year they garnered 248 marks – an 8.8 per cent increase on the year previous.

In the adjudication report, Tidy Towns were fiercely impressed with the progress of volunteers in Rathcoole and handed them the Endeavour Award, which carries a €500 cash prize.

"We were so impressed with the volunteers of Rathcoole," it reads.

"Arriving on adjudication day there was an army of you in your hi-visibility vests out working hard.

"Since this adjudicator's last visit Rathcoole has greatly improved – businesses,

community buildings and homes all looked well.

"You should all be very proud of your efforts and successes over the last 12 months."

One of the biggest jumps in points for Rathcoole was in the 'sustainability – doing more with less' category.

Holy Family NS and Rathcoole ETNS are growing their own vegetables, and this was just one of the many actions, which included a solar-powered water fountain, which the group were advocated for in the sustainability category.

Crumlin was awarded the highest amount locally in the grants, receiving €4,000 while Clondalkin, Ballyboden, Drimnagh, Harold's Cross, Palmerstown and Lucan all received €2,000.

Tymon North and Balrothery are set to receive a €2,000 boost in funding alongside Saggart, Rathcoole, Newcastle Lyons, Woodstown and Chapelizod while Templeogue will get €1,000.

Elsewhere, Leixlip is set to receive some €4,000 in funding.

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Happy Halloween at last . . .

WITH fewer bonfires being reported on Halloween one would be forgiven for thinking that perhaps this was the start of something beautiful, a night to celebrate the witching hours with none of the casualties associated with the setting up of bonfires and the mayhem that is usually brought about by them.

Despite the clean-up still going on in Tallaght and Lucan and many other districts, it has been reported that there didn't seem to anything to concern the Gardai or the Fire Brigade at any stage during the night.

There were indeed bonfires – at Kilnamanagh, Springfield, Jobstown and Brookfield – but it was reported that it was still a relatively quieter night compared to earlier years. And thankfully there were little or no casualties, unlike other years.

Is this a sign for the future, or is it the result of the diligent work that went on before Halloween by council workers in ridding the areas of bonfire material, and of the residents for informing the council of the pile-ups of material. Indeed, in earlier years, many residents sought refuge in relatives' houses to get away from the terror of the piled-high rubbish that was very often metres from their homes.

Perhaps this could be extended also to care for the animals who are terrorised on the night by fireworks and who have to be kept indoors for safety sake.

There can be an element of the killjoy about taking away bonfire material and banning fireworks, but the safety of our residents and our pets must be paramount.

Perhaps the banning of bonfires could coincide with the rise of the Tidy Districts Awards. If there is a great pride in how your area or district looks and there is a public award for it, would it not encourage others to keep the rubbish for the real rubbish collectors and get the youth of the areas to roll up their sleeves and keep South Dublin safe?

The knock-on effect could be the rearing of civic-minded citizens – and this must start in the home – but also law-abiding citizens who can see the value in keeping their homes and streets and districts safe, tidy and as neat as a pin.

But there needs to be an incentive for all this. People need to be rewarded, albeit in a token or tiny way, for their efforts to straighten out their street. The reward cannot only be a blue riband, but it must be tangible and they must see that money or grants can flow their way if it can be shown that they made an effort to make their area a place to be proud of.

Let's make Halloween a launch pad, not for bonfires, but for tidy towns and districts, for clean streets and laneways, for the refusal to put up with litter louts and trash dumpers.

Let's make it a Dublin to be proud of.

Celebrating 40 years in bloom at Coláiste Chilliaín secondary school

A SCHOOL which has established itself as a hub for the Irish language is celebrating the theme of daichead bliain faoi bhláth – or 'forty years in bloom', as it translates, reports *Hayden Moore*.

Forty years of history as a Gaelscoil was celebrated in Coláiste Chilliaín secondary school on Friday, October 27.

After opening Scoil Chrónáin in Rathcoole, and amidst a rapidly growing Naíonra, community group Muintir Chrónáin opened the doors of another Gaelscoil, this time in Clondalkin in 1981.

Prionsias Ó hAilín was involved

with Muintir Chrónáin at the time, and he became the first permanent principal of the school called Coláiste Chilliaín.

What started off small, has blossomed into a hive of Irish language and culture.

"Forty years of Coláiste Chilliaín is an achievement of course, but it's an ode to the Irish language," teacher in the school and current chair of Muintir Chrónáin, Maedhbh Ní Cheallaigh, says.

"There has been enough families over the years who have decided they would go through the education system through Irish to

keep the school going since 1981.

"What started as 14, is now over 400, and that is down to the community.

"We are working to keep the Irish language alive, and what sets us apart from other secondary schools is that we do everything here in Coláiste Chilliaín through Irish."

Coláiste Chilliaín was due to mark the 40 years last year but had to postpone the celebrations due to Covid-19.

So, it took place last week with an afternoon of music, refreshments, and the official

opening of Gairdín Cuimhneacháin, a tribute to all staff and pupils who have passed away, over the years.

Newlands Garden Centre sponsored the decorations alongside Brian Heaslip from Heaslip Printworks.

The school established an organising committee for the event, which included Maedhbh, that was headed up by current deputy principal, Sorcha Ní Dhomhnaill.

Past principals Prionsias Ó hAilín, Finín Máirtín and Joe Mac Suibhne were all in attendance alongside past deputy principals, teachers, and students.



PROUD: Principal Feargal Ó Giolláin and Mayor Emma Murphy cut the ribbon

Residents Association host meeting

SARSFIELD Park Residents Association in Lucan will host their next meeting in Kenny's Bar function room, on Monday, November 7 at 8pm.

The group welcome new and returning residents to the estate, and look forward to seeing all at the meetings going forward.

This is the last opportunity to have kids included for the Christmas celebrations.

Parents Association AGM

THE Parents Association of Kingswood Community College is inviting all parents and guardians to link-up with them and build towards further improving the ever-expanding school.

Working with the principal, Deborah Dunne, staff and board of management of Kingswood CC, the Parents Association works to build an effective partnership of home and school.

The Parents Association believes it is a "fantastic opportunity" to get involved and build out their team at the annual general meeting on Wednesday, November 9, at 7pm in Kingswood CC.

NTA extend Go-Ahead contract despite concerns

Ballymount company was fined €850k in six months for not meeting targets

By Maurice Garvey
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THE National Transport Authority (NTA) has decided to extend the bus contract of Go-Ahead despite saying it is "not satisfied" with the company's performance.

The private bus operator was fined more than €850k for failing to meet targets in the first six months of 2022.

The NTA contract will keep 25 Dublin bus routes with the Ballymount headquartered Go Ahead Ireland, until at least October 2024.

Go Ahead took over the routes from Dublin Bus in 2018.

Last week, TD Mark Ward (SF) called on Transport Minister Eamon Ryan and the NTA to

address "atrocious standards" on bus routes served by Go-Ahead Ireland.

"Commuters in Dublin Mid West are fed up to the teeth of the poor service being delivered by Go-Ahead Ireland," said Deputy Ward.

"Late buses, no shows, overcrowding and generally poor service standards are commonplace on routes 76, 18, L51 and L52.

"Sinn Féin warned the privatisation of our bus services would drive down standards, as profits would be prioritised over punctuality, reliability and customer service.

"Go-Ahead's Irish subsidiary made a €2.6m profit last year, which is hard for commuters to stomach given the poor service they are experiencing on the ground."

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Direct provision is not the answer for asylum seekers

System slammed by Amnesty as an 'ongoing human rights scandal'

By Hayden Moore

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DIRECT provision is not the answer to accommodating asylum seekers, according to a councillor, with South Dublin County Council backing a motion in support of the end of the system.

There is around 5,600 people living in direct provision centres across Ireland, according to statistics for 2021.

The system was originally intended to be a short-term measure when it was introduced in 2000 but it has been widely criticised for the conditions – in which some asylum seekers have lived in for 10 years.

When a person applies for international protection, it is called claiming asylum, and the International Protection Officer needs to process the application – which is where delays crop in.

While people are waiting for the application to be processed, they are housed and provided with meals, a weekly payment of €33.80 for an adult and €29.80 per child, and a medical card.

The system has been heavily criticised, with Amnesty International describing it as “an ongoing human rights scandal, trapping asylum seekers in limbo for years and violating their human rights”.



According to advocacy group Doras, asylum seekers are five times more likely to develop mental health and psychiatric issues – such is the sub-par living conditions.

A large amount of direct provision centres in Ireland are managed by private contractors

on behalf of the state, with residents living in shared accommodation.

For example, Fazyard Ltd, the company providing accommodation at the Direct Provision Centre at Clondalkin Towers Hotel and other locations, was paid €7.93m in 2019 by the Department of Justice.

That year, as established in a Freedom of Information request by investigative journalist Ken Foxe, the Clayton Hotel in Liffey Valley was paid €2.9m for accommodating asylum seekers.

At the recent Clondalkin Area Committee Meeting, Cllr Francis Timmons raised a motion in support for the end of the direct provision system.

“The motion was passed, I

have been and continue to be opposed to the system known as Direct Provision,” Cllr Timmons told *The Echo*.

“I acknowledged in the motion that it’s unlikely to end in the short term, but I strongly advocate that all refugees are treated equally and that we make it as fair as possible that all refugees have access to PPS number and can work.

“Two years after the last Magdalene laundry shut the state set up another institution in the form of Direct Provision. It’s totally unacceptable and lacks decency and fairness.

“We can and should do better as a people, Ireland can do a lot better in our treatment of people escaping war, famines, and other issues.”

As requested in the motion,

letters outlining the support of the council to end direct provision will be issued to Minister for Children, Roderic O’Gorman TD, and Minister for Justice, Helen McEntee TD, by South Dublin County Council.

There is a commitment to end direct provision and replace it with an alternative reception system in the existing Programme for Government.

In February 2021, the Government released the White Paper to End Direct Provision and to Establish a New International Protection Support Service.

This White Paper pledged to end direct provision by the end of 2024 and offered a two-phase solution for the reception of international protection applicants.

First aid for free in local library

FIRST AID for parents is taking place in Castletymon Library on Monday, November 7.

The practical workshop on important first aid tips is free and will take place on November 7 at 7pm.

There is a maximum of two tickets per person.

For further details visit first aid for parents at Eventbrite.ie

Space for all ages

AWARD-winning scientist Niamh Shaw is hosting a free workshop in Castletymon Library on Saturday, November 5.

Join Niamh from 2pm to 3pm for a ‘Space for all Ages’ talk about her fascination for space and hear about some of her adventures.

There is a limit of two tickets per person.

For further details visit Eventbrite.ie

Prostate cancer awareness

AS PART of prostate cancer awareness, Tallaght Cancer Support Group is holding an awareness morning at their offices on Main Road in Tallaght village on Friday morning at 11 o’clock.

Guest speaker at the event will be Ms Lynn Casey, Urology Nurse at Tallaght University Hospital.

The talk is being held as part of Movember and all services at the support group are free.

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‘Spasm of jealousy’ man threw a brick at door of ex-partner

A MAN who threw a brick at his ex-partner’s door and threatened her “in a spasm of jealousy” has been warned not to harass or unnecessarily contact her again or he will go to prison, reports Fiona Ferguson

Kyle Walsh (30) of Killinarden Heights, Tallaght, pleaded guilty at Dublin Circuit Criminal Court to burglary and making a threat at his former partner’s home, on December 30, 2019.

The court heard that in “a spasm of jealousy,” Walsh had thrown a brick and entered through the front door of his former partner’s home. He made threats to kill her before leaving the house.

Judge Martin Nolan said it had been a frightening and serious offence.

The judge said looking through the probation report it seems the defendant had an attitudinal problem which he has to deal with.

The judge also noted that the events took place three years ago and had not occurred again. Walsh has no relevant

previous convictions.

He said he hoped Walsh had realised what he did wrong and that it can never be repeated.

The judge said the mitigation was clear, noting Walsh’s plea, cooperation and good work history.

Judge Nolan said the question was should he imprison Walsh. He noted complicating factors in Walsh’s personal circumstances and that this behaviour had not reoccurred.

He said that it would probably be unjust to imprison him, but it had been a close-run thing.

Judge Nolan imposed two-and-a-half years imprisonment which he suspended in full. He ordered him to have no unnecessary contact with the injured party.

He told Walsh that if there was any harassment, bad blood or aggression towards the woman he would be brought back to court. He warned Walsh if there was any repetition he would go to jail.

Youngsters making short videos on dangers of peer pressures

The youths of Cherry Orchard have taken to acting like naturals

By **Maurice Garvey**
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YOUTHS in Cherry Orchard at risk from being diverted to a life of petty criminality, are involved with a local media and production company, which is moving them into a positive outlet with possibilities for growth and development.

Hour Hearts Productions has a number of youths involved in plans to make a shorts series on the dangers of peer pressure for youngsters.

This follows a short video released just before Halloween, with youngsters from the area warning of the dangers of fireworks, delivering their message to camera while on the street.

The video was produced by Hour Hearts in conjunction with Cllr Daithí Doolan and Familibase.

Cherry Orchard was a big national media headline story in September, following viral footage of a garda car being rammed by youths in stolen cars.

However, it is a problem that has dogged the area for decades



GROWTH: Morgan Gore, Cillian Byrne, Katie Fitzpatrick (insets) workshops taking place

– younger youths copying older peers as the cycle continues.

In an effort to reach them before they go down that path, Cherry Orchard man Paul Ritchie, who runs Hour Hearts Productions with Myles Maher,

engages youngsters most at risk, and the response has been great, the youths taking to acting naturally.

“We know the names of all the kids,” said Paul.

“The older ones. 16 to 17

years old, are too far gone. We are targeting the 12/13/14-year-olds before it is too late, and get them off the street. The younger lads are led on by the older lads.”

With the help of Cllr Hazel

De Nortúin, Paul secured a space upstairs at Cherry Orchard Community Centre to work with the children every Wednesday and Thursday evening.

“I pick them up beforehand at their home, to make sure they go, but they all want to go. When we were out filming the Halloween video with cameras, everyone knows us and says ‘howya’. With the scene at the end of the Halloween video, we just went to St James’s Hospital and asked the driver if we could film beside the ambulance.”

Hour Hearts Productions released a movie ‘Blind Man’s Bluff’, earlier this year, which was shot over three days back in Ballyfermot and has young emerging talent from the area.

Paul says they have not received funding for the production, which premiered at the Lighthouse Cinema in March, but are hopeful of securing funding for Blind Man’s Bluff and other projects. The company is recognised by Screen Ireland.

“Anything we can get funding for will go back into the community,” said Paul,

who has done workshops in local secondary schools for first years.

“We have talked with Cllr De Nortúin and Cllr Doolan, and we want to work with gardai. Any kids who don’t want to act, we have other ideas, and are thinking of doing a gaming competition at the centre, maybe a FIFA football tournament.”

Currently, the collaborative work is focusing on a six-part series warning of the dangers of peer pressure, with each episode ten minutes long, and this will require more preparation and rehearsals.

“The first one will be about girls forced into underage sex, the second one on kids forced to try laughing gas,” said Paul.

“Another one will be on bullying. The Canada Goose jackets that the young lads love, are really expensive. There is an app that you can scan the label of the jacket, why it is available to the public I don’t know, and if it is a knock-off, the lad gets bullied because it is fake. Parents haven’t got the money for those jackets (which can cost up to €1,600).”

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Saoirse O'Brien recommends The Santa Van.

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Brigid Rose Kalisa recommends The Santa Van.

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Council refute claims they are slow responding to Cllr

Claims of slowness are rejected with production of Hoarding Licence

By Aideen O'Flaherty

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SOUTH Dublin County Council said it refutes a claim that it has been slow to respond to a councillor's queries about hoarding that was recently erected opposite Kilnamanagh Shopping Centre.

As reported in *The Echo* last week, the hoarding has been placed around the property at McHugh's Components, to facilitate the construction of an extension to the warehouse.

However, there are concerns that the hoarding appears to be placed on council-owned land and residents have been questioning why it was allowed to be put up.

Local Fianna Fáil councillor Charlie O'Connor told *The Echo* last week that people were concerned about the hoarding and added that the council had been "very slow" to provide information.

One sticking point was that the hoarding has received an S254 Hoarding Licence, which Cllr O'Connor said he had difficulty getting from the council.

In response, a council



“ This hoarding license is to facilitate safe development of the site and to protect the health and safety of public road and footpath users and may also apply to the use of the public road space at the specific location

spokesperson said: "The executive refutes the suggestion that it is 'slow' to respond to Members' Representations in relation to hoarding/S254 licence applications, and all such representations are responded within prescribed timeframes as set out in the Council's Customer Service Action Plan and Citizens Charter.

"I also wish to confirm that details of S254 applications and licences granted are published in

the council's weekly planning list."

After *The Echo* sent a query to the council on Monday, October 24, the local authority then responded on the following Wednesday afternoon and included a copy of the licence.

"The licence was granted in respect of an application made by Elliott Properties for a site at Mayberry Road," said the council.

"This hoarding license is to

facilitate safe development of the site and to protect the health and safety of public road and footpath users and may also apply to the use of the public road space at the specific location.

"The hoarding is to be removed upon completion of works, when following council inspection, the licence will be withdrawn."

The licence for the hoarding is effective from October 3, 2022, to February 1, 2023.

Start of free Parkrun event from Saturday in Dodder Valley Park

SOUTH Dublin County Sports Partnership, in partnership with the HSE, announce the launch of their new weekly Parkrun event this Saturday (9.30am) in Dodder Valley Park following the upgrade of the park walkways by South Dublin County Council.

This free weekly Parkrun event will work to serve the local neighbourhoods like Firhouse, Knocklyon, and Tallaght as well helping to create a better community for all in the wider South Dublin County community.

Parkruns are free weekly 5 kilometre runs held Saturday mornings in local parks around South Dublin and Ireland. These events aim to develop runner confidence in a safe and friendly community-based way, while also being great social outlets.

Established in the Republic of Ireland in 2012, Parkrun has continued to grow in popularity, now boasting 104 locations and 218,820 race finishers.

To register for the new Dodder Valley Park Parkrun, or for more information on a Parkrun near you, visit www.parkrun.ie

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Go-ahead for apartment complex of 150 homes at Glebe Coruba, Crumlin

PLANS for an apartment complex of 150 cost rental and social housing homes at Glebe Coruba, Crumlin, have been approved by An Bord Pleanála, reports Maurice Garvey.

Approved Housing Body Circle VHA, in conjunction with Seabren Developments and with the support of Dublin City Council housing, are behind the development.

The proposed development, with a two-year delivery pipeline from approval, will be made up of 75 one-beds, 71 two-beds and 4 three-bed units.

Plans include the restoration of protected structure Glebe House, a building that is over 200 years old, but was destroyed by fire last April.

Plans also include an on-site crèche, a community café, gated access from Somerville Drive to Crumlin village and a public pocket park to the front of Glebe House.

There is provision in the plans for 66 car-parking spaces and four visitor car-parking

spaces.

As part of the conditions in granting permission for the development, the restoration of Glebe House shall be undertaken in accordance with the 'Architectural Heritage Impact Assessment' submitted with the application by Mullarkey Pedersen Architects.

Speaking earlier this year, Russell Grainge, Director of Property at Circle VHA, said the development will assist with the shortage of private rental options in the Crumlin/Walkinstown area.

Cost rental homes are open for application to people who don't qualify for social housing but are working (net household income not greater than €53k) and are currently paying private rent.

"Given cost rental rents are required to be 25 per cent below market rate, we are aiming to deliver 75 A-rated homes in the locality on land that is currently derelict but has a much-loved history," said Mr Grainge.

‘No’ to plans for new M50 exit between Red Cow and Lucan

Analysis reveals highest concentration of crashes around Junction 7, Lucan and Liffey Valley

By **Maurice Garvey**
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DESPITE the high volume of motor accidents at a hotspot on the M50 in Lucan and Liffey Valley, there are no plans to install a new exit between the Red Cow and Lucan.

It was a proposal removed from a previous county development plan.

Cllr Liona O’Toole (Ind) requested South Dublin County Council revisit the possibility of Exit 8 – in light of the recent traffic statistics, and major housing plans for the Clonburris SDZ and City Edge.

Analysis of accident statistics this year, from January 1 to August 31, revealed there were 1,088 incidents on the M50, of which 399 were collisions, working out at 50 crashes a month.

Lucan and Liffey Valley between 4pm and 5pm is the part of the M50 when motorists are most likely to be involved in a crash.

An examination of a sample of nearly 200 accidents on the M50 revealed the biggest concentration of crashes was around Junction 7 – Lucan and Liffey Valley, at 18 per cent.

News of the statistics last month came as no surprise to Lucan resident Cllr O’Toole, who believes Exit 8 would alleviate serious traffic issues in this area.

SDCC said the management of the M50 and connecting roads to the M50 is a joint matter for the National Transport Authority and Transport Infrastructure Ireland.

“In the current GDA Transport Strategy, there is no proposal to create an Exit 8 onto the M50,” said SDCC in response to Cllr O’Toole at an area meeting this week.

“Our policy must be aligned to all the higher national transport policy objectives. Therefore, although it was included in the previous County Development Plan, it was not included as a proposal in our current County Development Plan.

“The NTA have done the analysis on an Exit 8 and have decided it is not feasible to create an additional M50 connection.”

SDCC said the Clonburris SDZ scheme, and in particular the traffic network requirements, has been designed on the basis that there would be “no change to connections onto the M50.”

PROPOSAL: There is no plans to install a new exit between the Red Cow and Lucan



The local authority attribute the current congestion on the N4 “in part to an over-reliance on the car.”

They said there are continued efforts to improve pedestrian, cycling and public transport infrastructure in the area.

“As these improvements are created and as public attitudes change, car usage will decrease allowing the existing road capacity to suffice in most locations,” said SDCC.

“This is the agreed national transport strategy and we must focus on sustainable transport movement and not on improvements for the car which experience has taught leads to greater car numbers and not the reverse.”

“This is the agreed national transport strategy and we must focus on sustainable transport movement and not on improvements for the car. . .

City Edge project talk for Chamber members

SOUTH Dublin County Council is hosting a talk on the City Edge development on November 15, for chamber members only, reports *Maurice Garvey*.

Presentations during the morning seminar at the Plaza Hotel, Belgard Road, will be delivered by Jason Frehill, Director of Economic, Enterprise & Tourism Development and Siobhán Duff, City Edge Project.

The City Edge development is set to become one of Europe’s largest regeneration projects, with the future potential to accommodate up to 75,000 jobs and 40,000 homes. The collaborative project focuses on 700 hectares of land in the Naas Road, Ballymount and Park West areas, on the western edge of Dublin city centre.

Members are invited to the talk to find out more about the most significant housing and

economic opportunity ever undertaken in the Dublin region.

The area is identified under the National Planning Framework (NPF) and Regional Spatial and Economics Strategy (RSES) as a part of Dublin that is currently under-utilised and has the potential to achieve compact growth through a major increase in population and employment.

Feedback to the large project has been mixed, with local residents unsure if all the appropriate infrastructure will be in place to handle such a massive increase in population.

The event takes place on Tuesday, November 15, from 9.30am – 10.30am, at the Plaza Hotel, Belgard Road, Tallaght.

Free parking is available.

Tea/Coffee available at registration from 9.15am. Book your place with Mary at mary@sdchamber.ie

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Worldwide screening for Street Leagues tale

Colin Farrell in documentary on Irish journey to Homeless World Cup

By **Maurice Garvey**

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THE 'Street Leagues' documentary featuring Colin Farrell is now available to watch worldwide on Amazon Prime.

The documentary followed the Irish men's and woman's street leagues teams incredible journeys to compete at the 2017 Homeless World Cup in Oslo.

