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Sunday 17th July 2022

Gotcha!

Having dodged the wretched Covid-19 virus for the past two and a half years, Saturday last produced the dreaded two red lines on the antigen test strip. Beyond what began as a bout of Laryngitis and a woozy head, I developed a chronic tiredness which meant that even a few minutes in the armchair guaranteed nodding off.

Thankfully the symptoms are almost gone and normality has just about returned. The double red line, which appeared on only one occasion, has disappeared. The few days enforced isolation just happened to coincide with the best days of the year so far, but that Murphy's Law in action I suppose. At least in my case Covid came calling at a time when I had all available vaccinations and boosters, I had every chance of resistance available. Some people were not so fortunate, and my few days of isolation brought many of those people to mind; I used some of the time to remember and to pray for them, and for those who still sorely miss them. So many went from us so quickly and so quietly. R.I.P.

Time on my hands also gave me an opportunity to call the people of Ukraine to mind. While the media coverage has declined, the daily onslaught of the Russians continues and the terror that fear instils must be an awful reality to bear. The uncertainty of a life where at any moment a missile can shatter everything, is too horrible to contemplate. The danger is that we become inured to the sight of bombed out apartment blocks on our screens and they merge with the background that TV has become in our homes while we hardly notice.

Tuesday night next is an opportunity to help in a practical way. Come along and join in for a good cause.

*Philip Curran
St. Mary's Lucan*



CHORAL CONCERT

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Davenport, Iowa, USA

Director: Matthew Bishop
Accompanist: Alex Gilson

St. Mary's Church

Lucan Road, Lucan, Co. Dublin

Tuesday, July 19th, 2022

8 pm



www.acfea.co.uk

FREE ADMISSION
Voluntary donations in aid of Ukrainian Refugees

Lucan Citizens Information Centre

Our telephone number is **0818 07 5090**

www.citizensinformation.ie

Email – lucan@citinfo.ie

Our office is located in the Ballyowen Castle Youth and Community Centre, Ballyowen, Lucan

Opening hours:

Walk-ins to see an Information Officer

Tuesday: 10am - 12pm

Wednesday: None

Thursday: 10am - 12pm



Reception open

Tuesday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

Wednesday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

Thursday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

We are closed on Mondays and Fridays.

Citizens Information Phone Service (CIPS) is open Monday to Friday 9 am to 8pm on 0818 07 4000

MABS – the Monday Advice and Budgeting Service is the State's money advice service, guiding people through dealing with problem debt for over 20 years. MABS phone service is open Monday to Friday 9 am to 8 pm on 0818 07 2000

Overview of Employment Rights Enforcement

If you are not getting your rights or entitlements, or if you lose your job and consider your dismissal was unfair, you can make a formal complaint – see 'How to make a complaint' below. Before making a formal complaint, you should try to resolve the dispute with your employer directly.

The main organisations that enforce employment rights are the Workplace Relations Commission (WRC) and the Labour Court.

Workplace Relations Commission

The Workplace Relations Commission (WRC) promotes the improvement of workplace relations. It hears disputes and complaints about employment laws, and helps to resolve disputes by providing a range of services to employers, employees and trade unions.

WRC services include:

Inspection of employment rights compliance

The provision of information

Mediation

Conciliation

Advisory and adjudication services.

The WRC deals with disputes about equality and discrimination. It has published the Guide to Employment, Labour and Equality Law (pdf).

The Labour Court

The Labour Court can investigate industrial disputes in certain circumstances. It also deals with all workplace relations appeals, so you can appeal to the Labour Court about a decision made by an adjudicator in the WRC.

Before the Workplace Relations Act 2015 came into effect on 1 October 2015 the Employment Appeals Tribunal dealt with workplace relations appeals. It continues to hear appeals submitted before the 1 October 2015.

Compensation payments and tax

If you are awarded a compensation payment as a result of an employment rights claim, in certain cases, the payment may be exempt from income tax under Section 7 of the Finance Act 2004. The exemption applies to payments arising out of recommendations or decisions by a relevant authority following a formal hearing or mediation.

You can read more details about this in Revenue's leaflet Exemption from Income Tax – IT 71(pdf).

How to make a complaint

If you have a complaint about your employment rights, you should first speak to your employer. If you cannot resolve your complaint informally, you can make a formal complaint to the Workplace Relations Commission (WRC) using its online complaint form.

You should make your complaint to the WRC within 6 months of the alleged incident (dispute). This time limit can be extended by a further 6 months if there was a reasonable cause for the delay.

Your complaint should be about one of your employment rights under the relevant employment law. For example, your annual leave entitlement is set out under the Organisation of Working Time Act 1997.

Read more about how to make a complaint to the WRC, including which supporting documents you need, and what to expect from mediation or the hearing.

You can also read this list of frequently asked questions about making a complaint. Or, you can contact the Workplace Relations Commission's Information and Customer Service.

Workplace Relations Commission - Information and Customer Service,

O'Brien Road, Carlow, R93 E920.

