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Ring School Forms Partnership With Co. Waterford V.E.C.

Following a series of meetings, in-depth discussions and detailed background work between Liam Suipeil, Cathaoirleach, Coiste Na Meanscoile and Kieran Heffernan, CEO of Co. Waterford Vocational Education Committee, a formal agreement between the VEC and Meanscoil San Nioclas, Ring was unanimously approved at last Friday's VEC meeting in Dungarvan.

BY AISLING CONROY

Introducing this new agreement which would see the 64 pupil all Irish secondary school enter into a partnership with Co. Waterford VEC, Mr. Suipeil indicated the total support of Meanscoil San Nioclas Teo and asked for the endorsement of this agreement by his fellow VEC members.

NEED FOR CHANGE

Founded in 1959, Scoil San Nioclas is based in Rinn O gCuanach and caters for the educational needs of the surrounding Ring Gaeltacht area through the medium of Irish.

Over the past 2 years, the management at the Ring school became increasingly aware of wide-sweeping changes in the educational field which caused them to review their options for the future.

The school's facilities are currently under pressure to cater for present demand and in order to expand and develop and indeed to avail of many exciting and new opportunities, it was decided to enter into a 'merger' with the County VEC.

This agreement allows for the future of Meanscoil San Nioclas to be administered by Meanscoil San Nioclas

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Photo shows Sinead Power, Beechcroft, Lismore who graduated recently at Cork University Hospital. Sinead is daughter of John and June Power.

County Coastline Struck By Oil Pollution

BY AISLING CONROY

Oil pollution struck the coast of Co. Waterford over St. Patrick's weekend when lumps of oil were washed up at such scenic areas as Tramore, Bonmahon and Clonea beach.

The contamination was described as relatively minor by a spokesman from Waterford County Council who confirmed that a clean up operation was undertaken in Tramore over the past three days.

In Clonea, the oil has lodged on the sand particularly at the high water mark where it poses a potential problem to children, dogs and general wildlife. The area was earlier cleaned up by Council employees but with each tide the oil returns.

As yet, there are no reports of oil pollution in Ardmore or the Cunnigar. The oil itself, which appears in small pebble-like form is thought to be similar to the current oil contamination in Co. Wexford. It is not yet known where the oil spill occurred although samples of the oil washed up on the Waterford coastline have been sent away by the Council for analysis. The spokesman also confirmed that no wildlife has been affected at either Tramore, Clonea or Bonmahon.

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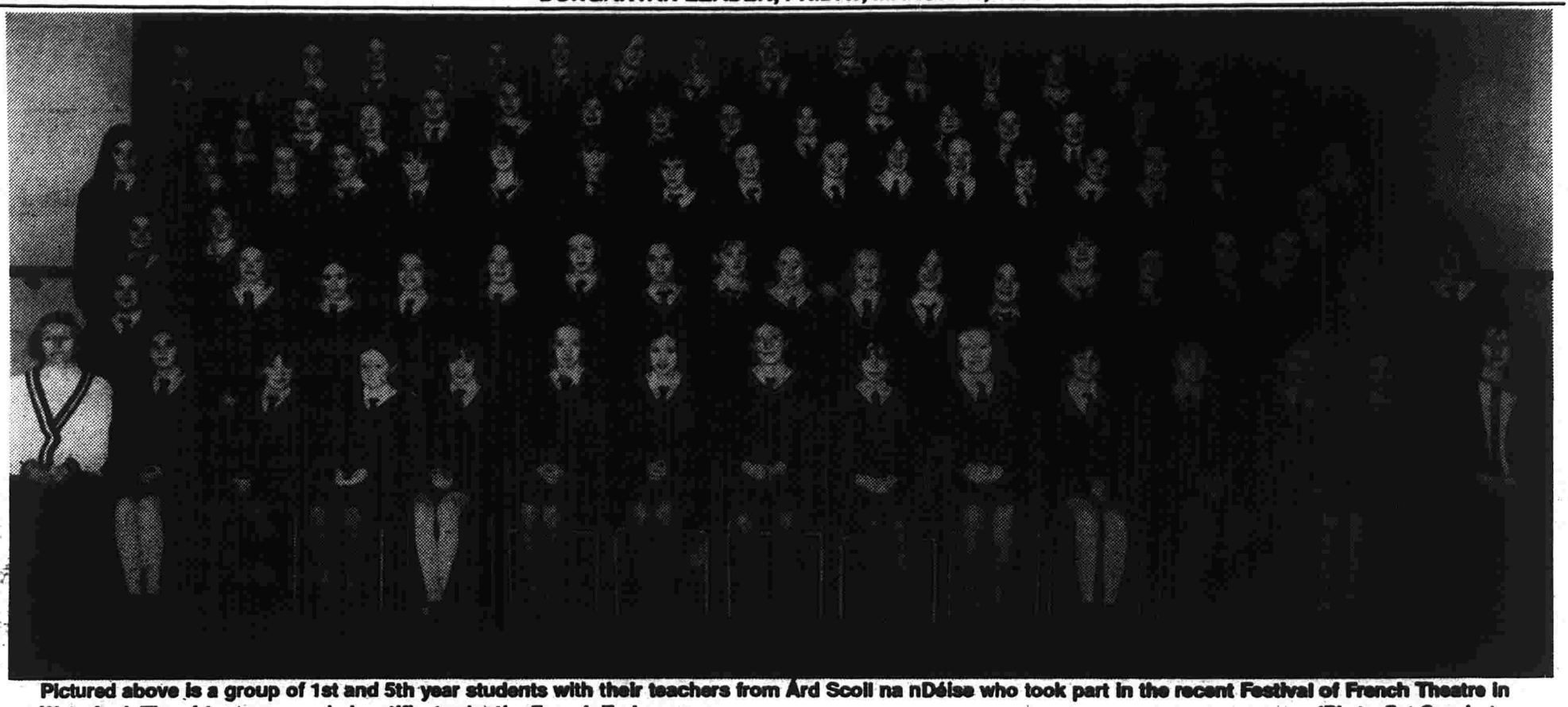
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Pictured above is a group of 1st and 5th year students with their teachers from Árd Scoil na nDéise who took part in the recent Festival of French Theatre in Waterford. The girls were awarded certificates by the French Embassy. —*(Photo; Pat Crowley).*

Know Your Rights

QUESTION

I am 60 years of age. I'm considering taking early retirement. I'm concerned as to whether this will affect my entitlement to the old age pension. Can you help me?

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You should write to the Pension Service Office, College Road, Sligo or telephone 071-69800 or 01-8748444, giving your name, address, date of birth, RSI Number, maiden name (if married woman), old (pre 1979) National Insurance Number (if you have it). List your periods of insurable employment, including insurable employment in other EU countries or countries with which Ireland has a Bilateral Social Security Agreement, e.g. Australia, Canada, New Zealand, USA, Quebec. You should indicate your intentions to take early retirement and that you want to know if you will qualify for: (a) The Retirement Pension (payable at 65 on condition that you don't work or if you do your earnings from work do not exceed £30 a week), or (b) The Contributory Old Age Pension at 66, based on your existing record.

Social Welfare will write out to you, giving you details of your insurance record and whether you will qualify or not. It may be that you need extra contributions or credits in order to qualify.

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(b) If you are retiring on the grounds of ill-health then send medical certificates to the Department of Social Welfare and you will get credits.

(c) If you are self-employed you cannot get credits. You can become a voluntary PRSI contributor, details of which you can get from your local Social Welfare Office.

It is important that you protect your existing entitlement and Social Welfare provide the means for you to do so, either free, or in the case of the self-employed, at a small cost.

(This column has been compiled by Dungarvan Community Information Centre which provides a free and confidential service to the citizen at the Courthouse, Dungarvan. Opening hours — Tuesday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Wednesday — 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Saturday — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Telephone No. 058-44693).

RTE People In Need Telethon 1996

Yes, it's that very important fundraising time of the year again folks!

The RTE People In Need Telethon is coming to you on the 26th of April next. The main People In Need office for this area will be the Dungarvan Youth Resource Centre, Friary Street, Dungarvan. For anyone interested in participating in this years Telethon, the following fundraising items are available from the Dungarvan Youth Resource Centre; People In Need t-shirts, hats, badges, information packs, posters, leaflets, calendar posters and sponsorship cards.

The People In Need t-shirts, hats and badges are also available from Darrers Stores, Mary Street and the £ Shop, Main Street, Dungarvan.

Every People In Need event or activity has to be registered by filling out an application form which are available from the Dungarvan Youth Resource Centre. Registration is vitally important as it ensures the authenticity of every event happening in the area and it also ensures that money raised in our own area is subsequently allocated to various clubs/charities and organisations in the South East region.

If you have any queries or questions concerning this year's Telethon, please feel free to call to the Dungarvan Youth Resource Centre and ask for one of the following - Aine, Una, Tina or Triona. You could also phone us at (058) 41698. Opening hours are 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Monday to Friday.

So, roll up those sleeves, get on those thinking caps and let's make this RTE People In Need Telethon one to remember.

Leader Crossword *Solutions*

SIMPLEX SOLUTIONS

ACROSS: 1 Disconnect; 9 Sheen; 10 Rot; 11 Tie; 12 Ivan; 13 Glad; 15 Issue; 17 Meets; 21 Rest; 22 Zero; 25 Bee; 26 Egg; 27 Union; 28 Detergents. **DOWN:** 2 Inept; 3 Continue; 4 Normal; 5 Eats; 6 Total; 7 Ashen; 8 Mends; 14 Resolute; 16 Suspend; 18 Tribe; 19 Merger; 20 Stuns; 23 Moist; 24 Pest.

QUICK SOLUTIONS

ACROSS: 1 Successful; 9 Churn; 10 And; 11 Get; 12 Into; 13 Stop; 15 About; 17 Moral; 21 Rite; 22 Cede; 25 See; 26 Era; 27 Alive; 28 Shopkeeper. **DOWN:** 2 Usual; 3 Continue; 4 Starts; 5 Fade; 6 Light; 7 Scope; 8 Steps; 14 Tolerate; 16 Bothers; 18 Grasp; 19 Remark; 20 Creep; 23 Spire; 24 Hero.

Waterford ICA Federation News

Waterford Federation of the ICA will be holding their AIB Guild of the Year competition at Lawlor's Hotel, Dungarvan on Saturday, March 23. All exhibits will be on view to members and the public from 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. All are welcome. There is no entrance charge.



Group of riders from Clashmore who took part in the West Waterford Hunt's Sponsored Ride in Ardmore, in aid of the Ardmore Fishermen's Disaster Fund. —*(Photo: Sean Byrne).*

Dungarvan Sewerage Scheme 'Progressing Satisfactorily'

By Aisling Conroy

The green field site at Ballinacourty, an area which was once home to the giant Quigley-Magnesite plant owned by Pfizer Inc., is soon to become the location for a multi-million pound waste water treatment plant, catering for the entire area of Dungarvan and environs.

Under an EU directive, all towns with an effluent loading equivalent to that of a population of more than 15,000 by the end of the century will have to have effluent treatment facilities. Although Dungarvan's present population is almost 8,000, its effluent discharges are equal to a centre with a population of 73,000, due to the combination of industrial and municipal wastewaters.

In March 1993, Waterford County Council and Waterford Foods plc. came together to commission a Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) for Dungarvan harbour which has since been prepared by E. G. Pettit & Co., consultant engineers. No objections to the plan were received while it was on public display.

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY APPROVED

This project was subsequently followed by the preparation of an Environmental Impact Study (EIS) which showed that construction of the £17 million treatment plant, outfall and rising mains etc. would not have significant adverse environmental impacts.

Waterford Co. Council subsequently approved the EIS which then went on public display before being forwarded to the Minister for the Environment for approval.

At last week's Council meeting, County Engineer John O'Flynn revealed that Minister Brendan Howlin has now certified the EIS with one amendment involving a minor modification to the treatment system.

According to County Manager Donal Connolly, the scheme is now progressing satisfactorily and he disclosed that the Council is now awaiting a breakdown of the cost involved for both the public and private sector.

EXTRA DRIVE NEEDED

Labour Councillor, Billy Kyne welcomed the significant progress made to date but stressed that an extra drive is needed to push the scheme through the European 'corridors of power'. An application has already been made for EU Cohesion Fund Assistance for the project and the task still remains of getting final Government approval and the necessary funding in place.

"The treatment plant is a major project for the life of the town and will result in many industrial and environmental benefits," Cllr. Kyne declared. "It's as important to the town as the building of Grattan Square or the Causeway," he stated, adding that the plant will prove to be a bedrock in helping to attract new industry to the Dungarvan area.

Cllr. Kyne continued that there are various environmental agencies available for hire which could push the project through, what he termed, the European bureaucratic corridors. "I'd ask that some extra drive be put into the advancement of this scheme," he urged.

Mr. Connolly replied that the Council is now pushing the project through the relevant Departments and he would certainly take the suggestion on board of seeking a specialist agency's advice.

Recent Wedding



Angela Cashin, St. Augustine's Terrace, Abbeyside and John McGrath, Clonmel, who were married recently in Abbeyside Church. —(Photo: John Tynan).

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HORSES

Some horses are kept by farmers to help them with their work. On very large farms, especially in Australia, horses are very important for herding and rounding up sheep and cattle. Years ago, horses were used for ploughing, but now only a few are still used.

Depending on the breed of horse, some of them are gentle and easy to handle and some are bad tempered, but mostly they are intelligent and have good memories. They are easy to train and will work hard for the person that owns them.

Horses that are used for ploughing and pulling heavy carts are called draught horses. These type of horses are ideal for this type of work as they are quiet, strong and steady. Draught horses differ from other horses in that, the tail is usually cut short, so that it will not get caught in the harness or trail in the mud; their necks are short and thick and their bodies are wide; the hair that grows below the horses knees protects it from mud.

A percheron horse is used for heavy work also, such as pulling carts. A stock horse is used for rounding up cattle and sheep.

Horses can see partially behind them without having to turn their heads. If they are frightened, their eyes will open wide, exposing the whites. If a horse hears noises it will turn its ears towards it. Ears pricked forward will show friendship and curiosity. Ears that are laid back show fear and anger.

To protect the horse against flies, it has a forelock and a mane which grow all the time.



One sign of a healthy horse is the shiny coat. There is a natural grease in the coat that will keep the horse warm and dry. In winter most horses grow longer coats and this protects them against cold weather. If you have a horse you must groom it daily to keep its coat clean and healthy. The horse's tail also grows and it uses this to swish flies away.

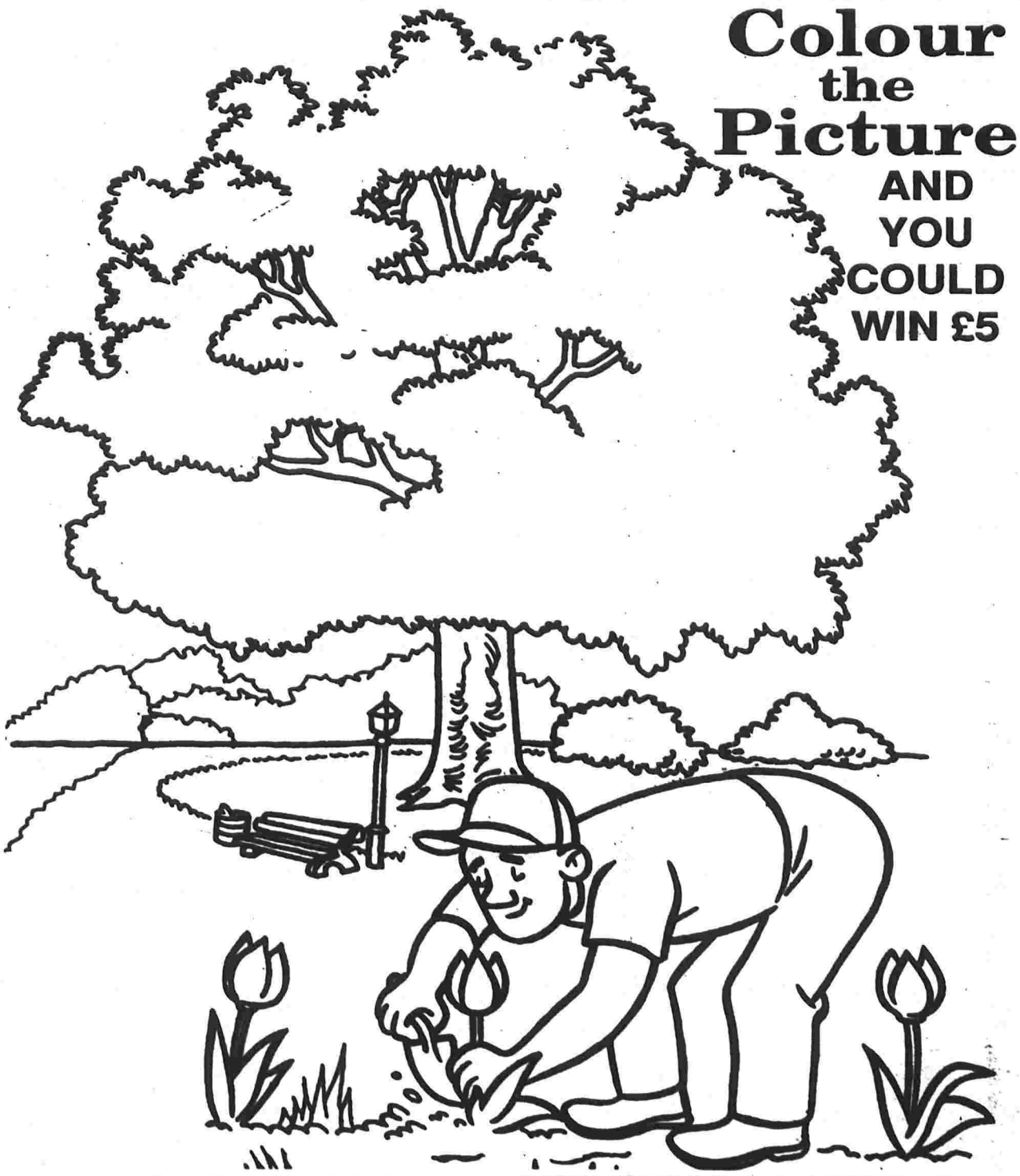
The feet of horses are called hooves. They have a hard outer layer which wears down naturally. Hooves of hard working horses have to be protected against hard surfaces. They are kept trimmed and fitted with metal shoes.

The horses legs are long and a race horse can run as fast as 64 k.p.h. over a short distance. A horses front teeth never stop growing. They are continually worn down by the use they get. A horse's age can be told by the length and shape of its teeth.

The horse lives in a stable or out in a field. Stables are designed so that horses are kept healthy and happy. A place for hay is set aside, so that the horse can eat when it wants. A working horse is given energy foods such as oats, barley and horse cubes. This food is put in a manger so it does not get trampled on the floor.

Horses need daily exercises or they will become lazy and bad tempered. The horse will develop bad habits such as kicking, chewing at the stable door and weaving its head from side to side. The horse is kept by itself in the stable as if there is another horse there, they will compete for food and kick one another.

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ENTRY FORM

The competition is confined to children between the ages of 3 to 7 years

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(Age..... years)

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Last week's winner — Christopher Power, 50, Childers Estate, Dungarvan.

RELATIVE OF THE SQUIRREL BARKS LIKE A DOG

The prairie dog is a relative of the squirrel and gets its name because it barks like a dog.

This short-tailed yellowish-brown rodent lives in huge concentrations called towns on the grassy plains of North America.

Each town is divided into underground homes, each occupied and defended by a male, four or five females and immature young.

Sentries are placed at the tunnel entrances of homes. They sit upright and when one spots an enemy it lets out a series of short, sharp barking calls which is repeated by others nearby and so spreads through the town, putting everyone on guard.

When an enemy approaches, prairie dog sentries are brave. They don't dart for cover straight away, but stand on hind legs by their entrance tunnels and stare at the intruder.

These fixed stares sometimes turn an enemy away, but it they don't, the sentries promptly dive head first down the 12ft. deep straight hole to their underground home.

Their courage is further revealed when they graze above ground within sight of their deadly enemies — coyotes, bobcats, ferrets and hawks. (And man, who hunts them because they devastate crops).

At breeding time, the male chases strangers away from the home, but at other times, neighbours like to visit each other through interconnecting burrows.

Friends and acquaintances greet each other warmly with an open-mouthed kiss and a kind of handshake, and sometimes put an arm around each other's shoulders. They then generally groom each other and move off to graze — side by side.

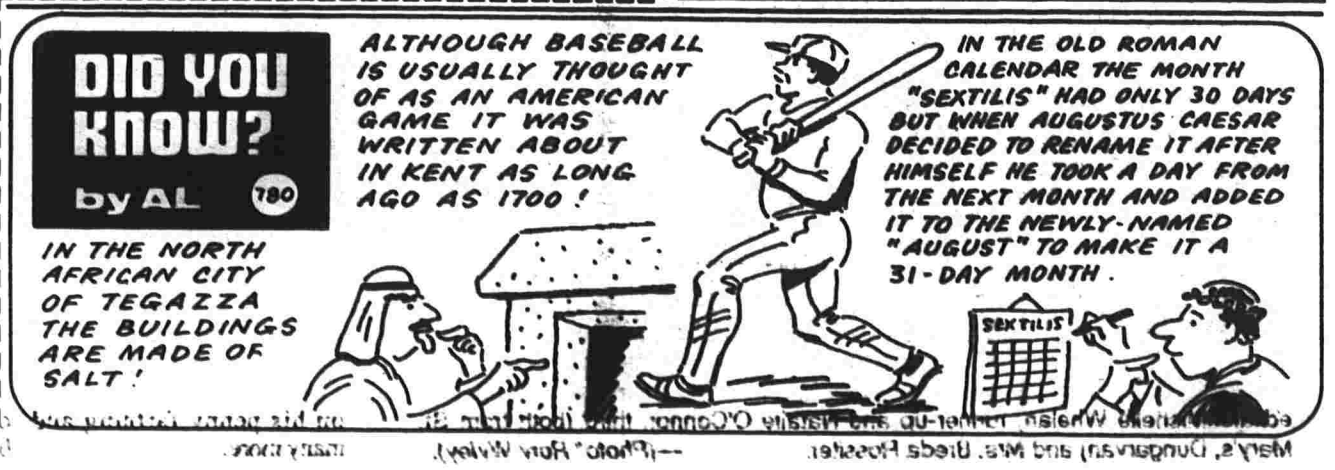
Strangers are greeted more formally with a reserved kiss and no handshake.

There are two main types of prairie dog, the black-tailed and white-tailed. Both are about 15 inches long, including a three-inch tail, and, on average, live for ten years.

Both types breed in spring, the females bearing up to 10 young after a month's pregnancy.

When a prairie dog is happy, it whistles and, literally, jumps for joy.

They lik eating most green vegetation with the exception of the most common and robust plant on the plains — sage. Whenever a sage seedling takes root or if one is growing in a newly colonised patch of territory, they don't ignore it, but deliberately bite it down to allow more room for plants they prefer.



Fun For All At 21st St. Patrick's Day Parade

BY AISLING CONROY

Dungarvan's 21st consecutive St. Patrick's Day Parade, successfully fielded by the Dungarvan Pipe Band, was marked by glorious Spring sunshine last Sunday. Despite the cold, blustery conditions, the rain fortunately held off, attracting a record breaking crowd to the Déise capital.

Over 4,000 spectators lined the streets from Abbeyside to Dungarvan, eager to spot a relative or familiar face in the marching parade participants, while viewing at first hand the enormous amount of work put in by various clubs and organisations in staging such a colourful and memorable event.

Following the usual slight delay, the parade got underway after 3.30 p.m. proceeding from the assembly point at Crotty's Corner, along the Causeway, past the reviewing stand in the Square and along O'Connell Street to Wolfe Tone Road before returning via Mary Street to Grattan Square.

Entertaining the crowds in the run up to the parade was an exhibition of Irish dancing by Margaret Mullen's School of Dancing. As the main organisers of the event for the past 20 years, Dungarvan Pipe Band proudly led the procession on this their 21st occasion. Other band participants were Dungarvan Brass Band, Portlaw Pipe Band, Castlelyons Pipe Band and Youghal Comhaltas Band.

PARADE OF FUN AND PRIZES

While generally thought to be of shorter duration this year, the parade succeeded in creating a festive atmosphere and was a special treat for children. The mixed assortment of clubs, retailers, industries and various local groups proved their innovativeness, sense of humour and community spirit in a sprinted parade of fun, craic and prizes galore.

The Royal National Lifeboat Institute (R.N.L.I.) staged a dramatic rescue scene using a fully manned inflatable lifeboat which is soon to be re-established at Helvick, Ring. For their commendable efforts, the R.N.L.I. were awarded the prize for Best Advertising, sponsored by T.S.B. Bank, Dungarvan.

With their colourful costumes and red and white balloons, the little members of the Mullen School of Dancing had much to cheer about, winning the trophy for Most Colourful, sponsored by P. Dalton Jewellers, for the second year in a row.

The Foróige group warned of the effects of an oil spill and came complete with a well made oil tanker and fanciful birds.

Dan Dineen once again took to his bike while Dungarvan U.D.C. brought across the important message of keeping the town tidy. The Council's float bore the banner "Only a pig is proud of its litter" and involved 'convict', Cllr. Damien Dillon, imprisoned for litter dumping.

Moynihan's Honey, the only commercial fulltime beekeeper in Ireland, showed the crowd how to manage a beehive and was subsequently awarded the Business And Trading Trophy, sponsored by Dungarvan Retail and Traders Association.

The prize for Best Marching, sponsored by Dungarvan Credit Union went to the smart marching members of the Youghal Comhaltas Band.

Ardmore Feed House attracted plenty of attention due to an assorted, noisy collection of old fashioned pumps and generators, which earned them the prize for the Best Vintage category, sponsored by local publicans.

The 11th Waterford Dungarvan Scouts float, displaying the various scouting activities and promoting Peace Year 1996 received the prize for the Best Club float, sponsored by Fred Forsey, School of Motoring.

Best Overall Entry went to the Waterford Crystal float which showed that the famous crystal was suitable for all occasions - weddings, St. Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day and Christmas etc.



Pictured above are members of the Mullen School of Irish Dancing who won the prize for "Most Colourful" in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Holding the banner are (from left) — Aisling Carroll, Patricia Carroll, Laura Walsh and Anna Fitzgerald. *—(Photo: Pat Crowley).*

Other winners were the Abbeyside Pattern for the Best Community Effort, sponsored by Waterford Glass. This is the second year that this dedicated committee has scooped this prestigious award. This year, the Pattern took the theme of "Back to the Future" and promoted local sponsors on ten imaginatively decorated 'high nelly' bicycles.

Dungarvan Technical College received the Kiely Monumental Works Trophy for the Best Youth Group thanks to their impressive float which showed the various courses on offer at the College.

Meanwhile in the popular Pipe Band Competition, Castlelyons was a step ahead of the rest.

The Guinness Féile Na nDéise float won the prize for the Best Visual Display in Irish, sponsored by Conradh Na Gaeilge.

In the Poster Competition, sponsored by Capital Cleaners, Colin Beresford, Dungarvan C.B.S. won first prize, Natalie O'Connor, St. Mary's Primary School came second and third prize was awarded to Michelle Whelan also of St. Mary's Primary School.

Also participating in the St. Patrick's Day Parade were the F.C.A., Waterford Civil Defence, Ballinroad A.F.C., (who celebrated their silver jubilee), Dungarvan Macra Na Feirme, Manyana Deps, Dungarvan Nissan, Waterford Hot Rod Club, John O'Brien on his penny farthing and many more.



Tom Rossiter presenting the Capitol Cleaners Trophy for the St. Patrick's Day Parade Poster Competition to winner Colin Beresford, Dungarvan C.B.S. Included are Michelle Whelan, runner-up and Natalie O'Connor, third (both from St. Mary's, Dungarvan) and Mrs. Breda Rossiter. *—(Photo" Rory Wyley).*

The judges, who had the unenviable task of picking the winners were Eleanor Power, John Walsh and Noel Brennan.

Clodagh Beresford and Anthony Walsh of Nenagh Parade Committee proved very capable Parade Commentators while Fr. Michael Kennedy acted as Master of Ceremonies for the occasion. Also on the reviewing stand were Comdt. Joe Norris F.C.A.; Rev. Dean Weekes; Inspector Michael Blake; County Manager, Donal Connolly; Mrs. Joan Bailey; Brendan Kenneally T.D.; Martin Cullen T.D.; Austin Deasy T.D.; Brian O'Shea, T.D.; Canon Gregory Power and members of Dungarvan U.D.C. Also present were Mai O'Higgins who earlier performed a tree-planting ceremony in the Park.

The salute was taken by U.D.C. Chairperson, Cllr. Nuala Ryan and Waterford County Council Chairman, Cllr. Oliver Coffey.

Thanking the organising committee, sponsors, Gardaí and all the parade participants, Fr. Kennedy congratulated Dungarvan Pipe Band on this their 21st consecutive parade and then introduced the first speaker, Cllr. Nuala Ryan.

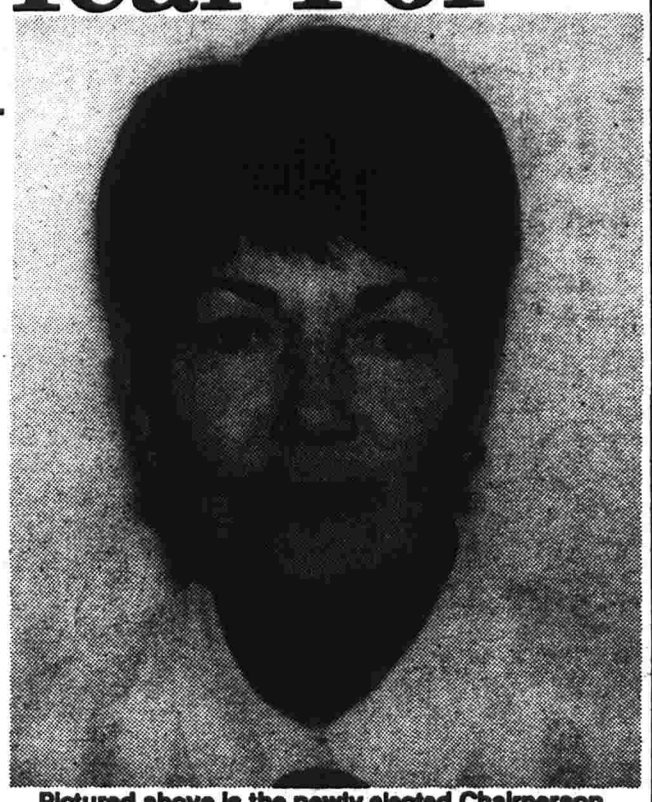
Praising the Dungarvan Pipe Band on their initiative, Cllr. Ryan said that in the 21 long years since the members of the Pipe Band decided to revive the concept of a parade for Dungarvan, one of the constants in all of those years has been "the certain knowledge that on St. Patrick's Day, the pipers would be there to provide a tribute to our national saint." "I for one am proud of what they have achieved in all those years," she added. "Theirs has been an exemplary exercise in practical civic pride and we are most grateful to them for their example."

Minister of State at the Department of Health, Brian O'Shea complimented the Pipe Band on their 21st parade and wished them every success in the future. Thinking back to St. Patrick's Day last year, Minister O'Shea said the country was then able to celebrate in the knowledge that the fruits of the ceasefire were at hand. In the interim however, Minister O'Shea said men of violence have once again taken up the weapons of destruction. Calling for a return to the ceasefire in Northern Ireland, the Minister said that the people of Dungarvan could help bring about peace by reiterating their abhorrence of the bomb and the gun. Peace can come about through peaceful means, he stressed.

Part of this year's parade was shown on the six o'clock news on R.T.E. while Jim Joe Landers of W.L.R. FM was also present to commentate on the event.

As the speeches and prize giving finally came to an end, the crowd slowly dispersed to continue St. Patrick's Day celebrations and for many, to wet the Shamrock!

Successful Year For Dungarvan Tourism



Pictured above is the newly elected Chairperson of Dungarvan Tourism Ltd., Kathleen Phelan, Friar's Walk, Abbeyside, who takes over from former Cathaoirleach, Nuala Ryan.

The local tourism group held their A.G.M. recently in Lawlor's Hotel where it was revealed that over 20,000 callers to Dungarvan Tourist Office were recorded in 1995. The tourist office is to remain open in Grattan Square on a 12 month basis. A large percentage of callers to the tourist office reserved bed nights in the area while all enquiries dealt with concerned entertainment, places of interest, where to eat and drink, local amenities etc. It is estimated that out of every £1 spent by a tourist in the town, 30% goes to food and drink. In this respect, the importance of such groups as Dungarvan Tourism Ltd. in promoting the town and surrounding areas cannot be overstated.

The hardworking committee for the coming year are as follows -

Chairperson: Kathleen Phelan; Secretary: Michael Burke; Assistant Secretary: Margaret Slater; Treasurer: Nora Fahey; Assistant Treasurer: Teresa Franklin; P.R.O.: Tom Keith; Ex-Officio: Nuala Ryan; Vice-Chairman: Cormac Walsh; President: Donal Connolly.

The representative of South East Tourism is Justin Larkin while committee members are as follows: Sheila Norris, John Kelly, Jim King, Donal Flynn, Regina Condon, Julie Kiely and Ann McGrath.

Ring School Forms Partnership With Co. Waterford V.E.C.

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Teo. and Co. Waterford VEC under the Vocational Education (Amendment) Act 1970.

This piece of enabling legislation allows for formal co-operation and flexibility in dealings between secondary and vocational schools.

Following the unanimous approval of the agreement by the VEC, the proposal will now be forwarded to the Education Minister for her official seal of approval.

MUTUAL BENEFITS

The main reason behind Meanscoil San Nioclas Teo's decision to enter into this agreement with the VEC is due to the somewhat common problem of increasing demand on limited resources. Already catering for 65 pupils, this figure is expected to rise to 75 plus next year. Principal of the school Aine Bean Ui Cheallaigh together with the dedicated members of the teaching staff have contributed greatly in building up the creditable reputation of Scoil San Nioclas. This proposed merger between the two educational boards however will help to build on that reputation.

Historically, for many years there has been an arrangement whereby teachers from the Co. Waterford VEC taught subjects at Scoil San Nioclas.

Future resources, both human and financial, will be more readily available to the school as the VEC has a wide remiss in the courses and vocational opportunities it can provide. Indeed the merger shows Meanscoil San Nioclas to be before its time with regard to management practice.

The contact drawn up between the Ring school and the VEC will create a new school management board comprising of 13 members; 7 from Meanscoil San Nioclas Teo., two from the schools teaching staff, 2 representatives of the parents council and two members of the Co. Waterford VEC.

PROGRESSIVE DEVELOPMENT

At last Friday's meeting, Mr. Heffernan (CEO) confirmed that the agreement as presented by Mr. Suipeil is similar to other agreements between Gaeltacht area colleges and their County VEC counterparts around the country. He said this proposal is a progressive development which will have benefits for both parties and will best secure both the cultural and educational needs of the area in years to come.

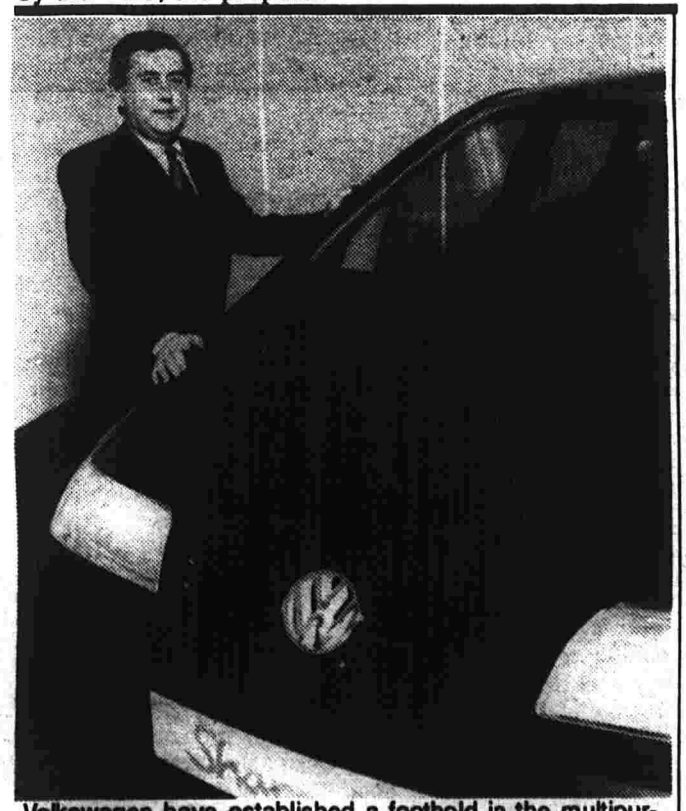
A NEW AGE

Chairman of the Co. Waterford VEC, Cllr. Billy Kyne complimented the diligence and hard work of Mr. Suipeil and Mr. Heffernan in drawing up this wide ranging agreement between both parties.

"The unanimous endorsement of Co. Waterford VEC is to be welcomed," he enthused. "This agreement, I believe, heralds a new age for Meanscoil San Nioclas and the VEC."

"We're committed to this agreement," said Cllr. Kyne, "and I'm sure the new board of management at the school will be a springboard for Meanscoil San Nioclas and its students and staff."

"All that remains," he continued, "is the formal approval of the Dept. of Education which I am confident will be forthcoming. As Chairman, I can assure Meanscoil San Nioclas that the VEC will do all it can to make the agreement an outstanding success in the months and years to come."



Volkswagen have established a foothold in the multipurpose vehicle market with the introduction of their new VW Sharan. Pictured at the launch of the Sharan was Volkswagen Audi main dealer Tom Murphy, Tom Murphy Car Sales Ltd., Waterford.

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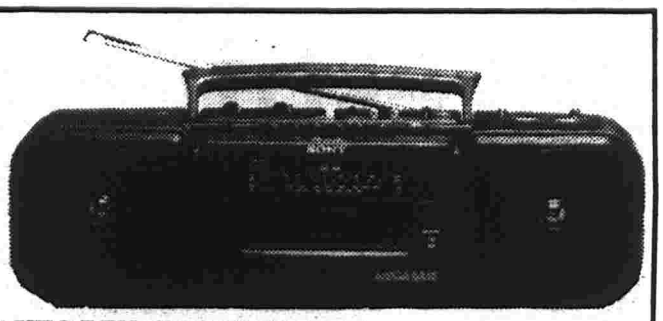
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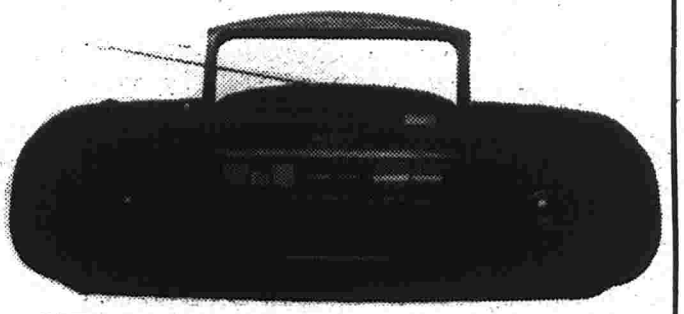
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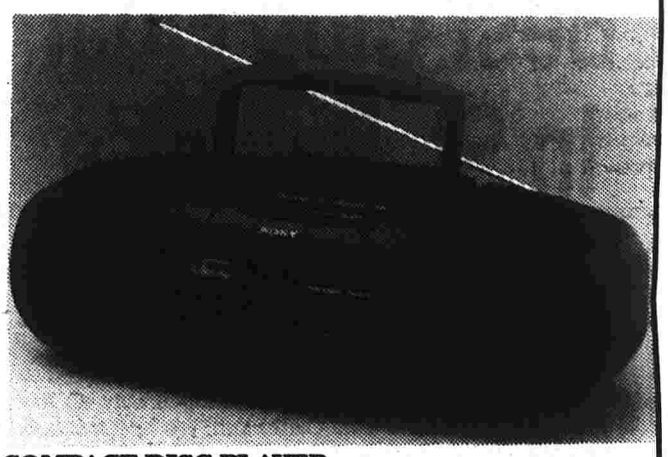
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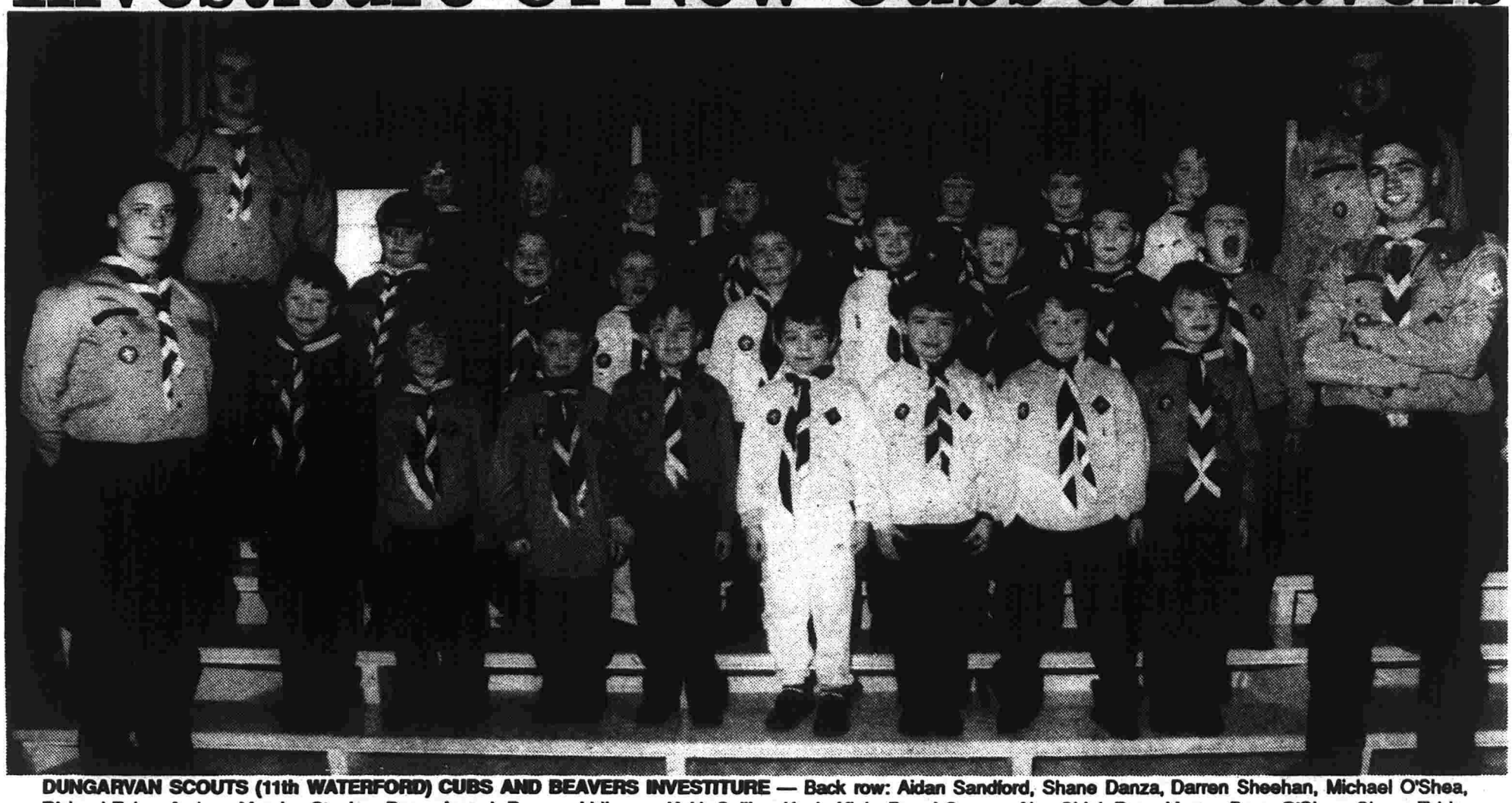
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DUNGARVAN SCOUTS (11th WATERFORD) CUBS AND BEAVERS INVESTITURE — Back row: Aidan Sandford, Shane Danza, Darren Sheehan, Michael O'Shea, Richard Foley, Andrew Murphy, Stephen Barry, Joseph Barry; middle row: Keith Collins, Kevin Kiely, Donal Cregan, Alan Shiel, Barry Moore, Barry O'Shea, Shane Tobin, Philip Begley; front row: Stephen Kiely, Padraig Kiely, Robin Allen, David Drohan, Austin Kiely, Derek Barry, Kealan Barry, Simon Watters. The leaders are (from left) Christine Hyslop, Seanie McCarthy, Martin Flynn and Danny Cunningham.

