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Feelings! Wanted or Unwanted Gifts!

We live with feelings from birth to last breath and take all the time in between to try to understand them! Toddlers, generally, have difficulty articulating the difference between hunger and tiredness as they are quite similar. The parent can know the difference in terms of understanding if either sleep or food is needed. Navigating the feeling world is difficult for adolescents and their parents as the expression of feelings often blots out the path back to the source, which is sometimes hormones or a straining at the leash towards independence. Going back to the cause of the feelings brings about an understanding and a possible solution.

As we progress into adulthood, the role of parenting the feeling world becomes our own. We all rest in and long for extending the feelings of love, comfort, joy, peace and excitement. However, as we are on a continuum of consolation and desolation throughout life the feelings that we desire most are not continuous. If we are lucky enough to be someplace in the middle most of the time, we are in a happy enough place to be mentally and spiritually healthy and at one with life and ourselves.

We sometimes allow burdens to sit long and hard on our shoulders and hearts if we don't reflect on what we are feeling and root down to the source or thoughts that are causing the feelings. Allowing anger, guilt, resentment and anxiety to lay too large a claim on our lives that wears us down or takes us away from the moments of joyful living that are ours to savour and nurture.

Guilt, anger, sadness, fear, loneliness are all feelings that may figure when in grief. Grief is generally associated with the loss of someone in death. However, grief can also be experienced as a thought and feeling when one, or one's loved ones, lose physical or mental capacity. Anger or sadness can arise when others can still do what you can no longer do. Grieving for a loved one who can no longer do with you what was previously possible can be a source of guilt, loss or sadness in the same possible measure as losing a person in death.

Feelings are gifts which help us to make sense of the world in which we live and to find a response that works best for us in the new. Feelings are sourced in some experience that sometimes need reflection or talking to understand in order to move one's foot off the starting block of life today. When our feelings are too heavy to carry, then it is time to stop and think or find someone to be the mirror we need to look in through a good chat. The feeling has a cause and a purpose. Feelings are gifts!

Cathy Burke

Catechist for the Partnership of Parishes in Lucan

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 and 2pm to 4 pm

Wednesday: None

Thursday: 10am – 12pm and 2pm to 4 pm

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 Money 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

Diplomatic supports for Irish people abroad

The Department of Foreign Affairs offers consular assistance to Irish citizens abroad. If you need help while you are abroad, you can contact the Irish embassy or consulate in that country.

If you are in a country where there is no embassy or consulate, you can contact embassies or consulates of other European Union countries for assistance.

Help available

Embassies and consulates can be of assistance if:

You need an emergency passport

You have been the victim of crime or illness or have had a serious accident

You have been arrested or imprisoned while abroad

You are facing deportation

You need help in transferring funds from home

A family member or friend is missing abroad

There is a death abroad and the remains need to be returned to Ireland.

There is a limit to what the embassy or consulate can do. For example, if you have been ill or in an accident, they can:

Contact your family or friends in Ireland

Help you find English-speaking doctors, translators, and medical services

Liaise with local medical services on your behalf
Transfer funds from family and friends to you.
However, they cannot pay your medical bills or other medical expenses. They also cannot get involved in commercial or legal disputes, give legal advice or pay your legal bills.

Further information about the range of services relating to the consular protection of Irish citizens is available from the Consular Section of the Department of Foreign Affairs – see 'Where to apply below.

Contacts

Department of Foreign Affairs

Consular Assistance. Tel: +353 1 408 2000

Homepage:

<https://www.ireland.ie/en/dfa/overseas-travel/consular-services/>

Contact Form: <https://www.dfa.ie/about-us/contact-us/contact-consular-assistance/>

If you are travelling abroad this summer
Check the travel advice and entry requirements for the country you are travelling to before you travel abroad.

You might need a visa, this depends on your destination. You can find out if you need a visa on the Department of Foreign Affairs website.

Do you have travel insurance?

You should get travel insurance for yourself and your family. If you have a travel insurance policy already, or travel insurance is included in your health insurance policy, you should check that you are covered for hospital treatment for COVID-19.

You should bring your European Health Insurance Card with you if you are travelling to the EEA or Switzerland. You cannot use your EHIC in the UK. But you can still get the healthcare you need. You will need to show your Irish passport to the GP or hospital. Make sure that it is in date, it must be renewed every 4 years and each family member needs their own. An EHIC does not replace travel insurance.

News about the Free Travel Scheme

From 29 July 2024, you'll qualify for the Free Travel Scheme, if you are aged over 17 and under 66 and:

Have never been able to drive due to a disability
Have been medically certified as 'not fit to drive' for at least 12 months.

Find out how to apply at [Free Travel in Ireland](#)

Final Summer Issue Next Week!



Next week's issue, **Sunday 28th July** will be our final publication before our 4 week summer break.

