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Sunday 11th September 2022

Follow your dream.....

Congratulations to all the students who have just received their Leaving Cert results.

According to the school reports in this issue, there are some very high achievers here in Lucan. Well done to them!

It's amazing to look at the list of careers they aspire to – there are jobs out there these days that just didn't exist ten years ago, such is the progress in technology etc.

If you are not one of those high achievers, don't worry! Us elder lemons can speak from experience, and say that no matter what the result, there is a place for everyone in this world. We're all brilliant at something!

A few things to remember:

1. The past cannot be changed
2. Opinions don't define your reality
3. Everyone's journey is different
4. Things always get better with time
5. Judgements are a confession of character
6. Overthinking will lead to sadness
7. Happiness is found within
8. Positive thoughts create positive things
9. Smiles are contagious
10. Kindness is free
11. You only fail if you quit
12. What goes around comes around

Aontas -

Aontas Youth Choir from St. Patrick's Parish, provided the singing when Fr. Pius celebrated Mass on RTE1, on Sunday last.

Musical Director, Adam Hodgkinson had the young people in top form with the most beautiful of

harmonies. They were a joy to listen to, and can be heard at the 9am Sunday Mass in St. Patrick's.



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

Back to school clothing and footwear allowance. The closing date is Friday 30th September, 2022.

Help with the cost of living

Prices have risen this year and you may be struggling to pay for the everyday things you need to support yourself and your family.

This page has advice on some of the supports that are available and information about how you can manage your money

Claiming social welfare

Housing costs

Childcare and back to school

Energy costs

Public transport reductions

Managing your income

Information is available on our website at Help with the cost of living (citizensinformation.ie)

Asylum seeker

An asylum seeker is a person who has left their country and is seeking protection in another country. Asylum seekers are also called international protection applicants.

Seeking asylum is a human right. When you ask for asylum at the border of a country, that country's authorities must examine your application. If you ask for asylum in Ireland, you must make an application for international protection. While you are waiting for a decision

on your application, the Irish State gives you accommodation, food and medical care. You are entitled to legal aid to help you with your application and appeals (if needed).

When your application has been processed, you may be either:

Declared a refugee

Granted subsidiary protection status

Granted permission to remain for humanitarian reasons

Refused international protection

You can appeal a refusal to the International Protection Appeals Tribunal.

While your application for international protection is being processed in Ireland, you have certain rights and duties under the International Protection Act 2015.

Rights of international protection applicants

You must be given the opportunity to present your case fully, unless your application is inadmissible or is dealt with under the EU Dublin Regulation.

Your application must be assessed fairly and you should be treated with dignity and respect throughout the process.

Staying in Ireland and accommodation

You can stay in Ireland while your application is being processed.

The International Protection Accommodation Services (IPAS) will give you somewhere to stay, and your meals will be provided for you. You are entitled to a daily expense allowance while you are waiting for your application to be finalised. More information on these matters is available on Rights and duties of asylum seekers in Ireland (citizensinformation.ie)

Feel Like Acting Up?

Following a deserved break after a very successful run of 'Playboy of the Western World' drama is on its way back to Lucan. Lucan Drama Group will be staging a number of 1 Act plays at the Spa Hotel, this November.



If you are interested in reading for a role, helping with lights/sound, set design or front of house why not come along to one of our auditions/open evenings on **Monday Sept. 12th** or **Wednesday Sept. 14th at 7.30pm** at the **Spa Hotel**.

We are always happy to welcome new members and who knows, it could "be the beginning of a beautiful friendship". If you have any questions, contact David at 085-7149623.



Lucan Active Retirement Association

Our club reopened on Thursday 8th September and we're glad to be back meeting everyone after a good Summer break.

We meet on Thursdays in St Andrew's Parish Centre, Main Street, Lucan from 11.30 am to 2.30 pm.

You are welcome to attend one of our meetings, we have bowling, Scrabble and cards or you can just have a chat. Light refreshments are served. Please wear a mask if you are more comfortable doing so.

Best wishes to all involved in the Lucan Festival.

First Holy Communion

We send special good wishes to

Tadhg Fitzgerald

Who will receive his First Holy Communion in Melbourne, Australia, this Sunday 11th September.

We hope you have a lovely day!