Mon. to Fri. 9.30am to 1pm, 2pm to 5pm. Tel: (059) 917 8990. Locall: 0818 80 80 90

Homepage: <https://www.workplacelrelations.ie/en/>



Arthur Griffith Park 50th Anniversary

The year is 1972.....

Date: 20th of August 2022 at 2pm to 8pm

Memorial Mass
for Deceased Past Residents

Family Fun Day, Music, Food, Bouncy Castles,
Nostalgic Street Games for Kids, Face
Painting, Performers, and much more.....

1970's Fancy Dress

Venue: Arthur Griffith Park Lucan

Front entrance greens (extremely limited parking,
event accessible by public transport C1, C2, L51).

*This is a community event organised by local
people so donations greatly welcomed.*

For all enquiries contact the Arthur Griffith Park
50th Anniversary Committee:

Chairperson Anita O Kearney 0894366828
or Secretary Sarah Graham 0868619137.

Donation enquiries to go to our

Treasurer Danielle Kearns 0852246218.



*We look forward to welcoming
you to our special day*



National Tidy
Towns
Adjudication Time
for Lucan

Flowerbeds are blooming, bollards painted, hand-weeding ongoing (sore knees to prove it!), raised beds created and planted, watering - constant, litter picking - as ever..... The work continues to ensure that Lucan looks well. Our team members are out regularly, throughout the week carrying out the various tasks as they see fit. The 'cigire' may or may not have visited at this stage. A bit disappointing to see that just a small number of businesses have made the effort to adorn their premises with floral displays this year.



PLEASE
let's all
really work
together to
showcase
Lucan at its
best.



Lucan Planning Council

We wish to thank those from AGP and neighbours who attended the public meeting last Saturday (July 9th). In particular we thank those who contributed to the meeting, made suggestions, and those who have volunteered for further action.

Subsequent to the meeting we received a reply from the NTA requesting details of our proposed solutions to the gap in service as a result of the rerouting of the former 239 and the disappearance of the 25 bus route entirely. We have responded outlining both the problems and their solutions. We will keep you informed as to what emerges.

Caitríona McClean

Secretary of Lucan Planning Council.

Parish Notes

St Mary's, Lucan

www.lucanparish.com



Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm

Sunday: 10.30am, 12 noon and 7pm.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Saturday 10am

Masses will continue to be live-streamed on
www.lucanparish.com

Invitation

Fr Tom will celebrate his last Mass here in St Mary's at **12 noon on 7th August 2022** before he takes up his new position in Castledermot.

There will be light refreshments in the Parish Centre afterwards.

All Welcome

Christian Meditation:

Tuesdays at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

All welcome, Sr Geraldine.

Divine Mercy Devotion:

On **Wednesdays after 10am Mass**. Everyone is welcome to participate in the devotion regularly or occasionally.

St Mary's Parish Divine Mercy Group.

Baptisms:

Dates are bookable on line up to the end of **December 2022**. If you need to cancel a booking contact: secretary@lucanparish.com

Confessions – Nuns' Chapel:

After Saturday Morning 10am Mass and Saturday Evening 6.30pm Mass.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group:

We meet **every 2nd Monday at 10.45am and 4th Thursday at 8pm of the month** in the Parish Centre. We are available to listen to or just be there for anyone who is feeling lonely or lost following the death of a loved one.

Sr Geraldine

Visits to the housebound: If you are housebound you can call Deirdre at the parish office (01 621 7041) we will be happy to call on a monthly basis.

Deepest sympathy to the family and friends of *Marguerite Cunningham*, Cherbury Park.
May she rest in peace.



St. Vincent de Paul

Church collection at all Masses

THIS Saturday/ Sunday

16th /17th July.

Many thanks for your generosity.

Icon Writing Course for St Mary's

August 15th to 20th

*In St Mary's Parish
Centre.*

9.30am – 5.30pm each day.



Writing (painting) an icon is a prayerful and specialised gift and we are very fortunate to have Mihai Cucu, writer of the WMOF icon, to give the course.

Cost €350. All materials will be provided (includes all brush sets, paints, gold, boards) and the week will draw to a close with a special Mass in St Mary's when the icons will be anointed and blessed.

Places are limited. Please contact Bernie Martin on 087 2240606

Lucan Presbyterian Church

Main Street, Lucan, Co. Dublin

Sunday Morning Worship: 11am.

(Temporary time)

(There's tea and coffee after the service)

Lucan Presbyterian Church is a growing family of Christians who come from a variety of different church backgrounds, traditions and nationalities. Regardless of your age, background, experience or previous church connections you are welcome to come and visit us.

Contact:

e-mail: lucanpresbyterian@gmail.com

telephone: +353 (0)1 628 0217

Divine Mercy, Lucan South

www.lucansouthparish.net

Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 6:30pm,

Sunday 10:15am and 12:15pm



Weekday Masses: Mon.-Fri.9:15am.

Sat.10am

All Masses will be livestreamed on

www.lucansouthparish.net

Divine Mercy Church Parish Pilgrimage to Knock

Our Annual Parish Pilgrimage and
Marian Movement of Priests
Pilgrimage to Knock is on

Saturday August 6th 2022.

