

# COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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## Best Dressed Lady

Congrats to Jackie Clancy, of Rathcormac, who won the Ladbrokes Day Best Dressed Lady competition at this year's Galway Races Festival.



Best Dressed Lady Jackie pictured with President Michael D Higgins (clipping from the Irish Mail)

## Community Alert Update . . . Rathcormac/D'cliffe

The list of numbers for the Rathcormac & Drumcliffe community 'Text Alert' system is now being finalised. For anyone who may have been inadvertently overlooked or missed for whatever reason, please contact either Eddie Sheehan (secretary, 086 3083178) or Austin O'Callaghan (chairman, 086 1925211) asap. Please note that a meeting of Area Coordinators will take place in September, with the date to be announced in due course.

## Puddleducks...

Puddleducks Playschool resumes at the Oxfield Community Centre this September. Free childcare places are available under the Government's ECCE programme. For more information please contact Margaret Holland on 087 9780896.

## ~~Chancers~~ <sup>Dancers</sup> Wanted!

Calling all Dancers and Chancers... for the annual CosCos Tradance Competition! Get your name in and lots will be drawn to match you with the perfect dance partner.



The competition will take place on October 12<sup>th</sup>, so there's still plenty of time to work on a great routine. Email brendaocallaghan@yahoo.com.

## Lissadell Ruling...

The word on the street is that the outcome of the Supreme Court hearing into the Lissadell public rights of way may finally be announced in October... that's this year! A county continues to hold its breath...

## Refurb'd Floors...

The indoor sports floors at Oxfield have been re-sanded, re-varnished and re-lined, part funded by the Dept of Transport, Tourism & Sport. The works included replacing 40 dead boards. This was a much needed improvement and gives the indoor facilities at Oxfield a new lease of life.



The refurbished main hall sports floor at Oxfield - it hasn't looked this good since 1985! The new markings cater for basketball, soccer, volleyball and badminton. Let the games commence!

## Running/Walking Track Upgrade...

Works are currently underway on the widening and kerbing of the outdoor running/walking track at Oxfield. The project, which is being led by the North Sligo Athletics Club, will deliver a superb 3m wide dust track facility together with its own drainage system, which will be a huge benefit to runners, walkers and the wider community.



Improvement works 'on track' at Oxfield Community Park by Willie Regan Contractors.

## Safer Car Parking...

A new experimental car parking layout, including a set-down/drop-off facility and one-way system, has been implemented at Oxfield in order to address a number of safety concerns. The committee asks that all users obey the markings and the signs, and to drive slowly and carefully.



New car park layout at Oxfield - they mightn't be the straightest lines in the world, but you get the idea ;- ) PLEASE drive with caution!

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## Saturday Market...

The new Saturday Farm & Craft Market at the Benbulbin Craft Centre, (Branley's Yard), Rathcormac, continues every Saturday from 10am. With a wide variety of stalls, live trad music and craft demos, it's always worth a look.



Browsing... a new Saturday morning pass time at Branley's yard. Photo by Benbulbin Craft Centre

## Other Oxfield News...

**TUS:** The Oxfield Committee would like to welcome John & Kieran who have started with the Sligo Leader TUS scheme and will be working with Oxfield, Yeats Utd and Carney Tidy Towns in delivering improvement works over the next 12 months. Welcome aboard Men!

**New Phone Number:** The new number for all Oxfield business from September 1<sup>st</sup> (incl booking and enquiries etc) is **085 2123208**.

**New Meeting Room:** The kitchen at Oxfield is being transformed into a multipurpose meeting room for clubs, groups and community organisations. It is expected to be ready for use in early September. For bookings please call Oxfield on 085 2123208.

**New Basketball Facilities:** New Perspex back boards and cross court junior baskets will be installed at Oxfield shortly.

**Phase 2:** The committee are currently planning for the Phase 2 redevelopment project, and hope to submit for planning before year end.

**Congrats:** to the North Sligo Sports Complex in Grange which celebrated 25 years earlier this month.

## Sean Nos Dancin'...

Sean N6s dance classes for both kids and adults will resume in Rathcormac in the second half of September. Details of times will be available shortly. For enquiries contact Brenda on 086 1925988.

## New Classroom...



Congrats to all at St. Patrick's NS in Maugherow on the official opening of their new classroom and upgraded facilities by Fr. Michael Donnelly recently. A big thanks to all who worked on the upgrade and to the fundraising committee and all in the community who gave of their time and their money to help achieve the upgrade.

## European Silver...



Congrats again to William Crowe (and all at North Sligo AC) on his recent performance at the European Youth Olympics in Holland, where he won silver in the boys 1500m. (Photo by Thomas McBride)

## Ladies Volleyball...

The Oxfield Ladies Volleyballers resume their Tuesday night games on September 3<sup>rd</sup> from 8 to 9pm. New players always welcome.

## Zumba Returns...

Zumba returns on Monday September 9th at the Oxfield Community Centre from 8 to 9pm. For more information and to book your place contact Amanda on 086 8770525 or e-mail zumbasligoamanda@gmail.com. Ditch the workout and join the party.

## GAA Club's Summer BBQ...

Well done to everyone who helped out and supported the recent Drumcliffe Rosses Point GAA Club's annual summer BBQ, which was held in Oxfield. There was fine tucker, tunes, tea, and community spirit all round... and of course some unforgettable 'on field' entertainment.



They never lost it...(did they ever have it?) - the Drumcliffe Rosses Point Over 40s and friends before the game started. (If the picture had been taken after the game, at least half of them would be lying down nursing strains...and egos!)

## Circuits Resume...

Lost that fitness over the summer break? Circuit training with Sean Flannery resumes at Oxfield on Tuesday and Thursday September 10th and 12th of September starting at 6.30pm.

## Boxing Update...

Training at the Maugherow Boxing Club has now resumed on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm at the Oxfield Community Centre. Anyone interested in boxing or anyone who is interested in joining the club is always very welcome.

## Karate's Back

The North Sligo Higashi karate classes will be resuming on Friday 6th September in Oxfield. New members always welcome. For further info contact Colin on 087 6680967.

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