From all your friends in Lucan



Lucan Senior Citizens

The club re-opens on **Wednesday 14th September** 10.20 – 12.30, in St. Marys Parish Centre. We look forward to welcoming everyone back after the holidays. New members welcome.

Mother & Toddler Group

Starting back on

Thursday 15th September
in St. Mary's Parish Centre,
from **9.30am to 11.30am.**

Note: New Start Time!



PLEASE NOTE!

Due to pressure of space in this week's issue, it has been necessary to hold some items over for next week's edition.

Society for Old Lucan (SOL)

SOL is the **local history group** for Lucan; open to everyone. Free to join - email OldLucan@gmail.com to be added to our members' mailing list where full details of projects are shared.

Facebook group; "*Society for Old Lucan (SOL)*" & Twitter: @Soc4OldLucan. Website: <https://soc4oldlucan.wordpress.com/>



LUCAN FESTIVAL 2022

We are delighted and excited about being one of the many participating groups in Lucan Festival '22!

Saturday 10th September

Visit our SOL stand on Saturday, 10th September in Lucan Demesne, at the medieval church on the left, as you go up the drive.

You'll be able to:

Follow our self-guiding history tour around the grounds of Lucan Demesne

Meet some characters from Lucan's history (Patrick Sarsfield, Elizabeth Vesey, and more) at various times during the day

View a never-before seen digital copy of the household accounts book of Agmondisham Vesey*, owner of Lucan House in the 18th Century. *SOL fundraising (calendar sales '21) paid for this work to be digitised from archives in the US and emailed to us!*

View a range of replica weapons from medieval to the 17th century with Darren Tully

Chat to us and ask us questions about Lucan's history

SOL 2023 fundraising calendar will be on sale – limited print run, get yours for Christmas gifts now, still 10 euro each

** If you are interested in joining a small transcription project to transcribe this exciting new document that will give insight into the running of Lucan House and Demesne in the 18th C, please let us know?*

Sunday 11th September

We'll be present in the old graveyard of the Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary (rear of O'Neill's) for the Sunday festival day, with a **self-guiding history tour** for people to follow, and information about the site.

We will have **SOL 2023 calendars for sale** also on Sunday, unless they've sold out the day previous.

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 are live-streamed on

www.lucanparish.com

Thank You: A big thank you to Chadwicks of Lucan for lending us trestles and planks for the Cemetery Mass last Sunday.

Billy



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

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

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

Deepest Sympathy to the family and friends of *Vera Knowles (nee Graham)*, formerly The Square, Lucan.

May she rest in peace.



St. Vincent de Paul –

Church collection at all Masses

THIS

Saturday/ Sunday 10th/11th September.

Many thanks for your generosity.

Call-out for Coffee Dock Volunteers

On weekday mornings (10.00 am to 12 noon) and the Parish Hall on Sundays.

If you are willing to help out, please let **Deirdre Dowling** know, by phone 01-6217041 (9.30am-2pm except Thursdays) or by email at secretary@lucanparish.com.

St. Patrick's Esker/ Dodsboro/Adamstown

www.stpatrickslucan.ie

Sunday Masses:

Vigil Saturday 7pm,

Sunday: 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon.

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.

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday at 10am.

All Masses livestreamed at stpatrickslucan.ie

St Patrick's Prayer Meeting:

Meeting returns on Monday 12th

September in the Pastoral Centre (side of St Patrick's Church) from 7.30pm to 8.15pm.



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](#)

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

Adoration and Holy Hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon: 7.30pm: Divine Mercy Adoration
Thurs: 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.

Lucan 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: e-mail: lucanpresbyterian@gmail.com
telephone: +353 (0)1 628 0217



Anam Cara South Dublin,
the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it's

monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Monday 12th September at 7:15pm in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown Way, Tallaght.** This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.



Lucan ICA

Monday 12th September:

Crafts Ladies meet from 10am till 12.30pm in the Main Hall of St Mary's Parish Centre.

Tea Hostesses: Nuala Corbett and Mary Skelly.

It was lovely to see so many of our ladies back on Monday working away on their various projects. Pauline is beginning a class in Macrame Making a plant pot holder (hanging) beginning next Monday.

We welcome new lady Helen, hope she'll be very happy with us.



