

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Night Climb...

Cap off a stunning July with an amazing night time climb of Benbulbin. This is the Sligo Leitrim Mountain Rescue Team's annual fundraising event, and it takes place on July 20th. Online registrations are still open at www.sligoleitrimmrt.ie.

Puddleducks...

The Puddleducks Playschool at the Oxfield Community Centre has some free ECCE childcare places available for September. Anyone interested should contact Margaret Holland on 087 9780896 for details.

~~Chancers~~ Dancers 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.

CosCos TRADANCE Competition 2013

The competition will take place on October 12th, so there's plenty of time to work on a great routine. Contact brendaocallaghan@yahoo.com.

Sligo Way Run...

Local athlete Donal Egan (from Oxfield Road, Drumcliffe) will be running the famous 50 mile 'Sligo Way' on August 4th to raise money for the NW Hospice. Donal is a regular on the roads around Carney, Lissadell and Drumcliffe where he trains. (He won this year's Rathcormac 8k road race). So best of luck to him (and his running mate Martin Brennan from Strandhill) on this fundraising effort for a great cause. All support is greatly appreciated, and you can sponsor him at www.mycharity.ie/event/sligoway.

Oxfield Update...

Sports Floors: The indoor facilities at Oxfield will be closed from July 22nd to 29th to allow for sports floor refurbishment. Apologies in advance for any inconvenience.

Track Project: Works due to commence shortly also on widening/kerbing the outdoor running/walking track (by the North Sligo Athletics Club). Works due to last 2/3 weeks.

Parking: A new set-down area and carparking trial layout coming soon to improve safety for all at Oxfield.

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

Help Needed: As always Oxfield would welcome any local volunteers who would like to get involved and help out in any way, big or small, even for a few months until the end of the year... as they say many hands make light work.

Stay Tuned: For updates on all the goings-ons at Oxfield, see www.oxfield.ie, or follow us at [oxfieldcentre](https://twitter.com/oxfieldcentre) on twitter and Facebook.

Saturday Market...

The new Saturday Market at the Benbulbin Craft Centre, (Branley's Yard), Rathcormac, kicks off on July 20th from 10am to 3pm with a huge range to stalls including fruit, organic veg, fresh fish and meats, breads, hand made crafts etc. Plenty of family activities too including a treasure hunt, nature walk, art & crafts, local history and mythology exhibition, etc

Attendance Record

Congrats to Sinead Regan (Drum Road) who received a plaque from Frank O'Sullivan (Principal) on behalf of Rathcormac NS in recognition for her outstanding attendance at school - not missing one day in her 8 years!

Judging Time...

The 2013 Tidy Towns Competition is well underway. Please lend your support by keeping an eye out for litter, weeds, etc.

The Carney Group meet every Tuesday evening at 7pm (in the village). The Drumcliffe/Rathcormac Group meet for an hour every other Wednesday evening at 7pm (call 087 997 3558 for info). Congrats to the Group on being nominated for a 2013 Save Our Planet Award for their Japanese Knotweed Project. (Please vote online at www.saveourplanetawards.com).

RNLI Donation...



Congrats to Fenton Ewing & chef Peter Doherty of Harry's Bar (Rosses Point) and representatives of the Sea Shanty Festival committee (pictured) who presented a cheque for €1,100 to members of the Sligo Bay RNLI committee following a hugely successful fundraising BBQ at the recent Sea Shanty festival.

Secret Gardens...

As part of the 2013 Secret Gardens of Sligo, a charity event which sees a collection of private gardens open to the public, two local gardens are on this year's itinerary. Sheila Kelly's garden at Rahaberna (near Rathcormac, just 3 miles from Sligo) will be open from 12 to 4pm on Sunday July 21st and Sunday August 4th (watch out for signposts on the day). Visitors are welcome to walk around the garden and make a voluntary contribution to the Irish Kidney Association. Sylvia Ripon's garden at Ardtrasna in Ballinful will also be open from 11am to 6pm on Sunday Aug 11th. For more see www.secretgardensofsligo.com.