Notices for events for the **month of August**, especially any for **Heritage Week** should be with us by next **Wednesday night, 24th July, 10pm** at the latest.

Lucan Drama

A **Murder on Chapel Hill** tells the story of the trial of those accused of the murder of Rev. James McCartan in Lucan 217 years ago.



Rev. McCartan was the RC parish priest for Lucan, Palmerstown and Clondalkin and his murder was national news at the time.

We at Lucan Drama are delighted to be part of the Lucan Festival this year and details on tickets etc will be available very shortly.

Lucan Drama - Bringing Drama to your Doorstep!

LOST

Gold Engagement Ring with 3 diamonds. Lost somewhere from Esker Pines, Lucan Village, Adamstown and Clondalkin. Similar to picture. Please contact: 086-3132809



 **Irish Blood
Transfusion Service**
Seirbhís Fuilaeistriúcháin na hÉireann

D'Olier Street: 2nd Floor Lafayette House, 2-5 D'Olier St. Dublin, daily.

For apt: Phone 1800731137.

Lucan - Springfield Hotel, 6th and 7th August 15.50 – 20.10pm.

For apt: Phone 1800731137

LUCAN FESTIVAL

Chess Tournament confirmed for the Tues, Weds and Thurs night in Ballyowen Community Centre. Further details later.

Historical Village Walks on Tues at 10am opposite Circle K and on Thurs also at 10am in St Mary's Car Park.

Illustrated talks on Tues and Thurs in the Presbyterian Church. Tues will be about Rev Dr J A H Irwin, Presbyterian Minister and Republican and Thurs will be the last 100years of Lucan Spa and Hotel. Both begin at 8pm

Murder on Chapel Hill a Lucan Drama presentation in Courtneys on Tues, Weds and Thurs evenings

Bygone Schooldays present day primary students meet a panel of their predecessors, Weds and Fri mornings in the Presbyterian Church

Fireworks at the Weir on Friday evening at or about 9pm.

Saturday from 12.30 you can once again walk in the footsteps of the Sarsfield Family through the grounds of Lucan **House** where you can listen to music, pet the ferocious Dinosaurs that live there and enjoy and sample the foods of an International Food Fair. Plus Birds and many other attractions.

Historical Exhibition and Model Railway Exhibition from 2 to 5.30pm in St Andrews Parish Centre

Sunday from 12.30 you can stroll along Main Street where there will be no through traffic. You and the kids can enjoy a Puppet Show, Pet Farm, Face Painting, Road Train, Street Entertainers, Bouncy Castles, Duck Race, Food and craft stalls, American Fire Brigades, Birds of Prey.

Visit the dead centre of Lucan the 12th century Cemetery behind O'Neills Pub

Historical Exhibition showing Maps, Photographs, memorabilia of Lucan and

Model Railway Show from 1.30 to 5.30 pm in St Andrews Parish Centre.

Garda Station Open Day from 1 to 5.30pm. Garda Band, Fingerprinting, Visit the Cells, Vintage Garda Cars, Prison Van and many more items.

!!!!!! See you there !!!!!!!

Parish Notes

St Mary's, Lucan

www.lucanparish.com



Sunday Mass Times: Vigil: 6.30pm
Sunday: 10.30am, 12 noon and **NO 7pm. Mass**

Weekday Masses: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10am.

Masses live-streamed on www.lucanparish.com

Back Carpark



Entrance to back carpark at Lucan Heights is close until end of August due to construction work being carried out at St Joseph's

For Sunday Masses only you can gain entry through Scoil Mhuire gates. Turn right as you enter the Church Yard

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: There will be **NO** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until September.

Christian Meditation: We meet every Tuesday night at 8pm in the Parish Bungalow. *All welcome, Sr Geraldine.*

Legion of Mary: Meeting every Thursday 5.30pm in the **Parish Bungalow** for Rosary and Prayers. *All Welcome.*

Bethany Bereavement Support Group: We meet on the 2nd Monday (at 10.45am) and the 4th Thursday (at 8pm) each month, in the Parish Centre. We are available to listen or just be there for anyone who is feeling lonely or lost following the death of a loved one. If you would like to attend a meeting, please contact Sr. Geraldine through the Parish Office. (Phone 01 6217041)

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.

Confessions – Nuns' Chapel: There will be **NO** confessions on Saturday morning until September. Saturday Evening 6.30pm Mass.

Scriptural Reading (Lectio Divina): Meetings are held in the bungalow every **Monday night (excluding bank holidays) between 7.30 and 8.30pm** when we reflect on the following Sunday's gospel. All are welcome.

Divine Mercy Devotion: Every Wednesday morning in St. Mary's Parish Church after the 10am Mass until 11am (unless there is a funeral), the Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. This devotion, revealed to St Faustina by Our Lord, is necessary to defeat evil, for peace in the world

Baptisms in St. Mary's: Procedure for baptisms in the parish. Parents who register their children for baptism are invited and must attend a preparatory meeting in the month before the ceremony.