Free 7-week Zoom course on growing in Christian prayer

Bayside Alpha are running a free 7-week Zoom course on growing in Christian prayer, starting on Wednesday the 21st of September at 7.30pm. The course consists of a one hour weekly meeting on Zoom which includes a video presentation, a time for sharing for anyone who wishes to, and short Scriptures to reflect on at home.

The following themes are covered in the course: The purpose of prayer, How to pray with confidence, The pattern for prayer: The Our Father, Praying for a breakthrough, How to pray in a crisis, Why doesn't God always answer the first time I pray?

If you'd like to take part in the course please email Paul at alphabayside@gmail.com

The Men for Christ Conference 2022

A Catholic Conference for Men will be **LIVE & EXCLUSIVE** on Radio Maria Ireland

Saturday 17th September from 2pm.

Speakers for this year's Conference are: Fr. Jamie Twohig SAC, John Pridmore, David Quinn and Fr. Marius O'Reilly.

Pilgrimages - Medjugorje 2022

Depart 19th October
6 nights. €685.00. 8 nights €745.00 p.p.s
Call Marian Pilgrimages Tel: 01 878 8159
Please say I'm going with PAT COLGAN
Mob: 087 223 8911.

Anniversaries

CAREY (SHANE and ALAN)

1st Anniversary, Shane 7th Sept, Alan 13th Sept.

Forever young. First year away from home.
Our much-loved sons, brothers, uncles and Dad,
partner and children.

Forever in our hearts, missed every single day.

There is a path of beautiful memories

From here to Heaven above

That keeps us very close to you Shane and Alan

It's called the path of love

And down that path of memory

We gently tread today

All our thoughts are with you sons

As life goes on its way

As life goes on without you both

And days turn into years

They hold a thousand memories

And a million silent tears

What it's meant to lose you both

Only God alone will know.

*Love and miss you forever Shane and Alan from
your heartbroken Mam, Dad, brothers, sisters,
nephews, nieces and Shane's partner and
children xxxxxxxx*



LAMBE (PATRICK)

20th Anniversary – 8th September

May the winds of Heaven blow softly

And whisper in your ear

How much we love and miss you

And wish that you were here.

Always in our hearts from Mam and Joyce

MEENAN (PAM)

9th Anniversary – 9th September

A daily thought, a silent tear,

A constant wish

That you were here.

Love always, John, Anna, Claire and family

MOFFETT (KEVIN)

9th September

A special Dad, Grandad and Great-Grandad.

Dad, you are always in our thoughts

And are missed every day.

Kevin, Olive, Anne and families



R.I.P.

MURPHY (NORA – nee HALPIN)

Late of Westmanstown, Lucan.

Passed away peacefully on 2nd September in
London, surrounded by her family.

May she rest in peace.

Birthday Remembrances

CAREY (ORLA) 50th Birthday – 12th Sept

Forever young. Our much loved and missed
daughter, sister, aunty and grand aunt, Orla.

Oh what we would give if we could say

We are having a party for Orla today

Her special one, 50th Orla

You would be the life and soul of it

As you always were

What we would give to clasp your hand

Your happy face to see

To hear your voice, to see your smile

That meant the world to me

This is your special birthday Orla

We are sending a dove to Heaven

With a parcel on its back

Filled with lots of beautiful things

To wish you a happy 50th birthday

Lots of hugs and kisses

Lord look around your garden

Please pick the reddest rose

Place them in Orla's arms and tell her

They're sent with all our love

And we miss her so much

Happy birthday sweetheart

Hope you are having a big party up there

Look after Ray, Shane and Alan for me

Not forgetting you're Man United man, Dan

Until we meet again.

*Miss and love you forever, your heartbroken
Mam, Dad, brothers, sisters, nephews, nieces,
grand-nephews and grand-nieces xxxx*

MULDOWNEY (NEILL)

45th Birthday – 8th September

The world changes from year to year

Our lives from day to day

But the love and memory of you

Shall never pass away.

*Love always from Mam, Dad, Paula, Nicola,
Liam and families xxxx*

GRIFFIN (JOHN – JOHNNY)

84 years - 12th September 2022

“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”

'Happy Birthday Da'.