It premiered on RTE in August. Prior to this, the one-hour documentary premiered at Cineworld, Parnell Street, during the Virgin Dublin International Film Festival 2020 – about two weeks before the first Covid lockdown.

Directed by Daniel F Holmes, the picture was also nominated for the ICCL Human Rights Film Award.

The documentary features contributions from actor Colin Farrell, an ambassador for the team.

Farrell, who has been to a HWC with Irish teams recalled "an incredible sense of community and fun."

"But the men and women involved have all dealt with the things we have dealt with in some measures, in really extreme ways," said the actor.

Players who have combated social issues and addiction issues are eligible to play in the leagues, and compete in trials for a place in the annual World Cup squad.

Clondalkin resident Sean Kavanagh, Irelands Big Issue editor, established the



Council to consider use of CCTV to monitor lanes

SOUTH Dublin County Council will consider using CCTV to monitor dumping and anti-social behaviour at laneways in Palmerstown.

Palmerstown has a network of laneways, which on occasion, are subject to dumping and anti-social activity.

Cllr Guss O'Connell (Ind) asked the council this week to investigate the possibility of using mobile CCTV to monitor dumping and anti-social behaviour on the laneway network in Palmerstown.

Cllr O'Connell would like this to be introduced as a pilot project, which could then be utilised for other parts of the county.

SDCC said the laneways in Palmerstown will be considered for inclusion in any CCTV schemes, subject to the Circular Economy and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, which was signed into law recently on the July 21.

The Act provides for amendments to the Waste Management Act and the Litter Pollution Act.

The proposed amendments include provisions for the approval of CCTV schemes by local authorities – for the purposes of deterring environmental pollution, and prosecution of offences.

SDCC said: "The Act includes a requirement that the Local Government Management Agency shall prepare and submit to the Minister for approval draft codes of practice for the purposes of setting standards for the operation of CCTV schemes by local authorities.

"It is also provided in the Act that the codes of practice must be in place prior to parts 3 and 4 of the Act being commenced and any CCTV schemes being proposed for approval."

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Street League and Irish Homeless World Cup team in 2004, after noticing the Celtic Tiger saw many fall through the cracks and "left behind."

"To engage with them, I thought it might be a good idea to have a football tournament," he said.

The first-ever Irish women's squad at the Norway tournament featured Clondalkin native Christine Geoghegan and Nikitta

Farrelly from Tallaght.

The ladies finished 10th overall, and were presented with a best newcomers trophy.

The men's team were managed then and now, by Clondalkin native and former Irish international Thomas Morgan, and were captained in Norway by Cherry Orchard man David Bissett.

The boys in green reached the quarter finals and finished eighth out of 48 countries.

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NOTICE OF THE PUBLICATION OF A DRAFT MAP BY SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE PURPOSES OF IDENTIFYING LAND THAT SATISFIES THE RELEVANT CRITERIA TO BE SUBJECT TO RESIDENTIAL ZONED LAND TAX

A draft map, prepared under Section 653C of the Taxes Consolidation Act 1997, has been published on the website maintained by South Dublin County Council and is available for inspection at its offices.

The draft map has been prepared for the purposes of identifying land that satisfies the relevant criteria and is to be subject to the residential zoned land tax.

Residential properties, notwithstanding that they may be included on the draft map, shall not be chargeable to the residential zoned land tax.

Land which satisfies the relevant criteria is a reference to land that—

- (a) is included in a development plan, in accordance with section 10(2) (a) of the Act of 2000, or local area plan, in accordance with section 19(2)(a) of the Act of 2000, zoned—
 - (i) solely or primarily for residential use, or
 - (ii) for a mixture of uses, including residential use,
- (b) it is reasonable to consider may have access, or be connected, to public infrastructure and facilities, including roads and footpaths, public lighting, foul sewer drainage, surface water drainage and water supply, necessary for dwellings to be developed and with sufficient service capacity available for such development, and
- (c) it is reasonable to consider is not affected, in terms of its physical condition, by matters to a sufficient extent to preclude the provision of dwellings, including contamination or the presence of known archaeological or historic remains,

but which is not land—

- (i) that is referred to in paragraph (a)(i) and, having regard only to development (within the meaning of the Act of 2000) which is not unauthorised development (within the meaning of the Act of 2000), is in use as premises, in which a trade or profession is being carried on, that is liable to commercial rates, that it is reasonable to consider is being used to provide services to residents of adjacent residential areas,
- (ii) that is referred to in paragraph (a)(ii), unless it is reasonable to consider that the land is vacant or idle,
- (iii) that it is reasonable to consider is required for, or is integral to, occupation by—
 - (I) social, community or governmental infrastructure and facilities, including infrastructure and facilities used for the purposes of public administration or the provision of education or healthcare,
 - (II) transport facilities and infrastructure,
 - (III) energy infrastructure and facilities,
 - (IV) telecommunications infrastructure and facilities,
 - (V) water and wastewater infrastructure and facilities,
 - (VI) waste management and disposal infrastructure, or
 - (VII) recreational infrastructure, including sports facilities and playgrounds,
- (iv) that is subject to a statutory designation that may preclude development, or
- (v) on which the derelict sites levy is payable in accordance with the Derelict Sites Act 1990.

Submissions on the draft map may be made (by one medium only)

- Online via the Council's Public Consultation Portal: <http://consult.sdublincoco.ie>
- or
- in writing to Senior Executive Officer, Forward Planning Section, Land Use Planning & Transportation Department, County Hall, Tallaght, Dublin 24 not later than **1 January 2023**, regarding—
 - (i) either the inclusion in or exclusion from the final map of specific sites, or
 - (ii) the date on which a site first satisfied the relevant criteria.

Submissions should include a name and address, reasons for inclusion or exclusion of lands, along with a map of scale 1:1,000 (urban area) or 1:2,500 (rural area) where the submission is made by a landowner, clearly identifying the area of land subject of the submission.

Any such submissions received by 1 January 2023 other than such elements of a submission which may constitute personal data, shall be published on the website maintained by South Dublin County Council not later than 11 January 2023.

Where land identified on the draft map is included in a development plan or local area plan in accordance with section 10(2)(a) or 19(2)(a) of the Act of 2000 zoned—

- (i) solely or primarily for residential use, or
- (ii) for a mixture of uses, including residential use,

Where land is identified on the draft map as being subject to the residential zoned land tax, a person may, in respect of land that such a person owns, make a submission to the local authority requesting a variation of the zoning of that land. Any such submission should include evidence of ownership, detailed reasons for any rezoning request, along with a map to a scale of 1:1,000 (urban) or 1:2,500 (rural) clearly identifying the relevant plot of land.

All rezoning requests made will be considered by South Dublin County Council having regard to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

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Tá dréachtléarscáil, a ullmhaíodh faoi Alt 653C den Acht Comhdhlúite Cánacha, 1997, foilsithe ar an suíomh gréasáin arna chothabháil ag Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas agus tá sé ar fáil lena iniúchadh ag a oifigí.

Ullmhaíodh an dréachtléarscáil chun críocha talamh lena ndéantar na critéir ábhartha shásamh a shainithint agus tá sí le bheith faoi réir na cánach talaimh críosaithe cónaithe.

Ní bheidh réadmhaoine cónaithe, in ainneoin go bhféadfaí iad a áireamh ar an dréachtléarscáil, innhuirir don cháin talaimh críosaithe cónaithe.

Is tagairt í talamh lena ndéantar na critéir ábhartha a chomhlíonadh do thalamh—

- (a) atá san áireamh i bplean forbartha, de réir alt 10(2)(a) d'Acht, 2000, nó plean ceantair áitiúil, de réir alt 19(2)(a) d'Acht, 2000, atá críosaithe—
 - (i) chun críocha úsáide cónaithe amháin nó go príomha, nó
 - (ii) do mheascán úsáidí, lena n-áirítear úsáid chónaithe,
- (b) ina bhfuil sé réasúnach a mheas go bhféadfadh rochtain a bheith ag an talamh, nó go bhfuil baint aige, le bonneagar agus áiseanna poiblí, lena n-áirítear bóithre agus cosáin, soilsiú poiblí, draenáil shéarach bréan, draenáil uisce dromchla agus soláthar uisce, is gá chun áiteanna cónaithe a fhorbairt agus a bhfuil acmhainn seirbhíse dóthanach ar fáil d'fhorbairt den sórt sin, agus
- (c) ina bhfuil sé réasúnach a mheas nach ndéantar difear dó, ó thaobh a riocht fisiciúil, le nithe ar bhealach leordhóthanach chun soláthar áiteanna cónaithe a chosc, lena n-áirítear éilliú nó láithreach fothrach seandálaíochta nó stairiúla is eol, ach nach talamh é—
 - (i) lena ndéantar tagairt dó i mír (a)(i) agus, ag féachaint d'fhorbairt amháin (de réir bhrí Acht, 2000) nach forbairt nár údaráidh í (de réir bhrí Acht, 2000), atá in úsáid mar áitribh, ina bhfuil trádáil nó gairm á seoladh, atá faoi dhliteanas rátaí tráchtála, a bhfuil sé réasúnach a mheas go bhfuiltear á úsáid chun seirbhísí a sholáthar do chónaitheoirí ceantair chónaithe cóngaracha,
 - (ii) lena ndéantar tagairt dó i mír (a)(ii), mura bhfuil sé réasúnach a mheas go bhfuil an talamh neamhshealbhaithé nó díomhaoin,
 - (iii) ina bhfuil sé réasúnach a mheas go bhfuil sé riachtanach, nó go bhfuil sé lárnach, le haghaidh áitithe ag—
 - (I) bonneagar agus saoráidí sóisialta, pobail nó rialtais, lena n-áirítear bonneagar agus saoráidí a úsáidtear chun críocha riaracháin phoiblí nó chun oideachas nó cúram sláinte a sholáthar,
 - (II) saoráidí agus bonneagar iompair,
 - (III) bonneagar agus saoráidí fuinnimh,
 - (IV) bonneagar agus saoráidí teileachumarsáide,
 - (V) bonneagar agus saoráidí uisce agus fuíolluisce,
 - (VI) bainistíocht dramhaíola agus bonneagar diúscairthe, nó
 - (VII) bonneagar fóillíochta, lena n-áirítear saoráidí spóirt agus clóis súgartha,
 - (iv) atá faoi réir sonrú reachtúil a d'fhéadfadh cosc a chur ar fhorbairt, nó (v) ar a bhfuil an tobhach ar láithreáin tréigthe iníochta de réir an Achta um Láithreáin Tréigthe, 1990.

Is féidir aighneachtaí ar an dréachtléarscáil a dhéanamh (trí bhealach amháin)

- Ar líne trí Thairseach Comhairliúcháin Phoiblí na Comhairle: <http://consult.sdublincoco.ie>
- nó
- i scríbhinn chuig an údarás áitiúil Oifigeach Feidhmiúcháin Sinsearach, An Rannóg Pleanála Chun Cinn, An Roinn Pleanála Úsáide Talún & Iompair, Halla an Chontae, Tamhlacht, Baile Átha Cliath 24 nach déanaí ná an **1 Eanáir 2023**, maidir le—
 - (I) láithreáin ar leith a áireamh sa léarscáil deiridh nó a eisiadh ón léarscáil deiridh, nó
 - (II) an dáta a rinne an láithreán na critéir ábhartha a shásamh ar dtús.

Ba cheart go n-áireofaí in aighneachtaí ainm agus seoladh, cúiseanna le tailte a áireamh nó a eisiadh, mar aon le léarscáil ar scála 1:1,000 (ceantar uirbeach) nó 1:2,500 (ceantar tuaithe) nuair atá aighneacht a déanamh ag úinéir talaimh, lena sainithnítear go soiléir an ceantar de thalamh is ábhar don aighneacht.

Maidir le haon aighneachtaí den chineál sin a gheofar faoin 1 Eanáir 2023, seachas eilimintí den sórt sin d'aighneacht a fhéadfaidh a bheith ina sonraí pearsanta, foilseofar iad ar an suíomh gréasáin arna chothabháil ag Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas lena mbaineann tráth nach déanaí ná an 11 Eanáir 2023.

I gcás go bhfuil talamh atá sainaitheanta ar an dréacht-léarscáil cuimsithe i bplean forbartha nó i bplean ceantair áitiúil de réir alt 10(2)(a) nó 19(2)(a) d'Acht, 2000, críosaithe—

- (i) chun críocha úsáide cónaithe amháin nó go príomha, nó
- (ii) do mheascán úsáidí, lena n-áirítear úsáid chónaithe,

I gcás ina sainithnítear talamh ar an dréacht-léarscáil faoi réir na cánach talún críosaithe cónaithe, féadfaidh duine, i leith talún ar leis an duine sin é, aighneacht a dhéanamh chuig Comhairle Contae Átha Cliath Theas ag iarraidh go n-athrófar críosú na talún sin. Ba cheart go n-áireodh aon aighneacht den sórt sin fianaise ar úinéireacht, cúiseanna mionsonraithe le haon iarratas ar athchriosú, chomh maith le léarscáil ar scála 1:1,000 (uirbeach) nó 1:2,500 (tuaithe) ag sainithint an piosa talún ábhartha go soiléir.

Déanfaidh an tÚdarás Áitiúil gach iarratas ar athchriosú a mheas ag féachaint do phleanáil chuif agus d'fhorbairt inbhuanaithe an cheantair.



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Suspended sentence for woman who stole €34k from employer

A RECEPTIONIST who stole over €34,000 from her former employer has been handed a suspended prison sentence, *reports Eimear Dodd*.

Kerrie O'Byrne (46) of Monalea Grove, Firhouse, Dublin used the money to buy personal items including petrol, clothes and flowers and gifts for others, Dublin Circuit Criminal Court heard. She pleaded guilty to over 30 counts of theft at various locations on dates between 2013 and 2019.

The court heard that O'Byrne worked as a receptionist for an engineering company and as part of her role she had use of a company credit card. Imposing sentence on

Thursday, Judge Martin Nolan said O'Byrne should be "ashamed" of her actions.

Judge Nolan said he inferred that O'Byrne had worked for a large company and her actions may have had no great impact on its profitability, but said "stealing from an employer is a serious matter".

An employer is entitled to trust their employees, but O'Byrne had breached that trust, Judge Nolan said.

He imposed a two-and-a-half-year prison sentence, suspended on strict conditions.

The court heard that a fraudulent transaction of €2,500 was identified in

June 2020, and O'Byrne's employer put it to her that money was missing. O'Byrne admitted she had taken the money, and resigned, agreeing to repay the amount taken.

A subsequent investigation by her former employer found that the accused had stolen a total of €34,250 over several years.

Detective Gavin Bowen told the court that the company had introduced a new expenses process in the months before the thefts were uncovered.

It transpired that O'Byrne was not entering expenses properly, though efforts were taken to help her to learn the new process.

O'Byrne, who has no previous convictions, admitted the thefts and apologised following her arrest. She had used the company credit card to buy personal items including petrol, clothes shopping online and flowers, the court heard.

The investigating garda told the court that O'Byrne's former employer had approximately 200 employees.

Det Bowen agreed with defence counsel that O'Byrne had stolen between €3,000 and €4,000 annually over the period in question.

She used the money to buy gifts for others, due to a people-pleasing tendency.

His client was in a position to repay

the amount taken in full, as her husband had sold some property.

A psychological report was handed into the court on behalf of O'Byrne.

Defence counsel said she has taken steps to address the root cause of her offending and is living a "reformed life".

O'Byrne had two previous relationships which had been abusive. She also had issues with drink, but is now sober. Judge Nolan noted that the mitigating factors were good in this case and O'Byrne was in a position to repay her former employer.

He ordered that the money be repaid to the company within the next month.

Ten months for man who fitted false front to ATM machine

Accused had 'disappeared' twice when bench warrants were issued for him

A MAN who fitted a false front to an ATM machine in order to photograph people's credit card details has been sentenced to ten months in prison for this and other offences.

Marius Pughineanu (42) pleaded guilty to possessing an ATM bank reader and to criminal damage of an existing ATM at Main Street, Lucan on January 7, 2008.

Pughineanu, of Park Drive Avenue, Castleknock, also admitted using two stolen credit cards to buy Playstation consoles valued at a total of about €1,200 at various GameStop stores in September 2007.

At a hearing in Dublin Circuit Criminal Court on Wednesday, Judge Martin Nolan sentenced Pughineanu to two prison terms of five months each, to run consecutively.

Judge Nolan said the antiquity of the case was not a mitigating factor and said had Pughineanu been before the court in 2008, he would have got prison time.

The judge noted that Pughineanu had "disappeared" twice when bench warrants were issued for him, including absconding to Thailand in 2014 for seven years.

Garda Stuart Gleeson told Lisa Dempsey BL, prosecuting, that the two stolen credit cards used by Pughineanu in 2007 were traced to US owners who never authorised the transactions.

The court heard that on September 2, 2007, Pughineanu attempted to buy Playstation consoles to the value of €600 at a GameStop store in Drogheda, Co Louth, using a stolen credit card which was later traced to an owner in Georgia, US.

TAMPERED: The Bank of Ireland on Main Street, Lucan



A few days later, on September 5, Pughineanu bought three Playstation consoles valuing €600 from a GameStop store in Clarehall Shopping Centre, Dublin.

The assistant manager identified Pughineanu from an email that had been sent about the Drogheda incident, so she notified the head of security, who in turn alerted gardai.

Gardai arrested Pughineanu running up Temple View Rise, after he was spotted throwing a

credit card into someone's garden. The stolen credit card was later recovered and traced to an owner in Chicago.

Pughineanu was searched and gardai found a further receipt from Smyths ToyStore for three Playstations totally about €500.

Garda Gleeson also gave evidence of arresting Pughineanu some months later on January 7, 2008 after they tampered with a Bank of Ireland ATM on Main Street, Lucan.

The court heard that

Pughineanu and a co-accused were questioned by gardai as they walked away from the ATM and seemed "extremely nervous," with one of the men attempting to hide a pliers up his sleeve.

CCTV footage retrieved from the scene showed the two men removing the front of the ATM machine with a Stanley knife and interfering with it. Pughineanu's fingerprints were later found on the ATM machine.

Garda Gleeson explained to

the judge that the false front of the ATM was fitted with a digital camera, so when customers used their credit cards their numbers would be photographed and then inserted onto a new, cloned card.

Judge Nolan said that banking security has evolved since 2008, but that interfering with the banking system was a serious offence and an attempt to defraud both customers and the bank.

The court heard that Pughineanu has three previous

convictions for burglary, but his counsel insisted that he is now a "reformed person" working 45 hours a week as a fire-proofer and paying taxes.

Counsel for the defence said Pughineanu, a Romanian national, returned to Ireland from Thailand in January 21 and turned himself into the gardai.

The court heard that Pughineanu was extremely apologetic for the offences and has since turned his life around.

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Marathon man Mark Conlon ran 106km last Sunday and raised over €6,000

By Aideen O'Flaherty

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LONG-DISTANCE runner Mark Conlon pounded the pavement on Sunday when he covered a two-and-a-half-marathon distance to fundraise for a local man who was paralysed in an accident.

Mark completed the Dublin City Marathon on Sunday morning, then walked from the city centre to Clondalkin, and completed two more laps around Clondalkin, Lucan and parts of Tallaght.

Overall, he ran 106kms after setting off from the Dublin City Marathon starting line at 9.15am on Sunday and completing his challenge at 1.30am the following morning in Clondalkin.

Mark, who trains with Bawnogue Running

“ I struggled from mile four to mile 15 or 16 with the cold and the rain, and then an old injury was playing up . . . But after that, I got into it more and the crowd cheering got me into it

Club, took on the mammoth challenge to raise funds for 24-year-old Clondalkin native Eoghan Gorman – he raised over €5,000 for the young man.

Eoghan, who is from Greenpark, suffered a life-changing injury in the Dublin Mountains in October last year, when he came off his bike coming down a trail.

The young man, who is a past pupil of Sacred Heart School in Srulleen and Holy Family Community School in Rathcoole, fractured his C3 vertebrae on his spine – which is one of the most severe spinal-cord injuries a person can sustain.

Eoghan, who had moved out of his family home in the months before the accident and was living with his girlfriend Saoirse O'Neill in Newcastle, was rushed to hospital after the accident and placed in an induced coma. Unable to



breathe independently, he was placed on a ventilator. In recent months, Eoghan has been able to come off the ventilator and is able to breathe unassisted but is paralysed from the neck down.

He is currently receiving treatment in the National Rehabilitation Centre in Dun Laoghaire with the aim of eventually being able to come home.

A team of friends of the Gorman family set up a campaign earlier this year, called Fight with Eoghan, to raise funds for when Eoghan leaves the rehab centre so he can get an adapted house to accommodate his needs.

The Gorman family are planning to move into Eoghan's grandmother's house in Rathcoole, as it is larger than the family's Clondalkin home and would be a more suitable property to adapt for him.

Mark was keen to help, as he has completed long-distance runs for many charitable causes over the years, and despite a rocky start, he defiantly carried on and completed



SUPPORT: Dean, Abby and Grace Gorman, Sean Morrissey, Tanya Gorman, Mark Conlon, Jay and Michelle Morris and Elaine Hyland

in the Fight for Eoghan campaign

his marathon challenge.

"I struggled from mile four to mile 15 or 16 with the cold and the rain, and then an old injury was playing up," he told *The Echo*.

"But after that, I got into it more and the crowd cheering got me into it."

After he crossed the Dublin City Marathon finish line, Mark was given two goodie bags and two medals – one for him and one for Eoghan.

He then carried the items with him while he walked from town to Clondalkin, and after dropping them off, he took off running again, doing another marathon length through the area.

"Sean Morrissey, who is Eoghan's best friend and was with him when he had the accident, was amazing," said Mark.

"He ran 77k with me through the evening and the night. Jay Morris, Michelle Morris, Vanessa Ryan, Sage Morrissey, Elaine Hyland, Mia Ryan and Mackenzie Morris supported me all through the night as well."

Mark completed his challenge at 1.30am on Monday morning, and while talking to *The Echo* on Tuesday

morning he explained that he was exhausted but proud of his achievement.

"I was in shock afterwards," he said. "My whole body was aching, I was shattered."

"My whole mission at the start of this, after talking to Eoghan, was to take the stress off him. I want to see Eoghan and his girlfriend, Saoirse, in a house one day where he'll have 24-hour care."

"He's the most positive person you could ever meet, and it's just amazing how he is with everything, and obviously I want to keep helping him. "I'm still a bit sore and tired, but I just wanted to help Eoghan."

Donations to the Fight with Eoghan campaign can be made at www.gofundme.com/f/fightwitheoghan.

This event also marks the last ultra-marathon fundraiser that Mark will run, after 15 years of taking on mammoth running challenges for good causes.

Now Mark is looking forward to running again for leisure, and said he'll continue to participate in local park runs and shorter-distance running events going forward.

Firefighters take action to raise funds for Eoghan



FUNDS: Station officer Darren O'Connor with Cormac Cushen, Derek Riordan, John Doherty and Keith Conroy

Team of firefighters to organise bucket collection at The Square for Eoghan

By Aideen O'Flaherty

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A TEAM of 14 local firefighters will hold a bucket collection in the Centre Mall of the Square Shopping Centre this Saturday, November 5, to raise funds for Eoghan Gorman.

The collection will be on all day, from 9am to 6pm, and will feature an appearance from Batman alongside firefighters from Tallaght Fire Station.

Firefighter Derek Riordan, who has been based in Tallaght Fire Station for the last three years and worked in Nutgrove Fire Station before transferring, is one of the event organisers.

Derek, who added that the fundraiser is a collaboration between Dublin Fire Brigade and the Square, told *The Echo*: "We had heard about Eoghan's story when his accident happened, even though Dublin Fire Brigade staff weren't involved in a professional capacity."