DUNGARVAN SCOUT NOTES (11TH WATERFORD)

Best Club Float In St. Patrick's Day Parade

Dungarvan Scouts and Smith-Kline Beecham proved to be a winning combination on St. Patrick's Day as the 11th Waterford won the Best Club Float. We had a scouting theme on the float with canoes, pioneering, hiking and camping. All of these are activities of the Dungarvan Scouts. Billy the Beaver was busy handing out balloons to the children. The balloons and the float were kindly sponsored by Smith-Kline Beecham. We had a good turnout on the day of the parade and after the parade, the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts went back to The Den for refreshments and also to celebrate our big win.

We would like to thank all the scouts and leaders who helped to build the float and also Jim O'Dwyer for his support. Again he has shown Smith-Kline Beecham's support for local youth.

TROOP MEETING

The meeting began with a few notices. The main topic discussed was St. Patrick's Day. Once subs were collected, Jonathan took the lads for some games. By the time the games were finished, the lads were knackered. We slowed things down a little as Jonathan gave the lads a talk on mountain climbing and he also brought down some of the equipment needed in mountain climbing. The scouts were eager to use the equipment so Alan Duggan was the guinea pig. He was hanging from the steel fittings on the roof, but don't worry he was perfectly safe as he had all the safety equipment on. We had plenty of volunteers after that. Before the meeting ended, we practiced our marching for the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Dungarvan Branch of Multiple Sclerosis

The Dungarvan Branch of Multiple Sclerosis were delighted to receive a cheque from Helen O'Grady at the Park House recently. This money was raised by way of a progressive 45 played at the Park House during late Winter early Spring.

The local branch of M.S. would like to say thanks to the following people, Helen O'Grady, who does tremendous work for local voluntary organisations, Martin and Mai Ferncombe for the use of the Park House, Ambrose Mullarkey, Jean Sandford, Mary Barry for help out every Tuesday night.

CARRICK-ON-SUIR

The local M.S. Branch will be travelling to the Carrig Inn, Carrick-on-Suir on March 30. This will be an Information and Strategy Session with the Community Worker for the South East Region. For further information ring Ann 058-44063.

The M.S. Branch will be paying their annual visit to Crotty's of Leamybrien on Saturday, March 30. As per usual Tony Coffey and Sean Murphy who help to organise this very lively night of music, song and craic. Let's hope we can understand their accents when they get back from the States. The usual transport arrangements will be in place. Don't forget Louie Dunne's on Easter Sunday night.

The branch would like to wish a speedy recovery to Seamus Alyward who is hospitalised at the moment. Seamus is an excellent fundraiser for this branch and we hope to see him out and about soon.

Photo shows back row (l. to r.) Seamus Ahearne, Martin Ferncombe, Susan Simpson, Jean Sandford. Front row (l. to r.) Susan Simpson (Jnr.), Helen O'Grady, organiser of cards, presenting cheque to Paul Simpson, Treasurer of Dungarvan M.S.



Kilmacthomas Macra Na Feirme Notes

DARTS

It was a clean sweep by Kilmacthomas in the darts league competition in the Cat's Bar recently. Anne Marie Norris and Rose Marie Walsh won the ladies section while Darren Coleman won the mens section. Well done to both teams.

TABLE QUIZ

A table quiz was held in Lawlor's Hotel, Dungarvan on 8th March. A team represented Kilmac'. They were Rose Marie Walsh, Anne Marie Norris, Peter O'Callaghan and David Connors. £200 in prize money was on offer, sponsored by Waterford Foods.

VARIETY NIGHT

Our variety night which was held last Sunday week proved a great success. There was plenty of variety on offer, talent we never knew existed. Drama; Killian Power, David Connors, Peter O'Callaghan, Rose Marie Walsh and Anne Marie Norris. Sketch; Patrick Dunphy, Paddy Drohan, Killian Power, Rose O'Donnell, Martina Cassidy and Patrick Reilly. Comedy; Patrick Reilly and Mr. Murphy "Frank Spencer". Drama play by Kinsalebeg.

The club would like to thank Kinsalebeg for their support for our variety night. The club would also like to thank the sponsors of spot prizes, Keighery's Pub (bottle of whiskey), Mulhearn's Supermarket (bottle of wine), Dawn Meats (bottle of brandy & box of chocolates), Reilly's Butchers (meat voucher) and Kilmeaden Coop (box of biscuits).

Thanks to all who supported and participated in this successful night.

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations and best wishes to Pat and Siobhan Keane, Ballysaggart on the birth of their new baby daughter Clodagh which happy event took place recently.

Pat and Siobhan have been leading members in Macra through the years. Best wishes from the club.

NEW MEMBERS

The club would like to welcome new club member Kissy Byrne to the club.

MARRIAGE PLAN

A marriage plan has been arranged for the 22nd March as a fundraiser for Telethon. Macra members from all clubs in the county will take part. Taking part from Kilmac' will be the one and only Pat Dunphy or 'Father Pat' and the bride will be Rose Marie Walsh. All are welcome to come along to this unique occasion, a night not to be missed.

West Waterford Traditional Group On Icelandic Tour



Pictured at Tig an Cheoil, An Rinn, before their St. Partick's Weekend trip to Iceland are members of the Ballyduff Comhaltas group and friends. At back (left to right) — Michael Kearney, Thomas Hyland, Claire Dunne, Sean Mac Craith; seated — Collette Noonan, Tony Dunne, Shelly Govers and Orla Govers. The dancer is Ciara Dunne. *—(Photo: Sean Byrne).*

Seven members of the Ballyduff/Ballinvella/Ballysaggart branch of Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Eireann along with two members of the Naomh Padraig branch outside Dungarvan and famous sean nós singer, Sean Mac Craith from An Rinn, departed last Thursday afternoon from Dublin airport for Reykjavik in Iceland to celebrate St. Patrick's Day in that city.

The traditional music, dancing and singing group gave performances on Friday and Saturday night with a further two performances on Sunday.

This is the first time that the Ballyduff/ Ballysaggart Ballinvella/ Comhaltas branch have performed abroad as a group. Individual members have performed in England and Europe in the past.

The group travelled to the Icelandic capital at the invitation of Tramore based publican, Pat Keegan, who owns an Irish bar in Reykjavik and also in Oslo, Norway.

The members of the group are - Thomas Hyland and Michael Kearney (set dancers), Tony Dunne and Raymond Dempsey (accordionists), Shelley Govers (flute), and her sister Orla (fiddle), Colette Noonan (tin whistle) and the Dunne sisters Claire and Ciara who were the Irish dancers on the trip. Sean Mac Craith from An Rinn is one of the finest sean nós singers in the country.

All of the travelling group have performed in the successful summer traditional entertainment show, "The Booley House", in St. Michael's Hall, Ballyduff for the past 3 years.

The group arrived back at Dublin airport last Monday evening at the end of what was a most interesting and enjoyable experience.



Pictured with his parents Ann and Tom Street and his sister Bernie is Alan Street, 22 Kilrush Park, Dungarvan. Alan won the Cunningham Award for Best Student in his final nursing exams in Wealden College of Health and Social Studies. Alan is presently attached to the staff of Crawley General Hospital, West Sussex.

Waterford County Executive Macra Na Feirme

All roads lead to Lawlors Hotel, Dungarvan on Friday, March 22 for our "Mock Wedding" in aid of Telethon. Tickets are literally flying out the door, so if you intend going, you better get your £13 together fast. Music on the night will be by "Cheers" followed by a disco. Rumour has it that the stag nights are going well and that so far Pat is showing no nerves.

On behalf of Waterford County Executive I would like to express sincere thanks to all our sponsors without whose contribution this event could not have taken place. Also thanks to Sean Murphy and William Walsh of 'Bachelors In Trouble' fame for their time and support.

COMPETITION SCENE

On the competition scene Waterford is doing quite well at the moment. Ballyduff are through to the national semi final of debating which takes place on Saturday, March 23 in Co. Louth. Best of luck to team members Paddy and Dave Ahern, Terence and John Kenny.

Ballyduff also represent Waterford in the All Ireland final of drama which will take place in Ballinasloc, Co. Galway on Saturday, March 31. Best of luck to Catherine and John Leamy and Eilish O'Flynn with their play "Jack Fury".

Have You Decided On Transition Year Yet?

During the coming weeks, Junior Certificate students and their parents in many schools around the county will be making decisions about following a Transition Year Programme (TYP). There has been a massive growth in the number of students opting for Transition Year with over 25,000 students throughout the country currently following such '4th year' programmes.

Educationally, these programmes aim to complement the preceding 3 years at junior cycle and build a solid foundation for Leaving Certificate Programmes. Each school is free to design its own programme to meet the needs of its own students. This flexibility promotes enterprise and professional development among teachers which can be passed on to students in very practical ways.

Not all young people and their parents however appreciate how a Transition Year Programme might be of benefit. Some people view Transition Year as 'time out' from the normal Leaving Certificate cycle.

Not so! Transition Year operates in many reputable schools in Co. Waterford where it has enjoyed tremendous success todate. Indeed TY is hailed by many members of the local teaching profession as one of the most exciting and innovative developments in the Irish educational system.

The following 10 points highlight some of the key ideas associated with Transition Year and help to explain to parents and students alike the many advantages of following a Transition Year programme.

1 Transition Year is focused on promoting maturity. A Transition Year Programme allows 15-16 year olds to become more aware of themselves and of the world around them.

2 Young people can gain more realistic insights into adult and working life. A 'work experience' placement of a week or two, where employers cooperate with schools in allowing students to sample a workplace environment at first hand, has been a major milestone on many young people's path to maturity.

3 Students can develop more independent study habits. During Transition Year, the emphasis is on on-going assessment rather than on a final exam. Project work, for example, where a student has to plan and execute a piece of work over a number of days or weeks, can promote self-regulated learning. Rather than have students lose any study habits, TYP can lay a solid base for learning in a more adult, responsible way.

4 The year lays a solid foundation for a Leaving Certificate programme. At the end of a TYP these young people can be better equipped, better motivated and more clearly focused than their counterparts who did not have the benefit of the year.

5 Transition Year is not dominated by an exam at the end of the course. Therefore, there is space and opportunity for each school to concentrate on aspects of learning and a broader range of topics and subjects which don't always feature on either the Junior or Leaving Certificate courses.

6 TYP gets students and teachers out of the classroom, into other learning environments. Trips to workplaces, museums, local events, and other stimulating locations feature in many programmes. Transition Year places a heavy emphasis on learning from experience.

7 Students who have missed out on parts of the Junior Certificate course can use Transition Year to catch up or fill in gaps in their learning before starting a Leaving Certificate programme. This can be especially relevant in maths and languages.

8 Young people can learn the skills of dealing with people in practical ways. There can be a lot of contact with adults outside the school. Oral communication skills, so relevant to all aspects of living and working, are highlighted.

9 Attention to career, third level courses, the realities of employment and unemployment are central concerns in Transition Year. Work experience or work simulation etc. features on every programme. By the end of a Transition Year programme, young people have often changed their career hopes and plans quite radically from the ones they had twelve months earlier.

10 Students can follow and develop special interests. The flexibility offered by Transition Year means it can be an ideal opportunity for teenagers to respond to challenges such as Gaisce (The President's Award Scheme) and the Young Scientist of the Year competition. A mini-company, where TYP students set up their own business enterprise, is another example of an imaginative innovation which many teachers in the featured schools find successful such as the 'Young Entrepreneurs Awards 1996', in which many local schools successfully participated.

ARD SCOIL NA nDEISE

The Transition Year has been offered in Ard Scoil Na nDéise since September 1994. It is an optional year after Junior Cert.

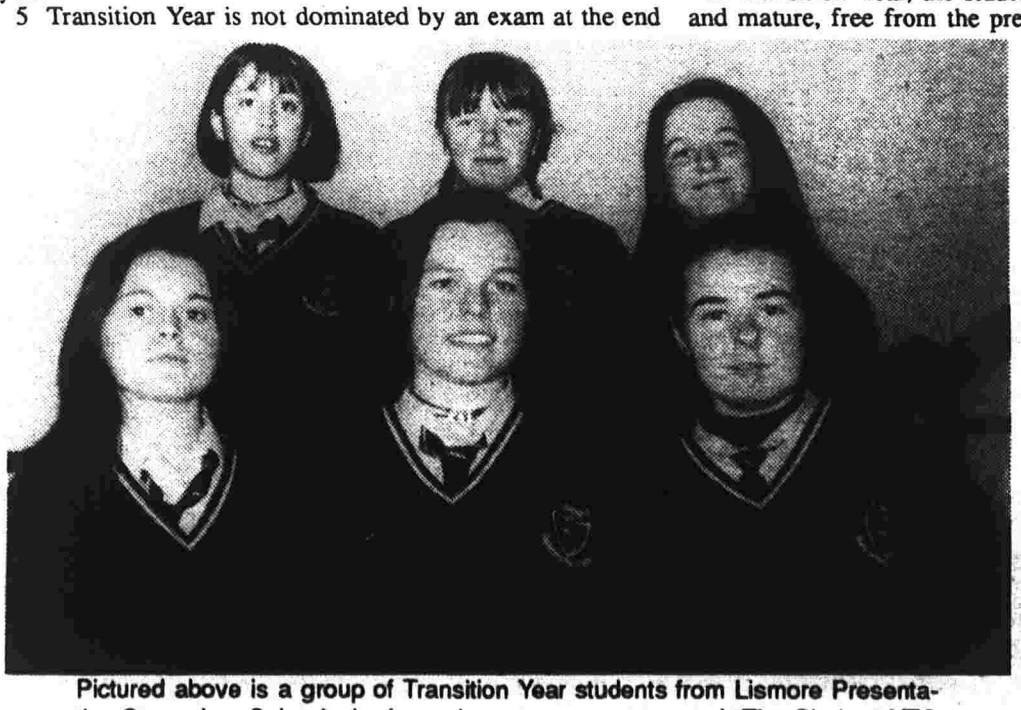
By including Transition Year, a student has 6 years in post-primary school which is the norm in most countries in Europe. It gives students the advantage of finishing their secondary education at 18 years. Most educationalists are agreed that at 18, students are able to acquit themselves better at the Leaving Certificate and to benefit to the maximum from further studies.

In Transition Year, the student has an opportunity to grow and mature, free from the pressure of public examinations. Most of the subjects studies are the normal secondary school subjects but the emphasis is different. By studying Physics, Chemistry and Biology they can make an informed choice of Leaving Cert. Science subjects. The year provides an opportunity to catch up on weak subjects and to lay solid foundations for higher course subjects. In languages, for example, more time can be devoted to oral work in languages. Students can devote time to participate in educational pursuits such as inter-schools competitions in various subjects such as Enterprise projects, the Kellogg's Schools Sports competition etc. In the Ard Scoil, Transition Year students devote time to Public Speaking, Health Education, Drama, Art and Music areas, which are often neglected in the race for points. This year the TY girls took a course in self defence.

The highlight of the year is undoubtedly the two weeks on Work Experience. During this fortnight in February, the students go and work or work shadow and learn of life in the workplace.

Some TY students avail of the opportunity to do language exchanges during the year, a luxury they could not include in any other year in secondary school. They go on various trips during the year associated with topics they are studying, for example, a visit to the water treatment plant in Kilmeaden complements studies in Chemistry and Environmental Science. In May, our TY students will go with their P.E. teachers on an Outdoor Pursuits Course to Co. Mayo.

The Transition Year is of great benefit to those students who are well motivated and who participate fully in the activities of the class. It is about learning for life and not just preparing for exams.



Pictured above is a group of Transition Year students from Lismore Presentation Secondary School who formed a management team of "The Choker" YES Project. Photo shows (left to right) — Angela Donnelly, Ann Troy, Linda Curley; front row — Deirdre Tobin, Carol Hughes and Sheila Delaney.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE

The aims of the Transition Year programme in St. Augustine's are as follows: (1) To give students a wide range of educational experiences and skills; (2) To help them develop personal and social skills; (3) To get the students actively involved in what they learn at school - so that eventually they are more capable of working on their own initiative; and (4) To enable students to make informed subject choices for Leaving Cert. programme and to prepare them for the demands of these subjects.

The objectives of the Transition Year at the College are to allow students space and time to learn in the absence of examination pressure and to offer students opportunities to mature and develop a sense of responsibility so that they might achieve their full potential. All pupils will take the following subjects for the entire school year:

Career Guidance, Social and Health Education, Physical Education, Arts/Crafts, Woodwork, Chemistry, Biology, Modern Languages, English/Debating, Music, Religious Education, Keyboard Skills, Cooking, Accounting/Business Studies, Geography, Physics, Mathematics, French/German, Gaeilge and Computer Studies.

LISMORE PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL

Commenting on transition year in the Lismore School, Principal Elma Hayes said: "the TYP enables students to examine subject options, to experience the world of work, to develop skills without the pressure of examinations.

"It is our experience that students who have completed the TYP enter the Leaving Cert courses with greater maturity, increased self-esteem and a more focused approach to study and career choices.

"The student begins integrating in the wider community through community service and work experience. Through participation in YES, their knowledge of the business world is increased experimentally and the inter-school dimension of a number of course/modules such as Photography, Community Care and Pottery/Upholstery, etc., broadens their view of the educational system."

The school's computer teacher prepares transition year students for CLAIT (Computer Literary And Information Technology) which is a qualification in computer applications, recognised worldwide and certified by the RSA.

Here are some comments from current 4th year students:

"It was one of the best and most interesting years of my life in school and if I could do it again next year I would." — Anne-Marie Houlihan.

"Transition year is the best year I have had in Lismore Presentation Secondary School. I have thoroughly enjoyed every moment with the class. I hope others will make the same choice and do Transition Year next year." — Edel Murphy.

"The best year ever. A break after studying for Junior Cert and time to think about Leaving Cert." — Louise Dowd.

ST. DECLAN'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE

St. Declan's Community College, Kilmacthomas first introduced the Transition Year Programme in September 1994. It was introduced primarily because of its innovative nature. Transition Year differs from both Junior certificate and Leaving certificate in that it is not examination focused and schools offering Transition Year devise the programme to suit the needs that are most relevant to their pupils within the guidelines laid down by the Department of Education. The programme affords pupils the time to develop their personal, social, technical, educational and vocational skills and experience a broader range of learning methodologies, all of which are essential in today's challenging times.

The pupils in St. Declan's are given excellent opportunities to develop new skills and interests that are useful in everyday life and excellent preparation for the leaving certificate. Work experience is an integral part of the programme.

St. Declan's has evolved during the past 25 years into one of the most modern up to date second level schools in the country and has responded to the changing needs of education during that time. Parents, pupils and teachers working in close harmony have brought this about. Introducing the Transition Year Programme is yet another step in the success story.

DUNGARVAN C.B.S.

In C.B.S. Dungarvan we are totally committed to the aims of Transition Year.

The following is a subject analysis of what our Transition Year programme includes:

Irish - A look at the historical background of our language and our Irish culture. Transition Year 1995/1996 wrote a drama, performed it and produced it.

English/European Studies - A unique combination of all that is best in European culture with the delights of English literature.

Maths - Bringing students up to speed on all topics required for Leaving Cert. Maths using computers where relevant.

Spanish/French/German - These courses introduce the student to these three languages and cultures of the respective countries. The aim is to master the basic skills of conversation in all these languages.

Art - This highly successful programme gives students a basic understanding of art and design elements and to develop the students visual awareness and appreciation of their own local environment.

Business Studies - Students have been awarded certificates for their projects in the Young Enterprise Scheme. Among other activities they are looking at factors and points on setting up their own business.

Engineering - This course introduces the pupils to a variety of practical activities and enables them to acquire many hand skills. An example of one of the activities is the car maintenance programme.

Religion - Our group are involved in community work, Amnesty International etc. They have had seminars on Drug Awareness, Aids, Relationships etc.

P.E. - Broken into two sections:

(a) Programme involving fitness and training.

(b) An introduction to a variety of sporting activities available in our locality. A trip to an outdoor pursuits centre is included.

Science - Introduction to environmental awareness - have taken part in the Eco-Watch Project. A coast watch survey and elements of ecology. A First Aid Course is also part of this module.

History/Politics - To promote understanding of important developments in Modern Irish and International history and to heighten political awareness. Projects involve individual research which aims to develop students analytical and organisational abilities.

Computers - The students in TY require a high level of computer literacy as most of the above programmes include some element of computer work.

Career guidance - An immense amount of work is being done in this area: (1) Compiling a C.V. (2) Knowledge of the points system, (3) Studying the CAO/CAS booklets and looking at the essential subjects required for each course. This enables students to make an informed subject choice for Leaving Cert.

Work Experience - An important element of our programme involves work experience. Students are matched to jobs that they show particular interest in or aptitude for. Each employer gives his 'employee' an assessment report on his performance over the two week period.

This is just a brief summary of what is included in our C.B.S. Transition Year Programme and even though this is only the second year of the programme in our school, we have already seen the benefits of it in our present 5th Year students.

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Saturday, March 30th
9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

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ALL ARE WELCOME

Work Progresses On Abbeyside Estate

Six houses at Strandside North housing estate, Abbeyside on which work ceased following the collapse of the contractor involved, have now been completed with all necessary services being provided over the last few weeks.

The completion of roads, footpaths and storm water drains etc. as part of the first construction phase, was carried out by E. O'Brien & Sons, Dungarvan Ltd., Building Contractors, Abbeyside who were awarded the contract by Dungarvan U.D.C. Public lighting is expected to be completed in the very near future.

The Urban Council drew on the original builders bond of £10,000 approx. which was in place prior to the start of construction, in accordance with the original planning permission granted by the U.D.C.

Obviously the completion of such necessary public services was greatly welcomed by residents of the estate who were forced to contend with many difficulties during the recent inclement weather conditions.

Stradbally Notes

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and best wishes to Yvonne Connors, Ballyvoile who celebrated her 21st birthday during the week.

WHIST

Whist as usual in the Centre on Friday night, March 22nd at 8.15.

MEMBERSHIP

Social Centre and G.A.A. Membership are due and should be paid as soon as possible to Eoin O'Brien, Membership Officer.

PARISH DRAW - RESULTS

£100: Molly Casey, Ballylynch; £20 each: Mary Daye Guiry, Bonmahon; Mrs. Fitzgerald, Knockadrumlea; Catherine Flynn, Foxscastle; Bernadette Condon, Viewmount Drive. Promoters prize: Monica Gough.

A.G.M.

The Tidy Towns are holding their A.G.M. tonight (Wednesday), March 20th at 8.00.

IRISH NIGHT

An Irish Night in aid of music classes will be held in the Community Centre, Ballylaneen on this Friday night at 9.00. Some of the children from these classes took part in a recording for Céilí House in Tig an Ceoil. Included were Georgina Crowley, Stradbally and Laura Butler and Donal Walsh. The programme will go out on R.T.E. Radio on Saturday night next at 9.15 p.m. as a tribute to Bobby Gardiner, their teacher.

LATE MRS. NANCY DEVERALL

The death took place recently of Mrs. Nancy Deverall (nee Claxton), Emo House, Coolbanagher, Portlaoise. The late Nancy was a native of Stradbally. To the Crowley families of Glen and Ballyvooney and the Claxton family, we extend deepest sympathy.

THE LATE MINNIE HALLAHAN

The death took place on Thursday last in St. Joseph's Hospital, Dungarvan of Minnie Hallahan late of Durrow, Stradbally. Minnie had lived a long life and was 98 years old. Her remains were removed on Friday evening from the hospital to Stradbally Church. On Saturday morning requiem Mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. M. J. Ryan assisted by Fr. O'Doherty, Fr. Aherne, Fr. Lucey and Fr. Griffen and afterwards Minnie was laid to rest in the adjoining cemetery. To her family and relatives we extend our deepest sympathy.

CHELTENHAM WINNER

Well done to Ken Whelan, Lismore who rode a winner in Cheltenham this week. Ken is son of David and Mrs. Whelan. David played for Stradbally for some years.

UNDER-21

Our U-21 Championship match was postponed because of the weather and will take place on Saturday next.

UNDER-16

We played our third and final match of the league in U-16 Football Championship on Saturday last in Bohadoon.

At half time Stradbally led by 2-6 to 0-1. The final score was 3-9 to 1-5.

Team: Eoin Brown, Michael Sheehan, John Halpin, Aidan Murphy, Paddy Doyle, Kevin Coffey, John Mansfield, Dermot Gough, David Power, Maurice Casey, Trevor Costello, Paul Wade, Bobby Ahearne, James Mansfield, Eoin Cunningham.

Sub: Paul Walsh (for Aidan Murphy).

BALLYMACARBRY NEWS

SENIOR SCOR NEWS

Congratulations are extended to Newcastle Figure Dancers and their ballad group on their success at the Munster Semi-Final at the Senior Scór which took place in Limerick on Saturday week last. They now go forward to the Munster Final which takes place in the Regal Theatre, Clonmel on Saturday week, March 30th commencing at 6.00 p.m. sharp.

MUINTIR NA TIRE

The A.G.M. of Newcastle Guild of Muintir Na Tíre will take place in the Community Hall, Newcastle tonight (Wednesday), March 20th at 7.30. All are very welcome.

SEVERE SNOW STORM HITS THE VALLEY

A severe snow storm hit the Nire Valley on Wednesday last. The road from the Nire to Clonmel and to Rathgormack was completely closed with snow drifts up to about 10 feet in places. Sheep farmers in the Nire Valley have suffered severe losses to their sheep stocks, many sheep heavy in lamb have been found dead on their backs in drains of water covered by drifts of snow, so far those farmers are unable to give a complete figure of their losses.

LIAM LYNCH MEMORIAL

Plans are now at an advanced stage to complete the project at the site on the Knockmealdown mountains overlooking Newcastle, where Liam Lynch fell mortally wounded. The four bronze Wolfhounds are to be put in place at the base of the Monument. The architect visited the site last week and it is hoped to have the work completed by July.

COMHALTAS NEWS

The Ballymacarbry branch of An Comhaltas are holding an Irish night at the Bridge Bar, Fourmilewater this Friday night, March 22nd. All musicians, singers and dancers are welcome to attend.

LOTTO

The Lotto draw in aid of the Fourmilewater Hurling Club took place at the Oriel Bar, Ballymacarbry on Saturday night. The numbers drawn were 6, 13, 18 and there was no winner. The five £20 winners were: Jim Phelan, Graignagower; Paudie Halpin, Clogheen; Jim Dalton, Ballydonagh; Mary Hennebry, c/o Oriel Bar; Helen McCarthy, Clonanov. Jackpot this week is £300.

LATE MR. TOM LONERGAN

The unexpected death of Mr. Tom Lonergan, Macreary, Carrick-on-Suir, came as a shock to his large circle of friends in all walks of life, not only in his native parish but in many parts of Co. Waterford, particularly Rathgormack and Kill.

A progressive dairy farmer, very knowledgeable and well versed in agricultural trends, he will be remembered in the farming community for his knowledge and know how, and the general community will remember him for other reasons. Always a true gentleman, his old world courtesy and charm never left him. One of his great assets was that on meeting him one could not but be affected by his concern. No matter which walk of life one came from, he always had time to listen to advice and to help when the occasion required.

On the sporting front he followed the fortunes of his native Tipperary, but there is no denying the fact that Rathgormack's Waterford senior football championship win held a special place in his big heart.

While the death of his much loved wife Mary some years ago was a great personal loss to him, on occasions he was heard to say he had a more contented life than a king. There was a large attendance at the final obsequies. To his family we extend our sympathy.

Solas na soilse dá ná hanam.

LATE MR. PATRICK McGRATH

Profound and sincere feelings of regret were widely expressed at the news of the death of Mr. Patrick (Paddy) McGrath, Ballinagulkee, Ballinamult, which sad event took place at the Cork University Hospital, Cork, on Friday, March 15. On Saturday evening his remains were removed to St. Mary's Parish Church, Touraneena and the interment took place in the adjoining cemetery after Mass on Sunday.

(Full obituary next week.)

RECENT DEATHS

LATE ARCHDEACON LAURENCE WALSH

The unexpected passing of Archdeacon Laurence Walsh, P.E. Carrick-On-Suir/Faugheen on Friday, March 8th shocked and saddened the people of the diocese.

He celebrated his usual 10.00 Mass on Friday morning. After lunch he complained of feeling unwell and was taken to the Regional Hospital, Waterford where he passed to his reward that Friday evening.

Archdeacon Walsh, in his 82nd year was a native of Kilcannon, Modeligo and was ordained to the priesthood at the Cathedral, Waterford on June 18th 1939 by Most Rev. Dr. Jeremiah Kinnore, Bishop of Waterford and Lismore. He first ministered in the diocese of Northampton, England before being recalled as a curate to Killea/Croke/Faithlegg. He then ministered in 1944 to Fourmilewater/Newcastle where he remained until 1951. He then transferred to Ardmore/Grange then to Kill/Newtown and to the Holy Family Parish, Waterford. He was appointed parish priest of Old Parish/Ring in 1973 and after four years in the Gaeltacht, he was transferred to Carrick-On-Suir, Gougleen in 1977. In 1988 he was appointed Cathedral Chapter Archdeacon and he retired in 1994 to take over the role of Pastor Emeritus in the parish. He was nephew of the late Canon Don Walsh P.P., St. Mary's Clonmel who died in 1950. During his time, in Fourmilewater, he was Chairman of the Fourmilewater Hurling Club for five years, a position he held with pride and dignity. As a priest, he was kind, considerate and understanding and was ever available to help anyone who found the burdens of life too heavy to bear. He was beloved of the parishioners in all the parishes throughout the diocese where he had served during the years in which he had laboured in the Lord's vineyard.

During his time in Carrick-On-Suir/Faugheen, he celebrated three major events - the centenary of St. Nicholas' Church in 1982; the centenary of St. Patrick's Church, Faugheen in 1985 and his own Golden Jubilee in 1989. Fr. Larry masterminded the modernisation of the Sanctuary and other major works in St. Nicholas' Church during the 1980's. He organised a very successful fundraising drive and was lavish in his praise for the people of the town who responded so generously during a difficult period in the economic life of Carrick.

For leisure, Fr. Larry liked nothing better than an evening at the dogs, at one period he owned a good breed of greyhounds.

On Sunday evening, his remains were removed from the Regional Hospital, Waterford to St. Nicholas' Church, Carrick-On-Suir where they were blessed and received by Canon Gregory Power, V.F., Dungarvan. Requiem Mass was concelebrated on Monday at St. Nicholas' Church, the chief celebrant was his Lordship Most Rev. Dr. William Lee, Bishop of Waterford and Lismore assisted by Monsignor, Michael Olden P.P., S.S. Peter and Paul's, Clonmel and Monsignor John Shine P.P., Tramore/Carbaly. Former Bishop of Waterford and Lismore Rev. Dr. Michael Russell was in attendance as were priests from many parts of the diocese. In his homily, Bishop Lee paid tribute to Archdeacon Walsh as a wonderful priest. Fr. Larry was fulfilled and happy in his vocation and utterly devoted to the priesthood. He referred to the Archdeacon's care for the sick and his warm and kindly manner. After Mass the funeral took place to St. Patrick's Church, Faugheen where a loving clergyman was laid to rest. To his brothers, Bernard and Michael; his sisters, Imelda and Evlyn and his many relatives, we extend our sympathy.

Craobh an tí ar lár grásta agus trócaire ar a hanam uasal.

LATE MR. BRIAN HICKEY

A wave of sadness was cast over the district on Monday evening with the news of the death, which occurred after an illness of long duration, borne with true Christian fortitude of Mr. Brian Hickey, Kilmacomma, Clonmel. The deceased who was in his early twenties was a member of an old and respected Co. Waterford family who for some time had not enjoyed the best of health. Nevertheless he enjoyed life to the full and was a shop assistant at Melody's, Ballymacarbry for some time where he was a favourite with staff and customers. His conscientious application, unfailing good humour, courtesy, integrity and kindness were readily acknowledged by all who were indeed privileged to make his acquaintance and his demise at an early age has evoked feelings of sincere regret among his family, neighbours and his many friends. Many tributes have been paid to his memory but perhaps the finest was provided on Thursday evening, when all walks of life were present in the vast concourse of mourners when his remains, after reciting the rosary by Rev.Fr. Michael Cullinane C.C., St. Mary's, Clonmel were removed from Condon's Funeral Parlour, Clonmel to St. Mary's Parish Church, Clonmel where they were blessed and received by Rev. Fr. Michael Cullinane, St. Mary's, Clonmel assisted by Rev. Fr. Martin Slattery P.P., St. Mary's and Rev. Fr. David Keating C.C. of St. Mary's. On Friday morning, the feast of St. Abraham, requiem Mass was celebrated for the repose of his gentle soul. The celebrant was Rev. Fr. Michael Cullinane C.C., St. Mary's, Clonmel. After Mass, the funeral left for the family burial ground at St. Mary's Church, Touraneena and as the snow lay lightly on the mountain tops, a loving member of the community was laid to rest beside his sister, Kay who predeceased him by some 14 years. Fr. Pat Hayes C.C., Nire/Touraneena officiated at the graveside and a decade of the rosary was recited by Fr. Michael Cullinane C.C. Also present was Rev. Fr. Michael Kennedy P.P. Kilgobinet/Colligan/Kilbrien, in the presence of yet another immense concourse of mourners testifying to the esteem and high regard in which the deceased and his family are held. Friends and neighbours wept openly as they mourned the demise of a Christian friend. To his parents, brothers, grandmother, uncles and aunts and his many relatives, we tender our sympathy. May the soil of Sliabh gCua rest lightly on his grave. Tá síocháin agus suaimhneas bainte amach aige.

(Undertaking Condon's, Clonmel).

LATE MRS. BRIDGET GANTLEY

It is with deep regret we pen the death of Mrs. Bridget Gantley (nee Carroll), Marion Court, Clonmel and late of Roxboro, Newcastle which sad event took place at Our Lady's Hospital, Cashel, Co. Tipperary.

The deceased was a member of an old and respected family - the Carroll's of Roxboro. A lady of outstanding qualities who possessed a wonderful, warm personality and made friends with ease. All callers to her home were always welcome as she was a caring neighbour abounding in Christian charity, who made an immediate and lasting impression by virtue of her courteous and easygoing nature. Of a quiet and at all times pleasant demeanour, she possessed a most charitable outlook on life and she is now deeply and justifiably mourned by all who held her in the warmest regard.

The respect and high regard in which deceased and her family are held over a wide area was evidenced when her remains were removed from Fennessy's Funeral Home, Clonmel to the Parish Church, Grange.

On Friday morning the feast of St. David, Requiem Mass was celebrated for the repose of her gentle soul. After Mass the funeral took place to the ancient burial ground at Tullameelan where she was laid to rest.

To her daughters Maureen and Eileen and her many relatives we extend our sympathy. I liontaib Dé go gcastar sinn.

(Undertakers Fennessy's, Clonmel.)

PARENTS TO JOIN CAMPAIGN

Parents who are worried there may not be enough places in the C.B.S. High School for their sons because the Minister for Education has not allocated finance for a much needed £1m building programme, are to set up a campaign to lobby for the funding. The schools Board of Management which held an emergency meeting last week is to make further representations to Minister Niamh Breathnach asking her to revise her decision and to provide initial phase funding for the High School programme. The Board also addressed fears that no first year pupils would be taken in this September, saying it wanted to reassure all concerned parents and pupils that every effort would be made to enroll them.

CONFIRMATION IN DUNGARVAN



St. Joseph's School (Dungarvan) pupils who were confirmed by Bishop William Lee in St. Mary's Parish Church. Included are Fr. C. Kelly, C.C., School Chaplain and teachers Mr. Maurice Kearney (Principal) and Mrs. Eileen Fennell. —*(Photo: Rory Wyley).*

Brian O'Shea Briefed On Forbairt Activities In Waterford

Brian O'Shea, Minister of State, has been in touch with Dan Flinter, Chief Executive of Forbairt regarding Forbairt's plans for Waterford City and County.

The Minister was told that in 1995 Forbairt approved funding assistance towards expansion proposals for five companies in the county, the most significant of which was Pinewood Laboratories in Ballymacarbry employing 125 people in West Waterford with many of its employees coming from the Dungarvan area.

Eleven feasibility study grants were also approved. These grants are aimed at helping companies identify and develop new opportunity areas and are the seedbed of future developments.

In the area of management capability, Forbairt approved Management Development Grants for ten companies and placed mentors in 14 companies. Keeping pace with modern technology is essential to sustaining jobs in Irish companies and during 1995, considerable resources were invested by Forbairt in supporting R&D projects in the county, notably in 2 of Waterford's oldest companies, Waterford Crystal and Waterford Stanley.

Cumann Fianna Fail An Sean Phobail

At the recent Annual General Meeting of An Sean Phobail Cumann Fianna Fail, the following officers were elected: Chairman — Micheal O Toibin; Vice-Chairman — James Flynn; Secretary — Seamus O'Donnell; Treasurers — Tony Cleary & Sandra Hogan; Membership Officer — Maurice Wade; Youth Officer — James Flynn; Delegates to Comhairle Ceanntar — Seamus O'Donnell, John Murphy and Micheal O Toibin; Hon. President — Ned Whelan. Meeting was attended by Brendan Kenneally T.D. and Cllr. Paddy Kenneally. Many local issues were discussed at the meeting and the public representatives agreed to take these matters up with Waterford County Council. There was a great deal of satisfaction expressed by cumann members concerning the amount of work that had been achieved through the joint efforts of the cumainn and public representatives over the previous twelve months.

Abbey Theatre To Perform In Ring

Tá Amharclann na Mainistreach chun an cóiriú stáitse den úrscéal cáiliúil le Máirtín O Cadhain - 'Cré na Cille' - a thabhairt ar thuras Gaeltachta agus beidh siad i Halla Pobail na Rinne ar 8.30 p.m. an Déardaoin 21 Márta.

Seo é an chéad uair i stair na Mainistreach gur cuireadh tús le aon dráma taobh amuigh de Bhaile Atha Cliath.

Thosaigh an turas Gaeltachta sin sa Spidéal agus ansin tabharfar cuairt ar Cill Chiaráin, An Taibhdhearc, Baingear etc.

Páirteach sa dráma beidh; Bríd Ní Neachtain, Peadar Lamb, Tomás O Flaitharta, Seán Leanide, Máire Chinnseallach, Darach O Tuairisg, Máire Ní Ghráinne, Brendán O Dúill, Aine Ní Mhuirí agus Macdara O Fátharta.