*Still greatly missed and always remembered by
his wife Lil, children - Anne, Claire, Ed and John,
his brothers Joe, Eddie, sister Nancy and all his
extended family and friends with lots of love
especially from his grandchildren, Saoirse, Finn
and Molly who miss their Grandad up in Heaven
xxx*

Palmerstown Camera Club

Congratulations to Gillian Cully who won the “Win a Print Draw” at Lucan Library. Gillian chose Lorna Carney’s “Tunnel of Light” image to have printed and framed. The presentation took place at the library on 31 August 22.



Lorna Carney P.C.C. and Gillian Cully

Palmerstown Camera Club had a very successful exhibition of over 30 images for the month of July. The images were a selection of members work and the Library reported that they received very positive feedback on the images. We welcome photographers of all skill levels but would love to encourage more novice/beginner photographers to join us and help reach their potential.

Palmerstown Camera Club offer an **Introduction to Photography Course** cost €110 and is suitable for beginners and people with a little knowledge of photography. The course is conducted over a six week period each Wednesday evening commencing early October. Time: 7 to 8 pm with a Saturday or Sunday morning practice day.

The course will cover:

You and your camera.

How to achieve a properly exposed image.

What makes a good photo.

Practice morning at the end of the course

Participants are entitled to attend all the clubs meetings workshops and outings for a full year.

Contact the club secretary to book your place.

The club meet every Wednesday from September to June in the Parish Hall in Palmerstown at 8pm.

Contact us on our

website www.palmerstowncameraclub.com or email our Club Secretary at secpcc@mail.com

Political Notes

Gino Kenny TD - People Before Profit

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

Cost of Living Coalition Campaign Public Meeting:

Wednesday September 14th 7pm

Ballyowen Community Centre Lucan.

The cost of living is at crisis levels. Energy costs have doubled in the past year. A national demonstration will take place on the 24th September in Dublin City Centre.

Lucan People Before Profit Branch Meeting:

Monday 12th September 8pm.

Adamstown Community Centre.

The Lucan branch of PBP will be meeting every fortnight from the above date. If you would like to get involved with the branch please contact me.

Liona O'Toole – Independent Peace Commissioner

087-2795274. lotoole@clrs.sdublincoco.ie

www.lotoole.com

Part 8 Active Travel Schemes:

Grand Canal to Lucan Urban Greenway plan is now out for public consultation these plans are available to view on South Dublin County Council portal.

Maynooth to Leixlip project:

I attended a brief this week to discuss the plans to introduce a pilot scheme along the M4/N4. This was presented to us by Kildare County Council. The aim of the project is to assess the needs of the M4/N4 mainline corridor and junctions from Maynooth to Leixlip (junction 5) in terms of operational efficiency and safety. Additionally, it aims to assess alternative transport modes or routes within the study area. A Bus Priority Mode (BPM) lane will be part of design. This concept is new and should it be successful, this new design along a motorway will be the first in the country. Further updates will follow.

Congratulations

To **Alice and Anthony Cullen** who celebrated their **50th Wedding Anniversary** on September 2nd.





Festival Fever has reached us. Let's hope that the rain doesn't dampen things too much over the weekend.



We're off to the fireworks at the weir on Friday night, and then Saturday we'll be taking in the joys of the grounds of Lucan House, courtesy of His Excellency, Ruggero Corrias. Tickets (€6) will be available at the gate – children accompanied by adults are free.

Sunday will be jam-packed with all kinds of goings-on in the village – make sure to look in on the Garda exhibition celebrating 100 years of the force.

