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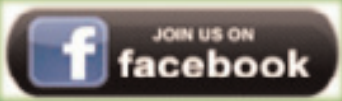
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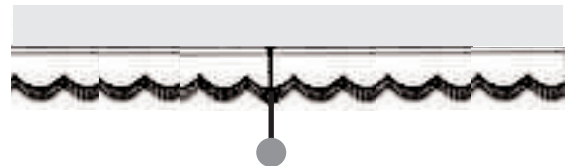
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BOOK SALE

Book Sale takes place on first Saturday of every month in the Old Folks Centre from 10.00am to 1.00pm. All proceeds in aid of the Old Folks Centre.

Book donations welcome on the day

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Anne Smith, late of Quinns Road and Shanganagh Cliffs wish to thank all their neighbours and friends for their kindness.

Special thanks to St. Vincents Hospital and Belmont Nursing Home for the great care they gave to our Mam and everybody who sympathised with us on our recent sad loss.

Anita, Ronnie, Colin & Keith

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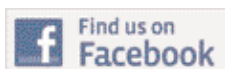
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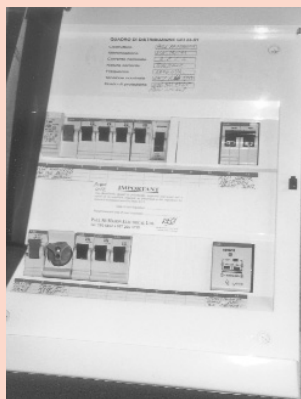
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Flying Insects: Scourge of a Shankill Summer



BY BRENDAN HIGGINS, CENTRAL PEST CONTROL

As the weather finally improves and our thoughts turn to summer, flying insects are top of mind for pest-control professionals and many of their customers.

Whether it's wasps, bees, flies or flying ants, this is the time of year to prepare for the annual invasion of these annoying, persistent - and occasionally dangerous - airborne insects.

WASPS AND BEES — People react differently to being stung by a bee or a wasp; some are barely affected while others can suffer considerable pain and swelling in the sting area. A small number of individuals are allergic to stings and, in some cases, can suffer potentially-fatal anaphylactic shock if medical treatment isn't sought immediately.

If you discover a bees' or wasps' nest in your home, workplace, garden or shed, it is strongly recommended that you do not attempt to remove or destroy it yourself. Call a professional pest controller immediately: they will survey the affected area and remove the nest safely, efficiently and completely.

FLIES — Flies spread disease with their legs and bodies as they move from their feeding grounds to food and food-preparation areas. They can only ingest liquids, so they spit their saliva onto solid foods to pre-digest it, and then suck it in. They also vomit out partially-digested food before eating it again.

An effective way to keep flies where they belong - outdoors - is through the use of fly screens and fly-control units. Since windows and doors are an open invitation to flying insects, fly screens - which are custom fitted to building entry/exit points - are the first line of defence

against all types of flying insect in the home and workplace. They deny airborne insects unfettered access to your premises and prevent them from contaminating food and work surfaces, whilst at the same time allowing adequate ventilation and daylight.

Fly units, which can be free standing or wall mounted, can cover any area from 20 to 60 square metres, depending on the model in question, and are another highly effective means of keeping your home or workplace fly free.

FLYING ANTS — Flying ants are, in fact, sexually active black garden ants that have been waiting all summer for the ideal moment - i.e. warm and dry weather - to perform their so-called 'nuptial' flight. Once these ants begin to fly, others detect their chemical smell and join them. Their swarms can last all day.

There is no specific treatment against flying ants - a good professional pest controller will go straight to the source of the problem, the ant nest, which is usually located underneath patio stones, flagstones, in cavity walls or old tree stumps.

While there's no shortage of DIY materials on the market to combat flying insects, there will be occasions where only the intervention of a trained and qualified pest controller will be required. In such instances, the long-term benefits of a fly-less kitchen, a nest-less attic or an ant-less patio far outweigh the short-term (and usually modest) cost of retaining the services of an expert pest-control professional.

Brendan Higgins is Managing Director of Central Pest Control (CPC) Ltd, a specialist pest-control company serving residential and commercial customers from its base in Shankill.

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PUBLIC SPEAKING

This year is going to be a very exciting year for the Jill Anderson School of Speech and Drama who have just announced a new range of adult classes which will be available in September and include Public Speaking, Glee Singing Classes, Dance Fitness and Introduction to Acting. "The children get so much enjoyment from classes so why should we limit it to, under eighteens!"

We hope to offer adults something a little bit different giving them the opportunity to take part in a Christmas and Easter Show. Partnering with a recording studio offers singers in the Glee Club the opportunity to record a single of their choice. Overall it is just a great experience for anyone who likes to sing and perform.

Our Public Speaking course is specifically geared to help

people combat their fear of speaking in public in a fun and relaxed environment. We work on breathing and delivery techniques and the use of props. At the end of the course students can sit a Public Speaking Exam through the Leinster School of Music and Drama.

Also in September we are opening in two new locations Blessington and Glencullen which means we can expand the range of children's classes we offer to include, Musical Theatre, Dancing and Drama. Our Tiny Tots Drama and Movement class has proved to be a huge success so we are looking forward to bringing it to new student base.

If you would like any more information on any of the classes mentioned above please log onto www.speechdramadublin.com or contact Jill on 0872196516

ALL SEASONS GARDEN CENTRE

The All Seasons Garden Centre opened its doors recently at the rear of Lidl on the Dublin Road, Bray. The centre consists of a large display area where you will find a full range of Plants, shrubs, Trees, Herbaceous. etc. They will cater for all of your garden needs, and a horticulturist will be available to give you full advice on all of your gardening needs and requirements. Special Offers will be available on a weekly basis and a 10% discount will apply

on Fridays for purchases made by senior citizens.

The owners Felim & Carol and partners Eileen and company are looking forward to bringing this venture to its full capacity and they look forward to supplying their customers plants etc. at a price they can afford. The centre also offers delivery to their customers within the locality. There is also a fine display of garden sheds, fencing and dog boxes etc. on site at very reasonable prices.

SOFA — SHANKILL OLD FOLKS ASSOCIATION

Our Bealtaine events throughout May were rounded off with a one act play entitled "March Away my Brothers", when Brendan MacQuaile arrived fully in character as a 2nd World War soldier, with props to go with it. He sang songs both rousing and sad, with the audience joining in, evoking the lives of the soldiers, including the Christmas "cease fire" when the conflict was briefly set aside, carols were sung and cigarettes exchanged.



Brendan MacQuaile

Also in the final week Shankill Library organised a

demonstration by Maria Kennedy of the art of felting at the Day Care Centre, with some really beautiful examples of felting being made by our clients.

So a big thank you again to everyone for the success of our mini Bealtaine Arts Festival.

APOLOGY FROM GERALDINE COMISKEY

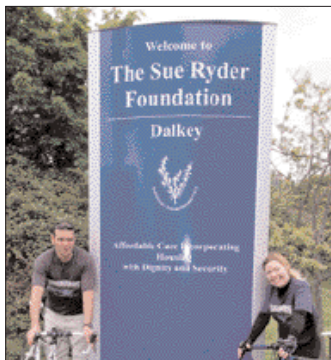
Hi. I am just writing to say thanks for announcing my book-signing event at the book sale which was held in the Old Folk's Centre today - and to apologise for my absence due to work commitments.

