

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Pure Comedy...



You're in for a treat this Paddy's weekend as well known comedian Paul Malone takes to the stage for the Oxfield Comedy Night, which takes place in Henry's Bar & Restaurant on Friday March 16th, starting at 9pm.

Tickets cost €20 on the door, which for a comedy gig, a fab Henry's meal and live music by Aidan Rooney, is 'serious' value.

Your Vote?



In what promises to be one of most entertaining events of the local calendar, 12 local 'celebrities' and partners will take part in a 'dance off' at the CosCos Celebrity Trad Dance Competition which takes place in Collins Lounge on Saturday 24th March starting at 8:30pm. The couples taking part are:

- Tom Logan & Karen Patterson
- Gerry Clancy & Martina Peyton
- Michael Regan & Anne Melvin
- Fr Michael Donnelly & Eileen Leonard
- Conor O'Brien & Connie McDermott
- Rev Ian Linton & Yvonne Kelly
- Breege Logan & Michael Kilcoyne
- Veronica Cawley & Michael McElhone
- Joe & Marie Shannon
- Judy Mulderrig & John Scott
- Hubert Keaney & Kathleen Costello
- John McManus & Noreen Fitzpatrick

The audience gets to vote for their favourites on the night, costing €2 per vote. As well as dancing, there

will be live music, refreshments and prizes, so it promises to be a great night's entertainment! Proceeds go towards the local CosCos Sean Nós Festival which takes place in May.

Victor's Dung...

A huge crowd packed into Rathcormac Hall on Friday 9th March to see the hugely enjoyable 'Victors Dung', a comedy play written and directed by Seamus O'Rourke. Congrats to the Drumcliffe/Rosses Point GAA Club and all those who helped out on the night.

Great Seisiún...



One of the many trad sessions in Rosses Point on Sunday 7th March (Photo by Deirdre Melvin).

The village of Rosses Point came alive to the sound of traditional musicians, groups, bands, singers, and dancers as part of the 2012 'Seisiún Mór' in aid of the MS Northwest Therapy Centre. Well done to all involved!

Getting Tidy...

The AGM of the Carney Tidy Towns takes place on Thursday 22nd March in Oxfield at 9pm, and as always new volunteers are very welcome. Contact Niamh on 087 7834194 for info.

Rathcormac Tidy Towns are holding a coffee morning on Saturday 24th March from 11am to 1pm in the History Centre beside Rathcormac Church. Please show your support for the local tidy town's efforts by stopping by for a cuppa and a chat about their activities, or browse a selection of plants and trees for sale.

Take Me Out...

Yeats united are holding their 'TAKE ME OUT' fundraising night on Saturday 14th April starting at 8.30pm in Radisson Blu Hotel, Ballincar.

Anyone interested in taking part should contact 086 4082553 or 086 3932323. Tickets will be available in advance or at the door on the night. Promises to be a great night, so please support the local club. All welcome.

Making Cents...

The Carney Ladies Mini Marathon Team have launched their "Every Cent Counts" fundraising drive for their chosen charity for 2012, North West Stroke Group Ltd. You are invited to put all that loose change to good use and donate it to this very worthwhile charity. Please drop off what you can to the Drumcliffe Tea House & Craft Shop (enquiries 071-9144956). Remember "no coin too small... we will count it all".

Scouts Update...

The 11th Benbulbin Scouts have been selected as the beneficiaries of the ICA's famous annual cake sale and raffle which takes place on Good Friday. So please come along and support them.

The group would also like to thank Gilroy Tiles who kindly donated tiles for the scout's spring mosaic flower pots which will be on display around the area soon.

Gene's Bóthar TY...

Gene O'Carroll would like to sincerely thank everyone who generously supported his fundraising and donations for Bóthar late last year. Gene travelled to India and witnessed at first hand the shipment of baby clothes and school supplies being handed over to villagers.

Candle Walk...