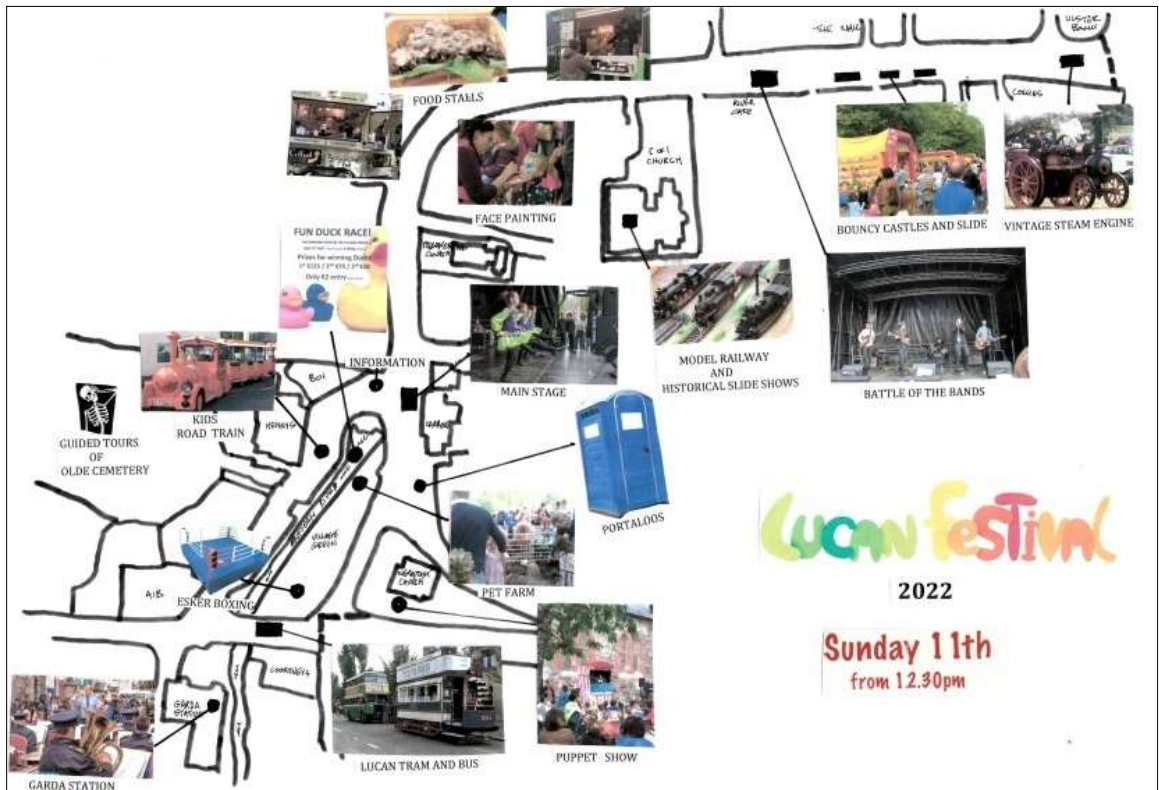
Fingers crossed for the weather!

The God's certainly smiled on Lucan Harriers 5 Mile Run on Sunday last. It was great to watch such an exciting group of athletes take part. It was worth putting up with road closures for a couple of hours for such an event. Well done to all!

SOL Calendar – Another lovely production by the Society for Old Lucan once again. With photos of lots of local sites, some less familiar than others, it comes in wall or desk format.



On sale at Lucan Library, and we gather they will be available at the Festival over the weekend.



Storm Names 2022 – 2023
This year's list includes the following:
Antoni, Betty, Cillian, Daisy, Elliot, Fleur, Glen, Hendrika, Íde, Johanna, Khalid, Loes, Mark, Nelly, Owain, Priya, Ruadhán, Sam, Tobias, Val, Wouter.



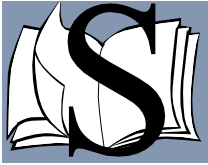
The names are drawn up by the Irish, British and Dutch Met Services. Interestingly, the list which does not use any names beginning with Q, U, X, Y or Z.

Those lights.....

We might be getting a bit ahead of ourselves at this time of year, but it's beginning to sound as though the Christmas lights of 2022 will be the least of our worries.

I recall older people talking about burning pieces of furniture to keep themselves warm during 'the emergency' – WW2. The thing is that these days, many homes no longer have fireplaces.

We'll all be sporting the woolly jumpers and thermals in an effort to keep warm.



Lucan Community College

New School Year 2022-23: We welcome all our current students back to Lucan Community College for the new school year. This year our school theme is 'Care' and we hope that we can demonstrate and show care to one another throughout the year ahead.

Class of 2022: Congratulations to the Class of 2022 upon receiving their Leaving Cert results. Students managed a very challenging time over the past two years and showed their friendship, community spirit and support for each other throughout their time in school. They thoroughly deserve these fantastic results. Principal Ms Birnie and Deputy Principals Mr Brett and Ms Malone offered particular congratulations to top Leaving Certificate achievers this year including: Yasmin Aminou and Diarmuid Keher (who achieved maximum points - 625) with Andreea Vasiloi, Marius Furtig Ryttagger and Ronak Pathak all achieving over 600 points. 50% of our 144 students achieved over 400 points and many students achieved personal best results in some of their subjects.



