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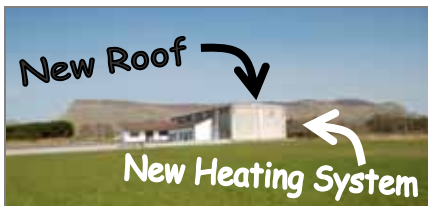
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Oxfield 500 Club...

The first major fundraiser for the Oxfield Centre in over 11 years kicks off later this month in the form of a 500 Club monthly draw with 66 prizes, including over €22,000 'CASH' in prize money.



The draw aims to raise 25% matching funding for proposed grant applications for a long overdue new insulated roof and new heating system for the existing Oxfield Centre which will benefit everyone in the community.



There will be monthly cash prizes of €500, €200, €100(x3), a grand prize of €10,000 in the 12th month, plus there will be a series of other spot prizes every second month, ranging from a family holiday in Marbella to an iPad2.

Tickets will cost €10 per month (or €100 up front) which equates to as little as €8.33 per month or €1.92 per week (based on the €100 option). Flyers will be delivered across the area shortly and our volunteers will be on the roads towards the end of October and early November looking for your support!

Active Age Social...

To celebrate positive ageing week, a social evening is being held in the Oxfield Community Centre on Sunday 23rd October from 3 to 5:30pm. There will be music and dancing with Tom Campbell, percussion sessions, various other activities including bowls and putting, and of course refreshments. There is no entrance fee and all are welcome.

Evening Walks...

A reminder that the Oxfield evening walking club continues every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening under the floodlights from 8:30pm to 10pm. All welcome as usual.

Halloween Parties



A happy Halloween party for primary school kids is taking place in the Oxfield Community Centre on Sunday 30th October from 5 to 7pm. It promises to be a great event - particularly as the grown ups are coming in fancy dress too! Entry is €3 per child, with a maximum of €10 per family. Further details available soon on www.oxfield.ie.

In addition, Rathcormac's new 'Art Junky' Gallery at Branley's Yard is running a special Halloween Art Exhibition Party on Friday 28th from 9pm. Again everyone will be in fancy dress, and there will be a ghoulish arty prize for best costume. Buy a ceramic skull and receive a free glass of delicious mulled wine. There will also be a spooky treasure hunt and read aloud ghost stories... the makings of an interesting night!

Rathcormac 8k...



The first ever Rathcormac 8k Road Race and Fun Walk takes place on Sunday 30th October. The walk sets off at 12:30pm while the run starts at 1pm. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd for both runners and walkers. Entry is €10 for runners, with online registration now open on runireland.com. (You can register on the day too). Proceeds will go towards running the local CosCos Sean Nós Festival in May 2012. Let's hope this run becomes yet another annual event in the local calendar!

Café Opportunity?



Oxfield is a hive of activity most evenings and at weekends, and numerous people have suggested recently that a small 'mini-café' would go down a treat (forgive the pun!). If there's anyone out there who'd be interested in having a go at such a venture, we'd love to hear from you. (Email us - oxfieldcentre@gmail.com).

Stay Healthy...

An information evening, run by the North Sligo Primary Care Team & Community Health Forum takes place in Rathcormac Hall on Wed 9th Nov from 7.30-9.30pm. The theme of the evening is "Staying Healthy: What Your Community can do for You".

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"Special Offer on Stihl chainsaws for the month of October"

Parents AGM...

The recent AGM of the Rathcormac NS Parents Association had one of its best attendances in recent years. Well done to everyone who attended, and a word of thanks to the guest speakers, Frank O'Sullivan, Mary Power and Michael Kirby. The Officers for the coming year are Liz King (Chairperson), Cindy McCarthy (Secretary) and Catriona Casserly (Treasurer). Best wishes to the Association on the year ahead.

Brushes Ready?...

Oxfield has received its Dulux 'Lets Colour' paint and preparation works are underway. So now we just need a decent weekend of weather. So have your paint brushes at the ready and wait for the bat signal!

Speaking of getting much needed work done around the area, congrats to the recently appointed TUS Community Workers, Phillip and Sean, who are doing great work locally in assisting the Oxfield Centre, Carney Tidy Towns and Yeats United with various improvement projects.