The ceremony of baptism will take place in two parts. The children will be welcomed at a short ceremony during 10:30 a.m. Mass, the Family Mass, on the Sunday prior to their actual baptism date. This is a return to the practice we had before Covid restrictions. **Dates are bookable on line.**

If you need to cancel email:

secretary@lucanparish.com

Deepest Sympathy to the mother, family and friends of **Michael (Mike) Kavanagh**, formerly Lucan.

May he rest in peace.

St. Vincent de Paul

Church collection at all Masses **THIS**
Saturday/ Sunday 20th / 21st July
Many thanks for your generosity.

Summer Dues

Summer Dues Envelopes available in the Church Porches of all three Churches

The annual Summer Dues Collection has begun.

The Summer Dues collection goes to the Common Fund, which provides the salaries of the priests of the diocese. The Common Fund was under great pressure in the aftermath of COVID, so thank you for your generosity to the Common Fund since then. If you include your name and address on the envelope, it may help with claiming a tax refund from the Revenue Commissioners.

Divine Mercy, Lucan South

www.lucansouthparish.net

Sunday Mass Times: Saturday Vigil: 6pm.
Sunday Masses: 10.30am and 12.00 noon.

Weekday Masses: Mon.-Fri. 9:15am. Sat. 10am

All Masses will be livestreamed on

www.lucansouthparish.net

St. Joseph's Society Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Island Sunday July 28th

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society are holding a pilgrimage to Our Lady's Island on Sunday 28th July. The coach leaves Merrion Square at 10am. Total cost, including tea and scones en route and dinner on the way home is €60. Advance booking essential. Contact St. Joseph's Office 01-6762593 or Mary McClelland

Mass of Thanksgiving for the Fruits of Medjugorje:

Every Thursday, in the Church of Divine Mercy, Lucan South.

7.00pm: Rosary and Confessions.

7.30pm: Holy Mass.

After Mass: Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction. *All welcome*

Adoration and Holy Hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon: 7.30pm: Divine Mercy Adoration.

Fri: 1.15pm: Adoration MMPH Cenacle.

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions every Saturday 5.15pm and after the evening Mass.

Prayers of the Church:

Mon. to Fri.: 8.40am.

The Church is open Monday to Friday from **10am to 1pm** for private prayers.

Legion of Mary: The Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday evening at 7.30pm in the Confessional Room in the church. Their works include home visitation and outreach to the poor.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society:

St Joseph's Young Priests Society has been set up in Divine Mercy Church, Lucan for all the Lucan parishes. We meet up on the first Wednesday of each month for one hour at 10.40am.



St. Patrick's Esker/ Dodsboro/Adamstown

www.stpatrickslucan.ie

Sunday Mass Times:

9am, 10.30am, 12 noon. **The 10.30am Family Mass** is aimed at younger parishioners and their families.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 10am.

All Masses livestreamed at stpatrickslucan.ie

Adoration:

Adoration is held every Saturday morning after the 10am Mass from 10.30am to 11.30am. All are welcome.

St Patrick's Prayer Meeting:

There will be **NO** meetings of the prayer group until September.

Confessions:

Confessions after Saturday 10am Mass and after Thursday 10am Mass.

Communion for the Homebound:

If any member of your family is sick and housebound, and would like to receive Holy Communion, do please let us know. You can ring the Parish Office on 01 628 1018 and leave your name and address, or email us at:

secretary@stpatrickslucan.ie

Tea/Coffee: Every **TUESDAY**

Morning 10.30am in the Parish Centre.

All are welcome.

St Vincent De Paul - St Patrick's Conference

Church Gate collection before and after all Masses **THIS Sunday 21st July**
Thank you for your generosity.

The Olympics Games

In a short amount of time in Paris the greatest spectacle of sportsmanship will again have us rooted to our TV screens, or if you are one of the lucky ones to have pre-booked your holidays to take in the Olympic Games, you are in for the treat of your life. Of all the spectacular sports we get to watch, I would like to think the summer Olympics Games just about tips the sporting scales, closely followed the para-Olympics, those wonderful people always amaze me. Then the Winter Olympics, then the rugby tournaments followed by our own GAA championship followed by the golf tournaments.

The Olympic Games only comes around every four years, and it is a spectacle worth waiting for. So why does it happen every four years? Basically it's all down to the first calendar system set in B.C times when time were measured differently from how we measure it today. I believe it is a good system because it helps in keeping records i.e. preparing qualifying times for each event that each athlete must endure before they can participate and it is such hard work. This qualifies each athlete to perform on an equal footing, then it is all down to performing on the day of your event, which thousands of athletes will complete for the ultimate gold medal.