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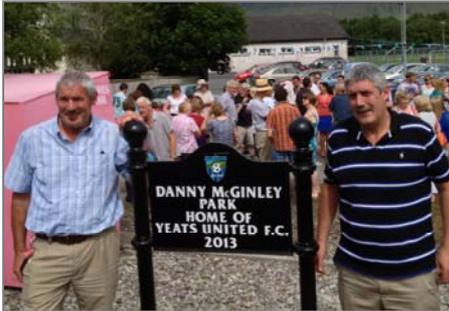
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Honouring Danny...

Congratulations to the Yeats Utd football club who renamed their club grounds in Carney to 'Danny McGinley Park' as a tribute to the late Danny McGinley who will be long remembered for all his work with the Club. A new plaque was unveiled in front of a large crowd, including members of Danny's family.



Danny's brothers with the new plaque at the Yeats Utd grounds at Carney Village

Development Assoc'n AGM...

The **Drumcliffe Development Association** is holding its AGM in the Drumcliffe Tea House on Tuesday July 23rd at 9pm, and everyone is welcome to attend, especially new members with new ideas.

Ireland's Biggest Ford Show...

The 2013 annual **Neal Egan Memorial Run** takes place on the August Bank holiday weekend at the Radisson Blu Hotel. The event is the biggest Ford show in the country, and starts on Sunday morning with over 200 cars expected. This year's feature car is Bertie Fishers Mk2 Escort from the old days of the Irish Tarmac Rally Championship. A unique family day out.

Community Alert Update... R'cormac/D'cliffe

A reminder that the list of mobile numbers for the text alert system is being finalised. If anyone has not been contacted yet, please contact Eddie Sheahan, Secretary, on 086 3083178. Also the €5 donations are still being collected in the Carney area. Thank you again to everyone's support so far.

Tracking Achievements...



The recent outstanding achievements of Cian McBride, Kieran Elliott and William Crowe (pictured above) were marked by the North Sligo Athletics Club and the local community at a function in the Yeats Tavern last earlier this month. A great crowd turned up to congratulate the lads and to wish them well in their upcoming European races.

Yeats Girls... (San Marino Style)



Congrats to the Yeats Girls who came 3rd in their pool at the San Marino Cup earlier this month. Well done to Brian & Martin, the Club, the players, and their parents on a great adventure

Green Belters...



Karate Kids - some of the 11 North Sligo Higashi students who passed their 5th 'Kyu Green Belt' grading at the Oxfield Dojo recently. To all the students, their parents and to all the Oxfield committee, thank you for your continued support. See you all in September!

FAI Soccer Camp...

Online registrations are still open for this year's FAI Soccer Camp which takes place in Oxfield (19th to 23rd

Aug) for girls and boys ages 4 to 14. See www.summersoccerschools.ie. For any other queries contact local coordinator Daryl Keaney on 087 0684107.

Community Games Round Up...



Dearbhla Kivlehan who came in 2nd place in the girls U-6 60 metres at the County finals recently. The 2013 local results are currently being compiled and will be available on the Oxfield website shortly.

For Your Diary...

Kelloggs GAA Cúl Camps 2013 - Oxfield, Mon 15th to Fri 19th July

Saturday Market (10am to 3pm)- Benbulbin Craft Centre, Sat 20th July

SLMRT Night Walk on Benbulbin - From Oxfield, Sat 20th July

Oxfield Centre Closure (indoor only) - From Mon 22nd to Mon 29th July

D'cliffe Dev Assoc'n AGM - D'cliffe Tea House, Tue 23rd July, 9pm

Dancing with Christy O'Grady - Barry's, Grange, Fri 26th July, 10pm

North Sligo Agricultural Show - Grange, Sat 3rd August

Neil Egan Memorial Run - Radisson, Sun 4th August

FAI Summer Soccer Camp - Oxfield, Mon 19th to Fri 23rd August

Dancing with Christy O'Grady - Barry's, Grange, Fri 9th Aug, 10pm

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