"Then we heard about his fundraiser. We've done fundraisers before in the Square for Aoibheann's Pink Tie and the Gavin Glynn Foundation, but it's been a while since we've done one."

Derek and his colleagues were moved by Eoghan's story, and his determination in challenging circumstances, and wanted to help with the young man's fundraising efforts.

Eoghan and his family recently met Derek to get to know each other and discuss Derek's plans for a fundraiser.

Derek said: "We had a good chat, and they're such a lovely, down-to-earth family – and Eoghan was no different, he's a lovely lad with a very positive outlook."

There's also positivity surrounding the fundraiser in the Square this weekend, and Derek is encouraging shoppers to donate what they can to help Eoghan.

"We're going to be there all day," he said. "We hope to raise as much as possible to go towards Eoghan's care and adaptations to his home."

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Local history with Monica McGill

Clondalkin cobbler was a poet, an author and a social activist

Patrick Gogarty prose show his great powers of observation and satire

LIKE HIS brothers, Patrick Gogarty was a boot and shoe-maker. They lived and worked on Main Street, Clondalkin. However, unlike other members of the Gogarty family, Patrick was also a published author, a member of Ireland's literary revival and an outspoken social activist.

Patrick was born in 1849 at the end of the Great Famine. He died at the age of 43 and was buried in St John's churchyard on Tower Road, Clondalkin. Patrick never married. There's a suggestion that he courted a local girl but she chose to wed another.

Probably educated by the Carmelite Brothers at their school at Mount St Joseph on the Monastery Road, Patrick was taught reading, writing, mathematics, religion, English, Irish, Latin, Greek, as well as poetry and oratory. Some of the maths problems were set in verse.

The maths curriculum included navigation, engineering and surveying. All the school books were provided by the Carmelite Brothers – a service our schoolchildren's parents would appreciate today. Dancing and music lessons were extra.

It's possible that Patrick and his brothers may have learned their cobbler's trade during their years at school. Some of the Carmelite Brothers at Mount St Joseph were skilled saddle-makers for the wider community in and around Clondalkin village. With its good grasslands and cleaner air than Dublin City, Clondalkin was a haven for wealthy families and their horses.

There is evidence that the local Carmelite Brothers quietly supported an Ireland free from British rule. Was it at school that Patrick's social activism was ignited, or during family conversations at home? Possibly both.

Records indicate that Patrick Gogarty was a determined person. His family preferred him to work by making shoes and boots instead of being "a poor poet". However, he gleefully showed them the fees he received when his works were published under one of his pen-names.

In his known prose works, Patrick's writings show his great powers of observation and satire. "Provincial Portraits – Mr Bruce" is a prose piece he wrote, possibly the first in a series for publication. It's about a District Inspector of the Royal Irish Constabulary (known as the RIC) in an Irish village.

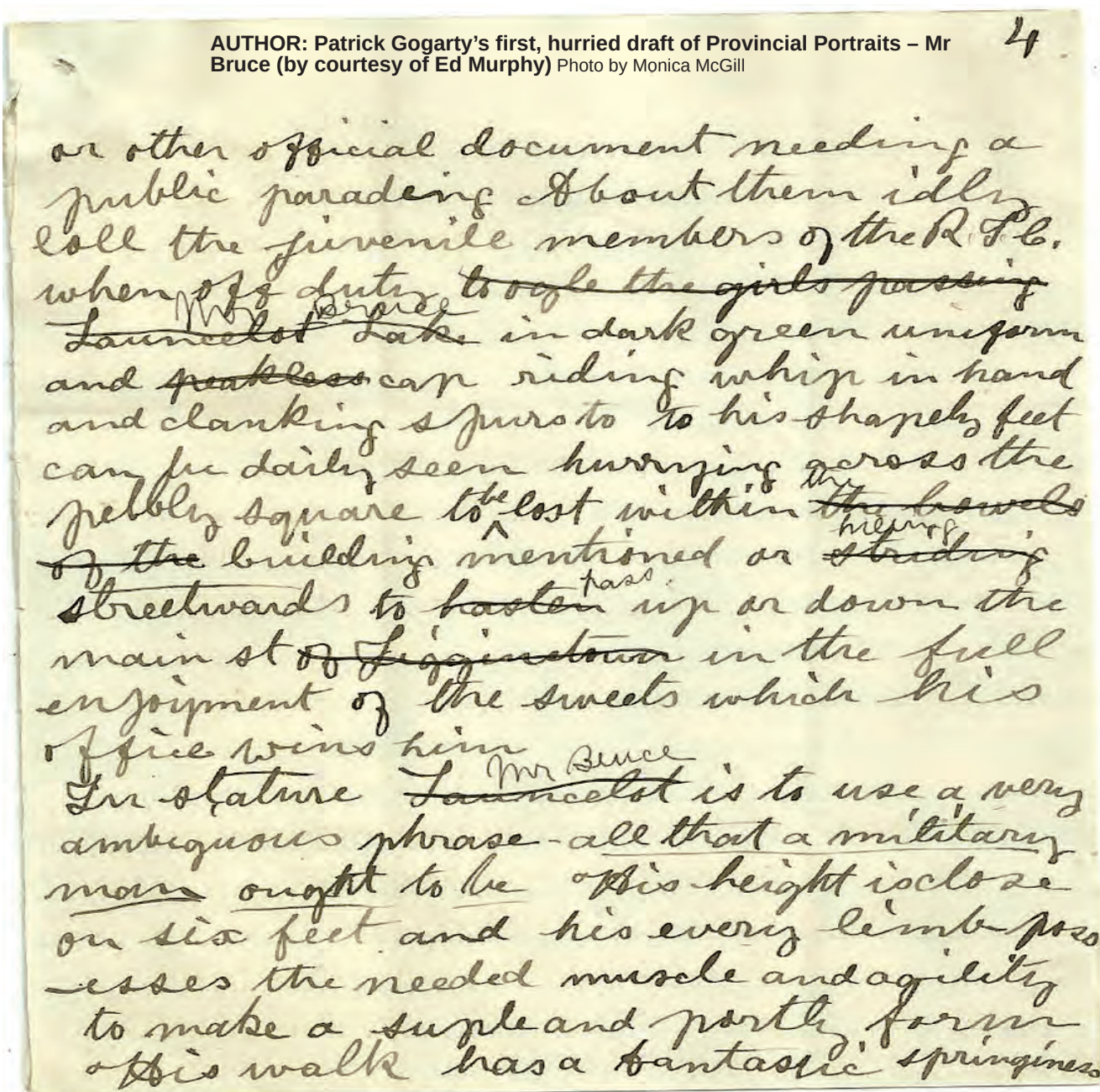
In it, Patrick wields his pen with the precision of a sharp scalpel in a skilled surgeon's hand. Bitingly revealed are Mr Bruce's swagger, self-promotion, his "ear to the ground". From Mr Bruce's viewpoint, readers glimpse people's possible attitudes and behaviours towards him – his inferiors, equals and superiors. Hardly anyone escapes. Some local people's hopes and foolishness are also laid bare.

It's unclear if the Bruce draft was ever published or if any of Gogarty's other Provincial Portraits were written. At the time, was the Bruce piece too close to reality in Clondalkin for publication?

Patrick would suddenly leave the workshop on Main Street and walk the mile or so to Katharine Tynan's house on Belgard Road, still wearing his shoe-maker's leather apron. This must have annoyed his family. Maybe some customers were displeased too if their boots or shoes weren't ready as promised.

Patrick wasn't visiting Katharine Tynan for any love-lorn reason. He discussed his poetry with her and valued her criticism. She thought his poetry could be improved by using simpler words and expressions.

Katharine was part of the Irish literary revival. It's said she introduced Patrick to many of its literary giants when they



AUTHOR: Patrick Gogarty's first, hurried draft of Provincial Portraits – Mr Bruce (by courtesy of Ed Murphy) Photo by Monica McGill

opinions. Katharine wrote about him in some of her published books. W.B. Yeats wrote in his collected works that he "often" visited Patrick in the shoe-maker's on Main Street to discuss literature, and regretted being away from his London home when Patrick visited there

unexpectedly.

Patrick was Honorary Secretary of the Clondalkin Branch of the pro-Parnell Irish National League. As part of the League, he openly defended tenants' rights when the local landlord evicted three Clondalkin families, even though they had been his tenants for many years.

The landlord alleged that they hadn't paid rent and made other complaints about them. Patrick helped to collect enough funds to build a house on Knockmeenagh Road in Clondalkin for one of the families. Perhaps the others found accommodation elsewhere.

As a result of his effective activities and rousing public speeches, Patrick and other

local activists were reported to Dublin Castle, the Inspector General and the Attorney General. There is a suggestion that private meetings of the Committee were reported secretly to the authorities.

In 1885, official RIC files described Patrick disparagingly as "a shoemaker + poor + of no standing in the neighbourhood".

The landlord wrote to the Under Secretary for Ireland describing the "Land League in this Village [Clondalkin] which exercises this terrorism is almost entirely managed by Shoemakers and Publicans."

The RIC police force was ordered to witness INL public meetings – presumably to note who attended them and hear what was said. The official police note-taker recorded Patrick's speeches accurately.

Did that deter the local INL Committee? It seems not, for

between 500 and 800 people attended just one of their public meetings – supported by two brass bands!

Understandably, Patrick's family may have been concerned that his activism would adversely affect their livelihoods, at the very least. After all, policemen and their families needed boots and shoes too.

So, Patrick Gogarty was a skilled tradesman, a successful author and courageous when silence would have been wiser.

Not bad for a short life of only 43 years. Sadly, it's difficult to find any reference to him online. Perhaps it's time that changed and we became more aware of Patrick Gogarty's achievements.

For more information about Mount St Joseph Monastery and schools, see Joe Williams: The Monastery of Mount St Joseph, South Dublin Libraries, 2010.



SOLE MATE: Hobnail boot (courtesy Joe Williams Archive)

gathered in her home. Presumably there he would have heard about the other authors' latest works-in-progress and shared

Community centre renovation project for summer completion

Transformation of St Mary's National School will be invaluable for area

By **Hayden Moore**

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GROUND has been broken on the new Saggart Schoolhouse Community Centre renovation project – it is now due to be completed by summer 2023.

At the recent committee meeting for the Saggart area, Cllr Shirley O'Hara asked for a report on the new community centre and for a timeframe for completion of the project.

In response, the council said that "construction has begun on the Saggart Schoolhouse Community Centre project with a current projected completion date of Summer 2023".

"SDCC Community is supporting the BOM [Board of Management] of Saggart Schoolhouse Community Centre throughout this process," the local authority said.

“You can't put thousands of houses in and not provide adequate facilities . . .



The renovation project to transform the former St Mary's National School in Saggart to a community and civic centre was given the thumbs-up by South Dublin County Council in June 2020.

A protected structure, the school building has been unoccupied since 2014 and will be conserved, restored and renovated ahead of the construction of a new single-storey hall at the site.

Following the purchasing of the lands by the council, according to a report by

the county Chief Executive Daniel McLoughlin, the site was identified as an opportunity to save an "important part of the heritage of Saggart" and "link it" with the growing community.

A Board of Management was established in 2020 incorporating local residents, community groups and the council, with the contract awarded to a developer in March 2021.

As reported in *The Echo* in July 2021, construction works were due to commence imminently as final legal

agreements were drawn up.

At that time, the Board indicated an intention to open its doors in Spring 2022. However, it was not until June of this year, when then Mayor Peter Kavanagh turned the sod to officially launch the project and construction works have now finally begun.

Previously speaking to *The Echo* about the project, Cllr Francis Timmons described the project as "invaluable".

"Saggart is one of the fastest-growing areas in South Dublin County with the

level of investment in housing, but you can't put thousands of houses in and not provide adequate facilities," Cllr Timmons said.

"This community centre will be invaluable for the area.

"You need facilities to go along with housing because it allows you to create the necessary space for a community to grow and continue to develop, places for them to go and meet, and a community centre is a great place for that."

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Plans for €20k upgrade to tennis courts to proceed

Kingswood residents have already voiced their opposition

By Aideen O'Flaherty

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SOUTH Dublin County Council has confirmed that it still intends to carry out upgrade works on the tennis courts in Kingswood Heights.

As has been confirmed by the local authority on several occasions, €20,000 has been provided for the upgrade works, which have yet to commence.

The tennis courts have been a point of contention in Kingswood for several years, for a number of reasons.

In 2019, over 300 Kingswood residents signed petitions calling on the council to shelve their plans to upgrade the tennis courts and to instead develop a sports hub on the site of the tennis courts.

The upgrade to the tennis courts at Kingswood Heights had been included in the Public Realm Improvement Works Programme in 2019.

However, the upgrade was put on hold due to pending discussions with the Kingswood Heights Residents' Association.

After the council met with the residents in January 2020, an agreement was reached that a joint visit would be arranged to inspect tennis courts that were similar to the ones in Kingswood and that had been upgraded.

However, the joint visit never happened due to Covid-19 restrictions.

In May 2020, a motion was passed by councillors calling on the council to support the campaign and to have the local



tennis courts transformed into a sports facility.

Last year, a motion was again passed for the development of a sports hub in Kingswood, and the council stated that it intended to

honour its commitment to upgrade the tennis courts in 2021.

At a Tallaght Area Committee meeting last week, Fianna Fáil councillor Charlie O'Connor asked for an update on the plans for the tennis courts.

In response, the council stated: "As reported, a sum of €20,000 has been provided for the upgrade of the tennis courts in Kingswood Heights."

"It is still the intention of the

council's Public Realm Section to utilise this provision and carry out the intended upgrade works.

"There are no plans at this time for any other works to the area in question."

The Echo asked a South Dublin County Council spokesperson when the upgrade works are expected to be carried out.

In response, the spokesperson stated: "The council previously gave a commitment to upgrade the

tennis courts at Kingswood Heights and provided a sum of €20,000 for these works.

"The work was planned to take place in 2020 however this was disrupted by the arrival of the Covid pandemic which resulted in the works not taking place that year or the following year.

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Three-year suspended sentence for man with €70k of cocaine

Accused thanked the judge after sentencing and said ‘I won’t let you down’

A MAN who was caught by gardaí transporting almost €70,000 of cocaine has been given a suspended three-year sentence, reports Isabel Hayes.

Daniel Kerins (26), of Brookview Close, Tallaght, pleaded guilty at Dublin Circuit Criminal Court to possession of cocaine for sale or supply at St Ronan's Crescent, Clondalkin, on November 25, 2019. He has three previous convictions for possession of drugs.

Detective Garda James Doolin told Aideen Collard BL, prosecuting, that

on foot of confidential information, gardaí put in place a surveillance operation in the Donomore area of Tallaght on the date in question.

Det Garda Doolin said Kerins was observed getting into a taxi in the area and travelling to St Ronan's Crescent. Kerins got out of the taxi carrying a package and got into another car with his co-accused.

Kerins and his co-accused exited a moment later with the co-accused now in possession of the package. Both were arrested and the package was found to contain cocaine.

The total value of the cocaine was €69,993.

Det Garda Doolin said Kerins' role was to transport the drugs in order to pay off a drug debt, while his co-accused's role was to break down and sell the drugs.

The detective agreed with James Dwyer SC, defending, that his client was not the target of garda intelligence. He agreed that the other man's role was slightly higher and more trusted.

The court heard Kerins was "in the throes of drugs addiction" and was

helping to pay off a €7,500 drug debt through his involvement. He has attended residential treatment and made significant progress in rehabilitating himself, the court heard.

Mr Dwyer submitted that his client had been assaulted "in a very serious way" arising from this matter, but that he did not report this to gardaí.

He has not re-offended since the date of the offence.

Judge Melanie Greally said she was satisfied Kerins had been subject to a significant amount of pressure to act as a courier on the day in question.

She noted he had a lot of difficulties arising from his childhood and has demonstrated a "high level of commitment" in rehabilitating himself and extracting himself from his former life.

She handed down a three-year sentence and suspended it on a number of conditions, including that Kerins remain under the supervision of the Probation Service for two years.

Kerins thanked the judge after the sentence was handed down, telling her: "I won't let you down."

Windows and doors replacing to cost €1m

A TOTAL of 168 work orders for the replacement of windows and doors in council houses in Tallaght has been issued to contractors by South Dublin County Council so far this year.

The works are valued at being in excess of €1.1m and include either the partial or full replacement of windows and doors.

The council provided this information in a response to a question submitted by Sinn Féin councillor for Tallaght South, Dermot Richardson, at a Tallaght Area Committee meeting last week.

Cllr Richardson asked for a report on the council's Windows and Doors Programme, and the council stated that its housing maintenance section has carried out 140 windows and doors inspections in Tallaght.

"The inspection assesses the performance/condition of the windows/doors," stated the local authority.

"Results from the inspection will determine if action is required on the full or partial replacement of a set of windows/doors in the property. Replacement is based and prioritised on a need basis."

The final outcome of inspections is classified under a number of different headings, including no works required, service required, monitoring required, replacement required, and emergency replacement required.

"Additional properties have been identified for works from previous property condition surveys," added the council.

Part of hospital campus described as 'disgusting'

Local says litter has been dumped inside the green railings

By Aideen O'Flaherty

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THE section of the Tallaght University Hospital campus at Cookstown Way adjacent to the Luas track has been described as "disgusting" by a local resident.

A local resident who walks along that road daily, and who asked to remain unnamed, said litter has been dumped just inside the green railings that delineate the hospital campus from the footpath.

According to the resident, the refuse has accumulated over several months and is an unwelcome sight for people walking along the footpath or those travelling on the Luas.

"All along the railings, all the way down the road, it's full of rubbish – nappies, bags, cans," the resident told *The Echo*.

"It's disgusting-looking, especially when it's at the hospital. The rubbish has been there for a good eight or nine months."

"There's even some bags of rubbish. It's disgusting. I walk along there every morning and I see it."

"If you look outside the windows of the Luas when you're going by you can see all of the filth"



LITTER SPOT: The pathway between Tallaght University Hospital Campus and the Cookstown Way Luas track (inset) litter that was dumped behind the railings

"If you look outside the windows of the Luas when you're going by you can see all of the filth."

The problem has worsened over recent months, according to the resident, and they're calling on Tallaght University Hospital to clean up the affected areas.

"It's gotten worse over the

last few months," they said.

"People are throwing bottles, cans and nappies."

"I'd like for the hospital to clean it up, because it must be over a year since that area was cleaned."

"I know it'd be hard to get up there to clean it, but even the gate that people use to get into the hospital has rubbish

around it."

The Echo contacted a spokesperson for Tallaght University Hospital to see if they were aware of the issue and if any action would be taken.

Last Friday morning, a spokesperson for the hospital said: "Yes, the shrubbery along the campus border is littered,

please note this litter is not from the hospital but from pedestrians walking alongside the hospital fence."

"We are in the process of clearing it up and have contacted the council to request that more bins are put up along the footpath so the public have the opportunity to dispose of their rubbish responsibly."

Almost 280 households on council housing list are awarded 'medical priority' status

THERE are currently 278 households on South Dublin County Council's housing list that have been awarded medical priority, of which 82 specifically require wheelchair-accessible housing, reports Aideen O'Flaherty.

The council has two areas of

preference for social housing applicants, north and south of the Naas Road, with housing list figures grouped into those two areas.

In terms of medical priority social housing applicants, there are currently 214 waiting for accommodation south of the Naas

Road, and 164 for housing north of the Naas Road.

Since 2019, 246 households have been allocated accommodation based on medical priority, with an average time on the list of just over eight years.

So far in 2022, a total of 63 households have received medical priority housing allocations.

"It should be noted that applicants for medical priority may have been on the housing list for significant periods before applying for/being approved for medical priority," stated the council.

"Additionally, the average waiting time may also be affected by the need for specially adapted accommodation which may not be readily available within current housing stock, necessitating the planning and construction of such properties to meet a household's specific needs."

The information was provided by South Dublin County Council in response to a question by independent councillor Paddy Holohan at a Tallaght Area Committee meeting last week.



HOUSING LIST: An aerial shot of Tallaght

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Nature on our doorsteps

Rosaleen Dwyer is the County Heritage Officer at South Dublin County Council – every week she gives us an insight into the natural heritage around us and the beautiful biodiversity of the plants and creatures



Beech trees in autumn



STUNNING: Beech trees in autumn display wonderful shades of orange, yellow, and brown

BEECH is not considered to be a native Irish species as it did not make its own way into Ireland after the last Ice Age.

As Europe’s climate warmed up after the glaciers began to melt, trees began to slowly move north once again into areas that had been covered by ice.

Around 7,000 years ago, the last land bridges that linked Ireland to Britain were flooded by rising sea levels.

Beech had only made its way back into southern England by that time and, as we were now an island, Beech never managed to reach us naturally.

Beech was widely introduced into Ireland by English settlers from the 16th century onwards and has become naturalised since then.

The fruit of the Beech tree is the distinctive little beech nut.

These nuts are small and triangular in shape and are contained within a tough, protective, spikey husk.

When ripe, the husks open and the nuts fall out.

Although the nuts are rich in fats and oils, they are bitter to our tastes today and are not widely eaten by us.

They are gladly eaten by many other creatures, however, like squirrels, wood mice, birds, and insects.

In autumn, the leaves of mature Beech trees turn into a wonderful range of oranges and browns before they drop to the ground.

Young Beech trees, however, can hold onto their brown autumn leaves over the winter.

We take advantage of this feature by planting Beech hedges which provide us with colour all through the winter when most other trees are bare.



ANIMAL FOOD: Beech’s golden brown nuts are gladly eaten by squirrels, birds, mice, and insects



Those glittering prizes

Empowering
individuals
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Three Tallaght students receive

By Aideen O’Flaherty
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THREE Tallaght students have been awarded educational scholarships through a community-based initiative organised by An Cosán community education centre in Jobstown.

The three recipients of the FitzGerald Family Awards Scholarship, sponsored by estate agents Sherry FitzGerald, all completed their Leaving Certificates last summer and are now college students.

The trio are Festos Okoh from Killinarden Community School, Chloe Geoghegan from St Aidan’s Community School, Brookfield, and Matthew Hanley from St Mark’s Community School in Springfield.

The diligent young students were recently presented with their scholarship awards in An Cosán, which they received after their respective schools nominated them.

Festos is now pursuing a degree in mechanical engineering in TUDublin Tallaght. Festos was nominated for the award by his former school in acknowledgement of how “hard-working

and committed to his studies” he was during his second-level career.

His former school also praised him for going out of his way to support his fellow students, including organising after-school study sessions.

Festos is the eldest of a family of seven and said the scholarship will take the financial burden off his family by enabling him to purchase a laptop and other equipment he will need for his course.

Chloe was nominated for the award by her former school in recognition of how “hard-working, self-motivated and diligent” she was in her approach to her studies.

She was also described as being an excellent role model for younger students, especially in the responsible and enthusiastic manner in which she carried out the role of first-year peer mentor.

Chloe is now studying business in the National College of Ireland. She said the scholarship will enable her to purchase a laptop and books that she will need for her course.

Matthew, who has just started studying computer science and software engineering at Maynooth University, was

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DILIGENT: Chloe Geoghegan, recipient of one of three FitzGerald Family Scholarship Awards



SUPPORTIVE: Festos Oskoh with Ciara FitzGerald (left), Killinarden Community School Principal Adrienne Whelan (right), his Mam Lolangwa, and sisters Joanna and baby Abigail

e FitzGerald Family Awards scholarship

selected for the award by his former school, because he was “a huge asset” to the school during his time there.

He was described by staff in his former school as being a hard-working and unassuming young man.

Matthew has a long daily commute from Tallaght to Maynooth and the scholarship will take the financial burden off his family by helping him with transport costs and purchasing materials needed for his course.