The bus will be leaving from the car
park of our church at 8am. The cost of
the bus is €18 per person and is
required when booking your seat.

Tea is available in St. Johns Centre in
Knock but please bring a packed lunch.

**All are welcome to come with us
on this special day**

Booking can be made through the
parish office from 9.45am to 1pm
Monday to Friday Phone 01 4572900
or phone Bernadette at 0862209634

Adoration and Holy Hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon: 7.30pm: Divine Mercy Adoration

Thu: 7pm: Holy Hour (Adoration/Confession)

Fri: 1.15pm: Adoration MMPH Cenacle

Fri: 2-3pm: Divine Mercy Devotion/Adoration.

Morning Prayers of the Church:

Monday to Friday: 8.40am.

The Church will now be open Monday
to Friday from 10am to 4pm for private prayers.

Bingo night:

Wednesdays at 7.30pm. In the John Paul II
Memorial Hall. Meet up with friends, connect
with new people and to assist with fund raising
for the Church. All are
Welcome!

Coffee Morning:



Our Coffee Mornings - Wednesdays and
Thursdays at 10am (after the 9.15am Mass) in the
John Paul II Memorial Hall. Enjoy a cup of
tea/coffee, biscuits/cakes – or just drop in for a
chat!

St. Patrick's Esker/ Dodsboro/Adamstown

www.stpatrickslucan.ie

Sunday Masses: Vigil Saturday 7pm,

Sunday: 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday at 10am.

All Masses continue to be livestreamed at

stpatrickslucan.ie

The 10.30am Family Mass is aimed at younger
parishioners and their families; it is an accessible
liturgy for children and enables them to
participate more fully in the Sunday Mass.

Pilgrimages

Medjugorje 2022

6 Nights - 19th October, Dublin (5pm) to Mostar
(9pm). 25th October, Split (5.15pm) to Dublin
(9pm). € 685.00pps

8 Nights - 19th October, Dublin (5pm) to Mostar
(9pm). 27th October, Split (5.15pm) to Dublin
(9pm) €745.00pps

Fatima

5 Nights - 7th September, Dublin (6.45am) to
Lisbon (9.25am). 12th September, Lisbon
(5.25pm) to Dublin 8.05pm) €595pps.

*Monthly Medjugorje Mass – see facebook or call
Pat 087 223 891 or call call Marian Pilgrimages
on 01 878 8159 (and say I'm going with Pat
Colgan)*

Youth 2000 Summer Festival 2022

Join over 1000 young people between 16 and 35
this August at the **Youth 2000 Summer Festival**.
The festival takes place in Clongowes Wood
College, Clane, Co Kildare from **Thursday 11th
August to Sunday 14th August 2022.**

For more information and to book your place go
to www.youth2000.ie

Anniversaries

Bernard Thomas Brady 9th Anniversary - 19th July

Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day,
Unseen, unheard, but always near,
Still loved, still missed and very dear
*Always missed and loved by your loving wife
Margaret, son Colm, daughters Helen, Rebecca
and Valerie, sons-in-law, daughter-in-law and
grandchildren xxx. Your brother Michael, sister
Brigid, sister-in-law and extended relations and
friends xxx.*



Eithne McGarrell 3rd Anniversary - 13th July

We think of you in silence,
And often speak your name.
We hold our memories close to us,
And your picture in a frame.
Your memory is a keepsake,
With which we'll never part.
God has you in his keeping,
We have you in our hearts.
*Remembered with so much love, Eugene, Karen,
Gerard, Sandra, Marie, Grandsons and extended
family and friends.*



Eithne McGarrell

In Loving Memory of a Wonderful Granny
Because you're always thought
about in such a loving way,
Because you always did so much
to brighten up each day,
And because you cared for others
selflessly your whole life through,
I say a little prayer each day
especially for you.
That heaven will protect you
and will somehow let you know,
Granny you meant so much to me
and that I miss you so,
and I will be thinking about you
as I travel on life's way,
And keep you safe within my heart
Forever and a day.
Loved always by your Grandsons



Birthday Remembrances

Mary O'Brien

Happy Birthday to my loving wife Mary
Late of A.G.P. Lucan.
A butterfly came floating by
And I thought I knew its face
It landed just in front of me
And spread its wing of lace.
I looked and saw it smiling
As it winked and flew away
I'm sure I heard it whisper
I'm with you every day
Loving husband Martin



Happy Birthday Mam

Memories are lovely ways
Of bringing back our yesterdays
Each of us in our way has special thoughts of you
*Love Darren and Olive, Mark and Regina, Tracey
and Ian, Roy and Elaine*

Happy Birthday Nanny O'Brien

Our beloved Nanny, Great Nanny
Thinking of you today and every day
*From your grandchildren and great
grandchildren*

Mary O'Brien

Remembering you is easy, Mary
I do it every day
Its just the heartache of losing you
That never goes away
Sleep tight kiddo
Lots of love, Phyllis xx



Pathways: Exploring Faith as an Adult

Pathways is a two year, one evening a week
Adult Faith Development course held on
Thursday evenings, run by the Dublin
Archdiocese in DCU St Patrick's Campus, Upper
Drumcondra Road., Dublin, 9 from late
September to May (7.00p.m to 9.30p.m).
Application is now open for September 2022.
Early application is advised. Contact: Pathways
Director Sr Eileen Houlahan at 01 8087594
or pathways@dublindiocese.ie
Web: www.missionministry.ie

Information brochures will be available in the
Church porches in the very near future.

