

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Want a Laugh?...

Following on from last year's side splitting pre-Paddy's event, the Oxfield Comedy night returns next month with well known comedian Paul Malone taking to the stage in Henry's Bar & Restaurant in Drumcliffe on Friday 16th March, the eve of St. Paddy's day.



For a recession beating €20, in addition to the comedy gig, you will be treated to a buffet meal and live music. It promises to be another super night out! Tickets are limited, so get yours now from:

- Henry's Restaurant 071 9173985
- Michael Kilcoyne 087 6755753
- Brian McNulty 087 8366562

500 Club Draw...

Results of the February 2012 draw:

- 1st - Martina Gillen Hamilton €500
- 2nd - Tom Devaney €200
- 3rd - Mary Kivlehan €100
- 4th - Ger Reidy €100
- 5th - Drew Monaghan €100

Congrats to all the winners. A word of thanks to local Peace Commissioner Brian Drury who acted as independent observer. The next draw takes place on March 16th in Henry's.

Book Launch...

Leland Bardwell from Maugherow had her prize winning book 'Different Kinds of Love' re-launched in Ellens recently. The book of short stories, dealing with topics of considerable relevance to readers in our own difficult times, was originally published in 1987. Excerpts were read on the night by Mary Branley, Marianne Fahy and Brian Leydon. Copies cost €10 and can be bought in local bookshops or online at www.dedaluspress.com.

Celebs Try Trad...



The Cos Cos Sean Nós Festival presents a 'Celebrity Trad Dance Competition' which takes place in Collins Lounge on Saturday 24th March. Well known local couples will perform various traditional Irish dance styles, so it promises to be a great night's entertainment!

Victor's Dung...

As a GAA social initiative, Drumcliffe/Rosses Point GAA present 'Victors Dung', an award winning comedy play written and directed by Seamus O'Rourke. It takes place on Friday 9th March in Rathcormac Hall, starting at 8pm. Tickets are €10, and are available from Club members.

An Seisiún Mór...



'Five Soft Musicians' - Image courtesy of Irish artist Alan Kenny.

The village of Rosses Point is putting out a call for traditional musicians, groups, bands, singers, dancers, drummers, lilters, and Seanachais to take part in their 'Seisiún Mór', which aims to run non-stop traditional music at various village venues, on Sunday 11th March from 11am until 11pm. All proceeds will go towards the MS Northwest Therapy Centre, Ballytivnan, Sligo. For more info contact the organisers via Facebook or phone John O'Connor (087 9394128), Maria McLoughlin (086 8218846) or the MS Centre (071 9144748).

School News...

Rathcormac NS:

Enrolment forms for Sept 2012 can be obtained from the office. Forms will be sent out to those whose names are on file, but if anyone knows of new families/first children who may not be on record, please ask them to contact the school as soon as possible on 071-943962.



Gerry Carr and Keith O'Dwyer brought the FAI Cup back to Rathcormac NS recently amid great excitement - looking forward to the 3-in-a-row visit next year!

The school celebrated Catholic Schools Week from Jan 30th to Feb 3rd, with many events including a celebration of St. Brigid's Day, Candlemas Day, and culminating in a wonderful celebration for Grandparents Day, which had a bit of everything including prayers, readings, poems and a Q&A session, some music and dance. And the obligatory cuppa and chat. Some grandparents also went to the classrooms to read stories and recount tales of times past. Many thanks to all who helped to make it such a special occasion.



Generations together - the Grandparents Day ceremony began with Sinead Regan and her granny Mary lighting the candle

Lissadell Case...

The Supreme Court is expected to decide in April if the appeal by the current owners of Lissadell House against a High Court ruling that public rights of way exist at the estate should be given priority. If priority is given, the appeal may be heard before the end of this year.

New Signs...

The NRA in consultation with Sligo County Council is currently finalising plans to roll out new directional signage later this year at most junctions along the N15 and N16, which will display townland names and/or Local Road numbers. This should help with wayfinding and giving people directions to your house or business!

World Book Day...

To mark World Book Day, Rathcormac NS is running a 2nd hand book sale on Thurs March 1st. Children are asked to bring in any used books, which can be bought and sold in the hall. There will also be reading sessions for all classes.

Best Wishes & Congrats...

Best wishes to Dr Paul Gannon who finished up at the Drumcliffe family GP practice recently to head for pastures new in Australia.

