

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Run/Walk/Jog...

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Evening walking, jogging and running under the floodlights at Oxfield Community Park has resumed 5 nights a week. Floodlight times are:

Monday	8:30pm - 10pm
Tuesday	7:00pm - 10pm
Wednesday	8:30pm - 10pm
Thursday	7:00pm - 10pm
Friday	7:00pm - 10pm

The track is all weather, safe and secure and it's a much more enjoyable way of getting your exercise than contending with traffic on poorly lit local roads. 4 laps = 3km. All welcome.

(Please note that there will be a User's Contribution of €20 for 12 months (that's about 40 cent a week) which will go towards the upkeep and operational costs of the track and floodlights).

Breaking News... Oxfield Phase 2

A special meeting of all friends and supporters of the Oxfield Community Centre will take place this Thursday November 14th at 9:30pm at Oxfield, in order to decide on the extent of the new Phase 2 development project. The next phase is focussed on developing new toilet facilities, new meeting rooms, new reception area, new dressing rooms (to serve both indoor and outdoor facilities), and extended car parking areas. Everyone is warmly invited to come and hear what is planned, and to have your say.

Lissadell Ruling...



The Supreme Court has ruled that there are no rights of way around Lissadell House and through the estate inferred from decades of public use, except for the section of the avenue that accesses the coast. It is unclear what will now happen to Lissadell House which was bought in 2003 for approx €4m. A hearing to decide on costs will be held at a later date, but is likely to see the County Council facing a substantial bill.

Santa Wonderland



Oxfield's Santa Wonderland takes place on Sunday December 15th. It promises to be another great festive outing for the whole family, with loads of new attractions added this year. Admission costs €3 per person. Doors open from 3pm to 6pm. All welcome as always!

Benbulbin 5k...

The North Sligo Athletics Club is hosting a 5k Road Race and Walk on Sunday Nov 24th. The race starts and finishes at Oxfield - Registration is on the day from 10am. The walkers start at 11:40am, with the runners off at 12 noon. Entry €12, and refreshments will be served afterwards.

Community Alert...

The Rathcormac Drumcliffe Community Alert Group would like to remind anyone who has not received any text alerts (from BeAlertSMS) as part of the Local Community Alert Group's Text Alert System, to please contact Austin O'Callaghan 086 1925211 or Eddie Sheehan 086 3083178. Please continue to be vigilant and report anything suspicious to the Gardaí at 9157000.

Ballroom and Barn Dance...

Cos Cos are holding a Festival fundraising Ballroom and Barndance on Friday December 6th at 9.30pm in Rathcormac Hall. Music will be provided by the legendary Brendan McGee. All very welcome!

Motoring Back...

Best wishes to Michael Flannery whose well known car sales business has re-opened in Rathcormac Village, bringing back to life one of the best known businesses in North Sligo.

New Photo Gallery

Best wishes also to Ciaran McHugh who is officially opening his impressive new landscape photography gallery at The Cottages, Cooldrumman, Carney on Monday Nov 18th. Visitors and neighbours very welcome. Please see www.ciaranmchugh.com for more.



The new Ciaran McHugh Landscape Photography Gallery at Cooldrumma, Carney opens 18th Nov

With thanks to this month's Newsletter sponsor...



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News Bites...

Hospice Coffee Day - Please support the annual coffee day in Rathcormac NS on Friday November 15th from 1pm to 2:30pm to raise much needed funds for the North West Hospice.

Hot Punch - The Drumcliffe Teahouse is hosting a 'thank you' evening this Friday November 15th from 7pm to 9:30pm and all the 'neighbours' are invited. There will be complimentary mince pies and hot punch served. The evening will also see Jill and the gang launch this year's Christmas Shop.

Cake Sale - The Rathcormac NS Parents Association is holding a cake sale in the History Centre after both masses on Sat 16th and Sun 17th November. Proceeds will support PA activities and resource funds for the school. Donations of baked goods gratefully accepted.

Table Quiz - The annual Oxfield table quiz takes place in the Yeats Tavern on Friday November 29th, at 9:30pm. Teams of 4 cost €20 to enter. Great spot prizes. All welcome!

Shoe Boxes - If anyone is interested in filling a shoe box with Christmas gifts for distribution to needy children in Eastern Europe and parts of Africa, please contact Liz McGowan in Carney at 086 3046422.