LUCAN FESTIVAL

Freemans Journal 16th May 1885

FUNERAL OF THE LATE COLONEL VESEY. D.I.

Yesterday the remains of the late Charles Colthurst Vesey, D.I., J.P. Colonel, Commanding the 5th Battalion Royal Dublin Fusiliers, were interred in the family mortuary chapel within the demesne of Lucan House, Lucan. The Kildare and Lucan tenantry of deceased attended and assisted by the labourers on the estate, bore the remains of their deceased landlord from his late residence. A guard of honour composed of seventeen sergeants of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers under the command of Captain Mansell, took part in bearing the remains to the grave. The remains were encased in a rich brown oak sarcophagus with brass fittings and breastplate, the latter bearing the following inscription:-

**Colonel Charles Colthurst Vesey
Born 18th June 1826
Died 11th May 1885**

The burial service was conducted by the Rev C W Benson, Incumbent of Lucan. The following were the chief mourners EC Vesey (son), Colonel Colthurst, M.P.(brother), Sir George Colthurst Bart (nephew), Colonel GW Fraser and HC Warren.

The following noblemen and gentlemen attended- The Duke of Leinster, Lord Annally, HL Barton, General Brooke, Arthur Hamilton, Charles Hamilton, Alex Kirkpatrick of Coolmine, Wm Moran, John and James Wills, John A Walker. Colonel Vernon, Quartermaster Lowery etc, etc. The funeral arrangements were entrusted to Messrs Arthur Jones and Son, 135 Stephen's Green.



Photo of family burial place

The funeral of Colonel Charles Colthurst Vesey was a well-organized event. Oddly there is no mention of his widow Anne who is laid to rest in the same spot, but she outlived him by 27 years.

GARDEN FETE AND RIVER FETE,
LUCAN DEMESNE,
SEPTEMBER 1st, AT 2 P.M.
Under the Patronage of the LORD LIEUTENANT and LADY WIMBORNE.
DARSFIELD'S HOME TO BE OPENED FOR THE FIRST TIME TO THE PUBLIC.
A HOST OF ATTRACTIONS.
ENTERTAINMENTS BY THE "KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE BALL" CO.
TUG-OF-WAR COMPETITION, Etc., Etc.
EASY BIKE RIDE BY THE BANKS OF THE WORLD'S MOST BEAUTIFUL RIVER.
ENTRANCE, 6d. CHILDREN, 3d. SOLDIERS FREE.
FREQUENT TEAMS.
NOTE THE DATE.

Fete - Irish Independent 31st August 1917.

The opening of the grounds of Lucan House in 1917 appears to have been a big event with entry of 6p for adults and 3p for children.

You can see all of the above on Saturday 10th September when by permission of the newly arrived Italian Ambassador Mr Ruggero Corrias and his wife Ms Vania Loreno.

Unfortunately you won't gain entry with an old 6p but a contribution of €6 per adult will be required (*Children 12 and under free*).

Lots of other attractions including birds of prey, Vikings, exhibition cricket match, and Lucan Gospel Choir.

Tickets available soon. (Mob 0867944074)

Joe Byrne



Phew!

Over 27 Celsius on Monday last, and lots more where that came from by the look of things.

Great to see so many households thoughtful of our four legged friends by placing bowls of water along the way – nice one!



Autumn not far away!

Seems so strange to see the Autumn tones appear on the Chestnut Trees already, despite Summer just beginning in our eyes.

Griffen Wetlands

We wondered what all the groundwork was about at Griffen Valley Park, and can tell you that a new wetland is being constructed. Planting is scheduled for the beginning of August, and is expected to be complete by the end of August. The jury is out on this, but it looks like it has passed out our swimming pool.....

Dubs Camogie Girls still in with a chance while all the other Blues are unfortunately gone out of this year's Championship. Good luck to them!

When Posters become Eyesores!

We spotted this poster from a meeting on 9th June, recklessly pasted on our last surviving village pump, and left there long after the date.



While people are to be commended for trying to do something about our national problems, a little sensitivity and respect towards local communities might be exercised.

There are laws regarding how and when such posters may be placed, but alas they don't appear to be acted on. Nevertheless the onus is on everybody to act responsible!

Céad Míle Fáilte!

Welcome to Italy's new Ambassador to Ireland, **His Excellency Ruggero Corrias**, all the way from Sardinia.



The new Ambassador presented his credentials to President Michael D. Higgins, at Áras an Uachtaráin, just over a week ago.

We look forward to meeting him during our upcoming Lucan Festival.

Lego at 90!

