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Sunday 2nd July 2023



This week saw the closure of our primary schools for the summer break; it's a long year for little people; from September through to Halloween, on to Christmas, Easter etc. until finally the dying days of June see the long-anticipated holiday closure.

Nowadays the vast majority of children seem to enjoy school greatly, and our schools are places that bring out the best in them. Teachers are well trained and dedicated people, and despite the under resourcing of our schools, they succeed in doing a great job in forming young minds for the future. It's always a wonderful thing to see the genuine bonds of affection that develop between young people and their teachers, and vice-versa. These bonds are clearly seen when graduation day approaches and the time comes to bid farewell to primary school for good.

I have been part of a number of graduation ceremonies over the years, and it's always heart-warming to witness the depth of emotion stirred up in the young people as they bring down the curtain on this long and happy chapter of their lives. There are tears-a-plenty on these occasions. They leave primary school very different young people to the junior infants that walked through the doors of what probably seemed a slightly scary place some eight long years ago. They are of course the same, but also different. Personalities have emerged, opinions formed, likes and dislikes have crystallised, hobbies and interests have taken shape and a vast amount of learning has happened.

A foundation has been laid for these young people that they will continue to build on through the years of the chapters yet to be written; a sound foundation is essential for any construction. Friendships have formed too, and many schooldays friendships will become the most long-lasting of all.

Their faith lives too have been developed through these years, and hopefully their experience of the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and most recently Confirmation will have laid a bedrock of faith that will be an important part of who they are, and who they will as yet become.

The task of all of education is to bring out the best in young people, and to form them as intelligent and responsible individuals grounded in a healthy sense of self-worth, with the confidence to realise that they have much to contribute to society. We can be proud in Lucan that our schools reach these high ideals. We hope that summer will bring well-deserved rest and relaxation to all who make up our school communities and that they will return with batteries recharged for a new school year beginning in September.

To the boys and girls moving on to pastures new, we wish you every happiness and success. May the Lord who has seen you safely this far, walk with you through the years to come.

Philip Curran
St. Mary's and St. Patrick's Parishes

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 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.

Women's Aid - 1800 341 900 - 24 hours a day and 7 days a week

Men's Aid - 01 554 3811, 9 am to 5 pm Monday to Friday. Email Hello@mensaid.ie

Registering to Vote

If you want to vote in an election or referendum in Ireland you must be:
Eligible to vote and
Registered to vote



Information on our website explains how to register to vote, and what to do if your situation has changed since the last election or referendum took place.

Changes to the registration system

You can now register for the first time and update the register throughout the year. If you provide your PPS number, you do not need to have your identification and forms witnessed at a Garda station. Applications to register and to change the register can be made online at checktheregister.ie.

If you are already registered, you should check your details and add your PPS number, date of birth and your Eircode on checktheregister.ie. Everyone is

being asked to do this to keep the register up to date.

How to register to vote

Each local authority is legally obliged to maintain, update and publish its Register of Electors. The Register must be maintained and updated on an ongoing basis.

To be eligible for inclusion in the Register of Electors, you must:

Be at least 18 years old

Be ordinarily resident at an address in Ireland
If you have no address, you can register with 'no fixed address.' You can give an address where you can get correspondence.

If you have more than one address, you should give the address where you want to be registered. You can only be registered at one address.

You can register to vote:

Online at checktheregister.ie

By filling in an application form

If you do not give a PPS number, you must get your form and ID witnessed at a local Garda station.

Anonymous electors

The Register of Electors can be inspected at local authority offices. If you are concerned that having your details available for inspection would put you in danger, you can apply to be an anonymous elector. You can get the form to make this request at checktheregister.ie.

The Register of Electors is a public document. Your PPS number and your date of birth will not be published.



ASSISTED DECISION-MAKING (CAPACITY)

DEMMENTIA EVENING

INFORMATION & SUPPORT EVENINGS

Marymount Dementia Team will welcome
Marymount Care Centre Director of Nursing
Catherine Tighe to explain Assisted Decision
Making (Capacity) Act 2015.



**THURSDAY
6TH JULY 2023**

EDUCATION CENTRE
MARYMOUNT CARE CENTRE
7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

**BOOK
NOW**

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 rita@mmcc.ie

Lucan ICA

We had our last craft morning before our summer holidays today Monday 26th June. We had a lovely lunch followed by strawberries and cream, apple tart and cakes provided by our tea hostesses Pauline and Mary.

As we normally do on our last day we had a competition for best dressed ladies in their summer attire, the winners were Mary Curley, Marie O'Sullivan and Kathleen May.



We had a raffle with the prizes donated by the members, everyone went home happy.



The first prize was a beautiful patchwork quilt handmade by our honorary member Philly Burchael which was won by Patricia Harding.

President Pauline wishes all our members a very restful summer and looks forward to having you all back on 4th September with lots of new ideas for the coming year.
Pauline and Mary.