Also, congrats to Brian Gallagher who retired recently from Sligo County Council.

Congrats too go to Hugh & Mary Slevin who celebrated their ruby Wedding anniversary this month.

Finally, congrats to Mairead Clancy on her recent engagement to Barnes Murphy (*did we hear that the Hen will be held on the International Space Station?*)

Carney Village...

The Carney Tidy Towns committee would like to say thanks to the TUS workers (Philip & Sean) for the great work they are doing in the village. There are great plans for the year ahead, and the AGM is set Thurs 22nd March in Oxfield at 9pm, and as always new volunteers are welcome. Contact Niamh on 087 7834194 for enquiries.

Ox AGM Report...

The Oxfield management committee had their AGM last month. There was a great turnout and plenty of new faces, which is very encouraging considering the big year ahead.

The elected Officers for 2012 are:

- Michael Kilcoyne (Chair)
- Brian McNulty (Vice Chair)
- Margaret Regan (Secretary)
- Jennifer Brennan (Assistant Sec)
- Jacinta Monaghan (Assistant Sec)
- Philip Duffy (Treasurer)
- Rowan O'Callaghan (PRO)
- Colin Slevin (Assistant PRO)

Regarding the proposed redevelopment, the meeting heard that Oxfield's application to Leader is being processed and we expect a decision to be made in March.

Thanks also to the local TUS workers who continue to assist with improving and maintaining the community centre at Oxfield.

As Fit as an Ox?...

Circuit Training: continues in Oxfield every Tues & Thurs at 6:30pm. You won't get a better workout this side of the M50! Contact Sean on 087 9784628.

Zumba: Ditch the workout and join the party! ZUMBA fitness classes continue in Oxfield on Monday nights from 8 - 9pm, and in Maugherow Hall on Wednesdays from 7:30 - 8:30pm. Please ring to book your place with Amanda on 086 8770525.

Elev8fitness: is starting an "Endurance Booster" 6 week programme for both men & women starting in Oxfield on Sat 18th Feb, from 8 to 9am. €5 per class, €25 for 6 classes or €50 for 12 classes. An early start but well worth the effort, as it gets your weekend off to a cracking start! Classes in Grange also. Visit www.facebook.com/Elev8girl or call Heidi on 087 0531758.

GAA Registration

Registration for the Drumcliffe Rosses Point GAA Club continues every Saturday morning during February 10am to 12 midday, in Oxfield. Remember players not registered cannot play for the Club as they are not covered by insurance.

Tennis...

Tennis is back at Oxfield running Fridays from 4-5pm for U8s and 5-

6pm for 9-12yrs. Cardio tennis returning in March for adults and teens. Stay tuned.

Volleying Ladies...

Ladies Volleyball continues every Tuesday night at 8:30pm in Oxfield. It costs just €2 per session, and all levels and abilities are catered for. Its great fun, great exercise, and you'll be home in time to see what's happening on Wisteria lane!

Diary Dates...

February Oxfield 500 Club Draw - Oxfield, 13th Feb, 9:15pm

D'cliffe Community Games Art - Rathcormac NS at 7pm - 29th Feb - Girls Art & Boys Modelling 1st Mar - Boys Art & Girls Modelling

March Rathcormac PA Meeting - Rathcormac NS, Wed 7th March

'Victor's Dung' Comedy Play - Rathcormac Hall, Fri 9th Mar, 8pm

Rosses Point Duathlon - Sat 10th Mar, 12 midday

Rosses Point Trad Event - Sun 11th Mar, 11am to 11pm

March Oxfield 500 Club Draw - Henry's Restaurant, Fri 16th Mar

Oxfield Comedy Night - Henry's Restaurant, Fri 16th Mar

Carney Tidy Towns AGM - Oxfield, Thur 22nd Mar, 9pm

Celebrity Trad Dance Competition - Collins Lounge, Sat 24th March

Rathcormac NS Parents Association Annual Table Quiz - Collins Lounge, Fri 30th Mar, 9pm

Carney Lissadell 10k Run - Oxfield, Easter Monday, 9th April

Rathcormac NS Easter Holidays - Mon 2nd to Fri 13th April

Music in Drumcliffe - Drumcliffe Chruich, 4th to 7th May

CosCos Sean N6s Festival - Rathcormac, 11th to 13th May

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