Students from St. Declan's Community School, Kilmacthomas with their exhibition "Metal Craft Enterprise" which won third prize in the senior section at the South East Region Forbairt "Young Entrepreneurs Awards 1996." Seated are Monty Tinsley (Chairman Young Entrepreneurs Awards) on left and Colm Hackett (Regional Director of Forbairt). At the back (from left) Julie Dee, Johnny Curran, Dermot Gough, Thomas Mansfield and Ann Marie Dunphy. They now go forward to the National Final at U.C.D. on April 21.The class produce fireside sets, candlestick holders and Christmas wreaths. This is very labour intensive business and the goods were sold at the Christmas Fair and to local shops.

Cappoquin Notes

THE LOST WELL

The recent discovery of a lost well beneath the surface of The Square reminded us once again how old a settlement Cappoquin is. The Well is in the historic centre of the town close to the junction of The Green and Castle Street and just outside the Market House.

It is tempting to speculate who was responsible for providing this water supply. Perhaps it was the Fitzgeralds who caused it to be built and maybe even the tragic Tomás Bán drank its pure water. Or maybe it was Sir Christopher Hatton, Lord Chancellor of England and Chancellor of the University of Oxford who was granted Cappoquin by Queen Elizabeth. He began building a great house but it was incomplete when he died in 1591. Perhaps it may even have been Richard Boyle, that most controversial of men. In 1682, as one of the most powerful, if not the wealthiest Englishmen in Ireland, he bargained with Hugh Croker to build at Cappoquin a market house of stone and lime with a prison and a sessions (court) house on top covered by a slate roof.

Whatever the case, something must have happened to cause the well to be abandoned and eventually covered over. Sometimes water becomes tainted or contaminated and it has even been known for wells to become dried up. In the Ordnance Survey Map of 1841, Cappoquin has two Market Houses. The 'Old Market House' occupies the site on The Square but the 'New Market House' is at the top of The Green in the present Co-Op.

If the centre of commerce had shifted, maybe there was less need for the old well and it fell into neglect. However, it seems most timely that after the long dry record breaking summer of 1995, the well should reappear.

Our thanks to Mr. Brendan Kiely, Green Street who supplied us this most interesting piece.

AFFANE A.F.C. NOTES

We lost by five goals to one at home to Brideview last Sunday. This game was played on a very muddy pitch which made it difficult for both sides and guaranteed plenty of mistakes.

We got off to a bad start going one down in less than a minute. The visitors went two up on 20 minutes and we conceded yet another own goal soon after to make it 3-0. The visitors made it four before the break while it must be said we missed a couple of excellent chances in this half.

We started the second half very strong and pulled a goal back early on with a well placed shot from Brendan Dunne. In the next 15 minutes, we created some guilt edged chances and how we missed some of them was a mystery. After this, Brideview took control of the game and made it five before the final whistle. We were short several players going into this game and despite the poor results, no fault can be laid on the players who gave their all on the day.

Team: E. McGrath, R. Prendergast, P. O'Gorman, B. Dunne, M. Buckley, T. Hennebry, K. Reddy, K. Veale, T. Sullivan, B. Hennebry, I. Millea.

Sub: J. Meagher (for T. Sullivan).

CAPPOQUIN AND DISTRICT DARTS LEAGUE

Lindsay's retained the league cup when they defeated Paddy Mac's last week in Lindsay's. The homeside were in excellent form on the night and there was just no stopping them on the night. They are now on course to retain all three main trophies which they won last season.

In the Decie's, the homeside took on Dunne's in the Plate final. This was a very close game and went all the way to the play off with victory going to the homeside.

Next weekend sees the first round of the cup taking place with the draw as follows:

Paddy Mac's 'A' V Deckie's; Decie's V Paddy Mac's 'B'; Tavern 'B' V Cruiscin Lan; Village Inn 'B' V Lindsay's; Marine V Tavern 'A'; Morrissey's V Dunne's; Kereen V Village Inn 'A' and Castlelodge V Barry's with first named teams at home.

FAWLTY'S "45" DRIVE

Results - Tuesday, March 12

First: Pat O'Connor, John Prendergast; Joint Second and Third: Eamonn Cliffe, John O'Rourke; Johnny Flynn, Billy Nugent; John McGrath, Mrs. Murray; Lucky Table: Bernadette Glavin, Pat Murray.

Weekly game every Tuesday night at 9.00.

MELLERAY DRAMATIC CARD RESULTS

Mike Power, Kevin Mangan; Mary O'Rourke, Denis McGrath; Michael Cullinane, Billy Houlihan; Tickets: Stephen Cunningham, Jenny Fraher, Betty Devine; Lucky Tables: Michael Cahill, Mattie Coffey; Mick Quinn, Johnny Prendergast.

Next week £120 on 15 games at 8.30 p.m. sharp.

ST. ANNE'S SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM NOTES

Congratulations — Congratulations to the boys from St. Anne's. As a result of their great wins against Loughrea and St. Paul's of Waterford recently in Thurles, they have reached the All-Ireland final in Schools Volleyball. A great achievement for the lads and the school.

Team: Mark Coffey, Paul Morrissey, Anthony Walsh, John Ahearn, John Crotty, Thomas McGrath.

Subs: Aidan McGrath, Shane Hanrahan, Noel McCarthy, Liam Cunningham.

Best of luck to them in the final.

JOS And MAU Top The Bull List For Dairygold A.I.

In the 1996 Irish bull proofs issued by the Department of Agriculture last week, Dairygold A.I. hit the jackpot with four new bulls qualifying for the proven ranks.

The new No. 1 in the ranking is Jostar, a son of Southwind with an RBI of 137. This bull has very attractive features - he lifts protein by 20 kgs at + 0.06%; his high reliability means that as further daughters are recorded, his proof will not change; he has very good protein to fat ration and his daughters display good udders, legs and feet body capacity.

GALTEE MARS USNES

Galtee Mars Usnes is another new entrant to the proven list and he now occupies second place with an RBI95 of 136. Like the No. 1 bull, JOS, Usnes (code MAU) is a high protein sire raising it by 0.07%. A son of Ugela Bell, this bull will improve udders, legs and feet and he is an excellent choice to use on cows with high pins. His high reliability and strong progency will make him a popular choice with herdowners.

BVB and JSR also qualify for the proven list with RBI95 of 131 and 128 respectively. Both are extremely high solid bulls with protein of + 0.13% and + 0.19% However the combination of low milk and high fat will leave them at a big disadvantage compared to last year's top bulls, ASE and TUP.

Commenting on the proofs, Dr. Doreen Corridan, Manager, Dairygold A.I. said that farmers in the Munster area would have a tremendous choice for the 1996 breeding season. She recommended the use of the four top bulls on the fresh programme JOS, MAU, TUP and ASE as real value for money sires. "These bulls are ready to win back a substantial share of the market which in recent years was supplied by imported straws. This trend will continue in future years as the Munster testing programme comes into full stream."

Recent Wedding



Miss Paula Phelan, Commeen, Kilmacthomas and Mr. Peter Kiely, Kilmacthomas, who came home from Kentucky, U.S.A., to be married in St. Ann's Church, Fews, Kilmacthomas. *(Photo: Joe McGrath).*

Confirmation In Cappoquin



Girls from St. Anne's Primary School, Cappoquin who received the Sacrament of Confirmation recently, pictured with the Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. Willian Lee. Also included are Fr. Arthur, P.P., Cappoquin, Sr. Agnes (Principal) and Maura Kearney (class teacher). —(Photo: Sean Byrne).



The Confirmation Class of the Boys Primary School, Cappoquin pictured with Bishop Lee.

Kyne Welcomes £6.4m. Expansion At SmithKline Beecham

Waterford County Council has sent a vote of congratulations to the management and workforce of SmithKline Beecham (SB) on winning a highly competitive expansion decision at Clogherane, Dungarvan.

The 200 job drug plant announced plans last week to invest almost £6.4 million in both machinery and facilities following confirmation that the site has been designated as a solid dose manufacturing centre for the production of such products as Panadol, Coldrex and Hedex, etc.

Warmly welcoming SB's announcement, Cllr. Billy Kyne said this major cash injection at the IDA Industrial Estate will create employment during the construction phase as well as 40 new jobs which are to be created at the expanded Dungarvan plant over the next two years.

The significant expansion at the plant, said Cllr. Kyne, is a result of a team effort and comes as "major good news" for Dungarvan.

A number of locations around the world were competing for this strategic investment and the decision by SB to invest further in Dungarvan is a great vote of confidence, both in the management and the workforce.

According to Cllr. Kyne, the secure employment and rates of pay in SmithKline Beecham are "the type of jobs the whole of West Waterford and indeed the country needs."

Seconding Cllr. Kyne's proposal that the Council send a vote of congratulations to the SB plant, Cllr. Austin Flynn said the investment decision has come as good news to the town and surrounding areas, resulting in the creation of "good quality, solid employment."

GROW Self Help Group

'GROW' holds self-help group meetings every Monday night at 8 p.m. and Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 p.m. at the Presentation Convent, Dungarvan. If you suffer from stress, depression or anxiety you are very welcome. Meetings are also held at Dominican Priory, Bridge Street, Waterford and at Mercy Convent, Waterford. Everyone welcome. Come along and see.

Tribute To Sr. Rosarii (Duffy) R.I.P.

Recently Sr. Mary Rosarii (Margaret Duffy) went home to heaven following a long illness, at the ripe age of 79 years. Ar dheis lámh Dé go raibh sí. During her lifetime she worked with determination as a teacher and religious sister at Lismore Presentation Convent where she made her profession in 1957. For the past five years, Sr. Rosarii lived in Cashel Convent following the closure of the Lismore convent.

Sr. Rosarii was born in 1917 in the parish of Ballyraheen in Galway, she was the fourth of ten children - 3 sisters and 6 brothers. She had her secondary education in the Mercy Convent, Seamount, Galway before training in Carysfort Training College, again with the Sisters of Mercy.

The following is an excerpt from the homily which was delivered by Rt. Rev. Monsignour Lee at her Requiem Mass, celebrated on Saturday, March 2nd at the Church of St. John the Baptist, Cashel. Those who were unable to make the journey to her funeral will appreciate this tribute to a great friend and Christian.

"For a great number of years she taught near Cashel as an eager national teacher in the parish school of Donaskeagh and Ballinahinch. While she was there she was a very active and useful member of the INTO. And then in her 30's she felt this vocation to transfer from the profession of teacher to the vocation of teacher in the Lismore Presentation Convent. She spent 40 years as a teacher in the local primary convent school. She was a devoted and excellent teacher mostly of first class. There she prepared the little ones for their First Confession and First Holy Communion. She was privileged and they were privileged in having such a gentle and holy nun..."

"Now her teaching was her first and primary obligation and concern, but it did not prevent her from a host of other activities. First of all her spiritual works of mercy. The spread of great devotion to our Blessed Lady. Naturally she had great devotion to the rosary which was her title in religion and then her activity with the Legion of Mary, especially with the little junior legionaries. Many times she went on peregrinatio on behalf of the legion and they produced, I understand, a monthly newsletter for the parish which was sent out to Lismore people away in different parts of Ireland and overseas. Of course she organised yearly pilgrimages for a long time to Knock and in fact the last time she was there was 2 years ago in 1994, when a group from Ballyduff called for her here in Cashel and took her with them.

"She had a great love for people and a great rapport with them especially a great love for people who needed help and encouragement. Sunday after Sunday, she visited the local hospital and she organised afternoons for elderly people in the parish. She had a host of friends all round the area and she did great work for the Foreign Missions especially for missionaries from Lismore parish who were overseas.

"We thank almighty God for the example of Rosarii's life and we pray that the Presentation sisters will continue to serve God as she did and love God and God's people with all their hearts and be an inspiration to other girls, to vow to God, vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, teaching young girls and the service of God's people in charitable ways. Leaba i measc na naomh go raibh aici".

Lismore Notes



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Last weekend was St. Patrick's weekend. Sunday, March 17th was celebrated in many towns and cities throughout the country with parades. We ourselves were at one which would be on a small scale to some of the parades seen on T.V. However there was an effort, which was what mattered.

Can we throw out the suggestion and idea of something similar in Lismore next year ? If each club in the town was represented and the various organisations joined in, it would be possible for a parade representative of all facets of life in the town to take place.

It may be small but it would be a start and a beginning. We would be delighted to hear from our Lismore readers on this topic.

ST. CARTHAGE'S HOUSE FASHION SHOW

Lismore Hotel is the venue on Thursday week, March 28th for a special fashion show being held to help raise funds for St. Carthage's House, Lismore. The extravaganza will host a variety of fashions from several different retailers in the area, including All Seasons, Fermoy; The Arcade, Lismore; The Burgundy, Lismore and Sinead's Bridal and Evening Wear. The men are not forgotten and Tom Fitzgerald's Menswear, Dungarvan will strut the style for the men.

Broadwalk Shoes of Fermoy will provide a fantastic choice of footwear and the whole evening promises to be lively, entertaining and one not to be missed. The models used on the night will be pupils from Loreto Convent, Fermoy and Presentation Convent, Lismore as well as several well known local ladies.

The show, which starts at 8.00 p.m. will cost only £5 admission and light refreshments are included. Tickets are in great demand so if you would like a pleasant, entertaining evening where you can take in the latest fashions, contact St. Carthage's House or any of the above exhibitors to reserve your ticket.

LISMORE G.A.A. NOTES

Cheltenham Success — Pride of place this week must surely go to Ken Whelan who made his riding debut at the Cheltenham Festival a winning one. Ken is having a very successful National Hunt Season in England where he is based with Mrs. Bramell's Stable." He also travels home on weekends to ride in Point-To-Point and on Sunday crowned a super week by riding the winner of the bumper in Limerick. Ken is a former playing member of our club and played on very successful underage teams. On behalf of the club, Ken, we wish you many years of continued success.

Congratulations — Congratulations to Dave Bennett on being a member of the successful U.C.C. panel that captured the Fitzgibbon Cup. Dave only recently commenced training after a very serious hand injury and I have no doubt, had he been fully fit, he would have been on the starting 15.

Happy Event — Congratulations also to John Heneghan and his wife, Sheila on the birth of a baby girl. John is our very active club chairman.

Senior Hurling — The new style league for the senior hurling teams commences with Lismore seniors playing Mount Sion in the first game in Dungarvan on Easter Sunday, April 7th at 3.30 p.m. Our second game is against St. Molleran's, also in Dungarvan on Sunday, April 14th at 2.00 p.m. So all players are requested to report to training as scheduled.

Sympathy — On behalf of the club, we tender our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Ann Shanahan, Parks Road on the death of her mother, which sad event occurred recently.

Weekly Draw - Week No. 9 — £50: Mrs. Margaret Buckley, Chapel Street; £30: Mrs. Jacki Kiernan, New Street; £20: Mr. Mossie Casey, Ballyduff; £15: Mr. Ken Madden, Southmall; £10: Mrs. Mary Shanahan, Parks Road; £10: Mrs. Catherine Hale, Ballyin; Promoters prize: Mrs. Julie Landers. The next draw will be held in the Red House on Monday next, March 25th at 8.00 p.m. All are very welcome to attend.

Lotto — This week's winning numbers were: 4, 14 and 16. There being no winner, next week's jackpot will be £500. The £25 voucher was won by Maria Prendergast, Chapel Street for goods to be purchased at Michael O'Donnell.

LATE KATE McGRATH

The death took place at her residence in Seemacudda, Ballysaggart on Thursday last, March 16th of Kate McGrath.

The deceased, who was in her 96th year, was the eldest person in Ballysaggart and the second eldest in the Lismore area.

The remains were removed from her residence to St. Carthage's Church on Friday, March 15th where they were received and blessed by Very Rev. Canon Nugent P.P. assisted by Fr. W. Ryan, Waterford and Fr. R. Geoghegan, Kilrossanty. The burial was on Saturday morning after 11.00 a.m. Mass to the parochial cemetery where Fr. Walsh C.C. officiated, assisted by Fr. R. Geoghegan, Kilrossanty.

The deceased is survived by her cousins, relatives, neighbours and her many friends to whom we extend sincere sympathy.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Michael Flanagan, M. Ch. S. I., State registered Chiropodist will be in attendance at St. Carthage's Rest Home, Lismore in the afternoon of every second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Tel. (058) 54309.

WEST WATERFORD MOTOR SPORTS LTD.

General Meeting — Another General Meeting was held on Monday night last, March 18th at 9.30 at Rose's Bar, Lismore.

The final arrangements were made for our first race meeting of the new season this Sunday, March 24th at 1.30 p.m. The race will be held on the lands of Niall O'Brien, Lismore.

Next meeting will be held on Monday night next, March 25th at 9.30 sharp.

£1 Draw — £1 draw winner was Jim Fuller.

BEST OF LUCK

We wish Lismore soccer team the best of luck next Sunday morning when they play Ballyduff in Tallow in the semi-final of The Dungarvan Tyre Centre Cup. Kick off is at 11.00 a.m.

CHELTENHAM WINNER

Lismore hit the headlines on Tuesday last on T.V. and the national press when "Stop the Waller" won the 3 mile challenge cup handicap chase at Cheltenham at the odds of 16/1.

The interest locally was that the winner was ridden by Lismore jockey, Ken Whelan. Only two weeks ago, Ken had a double here in Lismore at the Point-To-Point meeting and on Tuesday last he arrived into the winners enclosure to the now well famous Irish roar even though he was riding an English trained horse. Listening to him being interviewed on local radio at the weekend, Ken said it was his best mount yet and how delighted he was to win at Cheltenham.

Ken is the son of David and Olive Whelan, Parks Road, Lismore and all in Lismore congratulate him and wish him much more success in the years ahead.

To round off the fantastic week, Ken rode "Bitter Harvest" to win the bumper at 12/1 at Limerick on Sunday last.

LISMORE BADMINTON NOTES

Our Division F team played their first round game in cup competition on Thursday last away to Dunhill. This competition is run on a home and away basis so Lismore needed to get a good result in their away match to set them up for the return game.

Padraig and Robbie made a shaky start and Dunhill took first mens. Padraig and David made amends winning second mens. Jacinta and Sinead made easy work of first ladies with Jacinta and Mary also taking second ladies. Robbie and Sinead were pipped in first mixed but David and Mary took second mixed in two sets to give Lismore a 4-2 victory on the night.

The return match is on this Thursday night in Lismore and we are hoping for a similar result for Lismore on the night.

We are having our end of season get together on Saturday, April 27th. If you are interested in coming along, let Mag know as soon as possible as numbers are limited.

LOURDES COLLECTION

One of the most worthy collections is taking place this weekend - March 23rd/24th. That is the Annual Lismore/Ballysaggart Lourdes Collection and we have no hesitation in asking our readers to please support a very worthy cause.

LISMORE SOCCER CLUB NOTES

RED HOUSE LEAGUE GAME

The Red House League game between Lismore and Mogeely at The Castle Farm Grounds on Sunday afternoon last had to be postponed due to the waterlogged pitch after a weekend of rain.

Both Ballyduff and Brideview, the nearest rivals on the league table had respective league games called off also due to the weather.

THE DUNGARVAN TYRE CENTRE CUP

Next Sunday, Lismore play Ballyduff in the semi-final of The Dungarvan Tyre Centre Cup and plan to go all the way in this year's cup. Lismore are the cup specialists, having won the trophy on eight occasions. They are now just 90 minutes away from another final and they should start favourites especially as there is no comparison in their cup traditions with Lismore in third spot and Ballyduff in second spot and having already been beaten in the league by Ballyduff a couple of weeks ago 2-1.,Lismore can take nothing for granted as they discovered a fortnight ago against Youghal when it took a penalty shot out for Lismore to dispose of the seasiders challenge. Lismore's failing of late - to hit the net — will have to be overcome and the strikers must convert all their chances. Kick off is at 11.00 a.m. and the game will be played in Tallow. Let us hope that the team will have a vociferous following on the line and that they can contest another final. So please be there.

The second semi-final will be played in Lismore also on Sunday between Valley Rangers and Brideview. Kick off there is 2.00 p.m.

SHORTAGE OF REFEREES

The club have asked us to mention in our notes of the shortage of referees in the league and also at underage level. Each club from next season must supply a fully qualified referee otherwise they will not be accepted into the league. So if there are any ex-players or any young players interested in refereeing would they please contact Joe Tobin or any of the Lismore committee. Indeed it would be a very sorry state if the Lismore club could not supply a referee (specially as Lismore are the founding club of The Red House League) and be unable to gain entry next season to the league. Anyone interested will be asked to take the referees course and exam and listening to all the football exponents on the line each Sunday, there are plenty 'whistlers' available.

LISMORE GOLF CLUB

Classic An Outstanding Success

With Hartley Nicholas Foods main sponsors and Clonmel Healthcare Ltd. sponsoring the ladies prize, all was set for last weekend's classic. The weather was excellent throughout and the course in excellent shape given the time of the year. An entry of 50+ teams fought it out over the three days at the end of which the winners were husband and wife partnership of John and Marie Condon, aided by George Howard and Regina Foley amassing a fine total of 97 pts. Another triedd and trusted outfit comprising Pat Bennett, Chris Whelan, Pa Morrissey and Paul McCarthy finished second on 94 pts. The prize for the best all ladies team provided an excellent and close fought contest with the Lady Captain, Anne Murphy leading Ann Howard, Katherine Moynihan and Mary Fives to victory with 85 pts. A team made up of visitors from Mitchelstown comprising of T. O'Mahoney, D. Nagle, L. O'Carroll and A. O'Mahoney filled third spot on 90 pts.

Full Result: First: G. Howard (15), J. Condon (18), M. Condon (24), R. Foley (30) - 97 pts.; Second: P. Bennett (10), C. Whelan (12), P. Morrissey (15), P. McCarthy (14) - 94 pts.; Ladies: A. Howard (13), K. Moynihan, M. Fives (18), A. Murphy (19) - 85 pts.; Third: T. O'Mahoney (19), D. Nagle (19), L. O'Carroll (22), A. O'Mahoney (20) - 90 pts. (B9)

FINAL OF DAVE FEENEY SPRING LEAGUE

It's all to play for in the final round of the Dave Feeney sponsored Spring League.

Ballysaggart lead by 4 pts. from Shamrock's with Carriglea in third place. All could change however in this foursomes competition and even Killeagh and Lismore Rangers cannot be discounted.

Computer Pin Number

The club's computer is all wired up and ready to roll, so if you haven't already done so, secure your competition number now.



FROM WEEKEND MARCH 22

★ ARIES

MARCH 21 to APRIL 20

Don't accept what you are not entirely happy with — continue to negotiate. Thoughts of travel excite while work responsibilities prove tedious. If a legal or bureaucratic issue confuses you, seek clarification. ***For further astrological clarifications, telephone 1550 151.*** Your lucky number is 9.

FOR A MORE DETAILED ANALYSIS CALL: 1550 151 301

★ TAURUS

APRIL 21 to MAY 21

When making plans, be sure to share your thoughts with those involved. Otherwise, someone will feel left out, so stand strong on matters of principal. Don't feel the need to justify all your decisions to others. Finances are steadily improving. ***For further information on love and luck, work and money, telephone 1550 151.***

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★ GEMINI

MAY 22 to JUNE 21

Someone needs your advice and support, but most of all, your encouragement. Personal relationships can be improved through direct communication, even if this initially proves difficult or strained. A letter brings important news. ***For further astrological news and views, telephone 1550 151.***

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★ CANCER

JUNE 22 to JULY 23

A "mind over matter" attitude can save the day this week. Maintain a positive outlook and you can overcome any obstacle. An older person needs some time and attention but most of all, your understanding. ***Need to know more about what's in store? Then telephone 1550 151.*** Your lucky number is 7.

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★ LEO

JULY 24 to AUGUST 23

Don't let that fiery temper get the better of you this week. When someone pushes you to your limits, remain calm and count to ten. You'll feel better than you did and get the better of your antagonist. Letters, telephone calls and communications are important. ***Telephone 1550 151 for further details.***

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★ VIRGO

AUGUST 24 to SEPT. 23

This week, be prepared to "have a go." Your natural versatility and ingenuity won't let you down. Be open to a change of environment. This is an excellent time for house changes or home improvement. Family matters are well starred. ***Curious t know more? Then telephone 1550 151.*** Your lucky number is 3.

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★ LIBRA

SEPTEMBER 24 to OCTOBER 23

News of a windfall brightens your day but "don't count you chickens" — it may be a while before you are counting those pennies! Socially, this is a time of finding new friends and discerning admirers. ***Tale the opportunity to sort out long standing issues. Telephone 1550 151 for further details.***

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★ SCORPIO

OCTOBER 24 to NOVEMBER 22

Business is booming! All work and no play however makes jack a dull boy — and being a Scorpio, being dull simply doesn't suit you. So be sure to leave time for fun time — and love time! Romance is in the air. ***Want to know more? Then telephone 1550 151. Your lucky number is 8.***

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★ SAGITTARIUS

NOV. 23 to DEC. 21

An old flame could become a good friend — if you are open to such an arrangement. Every cloud has a silver lining. Remember that this week and let the dust settle in a matter that initially appears negative but could well turn positive. ***To know more about current positive astrological trends, telephone 1550 151.***

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★ CAPRICORN

DEC 22 to JAN 20

Backlogs at work keep you on your toes — and may even infringe on personal time. Try to keep up without getting bogged down. Enjoy the weekend when the emphasis is on pleasure and fun, rather than duty and responsibility. In love, take a chance. ***Take this chance to telephone 1550 151 for a detailed astrological analysis.***

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★ AQUARIUS

JAN 21 to FEB 19

Romantically, life is about to get exciting, but only if you allow for love in your busy schedule. Regardless of pressures and responsibilities, try to conserve some time and energy for yourself. Above all, be open to new people, places and experience. ***Be open too, to astrological insights on 1550 151.***

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★ PISCES

FEBRUARY 20 to MARCH 20

Romantic affairs, travel and correspondence are linked in pleasant ways. A happy reunion is likely. ***For full details of planetary effects on love, luck and money, telephone 1550 151.*** Recognise that this is a positive, progressive period when you can attain goals by remaining confident and focussed.

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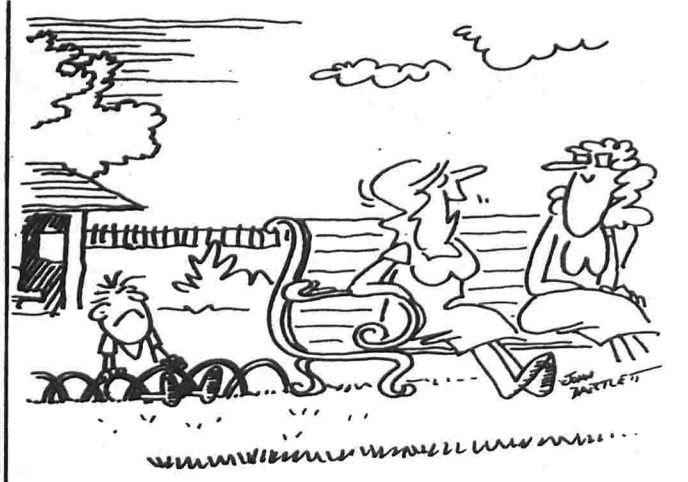
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There's Still Time For Planting Roses

THANK goodness February has gone. I've always been of the opinion that it's never been a friendly month for gardeners. What with the birds starting their love songs and those sudden bursts of sunshine, it's no wonder many are tempted to start doing jobs in the garden which they shouldn't.

No, March is a much better time to think about getting on with some of the first main jobs of the year. All right, so it can still be a cold, damp and windy time, but that's all the more reason for keeping warm by being active.

Now if you think it's too late for planting roses, then you'd be wrong, Yes, I know that many folk would say that roses planted in October or November have a better time to establish themselves and will give a better show.

They're probably right, but bearing in mind the wet weather we've had since autumn, could be they'll have lost one or two plants by now.

Autumn rose planting is fine if the winter's not too severe; and if for any reason you've missed out in the autumn, then providing soil conditions allow, there's still time this month.

Your roses will most likely come ready planted in containers or pots, in which case you'll simply take off the plastic wrapping or pot and plant in a hole deep enough to come up to the top of the earth that encases the roots. Make sure you water the rose before planting.



Others of you may prefer bare-root plants, in which case, don't let the roots get dry before you plant them — soak them in water for about an hour. This will keep them nice and moist and you can prune them before you put them in.

Dig a hole big enough to take the spread-out roots comfortably (or if they're fan-shaped, then dig a fan-shaped hole to accommodate them.) It's important to get the depth right — you'll notice a swelling on the main stem of the plant a few inches above the roots. This shows where the bud was "worked" into the stock. Plant so that this is not buried.

Whether you've chosen container-grown roses or bare-rooted ones, cover the bottom of the hole with soil mixed with some peat and bone marrow and top up the sides with soil (and some sand if the soil is very heavy).

Standard roses, climbers or ramblers should be staked, poled or supported, and tied to once to them. Do be careful not to damage the roots when fixing stakes.

— *TOM SOTER*

I.F.A. FARM MANAGENENT F.B.D. SEMINAR

"Managing Farm Family Finances"



At the I.F.A. Family Farm / F.B.D. Seminar "Managing Farm Family Finances" in Lawlor's Hotel, Dungarvan, recently were (from left) , Kathleen Tobin, Margaret O'Brien and Maura Ahearne.



Loretto Morrison, Mary Murray and Mary Murphy at the I.F.A. Family Farm / F.B.D. Seminar "Managing Farm Family Finances" in Lawlor's Hotel.



Pictured at the I.F.A. Family Farm / F.B.D. Seminar "Managing Farm Family Finances" in Lawlor's Hotel, Dungarvan, recently were Muriel Keane, Joanna Barron and Mary Cunningham.

(Photos: Mary Mylod)

Waterford IFA Industry Chief Reports Fertiliser Price Slippage

Waterford IFA Industry Committee Chairman, Matt Cunningham, has reported a significant slippage in fertiliser prices as the 1996 fertiliser spreading season picks up.

He said: "In recent days IFA has received rock solid reports of CAN (271/2% nitrogen) being sold for prices in the mid £124 to £126 per tonne. These prices are available for purchases of bagged fertiliser paid for, in cash, by the end of April. We have also received reports of 10:10:20 offered at £170 per tonne. Again, this is at least £10 per tonne below current manufacturers quoted prices. Farmers are also getting a commitment from suppliers that they will receive credit for any further price deceases."

Mr. Cunningham described manufacturers quoted prices as totally "off the wall" and advised farmers to demand discounts of at least £10 per tonne for cash purchases.

"Farmers should also carefully consider how they intend to finance their fertiliser purchases. Savings of £6 per tonne in finance charges and cash discounts can be achieved from using bank finance instead of merchant credit to fund purchases," he explained.

Superlevy Fine Too High

As dairy farmers face a £23m. superlevy fine — one of the highest ever — ICMSA has proposed that the rate of superlevy should be substantially reduced. Mr. Tommy Cooke, Chairman of the ICMSA Dairy Committee has proposed that the rate of levy be cut from £1.38 per gallon to 43p per gallon.

Mr. Cooke said that the cost of the EU Budget of export refunds at present is equivalent to 43p per gallon. As all the products produced from the above milk quota can be sold on the world markets, a super levy rate of 43p per gallon would not impose any cost on the EU Budget, as all of the export refunds paid on the extra production would be fully recouped by the rate of levy

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SHEEP

Grass Supply

Grass growth has been poor since January and there is a shortage on many sheep farms, particularly those grazed late. Ewes going to grass with young lambs must be kept milking. If grass is scarce there is no option but to feed meals.

As a guide

Grass Weight (cm)	Kg/Ewe/Day
3 or less	1.0
3-4	0.5
4 cm or more	

Preventing Grass Tetany

- ★ Feed 15 grams (1/2 oz)/head/day of calcined magnesite in a meal carrier to milking ewes on grass. Use granular form in the meal.
- ★ Ewes on good grass getting no meal. Dust the pastures with powdered calcined magnesite every 12-14 days or more often in times of heavy rain.
- ★ Where ewes are on an extensive area, magnesium bullets can be used (£/ewe - expensive).
- ★ Free access high magnesium blocks and liquid feeds are generally not as reliable, but may provide some control in situations where the above methods cannot be used.
- ★ Avoid using potash fertilisers early in the year.

Sheep '96

Sheep '96 will be held at Mellowes College, Athenry, on Saturday, May 25 next. It will include the RDS pedigree sheep championships, a Big Bale Silage Demonstration and a "Ewe To You" display along with all the usual trade exhibits and competitions.

The topical tips competition has a first prize of £250 and a runner up prize of £150. So when you are in the lambing shed late at night, think up something that will save labour — your idea could be a winner.

CATTLE

Grassland Management

The management of grassland in early spring revolves around a few crucial decisions namely:

1 — Nitrogen application date?
2 — Graze Silage ground?
3 — Turnout date?

1 Nitrogen Application:

If not already spread (and it should be) Nitrogen must be applied immediately to the entire grazing area — unless stocking rates are very low. 40 units per acre is the required amount and Urea is the cheapest source. Nitrogen applied earlier this year is not lost and will produce grass as temperatures rise. A second application at this stage is not warranted.

2 Graze Silage Ground?

A vexed question, to say the least. Grazing silage ground as a rule decreases silage yield while improving quality. Where ground has not been grazed since October, it is beneficial to strip off the accumulated herbage — to avoid serious yields loss, follow the guidelines below to the greatest extent possible.

A — Graze off quickly and remove stock — do not allow grazing of regrowth. This can be achieved by turning out enough stock to graze the area in a week or by strip grazing and using a back fence.
B — Do not graze bare, leave at least 6 cms of cover.
C — Remove stock if poaching is taking place.
D — Remove all stock by April 1.

FARMING LEADER

Waterford ICMSA Has Reservations On TB Plan

ICMSA's National Livestock Committee Chairman, Nicholas Ryan, will be in Dungarvan on Tuesday, March 26, to attend a meeting open to all farmers which is being held to discuss the new livestock disease eradication plan being introduced from April 1 by Agriculture Minister, Ivan Yates.

The organisers, the Waterford ICMSA County Executive Committee, urges all farmers to attend this vitally important meeting in Lawlor's Hotel at 8.15 p.m. Mr. Ryan will brief members on the association's stance on TB and issues relating to the current controversies in the beef sector.

A member of the Irish Veterinary Union and an officer from the Department of Agriculture will also be present to speak to farmers about the disease eradication plan.

In a statement on the disease eradication plan, Waterford ICMSA Chairman, John Skehan has said that his Association has demanded that Mr. Yates must address the issue of compensation to farmers whose herds are locked up due to disease.

Mr. Skehan said that ICMSA wants a review of the compensation payable to farmers with restricted herds under the disease eradication programme before the start of the 1996 round of testing.

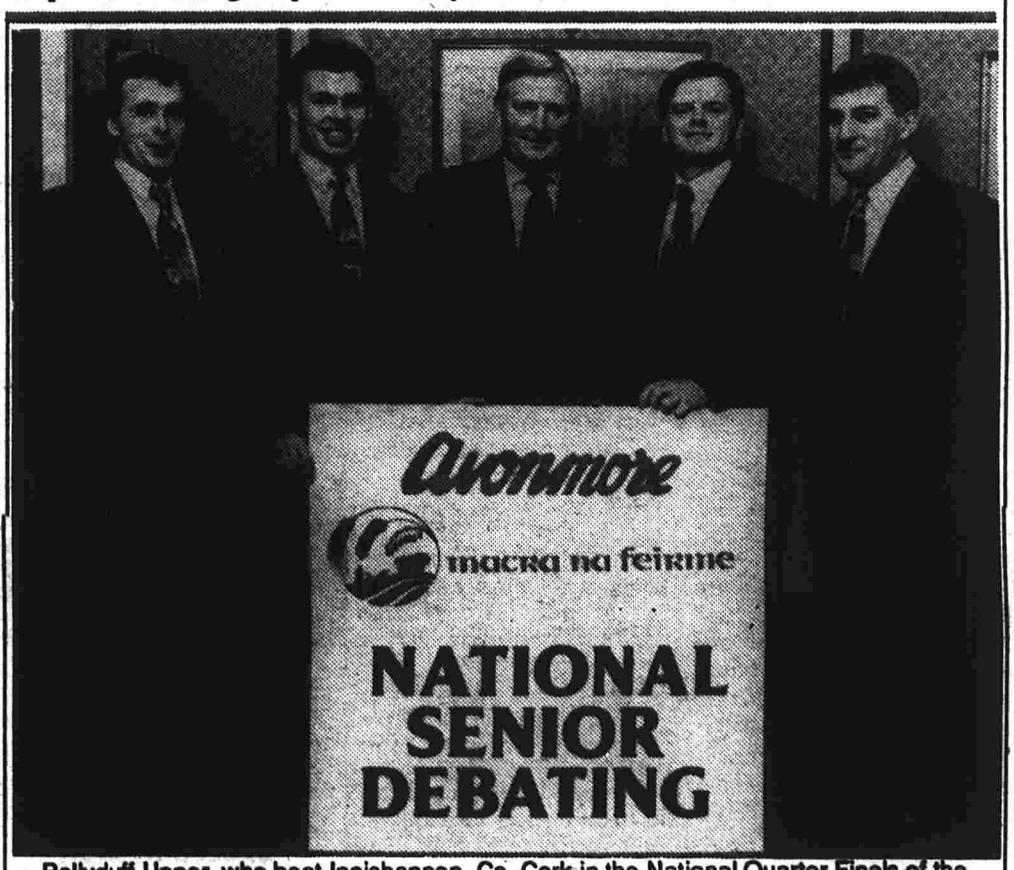
Mr. Skehan declared: "We want this condition to be achieved before ICMSA participates in the forum being established by the Minister to discuss his new eradication plan."

Mr. Skehan said ICMSA was demanding that the compensation payable to farmers under the new scheme must cover all the losses arising from both disposal of reactors and losses in production during the period that his animals are restricted.

He added: "It is time that the issue of compensation for farmers received priority attention and ICMSA is determined to achieve this."

Mr. Skehan said it was absolutely wrong on the MInister's part to expect farmers to give their support to a scheme unless he makes them fully aware of the rates of compensation they will be paid if their herds are hit by disease.

He said the ICMSA has written to the Minister pointing out its reservations regarding compensation and requesting that discussions take place as soon as possible between farmer representatives and Department of Agriculture officials.



Ballyduff Upper, who beat Innishannon, Co. Cork in the National Quarter Finals of the Macra na Feirme Debating Competition (sponsored by Avonmore Coop). Photo shows (left to right) — John Kenny, Terence Keane, John Duggan, Chairman Avonmore Coop (sponsors), Dave Ahearne and Paddy Ahearne. —*(Photo: Sean Byrne).*

IFA Welcomes Minister Yates Announcement On Suckler Cow Quota Reserve

Waterford IFA Livestock Committee Chairman, Maurice Donovan has welcomed the announcement from the Minister for Agriculture, Food and Forestry, Ivan Yates T.D., on the categories for the allocation of suckler cows premium quota from the 1996 National Reserve. The Minister made the announcement following his consideration of the recommendations of the Suckler Cow Quota Review Group, as constituted by the Programme for Competitiveness and Work.

Mr. Donovan said that IFA wanted to ensure the optimum use of the National Suckler Cow Quota and for that reason the distribution of the reserve was as unrestrictive as possible but at the same time targetted those in most need of additional quota.

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Don't Take The Foot Off The Superlevy Brake

— *IFA DAIRY CHAIRMAN WARNS*

Speaking recently at the IFA Seminar on the future of milk quota in Waterford, IFA Dairy Committee Chairman, Liam Foley warned that, after significant production cutbacks in December and January, dairy farmers all around the country appeared to have 'taken the foot off the brake' in February and early March, which will undoubtedly worsen the national superlevy liability.

Commenting on this Waterford IFA Dairy Committee Chairman, Mr. Gerald Curran said: "Dairy farmers have made tremendous efforts in the last two to three months but this is not the time to relax these effort", he said.

"Milk production to the end of February was 1.6% or 17m gallons over quota. This represents a significant disimprovement when compared with the 16m gallons excess recorded at then end of January. March is usually the month in which production really starts to take off and now is the time for the big push from farmers to cut back production if the superlevy bill is to be minimised," Mr. Curran said.

"It is decisions made by individual dairy farmers inside the farm-gate which will have a direct impact on the national superlevy position at the end of March. Every effort must be made to reduce production and minimise a now certain superlevy bill," he concluded.

I.C.M.S.A. OPPOSE HEADAGE PROPOSAL

ICMSA is totally opposed to the proposal by the Department of Agriculture to exclude farmers over 66 from drawing headage, the Association's Vice-President, Mr. Pat O'Rourke has stated.

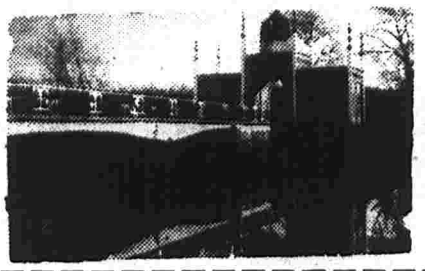
Speaking following a meeting with Department of Agriculture officials on he proposed changes to the headage scheme, Mr. O'Rourke said he found the proposal "objectionable."

He said over one in five farmers would lose out on headage payments if the proposal was passed. The fact was that man farmers over 66 did not even qualify for a pension.

"Surely the Department does not expect farmers over retirement age to survive on fresh air," said Mr. O'Rourke.

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WEST WATERFORD NOTES



COMMUNITY GAMES NEWS

Congratulations to the following boys and girls who were area winners in the Clashmore/Kinsalebeg Community Games Art Competition.

Boys U-6 - 1st: Conor Kelly; 2nd: Mark Cunningham.

Girls U-6 - 1st: Nicola Murph- 2nd: Leanne Kenneally; 3rd: Josephine McGrath.

Boys U-8 - 1st: Redmond Foley; 2nd: Owen Kelly; 3rd: Declan Coughlan.

Girls U-8 - 1st: Mary McGrath; 2nd: Niamh Condon; 3rd: Aoife Kelly.