Lucan Active Retirement Association

We had our final meeting with a party before the summer break on Thursday last. Meetings will resume on 7th September. We have a trip for members to the Titanic Centre in Belfast on July 13th.

From the 7th September we will meet in St Andrew's Parish Centre, Main Street, Lucan, every Thursday at 11.30am. New members always welcome, come and join us in a friendly atmosphere and meet new friends. No charge for your first meeting. Lots of activities to enjoy. Bowls, scrabble, cards, drama and choir. Coffee break at 1pm. Organised trips in Ireland and abroad.

OPEN DAY

at

**Kildare
Animal
Foundation**

Kildare Town



Sunday 9 July at 1pm

Free Admission

Cakes/Bottles/Plant stalls, Antiques, Crafts, Face painting, Pet gifts, Kiddies games, Clothes and much more....

*A lovely family day out
with bargains galore.*

NO DOGS please as we have so many here at the shelter waiting to greet you

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 live-streamed on www.lucanparish.com



St. Mary's Readers' Roster July:

The roster for readers at the Saturday vigil, the 12 noon and 7pm Masses on Sundays in St. Mary's for the month of July 2023 has been sent to all readers by email. If any reader has not received it a copy is available for inspection in the sacristy.

Christian Meditation:

We meet every Tuesday night at 8pm in the Parish Bungalow.

*All welcome,
Sr Geraldine.*

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.

Scriptural Readings:

We meet from **7.30-8.30pm** every **Monday** evening in the Bungalow opposite the church. The group will read and reflect on the following Sunday's Gospel to get a deeper understanding of the Word of our Lord.

All are welcome.

Legion of Mary:

We meet every Thursday evening at 5.30pm in Room 4 in St Mary's Parish Centre for Rosary and Prayers. *All Welcome.*

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.

Divine Mercy Devotion:

During exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Chaplet to the Divine Mercy with devotions, is prayed every Wednesday morning in St. Mary's parish church after the 10am Mass until 11am (unless there is a funeral).

Divine Mercy Lucan devotion St Mary's Parish Lucan.

Baptisms:

Dates are bookable on line. If you need to cancel email: secretary@lucanparish.com

Confessions – Nuns' Chapel:

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

Coffee Dock Open:

Every Sunday Morning and Weekdays 10am to 12 noon.

All Welcome.

St. Patrick's Esker/ Dodsboro/Adamstown

www.stpatrickslucan.ie

Sunday Masses:

Vigil Saturday: **NO VIGIL MASS**

(Saturday Vigil Mass will **NOT** take place for the months of July, August and September)

Sunday: 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon.

The 10.30am Family Mass is aimed at younger parishioners and their families.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Saturday at 10am.

All Masses livestreamed at stpatrickslucan.ie

St Patrick's Prayer Meeting:

Meeting every Monday night in the Pastoral Centre, (Side of St Patrick's Church) from 7.30pm to 8.15pm.

Confessions:

Confessions after Saturday 10am Mass only.

Tea/Coffee:

Every Wednesday Morning 10.30am in the Parish Centre.

All are welcome.

Divine Mercy, Lucan South

www.lucansouthparish.net

Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: **6pm.**

(From July, Saturday Evening Vigil Mass will be at 6.00pm.

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

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.

Prayers of the Church:

Mon. to Fri.: 8.40am.

The Church is open Monday to Friday from 10am to 4pm for private prayers.

Home Visits Holy Communion:

If anyone who cannot come to Mass would like to receive Holy Communion at home from Fr. Aidan or a Minister of Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office 01-4572900.

Legion of Mary:

Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday evening at **7.30pm** in the Confessional Room in the church. Their works include visitation of homes, nursing homes, prisons and outreach to the poor. All welcome.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:

The aim is to pray for vocations and also try to help seminarians financially. We also assist seminarians throughout the world spiritually. We would gladly welcome new members. We meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month for 1 hour.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions every Saturday 5.45pm and after Saturday evening Mass.

Wednesdays tea/coffee morning:

There is a cup of tea/ and a slice of cake **after 9.15am Mass every Wednesday** in the St. John Paul II Room (room with tables and chairs to the right of the porch at the main Church entrance). *All are most welcome.*



Bingo:

Bingo takes place every Wednesday in the St. John Paul II Room. Doors open at 7.00 for 7.30pm.

All welcome to play for big prizes.

Presbyterian Church

Main Street, Lucan, Co. Dublin

Sunday Morning Worship: 11am.

(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: email: lucanpresbyterian@gmail.com

St Andrew's Church of Ireland

St Andrew's, Lucan:

Sunday: 9am and 10am. **Wednesday:** 10am

St Mary's, Leixlip:

Sunday: 11.30am. **Tuesday:** 10am

Services are available on our parish

Facebook pages: [St. Andrew's Church,](#)

[Lucan or St Mary's Church, Leixlip](#)

Medjugorje Mass 2023 St Mary Church, Lucan

Monday 10th July

Mass at 6.15pm

(Rosary and Confessions at 5.45pm)

Facebook Medjugorje mass lucan



Medjugorje Group Pilgrimage 2023

Direct flights from Dublin

18th October for 9 nights was €825 now €775.