Because I often have to drive across the country at short notice, I had made a loose arrangement to be there and promised to drop down some signed copies of my book, Wacky Eire, if I couldn't make it.

I was really looking forward to meeting lots of my neighbours and girls who might remember me from our days in St Anne's school.

CYCLING - SUE RYDER RANDONEE by Tommy Campbell

Dalkey will hum to the sound of all good things come August weekend 23/24/25. It will combine the Lobster Festival, Dalkey Harvest Festival and the Sue Ryder Randonee. Naturally my main interest is in the cycles. Admittedly, the Coastal Route which takes the participants from Dalkey to Arklow and back is for the regular cyclists.



But also on the 24th is a 'Family Route' which takes the cyclists on a route from Dalkey to Dun Laoghaire and back. Planned at the half way stage of the 10 kilometre cycle will be entertainment mainly for the children who will participate along with their parents or guardians. Whilst in Dalkey you should go to

Castle Street which has a 10th century Church and two 14th century Norman Castles, one of which houses The Heritage Centre.



Dalkey Hill will afford the

participants spectacular views of Dublin City, Dublin Bay and the Dublin and Wicklow Mountains as they head into the Garden County, which will be part of the route.

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HEALTH SERVICE BENEFITS – *Question* - I am an EU citizen, working in Ireland on a two-year contract and paying tax and PRSI. I was wondering what health service benefits I am entitled to while living here. Do I need to take out private health insurance?

Answer - You are entitled to receive the same level of health care as Irish citizens. The resident population is divided into two groups for the purposes of eligibility for health services – medical card holders and people who don't have a medical card. You are only entitled to a medical card if your income is below a certain level. The medical card allows you to receive certain health services free of charge, including free visits to the GP. There is also a GP Visit Card, which covers free GP visits: the income limit for this is higher than for the medical card. Without a medical card or GP Visit Card, you have to pay to see a doctor. You can access public hospital services but you may have to pay in-patient and out-patient hospital charges – for example, a visit to an Accident and Emergency Department in a hospital could cost you €100. You can access maternity and infant care services and you may be entitled to free or subsidised community care and personal social services. You are also entitled to claim back the cost of prescribed drugs and medicines over €144 a month. If you choose to take out private health insurance, your policy may give you access to private emergency clinics and reduced waiting times for in-patient care etc. However, private health insurance is expensive and may involve a 'waiting time' before becoming eligible for benefits for pre-existing conditions. You should read the terms and conditions of the contract with the insurance provider very carefully before you decide to take out private health insurance.

PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS MADE IN OTHER COUNTRIES - *Question* - I am an Irish citizen who worked in England for several years and paid social insurance

contributions there. About 20 years ago I returned to Ireland to work and am now approaching pension age. What is my entitlement with regard to my pension contributions during my years of employment in England?

Answer - When you are applying for your State Pension (Contributory) there is a section on the application form (SPC 1) that will ask you for details of employment in any other country covered by EC Regulations or a Bilateral Social Security agreement. This is because you may be entitled to more than one payment; you can get an Irish payment and a payment from another country where you worked. If you have enough Irish social insurance contributions to get an Irish payment, the Department of Social Protection will pay it. Because you worked in England, they will also contact the relevant authorities in the UK to start a claim for a UK pension. You may be due a partial UK pension in addition to your Irish pension, if you have enough UK contributions. If you do not have enough social insurance contributions in Ireland, the Department will request your social insurance record from the UK to help you qualify for an Irish social insurance payment and will also initiate, on your behalf, a claim in the UK. If you want a copy of your Irish insurance contributions you can contact PRSI Records, Department of Social Protection, McCarter's Road, Ardaravan, Buncrana, Co Donegal (Tel: (01) 471 5898 or Lo-call: 1890 690 690). This arrangement for contributory pensions and certain other payments applies to all EU countries. It also applies to EEA countries (Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein), Switzerland and certain other countries with which Ireland has a Bilateral Social Security Agreement, such as the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. (Source: www.citizensinformation.ie)

The Citizens Information helpline is: 0761 07 4000: OR - Call in to the Citizens information Centre at Marina House, Clarence Street, Dun Laoghaire at any time between 9.30 am and 4.00 pm, Monday to Friday. No appointment necessary. Clarence Street is the turning to the right at the traffic lights at the junction of Lower Georges Street, Cumberland Street and York Road, Dun Laoghaire. Citizens Information offers a Free, Confidential and Impartial Service to the citizens of Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown on a very wide range of issues. Or Phone them at: 0761 07 7400.

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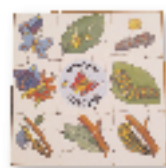




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We love your picture Felix Burke - Aged 3



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Ava Keogh - Aged 5 for her picture

Q: What fish only swims at night?

A: A starfish

Good one Ruarill! Thanks

Q: What do you call cheese that's not yours?

A: Nacho cheese

Thanks to Sophia Braine - Aged 10

Knock, Knock

Lettuce

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Thanks to Adam Martin - Aged 7

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Saturdays - Killruddery House – 10am – 4pm

There is a farm market in the grain store and former horse yard of the Killruddery Estate. Admission is free, as is parking.

Every Tuesday in July (2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th) Seabird Watching at Coliemore 6.30pm–8pm.

Coliemore Harbour. (biodiversity)

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JULY/AUGUST EVENTS

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Sunday 7th July

Beach Sculptures 2pm–4pm. Killiney Beach. (biodiversity)

Meet in the main car park. Join us as we scavenge along the beach for natural material washed up by the sea and help make a fun artist impression of a sea monster using the materials. Leader: Andrew Fleming (Mouse), OWLS. Booking required: Contact Andrew on 087 3299936 or email info@owls.ie.

Saturday 13th July

Exploring the Ecology of Cabinteely Park. 2.30pm–4.30pm. (biodiversity)

Meet in the main car park. Join us for a nature walk in Cabinteely Park. We will visit the meadow, stream and woodland habitats and explore the plant and animal life. Bring along a magnifying glass or hand lens if you have one. Leader: Katharine Duff. No booking required.

Sunday 14th July

Teddy Bears Picnic – Blackrock Park

Sunday 21st July

Make a Bumblebee Home - 10am–12pm. Deer Park. (biodiversity)

Meet next to the playground. Come along to this craft workshop to make your very own bumblebee home and

take it home to encourage bumblebees to nest or hibernate in your garden. Leader: Andrew Fleming (Mouse), OWLS. Booking required: Contact Andrew on 087 3299936 or email info@owls.ie.

Bray Air Spectacular – Sunday July 21st at 3.30pm at Bray Seafront

A free public air on the spectacular Bray Seafront.

Saturday 3rd August

Rock Pooling for Families - 4.00pm. Sandycove. (biodiversity)

Meet at Sandycove Beach. Join us for this family event looking at life amongst the rock pools. Bring along a bucket and spade. Leader: Andrew Fleming (Mouse), OWLS. Booking required: Contact Andrew on 087 3299936 or email info@owls.ie.

Sunday August 4th – Fireworks Display

Bray Seafront

Saturday 10th August

Life along the Seashore -2.30pm–4.30pm. Killiney Beach. (biodiversity)

Meet in the main car park off Station Road. Join us for a walk along the seashore to explore the plants and animals living here and learn about how plants of shingle habitats survive these difficult conditions. Bring along a magnifying glass or hand lens if you have one. Leader: Niamh Lennon. No booking required.