Boys U-10 - 1st: Michael Trihy; 2nd: Stephen Mangan; 3rd: Colm O'Rourke.

Girls U-10 - 1st: Roisin O'Halloran; 2nd: Tina Keevers; 3rd: Geraldine Lynch.

Boys U-12 - 1st: Conor Coughlan; 2nd: Jim Flavin; 3rd: Jason Seward.

Girls U-12 - 1st: Aine Lombard; 2nd: Ita Keevers; 3rd: Rebecca Bourke.

Boys U-14 - 1st: Padraig Connery; 2nd: Luke Laffan.

Girls U-14 - 1st: Mary O'Rourke; 2nd: Marie Trihy; 3rd: Sandra Foley.

A special word of thanks to the teachers of Clashmore, Ballycurrane and Piltown for their help and co-operation with the art. Thanks to Mrs. Siobhán Keniry, art teacher at Youghal C.B.S. who judged the competition.

The County Finals of art will take place at Ard Scoil Na nDéise, Dungarvan on Saturday, April 13th 11.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

GOOD WISHES MARTINA AND JOHN

Every good wish to Miss Martina Barry, Youghal and to Mr. John Douris, Clashmore as they marry on this Friday in Youghal.

WEST WATERFORD HUNT NEWS

HUNT BALL

Last Friday night's West Waterford Hunt Ball has been rated as the most successful in the Hunt's history with over 150 in attendance with a strong representation from Dungarvan Farmers Hunt, Dungarvan Fox Hounds and The Lismore Harriers including a huge number of young people. Superb catering was a credit to the Flynn family at The Park Hotel. A tremendous night's dancing to "Stardust" was followed by a disco. Rumour has it that dancing continued to dawn.

SPECIAL HUNT MEET

Hunting on this Saturday with the West Waterford Hounds for that long promised special meet for novice riders, children or any others who have not had a chance to hunt this season. The meet will take place in the Lismore area - venue to be confirmed. Further details from Bill Twomey at (058) 54504 or John Marsh at (052) 66391.

CLASHMORE RAMBLERS NEWS

FIXTURES

The weather last weekend meant no games for most teams so it's no change at the top. Next Sunday, we are away to Glenview Utd. Kick off 2.30 p.m. Players leaving at 1.30 p.m. sharp.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

Also next weekend, we will be holding a church gate collection which we hope all our supporters will give generously to. Any player willing to help will be welcome to come along to Piltown or Clashmore Masses next Sunday.

CLUB SOCIAL

Once again, we remind everyone to book their tickets for the Club Social on Friday week, March 29th at the Walter Raleigh. Demand is very good and you can buy tickets from Liam Troy or Finbarr McSweeney for just £8.

DECIES DARTS NEWS

On Friday night last we played Dunne's of Touraneena in the final of the Plate at home. We are delighted to report victory for our lads. Well done to all concerned.

SHARON RECEIVES THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to Sharon Cronin, Grange and a pupil at St. Mary's Primary School, Dungarvan on receiving the sacrament of Confirmation at St. Mary's Parish Church, Dungarvan recently.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

We are delighted to report Bridie Ryan is back home in Clashmore following her recent stay in Cork Regional Hospital.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Steve Coleman on the birth of the latest darts player - a little baby boy (Ryan Patrick) at the Erinville Hospital, Cork last week. A most welcome brother for Stephanie and Garry.

Congratulations also to Michael Flavin, Knockanaris, Clashmore and a member of Kinsalebeg Macra Club who won the overall Award for Quality Grass and Silage in 1996 Competition which was sponsored by Pat Denn, Agricultural Supplies in Cappoquin. The competition was organised by Waterford Macra.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Among those taking part in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Youghal were many from this area. Tossie Dee with his vintage tractor; John Flynn and his son, Michael with their mini-steam engines; Michael O'Brien, Grange and Jim McGrath, Clashmore both in the vintage section; Gene O'Keeffe and Christine Dee-Dalton to name but a few who helped make the parade colourful and enjoyable for all who came along to view but where was Pa with the big drum ?!!! Your absence was noted.

SUZANNE PART OF THE CLASHMORE TEAM

Omitted from last week's report was one of the Clashmore Equestrian team who took part in the sponsored ride in Ardmore, Suzanne Hennessy. Sorry, Suzanne.

LADIES FOOTBALL NOTES

On Saturday morning last, we played St. Oliver's in Clashmore. Under foot conditions were very bad. All players gave their best and we came out winners against an understrength St. Oliver's team.

Team: Maura Hickey, Niamh Murphy, Helen O'Neill, Deirdre Curran, Ciara Dower, Andrea Kearns, Margaret Foley, Maura Lombard, Una Keogh, Deirdre O'Rourke, Caroline Barron, Mary Leahy, Mairéad Beausang.

Subs: Una Leahy, Ciara O'Connor, Valerie Kelly, Roisin O'Connor, Gina Byrne.

Next match is on Saturday afternoon next at 3.00 p.m. in Bohadoon against St. Pat's. A bus will be leaving Mick Baker's at 1.45 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. in Clashmore.

Get Well Wishes — Get well wishes for a speedy recovery to Margaret Foley.

GARDA BAND PLAY IN DUNGARVAN

On Wednesday night, April 15th, the Garda Band will play The Park Hotel, Dungarvan. They will be supported in concert by "The Marines". The concert commences at 8.00 and it's all in aid of five local charities - Clashmore branch of A.C.T.; Motor Neurone Disease; West Waterford Hospice; Dungarvan Hospital and Lismore Hospital. Tickets are available locally from John Trihy, Clashmore.

YOUTH GATHERING

Tomorrow night (Thursday), March 21st, a Youth Gathering will take place in Clashmore Hall for all from 15 - 30.

The meeting will be conducted by Fr. David Creed, Diocesan Youth Officer. The purpose of this gathering is to give young people a chance to air their views.

AILBRIN MEETING

Anyone interested in folklore are especially welcome at this month's Ailbrin Meeting in Youghal when Dr. Pádráig O Healaí, a lecturer in Irish at U.C.G., specialising in folklore, will address the meeting on Wednesday week, March 27th at 8.30 p.m.

CORK COUNTY COLLEGES FOOTBALL FINAL

Narrow Defeat For Youghal CBS

Carrig Na bhFearr 0-6
Youghal C.B.S. 0-5

The replay of the Cork Colleges U-17 Hurling Final was played at wind swept Pilmore on Friday last. The pitch was in excellent shape but the very strong easterly wind ordained that it would be a game of two halves.

Carrig Na bhFearr had first use of this wind and they attacked right from the start. The Youghal defence stood firm and in this pressure as they repulsed attack after attack so that at half time Carrig led by a mere 5 pts. Final score at break: 0-5 to 0-0.

Hopes were high then that the Youghal forwards would run up a match, winning second half score, however it soon became obvious that the home attack lacked real penetration and were only able to manage a mere 5 pts. despite all their possession. Six West Waterford players figured on this County Final team. Shane McCarthy, Tallow was unbeaten in goal - Shane is also a top class forward.

The entire half back line hailed from the County. Brian Lenane, Ardmore had a fine game at right half, Ciarán Foley, Ardmore, who captained the team was brilliant at centre back while Brian Foley, Shamrock's had a great game on the left. Wayne Hennessy, Ardmore settled in well at forward and could improve with practice while another Knockanore man, Johnnie Donovan (and grandson of the legendary man of the same man) showed lots of potential especially in the first half and we wish them better luck in the Senior final.

"VOICE OF CLASHMORE"

All too quickly the 1996 Voice of Clashmore is approaching the end, as the second and last semi-final of the competition takes place at The Old Still this Saturday night. Taking part in this week's semi-final are Breda Murray, Sean Leahy, Olivia Maher, Sinead Kiely, Anne Higgins, Michael Baker (Jnr.), Michael Hickey, Noel Condon, Donie Leahy, Caroline Drake and Cliona O'Keeffe. "The E Team" will provide the music.

The big question is who will join the following in the final on March 30th at the Decies Lounge, Clashmore ? Margaret O'Mahony, Paddy O'Leary, Olivia Morrissey, Neilus Foley and Kieran Leahy all of whom qualified at last Saturday's semi-final at The Decies Lounge. Our thanks to "Ger and Dave" who provided the music and all who supported the draw. The winners were - 1st: Breda Flavin; 2nd: Jackie Aherne; 3rd: Dave Boyd; 4th: Helen Foley. Congratulations to all the winners.

Tickets are presently on sale for a lovely hamper and numerous other follow up prizes for our grand draw which will take place on the night of the final of the "Voice of Clashmore" - Saturday, March 30th.

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family of the late Mr. Deckie Hennessy, Fairfield, Cork. Deckie's death took place on Monday, March 11th.

Deckie has lived here in Monatrea in recent times. While living here, Deckie was a great favourite and made many friends, all of whom were deeply saddened to learn of his death.

Deckie is survived by his wife, Marion; his children, Aoife and Michael; his mother; brothers and sisters; relatives and friends.

The death also took place on Monday, March 11th of Mr. Vincent Bowen, Rushbrooke, Cobh and late of Bowen Construction Ltd., West Waterford. The late Mr. Bowen was brother of Mrs. Caroline Bowen-Walsh, Ardmore. To her and all the family, we tender our sincere sympathy.

May they both rest in peace.

ABBEYSIDE TOPICS

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

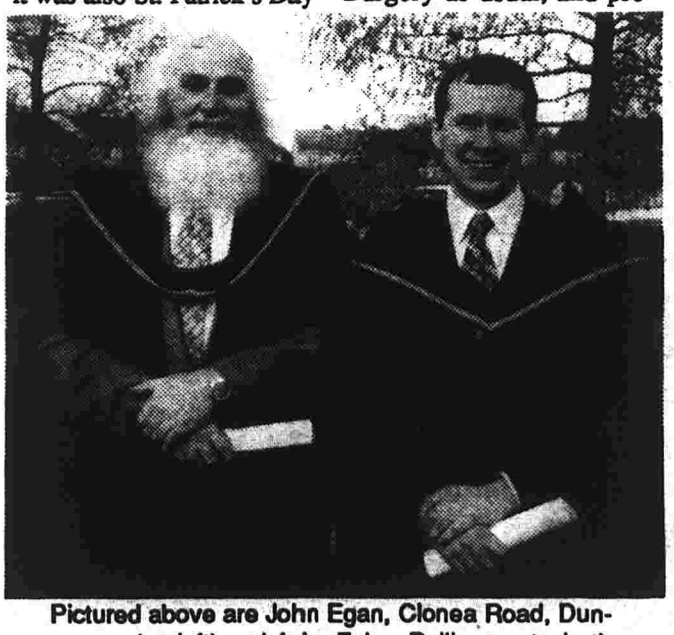
One could say that Sunday last, in sporting parlance, could be described as being a triple header. First of all it was Sunday, our normal day of rest, when people of various religions observe the Sabbath Day. Secondly, it was Mother's Day when we recognise the important role mothers play in our society. However, it was the fact that it was also St. Patrick's Day that left the greatest impact on our subconscious minds.

The afternoon was mild and sunny and so the Annual Parade took place in weather conditions that were the best for years, which was reflected in the largest number of spectators ever to line the streets for the local pageant.

The floats taking part in the parade assembled at the Burgery as usual, and proceeded to the Square in Dungarvan at approximately 3.15 p.m. Among the entries which took part from the local area were Abbeyside Pattern Committee, Ballinroad Youth Soccer Club and an individual entry from Dan Dineen our marathon runner. Abbeyside Pattern's entry was titled "Back to the Future." It consisted of twelve old-fashioned bicycles each sponsored by a business in the area. Each cyclist was dressed in attire that reflected the business he was representing. The idea secured yet again a prize for the "Best Community Effort."

Ballinroad's float contained young players togged out in the club colours. Dan Dineen, dressed in Bachelors In Trouble style and also cycling an old-fashioned bicycle, had a go at certain politicians by stating on a sign attached to the rear of the bicycle that he was going to a hundred pound dinner. It was all good fun and was enjoyed by young and old alike.

All the local hostelries were packed to capacity as visitors and locals alike renewed acquaintances with one another in a convivial atmosphere.



Pictured above are John Egan, Clonea Road, Dungarvan (on left) and John Foley, Ballinacourty, both employees of Telecom Eireann who were conferred with B.Sc. (IT) Hons., at a recent graduation ceremony at Dublin City University.

Abbeyside Guide Notes

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Once again a large turnout of members attended the 10.30 a.m. Mass in Abbeyside Church to celebrate the Feast of St. Patrick. Other church goers were well impressed by our uniforms and conduct throughout the service, while the priest nicknamed us "St. Patrick's Mob"!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Everyone who is anyone is booking their place on our 5th annual Mother and Daughter Weekend which is scheduled for April 20/21. The programme will offer fun, friendship, rest and relaxation! as well as our ever popular "Mystery Tour". To ensure your place, the fee, £25 must be paid before our Easter holidays.

Also in the pipeline is Annual Camp '96. The venue will be Curragh Chase Campsite in Limerick from July 1 to 6. More information on this after Easter.

GUIDES

Please remember to bring your sashes to our meeting on Friday.

Abbeyside Reference Archive

From time to time over the past few months we have appealed to you, the reader, for help and most times it has proved successful.

In the Archive we have a set of the Journal of the Old Waterford Society going back to 1985, it's called DECIES, but we are short just one issue. We have contacted the publishers but to no avail so we now turn to you the readers for help. What we are looking for is the Autumn 1992 issue which is No. 46 of the series. It contains a drawing of Lismore Cathedral and Spire on the cover which may help to identify it to you.

Someone, somewhere may have a spare copy and if so we would like to hear from them, in the meantime we will keep our fingers crossed.

This Sunday Ballinacourty will be represented at the Archive when Moll Shields looks after our valuables from 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

Abbeyside Scout Notes

4th Waterford





SATURDAY MEETING

The meeting this week was full uniform and began at the usual time of 7.00 p.m. with the scouts falling in for the Scout Prayer after which the scouts were given the topic for revision which was hiking and other related issues. Subs were then collected and also money for camp was taken up. During this a new peace badge was given to the scouts who had paid for them. They cost 50p and are available at the meetings but we only have a small number left.

After all the formalities were done with, it was time for a game. The game played was "Snatch the bacon". For this game, the troop was divided into two teams. One team had 11 and the other had 10 so someone had to go twice. An object was put in the centre of the hall and each member of the teams were given a number between 1 and 11 and when their number was called they had to try and retrieve the object and return to their position without being tagged by their opposite number.

Drill was then done with some people still finding it hard to tell their left from their right. A mock election was then run by Steven Griffen and Tomás Kiely as part of their Civics Merit Badge. They had to use both methods i.e. proportional representation and first past the post. Notices were then given and upcoming events were talked about. The meeting ended with the Scout Prayer and also a prayer for those who died last week in Dunblane, Scotland. The scouts were then dismissed and they fell out.

SUNDAY MEETING

There was no patrol meetings this week but we'll be back next week.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

This year, as always, we took part in the parade. We met at The Den at 2.15 p.m. with 19 scouts present. They were: Declan Fives, Scott Fitzgerald, Matthew Burke, Bernard Beatty, Shane Carthy, Colm O'Sullivan, Tomás Cashin, Tomás Kiely, Steven Griffen, Johnny Curran, Liam Fraher, Brendan Meehan, Sean Kiely, Rick Hanrahan, David Maloney, Tim O'Donnell, Sean Di Fusco, Donal Walsh, Aidan French. Also present was S.L. Brendan Kiersey. The flag bearers were Scott and Matthew. Well done to all who took the time to turn up and take part.

PRESENTATION

A presentation was made to S.P.L. Michael Fives of the Water Activities Badge. This is a special event which requires a certain standard in water sports. Michael's chosen sport was canoeing and the practical part of this exam was done on the River Lee during Annual Camp last year. Well done, Michael.

Next week's meeting is mufti and starts as usual at 7.00 p.m. Once again well done to those scouts who took part in the St. Patrick's Day Parade.

TREE PLANTING CEREMONY IN ABBEYSIDE PARK



Cllr. Nuala Ryan, Cathaoirleach Dungarvan Urban District Council, assisted by John Cunningham, Chairman Waterford Beekeepers Association, planting a tree on behalf of the association in Abbeyside Park to mark National Tree Week. —*(Photo: Rory Wyley).*

TALLOW NOTES

TALLOW G.A.A. CLUB NOTES

The Great Ollie Walsh of Kilkenny

Ollie Walsh was the first man of his beaten team to come up to me after the 1959 All-Ireland and congratulate me and he was so warm and genuine with his felicitations that the memory of it remains vivid still. I discovered over all the intervening years that this generosity and big heartedness and graciousness were innate virtues which distinguished the pleasant private Ollie from the swashbuckling public hurling hero who adorned the game.

Ollie, it seemed to me, was a contented happy man with a zest for life and a love of hurling and the company of hurlers. The old Latin phrase "de mortuis nil nisi bonum (let nothing but good be said of the dead)" is rightly observed on the occasion of the death of some noted figure and that the faults and blemishes are usually overlooked as an effort is made to eulogise. But quite sincerely, I have nothing but good to record of the great Ollie, whom I have known for the best part of 40 years.

Ollie was a native of Thomastown, that beautiful serene idyllic spot on the banks of the placid Nore. It was his only great regret that he failed to win a senior championship with that town which gave him birth. It was there he developed the skills which were to be displayed so thrillingly over the next 30 years. As a Minor- he played for three years with Kilkenny Minors - he was never less than outstanding. Even in defeat, he shone like a jewel. After the Leinster Minor hurling semi-final of 1953 (his first year with the county team) which Dublin won, he received a standing ovation from the Croke Park crowd for his magnificent goal keeping. In the All-Ireland Minor hurling semi-final against Tipperary in 1955, Ollie came out of goal in the last quarter to play at centre field. He scored 1-3 and displaying his vast repertoire of skills, showed his versatility.

He once told me of his secret ambition : to save a shot on some big occasion, solo out from goal with the ball and drive over a point at the other end. He actually tried to accomplish that feat against us in an All-Ireland but because we didn't feel disposed towards accommodating his dream, he wasn't allowed progress beyond midfield !!! I suppose like most goalies, he sometimes felt the confines of the square restricting and yearned for the reduced responsibility and the freedom of an outfield position. That perhaps, explained his flamboyant style when saving. He didn't just catch and clear; he grasped the sliotar, tore past forwards to his right or left, sidestepping gymnastically would-be tacklers until his long quick strides took him clear to launch another mighty attacking clearance. What a man to set the pulse racing and stir the heart of the Kilkenny crowds. No wonder, like the pied piper of Hamelin, he attracted hordes of youngsters who crowded behind his goal at Nowlan Park for any of his games.

Justin McCarthy, in a Cork Examiner tribute, described Ollie Walsh as the clown prince of goalkeepers. I'm quite certain that Justin meant no offence but it was, I think, an unfortunate choice of phrase. Ollie was no clown but he was a showman, an entertainer, a glamorous performer, a man who enjoyed himself on big occasions, unfashed by the atmosphere, however electric, who wanted to fulfil his love for the spectacular clearance. A master craftsman who revelled in his role, Ollie added excitement to any game he played. Some years ago Liam Kelly of the Sunday Independent invited me to select my best hurling team of that era. I included Ring, of course, that peerless back, Austin Flynn, Philly Grimes, Frankie Walsh and Tony Wall, a great stonewall of a centreback. But my choice for goal was unhesitatingly, Ollie Walsh. There may have been better goalies, making fewer mistakes (Noel Skehan was probably technically his superior) but I never saw anyone in that position with such flair and charisma, so exciting and inspiring. I hated to see him play so well against us, of course, as he did in 1957 when he more than any other factor influenced the result but I would always support the claim that he was the greatest.

Another quality of Ollie's stands out: his sportsmanship. I never remember him to do a mean or shabby thing in a match. And it wasn't for want of provocation because in his day, the goalie was fair game for any forward who could get in a physical challenge, legal or illegal. Of course he was a big man and could withstand most attempts to slow him down. I remember how Donal Whelan, the Duck used to test his agility and his ability to absorb some physical pressure and how Ollie took it all in his stride. It always amazed me to hear some assert that he was afraid of the Tipperary forwards, especially Sean McLoughlin. That couldn't be true of the courageous Ollie because I became closely acquainted with the same Tipperary attackers and can say in all truth that not one of them was mean, over aggressive or in the least bit intimidating. Nealon, McLoughlin, McKenna, Jimmy Doyle and Devanney were accomplished hurlers, well able to ship legitimate punishment but had no interest in cruelty of any kind. None of those had the abrasiveness of Billy Dwyer, Ollie's team mate who let the goalie know that he was present.

Because of Ollie's patience and forbearance in his role as target man for some unscrupulous attackers, I was very sorry when he received a six months suspension after the 1968 home league final against Tipperary. What a tempestuous game that proved to be. It was the sixth time the sides had met in a league decider since 1950. They had also met in numerous league clashes; one All-Ireland semi-final, two Oireachtas finals and three All-Ireland finals in that period so a certain bitterness had built up between the counties which all seemed to explode on that May Sunday in Croke Park. After a very unsavoury first half, the referee, Gerry Fitzgerald of Limerick called both teams together at half time and lectured them with the result that the second half was played in a friendlier atmosphere. It was following a Central Council investigation that John Flanagan of Tipperary and Ollie were suspended. How Ollie could be deemed responsible for the bad conduct defies logic but true to his sunny character, this travesty of justice in no way embittered him afterwards.

Ollie the agile, supremely confident, fearless figure on the field was a completely different man to meet socially. Gone was the swagger, the brashness, the apparent bravado. Instead you met the kindest, liveliest, most interesting and entertaining companion you could wish for. I used to meet him every year when doing a hurling course at St. Kieran's. Wherever there was hurling, Ollie was there and we met often at Nowlan Park in the evenings when Kilkenny were training with Ollie in charge. It was very noticeable how well he related to his panel. They all seemed like one big happy family and there was much banter and laughter interspersing the more serious training. Whenever we met at Thurles or any other venue, there was the warm handshake and friendly smile and the impish humour.

Ollie is gone to join all the household names who illumined the G.A.A. scene for over 100 yearss and I am saddened by the shocking suddenness of his death following so quickly on the untimely demise of Link Walsh and Ted Carroll - two of his team mates. It will be very easy to remember him because memories of Ollie are etched indelibly on the mind. Ollie was special and no matter how anyone tries to persuade me even with perfect justification that there were better goalies, I remain convinced that I never met a jollier or sunnier character nor watched a more exciting or thrilling performer than Ollie, my friend.

I bPárthas na nGrást go raibh tú, Ollie.

Brideview United A.F.C. Notes

RED HOUSE LEAGUE

Good Away Win For Utd.

Our Division Two side had a big away win in Affane on Sunday last. John Joe Henley grabbed a hat trick here in the game. This was only two Red House League games which took place on Sunday last due to the weather.

RESULT

Affane 1 Brideview Utd. 5

Utd. travelled to Affane on Sunday morning last and gave a big boost to their hopes of staying in Division Two when they recorded a big victory over the homeside.

The game as a contest was over at the break as Utd. had a commanding 4-0 lead at the break. A hat trick from John Joe Henley and David Henley were Utd.'s marksmen here in this opening half.

Affane did pull a goal back midway through the second half but Utd. finished the stronger and Gerard Hogan rounded off the scoring here for Utd.

A good win this for our Division Two side. All the players played their part here and if they can produce this form in their remaining games, then they should remain in Division Two next season.

Team: S. O'Brien, P. Cronin, T. McCarthy, J. McIntosh, R. Henley, G. Hogan, D. Henley, J. Beecher, L. Ahearn, J. J. Henley, S. Pratt.

LOTTO

Last week's numbers were: 5, 20, 21. No winner. Voucher winner: Mary Ryan. Jackpot next week is £300. Voucher for McGrath's Chemist. Draw takes place this Friday night at 9.30 in Timmy Barry's.

Schoolboys Meeting

The East Cork/West Waterford Schoolboy Soccer Monthly Meeting takes place at The Devonshire Arms Hotel this Monday, March 25th.

DUNGARVAN TYRE CENTRE CUP SEMI-FINAL

Our Division One side take on Valley Rangers on Sunday next in Lismore. This is the cup semi-final and we appeal to all our supporters to turn up and cheer the lads on.

FIXTURES

U-16 League — Tomorrow (Thursday), March 21st: Youghal V Brideview Utd. Kick off 5.30 p.m.

Dungarvan Tyre Centre Cup Semi-Final In Lismore

Sunday, March 24th: Brideview Utd. V Valley Rangers. Kick off 2.00 p.m.

BEST WISHES

Best wishes to Joan Keniry who hopefully, by the time these notes are read, will be home from hospital.

Best wishes also to the Man. Utd. and Leeds supporters who are heading across the water this weekend.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Eoin Murphy and James Murray (two of our U-18 players) both of whom helped St. Colman's College, Fermoy to a big win in the Dr. Harty Cup last Sunday. Well done, lads.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to Mick Murphy and Eamonn Cunningham both of West Street who celebrated their birthdays last week.

TALLOW COMMUNITY CENTRE

Results - March 17 — Mrs. Hickey, Glencairn; Mrs. Mary Millard, Fermoy; Mr. John Dalton (Hallahan's Coaches); Pat Morrissey, Lismore; Mrs. Maura Condon, Kilworth; Mrs. Morrissey, Villierstown; Mrs. Nora Mescall, Cappoquin; Mr. Davy Moore, Aglish; Terry O'Connor, Cappoquin; Mrs. Gramich, Fermoy; Mrs. Betty Buckley, Woodview Park; Mrs. Kathleen Rumley, Conna; Mrs. Walsh, Inch, Killeagh; Mrs. Helen Kelly, Woodview Park; Mrs. Cronin, Fermoy; Mrs. Hartigan, Conna; Mrs. Barry, Cappoquin (£50); Nan Kelly, Knockanore; Linda Hartigan, Conna; Mrs. Meegan, Aglish; Brian Power, Woodview Park (£100); Miss Bridie Fitzgerald, Tallow; Miss Margaret Daly, Tallow.

Please give our Sunday night bingo your support. Thank you. Next Sunday night's jackpot £400 on 49 calls.

TALLOW ENTERPRISE NEWS

U.C.C. Students Visit Tallow

40 graduates who are participating in a post graduate course in co-operative studies visited Tallow Area Credit Union and Tallow Enterprise Centre on Wednesday last. It was fortunate that this visit coincided with the visit of Mr. Clive Peckham, European Co-Ordinator of European Co-Operative and Community Exchange. He is in Ireland to promote ecological responsibility for exchange and social co-operation amongst food producers in particular. He addressed a group of students who were accompanied by their tutor, Mr. Michael Ward, Acting Director of Centre for Co-Operative Studies in U.C.C. Clive has worked with co-operative groups from Spain, Greece, Portugal, Ireland, England and Japan. The group was addressed by Mrs. Sheila Ryan, Manager, Tallow Area Credit Union who outlined the history and successes of the Credit Union movement. Mrs. Helen McCarthy, Chairman of Tallow Area Credit Union outlined the association of Tallow Area Credit Union and The Tallow Enterprise Group Ltd. Mr. Michael Shanahan, Enterprise Worker for Tallow Enterprise Group outlined the objectives, plans and current activities of the Tallow Enterprise Group. The graduates visited the Entrepreneurs in the Tallow Enterprise Park and were most inspired by the many successful ventures taking place at the Park. It was obvious to the visitors that both Tallow groups were leaders in the fields of community development and co-operation.

Congratulations To St. Colmans

Heartiest congratulations from all in Tallow G.A.A. Club to St. Colman's College, Fermoy on last Sunday's great victory over Nenagh C.B.S. whom they trounced 3-19 to 1-4. The local interest was provided by James Murray and Eoin Murphy who did Tallow and Shamrock's proud. James, son of John and Kay was one of a trio of stars comprising the half back line described by Cork Examiner reporter, Brendan Larkin as "simply magnificent," and "they broke the hearts of the Nenagh side time and again with the brilliance of their play." Any team with ambitions for success must have a good half back line. It is the lynch pin of defence and the launching pad of attack. St. Colman's were well served in this area. John Murray and Kay have actively supported, over the last half dozen years, every effort of the Tallow club at underage level and the family deserves our congratulations.

Eoin Murphy is son of John Joe and Mary Murphy of Camphire Bridge and had a splendid game at midfield where with Paul Cotter they dominated to give them total control. Eoin is a sweet striker, left and right and scored a lovely point to add to his hard work in the midfield sector. Well done Eoin and James and best wishes for an All-Ireland Colleges title before you face the Leaving Cert.

TALLOW CAMOGIE CLUB NEWS

A.G.M. — Tallow Camogie Club will hold their A.G.M. at The Devonshire Arms Hotel in Tallow on Sunday night next at 7.30. All are welcome.

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH HALL

Progressive "45" Results - March 13th — First and second divided by: John W. McCarthy, Eric Curley; Jack Fraser, Jack Cotter; Third: Peggy and Willie Moore; Table Prize: Dick Tobin and Mike Mangan; Raffle Winners: Noel Pratt, Mrs. Pat Cantillon. Cards as usual this Wednesday at 8.30 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE - £5 drive will be held on Wednesday, April 3rd at 8.30 p.m.

No Losers At Tallow Credit Union Quiz

All seventeen participating teams performed extremely well at the recent Credit Union Inter Primary Schools Quiz held in Tallow Community Centre on Thursday night last. It was a cliffhanger of a night with neck and neck scoring between the teams. At half time Conna A team was marginally ahead and qualified for the half time prize. After the interval the Ballyduff A team fought hard and ended up sharing top score of 46 each with Conna A.

A six question tie breaker of extremely difficult questions resulted in Ballyduff gaining a further four marks to Conna's two marks which gave a final score of Ballyduff A 50, Conna A 48. Third place was awarded to Tallow A team who were close runners-up.

Mr. John Martin, Credit Union Chairman, welcomed all the students, parents and teachers who had come out on such a bad night, both to participate in the quiz and to lend their support to their representatives.

Mr. John Hogan, Chairman of the Promotion and Development Committee explained the rules and introduced the quiz master Mrs. Brid Bergin who has established herself as being extremely fair and impartial. He also paid tribute to the members of the Community Centre management committee who had made the centre available for the quiz and to the Fás workers under the supervision of Sean Twomey who prepared the hall.

Prizes were awarded to the following: 1st prize, £100 to Ballyduff NS and a track suit each to the team members: Shauna Hannon, Simon Cogan, Simon O'Keeffe and Joanne Donovan; 2nd prize of £75 plus half time prize of £25 to Conna NS and a backpack and leather filled pencil case to each team member: Jean Hamilton, Liam Dineen, Kevin O'Sullivan and Carol O'Leary; 3rd prize of £50 to Tallow NS and a t-shirt to each team member: Emma Curley, James Hannon, John Beecher and Bryan Farrell.

St. Patrick's Day Parade In Dungarvan



Members of the Dungarvan Pipe Band who led the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Dungarvan. —(Photo: Pat Crowley).

BALLYSAGGART NOTES

BALLYSAGGART'S OLDEST RESIDENT DIES

Kate McGrath, Seemacudda, Ballysaggart, oldest resident at 96 years, passed peacefully to her reward on Thursday of last week. Kate was in excellent health until near the end and her house was a most popular visiting place for young and old alike. Indeed, Kate regularly had visitors from far outside the locality of Ballysaggart.

Kate was a most generous and saintly woman who had a profound affect on all who came in contact with her and her death will leave a deep void in the community. Ni bheidh a leigheid ann aris.

Kate's remains were removed to St. Carthage's Church, Lismore on Friday evening and the burial took place in Lismore on Saturday morning. On both occasions a large number of relatives and friends turned up to say their final farewells.

To Kate's relatives and very many friends we offer our sympathy.

RECENT BEREAVEMENTS

We offer our sympathy to Des Canning on the death of his father Mr. Denis Canning, Ballyduff; to Sheila Bennett on the death of her uncle Mr. Augustine Kearney, Ballyheaphy, and to Jimmy Greehy also, on the death of his uncle in hospital.

GET WELL

We wish a speedy recovery to John Bennett who is at present in Waterford Regional Hospital.

CARD RESULTS

1st, D. O'Brien and Mary Whelan; 2nd/3rd, Bertie Neville and Tom Brennock, Joe Shea and Johnny Cunningham, Eddie Byrne and Paddy Roche; lucky tables, Kathleen Coleman and Moss, Morrissey, John O'Gorman and Tommy Nugent, Tony and Anne McGrath. Raffle: John O'Gorman, Maura Murray, Mary Willoughby, John Kennefick.

DEISE DEVELOPMENT DRAW

Promoters are reminded that all tickets must be back to Breeda Clancy before this weekend. The first draw takes place in Melleray on Friday, March 29. So, if you haven't got your ticket already, there is still time to do so.

BALLYSAGGART MACRA

Kilmeaden Trip — On Friday night last, Ballysaggart Macra made their maiden voyage to Kilmeaden. A full bus headed eastwards from Ballysaggart and arrived at De Laceys Pub in Kilmeaden for a night of craic. On arrival we were greeted by Mr. "Bachelor in Trouble" himself, as a talent night was in full swing in the pub.

For a while it looked like some of our own talent was going to perform but in the long run sense prevailed. Towards the end of the night we decided to visit the other pub in Kilmeaden where a sing-song was in full swing. All in all, a great night was had by all.

Meeting — A meeting of Ballysaggart Macra will be held in the Community Centre at 8 p.m. on March 22. The meeting is to organise events for the coming month and to get membership sorted out. After the meeting it is hoped to run a bus to Lawlors to the Macra Wedding in aid of Telethon. Anyone interested in going should give their names to a member of the committee before Thursday night. Anyone interested in joining, please attend the meeting.



Beauty Basics

A THOUSAND WAYS TO IMPROVE YOUR IMAGE

A perfect manicure

BEFORE starting your manicure, lay out all your products and tools. Get a bowl of warm clear water, a bowl of soapy water and a hand towel.

Placing one hand flat on the towel remove all your nail varnish. Even if you're not wearing any it is still a good idea to clean your nails with varnish remover as it removes any traces of oil or cream from the nail.

Start to shape your nails with your emery board, file them from the outside into the centre, avoid using a sawing movement as this weakens the nails. Your nail shape should follow the contours of your fingers.

Soak your nails in warm soapy water for a couple of minutes. Then using the pointed end of your orange wood stick remove dirt from beneath the tips of your nails. Now apply your cuticle remover and leave it for about 3 minutes. Then using the flat end of your orange wood stick gently push back your cuticles. Rinse your nails in the warm clear water and dry them. At this stage if you have any hangnails or jagged cuticle cut it off using your cuticle clippers.

Apply your base coat using only three strokes, one in the centre and one on either side. This gives a smoother finish. Allow it to dry for about one minute. When applying your varnish apply it using three strokes also, after applying the first coat leave it to dry for 3 minutes, then apply your second coat, leave it to dry for 5 minutes. Finally apply your top coat and leave it to dry for at least 15 minutes. You can use a quick dry spray to speed up the drying process is desired.

Finally when your nails are completely dry massage a rich hand cream into your hands concentrating on dry areas.

The Leader's Double Crossword

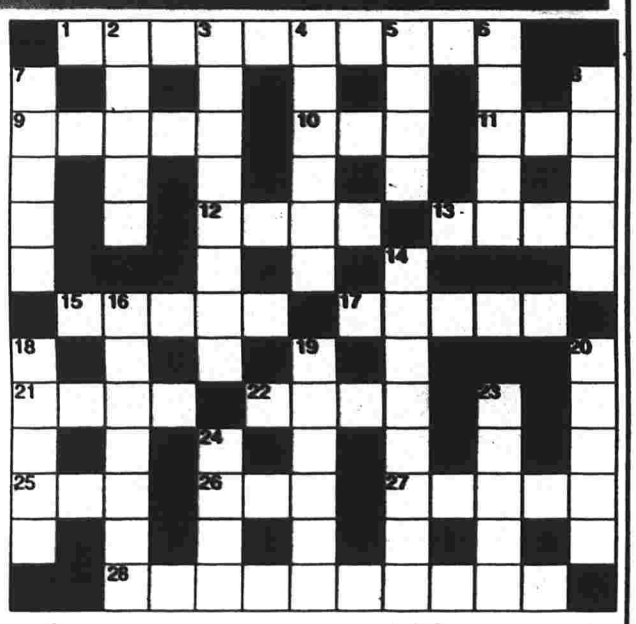
Simplex Clues

ACROSS

1. Cease with a supply (10).
9. Glass or lustre (5).
10. Perish or nonsense (3).
11. Upper item of dress (3).
12. Vain to hold a Russian name (4).
13. In a happy condition (4).
15. Publish a topic (5).
17. Comes together (5).
21. Remainder of a break (4).
22. Lowest number (4).
25. Food producing insect (3).
26. Urge ovum (3).
27. Federation of workers (5).
28. Greet tends to provide cleansing materials (10).

DOWN

2. Unsuitable or obsurd (5).
3. Coin tune to go further (8).
4. Not out of the ordinary (6).
5. Chew and swallows (4).
6. Compete whole (5).
7. Of a very light colour (5).
8. Makes work again (5).
14. Showing great determination (8).
16. Cease proceedings for a period (7).
18. Number of people in one group (5).
19. Joining of companies (6).
20. Knocks senseless (5).
23. Is Tom wet? (5).
24. One causing annoyance (4).



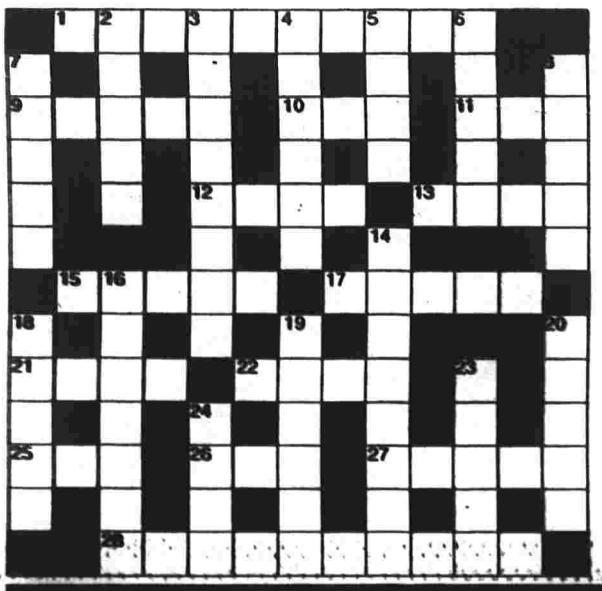
Quick Clues

ACROSS

1. Achiever (10).
9. Container (5).
10. Also (3).
11. Receive (3).
12. Preposition (4).
13. Halt (4).
15. Concerning (5).
17. Ethical (5).
21. Ceremony (4).
22. Yield (4).
25. Observer (3).
26. Period (3).
27. Existing (5).
28. Retailer (10).

DOWN

2. Normal (5).
3. Proceed (8).
4. Begins (6).
5. Disappear (4).
6. Brightness (5).
7. Range (5).
8. Paces (5).
14. Suffer (8).
16. Annoys (7).
18. Hold (5).
19. Comment (6).
20. Crawl (5).
23. Steeple (5).
24. Champion (4).



NOTE - Simplex and Quick Crossword answers are different.

Chefs Corner

Menus for the week



Chicken and pasta Fricassee

Preparation: 5 mins
Cooking: 30 mins
Serves: 4.

175g (6oz) pasta shells
75g (3 oz) frozen broad beans
50g (2 oz) sweetcorn kernels
298g (10 ½ oz) can condensed chicken and tarragon soup
225g (8 oz) cooked chicken meat, cubed
45ml (3 tbsp) single cream
sprigs of fresh tarragon to garnish

METHOD: Cook pasta in boiling salted water for 10 mins, until al dente (cooked but still firm). Drain and rinse well. Cook vegetables in boiling salted water for 4 mins, or until cooked, then drain and add to pasta. Blend soup with 200ml (7 fl) of water and stir into pasta together with diced chicken. Heat gently for 10 mins, then stir in cream and heat for a further 5 mins. Garnish with tarragon. Serve with salad and cibatta bread or rolls.

Chocolate Extravaganza

Serves 10-12
For the base:
280g (10 oz) chocolate digestive biscuits, crushed
85g (3 oz) unsalted butter, melted
For the White chocolate sponge:
170g (6 oz) unsalted butter
230g (8 oz) golden caster sugar
3 eggs, size 3, beaten
85g (3 oz) good-quality white chocolate, melted
230g (8 oz) self raising flour, sifted
85ml (3 fl oz) milk
For the dark chocolate sponge:
60g (2 oz) unsalted butter
100g (3¼ oz) golden caster sugar
1 egg, size 3, beaten
85g (3 oz) good-quality plain chocolate, melted
100g (3 ¼ oz) self-raising flour, sifted
60ml (2 fl oz) milk
For the chocolate ganache:
430ml (¾ pt) double cream
280g (10 oz) good-quality white chocolate, melted
For the chocolate curls:
60g (2 oz) good-quality plain chocolate
60g (2 oz) good-quality white chocolate
A 23 cm (9in) spring-form clip tin, greased

METHOD: To make the base, mix the crushed biscuits with the melted butter and use to line the base of the cake tin. Chill until firm then carefully unmould. Re-grease and line the tin. Set the oven at Gas mark 3, 325°F, 170°C. To make the white chocolate sponge, cream the butter and sugar together until pale and light. Gradually beat in the eggs, beating well after each addition. Fold in the melted white chocolate and flour, then beat in the milk. To make the dark chocolate sponge, use the same method as for the white chocolate sponge. Place alternate spoonfuls of each cake mixture in the prepared cake tin. Using a metal spoon, swirl the two mixtures together to create a marbled effect. Bake for 1½ to 1¾ hours, or until well risen and golden. Leave in the tin for 5 minutes before turning out on a wire rack to cool. To make the chocolate ganache, whip the cream with melted chocolate until thick. Spread a little over the prepared biscuit base and place the chocolate sponge on top. Spread the remaining ganache over the sides and top of the sponge and chill in the fridge. To make the chocolate curls, melt the plain and white chocolate in two separate bowls set over pans of gently simmering water. Spread the plain chocolate on to a marble slab and leave to set. Spread the white chocolate on top. Leave to set. Using a sharp knife, scrape the chocolate to make curls. Arrange the chocolate curls in the centre of the cake just before serving.