Single room supplement €180.

18th October for 7 nights was €775 now €715.

Single room supplement €140.

Phone Pat Colgan on 087 2238911 or book through Marian Pilgrimages on 01 878 8159 (and say I'm going with Pat Colgan.

Acknowledgement

Madeleine (Gina) Coffey

The family of the late Madeleine (Gina) Coffey, Beech Park wish to thank all those who supported them at this sad time.

We would like to thank Dr. Lombard and all the staff at Lucan Medical Centre and the staff at St James's Hospital for their dedicated care and support.

We would also like to thank Fr. Ubaldo Muhindo, the parish staff, staff at Cunninghams Funeral Home, Spa Hotel and all those who helped us in Tipperary at the time of Madeleine's funeral. Also many thanks to all of Madeleine's dear family and friends and all who have supported us at this time.

Madeleine's Months Mind Mass will be held at St. Mary's Church, Lucan at 6:30pm on the 8th July 2023.

The Coffey Family.



Anniversaries

Frank Donnelly

2nd Anniversary

May the wind of Heaven blow softly
And whisper in your ear
How much we love and miss you
And wish that you were here.

Paula, Bren, Andrew, Rachel, Freya, and Harry x



Christy McCormack

12th Anniversary – 28th June

No matter how life changes
No matter what we do
A special place within our hearts
Is always kept for you

Always remembered by Kathleen, Neil and Alan
Anniversary Mass on Sunday 2nd July at 12 noon in St Patrick's Church, Esker



Thomas (Tom) McMorrow

5th Anniversary – 3rd July

Time cannot steal the treasures
That we carry in our hearts
Nor ever dim the shining thoughts
Our cherished past imparts
For memories of the ones,
We loved still cast a gentle glow
To grace our days and light our paths
Wherever we may go.

Forever in our hearts your loving wife Lena and family. xx



The Annual Cemetery Mass with the Blessing of Graves

at Esker Cemetery will take place on

Sunday September 3rd at 3pm

The collection taken at this Mass (*after the sound hire costs have been paid*) will be donated to our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross.



Koins for Kids

Koins for Kids have a target of €1,000,000 to raise funds for equipment in the New Children's

Hospital!

We accept all types of coinage and all types of notes, old money, new money, old notes, pre-decimal, foreign, anything you no longer have a use for and that might be lying in a drawer or a lint filled pocket of an old coat. We can make good use of it.

Contributions can be left in St Mary's Parish Centre, Lucan or the sacristy in St. Mary's Church.

Many thanks,

Damien Douglas, 0879519222.

Reminder.....

Lucan Newsletter Annual Block Ads

Renewal Notices have been issued for our Annual Block Advertisements.
(pages 8 and 13)

Thank you to those who have replied so far. Please remember the cut-off date for renewal is **Thursday 13th July 2023**

Bed in Summer

In winter I get up at night
And dress by yellow candle-light.
In summer, quite the other way,
I have to go to bed by day.



I have to go to bed and see
The birds still hopping on the tree,
Or hear the grown-up people's feet
Still going past me in the street.

And does it not seem hard to you,
When all the sky is clear and blue,
And I should like so much to play,
To have to go to bed by day?

By Robert Louis Stevenson



Blooming great idea!

Well done to whoever came up with this idea, at the Chapel Hill entrance to the Old Spa. The boring bollards have been given new heads of the floral kind.



Lucan certainly is looking very colourful these days. Hopefully, the Tidy Towns Judge will see it at its best.

Those branches and briars.....

We've mentioned it before in this column, but there are an enormous amount of protruding branches along most pathways in the area. Our Council workers need to take note. Another similar problem lies in the many housing estates where briars are hanging out through hedges, and over garden walls – becoming a real danger to pedestrians, and more so the ones at 'buggy-level'!

Check your greenery and snip back those sticky out bits

Wishing Billy Birnie
a very happy **90th Birthday**
this week.



*With love from Mark, Aisling,
Declan, Diane, grandchildren and
all the family.*

What a woman!

Lucan mother of 12 children, **Rosemary Murphy** (40), is going to study Medicine in September. Last Saturday's Irish Times carried an article about her and her endeavours, and then we heard her on the radio with Oliver Callan, on Monday morning. Rosemary must be one of the positive people on the face of the earth – nothing daunts her. She'll keep hammering away til she hits her target. Best of luck to her over the next six years, when she no doubt will become Dr. Rosemary Murphy.



Liffey Valley Gift Vouchers

Lots of people seem to be stuck with these vouchers this week. Hopefully, something will be sorted and all that hard-earned cash can be retrieved. We've noticed a couple of them in raffle prizes recently! Good luck to all!