Saturday & Sunday August 10th & 11th Outdoor Movies in the Park – Marlay Park

Sunday 18th August

Bushcraft Skills 10am–12pm. Marlay Park. (biodiversity)

Meet in the main car park next to Marlay House. Come along to this survival event to learn how to make woodland tools and rope using natural materials found around the park. Leader: Andrew Fleming (Mouse), OWLS. Booking required: Contact Andrew on 087 3299936 or email info@owls.ie.

August 23rd/24th/25th

Dalkey Lobster Festival & Dalkey Harvest Festival

Saturday August 24th & Sunday August 25th Model Railway – Dun Laoghaire

Sunday August 25th

Fireworks display – Dun Laoghaire

Friday 30th August

An Evening Bat Walk 8.45pm. Marlay Park. (biodiversity)

Meet in the main car park next to Marlay House. Join us for a walk around the park to observe bats flying and feeding in the area. Leader: Tina Aughney, Bat Conservation Ireland. Booking required: Contact Tina on 086 4049468 or email info@batconservationireland.org.

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St Anne's School Newsletter



Well, it's been the exact opposite of a nice quiet month since last we reported. On a sporting note we enjoyed great success at the annual Santry Athletics meet, where Kevin Quinn, Sarah Endersen, Orlagh Allen and Mark Brophy all picked up medals. Unfortunately, we were wrong-footed by a gloomy weather forecast and postponed our Senior Sports day. Needless to say, there were a few grim faces when the much-promised deluge of rain didn't turn up... Jean Byrne is right off our Christmas card list!!! The following day, we forged ahead with the Junior Sports day and, guess what? It didn't rain and everybody was so good that they all got medals.

Imagine a school with 420 published authors in it. That's exactly what happened this year at our annual Book Fair. Everyone from Senior Infants up to 6th Class wrote a story or a poem or some jokes and all of their work was combined into a wonderful collection that has been published for us. All copies sold out so we might even make it to the bestsellers list!

All classes from 2nd to 6th have been putting in long hours learning off songs and lines and dance routines for our end of year concert. We had our opening night on Monday the 10th of June and we ran the show for four nights. This year's production was called "The Time of Their Lives" and everybody put their hearts and souls into the performance. It's no small thing to get 300 talented children onto a stage.

Joanna Kett took on the job of directing and turning a few pages of script into a living breathing performance. Mary Foster worked wonders with a few pieces of cloth and



managed to have costumes for 300 performers. Catherine Casey developed and taught the dance routines for every single number. Huge appreciation goes to the pupils, the teachers, the parents and the friends of the school who put



in such a huge effort. The show's main stars were our 6th Class students who blew the audience away with their singing, dancing and acting talent. We wish all of our 6th Class pupils well as they graduate from primary school. We hope that this show will be one of the fond memories they

take away as they rise to new challenges in the coming years.

As the school year comes to an end we also pay tribute to two wonderful staff members who will be retiring. Ms Pam Lynch and our indefatigable Deputy Principal Ellen Slattery are moving on and taking a very well-earned rest after years of dedicated service to the children of Shankill. On behalf of all of our pupils, past and present, we'd just like to say Thanks and God Bless.



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THE RELUCTANT ZEALOT: Part 12

By Florence Horsman-Hogan

I've never been so glad to see the end of the academic year as I was this year. With three of us in the house studying for exams you'd imagine all heads would have been

down in the books. Not a bit of it.

Breakfast times, the daughter who is about to do her Junior Cert is digesting her synopsis'd study notes judiciously. The son who is about to do his Leaving Cert is studying the back of the cornflakes box ruminatively. The mother who's about to submit a Masters assignment is mouching around on Facebook, writing media pieces and walking the dog. I even thought at one stage about doing housework, of course that's when I realised I was being patently ridiculous and scuttled back to my college notes.

A few years prior to this I would have spent hours whinging, screeching and railing the Gods at their two older brothers. Bemoaning the fact that I'd brought such intelligent but 'study averse yahoo's' into the world. Then would have spent even longer guilt ridden hours and even days trying to reassure my darlings that I didn't care if they didn't want to study - I loved them no matter what. That they were as perfect human beings as most and most likely more perfect than many. But words spoken in anger can rarely be taken back, and can sometimes inflict even deeper and longer lasting wounds than the sharpest sword. Both lads hilariously gave me the metaphorical two middle fingers by getting very good careers in Public Service and Academia all on their own - 'so suck that up 'Mother Dear'.

But what damage could have been done. What danger I had put in their path by applying such pressure. In a world in which it's already becoming difficult enough to survive, if a parent or guardian can't teach the value of self-acceptance, well then who can? Being totally honest, I think looking back, my real fear was that if they 'failed', it would show that I'd 'failed'. How sad, and how utterly untrue. I've now know that the only way a mother can be a failure is to fail to show her children unconditional love.

I myself was only ever very mediocre at study and with exam results. Although imaginative and very literary, I struggled to ever get my brains to absorb anything with numbers or scientific data. Primary school days were mostly spent exploring the local castle and church grounds in Eyrecourt, the village I was brought up in. Days where my mother did manage to drag me by the scruff of the neck in to school were far more a nightmare for the long suffering nuns trying to teach the class than they were for me, as I was pretty wild and disruptive.

However, boarding school smoothed down the corners and I (oh so painfully) became more civilised. The realisation that I needed an education if I were to avoid spending my life in poverty soon dawned. Strangely, only last year, after twenty seven years in a nursing career, I've decided to go back to college and am now studying for a Masters in Leadership and Advanced Research in the Royal College of Surgeons - just because I can. And yes - it's still a massive struggle, but at my stage in life - I can afford to fail and not be destroyed by the experience.

But even back then in the 60's and 70's in Ireland, there was

a disproportionate emphasis on education. I can remember friend's older siblings being pushed into third level education to peruse the hallowed professions of Medicine, Engineering, Teaching or Law. For some it was the appropriate road to follow, but for others it went tragically wrong as 'dropping out', catastrophic feeling of failure, nervous breakdowns, depression and in some cases taking of one's own life followed.

I now firmly believe that if one is academic, the ability to study isn't just existent, it's actually very enjoyable. But if one isn't - the struggle is visceral, and occasionally practically impossible.

According to information on St Patricks Mental Health Services website regarding the State exams; 'The hopes of many young people will be tarnished and for many a dread of 'what next' becomes a reality. For these young people consolation seems ineffective. Right now all that they can see is that they fell short of what they wanted'. Surely If so, then there are other roads that can be travelled with far less destructive consequences. There's always another year or another time in which to try again.



Brendan Kennelly and myself in the Irish Writers Centre.

Some of my own friends who, because of parental pushing, slogged in school, spend long evenings and years trawling over books and exam papers and eventually qualified as eminent Doctors / Professors / Teachers. Subsequently they decided to renounce their careers and instead work as builders/ petrol pump attendants/waiters. They tell me they're now poorer but happier in their self chosen roles than ever before in their lives.