This year a very strong team is representing Ireland. It is wonderful to see our athletes participating in the games, and what a joy it is to see our national flag flying high during the medal ceremonies. However it is on this note, I would like to see some changes. I would like to suggest, each country give a certificate of endurance to all our completing athletes for having competed in the games. It would be something to show their grandchildren. This would further enhance the old cliché, it is not about winning, it is about taking part. The Olympic Games have been staged for the sole purpose of bringing different nations together. From the beginning they have only gotten better and better due to our wonderful athletes and the power of television that brings it into our living rooms.

So whichever way you might watch the games, I hope you enjoy the wonderful spectacle. I know I will. Until next time take care.
Joseph Anthony, Lucan Writers Group.

Anniversary

Bernard Thomas Brady
11th 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 very dearly.

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.



Birthday Remembrances

Jemmers Condron
22nd July

Happy Heavenly Birthday to my beloved husband Jemmers
From your loving wife Philomena (Philo), sons Paul, James and extended family.



Ger Carey

In memory of your 60th birthday Ger
How very much you're missed
Is something you will never know
You left behind the broken hearts
Of those who loved you so
A sea of tears and endless grief
Would simply ebb away
If only you could celebrate
Your special day today
This birthday wish brings you love
Its just a simple touch
To let you know how dear you are
You'll always mean so much.
Love Mam, Dad, brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

Esker Cemetery Mass

The Annual Mass and Blessing of Graves
will take place on

Sunday 1st September at 3pm

Weather Permitting.



Well, St. Swithin's Day came and went leaving deposits of rain on us – you know the story – rain for the next 40 days! Thankfully, we've had a few hours of heat and sunshine since last Monday – Fingers crossed!

Doddsboro: Work on the area in front of the shops seems to be complete, with a lovely flower bed and a lonely looking picnic bench, and lots of road markings to keep us all safe when crossing!



The area still looks a bit dishevelled – maybe it's just the long untidy grass.....

On the Sporting front, things have calmed down a little for this weekend, but we still have the mighty **All Ireland Hurlers** to deal with – Cork v Clare – who will it be?

As Roy Keane said – *there is nothing to compare with an All Ireland Hurling Final* – or words to that effect!

Next on the agenda will be the **Paris Olympics!**

Hillcrest Residents' Association

In recent weeks, large amounts of bagged grass and hedge cuttings have been left on the green at the top of Hillcrest Heights, much of it dropped off by car/van. Please note that this is not a green waste collection point.

Residents are kindly reminded to always use their brown bins for disposal of grass, shrubbery and tree clippings.

The dumping of garden waste is illegal, punishable by fines of up to €4,000, and should be reported to South Dublin County Council at 01-4149220 or by email @sdublincoco.ie, with any relevant information that could assist the Litter Warden.

Maria Murphy, Chairperson

Ballyowen Castle Community Centre

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Telephone: 01 253 6105 or 085 867 1245

Follow us on Facebook (Ballyowen Castle Community Centre) or on Instagram

([ballyowen_community_centre](https://www.instagram.com/ballyowen_community_centre))



Family Fun Day: Thanks to everyone who came to our Family Fun Day on Sunday in the Centre! It was a wonderful occasion, aided by the lovely weather. It was lovely to hear the centre full of laughter and to see so many families enjoying the various activities.

Thanks Deputy Mayor, Cllr Alan Hayes, for calling in, the centre team and all the volunteers who made it happen. We're already looking forward to our next event! You can view the photos of the day on the Centre's Facebook page.

Room booking: Would you like to book a room in the centre for a meeting or a group activity? We have some availability and offer competitive rates. Email us to make a booking.

Signage: We've erected new signage around the centre to make it easier for people to find us – this is in direct response to feedback from people who use the rooms here. Check it out if you're passing by!

Golden Hour Club: Our Thursday afternoon club for the over 55s continues to go from strength to strength! Thanks to all our regular attendees but we would love to welcome more people along. Here's our schedule for the coming weeks:

July 25th @ 1pm - Social Coffee Hour

August 1st @ 1pm - Movement & Coffee

Lucan Senior Citizens

Wednesday 26th June was our last social morning in St. Mary's Parish Centre. All the ladies were so stylish in beautiful outfits. Afterwards we all enjoyed a delicious lunch in Hermitage Golf Club.

Hope we all get some sunshine for the holidays.

Some photos from our last day.....



A dip in the archives..... 2004 – 20 short years ago!

The year started off with the launch of the Draft Development Plan 2004 – 2010. An Open Day was held in Lucan Library where we could all go to cast an eye on future plans for Lucan.

Throughout the year there were complaints about Parking Problems in Lucan Village, Road conditions – remember all the pot holes on Main Street! Traffic Management came under discussion, and Bin Charges and lack of Bin Collections also annoyed people.



In May there were many complaints about traffic measures not taken during the construction of the new AIB building.

We were even told that the LUAS would be coming to Lucan!!!

Our local representatives were kept busy.