Happy 11th Birthday

to

Tadhg Fitzgerald



in Melbourne, who
celebrates his big day
on 4th July.

Hope you have a great
day, Tadhg!

Love from all your
friends in Lucan!

Primrose Hill Garden

is open for

Summer Flowers

and also Tree Walks

Some 6 acres in all!



Top of Primrose Lane, Lucan.
Adults €6.00. Children free.

Open until Friday July 7th

and **Heritage Week**
August 12th – 20th

Palmerstown Camera Club

Last weekend at Palmerstown Camera Club we had our 14th end-of-year exhibition in the Parish Centre in Palmerstown. The exhibition was opened by Deputy Mayor Joanna Tuffy S.D.C.C. Image provided by Martin Devlin. At the exhibition we handed out our yearly awards and pictured below are some of the recipients, Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to our judges on the night Tony Murray Malahide Camera Club and Michael Linehan Celbridge Camera Club.

Mysterious Maiden - Kevin Naughton

Harvest Moon - Michael Church



During the month of July there will be a smaller scaled-down version of the exhibition in Lucan Library. At the library exhibition, you will be able to enter a competition to win a print by voting for your favourite image.



Scrum - Miriam Power



Hello Mister Cheakey - David Barrett

Over the summer months, we run photography outings to places like Pollardstown Fen, Nanny Cottage and Howth to mention just a few.

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 secpcc@mail.com

Ode to June 2023

Summer days when the pace of life slows to give a time of seeing and hearing the music of our beautiful landscape, and benevolent rainfall reinvigorates the earth in fitful deluge at times, and defused light of shaded walkways bathes passers-by in mosaic of colour

A recent Sunday walk in Lucan Demesne - we watched canoeists schooling and kayaks slalom, while a jazz twosome played on, near the swing gate.

The National Gallery's Exhibition of Lavinia Fortuna's paintings is a celebration of colour in fabric. Intricate lace and skin tones, her themes being mythical and religious.

A Merchant's House 17th – 18th century at 18 Ormond Quay has been restored by Graham Hickey and team of Dublin Civic Trust, so artisan crafts such as joinery, stonemasonry and plastering (Dublin wiggling), are much needed for future projects.....

Signage in elegant continuous scripts once enhanced the ancient façade as follows:

Adifferentkettleoffishaltogether

Mr. Mannix Flynn was a sometime resident of the property.

Saturday's visit to Olympia Theatre to see Becketts *Happy Days* with Siobhán McSweeney and Howard Teale as "Winnie and Willie" was a thoroughly happy and absorbing experience.... And offered respite from city heat!!!

Walking through the Wallace Italian Quarter "Blooms Lane" from the Centennial Bridge, we find Da Vinci's Las Supper with its Irish recreation. The developer commissioned artist John Byrne to progress the opus, to search for and find Dublin people of all colours and creeds to represent the invited ones (*not celebrities!*)

The tableau set against images of St. Michael and Johns Church (*now Smock Alley Theatre*), is produced in enamel on steel and placed at an alfresco dining area, the table is dressed with leaves of soda bread, fruit, a red teapot etc

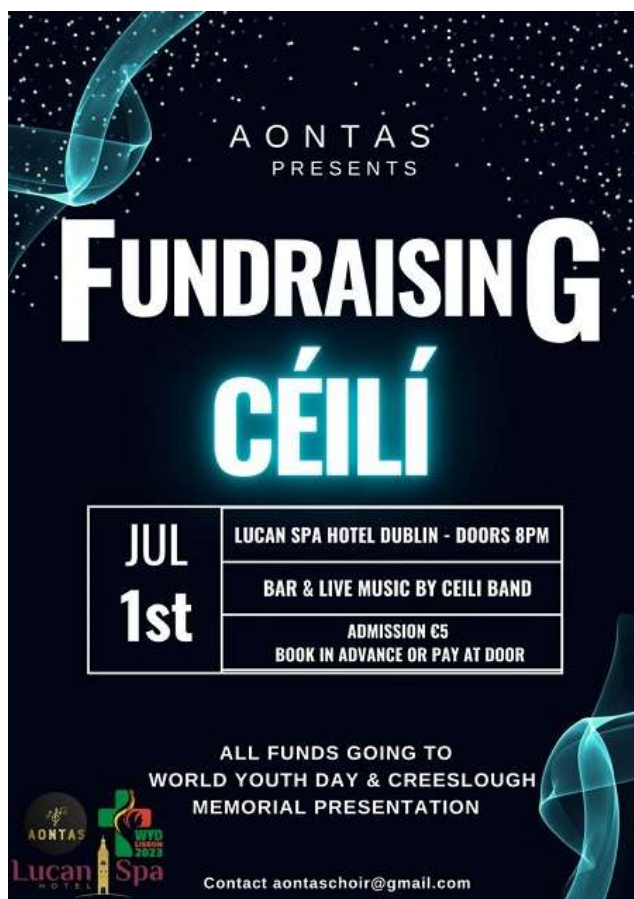
Meanwhile 4 groups of 3 participants are in dispute since Jesus has said "One of you will betray me".