Household Hints

1. To remove a white water ring or spot from wood rub it with a damp cloth and a dab of toothpaste. For a more difficult stain, add a little bicarbonate of soda to the toothpaste.
2. During warm weather, try using a wine bottle filled with iced water when rolling out pastry. This is cooler than a rolling pin and results in lighter pastry.
3. Sprinkle a grease stain on non-washable fabric with talcum powder and leave for an hour or two. Brush off and apply dry-cleaning fluid to remove the last traces.
4. Brush chicken joints with evaporated milk before grilling or roasting. This produces a crisp golden coating with a subtle flavour.
5. Sandpaper rubbed on new soles gives the shoes a non-slip grip.

Family Health

By Dr. DAVE BARRY

Q. Each Winter I seem to pick up every germ going. I've tried having a flu injection and I take vitamin supplements, but nothing seems to make much difference. I'm 60 and appear in good health otherwise.

A. There seems to be a vicious circle set up in people such as yourself. One infection leads to suppression of the body's immune system and this makes you more prone to other infections. Ask your doctor to give you a general check-up to make sure there's no underlying problem. Anaemia, diabetes, poor nutrition, smoking, liver and kidney disorders can all undermine general health. Many doctors are keen to help people like yourself stay healthy. I'm sure your doctor will be willing to give you a thorough health check to give you the reassurance you require.

Q. My husband has a very [illegible] form of Lung cancer. The specialist has said that nothing can be done to stop the spread of the disease. I don't think my husband realises how little time he has left. How much do you think he should be told?

A. Some terminally ill people regard ignorance as bliss while others prefer to be given a detailed prognosis so they can arrange their lives accordingly. The policy most doctors have is to give the patient and family as much time as they can spare so they can ask questions and get truthful answers. Try to present as optimistic a picture as possible, as there's some evidence that a positive attitude to disease may increase the immune response to the condition and so improve the patient's prospects. Most doctors would be very wary of revealing things to the family that the patient himself is unaware of since this represents a breach of confidentiality.

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News of Town and Roundabout

MASS OF THE ANGELS

The Waterford Branch of Irish Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society will hold their annual Mass at the Mercy Convent Primary School Hall, Military Road, Waterford on Tuesday, March 26, at 7.30 p.m. This Mass will be of particular interest to parents of stillborn infants or babies who died shortly after birth. All family members welcome.

FASHION SHOW

A fashion show for Sesame Pre-School Dungarvan will be held at West Waterford Golf Club on Tuesday, March 26, at 8 p.m. Clothes by Rich Rags Boutique, O'Connell Street, Dungarvan. Music by Willie White. Tickets £5 each available from Rich Rags 058-43390 or Lena Walsh 058-41603. (Advt.)

DAFFODIL DAY

Daffodil Day will take place on Friday, March 22. Anybody wishing to donate fresh daffodils are kindly asked to leave them in the barrow at Grattan Square on Friday. Please support this worthy cause.

DUNGARVAN BRIDGE CLUB

Results, March 14 — 1, Tom Mulcahy and Eamonn Stack; 2, Louise Fleming and Avice Cusack; 3, Noel Hayes and John Mansfield; 4, Margaret O'Donnell and Mary Fenton.

HARBOUR BRIDGE CLUB

Results, March 14 — jt. 1, Maureen Ryan and Teresa Sullivan, Sally Walsh and Noreen Tobin; 2, Margaret Curran and Nellie Moloney; 3, Kitty Greaney and Bríd Culloo; 4, Kathleen Browne and Pauline Desmond.

ABBEY BRIDGE CLUB

Results, March 17 — 1, Geraldine Murphy and John Phelan; 2, Jenny Kiely and Chrissie McCarthy; 3, Teresa Ryan and Eileen Veale; 4, Bernie Murphy and Sean de Paor.

DEISE BRIDGE CLUB

Results, March 18 — 1, Tom Mulcahy and Margaret O'Donnell; 2, Austin Fenton and Eithne Keevers; 3, Noel Hayes and Ann Holland; 4, John Cullen and Cora Queally.

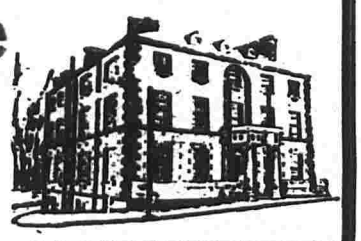
ST. MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL DRAW

Week No. 5 — £100 — John Cullinan, Rathgormac, p. Sr. Mary; £50 — Gillian McNamara, 44 Springfield, p. Ross Sullivan; £10 each — Dom Enright, Clonea, p. Cormac Enright; Bríd Neilsen, Ring, p. Bríd Neilsen; Eileen Cronin, Lissarow, Ardmore, p. Sharon Cronin; Richard O'Connell, 68 Silversprings, p. Aisling O'Connell; Helen Henley, p. Amy O'Shea, Childers Estate.

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Waterford County Council — I, Michael O'Sullivan, wish to apply to Waterford County Council for full planning permission to erect a dormer style dwelling, garage and entrance on my site at Ballinroad, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford.

Waterford County Council — C. McCarthy is applying for permission for alterations to existing dwelling at Barrack Street, Tallow Road, Tallow.

Dungarvan UDC — Michael Moloney & Co., Bridge Street, Dungarvan, are applying to Dungarvan Urban District Council for permission to re-roof and extend existing store at Bridge Street.

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Time and years slip gently by,
But love and memories will never die.
Will those who think of her today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.

(Always remembered by your loving daughter Margaret, Tommy and family.)

HANSBERRY — In loving memory of my dear mother, Eileen Hansberry, who went to her eternal reward on March 17, 1985 and my father John Hansberry, who joined her on September 4, 1989. May they rest in peace.

Never more than a thought away,
Quietly remembered every day.

(Remembered always by your loving daughter Teresa, Jimmy and family.)

HEALY — First Anniversary — In loving memory of William Healy, late of Ballycurrane, Clashmore, who died March 18, 1995. R.I.P. Masses offered.

The lonely year without you,
Is the saddest I have known,
I treasure every thought of you,
As I go on alone.
I cannot get over losing you,
No matter how I try,
I will always keep you in my heart,
Until the day I die.

(Never forgotten — your grandson P. J.)

McGOVERN — Eleventh and Fourteenth Anniversaries — In loving memory of my dear father Patrick McGovern, late of 4, St. Patrick's Terrace, Abbeyside, whose anniversary occurs on March 20, and my very dear brother Paddy "Pad" whose anniversary occurs on March 22, late of same address.

Anniversary Mass on Friday, March 22 at 7.30 p.m. at St. Mary's Parish Church.

We know you are happy, Pad,
You are where you want to be,
Reunited with beloved Mam and Dad,
In the land of eternity.

(Never forgotten by your loving daughter and sister Biddy.)

McGRATH — Twenty-sixth Anniversary — In loving memory of our dear mother, Kathleen McGrath, Monatrim, Lismore, who died on March 21, 1970. R.I.P.

It does not take a special day for us to think of you,
Each Mass we hear, each prayer we say, are offered up for you.
Will those who think of her today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.

(Always remembered by her loving family.)



O'BRIEN — First Anniversary — In loving memory of Jane O'Brien, late of 2, St. Garvan's Terrace, Dungarvan, who died on March 25, 1995. R.I.P. St. Anthony, you who raised the dead, pray for those Christians now in their agony and for our dear departed mother.

Anniversary Masses on Monday, March 25 at 9.30 a.m. in St. Mary's Parish Church and at 10 a.m. in the Friary Church.

A MOTHER'S LOVE

The life that I have is the love that I have,
The love that I have is yours,
The life that I have, and the love that I have,
Is yours, and yours, and yours.

(Always remembered by your loving family.)

O'BRIEN — Fifteenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear father, John O'Brien, late of 11, Congress Villas, Dungarvan, who died on March 12, 1981. R.I.P. Masses offered.

A golden heart stopped beating,
Two smiling eyes at rest,
God broke my heart to prove,
He only takes the best.
Never a nature more loving,
Never a heart more true,
I am proud you were my father,
I thought the world of you.

(Remembered always by your daughter Phil and son-in-law Micheál.)

O'BRIEN — Fifteenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear father, John O'Brien, late of 11, Congress Villas, Dungarvan, who died on March 12, 1981. R.I.P. Masses offered.

Happy memories last forever,
Of days when we were all together,
You showed us love and kindness,
You showed us how to care,
You bound us all together,
With a love few families share,
Some day we will meet again,
Where sorrow is unknown,
We will fold our arms around you, Dad,
And tell you we've come home.

(Always remembered by your loving daughter Rosarie, Deckie and grandchildren Jason and Louise.)



O'BRIEN — Fifteenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear father, John O'Brien, late of 11, Congress Villas, Dungarvan, who died on March 12, 1981. Masses offered. R.I.P.

Dad, you were always there when we needed you,
No task too great or small,
With loving hands and a loving heart,
For us you did it all.
We speak your name with love and pride,
We smile through tears we cannot hide,
Thank you Dad for the years we shared,
The love you gave and the way you cared.
You often said we would miss you,
Your words they have come true,
We lost the best and dearest dad,
The day that we lost you.
So rest in peace dear loved one,
And thanks for all you've done,
We pray that God has given you,
The crown you've truly won.

(Sadly missed and always remembered by your loving daughter Bridget, son-in-law Liam and grandchildren Jason, Marie and Jonathan.)

O'BRIEN — Fifteenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear father, John O'Brien, late of 11, Congress Villas, Dungarvan, who died on March 12, 1981. R.I.P. Masses offered.

We lost a father with a heart of gold,
How much we miss him can never be told,
He shared our troubles and helped us along,
If we follow his footsteps we will never go wrong.
He was a father so very rare,
Content in his home and always there,
On earth he toiled, in heaven he rests,
God bless you, Dad, you were one of the best.
We miss you from your fireside chair,
Your loving smile and gentle air,
Your vacant place no one can fill,
We miss you father and always will.

(Always remembered by your loving daughter Bernadette, John, grandchildren, Ann Marie, Jonathan and Shane.)

O'BRIEN — Fifteenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my dear father, John O'Brien, late of 11, Congress Villas, Dungarvan, who died on March 12, 1981. R.I.P. Masses offered.

Lonely is the home without you,
Things to me are not the same,
All the world would be like heaven,
If I could have you back again.
Gone from my sight that smiling face,
The cheerful happy way,
Your heart that won so many friends,
You left behind some broken hearts,
That loved you most sincere,
I never can and never will,
Forget you, Dad.

(Sadly missed by your loving son, John.)

O'BRIEN — Fifteenth Anniversary — In loving memory of my Dad, John O'Brien, late of 11, Congress Villas, Dungarvan, who died on March 12, 1981. R.I.P.

Your memory is precious,
And will never grow old,
It's locked in our hearts,
In letters of gold.
Your presence we miss,
Your memory we treasure,
Loving you always,
Forgetting you never.

(Always remembered by your loving son Christy, Noreen, Theresa, Stephen, John Paul, Peter and Jennifer.)

O'CONNOR — Fifth Anniversary — In loving memory of a dear wife and mother, Rita O'Connor, 63, Murphy Place, Abbeyside, who left us so suddenly on March 20, 1991. R.I.P.

Anniversary Mass in Abbeyside Church on Saturday, March 23, at 10 a.m.

Sad are the hearts that loved you,
Silent the tears that fall,
But living our lives without you,
Is the greatest heartache of all.
May the winds of love blow softly,
And whisper for you to hear,
That we your family miss you,
And wish that you were here.
No farewells were spoken,
No time to say goodbye,
Our loss was oh so sudden,
Only God knows why.
Find the softest pillow, Lord,
To rest her head upon,
Put a kiss upon her cheek,
And tell her who it's from.
Gone from us, but leaving memories,
Death can never take away;
If roses grow in heaven, Lord,
Pick a bunch for us,
Place them in our mother's arms,
And tell her they're sent from us.

(Always loved and sadly missed by your loving husband Danny, daughter Anne, sons Michael, Donal, Liam, Pat, Gerry and Obbey, son-in-law, daughters-in-law and grandchildren and all your family at home and away.)

O'DONNELL — First Anniversary — In loving memory of a dear mother, Marcella O'Donnell, Mount Stuart, Aglish, who died on March 21, 1995.

Anniversary Mass on Friday, March 22, at 8 p.m. in Mount Stuart Church.

A silent grief that's in our hearts,
No human eye can trace,
For many a broken heart is hid,
Beneath a smiling face.

(Sadly missed by your family.)

O'DONOGHUE — Sixth Anniversary — In loving memory of Thomas O'Donoghue, late of Boolakiely, Cappoquin, who died on March 26, 1990. R.I.P.

It does not take a special day,
For us to think of you,
Each Mass we hear, each prayer we say,
Are offered up for you.

(Always remembered by your loving family.)

O'LEARY — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of Kitty O'Leary, Murphy Place, Abbeyside, who died on March 22, 1992 and her son Oliver, who died February 7, 1943.

A bouquet of beautiful memories,
Sprayed with a million tears,
Wishing God could have spared you,
If just for a few more years.

(From all her family.)

SPILLANE — Fourth Anniversary — In loving memory of Winifred Spillane, late of Knockanore, Co. Waterford, who died on March 21, 1992. Masses offered.

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

(Never forgotten by her husband John and family and son-in-law Garrett.)

Acknowledgment

JAMES HALLINAN
Scart, Ballinamult

The nephews and nieces of the late James Hallinan wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement; those who sent Mass cards, letters of sympathy, floral tributes; those who attended the funeral and burial. A special word of thanks to Fr. M. Kennedy, P.P., Dr. O'Mahoney and nurses and staff of Dun Abbey House and District Hospital, Dungarvan.

As a token of our sincerest appreciation the holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

NOVENAS

PRAYER TO THE SACRED HEART — Dear Heart of Jesus in the past I have asked for many favours. This time I ask you this special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus and place it within your own broken heart where your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes it will become your favour, not mine. Amen. Say this prayer for 3 days, promise publication and favour will be granted. Never known to fail. — T.B.

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IFA Call For £1.75/lb. For Spring Lamb

Waterford IFA Sheep Committee Chairman, Harry Gray has said that early lamb producers need to get £1.75/lb. for Spring lamb to make a reasonable return over the costs of production.

Mr. Gray set down the IFA price demand of £1.75/lb. as factories are preparing to slaughter some small volume of new season lamb. "The costs of production for Spring lamb are as high as £1.24/lb. or £50/lamb. To make a margin of £20/lamb before ewe premium payments, early lamb producers need £1.75/lb."

The Waterford IFA sheep farmers leader said that some factories are quoting Spring lambs at 155p-158p/lb., but up to 60p./lb. has been paid. In addition, Mr. Gray said that the real consumption in the trade would only commence when butchers for the home market become active in the lead up to St. Patrick's Day and into Easter.

Mr. Gray was extremely critical of the continuing delay in the payment of Rural World Premium to lowland flock owners in Non-Disadvantaged Areas. "Last December, Minister Yates promised that the £5/ewe would be paid out by the end of January. It's now March and lowland flock owners have not received one penny in Rural World Premium."

Mr. Gray called on Minister Yates to cut through the red tape and bureaucracy that is blocking this money in both Dublin and Brussels. "It is time the Minister delivered on his promise to lowland sheep farmers."

Touraneena Notes

SET CLUB NOTES

Thanks to all who supported our Irish Night recently, which was held in Dunne's Bar. Our annual raffle took place and the winners were as follows: 1st, Agnes Hogan (Waterford Crystal); 2nd, Monty Walsh (Bottle of Brandy); 3rd, J. P. Walsh (Bottle of Whiskey); 4th, Noreen O'Brien (Bottle of Wine). Our promoters prize went to Shane and Ailbhe Foley (voucher).

We would to like to thank the children and parents who contributed their time and effort in making our raffle a success. Thanks to our sponsors, Waterford Crystal, Noel Devereux, Comeragh Oil and Anne Aherne who sponsored us for our raffle, and to Tom and Nuala Dunne for the venue.

SYMPATHY

We extend sincere and heartfelt sympathy to Michael and Bridie Hickey, Kilmacomma, Clonmel, on the unexpected death of their son Brian which occurred on Monday, March 11; also to his brothers Michael and Kieran, grandmother, uncles, aunts and numerous relatives and friends. May he rest in peace.

NEW HOUSES

Due to representations made by Councillor Kieran O'Ryan, approval has been granted from the Department of the Environment for the erection of two houses in Touraneena in the current year '96. Well done, Kieran.

18th BIRTHDAY

Best wishes to Catriona Foley, Kilcooney, Ballinamult, who will celebrate her 18th birthday on Saturday. Hope you have a great time Catriona — from all your family and friends.

SYMPATHY

Deep sympathy is extended to the nieces, nephews, relatives and friends of the late Paddy McGrath, Ballinagulkee, Ballinamult, whose death occurred over the weekend.

Remains were removed from his residence to St. Mary's Church, Touraneena, on Saturday night and were met on arrival by his cousin Canon Nugent and Fr. Pat Hayes, C.C. and on Sunday morning after 11.15 Mass interment took place in the adjoining cemetery. May he rest in peace.

UNDER-AGE TOURNAMENTS

In the primary school girls section of the indoor soccer tournaments, Niamh Coffey's Nigeria team booked their place in the final when they had a 6-3 victory over Edel Halley's Morocco team. Nigeria had a shaky start in front of goal but when Helen McCarthy scored their first goal just before half time, they started to play the entertaining soccer that they have performed throughout the tournament, and went on to become comfortable winners.

Sharon O'Connor's Ghana team qualified for the semi-final when they drew 3-3 with Mairead Hickey's Cameroon team. The match between Algeria and Israel produced the first ever no-score game.

There is only one week left in the league section. Two of the three knockout places are known and the other one will go to either Cameroon or Morocco.

There were brilliant performances from Christine Cliffe, Niamh Coffey and Helen McCarthy. Others to play well were Kerrie Cliffe, Michelle Gleeson, Avril Murphy, Sharon O'Connor, Ann Marie Kearns, Marie Quinlan, Fiona Gleeson and Onora Cummins.

The table is: Nigeria 18 pts.; Ghana 13 pts.; Cameroon 8 pts.; Morocco 6 pts.; Israel 5 pts.; Algeria 4 pts.

In the under-16 section Brigette Condon's Wales team qualified for the knockout stages when they beat Scotland 8-3. Gillian Gleeson's Rep. of Ireland team are also virtually qualified after beating Finland 12-4. Marie Coffey produced the best performance of the night, scoring six goals. Gillian scored three and Helen McCarthy, who was filling in for a missing player, scored two. The other goal was an own goal.

Sharon Cliffe's Northern Ireland team recorded a 7-3 victory over Jean Dunford's England team.

The third qualifying spot should go to either Scotland or Northern Ireland.

Brilliant on the night were Gillian Gleeson, Marie Coffey, Brigette Condon and Michelle Power. Others to impress were Helen McCarthy, Kate Gleeson, Gillian Queally, Nicola Dalton and Sharon Cliffe.

The league table is: Wales 14 pts.; Rep. of Ireland 12 pts.; Scotland 8 pts.; Northern Ireland 8 pts.; England 5 pts.; Finland 2 pts.

In the under-11 boys section, James Cliffe's Greece team moved off the bottom of the table when they drew 6-6 with Shane Hourigan's Sweden team. Holland beat Norway 7-4. Shane Hickey's Romania team had an excellent 7-1 victory over Finnian Grace's Belgium team. J. J. Coffey's Denmark team played a 5-5 draw with Mark Fraher's France team. Shiner Troy scored 9 goals in Germany's 9-5 victory over Italy. Seamus Power had another excellent game when his team beat Portugal 11-2. Best on the night were Shane Hickey, Tristan Hickey, Shiner Troy, Seamus Power, Robbie Power, Sean O'Neill and Jack Power.

The table is: Spain 16 pts.; Holland 16 pts.; France 13 pts.; Denmark 12 pts.; Germany 11 pts.; Sweden 10 pts.; Romania 8 pts.; Norway 7 pts.; Portugal 5 pts.; Italy 5 pts.; Greece 3 pts.; Belgium 2 pts.

There are only two rounds left and no team is yet guaranteed a knockout spot. It looks like Spain and Holland will qualify, with the third spot probably going to either France, Denmark or Germany.

Stephen Cliffe's Argentina team qualified for the final when they beat Peru 8-4. It was a brilliant team performance and they fully deserved their final spot. Brazil are through to the semi-final even though they were beaten 7-5 by Uruguay. John Myles Columbia team beat Mexico 12-5. The other semi-final spot will go to either Columbia or Peru.

There were brilliant performances from Colm Geary, Colin Gleeson, Denis Coffey, Paudie McCarthy, David O'Donovan, Paul Gleeson and Richie Meehan.

The table is: Argentina 14 pts.; Brazil 11 pts.; Columbia 10 pts.; Peru 8 pts.; Uruguay 7 pts.; Mexico 4 pts. The semi-finals are fixed for Friday, March 29 at 6 p.m. The finals are fixed for Sunday, March 31 at 7 p.m.

RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT

In the under-16 racquetball tournament which is being sponsored by Jimmy Coffey Plant Hire, there were two games played last week. Gillian Queally qualified for the final when she beat Yvonne Webster by two games to nil in the semi-final. Ciara Dunne qualified for a semi-final match against Nicola Dalton when she beat Marie Coffey 2-1.

NA DEISE LADIES FOOTBALL

Under-18 Championship — On Saturday last we played Old Parish in the quarter final of the competition. Both teams had their chances in the first quarter with Na Déise making the best use of the ball. As the game progressed Na Deise's team work continued to improve, leaving the final score at 4-4 to 1-1 in Na Déise favour.

This was a much improved performance and hopefully this is set to continue.

Team — Elaine O'Grady, April Walsh (capt.), Eibhlís O'Grady, Michelle Meaney, Kate Gleeson, Bridget Condon, Gillian Gleeson, Gillian Queally, Sarah Gleeson, Julie Cashman, Marian Troy, Nicola Dalton, Colette Ryan, Angie Walsh, Aileen McCarthy, Catherine Fitzgerald, Maria Gleeson.

Valentine Engagement Celebrations



Congratulations to Mr. Seán Bluett, formerly of Dungarvan and Miss Valerie Walsh, formerly of Comeragh, now residing in London (pictured above), and Jackie's niece Miss Angela Connors and Mr. Nick Ashley, both of London (pictured below) who announced their respective engagements on Valentine's Day.
Best wishes to Seán and Jackie who have recently taken up the management of "The Havelock Arms" Pub, Peckham, London.



DUNGARVAN ADULT LEARNING GROUP



Members of Dungarvan Adult Learning Group and St. Mary's who received their Certificates in Communication Skills, City & Guilds. Pictured are (l. to r.) Imelda Clynch, Nora Delaney, David O'Connor, Michelle Delaney, Julie Horsom, Anne Fleming, Paddy Lawton, Helen Whelan, Jimmy O'Leary, Billy Kearns and David O'Dowd. *(Photo: Pat Crowley)*

RECENT DEATHS

Mrs. Bríd Browne (née Norris)

We record with sincere regret the death of Mrs. Bríd Browne (née Norris) which sad event occurred unexpectedly at her home "Helvick," Loretto Park, Cross Douglas Road, Cork on Tuesday, March 12.

Formerly of Cairbre House, Abbeyside, Bríd was member of a well known and highly esteemed local family.

Her remains were removed from the Coburg Street Funeral Home of Jerh O'Connor Ltd. on Thursday evening to Christ the King Church, Turner's Cross.

Requiem Mass was celebrated on Friday at 12.30 p.m., after which the funeral took place to St. Michael's Cemetery, Blackrock for interment.

Bríd was loving wife of Martin and mother of Derek, Hilary, Cyril, Miriam and Gerard and she is also survived by her brother Sean Norris, Abbeyside, her sisters Mrs. Nancy Nagle, Abbeyside and Mrs. Peg Corcoran, Dungarvan, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and other relatives, to all of whom we extend deep and sincere sympathy on their sad loss.

Mr. Sidney King

It is with feelings of deep and sincere regret we chronicle the passing of Mr. Sidney King of 22, Lismore Avenue, Dungarvan, whose death occurred unexpectedly on Wednesday, March 13 at his residence. The deceased was husband of Johanna (née Duggan), she being a member of a very old and popular Dungarvan family.

Sidney and his wife Johanna had returned from England four years ago. He became very popular in those short years by reason of his willingness to help his neighbours when he was required to do so. He was a man with a great knowledge of maintenance work where the household was concerned and his workmanship was of the first degree. Besides his charitable disposition, he was a kind and loving husband and father.

To his sorrowing wife Johanna, his son Martin and daughters Noreen, Julia, Patricia and Marie, we tender our deepest sympathy. Also to his grandchildren, brothers-in-law, sister-in-law, relatives and friends.

His remains were removed on Friday evening from the Kiely Funeral Home to St. Mary's Parish Church after prayers and rosary were recited by Fr. Kelly, C.C. On arrival at the church, his coffin was blessed and received by Fr. G. McNamara, C.C.

Requiem Mass was offered on Saturday morning for the repose of his gentle soul and the interment then took place in the family plot in the adjoining cemetery. Fr. Kelly was celebrant of the Mass and also imparted the final absolution at the graveside.

A large attendance of relatives, neighbours and many friends were present at the obsequies and many beautiful floral tributes were placed on his grave.

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

Sister M. Peter

The death occurred last week in the Mercy Convent, Clonakilty, of Sr. M. Peter, formerly of Grange, Ardmore. She was a past pupil of Grange NS and Loreto Convent, Youghal and entered the Mercy Convent, Clonakilty in 1932. She was trained as a primary teacher in Careysfort 1940-42 and later was principal of St. Aloysius Primary School in the orphanage attached to the convent, and on hearing of her death, past pupils in Australia, Canada and the US communicated with one another and sent messages of condolence to Clonakilty.

Sr. Peter was Novice Mistress 1956-'62; Assistant Superior 1962-'68; Superior 1968-'74, during which period she visited the Mercy Convent, Clonakilty foundation in Florida. From 1974-'85, she was bursar and through it all, the garden was her pride and joy.

She died quickly and peacefully at home in the convent and was given a royal send-off. Twenty priests (including Fr. M. Hurley, S.J.) officiated at her funeral and the principal celebrant was her cousin Fr. O'Shaughnessy, C.S.Sp., Terenure. The choir was augmented from the town and was truly superb. A guard of honour of school girls awaited the remains outside the chapel and her Lincoln and Hickey nephews carried her to the convent cemetery, where she is at rest at last after a lifetime of service and responsibility and achievement.

The two former abbots (R.I.P.) of Mellifont and Melleray were her first cousins.

Mrs. Bridget Mulcahy (née Hanley)

With regret we record the death of Mrs. Bridget Mulcahy (née Hanley), 4, Murphy Place, Abbeyside, which took place on Tuesday, March 12, at Waterford Regional Hospital.

A quiet, inoffensive woman, Bridget was a native of Bansha, Co. Tipperary and came to Abbeyside over fifty years ago. She was predeceased by her husband Michael over 13 years ago.

She was a wonderful neighbour who was held in high esteem by a huge number of friends, who deeply mourn her passing.

Sincere sympathy is extended to her sorrowing sons, daughter and other relatives on their sad loss.

Following Rosary recited by Fr. Ahearne, C.C., removal was from Drohan's Funeral Home on Wednesday evening to Abbeyside Church where the remains were received and blessed by Fr. Ahearne, assisted by Fr. Dee.

Following funeral Mass on Thursday morning celebrated by Fr. Doherty, P.P., assisted by Fr. Ahearne and Fr. Kennedy, P.P., burial took place in Ballinroad Cemetery. Fr. Doherty officiated at the graveside, assisted by Fr. Ahearne. Readings during the Mass were given by Sean (son-in-law) and Brian (grandson).

The chief mourners were — Joe and Tony (sons), Mary (daughter), Sean (son-in-law), Cait and Breda (daughters-in-law), Alan, Michelle, Paul, Brian, Orla, Sinead and Michael (grandchildren), Elizabeth McGrath (sister) and Jimmy McGrath (brother-in-law).

(Funeral arrangements by Tom Drohan, Funeral Director, Dungarvan.)

Mr. Paddy McGrath

With sadness we record the passing of Mr. Paddy McGrath, Ballinagulkee, Ballinamult, which sad event occurred at the Mercy Hospital, Cork, on Friday, March 15.

Removal was from his niece's (Kathleen Connors, Ballinagulkee) residence on Saturday evening to Touraneena Church. Following funeral Mass on Sunday morning burial took place in the adjoining cemetery.

Full obituary next issue.

(Funeral arrangements by Tom Drohan, Funeral Director, Dungarvan.)



Pictured at the tree planting ceremony in Kilmacthomas Park were (left to right) — Ben Butler, Overseer, Kilmacthomas, Larry Fraher, Area Engineer, Cllr. Oliver Coffey, Chairman, Waterford County Council, Francie Kiersey, Kilmacthomas Tidy Towns Committee and Peter Carey, Environmental Section, Waterford County Council. —*(Photo: Sean Byrne).*

Abbeyside/Ballinacourty G.A.A. Club News

UNDER-16 FOOTBALLERS WIN
Abbeyside 5-7
St. Olivers 1-1

Our under-16 footballers had their first win of the current championship when they scored a comprehensive win at St. Augustine's Park, The Burgery on Sunday morning week last. Johnny Burns and his back room team are busy organising their forces now and with two games to play in the league section, they are hoping to, maybe, reach the knockout stages. Even though ranked as outsiders, the panel of players is full of enthusiasm and are thoroughly enjoying their games.

Our panel for last Sunday week's game was — Garvan McCarthy, Richard Enright, Seamus Sheehan, Brian Hayes, Gary Lyons, John Phelan (capt.), Martin Lavan, Gary Hurney, Eoin Hayes, Eamon Cashin, Ronan McCarthy, Joe Thompson, Aidan Mountain, Robin Keane, Seamo Byrne, Paudie Morrissey, Ciaran Shields, Stefan McNamara, John O'Connor, Denis Byrne, Eoin Browne.

Our game versus Kilrossanty due to be played last weekend was rained off with grounds taking a fierce battering from the non stop rain. This game will be rescheduled for next week.

Our game for this weekend is our rescheduled encounter with Ardmore which was postponed two weeks ago.

ALL IRELAND COLLEGES DUTY

Congratulations to Dwain Moore who captained his college team, St. Patrick's, Drumcondra, to All Ireland success in the Colleges Hurling Championship recently. Dwain, who also trained and coached the team, notched up a tally of 2-11 in his team's semi final and final victories played over the Saturday and Sunday at Colraine College. This was Dwain's third All Ireland winners medal with St. Pat's having picked up a hurling winners medal in '94 and a football winners medal in '95. Well done.

UNDER-21 FOOTBALL

Our game versus the Ardmore/Clashmore combination scheduled for last weekend was postponed due to the heavy rainfall which put venues all over the division out of use. Western Board Secretary Anthony Walsh has speedily announced a rescheduled fixture list with our game versus the same opposition going ahead on Saturday at 3 p.m. at An tSean Phobal venue. The squad will leave from the usual platform at 2 p.m. Saturday.

MEDALS PRESENTATION

A special function has been organised to present the 1995 Western Junior 'B' champions with their medals. Friday, evening, March 22 (this Friday evening) is the date, with proceedings getting under way at 9 p.m. sharp at The Village Inn. Speaking to quite a number of the junior 'B' squad during the week, it looks certain that we will have a full turnout of the squad that powered it's way to divisional honours. It's going to be a great night at the "Village". The entire club will celebrate this one.

CLUB BANNER

At last week's committee meeting a new club banner, tailored by our good friend Tim O'Regan, was unfolded and presented to club chairman Noel Fleming by Pat Moore. The banner, which incorporates the blue and gold of Abbeyside and the green and white of Ballinacourty and has a centre crest incorporating the Abbey Church and Lighthouse, was designed by Pat Moore and is indeed a beautiful production.

Pat is currently working on designing a club crest and the initial draft was presented to the meeting last week. This too is a beautiful piece of artistic design and we eagerly await the finished product.

LADIES FOOTBALL NEWS

WATERFORD v LAOIS AT KILL (3 p.m.)

On Sunday next Waterford take on Laois in the second round of the league. Rivalry between the counties has always been keen and this latest episode is sure to provide plenty of entertainment.

MINOR NEWS

This game will be part of a double header with defending champions St. Anne's and Ballymacarbry meeting in the minor semi final. Also down for decision this weekend is the other semi final clash between Kilrossanty and Na Deise.

Modeligo Notes

LOTTO

Numbers 4, 10, 19. No winner. The jackpot on Saturday now climbs to £700. Can the perfect combination be realised this week, try your luck and it may be your lucky weekend.

£10 winners were Dan Kelleher, Cappagh, Billy Walsh, Lower Glen, Kathy Crotty, Scart, John and Jamie Troy, Graiguemore, Biddy Foley, Graiguemore.

IN HOSPITAL

Get well wishes to Leo Fitzgerald, Boherawillin, who is at present a patient in Waterford Regional Hospital.

LENT

You can participate each Friday night during the Feast of Lent, in the Stations of the Cross and Benediction. The ceremony begins at 7.30 p.m. and all are welcome.

BADMINTON CLUB

The knockout league began on a good note last week with team one beating Dungarvan with a 4-2 scoreline. They are away to Dungarvan on Thursday night. Remember it is the total of the two meetings that will decide the winner.

The second Modeligo team are away on this Tuesday night to Old Parish and in return play at home to them on Thursday. Best wishes to each team in the competition.

JUVENILE BADMINTON LEAGUE

We held the final of the in-house juvenile league on Friday, March 15. The final and semi-finals being run off on the one night. Semi final pairings — Marian Troy and Shane Hourigan against April Walsh and Catherine Fitzgerald.

In this match Marian and Shane gave their opponents a good run for their money and fought every point. While the first set seemed one-sided, they rallied in the second only to be beaten by a narrow margin. The first pairings for the final were through, April Walsh and Catherine Fitzgerald.

The second semi final was between Angie Walsh and Jenny Buckley against Aoife Hennessy and Kerrie Cliffe. Again a great game ensued with Aoife and Kerrie determined to secure a place in the final. They were very unfortunate on the night and were beaten by a strong presence from Angie Walsh and Jenny Buckley. So the prospect of a Walsh final gave an additional air of excitement to the event. A large crowd of spectators were present with everyone rooting for their favourite team.

Now the final and the prospect of attaining the prestigious title of club juvenile champions and beautiful trophies kindly sponsored by Deckie and Chrissie Walsh of Deckies Lounge.

A real match ensued with no side willing to drop a point and the first set was claimed by Angie and Jenny at 18-15. What they lacked in strength they made up for in determination and skill. April and Catherine bravely battled on but Angie and Jenny ran out winners.

Clare Cashman, Chairman of the club, presented the trophies on behalf of the Walsh family. She thanked everyone for attending and all the juveniles who played in the league. Thanks also to Micheal Power, Jessie Power and John Hourigan for coaching them throughout the year. Judging by the standard of play the club will be strong and vibrant in the years ahead.

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AIB Contribute To Carmelite Building Fund



Pictured above is Mr. Nicky Donnelly, Senior Manager, A.I.B. Dungarvan, presenting the cheque to Sr. Patrice, Prioress. Also included are Sisters of the Carmelite Convent, members of the Central Building Fund Committee and A.I.B. staff members. *—(Photo: Sean Byrne).*

In response to the Carmelite Sisters nationwide appeal to help rebuild their Monastery in Tallow, AIB Bank have made a substantial contribution to the Building Fund.

The Carmelite Sisters have been in Tallow since 1836 when the Monastery was established on a site donated by the Duke of Devonshire, whose family own Lismore Castle and Estates.

A professional assessment of the Monastery carried out in 1994 revealed major defects in the building. The level of expense necessary to restore the existing Monastery was such that it could not be justified. Based on the best advice received the Sisters decided to demolish the building and build a new Monastery on the existing site.

A nation-wide fund raising campaign was launched to raise £400,000 and thanks to the trojan efforts of the fund raising committee this target has now almost been reached.

While based in Tallow the Monastery attracts vocations from all over the country and the present community consists of 15 sisters who represent all strands of life in Ireland. While an enclosed community the sisters took the difficult decision to emerge from their contemplative life to be seen beside their fundraisers.

The importance of maintaining a strong community structure in rural Ireland is recognised by AIB. To ensure that Orders such as the Carmelites will continue to be an integral part of vibrant local communities such as Tallow, AIB are pleased to be associated with this project.

Mr. N. Donnelly, Business Unit Manager, West Waterford made the presentation of their cheque to the Prioress, Sr. Patrice at a reception held at AIB Bank Lismore.

KILROSSANTY NOTES

SYMPATHY

Deepest sympathy is extended to the O'Reilly family, Kilmacthomas, on the death of Paddy O'Reilly at the age of 97 years. Paddy was well known in this area as his predecessors were born in Ballintlea. His son Jim played football with Kilrossanty. May he rest in peace.

CARDS

Don't forget the cards next Monday in Crotty's Inn for the Kilrossanty Fews Lourdes Fund. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

I.C.A.

Kilrossanty Guild have entered the AIB competition on Saturday, March 23 in Lawlors Hotel, Dungarvan in the afternoon. All members are welcome to attend the exhibition.

WEDDING

Congratulations to Paula Phelan, Cummeen, daughter of Tony and Ann Phelan and Peter Kiely, son of Dr. E. P. Kiely and Mrs. Kiely, Kilmacthomas, who were married recently in Fews Church. The music in the church was provided by Trudy Walsh.

The bride was attired in ivory gown of duchess satin. Her bridesmaids were Elsie Fenton, Viva Phelan, Mary Rose Phelan and Avena Kiely. The best man was Edwyn Kiely and groomsmen were Billy Kelly, Niall Corcoran and David Phelan. Flower girl was Megan Kiely; page boys Cormac Williams and Ben Kiely (niece and nephews of the groom). The reception was held in the Park Hotel, Dungarvan.

They returned to Kentucky, USA, to renew their business commitments. Many years of wedded bliss to both of you.

CARDS

Winners, Stephen Cunningham and Tom Casey; jt. runners-up, Breda Kiely and Joan Barry, John Morrissey and Sean Lennon, Mary Morrissey and Mike Donovan; best last five, Michael O'Donnell and Martin Fitzgerald; lucky table, Nicky Wall and John Mansfield; last game, Vinny Kirwan and Jim Maher. Raffle: Mary Veale, Mary Whelan, Michael O'Donnell.

Don't forget the cards next week for Lourdes Fund. The proceeds will send a local girl to Lourdes.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS NIGHT

M.S. Night in Crotty's Inn on Saturday, March 30. Music by Pat Murray.

KILROSSANTY G.A.A. NOTES

Clotto — Clotto next Sunday night for £300.

Deise Draw — Ticket sellers are requested to have all tickets sold and unsold back to Mairead Coffey by this weekend. Anyone wishing to be included in the Draw, tickets are still available. The first draw takes place on March 29.

Under-16 Football — The under-16 football match against Abbeyside was cancelled on Monday last due to the field being unplayable. At the time of going to press no new date has been fixed. Training will continue this Wednesday night as usual.

Under-21 Football — The under-21 team are due to play the first round of the championship this weekend. Check paper for details.

Injured — Speedy recovery is wished to Eoin Fennell who has a broken hand at present.

Death — Sympathy to the O'Reilly family, Kilmacthomas on the death of Patrick O'Reilly, who died over the weekend. His son Jim played football with the club here for some years. May he rest in peace.

REMEMBERING OTHER DAYS



Our featured photograph in our "Remembering Other Days" series this week is of a group of Dungarvan weight lifters in the early 1950's. The group were members of Dungarvan Weightlifting Club pictured after giving an exhibition of weightlifting in Dungarvan. Included in the group are, at back (left to right) — John Whelan, Joe Dalton, Michael Sandford, Larry Norris, John Norris, Sean Power, George Hamilton; front row — Peter Morley, Johnny Bransfield, Thomas Forde, William Franklin, John Duggan and John Franklin (sitting). James Ducey is the onlooker nearest the camera on the right.

ST. MARY'S PARISH
DUNGARVAN

MONDAY, MARCH 25

Feast of the Annunciation of Our Lord. "The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary, and she conceived of the Holy Spirit". Pray the Angelus.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

This was blessed and dedicated by Bishop Lee on Saturday, March 9. It provides for continuous exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Our present times on Wednesdays and Thursdays will be extended as more people sign on for an assigned hour each week. This provides an opportunity for private prayer to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

BEATIFICATION OF EDMUND RICE

The Beatification of Edmund Rice will take place in Rome on October 6, 1996. This is a cause of great joy and celebration for the Presentation Brothers and the Christian Brothers, the two Religious Congregations which he founded, as well as for the entire Church. Many thousands of people in Ireland and throughout the world have been influenced by his vision and spirit.

It is hoped that the occasion of the Beatification will be a time of renewal and rededication for all associated with the Edmund Rice family. Edmund Rice speaks to the world today as a layman, as husband, as parent, as businessman, a well as a religious founder. He lived a life of great faith, in difficult times for the Irish people, and he can be held up as a source of encouragement for us today.