So in the belief that every river will find its own path - I no longer feel the need to risk reducing my offsprings' confidence in themselves by telling them they're wrong not to study, or aren't working hard enough. I would rather be the one who shows them they're very valuable additions to this crazy world of ours than add to the pressure cooker that will be their lives very shortly. And as I sit here happily tapping away writing this article, I ignore the reams of research papers piling up to be studied. In another room I can hear my 'ruminating' son happily laughing as he networks with his pals on his computer.

Already he has a PhD in contentment and joy of life. How I wish that that all of us could have the ability to have gotten that at such a young age.

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Longer-term saving usually involves some investing, this will help your money grow so you can afford something in the future, for example your children's education or your retirement. Most investments involve an element of risk, but over the long term it may give you a better return than savings. It's important that you understand this risk and return on your investments and seek advice from an independent adviser. There are a wide variety of savings products in the market currently and it is important to make sure the account you chose suits your needs. You can invest in a regular savings account that will give you access to the stock market but of course this brings risk to your investment but a better potential for return. Alternatively you can save in a long term deposit account that would have no risk and limited return.

When you have built up a lump sum it is important to

protect that from risk and also to maximise any potential return. There are many lump sum investments available in the market and they either provide a capital guarantee and investment in the stock market or a fixed deposit rate. Obviously the stock market may bring a better return but a higher risk.

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Shankill GAA Club

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The Story So Far



A vibrant Shankill GAA Committee

Since its re-launch on the 21st February Shankill GAA Club continues to grow. Our Juvenile Academy which takes place every Saturday in Shanganagh Park from 12pm to 1pm, catering for children from 4-12 years old is very successful. Each week anything from 70 to 100 children gather to participate in Gaelic Games, including Football, Hurling and Camogie. Not only are skills learned but a huge sense of fun, friendship and teamwork is achieved. The club is child centered and follows child protection guidelines strictly.

To date the Club has participated in a number of Go Games Blitzes with local clubs at U8, U10 and U12 level. The Go Games philosophy is one of full participation and fair play where each player gets to play the entire game and plays in a number of different positions during the course of each game. The emphasis is on participation, learning the skills and enjoyment.

The U9-10 and U11-12 age groups have commenced weekly training sessions, every Wednesday from 7pm to 8pm in Shanganagh Park. This will enable them to build and improve their skills according to the Shankill GAA Player Pathway. Our aim is, that in September, these age groups will be competing in the Dublin County Board Leagues.



Fun at the Juvenile Academy



One of the Shankill GAA Teams

The Next Steps....Shankill GAA Club will continue throughout the Summer. Even if you've missed out on our Academy to date and would like to be part of a team, it's never too late to join us! Just call to Shanganagh Park on any Saturday morning from 12pm to 1pm or Wednesday evening from 7pm to 8pm (dependent on age group) and complete a registration form with one of our committee.

Shankill GAA Summer Camp



CADDYCARE

We are extremely proud to be hosting our FIRST ever Summer Camp this July from Monday 1st to Friday 5th, sponsored by Caddy Care. The Camp will be held in Shanganagh Park from 10am to 2pm daily. At a cost of only €35 per child with €5 reductions applying for siblings and each child receiving a FREE Shankill GAA Club Summer Camp Dryflow T-Shirt, it truly is a fantastic offer that should not be missed.

Children are welcome to sign up on the first morning of the camp if they haven't previously registered, so it's never too late to come along.

A wet weather plan is in place, on any wet day an indoor supervised area will be made available with all ages taking part in fun indoor games, viewing famous & historical match DVDs, GAA quizzes and lots more.

Dear Patrons,

Go raibh míle maith agat for your continued support to date. We are truly delighted with the success that Shankill GAA Club has had since our Juvenile Academy launch in April. A number of positive things have happened over the last couple of months which will help to ensure Shankill GAA Club will grow and prosper into the future.

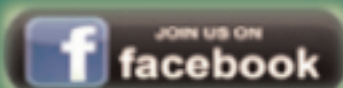
These included our successful Fundraising Draw, our "Design Our Jersey" Competition which enabled a pupil from one of our local schools to create the design for the new Shankill GAA Club Jersey, our flourishing Juvenile Academy, a number of blitzes with local clubs and not forgetting our upcoming Summer Camp. A special thanks to CaddyCare who have sponsored our first ever Summer Camp.

We are very proud of the dedicated group of individuals and parents who continue to help the Club to move forward and strive for greatness with the sole aim of providing a Local GAA Club for the Local Community. As a club we are always open to receive new members

The Executive Committee



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Local History Talks

Tuesday July 9th — Brian White will present his lecture on 'The Shamrock Fund in World War 1' at 8 p.m. to the Genealogical Society of Ireland in Dun Laoghaire College of Further Education, Cumberland Street, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin. Contribution €4.

July 16th — Andy Woods will present a lunchtime lecture 'c.995: Dublin's first coinage' at 1.05 p.m. in the Wood Quay Venue, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8 – admission free.

RATHMICHAEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Summer School evening lectures at 8 p.m. nightly in Rathmichael School, Stonebridge Road, Shankill – Admission €4 per lecture.

Monday August 12th — "Contacts between Ireland and Britain in the Iron Age / Early Medieval period, as revealed by the Irish burial record" – Dr. Elizabeth O'Brien.

Tuesday August 13th — "The Late Iron Age and Roman Ireland Project: preliminary findings and future research" – Dr. Jacqueline Cahill Wilson.

Wednesday August 14th — Leo Swan Memorial Lecture: "Corporeal Relics, Tents and Shrines in Medieval Ireland" – Mr Cormac Burke.

Thursday August 15th — "Dalkey Island in the Early Medieval Period: connections and boundaries" – Mr Ian Doyle.

Friday August 16th — "Archaeology Ireland Magazine, 25 years, 100 issues" – Mr Nick Maxwell.

BRAY CUALANN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Saturday August 17th — "That Was The Week That Was in Bray – August 17th to August 25th 1913" by James Scannell at 3 pm in Bray Library, Eglinton Road, Bray.. All welcome -

Wednesday August 21st — "That Was The Week That Was in County Wicklow – August 17th to August 25th 1913" recalled by James Scannell in Ballywaltrim Library, Boghall Road, Bray, Co. Wicklow. All welcome - admission free.

Saturday August 24th — "Walking Tour of St. Peter's Cemetery, Little Bray" led by Brian White. All welcome.

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Rathmichael were presented with a certificate for pioneering for a clean environment. We were delighted and attended a presentation in the County hall, Dunlaoghaire.

Rathmichael School also achieved their 8th Green Flag this year. Of 1000 schools who participate in this programme we are the school with the most flags. We feel this is a great achievement.

Three of the Green Schools Committee and myself attended the award ceremony in Croke Park. We hope to get someone special to help us raise our flag.

The Vikings came to Rathmichael. We welcomed Iain Barber from the Schools Heritage Programme to the Senior Classes 3rd-6th. We saw the Vikings come alive. So much more to be learned this way than by reading books.

May I take this time to thank everyone for their continued support for the school and hope you all have a good rest. We return to school on 29th August.

Caroline Senior



SHANKILL FC NEWS

This year's Bertie Messitt Street Leagues will start on the 15th of July 2013 and continue for 2 weeks until the 28th of July. Last years event was one of our biggest success stories attracting over 160 players from under 7's through to under 17's. We aim to make this years event even bigger and better and an application form will be available from www.shankillfc.ie and from committee members.



COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

Councillor Denis O'Callaghan

GRASS VERGES AT BALLYBRIDE RATHMICHAEL — *To the Residents of Rathmichael - Response received from the council:*

"Thanks for making representation on behalf of this area. As you are aware we are cutting the area at Stonebridge Road as part of the grass cutting contract. We became aware recently that the Rathmichael Church area required to be added to the contract. We have now instructed the contractor to cut the area at Rathmichael Church. The plan at present is for our staff to cut the grass early next week and subsequent to that the grass cutting be picked up by the contractor on his next visit to the area. He will then cut the area as part of the contract from then on. I hope this reply is satisfactory and thank you for highlighting it to us".

BUS SERVICES — "That the Manager in conjunction with Dublin Bus, Gardai and local policing committees put in place procedures in the event of bus services having to be restricted or withdrawn from any routes in the County."

Report: "Well established relationships exist between An Garda Síochána, Dublin Bus and Local Communities in the event of the placement of restrictions or consideration of withdrawal of bus services within the County's network. Bus service curtailments only occur in exceptional circumstances. In any event, the Council will facilitate raising the item with An Garda Síochána and Dublin Bus to ascertain if a procedure needs to be developed more formally."

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agrees that the Manager would identify a suitable Council infill site for the purpose of building a small co-operative housing scheme and would help and oversee the building of these dwellings. Also that the Manager report on the proposal.

Report: The Council will examine some of our smaller sites to establish if they are suitable for the building of a small co-operative housing scheme. Any proposal from a cooperative would require DOECLG and Council approval. Any proposed development would be subject to planning permission and availability of financing/funding.

SPRAYING OF WEEDS AND MAINTENANCE OF COBBLE LOCK IN ST ANNES COURT — The weed

spraying programme for the county has commenced and St. Annes Court, Shankill is included in this programme. Unfortunately due to the recent wet weather the weed spraying programme is a number of weeks behind schedule. Repairs will be carried out to the cobble locked area in this development when resources become available.

LONG STANDING DRAINAGE ISSUES ON SHANGANAGH ROAD — In recent years when flooding

has occurred at this location, the provision of a solution was hampered by the lack of a surface water drainage system nearby to facilitate the insertion of road gullies. A Road Opening Licence application was submitted recently for a surface water connection in respect of a new development of 21 houses on an adjacent site. This meant that the Developer would be required to undertake the provision of a surface water system along Shanganagh Road to facilitate connection of the development to the drainage system in the area. The following condition was inserted in the Road Opening Licence in an effort to improve the road drainage arrangements at the location :-

"The Applicant/Developer to make the necessary arrangements to provide 2 no. road gullies on Shanganagh Road adjacent to the development and to be connected to the new surface water drainage system being provided. These works to be agreed on site with the Area Engineer, Road Maintenance Section. The Area Engineer is Ms. Helen Smirnova and she may be contacted by e-mail at hsmirnova@dlrcoco.ie or by telephone at 01-2047200."

Since the issue of this Licence, there has been contact with the Developer in relation to compliance with this condition. It is hoped that the provision of these gullies will help to alleviate some of the road flooding at this location. However, if they are not sufficient to alleviate it entirely, it will be beneficial from the Council's point of view that there is the start of a road drainage system on the road which may need to be extended further if required and as resources permit. It should be noted that the Development Contribution Scheme does not provide for the allocation of funding for particular works from levies for specific developments.

EROSION OF SHANGANAGH CLIFFS — The recent Coastal Defence Strategy Study has made a number of recommendations to be carried out in this area and applications for funding have been made for the replacement of the ramp at Corbawn Lane. However to date, DLR have been unsuccessful in receiving funding for this coastal protection works.

COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS

Councillor Carrie Smyth

REMOVAL OF HOG WEED ALONG THE BANKS OF LOUGHLINSTOWN/SHANGANAGH RIVER — We are actively seeking quotes to carry out this work. It needs to be sprayed in early Summer.

DELAY IN COMPLETION OF WORKS AT DUBLIN ROAD OPPOSITE ST ANNES CHURCH — The works at Dublin Road opposite St. Anne's Church, Shankill are completed. There were some delays experienced with the commissioning of the new public lighting lanterns. These issues are resolved and the new lighting has been operating for the last 4 to 6 weeks. However, the grass on the landscaped areas between the driveways is in need of attention. The necessary arrangements will be made to have this work undertaken as soon as possible.

EXTENSION OF FOOTPATH IN FRONT OF SHANGANAGH CLIFFS — The tarmac footpath referred to in a Motion encompasses football pitches in an area of "Open Space" managed and maintained by the Parks & Landscape Services Section. There is a gravel path spur off the tarmac path facilitating a connection to the estate road in Seafield Estate, off Corbawn Lane. The terms of the Motion were brought to the attention of the Parks & Landscape Services Section who have advised that it will be included in the Parks Works Programme with a view to having the works carried out in the current year.

REINSTATEMENT OF DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE ON DUBLIN ROAD — The location of signage for motorists approaching the Corbawn lane/Dublin road/Shanganagh Road roundabout from the south will be examined in consultation with Road Maintenance to assess what signage and road markings are missing and to have them replaced/renewed.

INTER LOCAL AUTHORITY BEHAVIOURAL CHANGE CAMPAIGN IN RELATION TO DOG FOULING

At a recent Environment, Culture & Community

Strategic Policy Committee meeting we were informed the Dog Warden, Litter Wardens and Garda will work together to patrol the beaches during the summer as part of the Behavioural Change Campaign.

The objectives are to Raise awareness and understanding on the impact of dog fouling, its Impact on: Health - Risk of Infection: The Environment: Provide a call to action to encourage actual changes in behaviour

Councillor Carrie Smyth

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BOOK REVIEW – *'Everybody Matters'* a memoir by Mary Robinson – by Madelon Geoghegan

Mary Robinson is one of the most inspiring women of our time. She has spent her whole life in the pursuit of justice and equality for peoples of all races, religions and genders. Her work is still continuing to this day as evidenced by her most recent appointment as the UN secretary general's special envoy for the Great Lakes region of Central Africa.

Mary Robinson was born in the west of Ireland to parents who were both doctors, Aubrey de Vere Bourke and his wife Tess (nee O'Donnell) from Carndonagh, Co. Donegal. She was the middle child of three and the only girl.

In her memoir Mary speaks of the many people who had a formative influence on her life, among them her paternal grandfather HC Bourke and her aunt Ivy a missionary sister with the Sacred Heart order in India.

Mary describes the upbringing which gave her a strong sense of values and which led her to believe that people were all equal and should be treated equally. This view was to

inform and influence everything she undertook in her life thereafter.

Mary married Nick Robinson in December 1970 and the couple have three children. In 1990 Mary Robinson was elected the first woman President of Ireland. She reinvigorated the role and helped to put Ireland on the international stage.

Subsequently in 1997 she accepted the position of UN Commissioner for Human Rights, a hugely challenging position where she encountered both political difficulties and many triumphs.

She is now heading her own Climate Justice Foundation working on behalf of the millions of poor around the world most affected by climate change. This is just a flavour of some of the many achievements of Mary Robinson to date.

'Everybody Matters' is an inspirational read about a great woman and will leave you with a belief that each of us can, in our own way, help to change the world for the better.