Apostles are represented L-R by following people:

Bartholomew by Jude – a Tattoo Artist.
James the Less by Veronica – a Librarian.
Andrew by Eddie – from South Africa.
Judas by Frank – Actor and Mentor
Peter by Henry
John by Julie of Pavée Point
Jesus by Kulprect (Sikh) – Phd Student.
Thomas by Willie – an Ecologist
James the Great by Leighton – Student.
Phillip by Diana – a Student.
Matthew by Alan – Student D.I.T.
James the Great – by Leighton – Student
Philip – by Diana – a Student.
Matthew – by Alan – Student D.I.T.
Thaddeus by Alysius – a Building Worker
Sion by Michael – Systems Analyst.
Extra hand with paintbrush behind Judas is Jonathan

"Whatever matters to us this solstice season, start by saying thank you for this day"
(after Hope Horton) and gratitude to Fr. Paddy Byrne, Abbleyleix.

Brida L.C.






AONTAS PRESENTS

FUNDRAISING CÉILÍ

JUL 1st	LUCAN SPA HOTEL DUBLIN - DOORS 8PM
	BAR & LIVE MUSIC BY CEILI BAND
	ADMISSION €5 BOOK IN ADVANCE OR PAY AT DOOR

ALL FUNDS GOING TO
WORLD YOUTH DAY & CREESLOUGH
MEMORIAL PRESENTATION

Contact aontaschoir@gmail.com

Lucan Senior Citizens

Some of our members enjoying a recent lunch at Hermitage Golf Club.



LUCAN Festival

A popular event during Festival week are the two guided Village Historical Walks which will once again take place this year.

First one is Tues 5th September at 10am opposite Circle K garage and the second in car park opposite St Marys Church again at 10am.



However there has been requests for an extra walk in the evening so this year on Weds 6th September we will have one starting at 7pm at the bus stop opposite Circle K garage.

Adult Education Service

The Adult Education Service in Lucan Education Centre, on Esker Hill are currently enrolling for free and flexible part-time courses commencing in September 2023.

These Back to Education Initiative (BTEI) courses are at times to allow you to choose between one and four different subjects to fit around your busy life. Each subject is 4 hours, 1 morning per week. The following subjects are available in the autumn term:

Spanish for Beginners
Wellbeing
Introduction to Microsoft Excel
Working with Microsoft Word
Digital Presentation Skills
Reception and Frontline Office Skills
Developing Communication Skills
Payroll: Manual & Computerised
Medical Terminology



For more details, contact lizgaffney@ddletbaes.ie or call (01) 6283557.

Lucan Library

July Events

Please note:

1. All events and activities are free of charge.
2. All events are subject to change, but we will endeavour to keep any changes to the absolute minimum.
3. To register for events via Eventbrite, a valid email address is required.

Little History of Dublin - a talk by author Trevor White

Saturday 1st July 2.30pm

Author of the new book, *A Little History of Dublin*, Trevor White takes us through this speedy history which highlights the humour and humanity that make up Dublin's past. Suitable for Adults and Children 12+. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Booking essential: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/red-line-presents-a-little-history-of-dublin-with-trevor-white-tickets-629898993847>

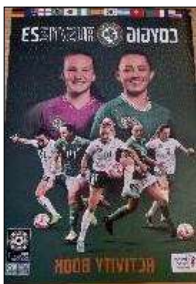


Summer Stars is back for all our junior library members! Ask at the

library desk for a Summer Stars Reading Card. Return your completed card when you have read 6 books and receive rewards for your summer reading! Let's get Lucan reading with Summer Stars!

Summer Activities for Children

We have lots of events on offer for children this July including Pottery Workshops; Arts and crafts; Dave's Jungle Reptile Show; Cool Food School Workshops; Anyone4Science Workshops and lots more. Booking is essential via Lucan Library Eventbrite. Ask at the library desk for a brochure or follow us on Lucan Library Eventbrite.



FAI Activity Booklet for Children

Ask at the library for your Activity Booklet celebrating the Women's World Cup this summer! This booklet is produced by the FAI and Libraries Ireland. Available at Lucan Library, ask at desk.



My Little Library Bag

Calling all children starting school in September 2023!! There is a free My Little Library Bag for all children starting school in September. Parents/Guardians are invited to bring the child to the library to collect their bag and get their first Library Card if they don't already have one. Parents/guardians, please bring your photo ID and proof of address.

Drop-In Chess Club for Children

Tuesdays from 10am. Chess players of all abilities welcome. Chess sets will be left out in the seminar room for players to use.