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

Confirmation in Colligan Church. The boys and girls from the parish will be Confirmed by Bishop Lee.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

The above begins on Monday, April 22 in St. Mary's Church.

Fine Gael Dungarvan District Executive A.G.M.



The Annual General Meeting of the Dungarvan District Executive of Fine Gael was held on Friday, March 1 at Lawlor's Hotel. Deputy Austin Deasy T.D. and Councillor Richard Power M.C.C. were both in attendance.

The first piece of business to be dealt with at this year's A.G.M. was the election of officers for the forthcoming year. They are as follows:

Chairman — Tom Power; Vice-Chairman — Jimmy Lenihan; Secretary — Nicola Lenihan; Joint Treasurers — Pat O'Mahony, Pat Daly; P.R.O. — Damien Geoghegan; Organiser — Billy Lee.

The meeting was informed that an election strategy committee was formed at the constituency Officer Board meeting. The election strategy committee would deal with such issues as candidates, selection conventions and fund raising. The election strategy committee would be made up of 2 representatives from each electoral area. Dan Leahy and Michael Butler were chosen to represent the Dungarvan electoral area.

Deputy Austin Deasy T.D. then addressed the meeting and spoke on a wide range of local and national topics.

The incoming chairman Tom Power then addressed the meeting. He spoke of the proud history of the party and the important role that it has played in both local and national politics. He stated that if was an honour for him to be chairman at this particular time and it was a time to go forward and look to the future with renewed optimism.

Pictured above are members of the Dungarvan/Abbeyside Branch pictured with Part Leader John Bruton at the recent Ard Fheis. Included are Pat O'Mahoney, Natanya O'Mahony, John Bruton, Tom Power, Damien Geoghegan, Cissie O'Mahony and Annette Quinn Geoghegan.

KILL NOTES

HORSES AT CHELTENHAM

It was great to see local horses running at the Cheltenham race meeting. These horses were Dancebeat, owned by Mrs. Eileen Queally and McNamara's Band and Scooby Boy owned by Ron Shaw. Unfortunately, none of the horses came out winners, but did their best.

DRAW MONEY

All new draw money should be handed into Ray Hennessy before the weekend. This is the first new draw for this year.

HUNTER TRIALS

This Sunday, March 24, Kill Harriers will hold their annual hunter trials at Glenhouse, Portlaw. This will commence at 10.30 a.m. Anybody competing must be there in good time. There will be three events: Mini, Maxi and Horses.

LATE MR. MARTIN KIELY

It was with with the deepest regret that we learned of the death of Mr. Martin "Panda" Kiely on last Wednesday afternoon in Ardkeen Regional Hospital after a short illness. Anybody that was lucky enough to have met Martin would have known the popular character he was. He was a legend in his lifetime. He was a noted greyhound trainer and was turning out winners up to the time of his death. He was also a breeder of greyhounds and bred many a noted dog. He was very popular at all the greyhound meetings. He was the one and only Mayor of Kill for almost two decades.

During his time he addressed many gatherings and functions. He was also a noted storyteller and was loved by young and old alike. He was the local grave digger for almost 20 years

His remains were removed to Kill on Thursday evening where they were received by Fr. Burns, where a huge gathering of mourners attended. On Friday after 11 o'clock Mass his remains were laid to rest, again in the presence of a huge gathering of mourners.

To his brothers, sisters, relatives and friends we send our sincere sympathy. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Sunshine And Sycamores For Dungarvan Songstress



Mai O'Higgins, composer of "Dungarvan My Hometown," assisted by Cllr. Nuala Ryan, Cathaoirleach, Dungarvan Urban Council, planting a varegated sycamore tree in the Town Park on Sunday last. Included are Donal Connolly, Co. Manager, Ray Moloney, Town Clerk and members of the Urban Council. *—(Photo: Rory Wylet).*

After mid-day Mass on Sunday last, St. Patrick's Day, a very pleasant ceremony took place in the Town Park, when Dungarvan's foremost songstress Mai O'Higgins planted a tree which will be a living reminder of what she has contributed to the town of her birth.

The rain cleared just in time for the ceremony and by the time the Brass Band began the parade to the Town Park, leading the guest of honour, the members of the Urban Council, County Manager Donal Connolly, Town Clerk Ray Moloney and friends and relations of Dungarvan's most famous daughter, the sun was shining brilliantly on the happy group.

Waiting in the Park were friends and well wishers to watch Mai plant her variegated Sycamore which, she hoped, "will grow tall and strong and will always be a living reminder that I was here."

Cllr. Nuala Ryan, Cathaoirleach of the Council, said that few people were aware of when they had heard the song "Dungarvan My Hometown" for the first time, or who had told them that it was a Dungarvan woman, now living in Dublin who had written it.

"Just last Summer", said Cllr. Ryan, "we stood in this Park on the occasion of the celebrations of its centenary and I spoke about the evenings in the 1960's when the Choral Society, of which I was then a member, sang on a special stage erected for Gala Week. One of those songs was "Dungarvan My Hometown" and I remember how fitting the location was as we "gazed o'er the water at old Abbeyside" or looked out where "Dear old Helvick is dreaming in her bonnet of Grey." Even then, we knew they had a special significance, but that has grown even stronger and more relevant with the passing of the years.

I could hardly have realised back then, that someday I would have the honour of inviting the composer of what quickly became the town's own anthem, to plant a tree to honour the special service she gave to her, and to our, hometown."

"Those memories," said Cllr. Ryan, "the lasting pleasure of a fine composition and the privilege of having a song of our very own have come to us courtesy of Mai O'Higgins and we should be very grateful to her for that.

It has been a pleasure to meet her again this weekend. Long may she be among us, long may her pen continue to turn out her fine compositions and long may the people of the town sing her song in praise of Dungarvan, "our home by the sea", the Cathaoirleach concluded.

Mai O'Higgins thanked Cllr. Ryan and the members of the Urban Council for "the very great honour" they had accorded her in inviting her to plant this tree in her native place.

"This is the very Park in which I played as a child," she told the assembled crowd, "and where later on I enjoyed the music of the Brass and Reed Band when they used to play here. I am particularly pleased with the location as it faces my beloved Abbeyside, and also where I can look out to Helvick and, of course, further on to my true grassroots in An tSean Phobal."

She said she was deeply moved by the thoughtfulness of all her Dungarvan friends who have always been especially kind to her.

She was particularly impressed by the rousing rendition of her song "Dungarvan My Hometown" for which the Brass Band under the direction of Jonathan Bulfin and the choir of St. Mary's Church joined forces to beautiful effect. To the strains of the well loved melody Mai planted her tree, which as it grows will be a lasting reminder of her unique contribution to her hometown.



Mr. J. Glanville, Regional President, St. Vincent de Paul Society presenting £75 cheques to Ard Scoil na nDeise pupils Joanne Whelan and Laura Terry, winners of the Area and Regional Art Poster Competition run to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Famine. Also included in the photo are Oliver Croke, Area President, St. Vincent de Paul, Ray McDonald, Regional Administrator and Margaret Radley, a member of St. Mary's Branch, Dungarvan. *—(Photo: Rory Wylet).*

People In Need Talent Competition

Competitors for three major talent competitions organised by People In Need are now needed.

The competition is open to solo singers, group singers, groups of musicians, comedians, special acts and dancers.

The Primary school final will be held at the Bridge Hotel, Waterford on April 17. Post Primary schools final will take place in the Granville Hotel on April 16 and the various semi finals will be held in the schools.

The grand adult final will be held in the Tower Hotel on April 20 with 1st prize of a summer sunshine holiday.

For further information please contact, People In Need Office, 12 Broad Street, Waterford. Tel. 051-841416/841418.

BALLYDUFF NOTES

BALLYDUFF MACRA NOTES

Wedding Of The Year — Yes, this Friday night, March 22nd in Lawlor's Hotel, Dungarvan, the 'highlight of the century' will take place. The wedding is in aid of Telethon and all funds will go towards the People in Need fund.

The wedding kicks off at 8.00 p.m. sharp. The bride has guaranteed me she won't be late. The service is being administered by the Very Rev. Fr. Dunphy who will be assisted by the groom's nephew, Michael O'Donnell as altarboy. This will be followed by a four course meal and then the fathers of the bride and groom will say a few words. The fathers of both bride and groom are the famous "Bachelors in Trouble" outfit. Then the best man, Michael Hunt is going to spill the beans on the groom's very colourful past. Now what can I say about the bride and groom. Well, the bride is a fine country lassie who's able to milk cows, feed hens, clean pigstys and is well able to produce an heir. On that note there is a rumour circulating that there are twins on the way, who have been officially named Zig & Zag. Well honestly, I think with the genetics of the bride and groom, Mike Tyson would want to be the on the lookout !!! There were three stag parties during the week which left no-one in any doubt that the gang were officially mad. Also the groom, Pat Kenny was seen wearing some colourful lingerie on Sunday night.

By the way, those of you who forgot to turn up on Monday night - a punishment beating has been organised to refresh your memories. It's also rumoured that R.T.E. are coming on Friday to film this most unusual occurrence for T.V. on Telethon Day but honestly, I think it would be more suited to "Crimeline" !!!

Well readers, tickets are going like wildfire for the whole wedding but everyone is welcome to the afters. But if you want a ticket to the 'Holy Show' (wedding) give Pat Kenny a ring and we'll swindle something.

Debaters — The debaters are heading for Co. Louth on Saturday night where they will take on Cullohill from Co. Laois in the national semi-finals of the debating. They are opposing the motion "That the supposed raw deal for teachers is not in the national interest". There is a bus leaving The Village at 3.00 p.m. on Saturday for Cullohill which will return to Ballyduff that night. The lads would appreciate all the support they can get so if there is anyone out there who would like to travel, contact Martin Kenny as soon as possible. The level of commitment that the lads and their teachers, Noel and Ann put into each debate is something worth noting. They got the motion two weeks in advance. They met every single night and day and kept at it until the early hours of the morning.

Drama — The following weekend (March 30th/31st), the drama All-Ireland is on in Ballinasloe, Co. Galway. Ballyduff are on the final night. The club are running a bus and are hoping for good support from the parish so anyone interested in travelling or staying in Ballinasloe, contact John Leamy.

Upcoming Fundraising Raffle

The club are organising a raffle in the coming weeks as the club's remarkable success this year has really drained club funds. We will hope that everyone will support this fundraising event.

BALLYDUFF G.A.A. NOTES

Indoor Hurling — Indoor hurling will recommence in St. Michael's Hall this Saturday morning at 10.00 and continue until 1.30 p.m. Programme of games as on original sheet.

There will be an U-11 blitz in Lismore on Friday evening involving Ballyduff, Lismore, Tallow, Shamrock's and Killeagh commencing at 3.15 p.m.

U-21 Football — U-21 football training tomorrow night (Thursday) at 8.00 p.m.

The U-21 Championship game against Lismore, postponed on Saturday last due to the weather conditions, has been re-fixed for this coming Saturday again in Ballyduff at 3.00 p.m. Players are asked to in the field at 2.30 p.m.

Senior Hurlers — The Senior hurlers will open their league campaign on Easter Sunday, April 7th when they play De La Salle in Dungarvan with the second game against Dunhill a week later.

Lotto — Congratulations to Brendan Hannon, Hillcrest, Ballyduff on winning the £400 lotto jackpot on Tuesday night last. The numbers drawn were: 3, 9, 2. Next Tuesday night's draw will be in Tobin's Bar at 9.30.

Déise Development Draw — Déise Development Draw tickets are still available for the new series of draws which commence on Friday week, March 29th. Tickets can be obtained from John Jackson or Pat Flynn.

1971 County Junior Hurling Champions — A function to honour the 1971 County Junior Hurling Championship winning team will take place in St. Michael's hall on Friday, October 25th.

Sympathy — The Club extends sincere sympathy to the wife, sons, daughters, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends of the late Augustine Kearney, Ballyheaphey who died over the weekend.

BALLYDUFF LADIES FOOTBALL CLUB

Sponsored Walk — Things are starting to take shape. We've got ourselves a trainer. Four people have agreed to sponsor footballs and we had a sponsored walk on Sunday last. We would like to thank most sincerely all those who sponsored the walkers.

Luckily the weather improved for us after a wet start to Sunday morning and everybody enjoyed the walk. Monies can be handed in to Teresa Noonan at the shop or Jane Hickey, whom you can find in the Log Cabin after 5.00 each evening, working, I hasten to add. Please try to get your walk money in this week, if possible.

Training — Training had to be postponed on Monday and Wednesday of last week due to the rain as the pitch wasn't fit to play, but it's back to work tonight (Wednesday), March 20th at 8.00. See you all there.

TALLOW AREA CREDIT UNION TABLE QUIZ

Congratulations to the Ballyduff school table quiz team who won the Credit Union Table Quiz in Tallow on Thursday night last. They were hot on the heels of the Conna team throughout the first eight rounds. In the last two they caught up and a tie break round was played with Ballyduff coming out on top.

Well done to Shauna Hannon, Joanne O'Donovan, Simon Cogan and Simon O'Keeffe. Commiserations to the Conna team who had us sitting on the edge of our seats towards the end.

Nuacht An tSean Phobal

LA FHEILE PADRAIG

This year, we were blessed with good weather for the St. Patrick's Day parade. A big crowd travelled from the Sean Phobal to Dungarvan to see the parade. Afterwards we were proud to see an ex-native of the Sean Phobal, Mai O'Higgins (famous songwriter) on the reviewing stand. This year saw one of the biggest parades, which included some very imaginative floats.

U-21 FOOTBALL

The U-21 Football Championship match that was to be played on Saturday last, March 16th between An Gaeltacht V Brickey's was cancelled due to a waterlogged pitch in Ardmore. This game goes ahead next Saturday at 4.00 p.m. in Ardmore. All players are requested to be in Ardmore at 3.30 p.m.

CRINNIU CHINN BLIANA

Tionoladh crinniu Chinn Bliana Coiste Forbartha an tSean Phobal ar an Luain seo chaite 11/03/1996 in Halla Colmain. Bhí slua mór ag gcrinniu is iad seo leanas na hoifigi a toghadh:

Cathaoirleach - Pádraig O Mathúna; Rúnaí - Peig Bean Uí Cadhla; Cisteoir - Máire Bean Uí Riain.

PEIL FAOI 16

The U-16 Football Championship An Gaeltacht V Tulach an Iarainn was played on Monday last, March 18th in Páirc Uí Cholmáin.

They started off their game understrength but the team were not left down by the skill of some of the younger players. Even though they played badly, they managed to win the game 5-4 to 2-7.

Is é seo leanas an foireann: M. de Grás, C. Murchú, N. Tóibín, A. de Paor, M. de Paor, T. Breathnach (Capt. - 0-2), A. O Manacháin (1-0), C. O Conchubhair (0-2), T. de Faoite (1-0), P. O Hárta (2-0), B. O Faoláin, D. de Paor (1-0).

Fir Ionad: P. Druachain (in ionad D. de Paor), C. MacEochagain (in ionad A. Manacháin), G. Breathnach (in ionad T. de Faoite).

Rinn Ua gCuanach

CORA CASTA AN T-SAOIL

Tráth bhíos-sa óg bhíodh iomáint agus peil a h-imirt againn agus bhíodh costas ag gabhailt le cumann a rith. Oíche lae le Pádraig uair, chuireamar imchluiche 45. bórd agus ceithre fichid a shuidh chun imeartha agus i dtrátha an dúnainn nuair a bhí an cnag deirneach buailte bhí gabhailt naoi bpúnt déag agus sé scilling déanta, £19.60.

D'imigh an bhliain agus tháining an cruinniú cinn-bhliana agus bhí callaireacht agus liú agus achrann mar gur ceannuíodh, tar éis cluiche deire na bliana, dhá dhosaon pórtar ar 6ú an buidéal sin 12/ - scilling. In aimhdheoin san agus uile bhí ag gcisteoir - tá an fear macánta ar shlí na fírinne, go bhfuascailí Dia ar, le fada an lá, bhí sa chiste aige £4.20 agus fiacha na bliana glanta.

Cuir san - agus bíodh geall ná fuil aoinne agaibh ar shlí a dhéanta gan ríomhaire - faidh le costaisí na Rinne 1996.

Clárú le Páirc an Chrócaigh 130 ball @ £1.00 - £130.00; Rinn Ua gCuanach agus An Ghaedhealtacht do chleamhnú (Affiliate) 2 X £10 - £20.00; Dhá fhoireann Idirmheánach, sóisear agus fé 21 do chlárú (6 X £10) - £60.00; Dhá fhoireann fé 18 do chlárú (2 X £4) - £8.00; Arrachas Pobail - £285.00; Costas Oilúnóirí an Chonndae - £200.00; Arrachas Imearthóirí - £800.00. Iomlan - £1503.00.

Mfle go leith púnt caite agus gan aon chluiche imeartha - ná aon phórtar ceannaithe. Pádraig bocht Ua hArtaigh, cárbh ionga dá mbíodh a cheann ag teacht breac.

PEIL FÉ 16

An Ghaedhealtach (5.4) Tulach An Iarainn (2.5)

M. de Grás, C. Ua Murchadha, N. Tóibín, A. de Paor, E. Breathnach, T. Ua Meachair, R. Turraoin, T. Breathnach, M. de Paor, A. Ua Manacháin, C. Ua Conchubhair, T. de Faoit, P. Ua hArtaigh, B. Ua Faoláin, D. de Paor, C. Mac Eoghagáin, G. Breathnach, S. Ua hArtaigh, P. Ua Druacháin.

Bhí imearthóirí ná raibh i láthair; ní fiú crá leo. Sé an fear atá agat nuair atá gá leis an fear is fearr i gcomhnaí.



DUNGARVAN UTD. A.F.C. NOTES

POSTPONED

All schoolboy games fixed for last weekend were cancelled due to the inclement weather which made pitches unplayable. The leagues are now well behind and a lot of games will have to be played in midweek when the bright evenings arrive.

FIXTURES

Junior - Sunday, March 24th

U-17 League: Dungarvan V Johnville 11.30 a.m.

Division 1A League: Johnville V Dungarvan 11.30 a.m.

Division 2B League: Kilmacthomas V Dungarvan 11.30 a.m.

Schoolboys - Saturday, March 23rd

T.S.B. U-11 League: Villa V Dungarvan 10.30 a.m.

T.S.B. U-13 League: Dunmore V Dungarvan 11.45 a.m.

T.S.B. U-15 Cup (First Round): Dungarvan V Kilmacthomas 2.30 p.m.

WEEKEND FIXTURES

Next weekend sees three Junior fixtures down for decision, all on Sunday, March 24th.

Our Division 1A side are away to Johnville at 11.30 a.m. When the sides met at Kilrush back in August in the first game of the season, Dungarvan won 5-1. But they will find Johnville have improved since and it is a game that could go either way.

Also on Sunday morning our Division 2B league winning side travel to Kilmacthomas to play the locals in a league match at 11.30 a.m. Having won the title recently with three matches still to play, this game is of little importance, although Thomas Duggan will want to maintain his winning run in this local derby. When the sides clashed at Kilrush back in November, Dungarvan won 4-2 and we expect them to continue their good form.

Team Manager, Thomas Duggan is hoping to get the league trophy presented at this game and a bus will be laid on for anyone wishing to travel. No doubt they will make a few stops on the way home !!! Anyone wishing to travel, please contact Thomas Duggan.

Also at 11.30 a.m. on Sunday, our U-17 side take on Johnville at Kilrush Park. Johnville beat the Blues 4-2 back in September. But J. D. O'Shea's team are joint top of the table with Southend on 21 pts. from 11 games and it should be a good encounter.

U-11 LEAGUE BEGINS

Saturday next is a big day for our U-11 side whose league begins with an away match versus Villa.

Noel Hackett and Liam Simms have put in a lot of work over the winter months preparing this side and they played a few challenge games. A bus will leave the club at 9.15 a.m. for this game and we wish these young lads the best of luck.

U-13 AWAY TO DUNMORE

Our U-13 team are away to Dunmore in a league match at 11.45 a.m. also on Saturday. When the sides met at Kilrush back in November, the Blues won 4-0. Let's hope they can get another win here.

UNDER15 CUP (FIRST ROUND)

Our U-15 side entertain Kilmacthomas at Kilrush on Saturday afternoon. Kick off is at 2.30 p.m. This is the first meeting of these teams this season and it is a game that is hard to predict, but we expect the Blues to continue their excellent winning run.

HOLIDAY DRAW

Tickets are now in circulation and are selling extremely well for our Holiday Draw which will be held on Friday, May 10th at our 30th Annual Social at Lawlor's Hotel. First prize is a holiday to the value of £600; second prize is a holiday to the value of £300 and third prize is £100 in cash. Cash value of holidays can be taken. Get your ticket now at £5 each from any committee member. Proceeds from this draw will go towards the cost of the refurbishment of our Clubhouse.

Our 30th Annual Social will take place on Friday, May 10th at Lawlor's Hotel. Music will be provided by "Flames" followed by a disco by "Mad Hatter".

The 1969 youth double league and cup winning sides reunion will take place on Sunday, May 5th (Bank Holiday). A match at 7.00 p.m. will be followed by entertainment. Any player who played youth football between 1967 and 1972 please contact Tom Conway and Liam Sandford.

WEEKEND AWAY

Our weekend away takes place on Saturday, March 30th and Sunday, March 31st to the Old Grounds Hotel, Ennis, Co. Clare. Full details next week.

YANKEE DOODLE

Numbers on Sunday last were 91 and 69. No winner. Jackpot £340 on Sunday next, March 24th. Numbers on sale from usual sellers.

BIRTHDAY GIRL

Congratulations to Ann Murphy who celebrated her birthday with a surprise party recently. We promised not to mention your age but you are only as old as you feel, Ann !!!

PONGO

Eyes down every Tuesday night at 8.15.

SUNDAY THREE TABLE CARDS

Three table cards take place in the Clubhouse every Sunday night at 9.30.

SATURDAY FUN NIGHT

Our regular Saturday singalong is proving very popular with our patrons and will continue this week at 9.30 p.m. Come along and enjoy the fun !!!

Dungarvan United A.F.C. Schoolboy Of The Week



We continue this week with our new feature to our weekly notes "Schoolboy Of The Week".

Name:	Sean Hackett
Address:	20 Silversprings
Date of Birth:	2-9-85
Team:	Under-11
Position:	Winger
Favourite Team:	Manchester United
Favourite Player:	Peter Schmeichel
Other Hobbies:	Fishing & Gaelic Football
Most Prized Possession:	Fishing Rod
Pet Hate:	Eels, they tangle the line
School:	St. Joseph's
Favourite Food:	Chinese

BLACKWATER RANGERS F.C. NOTES

EAST CORK/WEST WATERFORD UNDER-14 CUP FINAL

Blackwater Rangers Win Cup Final

BLACKWATER RANGERS 2 VALLEY RANGERS 1

The honour of winning the first ever trophy for Blackwater Rangers goes to our under 14 side who last Monday at the Tallow venue, completely overwhelmed red hot favourites Valley Rangers to bring the Inch Inn sponsored trophy back to the Aglish, Ballinameela and Villierstown area.

Blackwater started in whirlwind fashion and immediately turned the tables on the tag of outsiders going one up in the second minute when Raymond Connery found the Conna side's net.

This lead was held until the interval and on the balance of play we could easily have extended our goal advantage.

The second half was more of the same with Blackwater dominating the game until the 15th minute when a quick counter attack saw Valley equalise.

With extra time looming, the team in red and yellow displayed, once again this season, their fighting spirit and fashioned out a second goal scored by Tony Kearns which was to prove to be the difference between the teams at the final whistle.

After the game, captain Eoghan Walsh was presented with the winning trophy amidst what it gives this writer great pride in saying was an exceptionally large crowd of Blackwater supporters.

This was a great day for Blackwater Rangers and well done to their trainer Kevin Cotter.

Blackwater Rangers — Jason McGrath, Aidan O'Connell, Martin O'Brien, Eoghan Walsh, Eamonn Walsh, Cyril Stack, Raymond Connery, Owen Walsh, Eamonn Mernin, Tony Kearns, Maurice Lynch. Subs. — Conor Christopher for Cyril Stack, Ger O'Donovan for Conor Christopher, John O'Brien, Declan Roche, Robert McCarthy.

MANY THANKS

Many thanks to Ger Wyley who sponsored us with a football for our recent raffle and to the public for their overwhelming support for the draw and well done to Daithi O'Brien, Aglish, who bought the winning ticket.

We would also like to thank Tommy Cotter for his generous donation recently.

Our Red House League fixture with Modeligo over the weekend was cancelled due to bad weather conditions.

ARDMORE A.F.C. NOTES

U-16 LEAGUE

Ardmore Are The Champions

VALLEY RANGERS 0 ARDMORE 5

Ardmore clinched the clubs first underage title when they beat Valley Rangers last Saturday. Needing only a draw for the championship, Ardmore were the hottest of favourites to get a result and they justified that tag with a big win over a weakened opposition.

It took Ardmore only five minutes to open their account when Gillian McCarthy scored. The same player made it two shortly after and the championship was in sight. In the second half, it was Wayne Hennessy's turn as he scored twice and when Ardmore were awarded a penalty, Damien Lenane, the goalkeeper came forward and scored to make it five.

Ardmore went through the league without dropping a single point, conceding only four goals and scoring a whopping 39. Congratulations to all the boys involved and we wish them luck when they attempt to complete the double.

Team: D. Lenane, A. O'Donnell, R. Hennessy, L. Power, B. Lenane, J. O'Donnell, A. Leahy, S. Prendergast, C. McCarthy, W. Hennessy, J. Lenane.

Subs used: J. Hennessy, N. Hennessy, V. McCarthy.

THE MANAGEMENT TEAM

We also have to pay tribute to the lads in charge. Clinton Hennessy, Patrick Gallagher and Raymond Power started this team last year and after a good year built on it this season to get the result they deserved. They also organised their own fund raising so that it costs the club very little to keep the sixteen's team going. So well done to them also.

NEWSBITS

A few happenings over the weekend. One of our players brought a bit of colour to his life and let's pay tribute to a supporter who was unselfishly holding his umbrella over a player's head in a downpour. The player was leaning over a wall, he couldn't have been building it as it was dark. So what was he doing ?

RED HOUSE LEAGUE NEWS

ALMOST A BLANK WEEKEND DUE TO THE WEATHER

Yes once again, the weather caused havoc with Red House League fixtures on Sunday last. This will leave the league with a major problem in the coming weeks as a huge backlog of games have built up especially in the second division. It's something we could have done without, stated the Chairman, Paddy Pollard. Some clubs are now in a very serious position regarding games. For these clubs midweek games during April is now on. Just two games took place on Sunday last.

RESULTS

DIVISION ONE

VALLEY RANGERS 2 BALLYBRIDGE UTD. 2

Utd. missed a penalty after just 12 minutes and it may prove a costly miss at the end of the season.

Rangers took the lead in the 15th minute when Sean Buckley scored. Ballybridge were back on level terms in the 25th minute but Buckley again scored after 39 minutes to put Rangers back in front. Again Utd. fought back to equalise in the 44th minute. The sides were level 2-2 at the break. Both defences were well on top in the second half and chances were few and far between. At the end of the 90 minutes, the sides had to settle for a point each. This draw keeps both clubs in relegation trouble.

DIVISION TWO

AFFANE 1 BRIDEVIEW UTD. 5

Utd. travelled to Affane on Sunday morning last and recorded a big win over the homeside. John Joe Henley grabbed a hat trick here for Utd. while David Henley was also on the scoresheet to put Utd. 4-0 up at the break. Brendan Dunne pulled a goal back for Affane midway through the second half but it was the Tallow side who finished the stronger and Gerard Hogan wrapped up the scoring in this game to give the points to the visitors.

DUNGARVAN TYRE CENTRE CUP - SEMI-FINAL

Brideview Will Fancy Their Chances Against Valley

When the draw for the cup semi-finals were made at The Red House last week, Brideview Utd. of Tallow were drawn against neighbours, Valley Rangers from Conna. This game takes place in Lismore on Sunday afternoon next.

Both of these sides met in Conna a few weeks ago and it took a late goal by Brideview to clinch the points on the scoreline of 2-1. It has to be said that Utd. were understrength on that day.

Very little should separate these sides again on Sunday. Utd. have been on a good run lately and if players like the Curley brothers, the Henleys, Grey, Sice, Martin, Geary, McSweeney and company can strike their best form, then they will be hard to break.

For Rangers they will look to keeper, Fitzgerald to lead them here. Fitzgerald has been in terrific form for this side as well as for Rangers youth side. Other players to watch here will be O'Leary, Carr, Higgins, Hickey and Buckley. Rangers have one of the poorest defences in the league and they will need to tighten them up against what can be a very slick Utd. front line. It should be a thrilling and closely fought game. We give the vote to Utd. to advance here.

DIVISION TWO PREVIEWS

Clashmore Ramblers Can Regain Top Spot

Ramblers have an ideal opportunity of going back on top of Division Two on Sunday next as present league leaders, Castlebridge Celtic have no game.

Other important league games are taking place in Youghal and Gortroe. Victories are vital for the top clubs as it's so tight up there that a draw could see clubs slipping a few places.

On form, the top clubs should collect full points at the weekend and the struggle for pole position should remain with this division for weeks to come.

PREVIEWS

YOUGHAL V MODELIGO

Youghal should clinch the points here against a Modeligo side looking certain for relegation next season. Players like Hennessy, Coleman and Lonergan are in top form for the seasiders as they chase that league title.

BLACKWATER RANGERS V CAPPOQUIN

Rangers should prove too strong here for a Cappoquin side who have failed to perform this season. Rangers need the points here as they themselves are involved in a terrific battle with some other clubs to hold on to their Division Two status.

AFFANE V ARAGLEN

This is a game that could go either way between two sides facing relegation. Games in hand may pull Araglen through but they could also be caught with a glut of fixtures especially with midweek games.

GLENVIEW V CLASHMORE RAMBLERS

Newcomers to the league, Clashmore Ramblers are having a marvellous season and could even go on and clinch this second division title.

The homeside look to be in trouble as they try and avoid the drop out of this game. The Ramblers to win here.

GORTROE V AN GAELTACHT

East Cork side, Gortroe have dropped valuable points in the past few weeks and these could prove vital at the end off the season. While they can still clinch the league title as they have to play the top clubs in the run in, these games will be vital to them. They cannot however afford to drop any more points or they could leave themselves with too much leeway to make up.

An Gaeltacht need the points to stay in Division Two and they will be chasing full points from this game.

RED HOUSE LEAGUE FIXTURES

SUNDAY NEXT, MARCH 24
Dungarvan Tyre Centre Cup Semi-Finals

In Tallow: Lismore V Ballyduff. Kick off 11.00 a.m. Ref. T. Griffen. Linesmen: P. Marks and P. Walsh.

In Lismore: Brideview Utd. v Valley Rgs., 2 p.m. Ref. S. Kearns. Linesmen: M. O'Neill and P. Marks

DIVISION ONE

Ardmore V Cappoquin. Kick off 11.00 a.m. Ref. M. O'Neill.

DIVISION TWO

Youghal V Modeligo. Kick off 11.00 a.m. Ref. S. Kearns.

Blackwater Rangers V Cappoquin. Kick off 2.30 p.m. Ref. P. Walsh.

Affane V Araglen. Kick off 11.00 a.m. Ref. N. O'Donoghue.

Glenview V Clashmore Ramblers. Kick off 2.30 p.m. Ref. P. Marks.

Gortroe V An Gaeltacht. Kick off 11.00 a.m. Ref. L. Fraser.

DIVISION ONE

Ardmore To Prove Too Strong For Cappoquin

Just one league Division One game takes place on Sunday. This game takes place in Ardmore where the homeside should prove too strong for their visitors Cappoquin.

Committee Meeting

A Committee Meeting of the Red House League takes place this Monday night, March 25th at The Devonshire Arms Hotel in Tallow at 8.00.

Lismore Favourites To Overcome Ballyduff

The second semi-final throws up another local derby this time between two local clubs from West Waterford namely Lismore and Ballyduff. This game goes on in Tallow on Sunday morning and should be a real thriller. At the moment both sides are going for the double. On Sunday this is going to fall by the wayside for one of these clubs. Lismore with their strong cup tradition will start favourites for this one. If they have a problem of late, it's putting the ball in the net. They are well able to create the chances but it's to finish them is their problem. Their defence is one of the meanest in the league but on Sunday, players like Corcoran, Quirke, Scanlon, Walsh and Cotter are sure to test this defence.

Lismore will look to Quinn, B. Ormonde, Hornibrook, the Prendergasts, O'Gorman to find a way through the Ballyduff defence. This game should attract a big crowd to the Tallow venue for what is sure to be a thriller. While Lismore will start as favourites, it would not be a major shock if Ballyduff were victors.

Chairman Appeals To Clubs

Chairman of The Red House League, Paddy Pollard issued a strong appeal to clubs to find a referee before the next meeting. With the league set to increase its number of teams again next season, more referees are wanted.

While some clubs have put new people forward to take up refereeing, more people are still needed. We can never have enough of referees, stated the Chairman. There will also be Sundays when referees for one reason or another will not be able to referee a game.

Many of our referees are now doing two games every Sunday. This is not fair on them either. The league already stands to lose three referees next season who are retiring so even to get in three new referees, we would still be left with a problem of at least three referees having to cover two games. This is not fair on those people either, continued the Chairman. There is every chance that for the first time ever, new clubs and new teams will not be allowed to enter the league if they have not got a referee. The league would not like to see this happen, continued Pollard but we are left with little other choice.

So anyone out there interested in refereeing please get in touch with Jim Foley at (058) 68239.

RED HOUSE LEAGUE NEWS

EAST CORK/WEST WATERFORD SCHOOLBOY LEAGUE

Ardmore Are U-16 League Champions

VALLEY RANGERS 0 ARDMORE 5

Ardmore clinched the U-16 league title when they turned in a terrific performance away in Conna on Saturday evening last.

Ardmore needed just a draw from this game to clinch the title but they went one better and ran out winners. The Blues started in determined fashion and first half goals from Wayne Hennessy and Killian McCarthy gave them a 2-0 lead at the break.

Ardmore continued where they left off in the second half and further goals from Hennessy and McCarthy put the game out of Rangers reach. To be fair, the homeside tried hard to get back into the game but the visitors were in top form. With just 2 minutes remaining in the game, Ardmore were awarded a penalty and they called on their keeper, Damien Lenane to take the spot kick. Lenane duly came forward and converted the spot kick. The final whistle brought scenes of great joy and celebration from the Ardmore team and supporters. This was a great team performance from the champions. Keeper, Lenane apart from scoring from the penalty kick, was in great form and on the few occasions that Rangers broke through, he was here to deny them. His back four of O'Donnell, Lenane, Power and Hennessy seldom put a foot wrong.

Ardmore's midfield of Lenane, Prendergast, Leahy and O'Donnell gave great support to their two front men of Hennessy and McCarthy. Ardmore fully deserved this title. They have went through their league programme unbeaten and have played some marvellous football during this campaign. Manager of this side, Clinton Hennessy was delighted after the game. Hopefully we can now go and do the double. This is a great side. One of the best we ever had at the club here, continued Hennessy.

CELEBRATIONS

Celebrations went on late in Ardmore when the team arrived back. Paddy Mac's Bar was the main focal point as the team were served with a meal after which they danced the night away. Congratulations Ardmore from all in the league.

Ardmore team: D. Lenane, E. O'Donnell, B. Lenane, L. Power, R. Hennessy, J. Lenane, S. Prendergast, A. Leahy, J. O'Donnell, W. Hennessy, K. McCarthy (Capt.)Res. (all used): J. Hennessy, N. Hennessy, J. P. Troy.

U-12 DIVISION TWO FINAL

YOUGHAL COME FROM BEHIND TO DEFEAT CELTIC

This was a thrilling game played before another big crowd in Tallow. Celtic sent on the attack straight from the kick off and twice in as many minutes Stephen Bullman, Youghal's keeper denied Celtic's striker, Shane Hickey. At the other end Celtic's keeper, John Shanahan denied Michael Flynn.

The only goal of the first half came in the 24th minute when Stephen McCarthy shot low into the Youghal net to give Celtic a 1-0 lead at the break.

The second half was full of entertaining football before Nigel Roche equalised for the seasiders after 42 minutes. With just 2 minutes remaining and extra time looking on the cards, a Celtic defender handled the ball in the area and from the penalty kick, Paul Kelly shot low and hard into the net to give Youghal a great win.

Again this was a very sporting game by two very evenly matched sides.

Youghal team: S. Bullman, R. Arnott, P. Roche, M. Sheehan, S. Scully, M. Foley, P. Kelly, D. O'Doherty, J. Cotter, M. Flynn, N. Roche. Res.: R. Mullally, D. Jordan, C. Carey, P. Horgan.

Castlebridge team: J. Shanahan, K. Sheedy, C. Cronin, S. O'Riordan, J. Kearney, M. Hegarty, J. McAteer, P. Clancy, S. Hickey, J. Cremin, S. McCarthy. Res.: J. O'Brien and M. Minahone.

PRESENTATION

The presentation of the Shield was made by the league's P.R.O., Liam Fraser to the winning captain, Peter Roche before another delighted crowd. Runners up medals were presented to both losing clubs while plaques were given to the winning clubs.

U-18 LEAGUE
YOUGHAL 4
CASTLEBRIDGE CELTIC 3

This was a thrilling game between these two clubs which took place in Youghal on Saturday last. The game looked to be over at the break as the seasiders had a commanding 3-0 lead. The marksmen here in the first half for Youghal were Leonard Byrne, Trevor McCarthy and David Kenneally.

A penalty to Youghal early in the second half duly converted by Byrne looked to have killed off Celtic. However Celtic fought back and goals from Owen Murphy, Barry O'Connell and Paul Kelly put them well back in the game. Time ran out for them and Youghal held out for a good victory after a highly entertaining game.

TWO CUP SEMI FINALS DOWN FOR SATURDAY

It's another busy weekend for the schoolboys soccer clubs. Two cup semi-finals are down to be played on Saturday . Both of these games should have been played last week but they were cancelled due to the weather. Some league games are also down for the week.

U-12 DIVISION ONE SHIELD SEMI-FINAL
Carrig Rangers
V Youghal

This game failed to take place on Saturday last due to the weather but hopefully the weather will be kinder this week.

Rangers, already league champions will be firm favourites to advance here over the seasiders.

U-16 LEAGUE
Youghal V
Brideview Utd.

The homeside should collect the points here over their visitors from Tallow.

Castlelyons
V Cappoquin

It's just a case of fulfilling a fixture for both sides.

U-18 LEAGUE
CASTLEBRIDGE CELTIC V
BALLYBRIDGE UTD.

A vital game here for Utd. who are still in with a chance of winning the league. Celtic put up a tremendous performance in Youghal last week and if they can do the same against Utd. then anything could happen here. However a win is vital for Ballyduff.

SCHOOLBOYS MEETING

There will be a Schoolboys meeting on this Monday night at 8.30 in The Devonshire Arms Hotel, Tallow. All clubs and schoolboy referees are asked to attend.

UNDER-14 SHIELD FINAL

Shield Victory For Blackwater Rangers

BLACKWATER RANGERS 2 VALLEY RANGERS 1

This meeting of the Rangers in the U-14 Shield Final drew a big crowd to Tallow on Monday evening last.

Blackwater Rangers got off to a dream start when Raymond Connery scored from close range after just 2 minutes. Both sides had chances after this but Valley came close to getting the equaliser after 27 minutes when Liam Kearney shot from the edge of the box but Jason McGrath got down well to make a great save. At the break Connery's goal still separated the sides.

Carr and Kearney both went close for Valley while Tony Kearns and Maurice Lynch both had shots saved by Billy Aherne, Valley's keeper. Valley were back on level terms in the 44th minute when Kearney beat two defenders before crossing a great ball to Colin Hogan who vollied home.

Blackwater Rangers went back in front 3 minutes later when Kearns scored what proved to be the winner. This was a great game and it was a pity there had to be a loser.

Blackwater Rangers team: J. McGrath, A. O'Connell, E. Walsh, R. Connery, M. O'Brien, O. Walsh, C. Stack. E. Walsh, M. Lynch, T. Kearns, E. Mervin.

Res.: C. Christopher and J. O'Donovan (used).

Valley Rangers team: B. Aherne, R. Lynch, N. Riordan, A. Carr, M. Harper, L. O'Connor, C. Hogan, P. Dillon, J. Carr (Capt.), L. Kearney, D. Barry.

Res.: P. Kenneally, P. O'Connor, M. Kearney, B. Hogan.

Ref.: S. Kearns. Linesmen: E. Leahy and P. Molumphy.

PRESENTATION

Joe Hartnett presented the Shield to the winning captain, Owen Walsh amid great scenes of jubilation from the big number of Blackwater Rangers fans.

SCHOOLBOY FIXTURES

U-16 LEAGUE
Thursday, March 21st: Youghal V Brideview Utd. Kick off 5.30 p.m. Ref.: S. Kearns.

U-18 CUP SEMI-FINAL
Saturday, March 23rd: Valley Rangers V Bayside Celtic. Kick off 11.00 a.m. Ref.: M. Curley.

U-18 LEAGUE
Sunday, March 24th: Castlebridge Celtic V Ballybridge Utd. Kick off 11.30 a.m. Ref. M. Curley.

U-16 LEAGUE
Saturday, March 23rd: Castlebridge Celtic V Cappoquin. Kick off 11.30 a.m. Ref.: D. Ruxton.

U-12 CUP SEMI-FINAL
Saturday, March 23rd: Carrig Rangers V Youghal. Kick off 11.30 a.m. Ref. P. Molumphy.

U-18 WALLACE CUP SEMI-FINAL
VALLEY RANGERS V BAYSIDE CELTIC

This game was another casualty last Saturday. There is very little between the two clubs and it should be a thrilling game on Saturday.