In 1932, the first Lego brick appeared! It must have been the best part of another 30 years before it reached Ireland. Birdie has a distant memory of finding a red Lego brick on the footpath in Lucan, and not knowing what it was, until the following Christmas when Santa brought a set – all red and white bricks – no window, doors, wheels, nor any of the wonderful creations in today's sets. But what a toy!!!

Deep summer is when laziness finds respectability.

Sam Keen



Hillcrest Residents Association



When last Sunday's 50th Anniversary celebration was being planned, a dry, mild day was as much as we could possibly hope for but, from sunrise to sunset, the weather turned out to be glorious. Under a cloudless sky, hundreds of our friends and neighbours arrived to take their places, many of them under the welcome shade of nearby trees. Despite Wimbledon Finals, an All Ireland Semi-Final and Formula 1, most stayed until the very end, welcoming the long overdue opportunity to catch up, to reminisce about old times and to look forward to similar future gatherings.

Mass was celebrated by Fr. Pius, with beautiful singing by the St. Patrick's Parish Choir and Eva Norton, under the musical direction of Ian Brabazon. The attendance was then addressed by SDCC Deputy Mayor, Joanna Tuffy, before a very entertaining performance by Lucan Concert Band and a closing statement by our Chairperson.



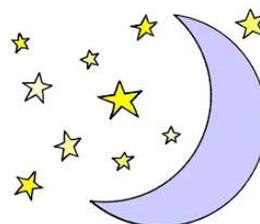
We want to thank everyone who attended and enjoyed this special occasion, all residents who decorated their homes, our local Gardaí for patrolling the estate for the duration of Sunday's event and those who enabled us to transform our plans into a memorable reality: Fr. Pius, Ian Brabazon, support staff at St. Patrick's Church, the Ward and McBride families and fellow Committee members, in particular our Chairperson, Maria Murphy.

Rita O'Brien
Secretary



The Seven Wonders of the World

To see
To hear
To touch
To taste
To feel
To laugh
And to love



Lucan Land Loophole 1977

(From RTE Archives)

Opposition in Lucan County Dublin to plans for a housing development on land currently used as a stud farm.



The village of Lucan is becoming the centre of fast growing suburban Dublin. It is growing too fast for the residents of Hillcrest Estate in Dodsboro, just outside Lucan. Their 750 house estate could be extended by a further 800 houses on land currently occupied by a stud farm.



The Hillcrest Residents' Association totally reject the development plan by Stein Investment. Tony Kelly chairman of the association is clear the Hillcrest residents are not anti-development. They want to see houses built where there is adequate infrastructure and facilities to accommodate an influx of people.

The residents do not believe Stein Investment is operating in a transparent fashion. Their development proposal has already been rejected by Dublin County Council on two occasions and is now under the planning appeals board.

The residents of Hillcrest Estate lack amenities. The shopping centre in the area is under construction. The Cottage Stores is the only shop serving the area. The national school is a temporary prefabricated building and also serves as the local church. The Hillcrest Residents' Association members cannot imagine the strain an increased population would put on the area.



Local Senator and Councillor Brian Lenihan and Teachtaí Dála (TD) Mark Clinton support the Hillcrest Residents' Association opposition to the Stein Investment development.

The Hillcrest Residents' Association wish to meet with Stein Investment but are having difficulties finding out who they are.

Nobody is willing to say that they have any connection with the company.

It transpires the principal director of Stein Investment is Captain Tim Rodgers owner of Airlie Stud Farm. He wishes to clear up any confusion about the company.

It is my company it belongs to me; I suppose you could say I'm Stein Investment.

He is happy to meet with members of the Hillcrest Residents' Association whenever they wish.

Captain Tim Rodgers' stud farm is zoned for agriculture. At the appeals board he will argue it is used for something else. If he is successful, planning permission will see the land price rise to £20,000 to £30,000 per acre.

Lecturer of Law in Trinity College Yvonne Scannell thinks it is important that people know who they are dealing with, especially at the planning appeals stage. She also believes it is in the developer's interest to have the cooperation of local people.

Planning is a democratic process and the more cooperation the better.

A 'Newsround' report broadcast on 1 May 1977. The reporter is Brendan O'Brien.

Photos:

- 1 Does anyone know who the children are?*
- 2 The bungalows on Hillcrest Green.*
- 3 The Pre-fab Church/School where meetings were held.*

POLITICAL NOTES

Cllr. Derren Ó Brádaigh- Sinn Féin

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Twitter: @DerrenBrady1

New Street Art Project Request – Adamstown: At the June local area committee, a motion I tabled on behalf of residents in Adamstown to explore the feasibility of a street art / mural project was agreed. The possible location for this will be the Adamstown Link Road Bridge that has become the site of continuous unwanted graffiti. Such a project as suggested to me by one Castlegate resident, could serve to promote the multicultural community here in a positive and colourful way. The arts office will liaise with the relevant department and if successful, will support the initiative in collaboration with the residents in Adamstown.

Necessary Tree Pruning – Rear of Arthur Griffith Park: SDCC in conjunction with ESB will be carrying out specific targeted tree pruning in Griffeen Valley Park and bordering with some homes, where growth has become problematic or dangerous to overhead wires.