Coder Dojo Club. Learn to code, build a website or create an app or game with our new monthly Coder Dojo group for ages 8 – 17. No previous coding experience needed, just enthusiasm! Those aged 8-12 must be accompanied by an adult. Starting Wednesday 19th July 3.30pm – 4.30pm.

Heartstopper: Join us for a watch party of our favourite YA book-to-screen adaptation, Heartstopper by Alice Oseman! 1 day, 8 episodes, popcorn included! For ages 12+ (Young Adult Library Members). Saturday 29th July 10.30am – 3.30pm.

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

Lucan Library Classic Film Club: Tuesday 25th July at 5.30pm. All welcome, enquire at library desk.

Lucan Library Book Clubs:

Wednesday 26th July, 7pm, reading *The Coroners Daughter* by Andrew Hughes
Junior Book Club, Wednesday 26th July 3.30pm, reading *Wildflower Girl* by Marita Conlon-McKenna.

Lucan Library Scrabble Club: Tuesday 11th July, 11am - all welcome.

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

Exhibitions:

Palmerstown Camera Club (library walls) & Dublin Landmarks (library landing).

You can follow Lucan Library or South Dublin Libraries on Facebook to see all library events across South Dublin County.

POLITICAL NOTES

Politicians Please Note:

Canvassing in any form is not allowed in Lucan Newsletter. Each candidate in the upcoming 2024 Local Elections will be permitted to announce their candidature just once in their notes to this Newsletter.

Gino Kenny TD - People Before Profit

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

New W4, W61 and W62 Bus Routes: I welcome the new W4 bus which will take passengers from Tallaght via Grange Castle, Lucan, and Liffey Valley to Blanchardstown. The W61 will run from Maynooth to Hazelhatch and the W62 will run from Newcastle to Tallaght. It was originally envisioned that W6 would run from Maynooth all the way to Tallaght, however the road between Hazelhatch and Newcastle is too narrow according to the NTA. Many people have contacted our office about a bus service from Lucan to Blanchardstown. Many people attend the hospital in Blanchardstown and with the new W4 route it means that they can get the bus to and from the hospital.

Joint Committee on Assisted Dying: Last week I was nominated to be Leas-Chathaoiríeach of the JCAD. I want to thank Emer Higgins TD for the nomination.

Joanna Tuffy – Labour

Councillor for Lucan Electoral Area

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A new Deputy Mayor is taking over from me this week: They are elected by South Dublin County Council at its Annual General Meeting. It has been a great honour to have been Deputy Mayor of the Council for the past year. I have enjoyed the role so much. There is fantastic work being done in our community by local groups and clubs and individuals, and I got to meet many of those involved, and to see the work being done, at first hand. I would like to thank residents and groups for their courtesy and hospitality to me when I attended local events during my term as Deputy Mayor. I am also very grateful for support and well wishes I have received. Congratulations and best of luck to the incoming Mayor, Deputy Mayor and the new Chair of the Lucan Palmerstown and North Clondalkin Area Committee.

Cllr. Paul Gogarty

"Not just at election time" Tel: 087-2752489.

Web: www.paulgogarty.com

Sarsfield Park housing proposal: At Tuesday's Area Committee meeting Cllrs O'Toole, O'Connell and I requested a site meeting with officials and Councillors to discuss the revised plans. Our proposal was rejected as Cllrs Casserly, O'Brien, Johansson, Tuffy voted against! See webcast debate online (motion 25) and make up your own mind.

Finnstown Castle Homeless Accommodation:

Met with some of the residents in advance of my motion to get updates on complaints previously made about current structures in place at this location which provides emergency accommodation for several hundred people including at least 70 children. SDCC agreed to establish a liaison structure to deal with issues as they arise; awaiting further details.

Litter issues: Good discussion on issues in and around the Griffeen area. Hopefully there will be an improvement in service levels. People need to take personal responsibility also.

Emer Higgins TD – Fine Gael

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Liffey Valley Gift Cards: Thousands of customers will be inconvenienced by a recent announcement that leaves them unable to spend their gift cards in Liffey Valley. These gift cards represent real and hard-earned money and it would be absolutely unacceptable for customers to lose out. I am calling on the retailers and shopping centres impacted to immediately find a way to honour existing gift cards and asking the Competition and Consumer Protection Commission to intervene and work with impacted retailers and shopping centres to find a way to honour all existing cards.

W4 Bus Route: Bus Connects is delivering orbital routes in order to provide connections between suburbs, without having to travel into the city centre. The W4 Route commenced last week connecting Blanchardstown to Tallaght via Liffey Valley, The Penny Hill and Foxborough Rise.

Political Notes continued over.....

July is the seventh month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars and is the fourth of seven months to have a length of 31 days. It was named by the Roman Senate in honour of Roman general Julius Caesar in 44 B.C., it being the month of his birth.

