

# COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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## Handball Club get back to the Wall...



This November sees the welcome return of the Drumcliffe Handball Club. The club, which has a long-standing tradition in the area, is re-forming this month and hopes to tap into the ever growing interest in the sport both within and beyond the North Sligo area. The Club's AGM is being held on Tuesday 2nd November in Oxfield. Watch this space for further details of competitions, underage coaching, etc.

## N15 Resurfacing Works...

Stop and go traffic management will be in place on the N15 Bundoran road in coming weeks as the Council continue resurfacing works at Rathcormac, Drumcliffe, and Cliffoney. Keep an eye on the Sligo County Council website ([www.sligococo.ie/traffic](http://www.sligococo.ie/traffic)) for more details.

## Some Dates for Your Diary...

Drumcliffe Handball Club AGM - Oxfield, Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov (8:30pm)

Annual Oxfield Table Quiz - Yeats Tavern, Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Nov (9:30pm)

Oxfield Community Centre AGM - Oxfield, Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov

Connaught Athletics - Roscommon 13<sup>th</sup> Nov

Oxfield Santa Wonderland - Oxfield. Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec

## Positive Ageing Social Evening a Hit...

To celebrate National Positive Ageing Week, Oxfield hosted a social evening on 10th October. Organised in conjunction with our local Care of the Elderly Group, this unique event attracted a big crowd from near and far. Music from Tom Campbell brought the dancers out, while Brenda O'Callaghan gave the attendees an introduction to percussion and air dancing. The putting and boules competitions proved a huge success. Hopefully this will mark the start of a renewed link between Oxfield and the more senior generations in our community.



Putting for fun - one of the many activities enjoyed by attendees at Oxfield's recent positive ageing social evening.

## Evening Walking in Oxfield...

Don't let the darker evenings put you off your walk! Pop down to Oxfield's walking track every Monday and Wednesday evening from 8:30pm to 10pm for a safe, social and healthy walk/jog under the floodlights. It's already proving to be a big hit, so get those walking shoes on - all welcome!



## Huge Turnout for ICA's Craft & Harvest Display...

A huge gathering took place in Rathcormac Hall on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October to celebrate 100 years of the ICA. Groups from the Drumcliffe, Dunally, Maugerow and Ballintrillick areas put together an impressive Craft/Harvest exhibition on the theme of a "1910 Kitchen". Congrats to all concerned!



Bernie Gallagher and Rosaleen Holland at the Basket Weaving stand, one of the many craft and harvest stalls on display.

(Drumcliffe ICA branch meetings - 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month, History Centre, Rathcormac at 8:30pm - new members always welcome)

## Tennis Coaching...

The Allwin Tennis academy has been running coaching for kids in Oxfield since the completion of the new tennis court, and is proving very popular. For more information check out [www.allwintennis.com](http://www.allwintennis.com).

## Xmas Day Charity Swim at Lissadel...



Brave souls wanted! Swim in aid of the Friends of Cregg House and Shout charities. Time of swim will be 12 noon on Christmas day at Lissadel beach. For sponsorship cards please contact Ian Flanagan on 087 6220116.

Drumcliffe Rosses Point GAA...

## U13s Win Féile Competition...



The Drumcliffe Rosses Point U13 team won the recent County Féile Shield which was held in Tourlestrane. The final was played under lights, with the DRP side beating Shamrock Gaels comprehensively in the final 2-9 to 1-03. Congrats to the squad, including coaches Michael Davitt and Colin Slevin.

## Shoebox Appeal...



A simple way to make a difference this Christmas. If anyone is interested in filling a shoebox with Christmas gifts for distribution to needy children in eastern Europe and Africa, please contact Liz McGowan Carney for details on either 086 3046422 or 9163660.

## Basketball...

Coaching for boys and girls ages from 9 to 16 years continues every Sunday at 5 pm in Oxfield. All welcome! Enquiries to peter 086 8371198 or Charlie 087 6304177.

## Activities in Your Area ...

Remember, for a comprehensive listing of activities, classes, clubs and groups ongoing throughout the area, see the 'Timetable' page on the Oxfield website [www.oxfield.ie](http://www.oxfield.ie).

Contact Us - If you have an item for the December Newsletter, please email [oxfieldnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:oxfieldnewsletter@gmail.com).

## Scouts: 12 Days of Christmas...

Congrats to all involved in getting the 11th Sligo Benbulbin Beavers & Cubs and Scouts back up and running. The interest has been fantastic.

Over the next few weeks the Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts & Scouts will be selling tickets for Scouting Irelands "Twelve Days of Christmas" draw. There are twelve prizes ranging from a family holiday in Disney World to weekend trips to London. All funds raised will go to your local Scout Group.

North Sligo Athletics Club...

## Taking Provincial Strides...

The North Sligo Athletics Club continues to make waves in provincial and national events.

Well done to the U14 Girls and Boys teams who took the bronze and silver team medals respectively in the recent Connaught Cross Country championships in Ballina.



Girls U14 team - Tory McGlynn, Katie McGlynn, Kathy Devaney, Niamh Cronin and Kate Anderson



Boys U14 team - Cian McBride, William Crowe, Ronan Anderson and Daire McCloskey

There were also a number of great individual achievements, including Thomas McBride and Kevin McGlynn in the Senior team. Next stop now is the National Cross Country Championships in Derry at the end of November. For more see [www.northsligoac.com](http://www.northsligoac.com).

## Sligo Family Resource Centre...

Just a reminder from some members of our community who work in the Sligo FRC, which may be of interest to parents with young children. The FRC runs a wide range of activities, from parent & toddler music and dance to parenting programmes to father & children art workshops. With a drop in childcare centre and practical supports to parents of young children directly in the home, its worth checking out. Located in Sligo Town at No.49 the Mall, contact No. 071 9146315.

## Strong Interest in Martial Arts...

Martial Arts classes are now up and running in the main hall at Oxfield, with the junior classes going from strength to strength. Being run by the new North Sligo Higashi Karate Club, which believes in teaching martial arts in a fun and friendly atmosphere, their qualified and experienced instructors teach traditional Karate and Self Defence at a progressive level for all ages. Join in, boost self confidence, fitness and meet new people.

If anyone from 11 - 18 years is interested in joining the intermediate class, drop in to Oxfield on Friday nights or call Colin (number below). Note - beginners are welcome to come down and join in, no charge for the first night. Junior class from 7-8pm Fridays. Intermediate class from 8-9pm Fridays. All enquiries to Colin at 087 6680967.

## Oxfield Centre Redevelopment Project...

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Nov has been set for the Oxfield Community Centre AGM. The wider community is invited to attend to see the options being considered, and to have their say. Keep an eye on [www.oxfield.ie](http://www.oxfield.ie) for more.

## Carney & the web ...

For some interesting info and angles on the village of Carney check out [www.itsligo.ie/staff/bcrowe/bill/styles/frames/mullsur/carneyhome](http://www.itsligo.ie/staff/bcrowe/bill/styles/frames/mullsur/carneyhome).