Those reporting in Lucan Newsletter were:

Cllr. Derek Keating, Independent

Cllr. Fintan McCarthy, Greens

Cllr. Deirdre Doherty Ryan Fianna Fáil

Paul Gogarty T.D. Greens

John Curran TD Fianna Fáil

Cllr. Eamon Tuffy, Labour

Mary Harney T.D. Tánaiste and Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment, Progressive Democrats.

Senator Joanna Tuffy, Labour

Cllr. Gus O'Connell, Independent

Other aspiring representatives throughout the year were:

Joe McEnri Fine Gael

Ed O'Brien, Fianna Fáil

Des Kelly, Fianna Fáil

Peter Brady Fine Gael

18th Jan: Chernobyl Children Appeal (Irl)

“The Lucan Group was formed on 14th February 2002.... Since then we have organised forty-two trips for children and teachers from contaminated areas in Southern Belarus for short summer breaks to the Lucan area.....”

The group co-ordinator was the late Derek Keating, who sought the help of local families to accommodate those children over many hears.

29th Feb: Tragedy

“What a tragic week it's been.

When news of the crash on Wellington Quay began to filter through last Saturday almost everybody, however momentarily, feared for the life of a loved one.

And for some the fear became a reality. What a lonely trip home to Ukraine it must have been for Svitlana and Khyrstyna Timinsky for the funeral of Vasyl. The support of so many neighbours and school friends we hope will have been of some comfort to the m. Other local people lost friends in the accident too and some people were injured. At least two young Lucan women are recovering and we send them best wishes for a full return to health.”

The Irish Independent reported:

“Dublin's Wellington Quay became a scene of utter chaos and confusion on February 21, 2004, when a Dublin Bus careered into a group of commuter, killing five and injuring 14.....

Emergency crews rushed to the scene after the unoccupied bus ploughed into commuters boarding a No 66 bus.....

The 25A had arrived on Wellington Quay and the driver finishing his shift had parked the vehicle.....”

The next bus driver “too over control, and just moments later it began moving forward, ploughing into the crowd after mounting the footpath.....”

The driver was cleared of any wrong-doing, in what was believed to be a mechanical fault with the vehicle.

18th April: **The Children Remembered.....**

On a blustery Wednesday evening, many locals gathered at Sarsfield Park, to witness the planting and blessing of a Purple Plum Tree, in memory of the children of St. Mary's Youth Club who lost their lives or were injured in the Glen of Imaal disaster, twenty-five years ago to the day on 14th April. A brass plaque also commemorates the event.



Fr. Joe Coyne PP, and Fr. Liam Belton who was chaplain to the Youth Club at the time, officiated.



Chairperson of Sarsfield Park residents Association Patrice Casey, then invited all children present to complete the planting of the tree, which they did with great gusto.”

28th Mar: **Liffey Sound FM**

“We are delighted to announce that Liffey Sound FM was granted a licence for community radio this week by the Broadcasting Commission of Ireland..... We now look forward to the opening of Liffey Sound which, we feel confident, will take place in the coming months.”

A Taste of Italy

Lucan 2000 Ltd and the Italians came together to organise the festival from 26th May to 30th May 2004.



Activities included art / floral exhibitions, Ferrari, Maserati and vintage cars, historical tours of Lucan, Punch and Judy, soccer competitions, Italian Film night, lots of Italian food and wine stalls, and Italian chefs cooking!



There was even an Italian/Irish Golf Classic, and a Monster Firework display on the Sunday night.



Two Italians! Mario and a Ferrari!

The festival was a great success and led to future annual events enjoyed to this very day.
More next week.....

POLITICAL NOTES

Minister Emer Higgins TD – Fine Gael

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South Dublin Chamber 40th Year

Anniversary: I had the pleasure of attending and speaking at the South Dublin Chamber 40th Anniversary celebration held at Aras Chronain last Thursday, 11th of July. It was a fantastic event that honoured local businesses, innovators, and job creators. It was great to see the Lucan Business 2 Business group, as well as many other members in attendance.

Launch of India Day: On Saturday, 13th July, I was delighted to launch the India Day Programme at the Lucan Spa Hotel. India Day takes place on August 18th and will celebrate the rich cultural heritage and diversity of India.

Back to School Allowance: Last week, Minister Humphreys announced that over 50,000 children in primary and secondary schools will receive their Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance. Applications are open until September 30th.

Cllr. Vicki Casserly – Fine Gael, P.C.

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Twitter: @vickicasserly

Public Realm: I have made representations regarding the graffiti at the underpass of the N4 at the Lucan Demesne and requested removal as soon as possible.

Dodsboro Road Overgrown Vegetation: I have made representations regarding ongoing overgrowth on the footpath with land use and planning department to ensure maintenance is upheld here to improve accessibility on this stretch of road.

Have you heard of The Homeshare? Most older people wish to remain at home, living as independently as possible. However in many cases, HSE support is not enough to fulfil this wish. HomeSharing compliments existing supports and helps to ease the burden of worry for not only the older person/person with a disability, but also their families and accommodation seekers who are facing exorbitant rent increases across Ireland.