The FitzGerald Family Scholarship Award was introduced by An Cosán in 2004, in memory of Joan FitzGerald, the wife of former Taoiseach Dr Garret FitzGerald.

Ciara FitzGerald – Joan FitzGerald’s granddaughter – presented the scholarships to the deserving students at the awards ceremony.

The award scheme strives to break

down barriers, creating equal access opportunities to third-level education, according to An Cosán.

Speaking at the awards ceremony, An Cosán’s deputy chief executive officer, Anne Genockey, said: “The co-founders of An Cosán, Drs Ann Louise Gilligan and Katherine Zappone, had the privilege of knowing Joan in her later years and described her as an inspiration to their work in West Tallaght.

“They spoke of the many conversations they had with Joan about life, learning, family, women and theology, and how her comments and questions were always filled with insight and challenge.

“Joan’s love of learning and her passion for justice were the seedbeds of her extraordinary wisdom.

“Joan was committed to the advancement and empowerment of women and to an Irish society characterised by justice.

“In 2004, to honour Joan and to keep the memory of her spirit alive, An Cosán initiated the Joan FitzGerald Award.

“Over the past 18 years this award has been presented to local students, who were nominated by their schools, and going on to study at third-level institutes.

“The awards, which are now funded by Sherry FitzGerald, were at first presented by the late Dr Garret FitzGerald and, after he passed away in 2011, by one of his three children – John, Mary or Mark – and, more recently, by one of his grandchildren.”



HARD-WORKING: Matthew Hanley with Ciara FitzGerald (right) and his proud Mam shows off his award



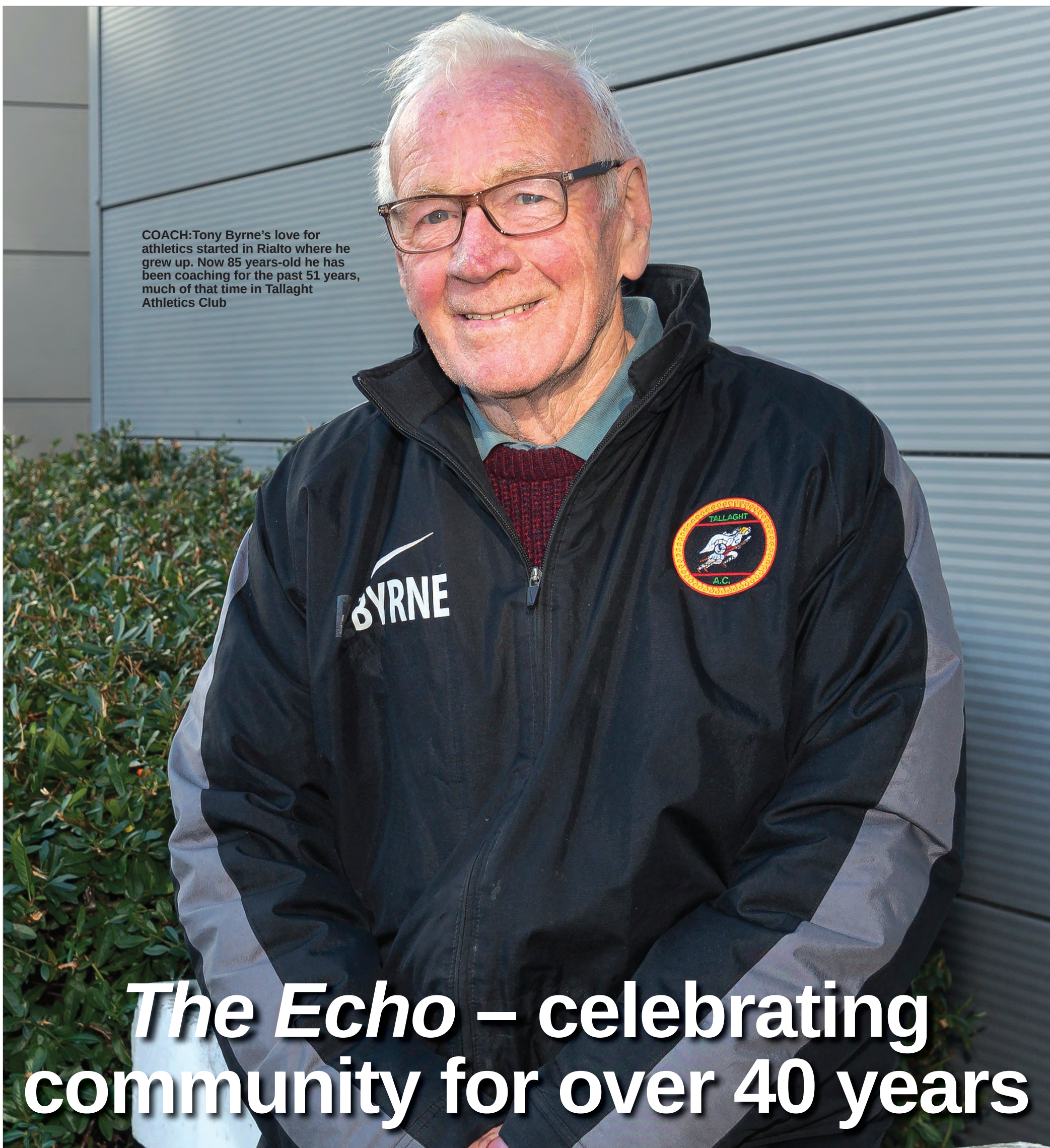
INSPIRATION: Ciara FitzGerald speaking at the FitzGerald Family Scholarship Award ceremony in An Cosán



HONOUR: Will Moore (Regional Director, Sherry FitzGerald), Dealbha Prendergast (HR Director, Sherry FitzGerald), and Ciara FitzGerald, granddaughter of the late Dr Garret and Joan FitzGerald

AS PART of *The Echo* celebrating over 40 years, we're celebrating you, and local faces and places. Over the last two years we've shared the stories of local people, and remind ourselves of the great community spirit alive across local areas. This week, **Aideen O'Flaherty** talks to Tony Byrne, Tallaght Athletics Club, who recently turned 85 and continues to coach at the club twice a week

COACH: Tony Byrne's love for athletics started in Rialto where he grew up. Now 85 years-old he has been coaching for the past 51 years, much of that time in Tallaght Athletics Club



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TONY Byrne's involvement in sport began when he was a child growing up in Rialto, when he played for Rialto Football Club.

This enjoyment of sport was passed down to his children, Carol, Joanne, Sean and Paul, when they were growing up, leading to Tony's longstanding involvement in athletics.

After Tony married his wife, Brigid, in 1960, the young couple moved to Long Lane, just off Clanbrassil Street, and started a family.

Their eldest child, Carol, became a sprinter for a club called St Kevin's on Harrington Street and competed in the Community Games.

The Community Games saw athletes from all over the country compete against each other and were so popular that, by the 1980s, the event was held across two weekends.

Tony was introduced to the Community Games through his daughter, and when the family moved to Kilnamanagh in 1978, Carol continued to be a sprinter and joined a club in Crumlin.

"She joined a club called the Dublin Striders in Sundrive, and I went up to see her there, and they roped me into helping," Tony, who recently turned 85, told *The Echo*.

This marked the start of the father-of-four's continuous involvement in athletics, and it also

helped him to feel more settled in Kilnamanagh – which he said is now unrecognisable compared to when he moved there.

"We were out in the wilds," he laughed. "It was undeveloped, it was just house after house, and people trying to find their way. There were a lot of young families.

"It took the wife two or three years to settle here but it only took me a couple of months."

Shortly after the couple moved in, two men who went around the area collecting for the Kilnamanagh Family Resource Centre encouraged Tony to get involved in the Community Games locally.

"I got heavily involved in the Community Games and my other daughter, Joanne, joined in as a sprinter," explained Tony.

During this time, Tony began coaching athletes, and this later piqued the interest of Kevin O'Reilly, who was the chairperson of a local athletics club called Cuchulainn AC.

At that time, Cuchulainn AC had amalgamated with another club in Tallaght, called Oisín AC, and this was the genesis of what would go on to be Tallaght AC.

"Kevin had a chat with me and asked would I consider joining the club," said Tony. "I thought about it, and then I said yes.

"There were people helping me in the other club, but this was a bigger club – I felt like I could have more of an impact, and you could get far better help for a bigger club.

"The aim was for us to get our own clubrooms and our own running track, and Kevin was very forward-thinking.

"We wanted to make Tallaght AC one of the best clubs in the country."

The club was originally based near Tymon North, and Tony praised the efforts of the team of people behind the founding of the club and their determination to make it a leading athletics club.

These people included Johnnie Fox, Gary Clarke, Cecil Johnson, and Ray Fitzsimons, who were instrumental in the growth and development of the club from the early days.

"The facilities were very basic," he said. "We went to the county manager, a man called Dan O'Sullivan, and he asked if we would like a green space with road frontage on the Greenhills Road.

"Then we got a government grant to build our own clubrooms there, and we were asked if we would let EP Mooney build a gym there, then he'd build the clubhouse for us and we'd get our track."

This occurred in the early 2000s, and since then Tallaght Athletics Club has gone from strength to strength, having trained champion athletes including Rhasidat Adeleke and Israel Olatunde.

Tony enjoys seeing the success of the athletes from the club, and witnessing their progress is a key motivation for him as a coach, which he continues to do twice a week for Tallaght AC.

"When the kids win medals and they improve...it's always satisfying to see athletes stepping up," he said.

"I have athletes who I've trained who are now coaches, and that's a source of satisfaction for me, because it feels like they're carrying on a tradition.

"I see the way the kids turn out, and some of them are very good – we've had some terrific kids."

While Tony's daughters are no longer involved in athletics, he is content to continue to coach nascent athletes and said it feels like a comfortable routine for him after 51 years of coaching.

"It's just a part of my life now," he said. "It's just something I do every Tuesday and Thursday."

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WAY OF LIFE: Tony says of athletics: It's just a part of my life now. It's just something I do every Tuesday and Thursday

Sharpen up your secateurs and shears and cut back those overhanging bushes

Dear Editor,

A CALL for landowners and householders has been made by local authorities to ensure that roadside hedges and overhanging trees are cut and maintained so that motorists, cyclists and pedestrians can travel safely on roads.

The season when hedge-cutting is permitted under the Wildlife Act runs between,

September 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023.

Landowners/occupiers and householders in urban areas are urged to ensure roadside hedges are cut and maintained so that motorists, cyclists and pedestrians can travel safely on all roads. Similarly, overhanging vegetation in urban areas should be cut back from footpaths and at junctions.

Section 70 of the Roads Act 1993 places

responsibility for the maintenance of roadside hedges on the occupiers of adjoining lands.

Failure to comply with their obligations could result in Landowners/Occupiers of land along a public road, facing fines of up to €5,000 and or imprisonment of up to six months or both.

Roads Departments are in receipt of multiple representations from road users concerning the

overgrown state of hedgerows and overhanging trees along roads and the potential serious road safety issues that arise.

Householders are urged to be more proactive to ensure their roadside hedges and overhanging trees are maintained properly as they are obliged to do so under the law.

Yours sincerely,

Gerry Coughlan, Kilnamanagh.

Congrats to The Hoops for their great league win

Dear Editor,
CONGRATULATIONS to Shamrock Rovers on winning the Airtricity League title for the third year running on Sunday.

There was great excitement when Ronan Finn lifted the trophy with Josh Bradley, Stephen son's along with the players and management.

There was so much emotion in the stadium and huge sense of achievement from this group of players and this could be seen in the stands.

Lets hope we finish the season on a high note in the league against UCD and the Conference League.

With the new north stand looking great, it all looks well for the club next year with the ground able to host 10,000 supporters which is only good for the game and locality.

Onwards and upwards for Rovers in the league and Europe.

Yours sincerely,
Shamrock Rovers fan.

Motorists penalised with doubling of road traffic fines

Dear Editor,

FINES for 16 road safety offences, including speeding, not wearing seat belts and mobile phone use, have doubled since Minister of State at the Department of Transport Hildegard Naughton made the announcement at the Road Safety Authority (RSA) annual conference in Croke Park.

Three new fixed-charge notices will come into force in 2023 pertaining to the misuse of a disabled parking permit (€200); illegally parking in an electric charging bay (€80) breaching a HGV ban and entering a specified public road without a valid permit (€200).

Penalty for mobile phone use, non-wearing of seatbelts and failing to properly restrain a child will jump to €120. Speeding fines have doubled up from €80 to €160, while fines for mobile phone use, non-wearing of seat belts, and failing to ensure a child is properly restrained have also doubled up from €60 to €120.

Fines for a learner permit holder driving an unaccompanied vehicle by a qualified person will rise from €80 to €160.

Novice and learner drivers failing to display 'L' or 'N' plates, or tabards in the case of motorcyclists, will see their fines also doubled from €60 to €120. Whereas it is expedient to make provision for enhanced collection and application of fines and penalties for 16 road traffic offences, these escalate to either €120 or €160 on 27 October.

If a motorist fails to pay the fine within 28 days, it goes to €180 or €240. Failure to discharge a fine after a further 28-day period will see it increase to €240 or €320.

Yours sincerely,

Gerry Coughlan, Dublin 24



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Timbertrove challenged and beat two recessions

‘It was like the lights were switched off overnight – sheds and fencing were not a priority’

SOME businesses make changes to survive, and then there is Timbertrove – an award-winning family-run enterprise that has introduced many innovations to navigate challenging periods that very nearly brought it all tumbling down, reports Maurice Garvey.

Located at the foot of the Dublin mountains in Kilakee, near The Hell Fire Club, Timbertrove was founded in 1986 by Henry & Shirley O’Kelly, and evolved from a timber-based business to one that incorporates a popular country store and café.

The recession in 2008 saw the sinking of the construction industry, and sales collapse, as many of their customers purchasing timber products worked in the industry, and Timbertrove had a number of contracts for large-scale projects that were no more.

“For Timbertrove it was like the lights were switched off overnight – sheds and fencing were not a priority in a recession,” said Shirley O’Kelly MIMI, Director/Financial Controller, Timbertrove Country Store & Café.

“This was extremely tough being married with three young children and living beside the business, there was no getting away from it.”

Located in a scenic area at the foothills of the Dublin mountains, in 2012, the O’Kellys saw an opportunity to attract walkers and cyclists visiting the nearby Hellfire Club and Massy’s Wood, by opening a country store and café.

This has gained a reputation over the past ten years for its “home baking in the heart of the Dublin Mountains.”

“The Timbertrove scones are a big hit with the customers,” acknowledges Shirley.

Ultimately this element helped to pull the business through.

All of this and more is contained in a book ‘The Story of Timbertrove’ launched last month by Shirley, documenting the trials and tribulations



THE GOOD FIGHT: Conor, Ciara, Henry, Shirley, and Danielle, a family that navigated a challenging period

of running a business, peppered with nuggets of wisdom.

“I wanted to share our experience of how we followed our dream in setting up and running a successful business, while achieving our goals along the way,” said Ms O’Reilly.

“It’s a story of how we overcame the insurance crisis and two recessions – though the last one

almost cost us everything.”

In the book, Shirley discusses the challenges, setbacks, highs and lows over the years and how they managed to survive.

Covid saw them set up a ‘click and collect’ service and contactless deliveries to keep staff and customers safe.

They also installed outdoor seating in the garden sheds and a set up indoor seating with heaters in the barn.

“Covid brought us a once in a lifetime opportunity to re-evaluate the business, make changes and improvements and come back stronger,” said Shirley.

“However, we were faced with some serious challenges, mainly several price increases in

timber and materials. Shortages in ingredients which led to price increases particularly take away packaging and PPE, not to mention the inflation in fuel, electricity, and various other overheads.

“Unfortunately, I think the next few months are going to be tough with continued inflation. However, for myself and Henry we will be staying positive.

“We have proved over the past 35 years how we’re prepared to be innovative and adapt to climate changes,” she said.

The story of Timbertrove by Shirley O’Kelly, published by Oak Tree Press, is available in book stores and from SuccessStore.com, priced at €18.95.

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Former waste management head takes 3 per cent of Dalata group

EAMON Waters, the entrepreneur who sold his Ballymount waste management company Beauparc Utilities to Australian investment bank Macquarie and Real Assets for €1.3bn, has emerged as a three per cent shareholder in Dalata, the country’s largest hotel group, reports Maurice Garvey.

Waters amassed his stake in the hotel group through investment company Sretaw Private Equity, which has also built a 10 per cent stake in the insurance company FBD

Holdings.

The share-buying spree is likely to have cost Waters close to €70m.

The businessman’s intentions are as yet unclear.

While Waters has extensive property interests, the notifications are the first signs of him deploying his considerable wealth in the equity markets.

He may yet decide to add to his stakes in both companies.

The sheer size of his stake in the FBD Holdings may also lead him to seek board representation at the insurer.

Waters is the second biggest shareholder in the company after Farmer Business Developments, a farmer-owned vehicle which owns 24 per cent.

Ireland’s largest waste operator, Beauparc owns the Panda and Greenstar waste firms.

Dalata Group, who operate all Maldron and Clayton brands in Ireland, saw a strong

recovery in the first half of this year, but said that the trading environment remains challenging amid global inflationary pressures.

The group reported profit before tax of €52m for the first half of 2022, up from €37.8m from the corresponding period in 2019, and before the company’s performance was badly affected by Covid.

Revenue for the first six months to June 30 was €220.2m, up from €201.9m in the same period last year.

Rathfarnham Castle bid will offer a unique opportunity

Development is part of a €50m potential investment in tourism across the county

By **Maurice Garvey**

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SOUTH Dublin County Council is seeking expressions of interest from businesses within the hospitality, food, retail and lifestyle sectors to work with the council to create an exemplar development at Rathfarnham Castle and park.

The local authority says it will play an important role as a key tourism and local destination amenity.

The project offers a unique opportunity of working with the council on the development of the state-of-the-art, mixed-use hospitality/retail/lifestyle offering while also helping to shape the vision for the development and bringing the concept to reality, which is unique in such a setting and sector.

South Dublin County Council intends to develop two of the four stable courtyards that adjoin the castle, as a retail, food and leisure destination.

The council will design and construct a high-quality flexible building of architectural merit to an area of up to 1,400 sq. metres, complete with outdoor courtyard areas.

An extension to the current car-parking provision for visitors is also in the works.

SDCC are looking to compliment the

overall heritage experience for the area with a partner business who will help progress and compliment the project with the Dodder Greenway, Rathfarnham Village and the park and playground.

The council is looking for a business which, through requisite experience and capacity, will bring forward an exciting and diverse retail, lifestyle and hospitality proposal at this location. The business will design, fund and deliver the fit-out of the new building and its courtyards. The completed facility will operate under a lease or license to be agreed.

Daniel McLoughlin, Chief Executive of South Dublin County Council said: "We are looking to partner with a dynamic business, currently operating within the relevant sectors, which sees the unique opportunity to develop the offering at this high-quality location in the heart of Rathfarnham. Our partner will help refine our vision, including involvement in the design of the building and associated outdoor spaces to bring this concept to reality."

The Castle Stables and Courtyard at Rathfarnham project is part of up to €50m of potential investment in tourism and development projects across the county until 2025 planned by SDCC.

Full details on terms and conditions are available on www.sdcc.ie/courtyards

UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY:
Rathfarnham Castle

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Zambrero set to expand fast-food business from 13 to 20 restaurants

MEXICAN-inspired fast-food restaurant Zambrero is on track to expand from 13 to 20 restaurants across Ireland over the next year, with Liffey Valley among the imminent openings.

The fast-food restaurant which focuses on healthy eating opened its 13th Irish

restaurant in Blackrock, this month and is now expecting even further growth.

Zambrero Ireland general manager Darragh Fanning, who first brought the concept from Australia in 2015, is a former professional Leinster rugby player who attracted franchise partners around the

country after his move into the booming casual dining sector.

"We have Liffey Valley opening in November, Maynooth in January and we've heads of terms agreed for another few early next year and another few well advanced in the pipeline," he said.

"We've grown well in the last couple of years and that doesn't look like slowing."

Fanning went to school in St Mary's College in Rathmines where he was a year behind Johnny Sexton.

A winger, Fanning played professionally for Leinster between 2013 and 2016.

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Two facilities in Ballymount let to building supply companies

The area continues to be an attractive location for trade-counter-style tenants

By Maurice Garvey

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INDUSTRIAL property specialist Harvey has secured the lettings of two older-style industrial facilities, totalling an area of more than 2,500sq m (27,000sq ft) in Ballymount, in quick succession.

A part of the Smurfit Packaging facility, units 2A and 2B have been let to separate companies, both of which are involved in the building-supply business, on 10-year leases respectively.

Unit 2A comprises 14,202sq ft of detached industrial and office space with a strong profile onto the ever-popular trading location of Ballymount Road Lower.

There is generous parking provision to the front of the facility. Unit 2B is located directly behind and consists of 13,552sq ft of warehouse accommodation with ancillary ground-floor offices and staff facilities.

Both units had undergone a good level of refurbishment prior to being offered to the letting market.

The rent achieved for both properties was in excess of €8 per square foot, which the letting agent says is an "excellent result" considering both properties have their original, single-skin, cement-fibre roofs.

Kieran Casey of Harvey said: "Although one of Dublin's oldest industrial areas, Ballymount continues to be an attractive location for trade-counter-style tenants. What these buildings lack in clear internal height, they make up for in profile, excellent access to the M50 motorway and to densely populated surrounding suburbs providing readymade customers."



OLDER-STYLE: The industrial unit in Ballymount which is an attractive location

National Women's Enterprise Day is a high point for women in Ireland

By Maurice Garvey

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FEMALE entrepreneurs from South Dublin County were amongst those who attended a conference in Leopardstown National Women's Enterprise Day 2022 event.

The day, which took place on October 13, is Ireland's largest female enterprise event – facilitated by the Local Enterprise Office (LEO) and Enterprise Ireland.

It features a full day's programme to promote, encourage and stimulate female entrepreneurship across Ireland.

It is designed and led by women and is an annual high point in promoting entrepreneurship for women in Ireland. The LEO with Enterprise Ireland provides a wide range of help, incentives, training, and development programmes to female entrepreneurs.

Lisa Rowntree, CEO of Ace



INSPIRED: Lisa Rowntree understands the value of networking

Enterprise Park, was among the attendees at the National Women's Enterprise Day 2022 event in Leopardstown.

"What a wonderful inspiring day, surrounded by fabulous women, so willing to share their learnings and experiences," said Ms Rowntree.

"Every female entrepreneur should understand the value of their own network and leverage it. We at Ace actively promote a dynamic business support network and encourage all our female clients to embrace it."

The event opens the prospect of entrepreneurship to women who may not have considered it before, and highlights what supports are available, providing valuable networking opportunities and connections with industry experts.

It tackles the real-life subjects affecting women in business, noting the importance of finance, marketing, innovation, product development, but also family, well-being, and mental health.

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Planning application for four houses is declared invalid

Planning permission sought go-ahead for demolition of house

A PLANNING application for the construction of four houses at Kedleston on 60 Inchicore Road in Kilmainham has been declared invalid by Dublin City Council.

Developer Caroga Ltd lodged the application for planning permission last September, seeking permission for the demolition of an existing two-storey dwelling.

The proposed demolition was to make way for the construction of four three-bed, three-storey houses, served by 18 bicycle-parking spaces and five car-parking spaces.

Associated site and infrastructural works were also proposed, including foul and surface water drainage, landscaping, boundary treatments, and an electric gate at the site entrance.

On October 12, Dublin City Council deemed the planning application invalid and asked the developer to submit new documents including floor

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plans for the existing building that's earmarked for demolition.