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SHANKILL BOWLING CLUB

The Ladies, are, without a doubt, doing our Club proud with their ability to, not only, every year retain a position in the higher Div.1 League of the Ladies Bowling League of Ireland (L.B.L.I.) but by their participation in competitions run by some of the leading clubs help to increase our status within the lawn bowling fraternity. This season they have entered a rink in the Maddox Cup which is run by Blackrock B.C. The side is Skip Kay Doohan; (3) Maura Hughes; (2) Moya Maguire: Lead: Shirley Nicholson. And we wish them the best of luck for we all know that luck along of course with skill plays a considerable part in the make-up of the game of bowls, i.e. (a lucky wick or the jack hit back to you, etc) Capt, Nuala not being available at present, Liz McElhinney is doing an excellent job of "keeping the show on the road" as acting captain.

Our Div 4 men's Monday team has a selection of very strong bowlers this year who for a variety of reasons are unable to play Saturdays and for that reason they should do well in their league and cup matches; we will be watching this space!

Our Div 2 Mens side must improve their away record and should do better at least when playing on similar surfaces to our own, Perhaps I should repeat the old mantra that is used by all sportspeople - "practice makes perfect!"

The picture here shows "work in progress" on our



new Clubhouse which latest reports say will be completed in late August, we can't wait, Leslie our caretaker is also "work in progress" as he is pictured here trimming the hedges and we must say he has the green looking lovely at this time of year. Now would be an ideal time for new members to join our club, for former members to rejoin, for anyone, women or men with experience of bowling or none, of all ages and be here just as our fine new clubhouse opens!

Regards: Paddy Hughes P.R.O.

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SHANGANAGH COMMUNITY GARDENS

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The growing season has started later than usual due to the low temperatures and high rainfall this Spring. My spring cabbage has lots of green leaves but not much heart due to the lack of heat. My early potatoes went in at Easter rather than on St Patrick's day but they are growing well. We can look forward to plenty of cabbage and potatoes in a few weeks time. Now that the ground is warming up everything is starting to grow – especially the weeds! It is time to get busy in the garden. It is never too late to plant seeds which will germinate quickly with warm days and longer daylight. Remember to keep them watered, if the rain stays away.

I visited the gardens on a sunny Sunday morning and got a great welcome, although those who were enjoying a cup of tea told me 'The kettle is the only thing that works around here!' As I walked around I could see vegetables starting to grow in the allotments – strawberry plants in flower, green leafy potato plants well up and salad crops getting established.

Since the Shanganagh Community Gardens were on TV3 last year a lot more progress has been made. The front gate has a sign and a Failte (welcome) for us all. An




inscribed rock has been placed in the shrub bed inside the gate. The centre section of the gardens has mounds on which the fruit trees are now well established and some are in flower, promising fruit to pick later in the year. One of these area has a wild flower meadow which is starting to come into flower. In the centre of this area a round raised area has been built of brick with an old water pump in the centre and a Belfast sink below it. Two tunnels have been put in place so that seeds can be planted and plants brought on before planting them out. The compost bins continue to be used which means all the garden waste is used as compost to enrich the ground. The handiwork of many craftsmen can be seen in wall building, fencing, raised beds, cold frames and in many other ways to make the gardens more productive.

Shanganagh Community Gardens are now well established and are going from strength to strength. They are part of the local community, providing activity, interaction with friends and neighbours, a place to relax and have fun as well as providing healthy food for the table.

Get down there and have a look for yourself.


– Vivien Reid

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SHANGANAGH CLIFFS F.C.

Congratulations to Shanganagh Cliffs F.C., Winners of the AUL Trophy



It is with great pleasure that I watched most of Shanganagh Cliffs FC home games since they were founded three short years ago. I am not a football fanatic, but I love to see young people enjoying themselves, and they certainly seemed to!!

Brian (Mallet) Daly has been doing an excellent job as Manager, with Jonno Corcoran (Treasurer and Captain) and Ben Traynor (Secretary) always behind him to encourage and support. They have been fund-raising to help fund the Team-wear and equipment, and are proudly sponsored by Fitzpatrick Castle Hotel and Smart Cartridges.



On Saturday, 25th May, they played their last game of the season at home to St. Vincent's Deaf FC. They won 4-0, which put them eight points clear at the top of the table, and were presented with the League Cup. This encouraged the community to have a party and a half, with donations of food and refreshments coming from lots of neighbours and friends.

*Anne Traynor, Coordinator,
Shanganagh Community Development Project,
Southside Partnership*



Step back in time and experience the magic of a traditional rural festival!

The Enniskerry Victorian Field Day 2013 will be held on Sunday, September 15th, on Knocklinn Farm in an idyllic setting with the Sugarloaf Mountains providing a spectacular backdrop. The fantastic programme of events guarantees a day out like no other! There are plenty of activities that will appeal to all ages! The festival programme includes; Steam Threshing, Tug of War battles, Sheaf Pitching, Vintage Car and Tractor Shows. Visitors can enjoy rambling through the craft stalls at the Artisan Market and savor Wicklow's rich culinary landscape at the Food Fair where kids will love dining on straw bales. Other highlights include Puppetry, Pony Rides, Dog Shows, Horseshoe Throwing, Arm Wrestling, Nail Driving, Archery, Falconry, Traditional Children's Games, Carousels and live music throughout the day.

An immensely popular part of the festival is the costumery and this year will no doubt see some splendid outfits being worn to be in with a chance to win one of the magnificent prizes.

Proceeds are in aid of the Wicklow Hospice Foundation and the local parishes Enniskerry. The admission is only €5 per person and children go free. There is free parking, and wheelchair accessible toilets are onsite.

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PRE-SCHOOL FACILITIES IN SHANKILL

By Mary Mitchell O'Connor

Little more than a fortnight ago, the nation watched in horror as RTE's Prime Time exposed the unacceptable mistreatment of our children in a number of crèches in Dublin and Wicklow. In the days that followed, for many, including myself, our thoughts fell to the hundreds of crèche workers across the country who were equally horrified by what they saw. Many parents and child care workers contacted me upset by what they saw.

Over the years, I have visited numerous excellent crèches across the Dun Laoghaire constituency and I have seen the tenderness and dedication which the majority of our children receive. However majority isn't good enough: every child must get first class care. It is crucial that the appropriate structures are in place to safeguard against any maltreatment of our children, wherever they may be.

For most children, their pre-school years are a wonderful and educational experience. The fact that a number of facilities have tarnished that reputation and violated parents' trust cannot and will not be tolerated. The standard of care in crèches must include stricter regulations, better training, more robust inspections and harsher sanctions. Child protection and welfare must be at the front and centre of everything we do.

Minister Frances Fitzgerald has identified eight key actions to ensure the well-being of children in crèches and the implementation of a pre-school quality reform agenda. They are:

1. All staff will have to have at least a childcare qualification to FETAC level 5;
2. All childcare providers must be registered;
3. New national pre-school standards will be implemented;
4. A more robust inspection system will be introduced;
5. Action will be taken in response to findings of non-compliance;
6. Sanctions will be increased for non-compliant providers, including the loss of State funding;
7. Curricular supports to Aistear and Siolta Frameworks will be improved;
8. Inspection reports will be published online as soon as possible after being completed.