Cllr. Caroline Brady – Fine Gael P.C.

(085)2551602 CBrady@SDublinCoCo.ie

Lucan Tidy Towns & Liffey Bridge: Well done to Lucan Tidy Towns on the great work cleaning up and painting the Liffey Bridge. It looks fantastic. They and SOL report invasive buddleia trees are growing out of the bridge.

Hermitage / Ballyowen: The timber fencing along the boundary of Ballyowen estate and Grangecastle Road (Outer Ring Road) has begun fall inwards at two locations – south of the entrance to Hermitage estate, both sides of the bus stop.

Both issues above have been reported to the Area Engineer for investigation and report.

Airlie Heights: Residents requested cleaning of the cobblelock. Following representations I'm pleased to let you know that cleaning took place on the 8th of July. The next scheduled date for cleaning is 30/09/2024. I've also asked the council to consider a long-term solution to make that area easier for residents to maintain.

Derren Ó Brádaigh - Sinn Féin

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Haydens Park: The council have confirmed they will schedule hedge pruning between Haydens Park and Griffeen Valley Park, after I raised this recently.

Paddocks Drive - Speed Calming:

Disappointing that SDCC won't address speed calming on the Paddocks Drive, citing taking-in-charge issues. Together with residents, I had raised this again back in May.

Newcastle Rd - Pedestrian/Road Safety:

Through my colleague Eoin Ó Broin's office, I have requested repairs to the 5 damaged pedestrian safety bollards, and consideration of a junction box outside the premises of the Lucan Irish Wheelchair Association for safer access.

Lucan Tidy Towns - Bridge Painting:

Delighted to have participated with other volunteers, as part of the Lucan Tidy Towns initiative to refresh the painting on the bridge balustrades. Brilliant job by everyone involved!

Political Notes continued over.....

Politicians Please Note!

There is a limit of 150 words per report, including contact details

POLITICAL NOTES *Cont'd...*

Clr Paul Gogarty P.C. - Independent

and Green-minded Tel: 087-2752489.

E-mail: info@paulgogarty.com

Lucan Pool delay latest: Disappointing confirmation received that the pool will NOT open this year. Another tentative deadline of mid-October given for construction completion with two months for setup after. The latest detailed update on recent Clr site visit is now on my website, including a few permitted photos. Search "Pool Progress Update".

Lucan Lodge: Continue to support residents, families and staff. HSE is playing a callous game in setting departure deadline and refusing to sit down and discuss workable solutions with representative bodies.

Backlog of issues: Following the unavoidable delay in responses after the election period and then a family bereavement, I am now responding as normal to current queries and gradually getting through earlier ones. Please bear with me.

Bus user survey: Must end soon. To give your input log on to <http://www.bit.ly/BusCorrect>

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Fallen trees: I have requested the removal of fallen trees that are blocking footpaths, including on Ballyowen Lane.

Adamstown Community Summer Camp:

Congratulations to all the participants and leaders on the 15th anniversary of Adamstown Summer Camp. This community effort is an inspirational undertaking and praise is due to Winnie and her team for bringing it to the community year after year.

Ballyowen Community Centre Fun Day:

Thanks to all the volunteers and attendees who came along to the Family Fun Day last weekend. It was great to see the place full and people enjoying themselves as the centre goes from strength to strength.

Community Grants: Congratulations to Lucan Harriers, Lucan Concert Band, ICA Lucan, Lucan Mens Shed, Lucan Youth Service, Lucan Youth Fun and Adamstown Community Summer Project on their successful grant awards! If your group would like to access grant funding from SDCC, get in touch.

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Proposed Traffic Calming Measures: South Dublin County Council plans to implement additional traffic calming measures in Lucan. Two areas identified are a ramp on Griffeen Glen Boulevard and one at the end of Chapel Hill, Lucan Village. A public consultation will be held, and you will be invited to provide feedback. Details will be published shortly.

Maintenance along Dodsboro Road (Hill): I have contacted the Council Roads Department regarding the overgrown hedges and scrub on the footpath along Dodsboro Hill. I emphasised the urgency of maintaining this area to ensure safer access.

Graffiti: I have reported the graffiti at the N4 underpass near Lucan Demesne and requested immediate cleaning, especially as Lucan Tidy Towns is preparing our village for the competition.

Don't hesitate to get in touch to highlight any issues in your area.

Lucan Library Events

August Bank Holiday

Please note that Lucan Library will close on Friday 2nd August at 4.30pm and reopen on Tuesday 6th August at 9.45am.

Events for Younger Children:

Storytime - Our regular Story-Time continues on TUESDAYS at 3pm. All welcome!

Colouring Competition for Under 6s

Ask at Desk for a Summer Stars Colouring Sheet! Two age categories: 3-4 years & 5-6 years.