We remind students who may not have achieved their desired results to engage in the viewing and appeal process through the Calculated Grades Portal and to seek advice from career guidance counsellors and support agencies as there are many paths open to students. We wish our graduates very best of good luck in the future.

Admission 1st Year 2023: The Admission process for 1st year 2023 will begin on 1st October with the updated Admission policy and Admission Notice published on our website shortly before then and application forms available from our prioritised primary schools and on our website. Our Open Day takes place on Tuesday 4th October 2.45-4.45pm this year. Further details will be on our website closer to the date.



Caretaker Tony Ralph retires after long career

Keys jangling, a smile and a kind word for everyone, a mischievous grin and love of a practical joke and a willingness to help anyone who needed it. These are just some of the characteristics that Lucan Community College will miss about our long time caretaker Tony Ralph. Tony brought a sense of fun to the workplace, enjoying a laugh and practical joke with his colleagues. He worked long hours, sometimes staying 14 hours in the college from opening time until the end of Evening classes when he was the sole caretaker. Wishing Tony the best of good health and happiness in his retirement.

Adult Education & After School Classes

10 week Autumn term starting 19th/20th September - Enrolment Online or on 13th September in the school. All information is available on our website lucancc.ie

Coláiste Phádraig CBS

Leaving Cert Results: Congratulations to all of our Leaving Cert students who received their exam results on Friday 2nd September. The results were issued directly to students through the State Examinations Commission's candidate self-service online Student portal at 10am

We would like to sincerely congratulate the class of 2022 on their excellent results this year. The school management and teachers were very happy with the grades as there were a high number of H1s achieved in all subjects.

Four of our students attained over 600 points with Ahmed Alshahrabally achieving the maximum of 625 points. He can be pretty confident of getting his 1st CAO choice of Law in Trinity College now!



James Ryan, Abdullah Khan and Ahmed Alshahrabally with proud principal Mr. Brady after attaining over 600 points in their Leaving Cert 2022

An additional 24 students got over 500 points while another 28 students got over 400 points.

This means that well over 50% of our LC students attained over 400 points this year.

The uptake of Higher Level in all subjects was in line with, and in many cases exceeded, the national averages. This reflects the sustained effort in recent years from Subject Departments to encourage as many students as possible to push themselves and stick at HL for longer.

Of course, it was not all about the high achievers on Results Day. The Learning Support Department are especially proud of the achievements of the students who they worked with over the years. Every student that availed of Learning Support passed their Leaving Cert in style this year. Their impressive grades were a true testament to the persistence, determination, resilience and application of each student. The class of 2022 can finally breathe a well-earned sigh of relief easy now and reflect on a job well done!

The first round of CAO offers will be made available to applicants online from 2pm on Thursday of this week. The 2nd round of offers will be available online from Monday 19th September at 10am.

Student news: We were delighted to welcome back our students last week to a much more normal school environment. Although the enhanced cleaning regimes in operation in the school as a result of Covid will remain in place this year, the general day-to-day experiences of the students is much more in line with pre-Covid school days with teacher-based classrooms and full movement of students throughout the school without the need for social distancing.

Sport is making a full return this year much to the delight of students and mentors alike!

The students have also been getting used to having lockers again with over 600 colourful lockers placed strategically around the school for their benefit. Locker areas can obviously become very crowded very quickly at peak times but the students are to be commended on being patient, mannerly and respectful as they learn to adapt to the correct locker etiquette and abide by the strict locker rules.

As a welcome-back-to-school treat, Mr. Brady ordered ice-creams for the entire school on the 1st full day back last Friday. The Year Heads distributed icebergers, delicious vanilla ice creams between chocolate cookie dough biscuits, and strawberry and lime flavoured maxi twists among the delighted students. Suffice to say, they went down a treat!

Alex D'Alba was chosen in May to design the cover for the school Journal 2022/23.

Every year Mr Brady gives one student the honour of sharing their Art work with the entire school on the front cover. Mr Brady wanted this

year's Journal cover to incorporate Edmund Rice into the design and gave a brief to Alex. Alex has an incredible ability to take on a theme and develop a range of ideas, all of which were unique and creative.