Parents entrust their children to the care of others when they hand them over every morning. It is crucial that parents know that their children will be nurtured and that they will be cared for with utmost respect.

I will be meeting with local crèche owners and managers in our constituency in the coming weeks to discuss this matter. I am also available to meet with any parent to discuss their concerns in charting the best way forward for children, for parents and for the child carers. Please contact me by phoning 01 6183302 to make an appointment and I will meet you either in Constituency Office or in a convenient location for you.

Mary Mitchell O'Connor TD

If you have a concern or issue you would like to discuss with Mary or are seeking help or advice please contact Mary at 01 6183302 and she will arrange to meet you in her Constituency Office in Blackrock or in her Dáil Office.

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SHANKILL CLASSICAL MUSIC CLUB

JUNE 2013 MEETING

For the last session before the summer break, Bernard Clarke presented a programme dominated by composers best known for opera. But the only human voices to be heard were in the solo and choral excerpts from Handel's oratorio Saul.

Two of the heavyweight anniversaries this year are those of Verdi and Wagner, both born in 1813. In each case we had orchestral excerpts from operas. Verdi felt compelled by the conventions and musical tastes of his day, especially those of Parisian audiences, to include ballet movements in many of his operas. And so when he responded to a commission from Paris in 1847 for an opera under the title Jérusalem he recycled much of the material from his I Lombardi of 1843, and added the mandatory ballet suite – a seemingly effortless string of mainly light-hearted tunes, probably best heard out of the context of the grand and serious opera to which it is attached.



The Wagner excerpt was altogether more solemn – Siegfried's Funeral Music and the final scene from Götterdämmerung, the final opera of the Ring cycle, in a famous recording by the Cleveland Orchestra, conducted by George Szell.

An opera overture by Adolphe Adam and popular orchestral pieces by Dvorák, Rimsky-Korsakov and Gounod completed the orchestral programme.

But the most unusual piece of the evening did in fact feature voices – of birds! This was a movement from Cantus Arcticus by the contemporary Finnish composer Einojuhani Rautavaara, described as a "Concerto for birds and orchestra". This remarkable piece, which includes recorded sounds of seabirds, has become one of the composer's most popular pieces, and from the extracts we heard it is easy to understand why: the birdsong merges very effectively with the woodwind and other sounds of the large orchestra - a strange and memorable experience indeed.

For full details of all the pieces and performers, see our website www.shankillclassical.org

Shankill Classical Music Club meets at 7.45pm on the first Wednesday of each month (except July and August) in the Old Folks' Association Centre, Lower Road, Shankill. New members and visitors are always welcome. The next meeting will be on 4 September. For further information see the website or ring John O'Hagan (087-210 9175).



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Four of our members took part in the Sportsfest at the Loughlinstown Leisure Centre and had great fun trying Bowls, Archery and Line Dancing – just some of the activities available. This is held every year, run by Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Co Co and free. Apparently the lunch was delicious.

A visit to the show “The Lion King” was an outing for another four



members and the report was that it was “out of this world – brilliant”. There was also a trip to see “Strictly.....” which was also enjoyed by everyone who went, the costumes were amazing.

By the time you read this we will have been on our annual outing, this year to the River Shannon. More about that in the September SCAN. There will be no monthly meeting in August but the September meeting will be on 16th. We hope everyone has a good summer, and fingers crossed for better weather than last year!

New members are always welcome to our meetings on the third Monday of the month at 3pm in St. Anne’s Resource Centre.


For more information contact Pat O’Connor.

ANNE NOLAN



I first met Anne when she joined SARA as a founder member and immediately got involved in setting it up. She was enthusiastic in starting the bowling, table tennis, boules and Scrabble. She almost always went on outings and lunches and for several years unfailingly sent out the birthday cards.

Anne’s life had not been easy but her Christian faith, optimism, sense of fun and generosity made her a remarkable lady. Even after her stroke and the other difficulties she had to endure she never complained and came to our Scrabble afternoons as long as she could, often winning games. She was an inspiration to many and we will miss her greatly. Our sympathy goes to John, Paul and the rest of her family who cared for her so well at home during her last weeks. May she rest in peace.



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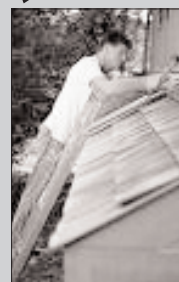
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Valeview Shankill News

Bring Home the Cup by Pat Cooney

Tuesday evening 4th June 2013 was a red letter day in the history of Valeview Shankill Football Club. On that glorious sunny evening, in the hugely impressive surroundings of Wayside Athletics Grounds, Valeview won the Liam Dodd Cup with a 1-0 victory over a gallant Beechill United Side.

Valeview's march to the final was a tremendously exciting and nerve wracking one. In the Quarter final they overcame a fit and physical Lorcan Celtic. Amazingly, Lorcan scored all 3 goals – fortunately for Valeview, two of them were own goals! The winning goal came so late that there was just time for the tip off. I have two adding memories of that game – an unbelievable last ditch tackle by Captain Marvel – Luke Roe - which prevented a certain winner for Lorcan Celtic (not the last time Luke would do that!) and the very sporting sight of Valeview players consoling the young Lorcan goalkeeper – who was in tears – after the final whistle.

It that was exciting, it pales in comparison with the semi-final. We were drawn against a team in the division above us – Oldchurch Utd.



Valeview Captain Luke Roe and Avril Guihan with his Match of the Match Award.

Oldchurch went one up after 15 minutes and from that point onwards, it was all Valeview. They created chance after chance – hit the crossbar, shots cleared off the line, great changes slipping just wide of either post. With about 6 minutes to go, enter Captain Luke again, he burst out of defence on a long, unstoppable run which took him to the edge of Oldchurch's penalty area; the ball broke loose to Graham (Gambo) Gamble and showing tremendous composure, he created vital space for himself and rocketed the equalizer into the top corner of the net.

With only minutes left, intense attaching pressure finally paid off when Ben (benji) McShane sent a glorious shot into the bottom corner amid scenes of absolute mayhem on the touchline! After so many barren years, Valeview had reached a cup final.

It took some time to determine who we would meet in the final, as trouble had broken out in one of the quarter finals. Eventually, Beechill Utd were drawn to play St. Mochtas in the other semi-final. All the Vale players and management went on a spying mission to that game – in fact, we comprised a huge percentage of the attendance! Beechill got through, so the scene was set for the final.

A gorgeous summer evening, an immaculate pitch, a huge partisan crowd. For the first Twenty Five minutes or so, it looked as if Beechill would annihilate Valeview – our goalkeeper – Ross Cannon – made some wonderful saves; Beechill forwards wasted some glorious chances and you got the feeling Vale's name was on the cup. As half time approached, we gradually got a foothold in the game and were quite happy to be Nil-Nil as the teams went in for the break.

Five minutes into the second half came the joyous, historic moment. A free kick about 25yards out to Valview. Dean (Deano) Kelly was the man chosen to take it. Deano must have the sweetest left foot in Shankill and he used it to perfection to send a superb dipping, swerving shot into the roof of the net. Vale 1up, forty mintues to go, Could we hold out?

Our defence was magnificent; Luke Roe made yet another goal saving tackle, Dave Nolan won everything in the air and as Beechill pressed desperately, vale created some good chances on the break. Kevin Moore was a human dynamo in midfield, Benji ran himself into exhaustion and very good use of his substitutes by manager John (Spud) O'Carroll saw the fresh legs of the Cooney Brothers and Alan Moore relieve the pressure and build changes for Vale.