The applicant also ticked 'no' on the box where it is asked if Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 applies to the development, and in the council's decision to deem the application invalid they instructed that the 'yes' box should have been ticked.

The purpose of Part V is for the State to capture a portion of the increase in land value resulting from the granting of planning permission for residential development.

The current Part V legislation provides for local authorities to acquire 20 per cent of this land at existing use value and to utilise this land to deliver homes to households who qualify for social and affordable housing support.



INVALID APPLICATION: The site in Inchicore

Telecommunications mast plans unacceptable in Newcastle area

Projected structure is regarded as 'visually obtrusive' in the rural environs



TURNED DOWN: The site on Main Street in Newcastle

PLANS for a 24-metre telecommunications mast at Landmark Architectural Salvage and Granite Products on Main Street in Newcastle have been refused permission as it would have an "unacceptable impact" on the area.

The planning application for a 24-metre telecommunications lattice structure together with antennas, dishes and headframe was lodged by Vantage Towers Ltd last August.

Provision of associated telecommunications equipment enclosed by security fencing was also included in the application.

The proposal attracted a number of third-party submissions, where issues raised included the structure being "visually obtrusive" in the rural environs and Newcastle.

Other concerns included the potential for the structure to overshadow the adjacent school, and that it could devalue property in the vicinity.

On October 17, South Dublin County

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Council refused permission and it noted the height and scale of the proposed structure in the context of being in an Architectural Conservation Area.

The local authority noted that the structure would have been in close proximity to a number of Protected Structures.

In the context of "the low prevailing height of the surrounding area, it is considered that the proposed development would have an unacceptable impact on the character and setting of the Newcastle Architectural Conservation Area and would adversely affect the visual amenity of the area," stated the council in its decision to refuse permission.

"The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area," it concluded.

New planning application for Old Bawn Centre car-wash

Original application for retention permission to council was told it was a traffic hazard

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A NEW planning application for retention permission for a car wash in the Old Bawn Shopping Centre has been submitted to South Dublin County Council.

This follows on from the business being refused retention permission by the council last summer, as it stated that the facility would "endanger public safety" if permission was granted.

In the application for retention permission that was submitted by Kevin and Veronica Hegarty last September, permission was sought for the retention of a car-wash facility, including a single storey Portacabin office (10 sq m) with a covered car-wash area (22 sq m).

Permission for the car-wash facility was previously granted back in 2010 for a period of six years, and again in February 2019 for three years.

The Hegartys stated in their planning application earlier this year that the car wash site "is not highly visible" and is accessed through a wide gate, and there is no queuing at the car-wash entrance "thus having no impact on car-park circulation".

On June 15, South Dublin County Council refused retention permission for the car wash on the grounds that it would cause a traffic hazard, thus endangering public safety.

"Based on the available information submitted, the proposed development for retention would endanger public safety by reason of traffic hazard due to the applicant not adequately demonstrating that safe vehicular movements can be carried out," stated the local authority.

"As such, the proposed development is contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area."

However, on October 20, Kevin Hegarty submitted a new application seeking retention permission for the car wash.

A decision on the current application for retention permission is due from South Dublin County Council by December 14.



RETENTION PERMISSION: Car wash in Old Bawn Shopping Centre refused retention permission last summer

Rathcoole 'Laundry Basket' premises on sale for €200k

A RETAIL unit in Rathcoole Shopping Centre that is currently occupied by The Laundry Basket has gone on the market with a guide price of €200,000, reports Aideen O'Flaherty.

The Echo contacted The Laundry Basket, and the owner, Tony O'Connor, confirmed that when the unit housing The Laundry Basket is sold it will be vacated.

At that point, laundry and dry-cleaning services will then both be provided at the existing O'Connor Dry Cleaning unit in the shopping centre.

The Laundry Basket unit is for sale by private treaty and has been brought to the market by the commercial division of real estate company Ray Cooke.

The unit is approximately 720sq ft in size and is comprised of a customer/

VIBRANT AREA: The retail unit in Rathcoole



reception area to the front with a large open-plan unit

and toilet facilities to the rear. According to the property

listing, the unit forms part of a vibrant parade of retail and office units that generates a large volume of passing footfall.

The unit also benefits from having ample customer parking to the front of the property and occupying a prominent position in the shopping centre.

"The unit is located in an attractive and prominent location in the heart of Rathcoole village and is close to all amenities such as many local shops, offices bars and eateries nearby and also serves a large residential catchment area," it is stated in the property listing.

"The unit is also minutes away from the N7 motorway network and the area itself is very well serviced with public transport links to the surrounding areas and city centre."

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October new car registrations down 2.1%

With the new car market just marginally ahead 0.6% on last year

THE Society of the Irish Motor Industry (SIMI), released the official 222 new vehicle registration figures for October.

New car registrations for October were down 2.1% (2,624) when compared to October 2021 (2,680). Registrations year to date are marginally up 0.6% (104,056) on the same period last year (103,425) and are 10.4% behind (116,124) that of pre-Covid levels.

Light Commercial vehicles (LCV) are up 14.0% (1,448) compared to October last year (1,270) and year to date are down 18.8% (22,452). HGV (Heavy Goods Vehicle) registrations are down 11.4% (187) in comparison to October 2021 (211). Year to date HGV's are down 6.9% (2,303).

Used car imports for October (3336) have seen a decrease of 24.2% on October 2021 (4,401). Year to date imports are down 26.6% (40,753) on 2021 (55,539).

For the month of October 741 new electric vehicles were registered compared to 519 in October 2021. So far this year 15,241 new electric cars have been registered in comparison to 8,338 on the same period 2021, an increase of 82.8%.

Electric Vehicle, Plug-in Hybrids and Hybrids continue to increase their market share, with a combined market share now of 40.8%. Petrol continues to remain dominant with 30.21%, Diesel accounts for 26.86%, Hybrid 19.37%, Electric 14.65% and Plug-in Electric Hybrid 6.78%.

Commenting on the new vehicle registrations Brian Cooke, Director General SIMI said:

"New car registrations for the month of October are down 2.1% on the same month last year, while year to date the new car market is just marginally ahead (0.6%) of the corresponding period in 2021. New car sales are still over 10% behind Pre-Covid 2019. Sales of commercials both Light (LCV) and Heavy Good Vehicles (HGVs), continue to remain subdued. As has been the case over the last two years, the electric car segment continues to grow strongly, with over 15,241 electric cars sold this year, an 83% increase on last year and a nearly four-fold increase on 2020.

"With hugely challenging emission reduction targets over the next decade, at both national and EU level, it is vital that EV sales continue to gather pace. In the short term, concerns over both increasing energy costs and raw material supply shortages have the potential to slow down the growth in EV sales. In this context it is essential that the Industry and Government work closely to create an environment where EVs remain not only a strong environmental choice but also a cost-effective choice for consumers and businesses. This includes targeted Government support in the establishment of a national charging infrastructure, and also the extension of EV purchase incentives beyond 2023."



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Noleen wins Carer of the Year 2022

Her colleagues say 'no task is too big' and she delivers an 'exceptional' level of care

CONNECTED Health's Noleen Carey from Tallaght has been named as Carer of the Year at the 2022 Home and Community Care Ireland (HCCI) Home Care awards. Supported by First Ireland Insurance Brokers the awards event took place in the Westbury hotel, Dublin on October 24, 2022, reports Clara Murphy.

Home & Community Care Ireland (HCCI) is the national membership organisation for companies that provide a managed home care service in Ireland, uniting members who directly care for thousands of older and vulnerable people in their homes. HCCI members provide a fully managed care service through directly employed and trained care staff, which guarantees an exceptional standard of care to every client.

Noleen told *The Echo* of her delight on winning the award, she said: "I was truly delighted to receive the award, it was an unexpected result and is the first thing I've ever won! I've been caring for 36 years in hospitals and nursing homes but I have to say I love community care the most. Changing to Connected Health has been so positive for me, I enjoy meeting clients and the service is much more personal as I'm a guest in their home. It gives me such a buzz to see their mood improve during a visit. I enjoy the variety and support I get from the management team which makes my job so rewarding."

According to her colleagues "no task is too big for Noleen who always has a smile on her face". They said: "She is highly recommended by every client or family member who meets her as the level of care that she delivers is exceptional."

Noleen has been described as "an angel" by her area manager. "She genuinely loves being a carer - she often visits her clients on the weekends in her own time if they need her. Noleen cooks dinners for her clients when she knows the next of kin will be away and delivers these dinners to her clients voluntarily, she genuinely loves spending time with people and caring for people is just her nature."

Joseph Musgrave, CEO, HCCI said: "Heartfelt congratulations to Noleen on winning Carer of the Year. We are very lucky to have people like Noleen working in homecare. Her dedication and commitment makes a real difference to care clients and her colleagues and she should be very proud of her achievement."

Keith Gill, Director of Health Care Insurance, First Ireland said: "We are delighted to support the HCCI Home Care awards. HCCI members and their teams of carers, schedulers managers and nurses give so much to their clients and communities. They wholeheartedly deserve this recognition. Congratulations to all nominees and award winners and thank you for all you have done. We wish HCCI members and their teams all the best in the coming months."

A panel of independent judges, including TV presenter & designer, Brendan Courtney; Professor Thomas Kearns, Executive Director, Faculty of Nursing & Midwifery, RCSI; Katie Sloan, CEO Leading Age, USA and Janette Dwyer, Assistant National Director, Services for Older People Change and Innovation, HSE, chose Noleen as the winner for 2022.

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PUPILS from Scoil Íde in Clondalkin Village organised a Spooky Walk as part of their Halloween celebrations. Staff along with pupils dressed up for the walk in colourful costumes. Some of the pupils dressed up as cheerleaders, skeletons, Maleficent from the Disney movie and Jessie from Toystory. Staff dressed up as 101 Dalmatians from the American adventure comedy film.



A penchant for fashion and music

PHOTOGRAPHER TESSY EHIGUESE ENJOYS CAPTURING BEAUTY

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hen Tessy Ehiguese was a Transition Year student in St Joseph's College in Lucan she started to become enthralled by the world of photography. Now aged 26 and working as a professional photographer, Tessy captures striking images with a particular penchant for fashion, beauty and music shoots.

Her photos have been featured in many publications, including magazines such as IMAGE and Hot Press, and she deftly combines graphic design, fine art and traditional photography in her output.

Tessy, who lives in Liffey Valley Park in Lucan, told *The Echo* about her early dalliances with photography, what she enjoys the most about her work, and common misconceptions people have about what it's like to work as a photographer.

Your passion for photography was ignited when you were a TY student in St Joseph's, can you tell me a bit about that?

Yes, when I was in TY was when I started seeing photography as a hobby. Transition Year was a time to take a break from studying and look at other practical skills one may have. At that time, I was interested in purchasing an Insta Pic camera. As I researched different cameras, I stumbled into a Canon 700d DSLR. It looked cool, so I decided to save up money for it. In the long run my parents ended up purchasing it as a family camera. Growing up we'd always had a family camera to capture moments and print photos.

What difference did having that camera make?

I guess it was just normal to have a camera around. The Canon camera came in handy when I had Transition Year photography art projects in school to undertake, and a friend of mine, who was into photography, would bring me along for print shoots and show me how to use some tools on Photoshop. I was just capturing anything and everything. I saw it as a medium to freely express myself and to create stories.

Was there a specific moment or experience that, for you, cemented your resolve to pursue a career in photography?

I wouldn't say there was a specific moment or experience. I just kept taking photos from Transition Year, to then going on to study a bit of photography and media. During that time, I was taking photos at gigs here and there. I guess I started to see a demand for the medium when I was getting paid for gigs. And honestly? It was just fun.

Your work traverses a number of different industries, such as fashion, music and beauty, but what is your favourite type of photography to shoot?

I enjoy shooting with people and capturing beauty, although I adore creative beauty photography. I would have to say that capturing musicians for their album covers is my favourite style of photography.

What do you think are the biggest misconceptions people have about working photographers? Is it always as glamorous as it appears?

So it's definitely not glamorous whatsoever! I think people think it's an easy job, just to click a shutter and, 'Boom, perfection!' But there's a lot that comes with the craft. Perfecting lighting, framing your subject, storytelling and not to

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Professional
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Tessy Ehiguese

mention editing. It takes time and dedication but, hey, the easy bit is just clicking the shutter. I think people also think photographers are overpriced, but since a lot comes with the craft, like purchasing gear, I think our various rates are reasonable.

What photo or shoot are you most proud of so far?

My favourite shoot so far was actually a random fine art test shoot I did in 2019, and edited in 2020 during lockdowns when I had absolutely no work. That photo has recently been exhibited in the Photo Ireland

Museum in Dublin Castle, so I'm very proud of that work.

What advice would you have for any budding photographers?

My advice would be to continue to refine your skills – be your own photographer, as in, find your own style. It's really easy to give up on this craft but look for the joy in it. I also recommend doing creative shoots once in a while.

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“ When I’m tired, I rest. I say, ‘I can’t be a superwoman today.

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EXHAUSTION

by **Lee Moroney** / info@coachapproach.ie



I am now teaching PE in a secondary school for a number of hours a week, until the end of the school year. I am really enjoying it, its a very dynamic work environment. However, keeping on top of the business, to be honest, I wasn't used to the early mornings and mini breaks for rest/relaxation and recreation built in. So with that in mind, and the feeling of exhaustion crept in again. I just had to find a balance....

Our everyday – hustle to work, school runs, work tasks, phone calls, emails and being constantly notified from all your apps can be exhausting – add trying to eat a well balanced diet, regular exercise along with a 101 other demands, into the mix, can make life so tiring.

We live in a fast paced world – where everyday demands can be tiring – we can feel overwhelmed and this can effect our mental health and our physical health. I have said in the past that stress can be a good thing in small quantities but too much can cause burnout and sickness. It can effect our weight too as we may be eating on the go, eating at your desk in work or if your work requires a lot of travelling making poor food choices at every

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A colleague of mine a few years back did not seem herself – her good humour, her sense of positivity and general good vibes she brought to the work-place seemed gone. One afternoon over a cup of coffee, I reached out and asked how she was – and I got a typical Irish answer “I’m ok, I am just fine” she replied. I asked if she needed a hand with any work stuff and if I could be any help just to let me know. We talked about work and she asked for some help on a project and I gladly helped over the course of the afternoon – I found out her work load had doubled, she was looking after her parents, trying to stay on top of the bills at home since her husband’s hours, due to the recession, had been cut almost in half – it was all too much for her. I asked her to sit down and write every task she does for others every week – she laughed it off initially. Over the weekend I got a text from her saying “57”, she was doing 57 individual tasks between work and her home life and she needed help it was a heavy burden to carry. Over the course of the next two weeks she got our boss, at the time, to delegate some of her tasks to others and everyone was happy to help, her husband and her children started taking up some of the weekly chores and she found a meals on wheels service for her parents. Over the next few weeks the bright, positive vibe of my colleague returned – if you’re feeling constantly overwhelmed, exhausted, and feel you are juggling too many tasks all the time – you’re overdoing it and it can effect your overall well-being. You can't fill from an empty cup.

Top Tips

1. Take time-out just for you – schedule this for yourself.
2. Engage in physical and fun activity that you enjoy.
3. List all your current demands and see can you delegate or remove them completely.
4. Use 'to-do' lists – sometimes I may be overwhelmed by all that's going on in my head but I then put it on paper and every time I complete something I highlight it and feel a sense of achievement when a task is complete.
5. Reduce caffeine, alcohol and processed sugar intake – it will lift your mood and improve sleep.
6. Learning to say “no” is a really hard thing to do because you want to help or assist others but people are ok when you make a decision – you’re better off saying “no” than not being able to give a 100% to something.
7. Ensure that you rest – no screen time, no phone, an extra lie-on in bed, just rest!

Keep it lit! Lee.



Make sure to rest and take time for yourself

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Halloween Witch Walk

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Sienna, Leah and Rubie



Skye, Katie and Krivaya



Khrasik, Lilly and Maci Rae



Bernie McDermott, Lilly May and Cara



Rosie and Tina



Amela and Angel



Lucy and Kya



Sarah Jane, Aoife and Leah



Ms Celine Mackessy and Orla O'Neill with Junior Infants

“Good manners: The noise you don’t make when you’re eating soup.

Bennett Cerf

Food with Passion

WINTER BROWN BREAD LOAF & PEA SOUP

by **John Paul Kennedy** / jpkennedy.kennedy@gmail.com



I know this week I promised a pumpkin risotto recipe but unfortunately I left it too late to source some pumpkin over the weekend and my local supermarket have none left. Instead I am going to bring you a new delicious super easy brown bread loaf that I am calling my winter brown bread loaf. This brown bread is perfect served with homemade soup and over the bank holiday weekend I found myself craving some homemade soup and I opted for one of my favourites pea soup with smoked bacon lardons. This bread is a non-yeast bread, which is one of my favourites to make as it requires no kneading or proving, it's merely a case of weighing out all of your ingredients into a bowl, mixing together and popping into a loaf tin before baking – Simplicity as it's best but delicious nonetheless!

Brown Bread Ingredients:

300g coarse wholemeal flower
200g plain flour
3 tablespoons of wheat germ
3 tablespoons of bran
2 heaped teaspoons of baking powder
1 dessert spoon of treacle (you can substitute with brown sugar if you can get treacle)
1 teaspoon of sea salt
600ml full fat milk

Method:

1. Preheat your oven to 200° and grease and line a 2lb loaf tin.
2. Mix all the dry ingredients together in a large mixing bowl then add in the treacle and milk to create a moist mixture. You may not need all of the milk here!
3. Pop into your prepared tin and bake in the preheated oven for 20 minutes, until risen then reduce the heat to 170° and bake for a further 40 minutes.
4. Remove from the oven and run a knife around the edge of the tin to ease the loaf out. Tap the underneath of the loaf and if it sounds hollow it's baked, if not return to the oven for a further 5-10 minutes – All ovens can vary!
5. Allow to cool before serving, if cut while it's hot it will crumble and fall apart – serve with my pea and ham soup below, your favourite soup or on it's own with real Irish butter!



John Paul Kennedy IS A Self-TAUGHT COOK AND AN AVID FAN OF COLLECTING COOKERY BOOKS WITH A PASSION FOR good old-fASHIONED HOME COOKING. HIS PASSION FOR PROPER FAMILY COOKING STEMS FROM HIS GRANDMOTHERS, who were BOTH excellent COOKS, one of whom WAS A TRAINED Chef. **JP** PROMISES TO BRING US PLENTY OF FAMILY-INSPIRED RECIPES AND TASTY TREATS while SHOWING US how To GET The BASICS RIGHT.

Pea Soup Ingredients: Serves 3-4

50g butter
1 onion coarsely chopped
1 potato, peeled and diced
75g smoked bacon lardons
800ml of hot chicken stock or veg if you prefer!
450g frozen garden peas
100ml double cream
2 tablespoons for freshly chopped mint
Sea salt & freshly ground black pepper

Method:

1. Melt the butter in a large saucepan then add the onion and potato and fry over a medium heat for about 8-10 minutes, stirring often as you only want them softened but not browned.
2. Pour in the stock and bring to a boil over a high heat, leave to simmer for 5 minutes then stir in the peas.
3. bring to a boil then reduce to a simmer and cook for 3 minutes – you don't want to overcook the peas otherwise they will lose their bright green colour.
4. while the peas are cooking in a separate pan cook off the bacon lardons until crisp and brown and set aside on some kitchen paper to soak up any excess oil.
5. Season the soup and using a blender or food processor, puree the soup and then return to the saucepan. Then stir in the cream and fresh mint.
6. Season with salt and ground black pepper if more seasoning is needed and pour into bowls and adorn each one with some of the crispy bacon and serve with crusty bread and enjoy.
7. You can add a dollop of crème fraiche or even some freshly chopped mint at the end – delicious comfort food heaven in a bowl – My kind of cooking.

Next week I will bring you an alternative to my originally planned Pumpkin Risotto. My research has outlined an alternative to pumpkin in the form of butternut squash, which I have managed to source! I hope you enjoy these classic, comforting, Irish traditional recipes, they're so good!

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On The Run

PARTICIPATING IN THE DUBLIN CITY MARATHON ON SUNDAY

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Paul Nagle from Tallaght AC crosses the line



David Last from Rathfarnham



Garry Clarke from Tallaght AC



Nico Crowley from Tallaght AC



Claire Joyce from Lucan Harriers



Emma Kennedy (*The Echo*) cheers on Fiona Kearney from Citywest



Eimear Twomey from Brothers Pearse AC from Knocklyon

Hoops support Initiative

VIKTOR READS TO UKRAINIAN CHILDREN IN TALLAGHT LIBRARY

by William O'Connor / news@echo.ie

SHAMROCK Rovers is supporting an initiative to bring Ukrainian children's books to Ireland, an initiative set up by Hoops fans Edel Finn, sister of Shamrock Rovers captain Ronan.

League champions Shamrock Rovers are supporting the project @Ukrainianbooksfundraiser and to mark the donation of 130 Ukrainian children's books to South Dublin Libraries, Rovers' Ukrainian player Viktor Serdeniuk, skipper Ronan Finn and Gary O'Neill visited Tallaght Library on Friday.

Mayor of South Dublin Councillor Emma Murphy, along with other South Dublin councillors, opened the event.

Viktor read a selection of books to the Ukrainian children in attendance while Ronan and Gary were on hand to get in plenty of photos with the kids.

Through partnership with Ukrainian Crisis Centre of Ireland who have delivered the books from Ukraine to Ireland at no charge, this fundraiser has brought in over 750 Ukrainian children's books to date.

By donating what you can to @ukrainianbooksfundraiser you can help get a Ukrainian book into the hands of a Ukrainian child in our local area to provide them with comfort and a much-needed connection with home.

Click on the link to donate the appeal for more books www.gofundme.com/f/books-for-ukrainian-children

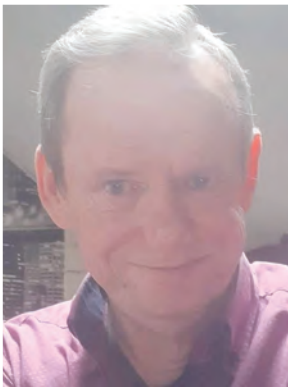


Shamrock Rovers players Viktor Serdeniuk and Gary O'Neill

Poet's Corner

SELF DESTRUCT

by Gerard O'Keeffe



Gerard moved to Tallaght 35 years ago and quickly came to love it. He has been writing poetry for almost 50 years. He's now retired and has five grandchildren who mean the world to him

SELF DESTRUCT

I self destruct
each night at 8
As I pull the first
ring
I knock it back
It feels so good
Forget about
everything
But when I wake
in the morning
wishing I was dead
The day lies
Before me
Every hour I dread

I work each day
Hold down a job
No one knows
my plight
I muddle through
Get things done
Praying for the night
The gargle is my vice
I just can't break its
grip
Its time to crack that
can
And let the demons
rip

All About ADHD

CRASH COURSE ON SUPPORT

by Abigail Glynn / news@echo.ie

November 7 at 7pm, join Tallaght Library for a crash course in ADHD with Ken Kilbride CEO ADHD Ireland.

ADHD affects 5 per cent of the population but there remains a lack of understanding and acceptance around the condition. This course is designed to teach people how to support those with ADHD of all ages. The CEO of ADHD Ireland, Ken Kilbride will be on hand to help give a better understanding of the condition.

The event is free and will be

around 90 minutes long. It will include: ADHD what it is and what it isn't (or a crash course in ADHD); Supporting a child/young person/adult with ADHD; Who are ADHD Ireland, what do they do and who they do it for?

It will also involve a Q&A.