It's a game that could go either way. Both clubs have done well to get this far. Will home advantage win it for Rangers or will Celtic upset the homeside? Saturday evening should tell us the answer to that question.

ATHLETICS BY RACE LEADER

Munster Road Championships In Brickey Valley

The Munster Novice and Vets Mens and Ladies Road Running Championships will be held in the Brickey Valley this Sunday at 2.30 p.m. Juvenile races for U-11, 13 and 15 boys and girls will get a busy day's programme underway at 2.00 p.m. There will be a strong local and county involvement in the Munster races and hopes are high that some of the day's successes will be achieved by the home athletes.

The Novice grade is equivalent to Junior competition in other sports and irrespective of cross country achievements at a higher level, any athlete who has not previously finished in the first three in this race and has not been on a winning county team is eligible for Sunday's race.

KIERAN MAHER & WEST WATERFORD SEEK TITLES

Local athlete, Kieran Maher has displayed some great promise on the roads in recent years and Sunday next will be a big test for him and the West Waterford athletes. On current form, Kieran will be one of the favourites for the title as recently as last Sunday, he ran his fastest ever 10K with a 32 minutes 02 seconds performance in Clonmel. The shorter 4 miles run this Sunday will suit him even more and he will enjoy a big local support.

In last year's championship in Cork, West Waterford A.C. finished second behind Leevale A.C. with Mark Radley (5th), Kieran Maher (6th), Philip Harty (8th) and Tony Harty (16th). Short the services of Gerry Cantwell, they finished just eight points adrift of the Cork champions. Hampered by injury since last September, Mark Radley joins the West Waterford title attempt on Sunday and Philip and Tony Harty and Gerry Cantwell always give of their best and they will be well supported by the in form Colin Lyons, Martin McCarthy, Finbarr Kelly, Anthony, Michael and Dermot Dwyer and Liam Rossiter. The race is timed for 2.45 p.m. The County team should also make an impression with the inclusion of Larry Morrissey and Tom Burns on the squad.

VETS RACE

If anything, the Vets race will be even more competitive than the Novice Championship and it will be interesting to note both finishing times as the races will be run over the same distance. Some of the former greats of Irish Senior distance running will feature in this event notably Dave Walsh (Leevale) and Richie Crowley (St. Finbarr's) but it is the young Vets who should fight out the finish with Eamonn McEvoy (St. Finbarr's) and Kieran Dwyer (St. Catherine's, Tipperary) the likely winners. The Cork team has a look of invincibility about it but the Waterford team will be hoping for a top three placing as will West Waterford A.C. in the club event with good performances expected from such as Michael Roche, Anthony Harty, Tom Meehan, Joe Gough, Paul Keating, Martin Sandford, Liam Dwyer and John Joe Wright. This race is timed for 3.15 p.m.

LADIES RACE

Waterford will be represented by a youthful team in the Ladies Novice Race. It will be their first road championship for many and yet a top three placing is possible if such as Una Murray, Deirdre Travers, Triona Whyte, Helen Dwyer, Clare Long, Jacinta McCarthy, Muriel Cumins, Monica Power, Rebecca Harty, Paula Keohan and Róisín Lynch run to the best of their ability. This race is timed for 2.30 p.m.

JUVENILE RACES

At 2.00 p.m. there will be 6 Juvenile races run over the following distances. Boys and girls U-11 800 metres; boys and girls U-13 1500 metres and boys and girls U-15 3000 metres. Entry fee is £1 per athlete. Athletes can move up one age and there will be prizes for the first eight in each race.

CHAMPIONSHIP DETAILS

By kind permission of Brickey Rangers G.A.A., the facilities at Bushy Park have been made available for entries, changing, showers and results. The organiser of the championship, Munster Secretary, Andy Hallissey is of course well known in the area as he captained the Brickey's Senior Championship winning football team in the 1960's. The races will be held over the Kilmurray Course or if this is unavailable due to road works, the Carrigroe Circuit. A video of the races will be shown in Bridie Dee's at 5.00 p.m.

Waterford Athletes Win 4 Irish Titles

At the Irish Junior Indoor Championships in Nenagh last weekend, Waterford Athletes won four Irish titles. K.C.K.'s Jason Flynn added the Junior Shot title to his Senior win earlier in the month.

Patricia Cahill (Lismore A.C.) won yet another Irish title when winning the Triple Jump event as did David Murphy from Waterford A.C. also in the Triple Jump. Competing for his new club, U.C.D., Jamie Costin retained his Walk title.

Over the weekend silver medals were won by Aoife Hearne (60 metres) and Sinead Keogh (Shot Putt). West Waterford's Leo Clancy brought home 2 bronze medals from Nenagh with fine performances in the 60 metres and 200 metres. His clubmate, Deirdre Travers won the bronze medal in the 3000 metres championship.

Ballygowan On Saint Patrick's Day

The Annual Ballygowan 10K organised by Clonmel A.C. attracted 160 runners on St. Patrick's Day. The race was won by Michael Hassett (St. Catherine's A.C., Killenaule) in 30 minutes 47 seconds. The race was run over a very fast course and there were many personal best performances. The first local runner was Kieran Maher in sixth position in a very fast 32.02. Philip Harty won the Junior race in 33.37 and West Waterford were fourth in the team event behind Clonmel, St. Catherine's and Wexford A.C.

The other local runners finished as follows: Colin Lyons (35.08); Anthony Harty (36.31); Michael Dwyer (36.47); Anthony Dwyer (37.15); Trevor Mason (37.18); Liam Clince (37.27); Pat Coffey (38.08); Paul Keating (39.09); Seamus Healy (40.32); Dermot 'Bruno' O'Dwyer (41.12); Frank Bolger (43.13); Stephen Curran (43.20); Fergus Maher (44.10); Alf Tupper (46.20).

Local Finishers In Ballycotton 10K Road Race

The final entry in last Sunday week's Nike Ballycotton 10 Miles Road Race was 1213 which was 60 up on last year while the total number of finishers was the second highest ever at 1038. The local runners finished as follows: 25. Kieran Maher (53.28); 28. Philip Harty (53.42); 49. Gerry Cantwell (55.24); 69. Michael Roche (56.35); 103. Finbarr Kelly (58.50); 107. Colin Lyons (58.57); 136. Tony Harty (60.46); 137. Anthony Harty (60.46); 149. Tom Meehan (61.17); 156. Michael Dwyer (61.31); 161. Martin McCarthy (61.46); 168. Anthony Dwyer (61.58); 192. Dermot Dwyer (62.41); 228. Liam Rossiter (63.52); 250. Liam Clince (64.18); 272. Darren O Dromal (64.57); 275. Trevor Mason (65.10); 331. Tony Ryan (67.06); 336. Sean Fahey (67.13); 342. John Mason (67.20); 350. Seamus Healy (67.40); 395. Thomas Bennett (69.14); 430. Paddy Dwyer (70.25); 451. Billy Kelly (70.58); 454. Tomás McCarthy (71.00); 467. Tom Fitzgerald (71.32); 535. Stephen Curran (73.23); 546. Paul Keating (73.43); 547. Sean Bennett (73.44); 549. Maurice Boland (73.59); 591. David Power (75.12); 647. Pat Collender (77.15); 667. John Cahill (77.42); 715. Pat Bennett (78.51); 724. Helen Dwyer (79.15); 729. James Bennett (79.19); 758. Seamus Manahan (80.30); 777. Michael Bennett (81.15); 808. Eoin Russell (83.07); 820. Brian Coughlan (83.41); 836. Michael Roche, Kinsalebeg (84.30); 840. Ray Curran (84.46); 843. Pat Kiely (85.04); 844. Eric Flynn (85.07); 878. Dan Dineen (87.39); 917. Noel Brennan (90.38).

Joe Gough Wins Irish Vets 800 Metres Title

Competing for the first time with West Waterford A.C., Joe Gough won the Irish Vets Indoor 800 metres title in Nenagh last Sunday.

In a hard fought race which was led by Leinster's John Campbell for three of the four laps, Joe unleashed a final sprint effort to take the title in a new Irish record time of 2 minutes and 6 seconds. This was Joe's fourth year in a row winning this title which sums up his domination of this grade in the 1990's. Having started his athletic career in this area in the 1960's, the former Mitchell Terrace man is now firmly back to his roots and all local athletic enthusiasts congratulated him in his latest success. This Sunday, Joe runs for West Waterford in the Munster Vets 4 Miles Road Championship in the Brickey Valley.

SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy is extended to the Sheehan families Springfield and Seapark on the death of Mrs. Hallahan which occurred recently.

ATHLETICS BY RACE LEADER

HILL RUNNING SERIES

Men Of Substance

When some of their rivals took to the indoor running machines and the television on the worst running day of the year weather wise, a handy group of the best not only conquered the famous Strikes Hill in the first stage of the Dungarvan A.C. Hill Running Series last Wednesday evening but they also dealt capably with the heavy hailstones and driving snow which they met on route.

The first stage was won by Ger Wyley, no stranger to tough going from his rowing and cycling days which included the gruelling Tour of Ireland. On the night, Ger was followed home by Tony Harty and Michael Dwyer.

Team Event

The Series is being run on a team basis. On Wednesday, Seamus Healy's team won with 14 pts. from Paul Keating's team and Anthony Dwyer's team, both on 16 pts. From the first day's results it looks as if a thrilling team contest is in store. Newcomers will be accommodated on the teams as the league progresses. Entry fee is £1 per night.

Result (Three to count)

1. Seamus Healy (9); Philip Harty (7); Colin Lyons (6); Ger Wyley (1) - 14 pts.

2. Paul Keating (10); Tony Harty (2); Dermot Dwyer (4) - 16 pts.

3. Anthony Dwyer (5); Anthony Harty (8); Michael Dwyer (3) - 16 pts.

This week's stage from Kilongford Bridge this evening (Wednesday) at 6.15 p.m. The Sweep Climb.

MICHAEL ROCHE CARPETS SPRING SERIES

With one stage left in the Michael Roche Carpets Spring Series the following are the placings in the different categories:

Under-30 — 1, Kieran Maher (32 pts.); 2, Philip Harty (42 pts.); 3, Tony Harty (170 pts.); 4, Michael Dwyer (207 pts.); 5, Dermot Dwyer (249 pts.); 6, Liam Rossiter (277 pts.)

Under-35 — 1, Martin McCarthy (204 pts.); 2, Liam Clince (340 pts.); 3, Sean Fahey (428 pts.); 4, Seamus Healy (479 pts.).

Under-40 — 1, Gerry Cantwell (64 pts.); 2, Tom Burns (64 pts.); 3, Colin Lyons (139 pts.); 4, Anthony Dwyer (268 pts.); 5, Michael Wade (365 pts.); 6, Tony Ryan (405 pts.); 7, Johnny Mason (442 pts.); 8, Stephen Curran (648 pts.)

Under-45 — 1, Tim Twomey (127 pts.); 2, John Walsh (129 pts.); 3, Anthony Harty (190 pts.); 4, Tom Meehan (204 pts.); 5, Connie Kelleher (319 pts.); 6, Jim Hallinan (344 pts.); 7, Liam Dwyer (530 pts.); 8, Paul Keating (639 pts.)

Under-50 — 1, Michael Roche (92 pts.); 2, Jim McMurty (393 pts.); 3, Donie O'Connell (528 pts.)

Over-50 — 1, Alan Everett (449 pts.); 2, Tom Fitzgerald (590 pts.); 3, Dan Dineen (1056 pts.)

Ladies — 1, Frankie Devlin (842 pts.); 2, Helen Dwyer (872 pts.); 3, Kathleen O'Connell (1167 pts.)

The last race in the series will be the Dungarvan 10K on Sunday, April 7.

TOP TEN — 1, Kieran Maher 32 pts.; 2, Philip Harty 42 pts.; 3, Tom Burns 64 pts. and Gerry Cantwell 64 pts.; 5, Michael Roche 92 pts.; 6, Tim Twomey 127 pts.; 7, Colin Lyons 139 pts.; 8, Tony Harty 170 pts.; 9, Anthony Harty 190 pts.; 10, Martin McCarthy and Tom Meehan 204 pts. Next in line: Michael Dwyer 207 pts.

CAUSEWAY TENNIS CLUB NOTES

Spring is in the air and the Spring League is now up and running. Captains, don't forget to contact your team members to ensure that there are no problems with games and also to collect the entry fee from each of your team. Semi-finals and finals will be held on Sunday, April 14, 1996.

Membership subs — there will be a committee member in the clubhouse on Friday nights at 6 p.m. to take subs. Subs can also be paid at any time to any of the committee!

The next Fun Day will be held on Monday, April 8, starting time 12 midday. This event has proved to be very successful in the past so we hope there will be a good turnout on the day. All interested please put your names on the list on the noticeboard as soon as possible.

The mixed doubles games to be held on Friday, April 12 will be held in aid of the Telethon RTE People in Need Appeal. For members and players on the night there will be a box for any donations for this worthy appeal.

Coaching for new adult beginner members will commence on Tuesday, April 16 at 6 p.m. There will be approximately 4 weeks of coaching sessions so anyone interested please put your names on sheet on notice board.

The Inter Firms competition will be held from April 21 to 27. Entry forms are now in circulation so get out there and start organising your teams in plenty of time. Congratulations to Division 2 who are now through to the semi-finals of the Winter League. Their next match is away to Bishopstown so good luck on the day and we hope to hear some good news next week.

Divisions 4 and 5 are now out of the competition having come up against some very tough teams over the past few months. Better luck, next year!

Kill Harriers' Hunter Trials



Committee members of Kill Harriers pictured with sponsors for their forthcoming Hunter Trials in Glenhouse, Portlaw, l. to r. seated: Geraldine Power, Chairperson, Martin Kennedy, Waterford Foods plc. (sponsor), Tommy Hennessy, Secretary, Martin Curran, AIB plc. (sponsor), Josie Hayes, Treasurer, Gabrielle Mulcahy; standing, l. to r. Danny Brennan, Gene Power, Richard O'Hara, Tom Kirwan, Vice-Chairman, Jeff Curran. (Photo: Sean Byrne)

DATES FOR DIARY

Funday, Monday, April 8; Telethon RTE People in Need Appeal, Friday, April 12; semis and finals of Spring League, Sunday, April 14; coaching for new adult beginner members commences Tuesday, April 16; inter firms competition, April 21/27.

JUNIOR NOTES

On Saturday, March 2, six under-12s and six u-14s travelled to Youghal tennis club to participate in a new league being played between some of the local clubs. After eight matches Youghal finished the day on 5 points and the Causeway on 3 points. Well done to all concerned.

Next match is against Lower Aghada on Saturday, March 23 at home. A group from St. Anne's LTC will visit us on Sunday, March 24. Children who are to play on these days will be advised during the week.

Next club event to watch for is the Junior Fun Easter tournament which will be held on Thursday, April 4. Watch the notice board for further details. A ladder is now in operation for the children who are being coached on Wednesdays. Try and play at least one game a week over the next 3 weeks. Those children interested in playing in teams over the summer please put their names on list on the notice board.

Railway Athletic F.C. Notes

ALL SCHOOLBOYS GAMES OFF

All our schoolboy's games to be played last weekend were called off due to the weather conditions.

DIVISION 1B LEAGUE

Hibs 2 Railway 3

Our first team played their second last league game of the season away to Hibs on Saturday last. We went two goals down early on but fought back to a great 3-2 win.

Team. G. Arrigan, M. Browne, M. Reddy (Capt.), T. Mansfield, L. Foley, F. McLoughlin, S. Quinn, E. Murphy, K. O'Donnell, T. Pratt, D. Dee.

LOGO COMPETITION

We have decided to extend our closing date for our logo competition until this weekend. We have a lot of great ideas in. So boys, remember you have until next weekend.

FIXTURES

Saturday, March 23rd

U-11B: Home to Tycor 10.30 a.m. Players to be at pitch no later than 10.00 a.m.

U-11A: Home to Kilmacthomas 11.45 a.m.

U-15: Away to Ferrybank 2.15 p.m. Leaving pitch at 12.45 p.m. sharp.

Sunday, March 24th

Sheridan Cup (First Round): Home to Southend 11.30 a.m.

DIVISION 3B LEAGUE

Railway Halt Bohs Title Run

RAILWAY ATHLETIC 1 BOHEMIANS 1

League title contenders, Bohs pulled out all the stops in the second half of this keenly contested fixture in an effort to score three points which would have kept them hot on the heels of league leaders, St. Paul's. In the end, Bohs were happy to secure a point. On Saturday afternoon they came up against a Railway side whose performance was resolute, determined and inventive. We led 1-0 at half time thanks to a Paul McLoughlin goal.

The second half was an entirely different affair. Boh's laid siege to our goal with a barrage of attacking moves. With time running out, it looked as though we were going to hold on to our slender lead but with just minutes remaining our visitors snatched an equaliser. The ball struck our post from a long range effort and fell kindly to the inrushing striker who gave Maher - who had been in superb form throughout - no chance striking the ball to the roof of the net.

Although we were disappointed not to finish with a win in our last home league fixture of the season, the commitment of the side was unquestionable. We can now look forward with confidence to the Cup and if we can reproduce the same level of performance as we did on Saturday, this side should prove hard to beat.

Team: N. Maher, D. Morrissey, L. Costin, D. Mason, G. Morrissey, P. Manahan, D. Coughlan, T. Fitzgerald, P. Ormond, R. Walsh (Capt.), P. McLoughlin.

Subs (all used): W. Fraher, J. Manahan, R. Curran.

ABBEYSIDE A.F.C. NOTES

LOTTO DRAW

£200 jackpot. Numbers 2, 14, 23. Drawn by Maurice Daly, Radley's Bar. Winner, Michael Ryan, 21 McCarthyville, Abbeyside. Next week's jackpot £100. Bonus draw will take place on Friday night 8 p.m. at Village Inn.

QUESTION

Last week's question posed by Michael Morrissey was what two Waterford born players have played for Ireland but never for Waterford. The answer — Paddy Coad and Jim Beglin. Both played their football with Shamrock Rovers.

UNDER-11 LEAGUE

Our under-11's kick off this Saturday with a home tie against Bohemians. This game kicks off at 10.30 a.m. so come along and give this very promising young team a bit of support.

CONGRATS'

To Michael Ryan who scooped £200 in our lotto draw. Former stalwart Mick has been a loyal supporter over the years and his son Kevin shows plenty of promise for the future. Welcome luck Mick.

TOLD YOU SO

A number of people have drawn my attention to the item in the Village Topics section of the "Leader", regarding the recent debacle at Merrion Square, as the comment at the end of the article was aimed at the writer of these notes. Also on a more controversial note I will endeavour to pick an all time Village eleven in next week's notes. Any submissions to be included in this team should be wrapped in a £10 note and sent to 25 Glendine Drive.

Next week's notes will also include an exclusive interview with club legend Michael Morrissey.



Pictured recently are members of Dungarvan Walking Club seen here in the foothills before introducing some new members to hill walking in the Comeragh Mountains. (Photo: Jim Daly)

ST. OLIVERS G.A.A. NOTES

Our young squad attended the indoor hurling at the Sports Complex, Dungarvan on Saturday, March 9. It was a very useful exercise for them as they reached the semi final in their group. The following are the results of our matches:

First match — St. Olivers 18 goals, Naomh Brid 1 goal; Second match — St. Olivers 9 goals, Fourmilewater 2 goals; Third match — Kilrossanty 4 goals, St. Olivers 2 goals; Fourth and Final match — This match ended in a draw with the score being St. Olivers 3 goals, Brickeys 3 goals. Brickeys and St. Olivers lost one game each so the Brickeys went through to the final on goal average.

Panel — Mark Scanlon, Danny O'Keeffe, Garry Ronayne, Jamie Landers, Tiernan Murray, Richard Kiely, Keith Landers, Cian Walsh, David Mernin, Michael Irwin, Stephen Fitzgerald (sub. goalie), James O'Brien.

UNDER-16 'A' FOOTBALL

We played our third and final game in the under 16 'A' football last Sunday morning against Ardmore in Ardmore. Well done lads on playing all three games. It was very unfair to put you in the 'A' group but the club hopes the Officers in Bord na nOg will look better at these results when they sit down to make the groups for 1997. These kind of defeats suffered by our young lads can serve no purpose. Score on Sunday — Ardmore 3-8 St. Olivers 1-4.

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to all the boys and girls who were confirmed in Ballinameela Church on Thursday, March 14. Also the best of luck to all of you in your Secondary education.

UNDER-21 'B' FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

On next Saturday we play Avonmore in Bushy Park at 3 p.m. All players to be there by 2.30 p.m. This match was cancelled last Saturday as the pitch was unplayable.

VOICE OF CLASHMORE

Congratulations to Olivia Morrissey, Villierstown on reaching the final of the Voice of Clashmore. We wish you, on behalf of the St. Olivers, all the best in the final. Olivia is daughter of our treasurer Tony, who is also Western and County Board Treasurer for 1996.

— P.R.O.

Colligan Rockies/ Emmets Hurling & Football Clubs

BLACK AND AMBER LOTTO

Numbers drawn on Monday, March 18 were 3, 4, 12. No winner. Next week's jackpot £400.

Winner of £25 was Tony Murphy, 8 Abbot's Close, Abbeyside. Next draw on Monday, March 25.

Colligan Equestrian Centre League

The following are the results of the Colligan Equestrian Centre League which was held on Friday, March 8th. This was the best league so far with many competitors on maximum points. Competition is really getting tough now with only two more weeks to go and with double points awarded on the last night, March 29th. So, for a good night, craic and entertainment why not come along to our finals, everybody is welcome.

TSB MINI LEAGUE

The mini league was kindly sponsored by TSB Bank, Dungarvan and the results are as follows; Patrick D'Alton (Magical Mystery Tour), Angela D'Alton (Morengo), Lisa Looby (Bullet), Peter Moloney (Milton), Michael Brennock (Jack Boy), Laura Burke (Stormy), Suzy Lonergan (Samson), Erika Kelly (Scallywag).

GAIN MIDI LEAGUE

The midi league was kindly sponsored by Gain Horse Feeds, Dungarvan. Competition results; Bill Looby (Bullet), Sinead Lavan (Moon Dancer), Jenny Brennock (Raindrop), Emer Parks (Feeling Frisky), Elaine Casey (Mr. Unstoppable), Marie Raher (Blue Ice), Mary Johnson (Lightning), Nollaig Cummins (Mac), Siun Walsh (Whirlwind), Aoife McCabe (Mandy), Sinead Murphy (Tiger), Aoife Landers (Jock), Robert Power (Duchess).

AMATEUR LEAGUE

This league was generously sponsored by Jim Phelan Hardware, Shandon. Louise Moloney (Colligan River), Norma Tobin (Pip), Noelle Quann (Gysepe), Eileen Gee (Paddy), Francis Dwane (Bob), Karen Flynn (Mattie), Denise Clancy (Sammy).

MAXI LEAGUE

The maxi league competition was kindly sponsored by Comeragh Garden Products. Seamus Lavan (Many Moons), Genevieve Gee (Justin), Martin Lavan (Many Moons).

HORSES LEAGUE

John Cleary, cattle haulier Old Parish very kindly sponsored the horses league and the results are; Aisling Ormond (Riverdance), Leahanne Cummins (Cobbler), Paula Lenihan (Charlie), Aine Cummins (Mr. Barney).

Rosettes were sponsored by Tom Curran Hardware, Dungarvan. Special award sponsored by Anthony Lynch, farrier, Summerhill.

Letter To The Editor

IRISH SCHOOLS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Sir,

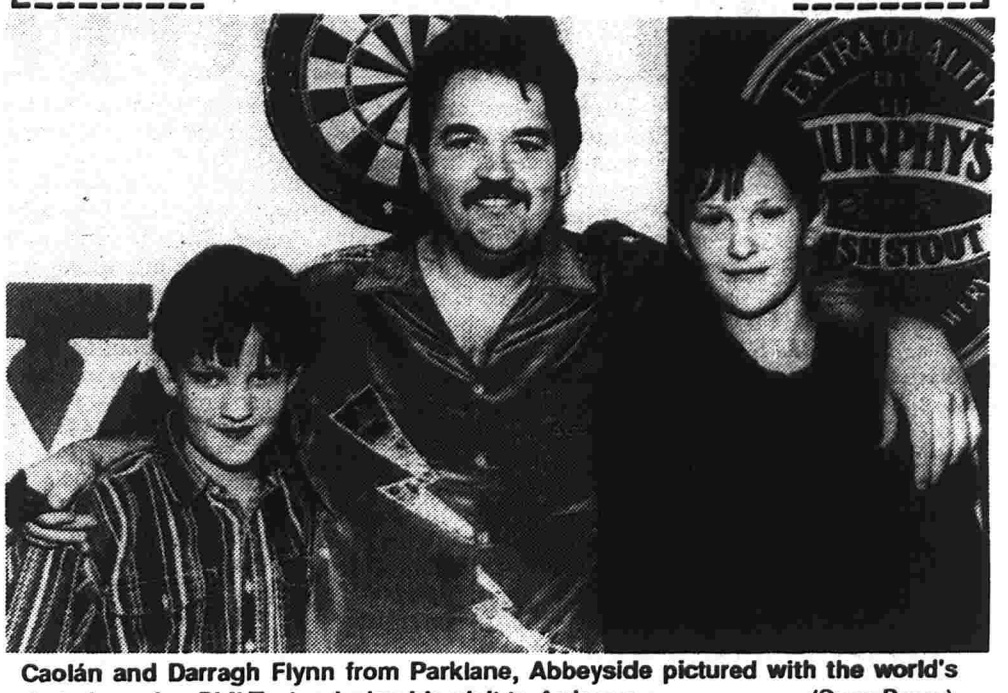
I am writing on behalf of the Irish Schools Athletic Association and our sponsors, Nestle (Ireland), to return thanks to all the people of Dungarvan and district who helped to make such a success of the Nestle Irish Schools Cross Country Championships held at St. Augustine's College on Saturday, March 9. This was a big event, with six races for boys and girls and over eight hundred competitors from all four provinces. The course was beautifully set out, and the organisation was impeccable.

It would be impossible to thank everybody individually, but we owe a great deal to the Munster Schools Athletic Association under Mrs. Mary Ashe and Mr. Sean Nyhan, to the headmaster, staff and pupils of St. Augustine's under the direction of Br. Patrick Lennon, and to the members of the Order of Malta who provided first aid cover.

It is always a pleasure to visit Dungarvan, with its beautiful surroundings and friendly welcome. I also feel that the weather is under special control for the big occasion.

Yours, etc.,
DARCY CHILLINGWORTH,
President, I.S.A.A.

FLYNN BROTHERS MEET WORLD DARTS CHAMPION



Caolán and Darragh Flynn from Parklane, Abbeyside pictured with the world's dart champion Phil Taylor during his visit to Ardmore. (Sean Byrne)

Friends Of Waterford Football Poker Classic

The Friends of Waterford Football was established last year for the express purpose of helping to promote the big ball code in every way possible. It attracted people with a firm love for the game and their immediate aim was to raise the necessary funding that would enable financial support to become available for the various County teams. The group also organised a highly successful social evening when the chief guests were the members of the celebrated Waterford Senior Football team on 1957 that beat the reigning All-Ireland champions, Kerry in the initial round of that year's championship at Walsh Park.

Now the "Friends" have embarked on a most ambitious fundraising venture and it embraces a "Monster Poker Classic" the likes of which has never been seen in the County. The Grand Final of this Classic will take place in The Park Hotel, Dungarvan on Bank Holiday Monday, May 6th. The first prize of which will see the ultimate winner walk away - or perhaps it should be stated - drive away in a new car (or the relevant cash desired) and there will also be prizes for the other competing finalists.

The organisation of this event is massive and has been going on for several months now. In the Eastern end of the County (and this also takes in the city region), Michael Clifford of Gaultier and Butlerstown's Michael Monaghan are the chief organisers and their efforts to date have yielded something in excess of £2,000.

Pat Morrissey, the former Mitchell's and Waterford star footballer is looking after affairs in the mid-County region around Kilmacthomas. Equally, Peter Kenny of Clonea and Noel Kirwan of Rathgormack are organising games on a regular basis in their respective areas.

Not surprisingly, some areas are working harder than others but right now a major push is afoot to bring in the maximum support for this event. At the moment pride of place in this regard surely must go to Ardmore and its dynamic Club Secretary, Kevin Gallagher who to date has secured 14 tickets for the big day and will continue to organise weekly games on Wednesday nights in the local Paddy Mac's establishment in the picturesque seaside village.

The Déise Bar, Clashmore is another venue that is playing its part with seven local finals already decided and they likewise continue to function in this regard on Thursday nights from now until Easter. The ever popular Justin Spratt - a man of many talents and a former star footballer in his own right, has organised many "Poker Nights" in the West Waterford Golf Club - in what has already developed into splendid social evenings enjoyed by many people. Not to be outdone, another great football enthusiast, John Kiely has the satellite game up and running in Crotty's Inn, Leamybrien with of course, the full support of the Kilrossanty Club.

Those interested in playing their part and of course gaining a ticket for the Grand Final (a mere £5 guarantees a great night's entertainment at the qualifying stages) should contact any of the following: Michael Clifford, Gaultier - Tel. (051) 383242; John Kiely, Kilrossanty - Tel. (051) 291289; Rev. Fr. Pat Moran, Chairman Friends of Waterford Football - Tel. (058) 41140; Seamus Fitzgerald, Ballinacourty - Tel. (058) 41836; Kevin Gallagher, Ardmore - Tel. (024) 94570.

Waterford Hot Rod Club Notes

If you think that you have got what it takes to race at the Pike, and you know someone willing to let you race their car, why not take out a permit for a race. Who knows, maybe once you start you'll want your own car!

For those non-drivers who wish to join the club, membership is now £10. Any of the committee members will be only too willing to help you.

Would you like word about your business to travel to places like Cork, Kerry, Limerick? If so, why not take up a sign on our new railing on the track. Everybody benefits, you and your business gets the advertisement and the Waterford Hot Rod Club gets some sponsorship. Again if this idea appeals to you contact any of the committee members.

COUNTY BADMINTON NOTES

Waterford Win The Brewster Cup

Dramatic scenes were witnessed at the Nagle Complex in Cork last Sunday week as Waterford won the Brewster Cup.

Waterford beat Clare 9-0 in the last match to bring their score up to 35 points.

It was then up to Cork to beat Limerick by 8 matches to 1 to clinch the cup but they could only win 7-2 and this meant they ended level with Waterford on 35 points.

Tension filled the hall as the sets had to be added up and after about 10 minutes of anxious waiting, everyone was on tender hooks as the results were announced that Waterford had 73 sets and Cork had 72, (we had won by a single set), there was great roars of jubilation in the Waterford camp. Tears of joy were shed as captain John O'Riordan received the cup.

Going into the last two matches we were a point behind so we had to get 16 points out of 18 to keep us in with a chance of victory. The players responded positively to the challenge. Great spirit and determination was shown by each one of them as they stuck to the task and were rewarded with an historic victory. Everyone was a hero.

The last time that Waterford won the Brewster Cup was in Cork in 1989/'90. Congratulations to all concerned. Final score was Waterford 35 pts. (73 sets), Cork 35 pts. (72 sets), Kerry 23 pts., Limerick 21 pts., Clare 14 pts., and Tipperary 7 pts.

Our team - Elizabeth Whelan, Maureen Moran, Walter Morrissey and Morgan Doyle (Waterford), Suzanne O'Riordan, John O'Riordan captain (Dungarvan), Angela Curley and John Pratt (Tallow), Sarah Cass, Tim McEnery and Geraldine Kennedy (Dunmore), Pat Ahearne (Lismore).

GOLDCOAST GOLF CLUB NOTES

BEREAVEMENT

On behalf of Gold Coast Golf Club we would like to express our sympathy to club member Ann Dalton and her family on the recent death of her brother Colonel Patrick Dempsey.

COMPETITION RESULTS

Saturday, March 16 to Monday March 18 — 18 Hole Stableford, St. Patrick's Weekend Hamper Competition — Winner, Thomas Larkin (15) 41 pts, followed in second place by Conor Clancy (20) with 40 pts, with in third place Sean Walsh (14) with 39 pts.

PIERCE PURCELL TRIALS

The selectors will be keeping a watchful eye on competition results over the coming weeks in order to select the foursomes pairs, who will represent the club in both the Pierce Purcell and Country Clubs Cup. Our first match in the Pierce Purcell will be against Clonmel at Youghal Golf Club on May 25, while our first match in the Country Clubs Cup will be against Dunmore East in Tramore Golf Club on June 15.

A number of foursomes competitions will be arranged before then in order to give our players plenty of experience in matchplay conditions.

GOLF LESSONS

Any person interested in obtaining a golf lesson on an individual or a group basis over the coming months, should put their name on the list in the clubhouse. Should sufficient numbers be interested, the club will be able to arrange for a qualified golf teacher to come on a routine basis and give tuition to individuals and groups.

BALLINROAD WIN LEAGUE

Congratulations to Ballinroad Soccer Club and to our members who were involved in winning the league for the first time in 25 years. Well done to all concerned.

FIXTURES

Tuesday, March 19 to Friday, March 22 — 14 Hole Stableford. Saturday and Sunday, March 23/24 — 18 Hole Stableford.

LADIES NEWS

Fixtures — Easter — 9 Hole on-going competition, 2 cards to count, kindly sponsored by Shopwell, Dungarvan. See details posted in clubhouse.

Sunday, March 24 — 9 Hole Ladies Scramble commencing at 4 p.m. All lady members are encouraged to take part, especially any new members as this is a great opportunity to meet and play with both experienced and inexperienced players.

DUNGARVAN GOLF CLUB NOTES

LADIES FIXTURE

Wednesday, March 26 — Walsh Cup, 18 Hole Stableford.

PROGRESSIVE 45

Winners, Pat McGovern and Michael Kelly; Runners-up, Vincent Tobin and Johnny Hogan. Last 5 — Noel Kirwan and James Power.

POKER CLASSIC

The above in aid of Friends of Waterford Football was won by Chrissie Terry.

LOTTO

Numbers drawn were 3, 15, 16. No winners. £10 winners were Ger Darcy and Tony Keevers. £200 to be won in next week's jackpot.

SUCCESSFUL ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND

St. Patrick's weekend proved highly successful on the golf course. Jim Harty and Fr. Tom Flynn won the fourball with a great score of 43 pts and then Dungarvan's Michael Morrissey, playing off a handicap of 6, brought in 43 pts, one under par to win the Open Singles on Bank Holiday Monday.

RESULTS

Saturday and Sunday, March 16/17 — 18 Hole Open Fourball — 1st J. Harty (9) (Dungarvan) and Fr. T. Flynn (11) (Tramore) 43 pts; 2nd Pat Spratt (16) (West Waterford) and Austin Walsh (12) (Highfield) 42 pts; 3rd Dermot Walsh (12) (Highfield) and Pat Walsh (18) (Rosmore) 42 pts; 4th Peter Walsh (10) (Highfield) and Justin Walsh (23) (Gold Coast) 42 pts.

Monday, March 18 — 18 Hole Open Singles. C.S.S. 38 pts — 1st M. Morrissey (6) 43 pts (1 under par); 2nd Justin Walsh (Gold Coast) (23) 40 pts; 3rd Kieran Foley (22) (Lismore) 39 pts; 4th M. Mernin (11) 39 pts.

Open Scramble — 1st P. J. Killigrew, Pat Morrissey and R. Prendergast; 2nd Jim Prendergast, June James and David Hayes.

FIXTURES

9 Hole Weekly. Thursday, March 21 — 11 Hole Stableford. Saturday, March 23 — 18 Hole Stableford. Sunday, March 24 — 18 Hole Stableford.

Cunnigar Pitch & Putt Club Notes

MEMBERSHIP FEES

We are now open for membership fees. Adults £40, juveniles £15, Over 60's £20 and families £60. Our easy payment plan is up and running, £10 deposit. This payment plan will end on March 31, 1996. Just to say you can join the Cunnigar Club any time during the year.

Pitch and putt is one of the most popular leisure sports, it is enjoyed by young and old. If anyone is interested in playing pitch and putt or becoming a member, please call down to our clubhouse at Quann's, we will be delighted to see you and give you all the help we can.

The Cunnigar Pitch and Putt Club is the place to be, overlooking the Cunnigar, Helvick and Ring and the beautiful sea. It's a game everyone can enjoy, it's fun, it's a laugh too, you will find that pitch and putt is the game for you.

CLUB TOURNAMENT

There will be a club tournament on Sunday, March 24, weather permitting. Tee-off between 9.45 and 10.45 a.m.

LOTTO

No winner of our big jackpot of £800 last Tuesday, March 12. Our jackpot this Tuesday will be £900. Last week's numbers were 3, 9, 21, 30. Five lucky winners of £20 each were Conor Curran, Caroline Lenane, Danny Moore, John Duggan and Noel Buckley.

Lotto sellers please take note — try to have your tickets in before 7 p.m. on Tuesdays as the draw will take place very shortly after that time. Thank you.

Waterford G.A.A. Supporters Club

WATERFORD V. OFFALY

We play Offaly in the Fraher Field on Sunday next at 3 p.m. The supporters are looking forward to a gutsy performance with pride and passion. The team must now show improvements, with real Waterford traditional hurling — no messing, first time striking, especially in the forward line. the best goals scored in hurling are first time, whip off the sod.

The Waterford team had a useful challenge game against Cork on Saturday last at Christy Ring Park. I hope Fergal Hartley and Ger Harris have got over their injuries since the Galway game.

Congratulations to Tony Browne who gave an outstanding performance when helping Munster humiliate Leinster in the Railway Cup final at Ennis on Monday last.

On Sunday next, Offaly are bringing under-21 and minor teams with them to play challenge games against Waterford. Their u-21s play Waterford at Abbeyside ground and their minors play our minors at Dungarvan GAA grounds. Both games are at 12 noon. It should give our selectors a good idea as to how our teams are shaping up for the championship.

MEMBERSHIP

Just a reminder to members that your membership for 1996 is now due and would appeal to people who have not already joined the Deise Development Draw to do so immediately. Next draw Friday, March 29.

Next meeting Thursday, March 28 at Clonea Strand Hotel at 8 p.m.

WEST WATERFORD GOLF CLUB NOTES

Winter League For St. Olivers

St. Olivers justified their favourites tag to take the club's first Winter League title on Monday last. But as the results will show they were made fight all the way, edging home by only one point. Final result was 6.5 to 5.5. The Village took the plate and Waterford were were let stirring until next year.

Results (St. Olivers named first) — T. W. Murphy lost to L. Spratt, Ml. Culloo bt. J. Kelly, J. Flynn halved J. Ryan, B. Nugent bt. T. Morrissey, F. Walsh bt. T. Spratt, C. Clancy halved A. Harty, G. Flavin lost to P. Spratt, P. Corkery lost to W. Spratt, M. Kelleher bt. K. Fleming, D. Twomey lost to J. Sheehan, J. Nugent bt. M. Dwyer, D. O'Brien halved D. Morrissey.

Plate — The Village bt. The Brickey's by one point.

Wooden Spoon — Old Parish bt. Waterford.

CLUB RESULTS

Saturday, March 16 — 18 Hole Stableford — 1st D. Murphy (15) 41 pts; 2nd J. Murphy (22) 38 pts.

St. Patrick's Day Trophy (Golfer of the Year points) — 1st W. Spratt (17) 40 pts; 2nd J. Spratt (12) 39 pts; 3rd G. Flavin (16) 39 pts; Best Gross - J. Murphy (6) 32 pts; High Handicap — P. Power (21) 38 pts.

Monday, March 18 — 18 Hole Stableford — 1st T. Butler (10) 40 pts; 2nd M. Purcell (16) 39 pts.

FIXTURES

March 9 Hole Ongoing. Saturday, March 23 — 18 Hole Scotch Foursomes. Sunday, March 24 — 18 Holes.

Note — Purcell and Bruen Shield Trials — Check notice board.

COMING SOON

Grouse foursomes on Good Friday, April 5. Junior Scratch Cup (sponsored by Waterford Crystal) on Bank Holiday Monday, April 8. Time sheet 058-43216.

Golf Aid, People In Need — For the fastest round of gold. Please support this worthy cause.

LADIES NEWS

Result — 9 Hole — 1st R. McDonnell (19) 17 pts; 2nd A. Rochford (24) 17 pts.

Fixture — March 9 Hole Ongoing Competition.

NIRE FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

LOTTO

Winning numbers were 17, 18, 20. £25 winners were Kathleen O'Gorman, Glasha, Margaret Wall, Toureen, Richard Harte (Jnr.), Nire, Micky Prendergast, Lyre. Lucky Ticket — Mary Morrissey, Ballinamult.

Next week's jackpot £800.

Dungarvan G.A.A. Club Notes

U-16 FOOTBALL

At our club grounds on Sunday morning last we took on Clashmore in our final league game of the u-16 football championship.

In the first half Clashmore, playing with the wind and rain, got off to a good start with a point in the first minute. However, their lead was short-lived with two goals from Vinny O'Sullivan and one from Martin McGovern showed Dungarvan leading at half time on the scoreline of 3-3 to 0-2.

The second half started very well for Dungarvan who clocked up two quick points in succession. Clashmore responded with a point but immediately two goals for "the Old Boro" were scored by Paul Radley and Danny Power. Clashmore got their final score of the match with 12 minutes remaining. In those final minutes Dungarvan scored 1 goal by Alan Harty and 6 points to leave the final score 6-12 to 4 points. This had qualified us for the semi-final.

Panel — J. Charles, M. Power (capt.), E. Morrissey, J. Veale, O. Morrissey, D. Morrissey, S. O'Brien, S. Cunningham, P. Radley, M. Power, A. Harty, M. McGovern, P. Fitzgerald, D. Keating, V. Sullivan, D. Walsh, D. Power, G. Cusack, S. Kiersey, D. Power, D. Tutty.