Irish Dancing Update - The Gallagher School of Irish Dancing would like to wish all their dancers competing at the Irish Open Championships in Ashbourne this month the very best of luck. Christmas Class feis for all children attending the Gallagher School of Irish Dancing will be held on Sunday 15th December Rathcormac School Hall. Great day of dancing promised all welcome to come along.

Hospice Thanks - A big thank you to everyone who supported the October coffee mornings in Rathcormac and Oxfield in aid of the North West Hospice, and especially to those who donated goodies and to those who helped out on the day.

Meeting Room - The old kitchen at the Oxfield Community Centre has been converted into a new multipurpose (and warm!) meeting room and is available to be used by all community groups and clubs however bookings are essential. To book a slot please call Oxfield on 085 2123208.

Sligo 'Lend a Hand' - Do you need somebody to do a small job in your

home? Maybe, change a light bulb, replace batteries in your smoke alarm, put up Christmas decorations, replace plugs etc. Sligo Lend a Hand is now available in Grange and surrounding areas. It is a free minor repair service in the homes of elderly and vulnerable people. Only fully vetted and trained volunteers who operate in pairs can carry out the work. All appointments will be booked in advance and volunteers will carry identification. To avail of this service please call 087 177 6386 weekdays between 11am - 3pm.

Craft Village - Christmas Craft Fairs will run each Saturday at the Benbulbin Craft Village in Rathcormac on the run up to Christmas with lots of new and exciting stalls. In addition the pottery, antiques, wood turning, and jeweller units are open 6 days a week.

Tradance Competition - The Big CosCos Tradance Competition takes place on Friday January 10th with 12 local couples competing for your vote. It starts at 9pm in Collins Pub - a fun night is in store!

Kids Basketball - Kids coaching continues with the North Sligo Basketball Club every Sunday at Oxfield. Both girls and boys are very welcome. Ages 6 and 7 start at 2pm, ages 8 and 9 start at 3pm, and ages 10 to 12 start at 4pm.

Zumba - Zumba continues locally...
- Mons 8-9pm Oxfield
- Tues 7:30-8:15pm M'row Hall
- Weds 7:15-8:15pm Radisson
Mix and Match classes allowed to suit your schedule & discounts available. For info/bookings contact Amanda 086 8770525.

GAA Club All Stars

Congrats to Cian Kivlehan, Ciaran McLoughlin, Gary Feeney, Ogie Murphy, Paul Logan and Neill Ewing on winning Intermediate All-Star awards for their contribution in helping the Drumcliffe Rosses Point Intermediates win this year's county title.

Well done again to the squad and management on a great year. The team were narrowly defeated in the Connacht semi-final against Mayo champions Kiltane played in McHale Park earlier this month.

A reminder also that the Drumcliffe Rosses Point GAA Annual Dinner Dance will take place on Saturday December 28th in the Southern Hotel Sligo. Tickets will go on sale soon.

For Your Diary...

Cyber Bullying Workshop - Radisson Blu, Mon 11th, 7:30pm

Oxfield Ph2 Redevelopment Mtg - Oxfield, Thur 14th, 9:30pm

Hospice Coffee Day - Rathcormac NS, Fri 15th, 1 - 2:30pm

Teahouse Christmas Shop Launch - Drumcliffe, Fri Nov 15th, 7 to 9:30pm

Grange Post Primary PA Quiz - Moran's Pub, Fri Nov 15th, 9:30pm

Cake Sale (R'cormac NS Parents Assoc) - History Centre, Sat 16th & Sun 17th, after mass

Ciaran McHugh Gallery Opening - Cooldrumman, Mon 18th Nov

Benbulbin 5k Run/Walk - Oxfield, Sun Nov 24th
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Run starts @ 12noon

Oxfield Table Quiz - Yeats Tavern, Fri Nov 29th, 9:30pm

Ballroom & Barn Dance - Rathcormac Hall, Fri Dec 6th, 9:30pm

Christmas Class Irish Dancing Feis - Rathcormac Hall, Sun Dec 15th

Santa Wonderland - Oxfield, Sun Dec 15th, 3 to 6pm

D'cliffe R'Point GAA Dinner Dance - Southern Hotel, Sat Dec 28th

The Big CosCos Tradance Competition - Collins Pub, Fri Jan 10th, 9pm

Progressive 25 Drive - Collins Pub, Fri Jan 31st, 9pm

Thanks also to 

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Sat: 10am - 1pm

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