Gino Kenny TD – People Before Profit

Phone: 085-7211574. Email: ginokenny@oir.ie

Progress on Griffeen Community College: The construction of the new Griffeen Community College post primary school had been delayed due to land ownership issues. On Monday Councillors agreed to a land swap with the landowner, and to sell the site to the Department of Education. This means that construction on the new school can start very shortly which is welcome.

Social and Affordable Housing at Kishogue: A new housing development of 266 social and affordable homes near Kishogue train station has been approved. This is the largest development of public housing on council land for many years. We desperately need more social and affordable housing and I'm hoping that more of these proposals will come forward over the coming period. It's now imperative that the NTA and Irish Rail open the Kishogue train station as soon as possible.

Emer Higgins, TD – Fine Gael

01 401 3416 Emer.higgins@oireachtas.ie

Scoil Áine & St. Thomas: Scoil Áine and St. Thomas have been included in the Accelerated Delivery of Architectural Planning and Tendering scheme. This means delivery of two new 24 classroom schools with three Special Education Needs classrooms will be sped up. I brought the previous Minister for Education out to schools and secured commitment to ensuring that the new builds were escalated, I am really pleased to see this happening as I know how badly needed this investment is.

Confidence in Government: This week I was the only one of our four elected TDs to express confidence in the Government. I believe we need a strong, stable Government with capable Ministers to lead us through the challenges that lie ahead: health, housing, cost of living and climate change.

Palmerstown Camera Club

As summer has finally reached us at Palmerstown Camera Club we are running photography outings to places like Bective Abbey, Glendalough and Skerries to mention just a few.



At Lucan Library there is a scaled-down version of the photography exhibition which we held back in June in Palmerstown. We are also running a win a print competition at the library.

At the exhibition we had some amazing images from our photographers, Michael Moore had this image in the exhibition titled “My Thinking Space”.



People interested in joining the club or even attending one or two meetings FREE of charge to see how their photography could benefit from being a member can do so by contacting sepcpc@mail.com



Na Gaeil Óga CLG

Fáilte chuig an Nuachtlitir is déanaí ó Na Gaeil Óga, áit a bhfaighidh tú an t-eolas is déanaí faoi gach rud atá ag tarlú inár bpobal bríomhar.

Foireann Iomána

Na Gaeil Óga 4-15, Sairseálaigh Leamhcáin 3-8 Bhí lá stairiúil ag an gclub Dé Domhnaigh nuair a bhuaigh an fhoireann A iomána cluiche ceannais na sraithe agus chun ardú céime go dtí Roinn 6 a bhaint amach do 2023. Seo an 4ú ardú céime atá bainte amach ag an ngrúpa le 6 bliana anuas, agus is léiriú iontach é ar an obair mhór atá ar siúl chun an iomáint a fhorbairt sa chlub.

Cé gur tosaigh Leamhcán go maith sa chéad 10 noiméad, choinnigh Eoghan Mac Liam sa chluiche muid le cúpla scór breá. Thosaigh Na Gaeil Óga ag dul i gceannas ar fud na páirce ansin, agus bhí Michael Twomey agus Aidan Whelan an-cheannúil agus iad ag cosaint. Thainig an scór cinniúnach thart ar 20 noiméad isteach sa chluiche nuair a bhailligh Cónán Glas briseadh ó Michéal Ó Conáire agus neadaigh sé isteach san eangach é chun beagánín de bhearna a chur idir na foirne. Thainig dhá chúl eile go tapa ina dhiaidh sin, ceann ó Niall McQuillan agus ceann eile ó Eoghan Mac Liam. Bhí Na Gaeil Óga 3-8 go 0-7 chun tosaigh ag leath-ama.

Sa dara leath, le Brian Moran agus Tadhg Mac Liam go mór in uachtar i lár na páirce, choinnigh Na Gaeil Óga leis an deá-imirt agus bhí siad 4-14 go 1-8 chun tosaigh le cúpla noiméad fagtha, le cúl eile ó Niall McQuillan. Fuair Leamhcán dhá chúl ag an nóiméad deireanach chun an bearna a laghdú, ach bhí an t-am ag an bhfeor ionad Adam Ó Faoláin, atá ag saothrú go dícheallach leis an gclub le bréis is 10 mbliain, chun scór a aimsiú nuair a chuir sé ceann thar an trasnán ó bréis is 90 slat.

Is fiú aitheantas a thabhairt do lucht tacaíochta an chumainn; bhí sé iontach an méid sin imreoirí faoi-aois a fheiceáil amuigh ag an gcluiche. Tá síúl againn gur thug an lá blaiseadh beag dóibh dá bhfuil i ndán dóibh agus geansaí Na Gaeil Óga orthu amach anseo!