YOUGHAL TOURNAMENT

On Saturday, March 16 at Pairc Dúngarbhán we played Clashmore/Ardmore in the semi-final of the Youghal Clubs U-21 football tournament.

Both sides took a while to settle, but it was Dungarvan who opened the scoring, undoubtedly being assisted by a strong wind. However, defensive lapses allowed Clashmore/Ardmore in for a goal which put them in the lead. Dungarvan regained their composure and scored a number of points before the break.

On the turn-over Clashmore/Ardmore, now assisted by the elements, went on the offensive, forcing the Dungarvan backs to concede a penalty. The resultant kick was duly dispatched to the net. Dungarvan, to the teams credit, fought back and eventually weathered the storm in every sense of the word.

A heavy shower of hailstones in the last ten minutes reduced the game to a lottery. Final score: Dungarvan 1-11, Clashmore/Ardmore 2-4.

Dungarvan would like to thank Clashmore/Ardmore for agreeing to play the game at Pairc Dungarbhan and Jim Landers for refereeing.

An Foireann — Mark Cunningham, Conor Murphy, Michael McLoughlin, Michael Cummins, Trevor Galvin, Niall Considine, Darren Lyons, Trevor O'Mahoney, John Power, J. P. Donnelly, Jason Hyslop, M. O'Sullivan, Conor Lannon, Michael Donnelly, Brendan Conway, Michael Ahearne.

The first round of the championship versus The Nire takes takes place next Saturday, March 23, at Colligan. All players are requested to be at the CBS at 2 p.m.

LATE MICHAEL LEWIS

Our club was greatly saddened last Sunday when we learned of the death of Michael Lewis, late of Shandon Street. Michael was taken ill while returning from the rugby match between Ireland and England.

Michael was a great Dungarvan clubman. Although domiciled in Dublin for most of his life he never forgot his roots. He played with the club at juvenile level and was captain of the side that won the minor football title in 1961. He also played senior hurling and football for the club and played in the full back position for Waterford in minor hurling.

He was a frequent visitor to his native town and was present to see our senior footballers in action in our recent 3-in-a-row victories which gave him great pleasure.

On behalf of the club we would like to extend our deepest sympathy to his wife Tina, and his brothers Sean and Francis. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

DRAW

Promoters please note that all monies for the Deise Development Draw must be in to the Club Co-ordinator by Monday, March 25.

TRAINING

Training for the u-14 hurling and football will commence on Sunday next, March 24, at 11 a.m.

LOTTO

The weekly lotto numbers drawn on Sunday were — 8, 14, 17. One winner of £100: Helen Crotty, c/o Dungarvan Crystal, p. Paddy Fitzgerald.

SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the Sheehan and Flynn families on the recent death of Mrs. Hallahan. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam.

Ardmore G.A.A. Club Notes

WEEKEND WASH OUT

Our under-21 football game against Ballinacourty was rained off this weekend with the Western Board calling all games off due to heavy midweek rain falls. This will give all teams an extra week to prepare and in our case the opportunity was availed of to play the Youghal under-21 tournament match against Dungarvan at the Dungarvan G.A.A. Club grounds, which were in fine condition.

Missing some of the regulars it was nevertheless a useful workout for the lads and shows that a lot of sharpening up will have to be done before next weekend if we are to progress further.

On a blustery, showery day there were some good performances, particularly Maurice and Dermot in defence with Brian O'Neill, Ml. Dower and Cathal achieving most in our attack which was supplied with the wrong type of ball in the prevailing conditions and if there is to be a criticism of Johnny and Kevin in the middle of the field, it must be that they used hard won possession very badly and until they have a "Harlem Globetrotters" forward unit, then big high balls into the air is not the supply our light, fast forwards would appreciate and a long low delivery given quickly will, I am sure, be the selectors message the next day, which will probably be this Saturday, again at Old Parish, but players should check with the selectors first to make sure of arrangements.

Dungarvan ran out winners on a 1-12 to 2-5 scoreline with Jim Joe Landers as the official in charge.

DEISE DRAW — JOIN UP NOW

The first draw of the 96 series will be held on Friday, March 29. The '95 series which ended in February brought 22 prize winners to the Ardmore area and, of course, the previous one brought the top prize winner of £10,000 when we were the hosts.

The club is nearly completely dependent on the draw for its day to day running costs which last year were £14,000 plus. We appeal for your continued support and at £5 per month is excellent value.

Tickets must be purchased at the very latest by this Friday, March 22 and the club promoters are Kevin Gallagher, Declan Barron, Denis Conway, Noel Conway, Austin Flavin, Paul Hallahan, John Hennessy, Sean Hennessy, Seamus Keevers, Liam Lynch, Billy O'Mahoney, Eileen O'Donnell, John O'Donnell, Thomas Power, Mary and Pat Prendergast, John Sullivan, Michael Supple, Pat Walsh and Joe O'Brien. So remember, if you want to be in, be sure to contact the promoter of your choice if you have not yet been approached.

ADDED BONUS

As this year's Munster senior hurling championship against Tipperary in Walsh Park is going to be an all ticket affair, our club had decided that after our "club members" have been taken care of, any extra tickets will be drawn for among our draw supporters, who indicate that they wish to attend the game. This will give those who join with us the chance to win a ticket while those who pay full club membership will be entitled to all club concessions which can be many and varied during the year.

POKER CLASSIC

The Friends of Waterford Football Poker Classic continues to attract great numbers and with just seven weeks left to the grand final on May 6 an intensely competitive satellite round was held at Paddy Mac's on last Wednesday night. Twenty players had checked in by the 9.15 starting time. As usual six qualified to play for the £100 entry ticket and the eventual winner was Billy Harty who had a few pound to spare over runner up Nicky Murphy.

Games for a ticket will continue on each Wednesday until April 24 so come along and join in the fun and you may be the one who wins on May 6.

VOTES OF SYMPATHY

At last week's club meeting votes of sympathy were passed to Mrs. May Prendergast, Curragh in respect of her sister Mrs. Lily Daly of Ballinacinna. Also to Mrs. Caroline Bowen-Walsh in respect of her brother Mr. Vincent K. Bowen of Cobh.

DISASTER FUND

The fantastic response from the public and from the clubs of Waterford and East Cork has meant that the club will be handing over a cheque for £4,980 and 10p as our contribution following the benefit game involving Cork and Waterford. We thank sincerely all those who supported our effort and the cheque will be forwarded to the Disaster Fund Committee during the week.

KNOWLEDGEABLE OFFICIALS

The table quiz promoted by Ardmore A.F.C. in aid of the Disaster Fund provided more evidence as if there was any doubt that the G.A.A. is the strongest club in the parish with club secretary Kevin Gallagher being captain of the winning team while club chairman Liam O Loinnsigh was on the runners-up team. Added to this former club chairman Dec Hennessy is chairman of Ardmore A.F.C. while present G.A.A. chairman is a former manager of the local soccer team.

JUVENILE AFFAIRS

Under-16 footballers qualify for quarter finals. With one series of games to be played our under-16 footballers have qualified for the quarter finals when on Sunday last they received a walk over from St. Olivers. Both teams played a practice game with our subs getting in some practice.

Our final game will be in Abbeyside with the winners going on to top the group and the losers facing the third of the other group. At this stage it looks like being Dungarvan in top spot, surprise packet Clashmore in the runners-up spot, so win or lose there are difficult games ahead.

OG PHEIL

With the under-16 championships nearing completion the competition organised by the Coisde Peil to select the best 21 players to go on a three day coaching camp in Limerick University will be commencing on April 9 to 11 and our players will assist the far West Waterford Division who should have a reasonable team to call on with some fine displays already from players from Tallow, Nire, Naomh Brid, Clashmore, Ardmore, St. Olivers, Affane, Shamrocks, Ballyduff and Lismore. The Far West selectors should have a good panel to select from.

UNDER-12 TRAINING

All of our underage players from under-12 downwards are invited to attend training on next Sunday morning in the G.A.A pitch at 12 o'clock. Both hurling and football will be catered for with Denis Conway and Declan Barron in charge of training. The next intensive training session for our five under 12 hurlers will be held on the final Sunday of the month in Abbeyside and the players will be notified in person next week.

CONGRATULATIONS

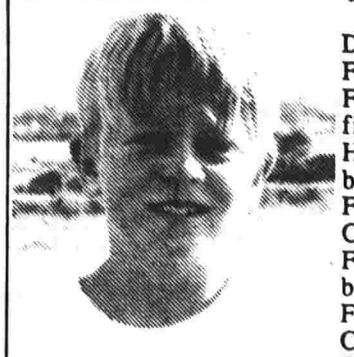
This week we extended congratulations to the local Ardmore A.F.C Under-16 squad who captured league honours last week and who are also in the under-16 cup final.

Most of these young lads have already won Western and County under-16 football medals with or club and are in line for a double double so to speak. Well done lads.

PLAYER PROFILES



Name: Brian Keane; Date of Birth: 9-2-87; Favourite Position: Hurling, forward, Football, midfield; Favourite Players: Hurling, Gary Gater, Football, Jason Sherlock; Favourite Other Sports : Snooker/Soccer; Favourite Food: Burger/Chips; Music: Rock 'N' Roll; Favourite Likes: Games; Dislikes: Farming; Achievements To Date: Trophy for football, Community Games and Irish Dancing medals; Ambition: To be a Mechanic.



Name: Padraig Crawford; Date of Birth: 13-5-86; Favourite Position: Hurling, Forward, Football, Midfield; Favourite Players: Hurling, Gary Gater, Football, Jason Sherlock; Favourite Sports: Running, Cycling, Darts, Soccer; Favourite Pastimes: Football, Hurling, Swimming; Favourite Food: Chicken/Chips; Music: Oasis; Favourite Likes: Sports; Dislikes: Homework; Honours Achieved: Football Trophy, Community Games medal; Ambition: To play for my county and



DUNGARVAN CRYSTAL SPORTS & LEISURE CLUB SQUASH TOURNAMENT FINAL (sponsored by A.I.B. Dungarvan) — Pictured are the winners and runners-up at the prize giving presentation. Seated (l. to r.) — Pat McGovern, George Hamilton, Ger Smith, A.I.B. (sponsors), Jim Harty, J. J. Henley. Back row (l. to r.) — Michelle Mernin (Tournament Director), Pat Terry, Michael Fitzgerald, Paddy Walsh, John Walsh and Kevin Moore, Chairman Dungarvan Crystal S. & L. Club. (Photo: Sean Byrne)

ST. OLIVERS LADIES FOOTBALL

Double Defeat

ST. PATRICKS 4-7 ST. OLIVERS 1-5

St. Olivers minors were beaten in their opening match of this year's under-18 B championship when they went down by 11 points in Bohadoon. This was scheduled to be St. Olivers home match but as the posts in Aglish — both of which blew down during the January gales — still, have not been repaired, the "Saints" had to concede home advantage in this one. Overall it was a much more even contest than the score suggests.

St. Olivers — Carol Guiry, Helena Power, Maire Kiely, Marie O'Donovan, Eilish Clancy, Jennifer Landers, Karen Landers, Doireann Corr, Diane Pratt, Sharon Walsh (0-1), Aine Davis (1-4), Lorraine Hickey, Eleanor O'Brien, Triona Tobin, Caitriona Power. Referee: Pat Tobin.

CLASHMORE 8-9 ST. OLIVERS 4-6

The second tie arrived last Saturday with the red and whites making the short trip to Clashmore. The hosts were in fine scoring form during the first half, clocking up a tally of 7-5, with St. Olivers registering 0-6 (two a-piece from Sharon Walsh, Eleanor O'Brien and Lorraine Hickey).

It was different in the second period, even though Clashmore resumed where they had left off, notching up a point barely a minute and a half after the restart. St. Olivers found the net six minutes later when Eleanor O'Brien's handpass set up Aine Davis for a goal which sparked off the "Saints" best spell of the match. Thirty seconds later it happened again with Diane Pratt this time latching onto Eleanor's handpass to strike to the net. The revival continued when Aine raced through to blast an effort in off the post to cut the gap to 12 points, and St. Olivers conjured up their fourth goal in seven minutes when Eleanor O'Brien again placed Aine Davis with a handpass, and once more Aine made no mistake.

Clashmore ended the match on a high, adding a goal and three points to their tally.

St. Olivers — Orla Daly, Karen Landers, Helena Power, Marie O'Donovan, Carol Guiry, Jennifer Landers, Diane Pratt (1-0), Doireann Corr, Triona Tobin, Aine Davis (3-0), Sharon Walsh (0-2), Eleanor O'Brien (0-2), Lorraine Hickey (0-2). Referee: William Downing.

NEXT WEEKEND

St. Olivers final minor tie takes place next Saturday afternoon, away to St. Garvans.

SENIOR HURLING CHALLENGE AT PAIRC UI RINN, CORK

Entertaining Challenge Game Ends All Square

WATERFORD 2-11 CORK 2-11

This very worthwhile challenge produced very lively fare and was most productive from the point of view that both sets of selectors were able to try out members of their respective panels who have been sitting on the bench during recent games.

Both teams entered into the spirit of the game from the start and it was obvious that players were giving it their best shot, probably in an effort to prove themselves.

Despite the heavy overnight rain and a hail shower, prior to the 1.30 p.m. start, the pitch was quite firm. Cork attacked from the throw in and the constant pressure helped them to an early 1-2 to nil lead before good work by Paul Flynn put Dan Shanahan through for a goal. A second Cork goal just before the break left them marginally at front by 2-3 to 1-5 at halftime.

The homeside led throughout the second half but Waterford came back for their second major when Paul Flynn shot to the net before Paul Power sent over a 60 metre point to level the scoring just on the hour.

Cork, whose best players in the game included Ger Cunningham, Sean Og Halpin, Jim Cashman, Seamie McCarthy, Teddy McCarthy, Kevin Egan, Ger Manley etc. expressed themselves pleased with the test and Waterford too must have learned something from the game.

Scorers for Waterford: P. Flynn 1-1, D. Shanahan 1-1, M. Hickey 0-5 (4 frees), P. Power 0-2, J. Beresford and G. Gater 0-1 each.

Team: R. Whitty, D. Ryan, S. Cullinane, M. O'Sullivan, R. O'Sullivan, S. Frampton, T. Feeney, T. Fives, P. Power, D. Shanahan, J. Beresford, M. Hickey, B. O'Sullivan, G. Gater, P. Flynn.

Sub: R. Barry (for R. Whittey).

Ger Harris and Fergal Hartley, although present were not played because of injury.

Referee: W. Horgan, Cork.

SHAMROCKS G.A.A. NOTES

U-21 'A' WESTERN FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

We expect to line out against Stradbally in the first round on this Saturday, March 23. All the games listed for last weekend in that championship were postponed owing to the weather conditions, so we look forward to next Saturday. This game will take place in Cappoquin at 3 p.m.

DR. HARTY CUP MUNSTER COLLEGES S.H.C. FINAL

We extend heartiest congratulations to St. Coleman's College, Fermoy who had a convincing victory over CBS, Nenagh at Clonmel last Sunday. Outstanding on the team were Eoin Murphy and James Murray, both players with our club at underage level and Eoin is also a member of our intermediate hurling and football teams. We wish them continued success at All-Ireland level.

Incidentally, the president of St. Colman's College, Fermoy, Very Rev. Dr. Sean Cotter, has connections with our parish as his mother was a member of the Leahy family from Templemichael, Glendine and his cousin Michael Leahy has been an outstanding player in both hurling and football with our club for many years. He is also currently a prominent committee member.

DEISE DEVELOPMENT DRAW

The first draw in the current series takes place at Melleray on Friday night, March 29 and we would ask all our members to contact any of the promoters or Johnny Baldwin, Club Co-ordinator, as soon as possible.

BRICKEY RANGERS CLUB NOTES

FASHION SHOW

A fashion show will be held today, Wednesday 21st March in the pavilion to raise funds for underage clubs.

U-16 FOOTBALLERS

Our U-16's had decisive wins over the following; Naomh Bríd 3-12 to 0-8, Shamrocks 3-10 to 1-4. The team lined out as follows; Enda Walsh, Eamon Tobin, Shane Queally, Niall Russell, Declan McGrath, Mark Nugent, Richard Tobin, James Cooney, Fergus Nugent, Craig Cowman, Barry Kinsella, Ian McCarthy, James Queally, Patrick Halpin, William Queally, John Tobin, Brian O'Connor, Karl Daly, Kieran Daly, Shane McGrath, Joe O'Brien, Tony Halpin, Chris Morrissey.

U-10 HURLING

Our under 10 hurling team did the club proud last Saturday week, reaching the final of the under 10 hurling tournament in the Sports Centre, Dungarvan.

They had good wins over Naomh Bríd, Fourmilewater, Kilrossanty and a draw with St. Olivers to win their section. Panel of players; Michael Gee, Ivan Murphy, John Cooney, Conor Phelan, Tomas Lynch, Paudie Nugent, Martin Lenane, Ciaran Gee, Alan Cliff, Colin McGrath, Raymond Landers, Thomas Landers and Dermot Ahearne.

THE ISSUE OF MEMBERSHIP

There is hardly a week gone by since January that club notes published in the 'Leader' did not contain a reference to membership. It has become a fact of life in the GAA that players and officials will not pay their annual membership fee without having been given several reminders.

All members of the Association must be registered with Croke Park by April each year and only those who have paid their membership can be registered. According to the club constitution which every club holds, it is clearly laid down what is required for membership in Section 14: "The annual subscription of members, other than honorary members, shall be decided by the annual club general meeting; subscriptions are payable in advance on January 1st each year.

"Any member, other than an honorary member whose annual subscription is not paid prior to March 1st in any calendar year shall cease to be a member on that date and shall not be eligible to participate in the games of any section of the club or to partake in any of the privileges attached to members."

Some clubs may not have, as yet, obtained a copy of the Club Constitution as laid down under general rules, and it is for their benefit that I publish the above.

G.A.A. NOTES — BY "COMMENTATOR"

Senior Championship Programme Announced

The eagerly awaited senior hurling and football schedule of fixtures was issued on last weekend and on examining them, clubs will be pleased to find that the GAC have reverted to the policy of planning a full schedule, giving dates and venues all the way to the finals in September/October. This will allow clubs the facility of planning well ahead and it will give players and club officials a chance to plan holidays with their families, etc.

It is now imperative that the fixtures list be adhered to, or that any disruption will be minimal. In circumstances where the Munster championships interfere, if we are successful in the first rounds, it is the intention of the GAC to have any altered matches played on week evenings.

Clubs will find that in a few cases, games are fixed for Wednesday and Thursday evenings during the first week in May.

SENIOR HURLING

Group A — Tallow, Erin's Own, St. Saviours, Clonea, Passage, Fourmilewater, Ballygunner and Roanmore.

Group B — Dunhill, Dungarvan, Ballyduff, De La Salle, Mount Sion, Lismore, Portlaw and St. Mollerans.

The championship is set to begin on Easter Saturday, May 6, with four matches being fixed.

Saturday, April 6 — Tallow v. Erin's Own at Fraher Field, 6.45 p.m.; St. Saviours v. Clonea at Portlaw, 6.45 p.m. Dunhill v. Dungarvan at Stradbally, 7 p.m.; Portlaw v. St. Mollerans at Clonea, 7 p.m.

Sunday, April 7 — Ballyduff v. De La Salle at Fraher field, 2 p.m.; Mount Sion v. Lismore at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m. Passage v. Fourmilewater at Fraher Field, 7 p.m.; Ballygunner v. Roanmore at Walsh Park, 3.30 p.m.

Saturday, April 13 — Ballyduff v. Dunhill at Fraher Field, 7 p.m.; Passage v. St. Saviours at Walsh Park, 7 p.m.; De La Salle v. Dungarvan at Kilmacthomas, 7 p.m.

Sunday, April 14 — Lismore v. St. Mollerans at Fraher Field, 2 p.m.; Tallow v. Ballygunner at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m.; Fourmilewater v. Clonea at Fraher Field, 7 p.m.; Roanmore v. Erin's Own at Walsh Park, 2 p.m.; Mount Sion v. Portlaw, 3.30 p.m.

Saturday, April 27 — Lismore v. Dunhill at Fraher Field, 7 p.m.; Mount Sion v. Dungarvan a Kilmacthomas, 7 p.m.; Ballygunner v. St. Saviours at Walsh Park, 7 p.m.

Sunday, April 28 — Ballyduff v. St. Mollerans at Fraher Field, 2 p.m.; Fourmilewater v. Erin's Own at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m.; Passage v. Tallow at Fraher Field, at 7 p.m.; Roanmore v. Clonea at Dunhill , 2 p.m.; De La Salle v. Portlaw at Dunhill, 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 1 — Ballygunner v. Passage at Walsh Park, 7.30 p.m.; Erin's Own v. Clonea at Kill, 7.30 p.m.; Tallow v. St. Saviours at Leamybrien, 7.30 p.m.; Roanmore v. Fourmilewater at Fraher Field, 7.30 p.m.; St. Mollerans v. Dunhill at Portlaw, 7.30 p.m.; Portlaw v. Dungarvan at Kilmacthomas, 7.30 p.m.; Lismore v. Ballyduff at Cappoquin, 7.30 p.m.

Thursday, May 2 — Mount Sion v. De La Salle at Walsh Park, 7.30 p.m.

Saturday, May 11 — Tallow v. Clonea at Fraher Field, 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, May 12 — Lismore v. De La Salle at Fraher Field, 2 p.m.; Mount Sion v. Ballyduff, at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m.; Ballygunner v. Fourmilewater at Fraher Field, 7.30 p.m.; Erin's Own v. St. Saviours at Walsh Park, 2 p.m.; Roanmore v. Passage at Walsh Park, 3.30 p.m.; St. Mollerans v. Dungarvan at Clonea, 3 p.m.; Portlaw v. Dunhill at Kill, 3 p.m.

Saturday, May 18 — Fourmilewater v. St. Saviours at Fraher Field, 7.30 p.m.; Ballygunner v. Erin's Own at Walsh Park, 7.30 p.m.; De La Salle v. Dunhill at Tramore, 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, May 19 — Passage v. Clonea at Portlaw, 2 p.m.; Mount Sion v. St. Mollerans at Portlaw, 3.30 p.m.; Lismore v. Portlaw at Fraher Field, 7.30 p.m.; Tallow v. Roanmore at Fraher Field (no time); Ballyduff v. Dungarvan at Cappoquin, 3 p.m.

Saturday, June 15 — Lismore v. Dungarvan at Cappoquin, 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, June 16 — Fourmilewater v. Tallow at Fraher Field, 2 p.m.; Ballyduff v. Portlaw at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m.; Roanmore v. St. Saviours at Walsh Park, 2 p.m.; Passage v. Erin's Own at Walsh Park, 3.30 p.m.; Ballygunner v. Clonea at Portlaw, 2 p.m.; De La Salle v. St. Mollerans at Portlaw, 3.30 p.m.; Mount Sion v. Dunhill at Tramore, 3 p.m.

Weekending June 23 — Four bottom teams in Group 1 and 2 play off.

Weekending June 30 — League final.

Weekending July 7 — Second rounds SHC.

Weekending July 14 — Losers play off in relegation process.

Weekending July 28 — SHC quarter finals, plus losers group play-off.

Weekendings, August 18/25 — SH Championship semi-finals.

Sunday, Sept. 8 — County senior hurling final (Western venue).

SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Group A — St. Saviours, Stradbally, Rathgormack, Kilrossanty, Tramore, Ballinacourty, Gaultier, Dungarvan.

Group B — Kill, Bonmahon, Nire, Kilmacthomas, Dunhill, Sliabh gCua, Butlerstown, Affane.

Saturday, March 30 — St. Saviours v. Stradbally at Kill, 6.45 p.m.

Sunday, March 31 — Nire v. Kilmacthomas at Fraher Field, 2 p.m.; Rathgormack v. Kilrossanty at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m.; Dunhill v. Sliabh gCua at Leamybrien, 2 p.m.; Butlerstown v. Affane at Leamybrien, 3.30 p.m.; Kill v. Bonmahon at Dunhill, 3 p.m.; Tramore v. Ballinacourty at Stradbally, 3 p.m.; Gaultier v. Dungarvan at Kill, 6.45 p.m.;

Saturday, April 20 — St. Saviours v. Ballinacourty at Kilmacthomas, 7 p.m.; Dunhill v. Bonmahon at Kill, 7 p.m.

Sunday, April 21 — Kilmacthomas v. Affane at Fraher Field, 2 p.m.; Nire v. Butlerstown at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m.; Kill v. Sliabh gCua at Fraher Field, 7 p.m.; Rathgormack v. Gaultier at Kill, 3.30 p.m.; Stradbally v. Tramore at Dunhill, 3 p.m.; Kilrossanty v. Dungarvan at Stradbally, 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 4 — St. Saviours v. Gaultier at Tramore, 7.30 p.m.; Nire v. Kill at Fraher Field, 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, May 5 — Dunhill v. Affane at Fraher Field, 2 p.m.; Sliabh gCua v. Butlerstown at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m.; Rathgormack v. Ballinacourty at Leamybrien, 2 p.m.; Stradbally v. Dungarvan at Leamybrien, 3.30 p.m.; Kilmacthomas v. Bonmahon at Kill, 2 p.m.; Kilrossanty v. Tramore at Kill, 3.30 p.m.

Saturday, June 8 — St. Saviours v. Rathgormack at Portlaw, 7.30 p.m.; Kilmacthomas v. Dunhill at Kill, 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, June 9 — Affane v. Bonmahon at Fraher Field, 2 p.m.; Sliabh gCua v. Nire at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m.; Kilrossanty v. Stradbally at Fraher Field, 7.30 p.m.; Dungarvan v. Tramore at Stradbally, 3 p.m.; Butlerstown v. Kill at Walsh park, 2 p.m.; Ballinacourty v. Gaultier at Walsh Park, 3.30 p.m.

Saturday, June 29 — Gaultier v. Tramore at Walsh Park, 7.30 p.m.; Affane v. Kill at Fraher Field, 7.30 p.m.; Butlerstown v. Bonmahon at Kilmacthomas, 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, June 30 — Kilrossanty v. St. Saviours at Kill, 2 p.m.; Rathgormack v. Stradbally at Kill, 3.30 p.m.; Nire v. Dunhill at Fraher Field, 2 p.m.; Kilmacthomas v. Sliabh gCua at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m.; Dungarvan v. Ballinacourty at Fraher Field, 7.30 p.m.

Saturday, July 6 — Kilmacthomas v. Butlerstown at Portlaw, 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, July 7 — Nire v. Affane at Fraher Field, 2 p.m.; Sliabh gCua v. Bonmahon at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m.; Stradbally v. Ballinacourty at Leamybrien, 2 p.m.; Rathgormack v. Dungarvan at Leamybrien, 3.30 p.m.; St. Saviours v. Tramore at Walsh Park, 2 p.m.; Kilrossanty v. Gaultier at Walsh Park, 3.30 p.m.; Dunhill v. Kill at Walsh Park, 7.30 p.m.

Saturday, July 20 — Dungarvan v. St. Saviours at Kill, 7.30 p.m.; Rathgormack v. Tramore at Walsh Park, 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, July 21 — Nire v. Bonmahon at Fraher Field, 2 p.m.; Sliabh gCua v. Affane at Fraher Field, 3.30 p.m.; Kilrossanty v. Ballinacourty at Fraher Field, 7.30 p.m.; Dunhill v. Butlerstown at Walsh Park, 2 p.m.; Stradbally v. Gaultier at Walsh Park, 3.30 p.m.; Kilmacthomas v. Kill at Portlaw, 7.30 p.m.

Weekending August 25 — Senior football championship quarter-finals.

Weekending Sept. 22 — SFC semi-finals.

Sunday, October 6 — SFC final (Eastern venue).

Weekend August 25 — Phelan Cup quarter finals.

Weekend Sept. 22 — Phelan Cup semi-finals.

October 6 — Final.

As already decided, the five top teams in Group A and the top three in Group B will qualify for the knockout stages, while the 'also rans' in the league section will play for the Phelan Cup.

WASH OUT

What a disappointing way to begin the championship season. Both divisions, working in tandem, had organised things very well for the proposed start of the under-21 football championships last weekend, but the weatherman hit back and when clubs contacted the board announcing that venues were not playable, the only option left was to call the whole programme off and refix the games for the coming weekend. The venues and times will remain the same.

The postponement of the start will create a problem in that it will not now be possible to play round three as planned on the last weekend of the month because of the start of the senior hurling championships.



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G.A.A. NOTES — BY "COMMENTATOR"

SKY Not Calling The Tune

A contract with R.T.E. has now been completed, so over the next couple of years, there need be no fear of our games being taken over by SKY Television.

I got some reaction to my article on the subject in last week's 'Leader' and very surprisingly all three people who spoke to me on the matter (two of these phoned me), none quite agreed with the point of view expressed.

Two of the three were distinctly in favour of bringing in SKY immediately and each believed that money should not be a factor as now, the majority of sports viewers have this channel. I doubt if this is the case. If is it, then I am not one of the majority. The third thought it would be good policy for the G.A.A. to branch out and have their games shown abroad. He felt it would create more international interest in hurling and football.

Anyway, we will not be changing stations for some time yet, but I feel sure that some time away in the future there will be a change of attitude and a change of policy and that we will see our games on SKY.

The contract with R.T.E. for the coming season, if accepted all round, it has already been agreed by the provincial councils', will involve live showing for six Sundays from the middle of May to the end of June.

FAS FOOTBALL COACHING SCHEME
PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS



Pictured above are a group of FAS Coaches at a recent seminar. Back row (l. to r.) — Larry Tompkins (FAS Supervisor), Jim Barry, Patrick Fleming, Michael Fenton, Liam O'Donnell, Kevin Lonergan, Pat Curran (County Football Coach). Front row (l. to r.) — Brian Arrigan, Brian Wall, Gerry Power, Michelle Power, Johnny Kirwan, Liam O'Rourke. (Photo: Sean Byrne)

NEXT WEEKEND — NEXT WEEKEND

Waterford Play Offaly In Final Round Of The National Hurling League

The excitement may have gone out of the Church & General League in both hurling and football, as far as we are concerned, but nevertheless our clash with the 1995 All Ireland semi finalists, Offaly, at Fraher Field on Sunday next, is something to look forward to and a big crowd is expected at the venue for a 3 p.m. start.

The game is of vital importance to the visitors, Offaly, who are fighting to retain their Div. One status and are presently locked in a battle with Clare to remain up, or go down.

It is interesting that the counties who played a thrilling All Ireland final last September are now fighting it out to avoid relegation.

Offaly must win this one and will go flat out from the throw-in, while we will be under no pressures, having already failed to qualify. Still, it will be a very useful match for us and a splendid test of our real worth.

So far in this league, form has gone topsy-turvey and we have some of the most outlandish results in recent years.

For instance, we saw Kerry beat the All Ireland champions, Clare in the opening round, Waterford beat Kerry by five points, but Offaly (who were also in the All Ireland final last year) had to go into injury time when a point by Brian Whelehan to take the points from Kerry.

Although Waterford and Offaly have both been around for a very long time, they have never met in championship hurling. They have met on a few occasions in the league, and here the results favour the Leinster side.

The last occasion on which we met was at Birr two years ago and there Offaly had an easy 3-15 to 1-5 victory over a depleted Waterford team who had to travel without several of their leading players who were club-tied in the county final.

Our meetings at under 21 level in the two epic contests of 1992, are part of history, but this meeting, on Sunday, will see several of the players who thrilled the crowds at Nolan Park in October of that year.

Offaly feel that they had recovered from their demolition by Galway in the league and that while they only managed to scrape through against Kerry, they are showing a definite return to form.

They had suffered a 27 points beating by Galway (who beat us by 1-15 to 1-13 here there weeks ago) and this was their most humiliating defeat in recent years and one way of getting that drubbing out of their systems, is by inflicting a heavy defeat on us here in Dungarvan.

Their side will include players of the calibre of Johnnie, Joe and Billy Dooley, Johnny Pinkerton, Brian Whelehan, Hugh Rigney, Kevin Kinihan, Pat O'Connor, Kevin Martin, David Hughes and company and all of whom have All Ireland and Leinster final experience. Offaly were All Ireland champions, when beating Limerick in 1994 and were pipped by Clare last year.

Waterford's side to do duty here on Sunday will not be named until tonight (Wednesday) as the selectors are awaiting a fitness test on Ger Harris and Fergal Hartley, both of whom are presently carrying injuries.

However, the side is unlikely to show much, if any change from the team which lined out against Galway here three weeks ago.

Ray Barry will be in goal and Ger Harris, if passed fit, Damien Byrne and Sean Cullinane will form the backline. In the half back line Tony Browne, Fergal Hartley (if fit) and Tom Feeney will hold the fort again.

Johnnie Brennar and Tom Fives will likely be preservered with in the middle of the field and in attack we will see Jimmy Beresford, Billy O'Sullivan, Michael Hickey, Paul Flynn, Sean Daly, Peter Queally, Dan Shanahan, Garry Gater and company all in line for selection.

It is going to be a very interesting contest. Offaly just cannot afford to lose with so much at stake. Waterford, under no pressure, as the outcome will make no difference at all to their position in next year's league, can approach the match with a more relaxed attitude — even though they will go all out to beat the All Ireland finalists.

I expect Waterford to give them a good fright, but I will be surprised if we beat them. They have acquired an enormous amount of experience at top level over the past few years, and this, I believe will be a factor in deciding the issue.

This final game in the league was scheduled for Walsh Park, but on examination of the ground on Friday by the officers, it was decided against playing the match here. It is hoped that Walsh Park will be ready in time for the start of the club championships.

U-21 FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMENCE

G.A.A. NOTES — BY "COMMENTATOR"

Congress To Be Held In London

For the first time since the Association came into being 112 years ago, the Annual Congress will be held outside Ireland when the legislators assemble in London over the Easter weekend.

The decision to go to Britain was taken to enable the members over there to celebrate their centenary. It began in London back in 1895.

In his report, the Ard Stuithoir points out that this will be an opportunity for all concerned to come to appreciate all that is being done to promote the Association across the water and it will be taken as an opportunity to thank the huge number of people who are working so hard in the interests of promoting our games and culture over there.

Having dealt in splendid detail with such matters as the re-development of Croke Park, the proposed Athletic Track in Croke Park, games development, administration, finance, team managers etc., he writes at length about disciplinary matters and refereeing. He wrote "when the referee of the first All-Ireland Final between Arravale Rovers and Navan, O'Mahony's declared the Rovers winners by one point, he announced on the following day that he had made a mistake with regard to one score. However, the Central Council upheld the decision given by the referee on the field of play. An appropriate rule was then entered in the rule book, which to my knowledge was sacrosanct until this year. This matter is topical because of the events of this year. The Central Council has decided that, despite the danger of an occasional error, the referee's decision should not be changed even where modern technology can show that a mistake was made. This was a wise decision. It is interesting that most sports are refusing to be tied by modern technological methods and those which have reviewed decisions with instant television playbacks (American football, tennis and cricket) have all found that errors can still occur while the whole review process is cumbersome and inflammatory."

He goes on, "It is a pity that the referee who makes a mistake is pilloried in the 'media' with T.V. pundits being particularly severe." On the matter of experimentation, the Ard Stuirathoir states, "Before the next Rules Revision Year, I would like to see us experimenting with the use of two referees for our top intercounty games or to see more power given to the linesmen as is the norm in some sports. Because of the size of the pitch, the speed of the games and the increased fitness of players, we need to improve the match officiating. While training of referees and increased emphasis on fitness will help, it is my opinion that no one person can manage to cope adequately with the demands of refereeing of our top games today." These are surely thought provoking comments.

FINANCE

Gate receipts for the year 1995 were an all time record total of £4,509,843 or almost £800,000 more than the previous record. From advertising space, the Central Council took in £264,600 and media coverage for the year earned £746,617. Sponsorship accounted for £484,000 and other commercial revenue amounted to £319,000. Including other income, the total for the year was £6,533,023. This is an increase of over a million and a half on the previous 12 months.

On the expenditure side, we find match expenses at £1,328,163, promotional expenses are at £800,000, teams expenses at £250,764, administration and general expenses show a figure of £921,154, players injury scheme is shown to be in excess of a quarter of a million pounds. Of the operating surplus, a sum of £2,150,000 went for stadium development (Cusack Stand). Grants for field purchases and development for provincial, county and club grounds totalled £525,000. The above will give a fair idea of how big the business of running the G.A.A. at top level is concerned and one must be excused for wondering just where it will all end. More on finance and other aspects of the Annual Review later on.

In Memory Of Our Dear Friend "Alo"

Your name is often mentioned
Our thoughts are with you still
You haven't been forgotten
You know you never will.
Happy memories we keep forever
Of days when we were all together
And when old times we do recall
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No last farewell was spoken
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You were gone before we knew
And only god knows why

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Sceim Iomana na nOg

PRIMARY SCHOOL HURLING COACHING

	9.30 - 12.30	1.00 - 3.00
Monday 25th	Knockanore	
Tuesday 26th	Lismore C.B.S. (boys)	
Wednesday 27th	Presentation Convent, Lismore	
Thursday 28th	An Rinn S/N	
Friday 29th	Cappoquin Boys School (morning)	Ballinameela (evening)

Schools Football Coaching Scheme

FAS

Monday 25th — Knockanore, Tallow.
Tuesday 26th — Ballymacarbry, Ardmore, St. Declans, Glenbeg, Carriglea, Mount Sion, St. Pauls, Ballinameela, Modeligo.
Wednesday 27th — Garranbane, Piltown, Clonea, Scoil Lorcain, St. Mary's, Abbeyside.
Thursday 28th — C.B.S. Dungarvan, Ballygunner, Aglish, Villierstown, Butlerstown, Ballyduff, St. Marys, St. Declans, Kilmacthomas.
Friday March 29th — Portlaw, Ferrybank. Ard Scoil na nDeise.

Munster Clubs Win All Ireland Club Finals

It was a splendid double for Munster when the province's two teams, Sixmilebridge in hurling and Laune Rangers in football, were each victorious against Dunloy and Eire Og respectively.

It was, above all, a wonderful victory for the Clare champions, Sixmilebridge, and it certainly put the icing on the cake for the county players who helped the winners. It was a great double for Clare and an overdue reward for the people who preserved for so very long.

Laune Rangers, whom we saw play and beat our champions, Rathgormack, en route to the Munster final, played well enough to win, but a mistake by the referee in awarding a penalty instead of a kickout for Eire Og, appeared to have a distinct bearing on the result.

Having listened to the Laune Rangers captain speak after accepting the cup from Association President Jack Boothman, I believe that it is time that a time-limit be put on such speeches.

It was an unusually long speech and outside his own club, very few people could have been interested in what he had to say.

Young Primary School Hurling Prospects



GARRANBANE N.S. — Young girls from Garranabne N.S. learn the "grip" at recent visit to the school.

LISMORE C.B.S. PRIMARY SCHOOL

This week's "Juvenile Corner" focuses on Lismore C.B.S. which is one of the real nurseries of Juvenile Hurling in Waterford.

Micheal Walsh, 10 years, Rang 5 — Micheal is a powerfully built boy for his age and loves hurling. He lives at Parks Road and is very well behaved. He gets every encouragement from his parents and his teacher Mr. Prendergast. Very skilfull and he has good wrists. Favourite players are D. J. Carey (Kilkenny) and Sean Daly.

Dermot Walsh, 11 years old last Monday, Rang 5 — Tall, thin, wiry player who has brilliant skill. Very good ball control and very athletic. Likes to play in half-back line. Likely to play wing back on this year's under 12 team. His home is at Ballysaggart and his favourite player is Waterford's Fergal Hartley.

Ross Kelleher, 12 years old, Rang 6 — Ross is a natural citeog and very stylish. His home is at Church Lane, Lismore. One of the stars of school team and under 12 team last year at left half back. His ambition is to play under-14 hurling for Waterford in the future. He is always keen on improving his skills and is a delight to watch striking the ball. He likes watching hurling games and his favourite player is D. J. Carey.

These lads will cross the yard to the C.B.S. Secondary School and with lads from Tallow, Ballyduff, Knockanore, etc., will be part of good school teams in the future. This under-14 Rice Cup team is an excellent side.

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Proposed Housing Development On Dungarvan Leather Factory Site

BY AISLING CONROY

Local uncertainty over continuing employment at Dungarvan Leather Factory, even in the short term, gained further momentum last week with formal lodgement of a planning notice by McInerney Construction Ltd. with Dungarvan U.D.C. The major construction consortium proposes to build 11 townhouses, 58 apartments, a 30 bedroom hotel and associated car parking facilities on over 1 1/2 acres at the Irish Tanners Swanpoole site on the Quay.

As part of the proposed development, a road connection would also be constructed between Davitt's Quay and The Lookout. As we go to press however, plans for this exciting new development have not yet been lodged with the local authority.

While the closure of the leather factory was generally accepted as inevitable for some time by both plant employees and local town residents, hopes were that the factory could relocate to a greenfield site in the town thereby saving approx. 35 jobs.

It emerged at a recent meeting of Dungarvan U.D.C. however that the tannery has been brought to court on numerous occasions over the past number of years for failure to comply with their water pollution licence which is due for renewal this month.

As a result, Irish Tanners Swanpoole Ltd. would be obliged to install a waste water treatment plant at the Dungarvan factory if they intended to continue operations in the town. The cost of such a treatment plant is estimated at £0.5m - a long term investment which the Tannery management felt was not a viable option.

The closure of Dungarvan Leather Factory is now a foregone conclusion and it remains to be seen over the next few weeks what future development will take its place on the Quay.

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