Ken Kilbride has over 20 years of experience in senior management positions in a wide range of both very large and very small non-profit organisations in Ireland. His role with ADHD Ireland is to enact the vision and strategy of the Board,

and in the words of Captain James T Kirk take this ADHD organisation to where no ADHD organisation has ever been before.

You can read more about this event and book your space through eventbrite.ie

TALLAGHT LIBRARY

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Sarah and Aidan



Rubi, Jayce, Ava, Leah, Michaela and Corey



Martina and Tommy



Kobe, Carl and Sarah



Meadow and Ben



Georgia May, Rubi and Emily



Sue and Debbie



Melissa, Riley and Parker



The Shannon Family

Junkie Sunset

A TASTE OF THINGS TO COME

by Chase Blasius / news@echo.ie

The recently released single 'Junkie Sunset' is the third single for Craig Walker + The Cold.

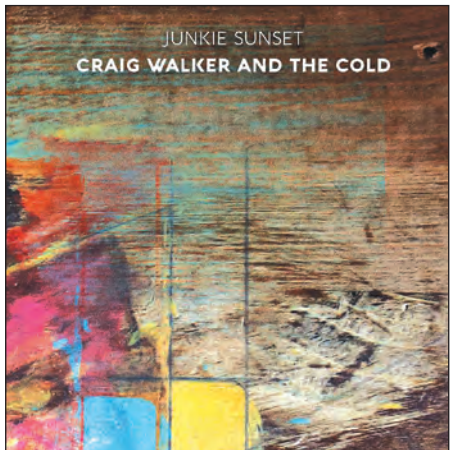
Irish-born Craig Walker was previously the frontman for a Walkinstown-based band called 'Power of Dreams' but has since

gone on to pursue other musical ventures. Now based in Berlin, this is only the beginning for the duo, Craig Walker and Erik Alcock.

Released by The State 51 Conspiracy

on October 14, the song takes you back to Dublin in the 1980s. A time when the city was ravaged with the drug heroin, causing misery and casualties all over. The song, told through the eyes of a young lad growing up in the city, tells the story of a child just trying to make sense of the world he finds himself in.

This new single is only a taste of what is to come. Keep an eye out for their debut album 'How To Mourn A Glacier' set to release in January of 2023.



Craig Walker + The Cold

Never too late!

STORIES OF 14 EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE

by Abigail Glynn / news@echo.ie

ARTIST Steven Farrell, from Tallaght, is featured in the new book 'Showing Your True Colours.'

Farrell, an Irish artist, was diagnosed with stage three metastatic melanoma cancer in 2017 and is now living by the mantra 'Do It Now.' His latest collection of art is painted in realism style and is influenced by wildlife. He is just one of the 14 exceptional people you'll meet in this book.

Find out more about Steven's motivation and drive in the book written by Michael E. Daly. Discover the stories of how these individuals learned the reason they were born and endeavoured to live their truth no matter the cost.

The book, published by Genius Press, is an inspiring piece of work that will prove to all readers that it is never too early or too late to figure out your purpose in life. Learn how to use your strengths to face your fears and wholeheartedly pursue the life you were meant to live.



Time to celebrate...



GRADUATE: Niamh Ni Fhionnghalaigh from Clondalkin, with her Parents Thomas and Maria, who recieved a BA in Journalism from DCU during their October Graduation Celebrations

Urban Pumpkin Patch

HALLOWEEN EXPERIENCE IN LIFFEY VALLEY SHOPPING CENTRE

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Katherine, Noreen and Baby Roisín



Siobhán Hickey (Witch) with Enka and Meera



Leah, Zara, Cian, Ryan and Sam



Yasir, Bushhka, Neha, Nimra and Shayan



Alex and Amelia



Milena and Martin



Eddie, Kai and Brooke

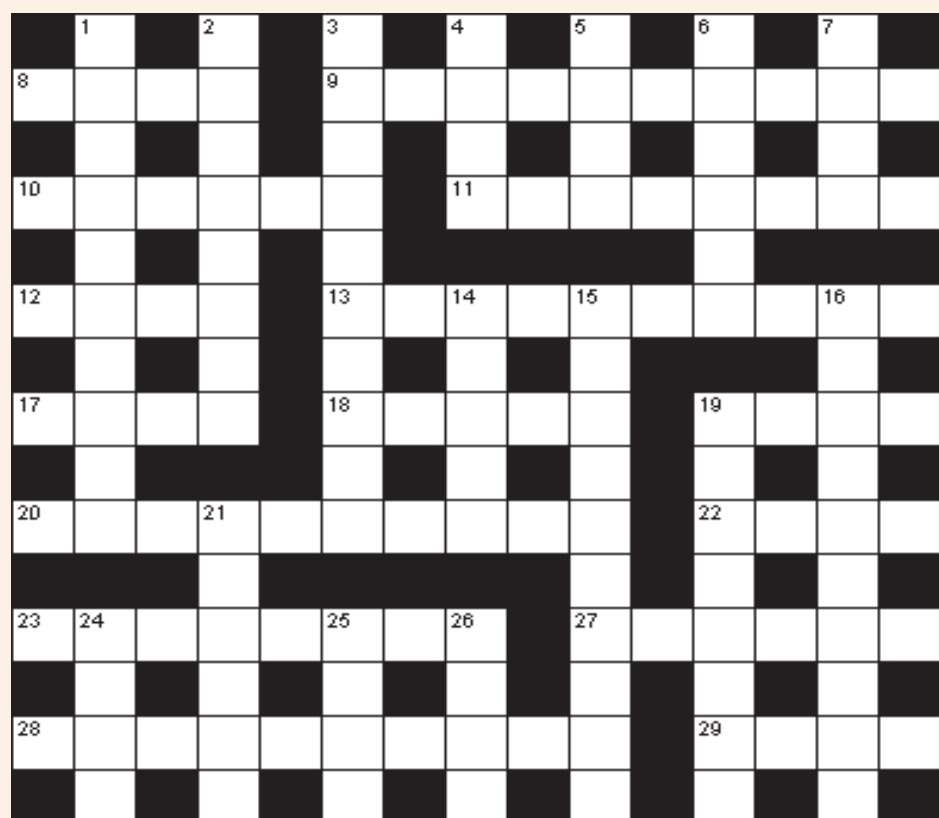


Stephen and Darcie



Victoria and Karina

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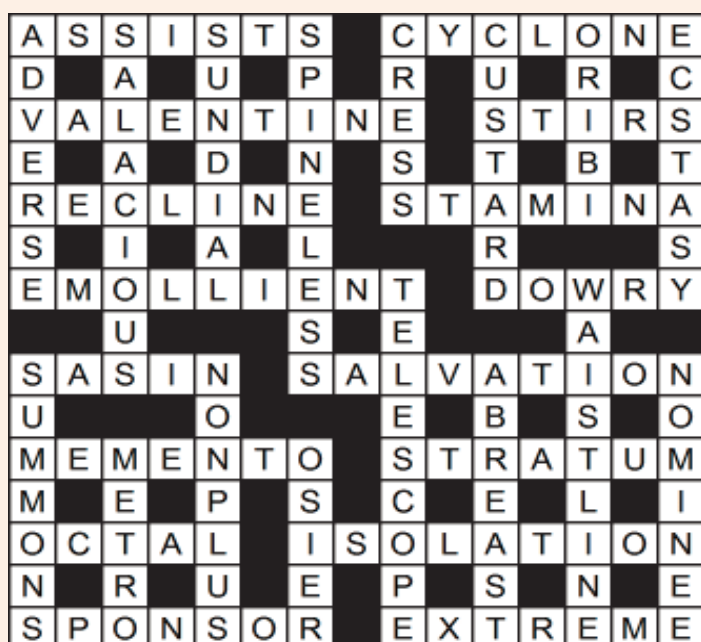
ACROSS

8. Wrestling in Japan (4)
9. Diplomat (10)
10. Formally reject (6)
11. Delectable (8)
12. Tall woody plant (4)
13. Regard (10)
17. A hole for the escape of gas or air (4)
18. Robber (5)
19. A type of fruit (4)
20. A very tall building (10)
22. Platter (4)
23. Upright (8)
27. Four score (6)
28. Showing little emotion (10)
29. Expert (4)

DOWN

1. Strain to watch (10)
2. A piece of writing (8)
3. Felon (10)
4. Cain's brother (4)
5. Purposes (4)
6. American elk (6)
7. Bean curd (4)
14. Preen (5)
15. Fizz (10)
16. Fleeting (10)
19. The principles and methods of instruction (8)
21. Temporary caregiver (6)
24. Reflected sound (4)
25. Deep sleep (4)
26. Tardy (4)

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS 2710



CAN YOU BEAT THIS WEEK'S CROSSQUIZ?

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ANSWERS

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SUDOKU 2

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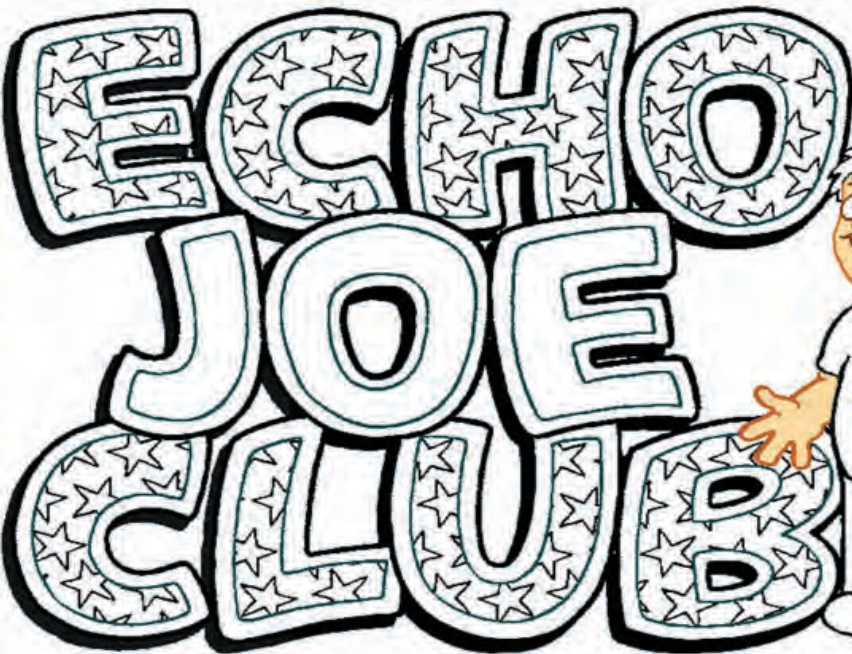


TEAM ECHO: Proudly showing off the 'Best News Series' Award at the Local Media Ireland Awards in the Bloomfield Hotel in Mullingar were William O'Connor, News Editor, *The Echo*, Brenda Mockler, Deputy Editor & HR Manager, *The Echo*, Stephen Leonard, former Sports Editor, *The Echo*, who was finalist in the Sports Journalist of the Year category, Emma Kennedy, MD, *The Echo* and David Kennedy, Executive Editor, *The Echo*

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A Word with Echo So...

Autumn Leaves



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HOW MANY WORDS
(TWO LETTERS OR MORE)
CAN YOU MAKE FROM
THE ABOVE WORDS?

5-20 pretty good! 21-35 excellent!
36 and over - you do realise these
have to be real words, don't you!

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**JUMBLD
POOL
LETTERS**
REARRANGE
THE
LETTERS
THAT
APPEAR
ONLY
ONCE TO
DISCOVER
THE NAME
OF A
COUNTRY
IN EUROPE



DID YOU KNOW?

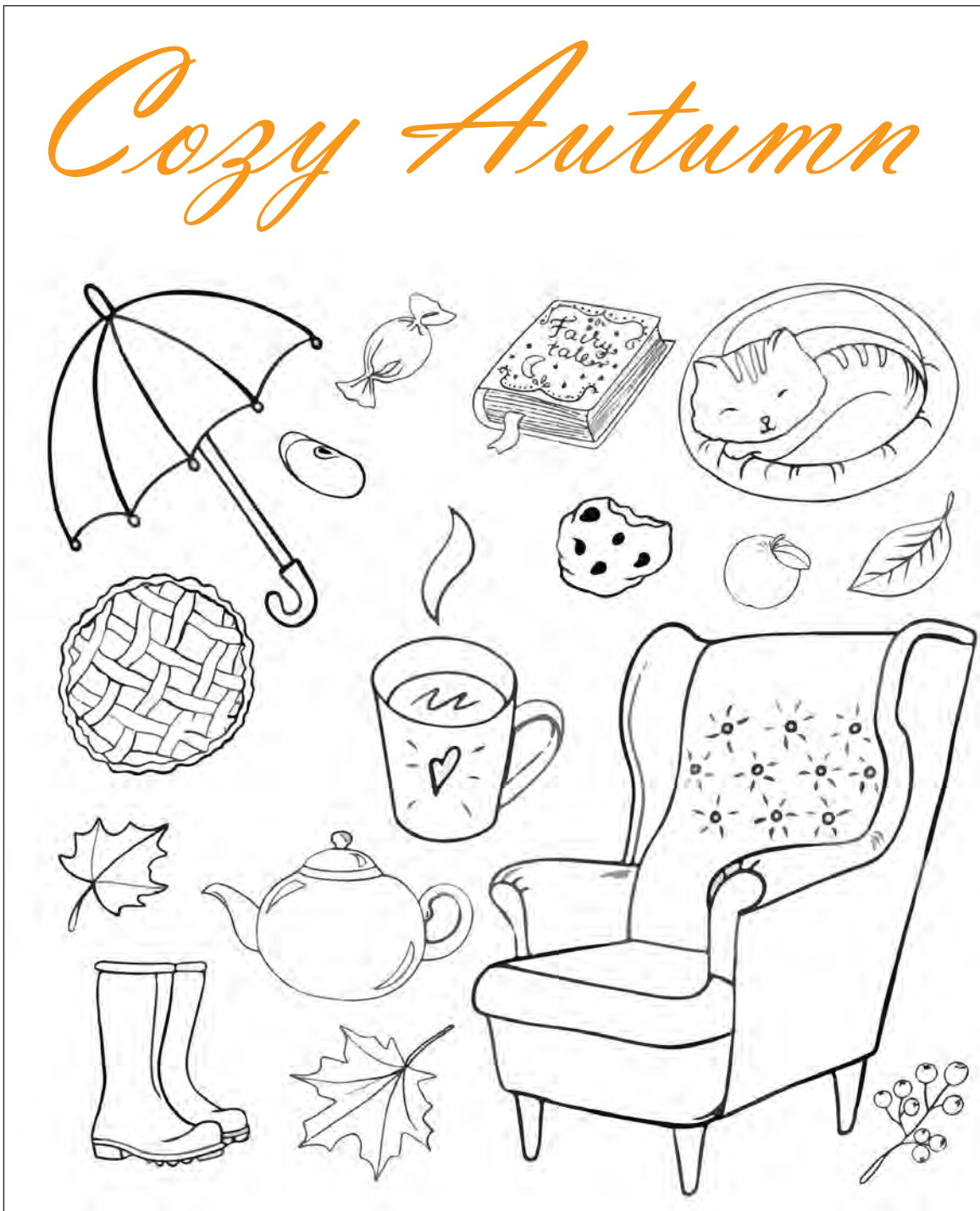
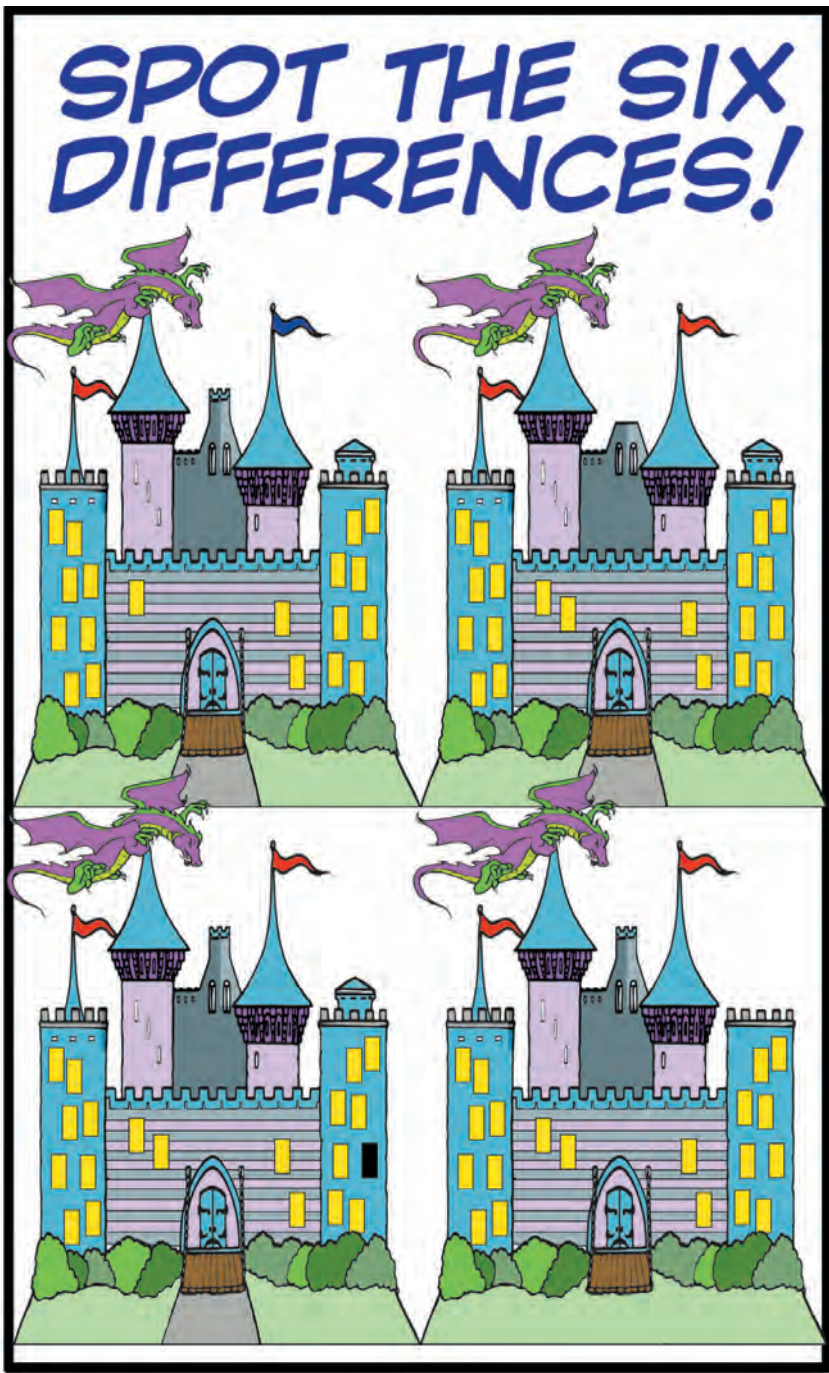
1. The shamrock is recognised around the world as a symbol of Ireland and all things Irish. But the harp is actually the official National Symbol of Ireland.

2. Argentina's Navy was founded by an Irishman. Admiral William Brown is a great example of Irish accomplishments abroad. Brown was creator and first admiral of the Argentine Navy.

TEACHER ASKED ME IF I KNEW WHAT EFFECT ABSENTEEISM HAS ON EDUCATION.

'NO,' I SAID...

...'I MUST HAVE BEEN OUT THE DAY WE DID IT.'



Halloween Projects!

Katie Long 9yrs old



Aylesbury

Maisie Halligan 10yrs old



Aylesbury

Proud grandad (to Maisie) Dermot Halligan, a member of St Dominic's DAMS, sent us these pictures of best pals Katie Long and Maisie Halligan, with their spookingly brilliant Halloween projects!



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ANNIVERSARY & BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE



Grant, Janice
17th Anniversary away from home occurs 4th November. Also remembering her 44th Birthday which occurred on 6th October. Late of Neilstown.

In tears we saw you sinking,
And watched you pass away,
Our hearts were almost broken,
We wanted you to stay,
But when we saw you sleeping,
So peaceful, free from pain,
How could we wish you back with us,
To suffer that again,
It broke our hearts to lose you,
But you did not go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day God took you home.
Love and miss you always
Mam, Dad & brother Mark.

Mam
A loving Mother, so gentle and kind,
What a wonderful memory she left behind,
Long days, long nights, she bore her pain,
To wait for a cure but all in vain,
'Til God himself knew what was best,
He took her home and gave her rest.
From your loving sons,
always in our hearts, never forgotten, Carl & Kyle.



No one knows what we go through,
Every time we think of you,
The pain is so strong,
And so hard to bear,
Because all we do is wish you were here.
Love and miss you, your loving sister Elaine, Anto and Nieces Chloe & Leah.

No matter how we spend our days,
No matter what we do,
No morning dawns, no evening falls,
Without a thought of you,
The light of your love will always be there.
Love and miss you so much, till we meet again, your sister Caroline, Lee, Sean & Sienna.

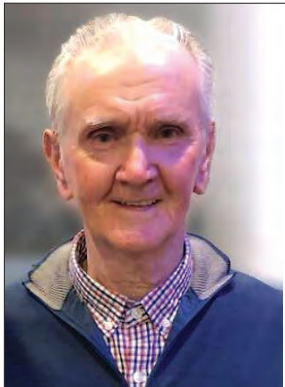
A day that is filled with sadness,
Returns to us today,
To mark the day you left us,
In such a sudden way,
In thoughts we see you just the same,
In love and pride we speak your name.
Love always your loving brother Jason, Charlene, nephew Jaiden & nieces Kendall Rain and Ocean.

Never more than a thought away,
You meant so much to us,
But nothing we can say,
Can tell of the love,
That is in our hearts today.
Love always your loving brother Stephen.

For as long as we shall live,
We will always be glad,
For a wonderful niece we had,
We cannot forget you,
We don't even try,
We just miss you more,
As time goes by.
Forever in our hearts, Angela, Shay and Family.

Janice
If we could visit Heaven,
On this special day,
Maybe for a moment,
Our pain would go away,
We would wrap our arms around you Janice,
And kiss your smiling face,
And tell you that no one in the world,
Could ever take your place.
Of all the gifts in life,
No matter how great or small,
To have had you in our lives,
Was the greatest gift of all.
We love and miss you so much. Forever in our hearts, Colette, Fran, Sinead, Claire and Brian.

ANNIVERSARY



Meleady, Patrick Paddy
1st Anniversary of a loving husband and father occurs on the 6th of November. Also a loving son, Paddy Meleady Junior, whose 29th anniversary occurs on the 15th of November. Late of Bolbrook Close, Tallaght.

The winds keep blowing,
Seasons come and go,
Loving memories stay in our hearts and minds forever.
Sadly missed and always remembered by your loving wife Kathleen, Sons, Daughters, Mother, Brothers, Sisters, Grandchildren and Great-grandchildren. R.I.P

ANNIVERSARY



Peters, Annie (Mauda) and Joseph
In loving memory of our Mother Annie (Mauda) whose 9th Anniversary occurs today and our Father Joe whose 13th Anniversary occurred on 2nd November.

A bouquet of lillies we send to you both today,
Sprinkled with teardrops instead of dew.
And in the middle a forget-me-not,
To let you know we haven't forgot.
Sunshine passes, shadows fall,
But love and remembrance outlast them all.
Sadly missed by Anne, Mick, Dessie, Bernie and all the family.

ANNIVERSARY



Swan, Breda
2nd Anniversary occurs on the 5th November.

Our house now feels so empty,
The warmth of a mothers embrace,
A different life without you,
Is now what we have to face,
You filled our hearts with happiness,
And taught us how to be brave,
But you never know how hard it would be,
To weep for you at your grave.
Sadly missed by her partner Martin, Daughters, Sons, Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren.