Deadline: Wednesday 31st July at 7pm.

Lucan Library Classic Film Club:

Tuesday 23rd July, 5.30pm.

Register at Library Desk.

Lucan Library Book Clubs:

Wednesday Book Club: Wednesday 24th July, 7pm

Lucan Library Knitters Club - Every Monday 10am - 12noon - new members welcome



Cumann na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin



County

Best of luck to Amy Gorman, Laura Sharkey, Aoife McKearney, Emma Flanagan and Mia Farrell in their All Ireland semi-final against Cork on the 27th of July. This match is in UPMC Nowlan Park and throwing in at 13:15. We are encouraging all our members to make the short trip to Kilkenny and support the girls in blue. This is a massive achievement for the team who before this year had only reached the semi-final twice since 1990. A particularly proud day for our club to have 5 players flying the Lucan flag on the team.

Tickets for the match can be purchased via universe.com

Lotto

We had no winner of last week's lotto jackpot of €4,600. The Numbers were **1, 4, 8, 16**

The lucky dip prizes go to Catherine Dardis, Joe Rooney, Nikita Ryan, Paul Heneghan, Margie O'Flynn

This week's Lotto will be for a jackpot of €5,000. The draw is sponsored by Lucan Village Pharmacy and will be led by Diarmuid Dawson.

Planning Permission

Planning permission for a new ball wall and the extension of our juvenile pitch into a full-size all-weather pitch has been submitted to South Dublin County Council.

Planning permission has been posted at the entrance, exit and turn into the clubhouse. Lots of hard work and fundraising over the years has gotten us to this stage in our development plans. A special word of appreciation to Colm Farrell who has worked tirelessly to get these plans submitted.

Summer Camps

Our summer camps are still open for registration. These camps are open to both members and non-members who are in primary school (either starting in September or just finishing). All camps will be dual sport (Football and Camogie/Hurling). Make sure to register soon for the club camps as places are limited. Places can be booked via the club website by searching 'Lucan Sarsfields Summer Camps'
Campa Samhraidh: 22nd –26th July
Club Camp: 5th – 9th August (This camp includes a trip to Croke Park!)
Club Camp: 12th - 16th August

Social

We had a fantastic golf society outing last Friday in Luttrellstown which was generously sponsored by Eamonn McShea and Greenday Environmental. Well done to Eamonn who also captained the winning team on the day. Our next outing is in Kilkea Castle o Saturday the 10th of August.



Hurling

Four of our adult teams commenced their championship campaign this weekend. There were mixed fortunes with good wins for the Junior As (v Kevins) and Junior Bs (v Erin Go Brath), a draw for Intermediates (v Good Counsel/Liffey Gaels) while the Junior Cs lost out to St Kevins Killian's. See match reports below. Our Seniors open their campaign this Saturday evening in O'Toole Park against Cuala. Throw in at 5.30pm. Let's get a big Lucan support out for this crucial encounter. There is also a full round of fixtures for the other teams, with the Junior Bs and Junior Cs both at home on Friday evening (7.30pm), the Intermediates travel to Scoil Ui Chonail on Saturday evening (6.15pm) and the Junior As make the long trip to Skerries on Sunday morning for an 11am throw in.

Thank You for supporting Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club



Na Gaeil Óga CLG

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

Cluichí na seachtaine seo - bígí ann is tacaígí linn!

Athrú suímh: Beidh Foireann Pheil na mBan ag imirt ag Meánscoil Naomh Pól/St Paul's Secondary School, na Glaschnoic.

Peil na mban

Na Gaeil Óga 5-5 Naomh Ólaf 1-4 Bhí cluiche iontach ag Foireann na mBan sa chraobh. Bhí neart fuinnimh san fhoireann ó thús go deireadh. Choimeád na cosantóirí ag troid agus le hobair foirne álainn bhí an liathróid ag dul chuig na tosaitheoirí le scóráil. Ag leath ama bhí muid chun tosaigh 3-3 go 0-2. Leanamar orainn go dtí an nóiméad deireanach leis an díograis chéanna agus faoi dheireadh bhí an chéad chluiche den chraobh buaite againn.