Political Notes *continued....*

Cllr. Vicki Casserly PC – Fine Gael

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Permeability:

At this week's Lucan Area Committee, I requested the manager supports improved permeability by installing an additional pathway at the location of Esker Road Crossing.

Age Friendly County:

I requested the possibility of implementing a trishaw project in Griffithen Park, similar to the success of Dodder Valley Acknowledging the following would need to be considered 1. A volunteer team 2. A team leader for administration, bookings, storage, maintenance, volunteer training 3. Storage, Lucan leisure centre might be an option.

It was a great privilege to be invited to Aras an Uachtarain in recognition and alongside, the many women's advocates forging and nurturing relationships, discussion and mobilising for change that is often invisible alongside Senator Emer Currie who is instrumental and influential in cross border conversations. The greatest honour to be part of the day.

Caroline Brady – Fine Gael

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Fair Deal:

I've received several enquiries regarding the Fair Deal Scheme, specifically eligibility criteria, financial assessment, and calculating your contribution towards nursing home costs. To assist you, I created a spreadsheet with worked examples. You can download the examples from my website www.CarolineBrady.com, or if you prefer, contact me directly.

Fair Deal: Rental Income:

The assessment rate for rental income has also changed. If you are considering renting your primary residence you can now keep 60% of the rent earned, increase from 20%.

Let's talk / need assistance -

Advice Clinic every Saturday
2pm Online Zoom

Meeting www.zoom.com use ID:

821 7850 1056 Passcode: 613506
or join by phone (01) 6533895.

Alternatively, I am available on my mobile.



Na Gaeil Óga CLG

Foireann Iománaíochta A

Bhí bua cuimsitheach ag na hIománaithe A lena háit sa chluiche ceannais ardú céime a chinntiú. Bhí sár-taispéantas ann ó Jamie Ó

hUidhrínn i lár na páirce, Michael Twomey ag lán-táca agus Naoise de Bhaldraithe sna tosaithe.

Beidh na lads ag iarraidh a ndara ardú céime as a chéile a bhaint amach i gcóinne Tomas Daibhís an seachtain seo chugainn. De réir a chéile a thógfar an chaislén.

Go Ahead Adult Hurling League
Division Six

DATE	VENUE	TIME
04 Jul	Kiltipper Road	19:30

THOMAS DAVIS
VS
NA GAEIL ÓGA



DODSBORO GOLFERS
ANNUAL OUTING

Venue : Lucan Golf Club
Date : Friday 25th August
Tee Time : 14:00 - 16:00
Entry Fee €40 Per Person (Golf & food)
Members & Visitors Welcome
Contact Joe Curtis (089-425-4684)



Cumann na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin



Hurling: Several Lucan teams were in action this week as the adult hurling leagues reached the concluding stages. The seniors came from behind to draw with St Jude's at the 12th Lock on Wednesday evening and the Intermediates had a good win over St Brigids in Russell Park on Sunday morning. Meanwhile the Junior As secured second place in the league and a home promotion playoff with wins over St Peregrines (Tuesday) and Trinity Gaels (Sunday). The Junior Cs were beaten by Castleknock on Thursday night.

However, events on the field this week were overshadowed by the very sad news of the passing of baby Brógan Swords, son of Junior hurler Tiernán Swords. All in the Club extend our condolences to Tiernán, Debby and all their family.

Coiste na nÓg / Juvenile: The Club is delighted to see our U13B Camogie crowned champions of Division 6.



National Camogie Feile: Our U15 Camogie team made the long journey to the Connacht Centre of excellence in Began Co Mayo on Saturday last to take part in the Division One Camogie National Feile. The tournament which involved 8 clubs divided into 2 groups of 4 teams. Lucan Sarsfields were drawn into the 2 group along with Boherlahan/Dualla (Tipperary), Newtownshandrum (Cork) and Duffry Rovers (Wexford).



AHL1 Lucan Sarsfields 1-18, St Judes 1-18.

12th Lock, Wednesday 21/6/2023: Lucan seniors showed commendable resolve to fight back from 7 points down with 10 minutes to play to secure a draw against a tough St Judes side. However, it is a game Lucan should have won well as they had the lion's share of possession and shot 21 wides on the night.

AHL4 St Brigids 2-15 Lucan Sarsfields 2-24.

Russell Park, Sunday 25/6/2023: Lucan Intermediates travelled to Russell Park for their final league game needing to win and another result to go their way to secure a promotion playoff place in Division 4.



Summer Camps: Our advanced camps concluded this week organised by our GPO Alan who arranged a fantastic program for the greater than 100 attendees. We had plenty of surprise coaches during the 3 days. Day one commenced with Sean Bugler, Lorcan O'Dell, Stephen O'Shaughnessy, Johnny McGlynn and Jay Perry imparting their wealth of knowledge and skills. Day two saw our own Daire Newcombe attend to work on some defensive skills for our future club stars. The final day we had [Lucan MMA](#) and [Lucan Harriers](#) work on our strength and conditioning, we are very grateful to both clubs for extending their expertise to our younger members. We have plenty of pics and videos on the socials for everyone to recap on the excellent week.