Foireann: Naoise Ó Lionard, Dom Ó Ceallaigh, Michael Twomey, Eoin Mac Giolla Bhríde, Steve Donohue, Aidan Whelan, Darragh Mac Giolla Padráig, Tadhg Mac Liam, Brian Moran, Daithí de Buitléir, Niall McQuillan, Conleth McGrenaghan, Micheal Ó Conaire, Eoghan Mac Liam, Cónán Glas

Fir Ionad: Phil Taylor i gcomhar Daithí de Buitléir, Adam Ó Faoláin do Conleth McGrenaghan, Jamie Ó hUidhrinn do Cónán Glas, Ruadhán Ó Feinneadh, Diarmuid Ó Ceallaigh, Conor Crowther, Kevin Barry, Eoin P. Ó Murchú

Grúpa Tuistí agus Leanaí

Bhí spórt agus spraoi ag Grúpa Tuistí agus Leanaí maidin Sathairn.



SPORTS

LUCAN HARRIERS A.C.

Lucan on Top of the World

Report from an incredible Week at the World Masters (O35) Track and Field championship in Tampere, Finland

Firstly, a huge congratulations to Leanne and Carol on their world achievements. Fantastic results, everyone in Lucan Harriers is very proud of you.

On Friday morning Carol Kearney woke up on Cloud 9 as she prepared for a World Final. This is definitely worth repeating, a WORLD FINAL in the 400m. She had already conquered Europe earlier in the season and we were all waiting eagerly to see how Carol would get on in her biggest test yet. She ran the race of her life, unfortunately on this occasion it wasn't to be. Carol being Carol was very philosophical about it, she is now focused on the relays on Saturday. Both herself, and fellow Harrier Leanne Wellings were picked to compete in the Green Vest. Carol was in the W55 4 X100m team with Moira, Edel and Geraldine, well this time they did it, and did it on the world stage. They gave absolutely everything in their pursuit of glory, it was not to be in vain as they took gold medal and the World Title in the process.



4x100m team Edel Maguire Clonliffe, Leanna Wellings and Carol Kearney Lucan Harriers, missing Moira Groome Trim AC

The following excerpt is directly from Leanne:
“World Masters Champs, it’s been some experience...2 season bests and semi-finalists in the individuals, 9th in the world in the 100m, which I was delighted with, 4 x100m relay that didn’t quite go to plan, but Sunday capped off

with a bronze medal in the world masters championships in the W45 4 x 400m relay with my Lucan Harriers teammate Carol alongside. The pain in the last 50m was unreal but was delighted to bring it home on the last leg and make this trip an unforgettable experience. Finland and Tampere you have been incredible such a beautiful place with laughs, memories, and amazing friendship between all the competitors from across the world. Many people to thank for their support, friendship, and memories. Karen Burles PT, Carol Kearney Kathryn McDevitt and my Irish team mates today, Moira, Carol and Edel you were simply the best today. My club in Ireland Lucan Harriers AC and my club in England Wycombe Phoenix Harriers. That’s a medal at the last 3 championships...Masters Athletics you never disappoint.

National 10-mile Championship Phoenix Park

It really was a very busy weekend for the club. At a hot Phoenix Park, on Sunday morning, there was a great turn out from the club, for the Irish Runner 10-mile, National championship, with some very impressive times. Well done everyone on a tough hilly course, the norm for the Phoenix Park runs

Congratulations to our National medallists Anne Whelan 3rd in Category, Mary Browne 3rd in hers, Josie Dignam 2nd in hers and Eileen O’ Brien 1st in hers. National medals are always nice.

Further congratulations to Anne Whelan, Claire Joyce and Edith Coakley who got bronze National team medal.

Add Emmet Quinn to this list in a PB of 1.16.53. Emmet after been injured earlier in the year has come back very strongly.



*Colin O Gara, Eileen O Brien and Mary Browne
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LUCAN PITCH & PUTT CLUB

Captains' Day Results – 09-07-2022

Gents O/A Winner Ronnie Guinan 83
Ladies O/A Winner Eileen Loakman 88
Gents Class 1 - 36 Nett Winner Vincent Kavanagh 88
Gents Class 1 - 36 Gross Winner Darren Kane 93
Ladies Class 1 - 36 Nett Winner Kathleen Croke 93
Ladies Class 1 - 36 Gross Winner Philo Condron 109
Gents Class 2 - 36 Nett Winner Fred McMahon 88
Gents Class 2 - 36 Gross Winner Dylan Colclough 101
Ladies Class 2 - 36 Nett Winner Trish Tully 93
Ladies Class 2 - 36 Gross Winner Catherine Leonard 118
Gents Class 3 - 36 Nett Winner Stephen Needham 88
Gents Class 3 - 36 Gross Winner Dan Coady 112
Ladies Class 3 - 36 Nett Winner Fionna Langan 93
Ladies Class 3 - 36 Gross Winner Martina Tierney 132
18 Nett Winner Tracey Smith 43 (Back 9)
Past Gents Captain Winner Tommy Coogan 95 (Back 18)
Past Lady Captain Winner Maria Rooney 95

Captains' Day

Well we had a smashing day last Saturday for our Captains' day and thank you to all committees for helping to make this a most memorable day for both of our Captains – Adrienne Kelly and Gerry Ward. The weather was very kind to us on the day and the dinner and entertainment on the night was welcomed by all. Congratulations to the winners on the day and in particular to the winners of the main prizes – Eileen Loakman and Ronnie Guinan.