With 15 to go, disaster (well almost!). Gambo thought he was Maradonna and tried to punch the ball into the net. That got him a second yellow and we were down to 10 against 11. The referee added at least 8 minutes added-on time and I can tell you, It felt like 8 months!

When the whistle finally went, cue bedlam! Joy unconfined, Hugs, Kisses, Photographs. When Luke lifted the cup, the roar could be heard all over South Dublin. Thus a very successful season drew to a close. As well as winning the cup, the team won promotion from LSL Saturday Premier 1 to Saturday Premier and our Sunday Team got promotion form Division 3 to Division 2.

So heartiest congrats to all the players; our two energetic managers John O'Carroll and Dave (Redser) Kelly; Vale's Chairman Eugene McGovern, Secretary John Turner. Not forgetting Coach Alan Boylan and committee Men John Kirwan and Martin O'Carroll.

In conclusion, It was in 1995 Vale last won a Cup and it was presented by Liam Dodd, whose name is on the Cup we have just won. Also, Valeview is 90 years old this year – so we have had a marvelous Birthday.

Here is the final line up: Ross Cannon, Andy Stansell, Mark Byrne, Luke Roe (capt), David Nolan, Eddie O'Toole, Ben McShane, Kevin Moore, Steve Carroll, Graham Gamble, Dean Kelly. Subs: Barry Cooney (for Carroll), Killian Cooney (for O'Toole), Alan Moore (for McShane).

Unused Subs: Keith Maguire (GK), Niall Cooney, Luke Connolly, Graham Murdiff. Manager: John O'Carroll.



The Valeview team celebrate with the Cup!

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

NOTICE from SCAN re PLANNING APPLICATIONS

We are aware that some of the notices about planning applications and decisions are out of date by the time you receive your SCAN but feel that our readers wish to know what is going on in their area. We would like to remind you to keep a look out for new planning notices and, if you feel that they could be of interest to you, go to the Planning Office in Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Hall, Marine Road and request to see the plans.

D07A//127/E SEEKING EXTENSION OF DURATION OF PERMISSION 14/5/13

Suzanne Plant-Reilly, 17 Brides Glen Road, Rathmichael.
2 storey dwelling house with waste water treatment unit and new vehicular access in side garden of existing house.

D08A/0531/E SEEKING EXTENSION OF DURATION OF PERMISSION 16/5/13

Michael Shanahan, Mill Lane, Shanganagh Road, Shankill.
4 detached 2 storey 4 bedroom houses, 8 off street car parking spaces in front gardens, provision of 4 new vehicular accesses from Mill Lane etc.

D13A/0244 SEEKING PERMISSION 16/5/13

Shane & Louise Hanly, 46 Shrewsbury Road, Shankill.
1. Demolition of garage and single storey extension to side of existing 2 storey semi-detached dwelling. Part demolition of shed to rear. 2. Construction of 2 storey extension to side and single storey extension to rear. Roof lights to front and rear. Alterations to façade of existing rear ground floor extension. 3. Relocation of main entrance, new canopy and bay window to front façade. 4. Widen vehicular entrance on to Shrewsbury Road.

D13B/0162 SEEKING PERMISSION 15/5/13

Roddy Allsop, 35 Seaview Park, Shankill.
Development comprising retention of works carried out in existing attic area, install 4 new ventilated obscure glazed rooflights and 3 ventilated obscure glazed rooflights to each side of existing concrete ridged tiled roof etc.

D13B/0167 SEEKING PERMISSION 16/5/13

Fionan Heffernan, 6 Kentfield, Shankill.
New dormer window to front previously converted attic space.

D13A/0132 PERMISSION GRANTED 13/5/13

Sean & Mairead Farrell,
Site at Seaview Lawn with site access between 17 Seaview Lawn and 12 Seaview Park, Shankill.
2 storey house with solar panels on roof, landscaping, boundary treatment, entrance gates and drainage and demolition of existing single storey office at site.

D07A/1788/E SEEKING EXTENSION OF DURATION OF PERMISSION 23/5/13

Dan McGrattan, El Dorado, Quarry Road, Shankill
Construction of 3 x 2 storey detached and detached garages, new access road, new biocycle drainage systems for each house.

D13A/0254 SEEKING PERMISSION 21/5/13

Mr & Mrs E Whittaker, Site at side of Mornington Lodge, Rathmichael Haven, Rathmichael.
Demolish existing detached dormer house to side and construction of 2 bed detached dormer bungalow over semi basement with proprietary waste water system, new vehicular access and 2 new propriety waste water treatment systems to serve existing 5 bedroom house etc.

D13A/0146 SEEKING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION 21/5/13

Bilero Ltd., Shankill Shopping Centre, Shanganagh Road, Dublin 18

Permission for development consisting of:

1. Single storey extension into service yard that increases the Supermarket element to 1,636m2 gross/1,178m2 net.
 2. Change of use of previously existing public house (vacant) of 411m2 to Supermarket use (included in areas at (1) above.
 3. Omit existing retail unit no.4 to form new Supermarket entrance along with infill of part of yard/passageway of 122m2 as common facilities.
 4. Amalgamation of existing units 2 & 2A to form enlarged Pharmacy.
 5. Subdivision of existing unit no.3 into 2 smaller units.
 6. Reconfiguration service yard.
 7. Infill of existing window/door openings (former public house) and re-rendering of walls.
 8. Refurbishment of roofs including regularisation of fascia signage.
 9. Creation of new vehicular entrance (in only) from Corbawn Lane.
 10. Addition of new internal road within the site and standardisation of parking provision with increase to 116 spaces.
 11. Replacement of existing boundary wall on Shanganagh Road and Beechfield Manor with stainless steel railings.
 12. Two signage totems – one each end of Shanganagh Road frontage
 13. Three flagpoles.
- All site development works, hard and soft landscaping.

D13B/0101 PERMISSION GRANTED 20/5/13

Michael Piotrowicz, 12 Rathsallagh Park, Shankill
Erection of new single storey extension to front.

D13A/0153 PERMISSION GRANTED 28/5/13

Mr & Mrs Fitzachary, 30 Assumpta Park, Shankill.
2 storey extension to rear and single storey extension to north side of original house to include partial demolition and modifications to existing house, widen gateway etc.

D08A/1038/E EXTENSION OF DURATION OF PERMISSION GRANTED 5/6/13

Ms Mary Walsh, 1 Cherrywood Park, Cherrywood Road, Loughlinstown.

- a. Demolition of front porch and single storey extension to east side of existing dwelling.
- b. Subdivision of site to provide for new development of dormer bungalow with height of 5.5 metres, consisting of 3 bedrooms, 3 roof lights to front and dormer window to rear.
- c. Common vehicular access and car parking area.

D13B/0045 PERMISSION GRANTED 5/6/13

Alan & Siobhan Campbell, Kilshannig, Crinken Lane, Shankill.
Replacement of existing septic tank and soakage area with new package treatment unit and associated percolation area.

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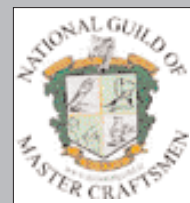
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