Golf Classic

We would like to extend our thanks to all our sponsors and all the 60 teams that competed on the day for the smashing prizes. The Golf Committee did some fantastic work in the preceding weeks before the event and have raised some vital funds for the club development.

Lotto

No Winner of last week's Lotto Prize of €20,000. The Numbers were 15, 16, 18, 28. The lucky dip prizes go to, Niamh Clandillon, Shane Biggs, Deidre Stapleton, Conor Gallagher and John McGivney.

Next week's Lotto will be for a jackpot of €20,000. The draw is sponsored by Red Island Interiors and will be led by Mary Flannery.

*Thank You for supporting
Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club.*

SPORTS

LUCAN HARRIERS A.C.

Connacht Championship

At the Connacht Championship in Athlone Katrina Power continued her very successful year with gold in the Weight for Distance, silver in Shot Putt and another silver in Discus. Meanwhile Pearse Carberry putting all his dedicated training to good use by capturing Silver in both the Javelin and discus. #morethanarunningclub

The track and field season continued with the latest meeting taking place one of Dublin's three new running tracks. The DCU managed Morton Stadium in Santry hosted the meeting on Wednesday 21st June.



Congratulations to Dylan Wright who got Bronze in the Dublin 500m championship in a time of 15.41.



We also had Dylan Dooley running his 2nd 800m race in a fantastic time of 2.12 and Ana Barbu running a very respectable 2.41 800m. Other Lucan participants on the night were Breda Smyth, Brian Carroll, John Healy, John Flanagan and Alex O'Brien.



Multi discipline event: Will Byrne raced the Metalman half Ironman on Saturday in Tramore. Due to safety the swim was cancelled which just left a windy/hilly 90km bike and a tough hilly 21km run! Will rode strongly in the bike leg and made steady progress in the hilly run managing to run 1.33 which left him 31st overall and 2nd overall in his age category.'

Clonee 10K: The Clonee 10K organised by Dunboyne AC attracted over 350 runners and walkers including two Lucan Harriers. Patrick Holden 37.38
Henry Langton 45.41

Corkagh Park 5 mile: The Dublin Marathon preparation has well and truly started. The first race of the Marathon series, The Irish Life Corkagh Park 5 mile took place on Sunday 18th of June and had plenty of Lucan Harriers interest. A very warm Sunday morning, there was nothing easy about this course with plenty of Corkagh Park hills included on the course. Well done to all the Lucan harriers who wore the red and black. Robert Clarke - 30:49/ Eamon Ryan - 31:51/ Emmet Quinn - 33:41/ Derek Tomney - 34:51/ Dan Collins - 34:51/ Mark Sheridan 36:30/ Tony Keaney - 38:45/ Ciaran Deery - 40:13/ Martin O Keffe - 42:28/ Donna McGrath - 41:30/ Edel Smyth Graham - 44:32 / Irene Foley - 45:32/ Amanda Breen - 53:56/ Kim Jones - 52:28/ Jody Young - 54:33 / Amanda Ryan - 56:56 / Josephine Dignam - 1:09:04.

Fiat Lucan Harriers 5 mile race Sunday

3rd September: Preparation for our 5-mile race continues and entries are now picking up. We have had great interest in the couch25mile initiative. With almost 30 people signing up for this so far, entries still open for this. For €50 you get race entry, a race tee, a 10-week training programme on the track on Monday and Thursday and Lucan Harriers membership until 31st Dec 2023. It's fantastic value, not surprising we have had great interest. You can preregister for this or turn up on the night and ask for Vinny or John.

Further details on the Lucan Harriers website and social media channels, also see myrunresults



St. Mary's Camera Soirée

The camera soiree has shut up shop for the summer holidays and will be back in the Parish Centre in September refreshed and all set to prepare for the group's 11th photographic exhibition in November. It was great to have Don and Paddy back last week at the meeting of the group.

Donal submitted some more photos, one of Cobh and more from his recent holiday in France and Spain including some taken of Spanish musicians

at the Cherry festival in Ceret. This weekend festival takes place at the end of May each year. I particularly like the monochrome one of the Tuba Player – hard work in the heat!



Josie sent in photos of flowers from her garden including her first Sunflower.



Frances sent in an interesting one – of Taghadoo round tower Maynooth. Taghadoo which is situated about 5km from Maynooth off the Straffan Road is the site of an ancient monastic settlement.

The site also includes a graveyard and the ruins of a 19th-century church. An abbot of Clonmacnoise was responsible for founding the monastic settlement and the site dates back to the 6th century.

The round tower was used for about 1000 years, but was left in ruins by the 17th century. The early church was built in 1831 and abandoned 40 years later.

The Round Tower and church are national monuments in State care.

Stay safe until next week!