Winner of the Captain's prize Ronnie Guinan together with our Lady Captain Adrienne Kelly and Captain Gerry Ward.

Sponsorship

Members please note that our PRO – Andy Fitzgerald is seeking sponsorship of our tee boxes for the coming year. Please see Andy if you wish to sponsor a tee box.

New Members Welcome – Adults and Juveniles

Our Club is now open for membership. If you would like to join our Club please contact the Secretary in writing and we will be in touch with the relevant details by return. You can join as a family or individual or indeed you are more than welcome to call into the Club House and ask for any committee member who will be only too willing to discuss your enquiry – best time to call is at the weekend or contact us at info@lucanpitchandputt.com



Dates for your diary

23rd July - Music
20th August – President's prize and dinner
24th September – Music
22nd October – Race Night

Sunday Afternoon Scramble

We are having a scramble on Sunday afternoon at 4pm for all new and existing adult and juvenile members. Please arrive about 15 minutes beforehand.

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Winner of the Lady Captain's prize Eileen Loakman together with our Lady Captain Adrienne Kelly and Captain Gerry Ward.

LUCAN PITCH & PUTT CLUB *Continued*

Condolence

The committee and members wish to extend their sincere sympathies to John, Paul and David Forde on the death of their Father John Forde (R.I.P.) Our thoughts are with the family at this very sad time. May John Rest in Peace

John Forde (RIP)

This being Captains' Prize weekend in our Club, traditionally a weekend of celebration and joy we must take time out to mourn the passing of our honorary member and one of Lucan's most outstanding club members. John Forde left this world on Thursday last the 7th July and though his health had been in decline for some considerable time his passing brings home to us all at Lucan Pitch and Putt Club the temporary nature of this life.

Nigh on 50 years a member of Lucan - John worked tirelessly on committees for many decades with advice and encouragement and a commitment to steer our Club in a positive direction into the 21st century. Never one to court stardom or recognition – John was a formidable architect of the skills of Pitch and Putt and his input into the growth of Pitch and Putt at the 12th Lock can never be overstated but has always been appreciated by those who knew him or worked with him.

John was Captain of our Club in 1981 and President during the 90's - arguably the strongest decades of Pitch and Putt both nationally and locally and in those figurehead positions of our Club, John continually advanced the strengths and achievements of Lucan players in the company of visiting dignitaries or those in authority at the National Level of the sport.

When circumstances did not allow John to engage himself at committee level, John gave many years to the beautifying of our course in the plantation and upkeep of flowers and plants.

For Lucan Pitch and Putt Club, John's passing means that the chain to its early days is another link weaker, but the reasons to recall our past is ever stronger.

To John's sons John, Paul and David we extend our deepest sympathy and regret.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam



LUCAN HARRIERS A.C. *Continued....*



Lorraine Heffernan, Mary Browne, Claire Joyce, Anne Whelan and Edith Coakley

National Juvenile Championship in Tullamore

The good news just kept on coming for Lucan Harriers. At the National Juveniles Championships in Tullamore on Saturday one of our starlets Kate O'Connell won a brilliant gold in the U19 400m in a blistering Championship record of 54.83 secs. This time is also a inside the B standard for the World U20 Championships which are taking place in August in Cali, Colombia.



Also at the National Championships, Davis Quinn took bronze in the U15 boys 2000m walk, Eve Noctor 3rd in U18 400m, Benjamin Caulier 2nd in the U18 1500m. The previously mentioned Kate, also won gold in the 200m and silver in the 100m. A very successful Championship for this young lady and a bright future lies ahead.

Kate O'Connell

St. Mary's Camera Soirée

The technical difficulties encountered by Michael G last week that prevented him sharing some photos taken at the National Floral Festival organised by the Association of Irish Floral Artists in three of the churches in Naas under the title "*Another Time, Another Place*" have been overcome. I am sure that you agree that the arrangements are stunning. AOIFA was founded in 1973 and aims to bring together floral art and gardening clubs for artistic development for artistic development, cultural and educational purposes. The Association has over 80 members throughout the country.



Anna was back in Mayo and on Sunday submitted photos to prove that summer had arrived in Achill. Josie was in Malahide castle and garden. She submitted photographs of butterflies in the butterfly house there and this caused Conor to go into competition with her and submit his own photos of butterflies.



Parts of Malahide castle predate Tintern Abbey. The oldest parts of the castle date back to the 12th century. The estate began in 1185, when Richard Talbot, a knight who

accompanied Henry II to Ireland in 1174, was granted the "lands and harbour of Malahide." Between 1185 and the 1970s, the Talbot tenure at Malahide Castle was broken for only a brief interlude between 1649 and 1660 when their lands were seized by Cromwellian soldiers and the castle was occupied by Myles Corbet, Lord Chief Baron of Ireland. The castle was sold to the State in 1975.

By way of a footnote, it emerges that a relation of one of the members of the Camera Soiree has a close connection with the former owners of Tintern Abbey. It's a small world!

Stay safe until next week!