To remember those we have loved and lost to cancer, to celebrate with those who have recovered from cancer, and to walk with those who are still on their journey through cancer, you are invited to a candle lit night time walk on Friday March 30th, starting at 8:30pm from the Connaughton road car park on the Mall, Sligo. Candles are available from Sligo Cancer Support Centre and all proceeds go to Sligo Cancer Support Centre (Charity 16285). See www.LightTheNightSligo.com for more information.

Karate Kids...

Some 28 students from the local karate club were promoted at a recent grading. A big congratulations to them all for all the effort they've put in at training. Remember, karate continues on Friday evenings in Oxfield and new students are always welcome.



Recently graded 'Karate Kids' from the North Sligo Higashi Karate Club).

Oxfield News...

The Oxfield Centre has been fitted with new noticeboards, which will now be used to display all kinds of community information about local clubs and groups, local businesses and services, etc.

At last, our 'Lost & Found' is now up and running - hopefully this will help re-unite people with their lost jackets, hats, bags etc.

The number of prizes up for grabs in the Oxfield 500 Club Draw continues to grow. The most recent additions are SuperValu shopping vouchers (kindly sponsored by Mullaney's SuperValu in Grange).

Speaking of SuperValu, the Oxfield Bag Packers will be collecting at Mullaney's over the Easter weekend.

Finally, we would ask everyone who drives to Oxfield to please keep your speed down and be mindful of kids running around.

School News...

Rathcormac NS:

Congrats to the girls & boys who represented the school at the North Sligo Regional 'GAAmegos Skills' Competition on March 1st at the Mercy Primary. Our girls came 1st & boys came 2nd. The County Final takes place Thurs 15th Mar at 4.30pm in the same venue.

Well done also to the pupils who have been selected to receive a Special Merit Award and Certificate for their books submitted for the 'Write-A-Book Project 2012'. The presentation ceremony for winners will take place in Clarion Hotel on Fri 20th April at 7.30pm.

Thanks to everyone who donated books and helped make the school's book sale to mark World Book Day a very successful occasion. €750 was raised plus a donation of €250 gives the school €1000 to spend on books.

St Patrick's NS Maugerow:

Well done to all the children and of course all the parents who helped bring wonderful costume creations together for 'Character Day' to mark World Book Day.

Sara's Striking For Ireland...

On Friday 24th February, Yeats Utd FC held a function and presentation in Shenanigans to mark the selection of their U16 player Sara McGeough to the Republic of Ireland's International U16 soccer squad.

A great gathering of girls from the U12,14,16 and 18 squads and club officials were there to see Sara receive a commemorative trophy from Alan Keane, Rafael Cretaro and Romuald Bocco of Sligo Rovers on behalf of Yeats. Sara is one of the youngest players from the Sligo/Leitrim league to feature in an International soccer team. A prolific goal scorer with a hit rate of over 1.4 goals per game, quite an achievement at any level and one that even Premiership strikers would be proud of!



Sara McGeough with Yeats Utd Committee and members of the Sligo Rovers squad (Photo by The Sligo Champion).

Sara made her International debut against Northern Ireland on December 11th last year and came on as a sub with 15 minutes to play. Fittingly, she scored the final goal in a 4-1 victory. A dream debut for the girl with the golden touch.

Diary Dates...

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

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

Book Sale in aid of NW Hospice - Grange Hall:

Sat 24th Mar - after 8pm mass

Sun 25th Mar - after 9 & 12 masses

R'cormac Tidy Towns Coffee Morn - History Centre, Sat 24th, 11am to 1pm

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

Yeats Utd 'Take Me Out' - Raddisson, Sat 4th Apr, 8:30pm

Rathcormac Spring Clean 2012 - Sat 21st April

2012 Adult Sailing Course - Sligo Yacht Club, starts Fri 27th Apr

Carney Ladies Table Quiz - McLeans Pub, Fri 27th April, 9.30pm

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

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

Carney Ladies Table Quiz - Collins Lounge, Sat 19th May, 9.30pm

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