NOVENA

Angel Of Portugal
Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore you profoundly. I offer you the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference by which he is offended. And, through the infinite merits of his Most Sacred Heart, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. I beg of You the conversion of poor sinners. P.R.

ANNIVERSARY



Glennon, Kevin
Whose 9th Anniversary away from home occurs 5th November.

No matter how life changes,
No matter what we do,
A special place within our hearts,
Is always kept for you,
Kevin your name is always spoken,
We talk about you still,
You haven't been forgotten,
You know you never will.
Missing you so much, your loving wife Kay & family, Alan, Deborah & Tracy.

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Prayer to Our Lady of Mount Carmel
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Callery, Niall (Captain)
3rd Anniversary occurs 4th November.

Our Dearest Dad
Your needs in life were simple,
Your love for your family true,
As long as we were happy,
You were happy too,
You taught us many things in life,
Always good and true,
But you never told us how to cope,
With the pain of losing you,
No matter how life changes,
No matter what we do,
A special place within our hearts,
Is always kept for you,
No words can heal our heartache,
Or stop our fallen tears,
Or take away our memories,
Of a Dad we loved so dear.
Too dearly loved to ever be forgotten your heartbroken children Stuart, Niall, Barry, Julie, Carl, Alison, Tracy, Sons and Daughters-in-law. xxxxx

Our Wonderful Grandad
How do we write on paper,
The feeling we have inside,
From your heartbroken Grandchildren,
Who have missed you since you died,
Our hearts still ache with sadness,
Our secret tears still flow,
For what it meant to lose you,
No one will ever know,
Call Grandads name out softly,
Lord,
And when he looks your way,
Tell him that we love and miss him,
Every single day.
Forever in our hearts your loving Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren. xxxxx

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE



Wade, Jane
7th Birthday away from home occurs 5th November.

*Precious people are very few,
That's why there was only one of you,
Nothing on earth can ever replace,
The sound of your voice,
Or the smile on your face,
No verse or flowers,
No tears can say,
How much you are loved,
And missed each day,
You left us a memory,
We are so proud to own,
So treasure her lord,
In your garden of rest,
For when on earth,
She was simply the best,
Time may go, years will pass,
But memories will always last,
Send a whisper on a feather gently,
Let us know you hear us sending all our love.
Sadly missed by your loving husband Ben, Sons, Daughter, Grandkids, Great-grandkids, Son-in-law and Daughters-in-law. "Always in our hearts forever"*

ANNIVERSARY



Cahill (nee Garvey), Eileen
3rd Anniversary away from home occurs November 8th. Also remembering her son Robert who passed away September 10th, 2022.

*We little knew that day,
God was going to call your name,
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
You did not go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home,
You left us beautiful memories,
Your love is still our guide,
And although we cannot see you,
You are always at our side,
Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.
Deeply missed by your husband Andrew, Children and Grandchildren.*

ANNIVERSARY



Lynch, Peter
2nd Anniversary away from home. Who died November 8th, 2020.

*God saw you getting tired,
And a cure was not to be,
So he put his arms around you,
And whispered come to me,
With tearful eyes we watched you,
And saw you pass away,
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay,
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.
Sadly missed by your loving wife Ann and two sons Jason, Anto and daughter Paula, Daughters-in-law and Son-in-law and Grandkids.*

NOVENA

Miracle Prayer
Dear heart of Jesus I ask you this special favour (mention one) take it dear heart of Jesus and place it within your own broken heart where your father sees it. Then in his merciful eyes it will become your favour not mine. Amen. say this prayer 3 days promise publication and favour will be granted never known to fail. M.C.

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE



Cullen Ryan, Maura
On your 3rd Birthday away from home occurred 30th October.

*It's difficult today,
Not to have you here,
To celebrate the times,
We've shared over another year,
And though you are not here with us,
Know that we'll never part,
This day was always special,
We just want to say,
That we're thinking of you with love,
On your birthday.
Love sisters Joan and Dymphna and nieces Carol and Nadine. Scooby doo.*

NOVENA

Novena to St. Clare
Ask St. Clare for 3 favours, 1 business, 2 impossible. Say 9 Hail Marys for 9 nights with lighted candle. Pray whether you believe or not. Publish on the ninth day. Powerful Novena. Say "May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be praised, adored, glorified and loved, today and every day, throughout the whole world, AMEN". Say 6 times every day for 9 days. Your request will be granted, no matter how impossible it may seem. Publication must be promised. U.K.

ANNIVERSARY



Donovan, Liam
11th Anniversary occurs the 8th of November, also remembering his birthday on the 26th October.

*Words and times we no longer share,
But in our hearts you are always there,
Always on our minds,
Forever in our hearts.
Love you always Daughter Diana, son-in-law John & grandsons Sean, Liam & Aaron.*

NOVENA

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ANNIVERSARY



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*We hold you close within our hearts,
And there you shall remain.
To walk with us throughout our lives,
Until we meet again.
Sadly missed by your wife Betty, daughter Elaine, Allan and Granddaughter Ailish.*

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NOVENA

Novena to St. Jude
Most Holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honours and invokes you universally, as the patron of hopeless cases, of things almost despaired of. Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Make use I implore, you, of that particular privilege given to you, to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need, that I may receive the consolation and help of Heaven in all my necessities, tribulations and sufferings, particularly, (here make your request) and that I may praise God with you and all the elect forever, I promise O Blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you. L.D.

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South Dublin County Council
Josephine Heraty is applying for retention permission for a detached structure in the rear garden which includes; gym/showeroom, utility, and store, with connection to existing services at 37 New Road, Clondalkin, Dublin 22, D22 XV00. The Planning application may be inspected or purchased at the offices of South Dublin County Council, County Hall, Town Centre, Tallaght, Dublin 24. During its public opening hours of Monday to Friday from 9.00am - 4.00pm, and may also be viewed on the council's website - www.sdcc.ie. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to South Dublin County Council on payment of a fee of (20.00 euro) within the 5 weeks of receipt of the application by South Dublin County Council and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions or may refuse to grant permission.

South Dublin County Council
We Ross Glover and Sandra Dillon intend to apply for planning permission for development at this site 63 Ballytore Rd, Rathfarnham, Dublin 14, D14 CA22. The development will consist of: Attic conversion for storage with two dormer windows to the rear. Raised gable to the side. With a new gable window. Three new Roof windows to the front. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours and a submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the Planning Authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 28, 2022

S25421/15 APPLICATION Additional Information Applicant: Vantage Towers Limited Location: Templeogue Road, Templeogue, Dublin 6W Description: 15 metre high telecommunications street works structure.		SD22A/0114 Information Applicant: Petrogas Group Ltd. Location: Applegreen, Naas Road Service Station, Tootenhill, Rathcoole, Dublin, D24DH00 Description: Electric fast charging hub and drive-thru coffee building (24/7 opening hours). 8 electric fast charging spaces to the west side of the site; drive-thru coffee building (167sqm) will contain a beverage area, seating area and back of house area (storage, lobby, toilets); single storey building with a maximum ridge height of 6m and a minimum ridge height of 3.6m; 3 signs on the building; ancillary development of refuse compound, 4 free standing signs, 1 free standing height restrictor, 1 substation(28.75sqm 3.075m high), 31 car parking spaces, internal vehicular access, internal circulation road, paving, pedestrian entrance with steps, landscaping, boundary treatment and all associated site works including pumping station. 13 existing car park spaces will be removed to facilitate the proposed.	SD22B/0149 Information Applicant: Robert Reilly Location: 19, Birchview Avenue, Dublin 24 Description: Construction of a new single storey, pitched roof, home office and games room (44.9sq.m) and all associated site works to the rear garden. SD22B/0250 Information Applicant: Alan Merriman & Angela Gaffney Location: 5, Ellensborough Lawn, Kiltipper Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24 Description: The proposed development includes the demolition of an existing single-storey extension and construction of a part-single-storey, part two-storey extension to the rear of 5 Ellensborough Lawn, Kiltipper, Dublin 24, D24 N2RF. the extension is to be flat roofed with a parapet, with a rooflight over the ground floor part. The finish of an extension will be white sand and cement render. The proposal includes associated site works. SD22B/0343 Information Applicant: Roisin Keating Location: 24, Ferncourt Close, Firhouse, Dublin 24 Description: Alteration and addition to existing dwelling to include two storey front and rear extension. SD22A/0392 Applicant: Liffey Valley Management Limited Location: Liffey Valley Shopping Centre, Fonthill Road, Clondalkin, Dublin 22 Description: Relocation of the existing customer service desk (c. 16sq.m) permitted under Reg. SD19A/0197 from the Yellow Entrance Mall of the Central Rotunda to a new location at the junction of the West Mall and the Central Rotunda and all ancillary site development works. SD22A/0393 Applicant: Danielle Whelan Location: 11 Esker Cottages, Esker South, Lucan, Co. Dublin. Description: Construction of a 1.5 storey, 3 bedroom detached,	SD22A/0394 Applicant: Mr. W. Fay Location: 75, Woodlawn Park Avenue, Firhouse, Dublin 24 Description: Demolition of extension to side and construction of two storey three bedroom house to side. SD22A/0395 Applicant: Kevin Hegarty Location: Old Bawn Shopping Centre, Old Bawn Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24 Description: Retention for carwash facility. SD22A/0396 Applicant: Phoenix Croft Limited Location: Ardeevin Manor, Ardeevin Avenue, Lucan, Co. Dublin Description: Replacement of previously approved detached three storey 5-bedroom dwelling (295 sq.m) with 2 semi-detached three storey 4-bedroom dwellings (150 sq.m each); The house being replaced was previously granted planning permission by An Bord Pleanala under ABP-304659-19 (SDCC Ref. SD18A/0310); The application also seeks the modifications to the car parking and associated site works to facilitate the revised house types. SD22A/0397 Applicant: On Tower Ireland Limited Location: Unit 1, Fortfield Lane, Fortfield Road, Terenure, Dublin 6W Description: Existing telecommunications support structure (previously refused under Ref. SD08A/0745 and then subsequently granted under An Bord Pleanala Ref. PL06S.232536) together with antennas, dishes, equipment, cabinets, fencing and all associated site development works; The development will continue to provide high speed wireless broadband and data services. SD22B/0453 Applicant: Mrs Carol Ryder Location: 2 Redwood Court, Kilnamanagh,, Dublin 24. Description: Planning Permission for the Demolition of existing Garden Shed and proposed creation of new work from home office/ home gym and garden toom to the rear of existing dwelling SD22B/0454 Applicant: James & Emma Mulhern Location: 2, Wainsfort Manor Drive, Terenure, Dublin 6w D6W DF10 Description: Conversion of existing attic space comprising of modification of existing roof structure, raising of existing gable c/w window and dutch hip, new access stairs and flat roof dormer to the rear.
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Echo Sport

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Thursday, November 3, 2022



Eric Finn captains Underdogs

Eric Finn of TG4 Underdogs in action against Gavin Fives, left, and Jack Fagan of Waterford Photo by Sportsfile

A LOCAL hurler captained the Underdogs team that went puck-for-puck with Allianz Hurling League Division One Champions Waterford on Saturday evening.

By Hayden Moore
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Round Tower adult hurling captain Eric Finn led the Underdogs team out against the Déise, in what was David Fitzgerald's first game back in charge of the county.

With all of the fanfare which surrounding the fixture, the Underdogs did not look a million miles off Waterford but ultimately succumbed to a 1-8 to 2-22 defeat.

Testing himself against one of the very best counties in the country, Eric feels the result slipped away from them and revelled in the pace of the game.

"It started fairly fast. The pace was a lot higher than what we would have experienced before," Finn tells The Echo.

"It was not the result we were looking for, but we had a decent score.

"It didn't feel like it on the night after the result, but it was a great night in hindsight.

"As cringy as it sounds, it was an amazing journey over the six months and something I'll look back on very fondly in years to come."

The Underdogs is a unique group of hurlers, who have never played at Liam McCarthy Cup level, which is assembled from different clubs across the country

as part of a TV show for TG4.

Throughout the series, Eric made it through the trials and survived several cuts, even after being nominated, to reach the final panel and be named captain of the squad.

With his intentions "purely centred around hurling", Eric proved to be a leader both on and off the pitch and even chipped in with a lovely point against Waterford when his side needed it. Originally from Monastery Rise

in Clondalkin, Eric started playing for Towers when he was around seven with his brothers Barry and Simon playing for the club at the time.

"Humbled" by the support that the club has shown him over the past six-months, Eric believes it was a highlight of his journey when a bus chock-full of Round Towers members arrived at the SETU Arena to see Eric, and the Underdogs, take on Waterford in the special match.

Eric was originally apprehensive about sending in the application for the Underdogs, and even after getting accepted onto the show, very few in Towers knew about his inclusion.

Not one for the camera, Eric was always nervous about what would be included on the show when it aired every Thursday night on TG4.

Despite the camera nerves, the Clondalkin native believes it was worth it for the standard of hurling

he was able to achieve, experience gained, and knowledge that he can bring back to the club.

"For me it was purely about getting better and the opportunity to play at a higher standard," Eric explains.

"It was hard to step out in front of the cameras to be honest. Not a lot of lads in the club knew I was doing it.

"I'd be heading down to a camp with the Underdogs on the Friday and coming back to Dublin to play a match in the club on the Saturday, but not many knew, only really my managers.

"I play intermediate in Dublin, so it was good to get experience against the likes of Loughmore and Oulart the Ballagh, who are good senior sides.

"When you mix and come together with a group of players, or a new team, it's a unique experience.

"You learn different things from different lads, and especially with John Allen and Jamie [Wall], they're great operators.

"Some of their drills, the attitude and professionalism, are things that I can definitely bring back to the club with me and I'm looking forward to getting back in with the lads over the Christmas."

Back on the club scene, in between camps with the Underdogs, Eric and Towers found themselves embroiled in a relegation fight to stay at intermediate level.

However, Towers preserved their intermediate status on September 24 with a 1-17 to 1-13 victory over Clanna Gael Fontenoy in a relegation play-off.

A Towers man all his life, Eric (29) believes his club can replicate their 2019 successes, when they won the intermediate championships, next season with the introduction of a promising, yet successful, minor team.

Local draw fair result



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Cup Joy for Maelruains



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Rover's fans celebrate league



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Round Tower member Eric Finn of Underdogs captain with supporters after the match between Waterford at the SETU Arena in Waterford.

Hurling

An historical day for the Na Gaeil Óga girls

Na Gaeil Óga had a historic day when the Under 13 camogie team won the club's first ever under-age championship final on Sunday, October 30, defeating Na Fianna (3-0 to 2-0) in Coláiste Pádraig, DCU.

The Lucan side played against a very strong Na Fianna team on a dry but very windy day. Sadhbh Ní Máirtín settled the nerves of the Gaels and the crowd with a great goal to start things off. Hard work from Aoibhinn Ní Ailpín, Síofra Healy and Tara Ní Conelúir continued around the square keeping the Na Fianna goalkeeper on her toes.

With diligent work from Noreen Igbeta and Sally Champion, it was very difficult for Na Fianna to get the ball out of their own half for the first 20 minutes. Olivia Ní Nia strengthened Na Gaeil Óga when she went further outfield.

Na Fianna broke through to the goal line only twice with tenacious NGÓ full-back Leah Nic Giolla Padraig keeping out both efforts. Éabha de Búrca and Sophie Ní

Béineid's marking was brilliant, as well as a great game awareness and athleticism to be seen from all the Na Gaeil Óga girls. Another goal from Sadhbh left the Lucan side two goals ahead at half-time.

In the second half, midfielders Caitlín Ní Fheargail and Ruby Ní Foghlú showed their skills and enthusiasm with a constant fight around the middle of the field.

Anna Nesbitt and Alva Ní Throitigh were constantly keeping the Na Fianna defenders on their toes, while Chaoimhe de Búrca did brilliantly. Irina Ní Chonelúir and Eve Ní Farchellaigh showed high levels of fitness as Na Fianna threatened to overwhelm Na Gaeil Óga in the second half.

Tara Ní Éabhroid showed courage throughout the game as she defended with ruthless determination. With leadership from the hero of the game and captain Aoibhe Ní Léanacháin, Na Gaeil Óga managed to hold out for a deserved victory.



Na Gaeil Óga under 13 camogie team

Coach Annamarie Farrelly said: "This group of girls have had a fantastic year, we are very proud of them and all the hard work and determination they have shown."

Cathaoirleach na nÓg, Na Gaeil Óga (Youth Committee Chairman), Gerry O'Connell, said: " Táimid ag súil go mbeidh go leor laethanta iontacha mar seo againn amach anseo (We hope that our young club will have many great days like this in the future). Na Gaeil Óga abú!"

Na Gaeil Óga: Caoimhe de Búrca; Sophie Ní Bhinéid, Leah Nic Giolla Padraig, Síofra Ní Eilí; Irina Ní Chonchúir, Aoibhe Ní Léanacháin (c), Éabha de Búrca; Caitlín Ní Fhearghail, Ruby Ní Foghlú; Eve Ní Fhairceallaigh, Sadhbh Ní Mháirtín, Tara Ní Eabhóid; Tara Ní Chonchúir, Anna Nesbitt, Aoibhinn Ní hAilpín. Subs: Sally Champion, Noreen Igbeta, Olivia Ní Nia, Amelia Misiejuk, Alva Aonghusa.

Towers enjoy double success winning both ladies football and camogie titles

Round Tower Clondalkin enjoyed a magnificent double success at the weekend, winning underage titles in both ladies football and camogie .

By Daire Walsh on Sunday, the sport@echo.ie Towers U14 girls footballers were crowned the Dublin LGFA Single Code Shield Green champions with a 4-7 to 2-10 triumph at the expense of St Anne's.

After early points from Emma Sayce and Alannah Casey had kept them in touch, Neasa Breen and Sophie Doyle grabbed goals for the visitors. Orlagh Ní Dhubháin also worked her way onto the scoresheet and even though Anne's responded with a major of their own, Towers still held a convincing 2-5 to 1-2 interval lead.

Their Tallaght counterparts weren't prepared to go down without a fight, however, and turned the tables on Towers by registering 1-5 without reply on the resumption. A tricky wind was making life difficult for the Clondalkin side, but a second Doyle goal ensured that they settled back into the contest.

The teams were level pegging heading into the final 10 minutes, but Towers ultimately pushed on to claim the spoils. Backed up by the likes of Aleesha Okungbowa, Jemma Pluck, Ella Behan, Sophie Sayce, Tessi Healy and Mary Kelly, Emma Bassett produced heroics between the sticks for Towers.



Round Towers under 15 camogie team

At the opposite end, having amassed 1-2 in the opening period, Breen went on to match this total in the second half. Ní Dhubháin and Bronwyn O'Loughlin also dovetailed to good effect in midfield as Towers claimed the shield with three points to spare.

In the Dublin Camogie Division Five Shield decider on home soil a day earlier, the Round Towers U15s were coming up against a Naomh Olaf outfit that had beaten them in the championship just a few weeks earlier.

Both goalkeepers - Towers' Ella Ní Shúilleabháin and Sophie Keely of Olaf's - were kept busy throughout the action and produced some excellent saves to keep their respective sides in contention. Nevertheless, the Towers attack eventually started to click and Tara Kelly released inside forward Kitty Quinlan for a superb finish into the top corner of the opposition net.

Captain Eabha Brady and Emma Gilvarry kept the scoreboard ticking over for Towers with the former also helping herself to a three-pointer. Quinlan added a second goal to her tally and Kelly ended the tie with an individual haul of 0-3.

Midfielder Shonagh Byrne was devastatingly effective over the course of the hour and was awarded player of the match for her tireless work in a 3-5 to 2-3 victory for Towers.

This was a poignant success for Brady, who was only recently discharged from hospital. Her club-mates were thrilled to see her returning to the field of play and following Feile final defeats in both football and camogie earlier this year, they were determined to finish off the year with some silverware to show for all their hard work.



Round Towers under 14 girls football team

Hurling

Heartbreak for Lucan Sarsfields in U17 decider

There was heartbreak for Lucan Sarsfields at O'Toole Park on Bank Holiday Monday as they fell to an agonising 3-13 to 1-16 reversal at the hands of Kilmacud Crokes in the Dublin U17 'A' Hurling Championship decider reports Diare Walsh.

Lucan had looked set to come away with a famous win from the Kimmage venue after finding themselves three points in front entering stoppage-time at the end of the second half. Crokes had other ideas, though, and two goals in quick succession courtesy of Tommy Butler and Oran O'Keeffe saw them snatch victory from the jaws of defeat.

This was the second meeting between the two teams in this year's competition, following a previous Group Two encounter at Silver Park on October 2. Crokes also came away with the spoils on that occasion, but earlier successes over Ballinteer St John's and Cuala were enough to hand Lucan a spot in the knockout rounds.

The 12th Lock outfit subsequently recovered from that group loss to set up a rematch with Kilmacud and they were the ones to hit the ground running in this showpiece affair. Thanks to three points by Daragh Meehan - one from play and a brace of frees - Lucan created early daylight.

A Ciaran Donovan goal helped Crokes to settle just shy of the first-quarter mark, but their opponents settled back into the game with points from Meehan and roving defender Eoin Conheady.

Ruairí Walsh's dead-ball prowess kept Crokes ticking over, but the Stillorgan side weren't utilising their wind advantage to the extent they would have hoped. Meehan and Cathal Kennedy posted fine points at the opposite end and while Lucan entered the interval a point adrift (1-5 to 0-7), the elements were in their favour on the resumption.

In response to a David Purcell score for Crokes, Meehan contributed a two-point salvo to bring the sides back on level terms. Meehan was proving himself to be a reliable source of scores and he clinically dispatched a penalty to the net to move Lucan five points clear.

Despite the likes of Purcell and Brendan Kenny splitting the uprights in fine style for Crokes, it looked like Lucan had done enough to come away with the top prize. That was until their resolute counterparts struck for those aforementioned brace of late goals in what was an extraordinary finale to a gripping tie.

The same two clubs are also due to meet in a forthcoming Dublin U19 'A' Hurling Championship final, following their respective knockout wins on Sunday morning.

Whereas Kilmacud recorded a 3-19 to 1-12 triumph against Cuala, Lucan were emphatic 6-19 to 1-8 winners at the expense of Naomh Barróg on their home turf of 12th Lock. Sean Harkness was in superb form for Sarsfields as he amassed 2-8 of his side's final tally.

It was far from being a one-man show, however, as Joey Dunne, Hugh Cuffe, Matt Coogan and Cian Canavan also shook the net over the course of the hour for a ruthless Lucan outfit.

Soccer

Tamhlacht and Old Bawn draw

A DRAW was a fair enough result when Tamhlacht FC entertained Old Bawn FC on Sacred Heart's Astro pitch on Saturday afternoon, in this UCFL Division 3 clash.

The Bawn will be more disappointed that they let a 2-0

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lead slip, then again Tamhlacht battled back and they almost snatched a winner with seven minutes to play.

To be honest after 11 minutes I feared the worst as Tamhlacht were two goals down, couldn't string a pass together and hadn't even got out of their own half.

First they went behind to a three man move involving Dylan

Caffrey, who won the ball in the middle of the park, he set up Marc Leigh, who saw his effort saved by Cian Burke but the ball fell kindly to Jay Heffernan who smashed home the loose ball.

Four minutes later it was 2-0, after Mikey Keddy sent a free kick to the back post, Ryan Tate guided it back across the face of the goal and Callum Kelly was there to slot home.

Now, somehow or other, Tamhlacht finally woke up and on 15 minutes they were back in the game, after Gary Sutton fired home a beauty from the edge of the area.

It was the kick they needed and as the half drew to a close Sutton went close on two occasions, while in between the Bawn's



Heffernan was denied when Byrne bravely dived at his feet to deny him a pop at goal.