Cold Swimmers?

Although no one is counting the shopping days left to Christmas (<75!), preparations are already underway for the 2011 Christmas Day Charity Swim (for the Irish Motor Neurone Disease Assoc). Any hardy souls out there willing to participate can contact Ian Flanagan for sponsorship cards on 087 6220116 or iancflanagan@eircom.net

Helping Bóthar...

Local man Gene O'Carroll is going to India with BÓTHAR on November 10th, taking school supplies and clothes for children aged 0 to 5 years. Anyone who wishes to donate any of these items please phone 087 2421637. Thank you!

Mums' Volleyball?

Volleyball for Mums starts in Oxfield on Tuesday 18th October from 8:30pm to 9:30pm. It will run initially for 6 weeks, and tea/coffee will be served after each session for those who take part. For anyone who has never played or hasn't played in a while, don't worry, there will be an experienced coach on hand for the first session. All welcome!

Morning Fitness...

A new Wednesday morning fitness class starts next Wed 19th Oct at 9:30am in Oxfield. For both men and women, and catering for all levels and abilities. And a reminder also that Circuit Training continues every Tues and Thurs (6:30pm to 7:30pm), and on Saturday (12 noon to 1pm).

Boxing Gloves On

The local Maugerow amateur boxing club is going from strength to strength, with a growing membership of all ages and abilities. Coaching continues in Oxfield on Thursday evenings from 7:30pm. New members always welcome.



Some of the members of the local Boxing Club.

Provincial Ladies...

Best wishes to the Drumcliffe Rosses Point Ladies team who take on Caltra Cuans from Galway in the Connacht Final on Sunday 16th October. Time and venue to be confirmed.

Tennis Classes...

Tennis coaching continues in Oxfield on Friday evenings - 6 to 7pm for kids 5 to 8yrs, 7-8pm for kids 9 to 13yrs. And adults are on from 8-9pm. (Olwyn 086 3514123).

Yeats Auction...

The Yeats Utd FC fundraising auction has been deferred until Nov 6th (in Collins lounge at 3pm) due to a clash with Sligo Rovers cup semi final on 16th Oct. All donations will be gratefully accepted and collection can arranged if required.

Stealing the Dubs

Congrats to Caroline Currid from Ballinful who as performance coach to the Dublin football team played no small part in their long awaited All-Ireland success.

For the Diary...

- Boxing Coaching** - Oxfield, every Thursday, 7:30pm
- Junior Karate Classes** - Oxfield, continues Fridays, from 6pm
- Tennis Coaching** - Oxfield, Fridays, (see item across)
- Kids Soccer Coaching** - Oxfield, Fridays, 6 to 7pm
- Kids GAA Coaching** - Oxfield
5 & 6 yr olds - Saturdays 9:45am
7 to 10 yr olds - Saturdays at 10am
- Circuit Training** - Oxfield, every Tue & Thur, 6:30pm, and Saturdays, 12noon
- Morning Fitness Classes** - Oxfield, starts Wed 19th, 9:30am
- Maugerow NS Race Night** - Ellens Pub, Fri 14th, 9pm
- Ladies Connaught Final** - Sun 16th -, venue/time TBC
- Rathcormac NS Parents Association Family Walk** - Lissadell, Sun 16th, 2pm
- Volleyball For Mums** - Oxfield, starts Wed 18th, 8:30pm
- Rathcormac NS Parents Assoc Mtg** - Rathcormac, Wed 19th, 9pm
- Active Age Social Evening** - Oxfield Centre, Sun 23rd, 3pm
- Halloween Art Exhibition** - Art Junky, Branley's Yard, Rathcormac Fri 28th, from 9pm
- Kids Halloween Party** - Oxfield Centre, Sun 30th, 5pm
- Rathcormac 8k Road Race & Walk** - Rathcormac, Sun 30th, 12:30pm/1pm
- Yeats Utd Fundraising Auction** - Collins, Sun 6th Nov, 3pm
- Primary Care Team and Community Health Forum - Info Evening** - Rathcormac NS, Wed 9th Nov 7:30pm
- Oxfield Annual Table Quiz** - Yeats Tavern, Fri 18th Nov, 9:30pm

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