LIOSTA NA GCLUICHÍ
FOIRNE FÁSTA

- Céadaoin, 17 Iúil 2024 | 7.30 PM | Páirc Thigh Motháin
PEIL NA MBAN VS **NAOMH JUDE**
- Déardaoin, 18 Iúil 2024 | 7.15 PM | Páirc Naomh Cairtriona
CAMÓGAÍOCHT VS **BEANN ÉADAIR, NA GÉANNA FÍÁINE, ERIN GO BRAGH**
- Déardaoin, 18 Iúil 2024 | 7.30 PM | Páirc Naomh Cairtriona
PEIL NA BHFEAR B VS **BAILE FORMAID DE LA SALLE**
- Aoine, 19 Iúil 2024 | 7.30 PM | Páirc Naomh Cairtriona
IOMÁNAÍOCHT B VS **GAEIL GARDÁI BHAILE AN BHASPAILIGH**
- Domhnach, 21 Iúil 2024 | 11.00 AM | Páirc an Lalghléisigh
IOMÁNAÍOCHT A VS **FINE GHALLÁIN**



Iomáint B

Chuir Foireann B na hIomána tús leis an gcaobh i gcoinne Naomh Caoimhín Cillian i gCoill an Rí. Tar éis tús mall sa gcéad leath agus cúl géillte go luath, thug na Gaeil Óga dúshlán ceart sa dara leath. Bhí an-troid agus díograis léirithe ag Conor Crowther, Eoin O'Hare agus Liam Leahy sna cosantóirí agus sheas Pádraig Ó Fearghail agus Timmy Sheridan an fód go láidir leo. Bhí an-chluiche ag Cian Ó hRíle idir na cuaillí agus cúpla sábháil iontach aige. Rinne Niall Devitt agus Eoin Ó Lordáin obair na gcapall ar fud na páirce. D'aimsigh Gearóid Lanigan a sprioc thar an trasnán arís is arís agus i dteannta cúl sa dara leath a spreag an fhoireann le roinnt scóranna eile a aimsiú gan fhreagra. Cé nach raibh an lá linn ar deireadh, léirigh na Gaeil Óga misneach is díograis a thabharfar isteach sa gcéad chluiche eile ar an Aoine.

SPORTS

LUCAN HARRIERS A.C.

National Outdoor League

The Ladies League Team took part in the Preliminary round of the National Outdoor League in Athlone on 6th July against 16 of the top clubs on the island.

The highlights of the day included Kate O'Connell with 2 excellent PB's in the 200m (24.57) & 100m (12.11 +0.44!!) to get 1st and 2nd place against top class opposition.

Katriona Power on her debut at the Senior Hammer weight got a great 3rd. Annette Durkan delivered a fine 6th place in the weight for distance.

Sorcha Dineen, Laura McAteer and team captain Carol Kearney all won points with personal best performances in the Triple jump, Javelin as well as a blistering 4x100 in the worst weather of the day.

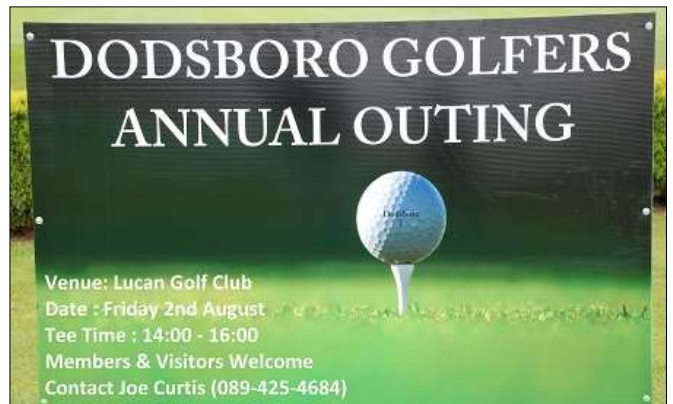


The changeable weather didn't dampen team spirits for what was a great effort.

The final will be on Sunday 28th July in Tullamore where a more complete team will be

aiming for the top step of the podium in the Division 1 final.

With 21 events, we want to have a Lucan Harriers competitor in each one and show off the fantastic club team spirit of Lucan Harriers athletes and allow individual athletes the chance to compete (and win at Senior level!) as a team.



Did you know

Venus is the only planet to spin clockwise.

Lemons float, but limes sink.

The real name for a hashtag is an "octothorpe".

The Pope can't be an organ donor.

The letter "Q" doesn't appear in any American state's name.

Ketchup was once sold as medicine.

Russia has 11 time zones.

Your nose and ears never stop growing.



St. Mary's Camera Soirée

Despite the Camera Soiree taking their summer break from their Friday morning meetings in the Parish Centre the photos continue to flood in from various parts of Europe.

Joe submitted photos taken on the shores of Lake Como in Italy and in the Swiss mountain resort of San Moritz which hosted the winter Olympics in 1928 and 1948.



Michael G was in Canterbury and submitted a photo of the “Crooked House”. Believed to have been built in 1617, it's immediately recognizable from the pronounced way it leans to one side. Apparently, an internal chimney began to lean, taking the building with it. Attempts to straighten the chimney caused the building to slide even more, resulting in the crazy tilt you see today.



He also submitted a photo of the Nave of Canterbury Cathedral, one of the oldest Christian structures in England, founded in 597AD. A pivotal moment in the history of the cathedral was the murder of the archbishop, Thomas Becket, in the north-west transept in December 1170, by knights of King Henry 11. He is venerated as a saint and martyr by the Catholic Church and the Anglican Communion.

Stay safe until next week!