The game was set up nicely for the second half and within eight minutes of the restart it was all square.

Sutton was on the mark again after he chased a long ball out of defence, held off the attentions of a defender and slipped the ball past the advancing AJ Halpin.

It was end to end stuff with Tamhlacht just about shading it in terms of efforts on goal, with Sutton being the main focal point of their attack.

But they hadn't had it all their own way and Heffernan just fired over with 15 to play, however, the closest Tamhlacht came to

winning was when Gar Kavanagh saw his effort crash off the crossbar with seven minutes left on the clock.

But, really, a draw was a fair result and keeps both in touch at the top of the division.

TAHMLACHT FC: C. Byrne, L. McCarthy, S. Hogan, J. Walsh, J. Byrne, G. Clarke, G. Kavanagh, S. Harte, G. Sutton, C. Murphy, A. Deeling, O. Moroger, S. Cleary, A. Gallagher, S. McMahon, C. Dunne.

OLD BAWN: AJ Halpin, O. Finnegan, R. Murray, R. Brady, G. Buckley, M. Kody, R. Tuite, C. Kelly, R. Coffey, J. Heffernan, R. Durnin, P. Keane, M. Whelan, C. Tuite, M. Dalton,

REFEREE: K. Coffee.



Basketball

Home win for DBS Éanna over neighbours Templeogue

DBS Éanna held onto eighth place in the InsureMyVan.ie Men's Super League table following their comprehensive 79-63 home triumph over neighbours Griffith College Templeogue on Saturday.

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Joshua Wilson emerged as Éanna's scorer-in-chief with 22 points, while Neil Lynch (15) and Marko Tomic (12) also put their shoulders to the wheel throughout the contest. Francis Mulvihill, James Gormley and Neil Randolph led the way for Templeogue, but Mark Keenan's side ultimately succumbed to their third reversal in just five games and occupy 10th place in the league standings.

The foundations for this Éanna success were laid in the opening quarter, when the hosts developed a convincing 26-11 buffer.

Mulvihill and Randolph contributed some impressive baskets in the second-quarter, but the visitors nevertheless found themselves 12 points adrift (43-31) at the midway stage. To their credit, Templeogue dug deep and reduced their deficit to the bare minimum (57-56) with just 10 minutes left in the action.

However, Éanna eased home in the final-quarter with 12 successive points and will now embark on their away clash against Energywise Ireland Neptune on Saturday week in a confident manner. Having kept themselves in contention for so long, Templeogue will hope to hit top form against UCD Marian on the same day.

After recording their first win of the campaign in the InsureMyVan.ie Men's Division One league against Portlaoise Panthers a week earlier, Abbey Seals Dublin Lions suffered a narrow 99-94 loss to Limerick Celtics at Colaiste Bride in

Clondalkin on Saturday.

Not for the first time this season, Kevin Obasuyi and Ringo Dau produced standout performances for the Lions. Even though Obasuyi amassed an astonishing 36 points for the home team, Dau wasn't far behind with a personal tally of 33.

Yet their Limerick counterparts have supreme talents in the shape of Joshua Reynolds, Scott Angus-Hankin and Miles Felletti-O'Donnell. This triumvirate recorded a combined haul of 80 points for the victorious Munster men.

Next up for the Lions is another home encounter on November 12, this time against Dublin rivals Moy Tolka Rovers.

In the MissQuote.ie Women's Division One league, Griffith College Templeogue climbed up to fourth with a 73-45 success against Oblate Dynamos in Inchicore on Saturday.

Coming into the game with two wins and two draws, Templeogue were on level terms (17-17) at the end of the first-quarter before eventually taking control of the proceedings. Lynn Tunnah (20 points), Camila Casanueva (16) and Zoe Hurley (14) all featured prominently in the scoring stakes, though Aoife Whelan's nine-point salvo was also crucial.

Claire Quinn Nealon, Megan Aho and



DBS Éanna head coach
Darren McGovern

Jennifer Sheehan stood out for Oblate, but couldn't prevent their side from falling to a fourth defeat in five games. They will return to competitive fare against the Dublin Lions in Clondalkin on November 12, the same day that Templeogue are due to face Swords Thunder on the road.

Meanwhile, a 27-point haul from Gillian Wheeler inspired the aforementioned Dublin Lions women to a 75-67 win over St Paul's, Killarney in Clondalkin on Tuesday night. Rachel Brennan (14) and Tara Nevin (10) also helped themselves to strong tallies as the Lions held off the challenge of their Kerry opponents to earn a second victory of the campaign.

Soccer

Peamount end league with emphatic 6-0 win

PEAMOUNT'S women's team completed their National League campaign at the weekend with an emphatic 6-0 victory over Galway United at Eamonn Deacy Park reports William O'Connor.

Galway WFC were hoping to go out with a bang in their last game in the Women's National League before merging with Galway United, but it was Peamount United who stole the show.

It was Dearbhaile Beirne who got things rolling for the visitors on 13 minutes with a lovely placed finish into the left side of the goal.

11 minutes later and Peas captain Aine O'Gorman got the second goal with a looping header.

Only a few minutes

after, a free-kick move straight from the training ground was finished off by Sadhbh Doyle to make it 3-0. The Peas made a penalty just before half-time which O'Gorman slotted home to make it 4-0 going into the break.

O'Gorman got her hat-trick in the 57th minute, slotting home a one-on-one attack. O'Gorman officially finished as the league's top scorer for 2022 with 22 goals.

An emphatic Peas win was cemented by youngster Tara O'Hanlon, who dribbled through the Galway defence from the halfway line, passed to O'Gorman, received the ball back at the edge of the box and struck a powerful shot into the Galway net.

Cricket

Delaney plays his part in men's T20 World Cup

DESPITE another accomplished display from Knocklyon's Gareth Delany, the Ireland men's cricket team fell to a 42-run loss at the hands of host nation Australia at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup in The Gabba, Brisbane on Monday.

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Having recorded an outstanding victory over England by five runs at Melbourne Cricket Ground just five days earlier, Ireland gave themselves a fighting chance of reaching the semi-final stage of the competition. While the abandonment of their proposed meeting with Afghanistan on Friday - owing to heavy rain - may have halted their progress to a certain extent, Australia were in the same boat after seeing their own showdown with England being called off.

The Aussies had begun Group One with a convincing defeat to southern hemisphere rivals New Zealand, before getting their campaign on track with a seven wickets win over Sri Lanka. Although Ireland came off second best to Sri Lanka on October 23, they were in a buoyant mood as a result of getting one over on England.

After winning the toss and electing to bowl, Ireland began the play in bright spirits. An international debutant in July 2019 - before being awarded a central contract

by Cricket Ireland the following January - Delany closed out a power play with a four-run over.

Yet Australia were beginning to grow in confidence with Mitchell Marsh leading the way for the hosts. From this point onwards their opponents were largely in the ascendancy, but there was no doubting the spirit and the determination of the Irish as they battled against the tide.

Thanks to Lorcan Tucker and Delany in particular, Ireland were offered a glimmer of hope coming towards the home stretch. However, it was the Aussies who came away with the victory in the end.

As a consequence, the maximum number of points Ireland can accumulate from Group One is five - a tally already achieved by both Australia and New Zealand. In order to reach the penultimate phase of this Super 12 competition, they will need to defeat the latter at Adelaide Oval tomorrow and hope that results elsewhere can go their way.

If they are to have another successful outing, then Ireland will require another top-range performance from Delany.

Cricket very much runs in the 25-year-old all-rounder's family with his sister Laura currently serving as captain of the Ireland women's cricket team. Additionally, their cousin David is also a gifted cricketer and a current club-mate of Gareth at Munster Reds.

Cumann na mBunscol Finals



Cup joy for Scoil Maelruain

Scoil Maelruain SNS celebrate with the trophy after their win over St Kevin's GNS Kilnamanagh
Photo by Maurice Grehan

SCOIL Maelruain SNS, Old Bawn turned on the style at Croke Park last Thursday to overcome the challenge of close

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neighbours St Kevin's GNS, Kilnamanagh on a scoreline of 6-4 to 2-5 in the Corn Sean Mac An Breithimh primary school girls football decider. These two sides are separated by just under two miles on the south side of Dublin, meaning that there were local bragging rights up for grabs as well as the competition's much-coveted silverware.



Action from the Final

Maelruain's showed great intent during the early exchanges and got their just reward when a '45' from Kate Hoey drifted into the net. Kilnamanagh's Keea O'Reilly raised a green flag with a similar set-piece effort, but this only provided them with a temporary respite. Their maroon and white counterparts were keeping a tight rein in defence thanks to the likes of Brooke Fowler and Daniella Ogbonna, and were also displaying their proficiency in

attack. Lorna Dunne was a lively presence throughout and she proceeded to claim Maelruain's second goal of the game. Hannah O'Connor was exerting a strong influence around the middle-third and when the half-time whistle was sounded, the Old Bawn side found themselves in a 2-3 to 1-1 lead. St Kevin's were not out of the reckoning just yet, however, and O'Reilly was desperately unfortunate to see her ferocious shot rebounding off the crossbar in the second half. Ciara McGuire did raise a green flag for the Kilnamanagh girls, though, helping her to finish on a personal tally of 1-1 alongside O'Reilly. Sarah Shiels (two) and Tara Kelly also added points to offer Kevin's a glimmer of hope. Still, it was always going to be difficult to halt the progress of Maelruain, especially with them creating clear-cut opportunities on a regular basis. To cap an excellent performance, Hannah O'Connor registered a brace of goals to supplement the two points she amassed over the course of the action. Sophie Smith and Sarah Kate O'Connor also came away with three-pointers to ensure Maelruain eased themselves

towards a convincing victory. **Scoil Maelruain SNS, Old Bawn:** M van der Krogt, O Larkin, B Fowler, S Cooling, D Ogbonna, S Carberry, C Bates, K Hoey, H O'Connor, K Hughes, E McGrath, L Dunne, L Honer, SK O'Connor, S Smith, O Maher, I Keaty, O Masterson, L O'Brien, D Howlett, M Halligan, C Doyle, M Balfe, E Robinson, A Fitzgerald, H Cummins, A

Ward, C McEvoy, W Kobiato. **St Kevin's GNS, Kilnamanagh:** L O'Reilly, G Power, O Berney, B Nolan, S Ennis, K O'Reilly, T Kelly, I Carolan, L Dalton, D Doyle, A O'Neill, S O'Riordan, M Carroll, L Power, E Thornton, A O'Keeffe, L Cleary, S Shiels, H Judge, G Madden, A Jenkinson, S Monaghan, C McGuire, M Meyler.



Scoil Maelruain SNS

St Kevin's GNS



St Marys BNS, Rathfarnham

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Gaelscoil Eiscir Riada

Photo by Maurice Grehan

Victory for St Mary's Rathfarnham Heartache for Holy Rosary Ballycragh

ON THE first day of the Cumann na mBunscol primary school football finals at Croke Park last Thursday, St Mary's BNS, Rathfarnham dug deep to squeeze past the challenge of Scoil Mhuire BNS, Marino in the Corn Kitterick boys decider reports Daire Walsh.

Always a worthwhile spectacle for all involved, GAA HQ also played host to the capital's first-level finals on Friday.

This clash between Mary's and their northside counterparts proved to be one of the most compelling across the two days of action and the sides were on level terms

at 2-3 to 0-9 when the opening period drew to a close.

Mary's were the team who possessed the goalscoring touch with Shane Horgan (who finished with a personal tally of 1-4) and Mark Cashin both rattling the net in clinical fashion. Theo Duggan impressed in the Mary's defence, but with Adam Kelly leading the way, Scoil Mhuire were breathing down the necks of their Rathfarnham opponents.

A fifth point from Kelly had edged the Marino outfit in front during the closing stages, but Mary's rallied to good effect.

Dan O'Mahony popped up with an excellent equaliser and it was then left for Keelan Fitzgerald to split the uprights and hand St Mary's a precious 2-6 to 0-11 win.

Holy Rosary PS, Ballycragh were close to pulling off a victory in the Corn Matt Griffin

showpiece against Gaelscoil Lios na nOg, before eventually succumbing to a 2-8 to 2-6 reversal.

At the third-quarter mark in this boys encounter, the Ballycullen-based Holy Rosary were five points to the good. Zikora Nwankwo and Tyrone Vokalombe fired home goals either side of the break to give them a strong platform at the Jones' Road venue.

Graham O'Neill and Andrew Lee also helped themselves to two points apiece, but Lios na nOg remained calm and ultimately pushed forward in the dying moments of the tie. Isaac O Corragáin had found the net for the Ranelagh school in the first half and following another three-pointer from Dylan Mac Eiteagáin, Holy Rosary came up agonisingly short.

Meanwhile, there was disappointment for



St Marys BNS, Rathfarnham celebrate their win Photo by Maurice Grehan

Gaelscoil Eiscir Riada, Leamhcán in the Corn An Chogilitis Naisunta final at the hands of St Mochta's NS, Clonsilla.

Despite points from

Fionn Ó hEarchaí (two), Darragh Mac Eochaidh and Daniel Ó Dufáigh, the Lucan school trailed 1-8 to 0-4 at the midway stage in this affair. Eiscir Riada did

receive a much-needed boost on the resumption when a Caolin Ó Raghallaigh penalty was followed up by a Conor Ó Dúlaoich point.

Yet Mochta's remained in the ascendancy and eventually recorded a 3-12 to 1-5 success thanks to goals from Finn O'Brien and David Stanciu.



Holy Rosary Ballycragh

Photo by Lorraine O'Sullivan

Cumann na mBunscol Finals Photos by Maurice Grehan

Sacred Heart NS, Sruleen and St Patricks NS Glencullen players in action



Jack Costello from Sacred Heart proudly holds his Cumann na mBunscol medal. His dad Brian played in Croke in 1993 and his grandad Frank played in 1966 also show off their medals



Action from Sacred Heart Sruleen and St Pat's



St Patrick's NS, Glencullen celebrate with the trophy

St Patrick's Glencullen edge Sacred Heart Sruleen by two points in Corn Oideachas final



St Patricks NS, Glencullen



Sacred Heart NS, Sruleen

GOALS in either half from Wayne Redmond acted as the catalyst for St Patrick's NS, Glencullen to earn a 3-4 to 1-8 victory against Sacred Heart NS, Sruleen in the Corn Oideachas final at Croke Park on Friday.

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In a keenly-contested affair, Pat's were pushed all the way by their Clondalkin counterparts. However, their knack for scoring goals at crucial moments in the play ultimately saw them collecting the silverware at GAA HQ.

Zack Healy was to end the game with four points for Sacred Heart and he got the ball rolling with a breakthrough effort into the Hill end of the Jones' Road venue. Yet scores were proving few and far between in the opening period, when both defences were keeping a tight leash on the respective opposition attacks.

Nevertheless, Redmond was playing a captain's role throughout

the course of the play for Pat's and he found the net off a sideline kick to offer his side a 1-3 to 0-2 cushion at the interval.

Urged on by the bus full of supporters that had travelled to the far side of the city to see their schoolmates in the flesh, both teams served up a compelling second half of action. Healy's influence on the game was increasing and he was ably-assisted by Sacred Heart attacker Leon O'Hanlon.

In addition to splitting the uprights at the end of a memorable run towards the Canal end, O'Hanlon raised a green flag to significantly enhance the Sruleen outfit's chances of success. He amassed a personal tally of 1-2, while Lee Victory and Evan O'Brien also made their way onto the scoresheet.

Pat's kept their composure, however, and had just enough in the tank to squeeze over the line. After bagging a second goal off another sideline, Redmond eventually came away with an impressive individual

haul of 2-3.

Dougie MacSweeney also raised a green flag on the resumption and with Matthew Campbell also registering a fine point, St Pat's (coached by Diarmuid Coughlan and Ed Bourke) had two points to spare over their determined opponents.

St Patricks NS, Glencullen: M Geoghegan, W Roe, H McCabe, R Kearon, A Mooney, A Longmore, J Kelly, B Fitzachary, W Redmond, D MacSweeney, N Byrne, E Coen, C Desmond, P McGowan, M Campbell, P Niedziolka, C Campbell, T Geoghegan, F McDonald, M Nastase, J Lennon, L O'Dwyer, D Varghese.

Sacred Heart NS, Sruleen: J Carey Delaney, D Taaffe, L McCormack, D Adesoye, S Culhane, M Ellis, Z Healy, D McGuinness, L Victory, L O'Hanlon, O Roberts, A McGuinness, J O'Rourke, E O'Brien, L Bonnie, N Kenny, A Rooney, S McDermott, M Barrett, J Costello, J Comiskey, L Kenna, R Martin.



Divine Word NS celebrate

Scoil Chrónáin



GS Naomh Padraig

Photo by Lorraine O'Sullivan



Holy Family team celebrate

Photo by Lorraine O'Sullivan

Rathcoole Glory

DIVINE WORD NS, Marley Grange enjoyed a splendid double success as the Cumann na mBunscol primary schools football finals continued at Croke Park last Friday reports *Daire Walsh*.

First up for the Rathfarnham outfit was the Corn Comhar Linn girls decider against St Marnock's NS, Portmarnock. Ava Brogan and Evie Goodson flew the flag for their northside counterparts, contributing a combined tally of 1-3.

Nonetheless, Divine Word largely controlled the tempo of the play with dead-ball specialist Sophie Cullen on hand to kick six excellent points. Lily Burke O'Connor, Maisie Keane (two each) and Becky Isaac also raised white flags to keep them ticking over and with Mary O'Donoghue recording a well-worked goal, Divine Word pushed on to secure a 1-11 to 1-4 triumph.

Their male compatriots endured a difficult start to their Corn Chlanna Gael showpiece encounter with Scoil Chrónáin as Lorcán Ó Cróinín struck

an opening minute goal for their Rathcoole opponents.

However, Divine Word subsequently recovered and gradually worked their way into the contest. Complimenting 1-2 from Andy McDonnell, Daniel White registered three points to help them towards a 1-8 to 1-4 buffer at the break.

Divine Word were playing with extreme confidence and increased the gap after the restart when White grabbed a point and a goal either side of an Aaron Carry single.

Adam Ó Ceallaigh contributed fourth scores for the Rathcoole side but, following a stunning goal from Carry in the 36th-minute, Michael Gannon and McDonnell pointed to ease Divine Word towards a 3-12 to 1-5 win.

Gaelscoil Inse Chór were also emphatic winners in the Corn Mhic Chaoilte final, getting the better of Gaelscoil Míde, Cill Bharróg on a scoreline of 4-11 to 1-5.

Inside forward Keela Davico Ní

Dhonnabháin broke the deadlock for the South Circular Road brigade with a third-minute goal, in advance of Lucy Nic Thomáis, Isabella Ní Bhraisail and Eva de Paor also finding the net to propel Inse Chór into an insurmountable 4-5 to 0-1 interval advantage.

Gaelscoil Míde did enjoy a resurgence towards the end of the play, but with no fewer than eight players getting their name on the scoresheet, Inse Chór were full value for their triumph.

Meanwhile, it was a day to remember for Holy Family NS, Rathcoole as they recorded a 2-3 to 1-4 success over Gaelscoil Naomh Pádraig, Leamhcán in the Corn Neasain girls final.

Although Siobhán Ní Riain (1-2) and Ana Nic Thomáis Valero led the way in the scoring charts for Naomh Padraig, 1-1 apiece from Ali McCusker and Mía Saunders - as well as a Mia Mearns point - were enough for Holy Family to edge a close-run affair.



Gaelscoil Inse Chór Captain Millie Bhreathnach raises the trophy



Holy Family's Mia Mearns and Ana Nic Thomas Valero of Naomh Padraig Photo by Lorraine O'Sullivan



Gaelscoil Inse Chór

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Hannah and Max



Danielle and Erin



Mason, Josh and Paul



Ger, Cara and Marie



Stephen, Sean and Ollie



Raucous atmosphere at Tallaght Stadium as Shamrock Rovers celebrate

There was a raucous atmosphere at Tallaght Stadium last Sunday night as Shamrock Rovers lifted the SSE Airtricity League Premier Division trophy for the third year in succession.

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Already guaranteed to retain the top-flight crown before facing main challengers Derry City in the penultimate game of the campaign, the Hoops nevertheless came away with a 1-0 victory courtesy of Rory Gaffney's 38th minute goal. Last Sunday's attendance of 7,726 was just shy of the record for a league fixture in Tallaght and the Rovers faithful made their voices heard before, during and after the game.

Additionally, a series of flares were lit up inside the opening-quarter of the contest and this led to the pitch being engulfed in smoke for a short period of time. It was truly a night to savour for all those involved with Rovers and there were emotional scenes in Tallaght when the trophy was finally raised aloft.

It has been a tough time off the field of play for Hoops manager Stephen Bradley with his eight-year-old son Josh currently battling leukaemia.

It proved to be a special night for Josh, however, as he stepped forward to collect the coveted silverware in unison with captain Ronan Finn and Crumlin native Roberto Lopes. It was a wonderful moment to cap what has been another memorable year for the Tallaght outfit.

One of the most impressive performers for the

Hoops throughout their march to a 20th league success was their flying wing-back Andy Lyons.

Upon joining the club from arch rivals Bohemians, the Kildare native found himself in a dressing room filled with Premier Division champions. This left him feeling like the odd one out, but with nine goals and nine assists to his name, Lyons has helped to put this right.

"Now I'm probably the only one who has only won one title! It's brilliant to obviously get over the line and do that. I'm absolutely buzzing. When I came here at the start of the season, obviously the main objective was to win the league and we've done that. I'm really happy," Lyons said.

"It was brilliant to finish off with a win, so that was great. Collectively to win the trophy was massive for us."

Though the Rovers management and hierarchy will be eager to retain the nucleus of their first-team squad as they bid for a fourth league title in-a-row, Lyons will be departing Tallaght for English Championship side Blackpool in the new year. Nevertheless, he will always be grateful to the Hoops for allowing him to develop his game and making his impending trip across the water a reality.

"The aim was to up my game, up my career that bit more. I think Bohs obviously gave me that foundation and Rovers have brought it onto the next level. Especially this year, it has been absolutely brilliant for me. I put the work in off the pitch and obviously did the talking on the pitch," Lyons added.





Shamrock Rovers celebrate with Stephen Bradley's son Josh, lifting the Airtricity League title in Tallaght Stadium on Sunday night

Shamrock Rovers lifted SSE Airtricity League Premier trophy



Rory Gaffney scores the only goal of the match for Shamrock Rovers



Emma, Leah and Amy



Rovers Viktor Sedeniuk's Partner Natalia and Son Alex



Effie, Lucas, Alannah, Phil and Joe



Former Rovers League Winners Pat Byrne, John Cody and Mick Byrne



Chris, Lillie, AnnMarie and Amelia

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Great attention to detail has been paid by our craftsmen to create an environment in which family members can visit and reflect, while enjoying the tranquility offered by the manicured natural surroundings.

Esker Lawn Cemetery also offers a bespoke special service at the time of burial: in order to ensure grieving families are made comfortable at the graveside, we provide seating for immediate family together with a canopy and plot dressing, which includes the removal of visible soil from the graveside.



We recognise the challenges of end-of-life planning and can assist you in making your decisions, whether planning for the future, or when you need to make immediate arrangements. Our caring and compassionate staff will work with you to determine what options best fit your wishes to deliver the finest of funeral and burial services.

To mark the opening of Esker Lawn Cemetery, a limited number of graves will be sold pre-need (in advance of a death/funeral taking place), on a first come, first served basis.

- Esker Lawn Cemetery is located near the Lucan/Newlands Road, Co. Dublin.
- Please email us **today** with your enquiry: info@EskerLawnCemetery.com or visit www.EskerLawnCemetery.com, or call **083 165 8604**


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