Despite being busy preparing for his Junior Cycle exams, Alex spent many hours developing numerous design, making changes and consulting with Ms. Ryan and Mr. Brady at all times, taking advice and guidance on board before coming up with the final unique design which shows great skill and creativity. The journal cover has been extremely well received by staff and students alike and so well done to Alex on his contribution to the new school journal.

It promises to be another eventful, exciting and enjoyable year in Coláiste Phádraig for sure.



St. Joseph's College

Leaving Certificate Results: Huge Congratulations to our Leaving Certificate Students on their amazing results. Their commitment and hard work of the students and the staff definitely paid off. We are so proud of each and every one of you. We wish you all the best for the future as you embark on the next stage of your lives.



Debs: On Thursday the 1st of September our class of 2022 we held our Debs dance in Dunboyne Castle Hotel. It was a fantastic occasion with a great array of style and fashion on show. Well done to all the guests on their good behaviour and to Ms. Jones for organising this event.



Transition Year: Our transition year students had inductions to the Transition Year programme on a number of days last week and this week they are straight into the programme with their Public Speaking workshops. Two groups completed the Public Speaking workshop this week with a further.

School Admissions 2023: The school will commence accepting applications for admission on Tuesday 4th October 22 and will cease accepting applications for admission on Wednesday 26th October 22 @3.00pm. Applicants will be notified in writing of the decision on their application by Tuesday 15th November 22. Applicants must confirm acceptance of an offer of admission by Wednesday 30th November 22. N.B. Failure by an applicant to accept an offer by Wednesday 30th November 22 at 3pm may result in the offer being withdrawn. The Admissions notice and the Application form can both be found on our website homepage.

Transition Year Parents Information Evening:

A Transition Years Parents Information evening will be held in school on Thursday the 15th of September at 7.00pm, all parents of current Transition Years are welcome and we look forward to seeing you all there.

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Follow Us on

Instagram: @stjosephscollegelucan

Find us on our

Website: www.stjosephslucan.com

BRIDGE

Beginner Lessons with David, commencing 15th September 2.00pm.

Bluebridgebridgeclub@gmail.com

Slip Hall (Castletown Gates).



BRIDGE CLASSES

Looking for something to do to pass the long winter nights? LEARN to play the wonderful game of Bridge.

- Stimulate your brain
- Make new friends
- Have Fun

You will be playing after the first lesson.

Where: Confey GAA Leixlip

When: Tuesdays at 7.30 – 9.30 pm

Starting: Tuesday September 30th.

Contact: **Kathie McGrath – 086 1537417**

DOG WALK

takes place in the beautiful grounds of
Castletown House Celbridge
in aid of



Gildare Animal Foundation.

Join us on **Saturday 10 September**

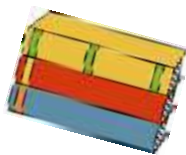
in front of the house at **12.15pm**
Walk starts 12.30 sharp

Even if you don't have a dog, join us for a lovely day out.

Donations can be made on the day
ALL dogs must be on lead as there is lot of wild life in the area.

Lucan Library

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Community Well-Being Workshop

Monday 19th September, 6pm - 8pm

South Dublin County Public Participation Network are inviting all members of the community to have their say in the Community Well-Being Statement. Considering all the aspects of community wellbeing together will help to identify the actions that can be undertaken by communities alongside local and national government.

This workshop is an excellent opportunity for everyone to contribute to improving the quality of life in the Lucan Community.

Refreshments will be provided, all welcome!

History Talk ONLINE: Executions and Reprisals: The Atrocities of the Irish Civil War Tuesday 20th September, 7pm via Zoom
Join historian and broadcaster Dr. Myles Dungan for a lecture on the violent events of the Civil War. Booking southdublinhistory.eventbrite.com

Irish Classes for Beginners with Patricia Fogarty (in person at the library) Thursdays at 7pm.

English Classes for Beginners with Lorraine Comerford (in person at the library)
Wednesdays at 6.30pm from September 14th

Contact the library to book your place - you can phone us at 01-6216422 or email lucan@sdublincoco.ie, or call in and leave your name at the desk.

Events for Babies and Toddlers

Musical Tots with Karen Donnellan

Tuesday 20th Sept. at 10.30am

Booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite, from Tuesday 13th September at 10.30am, <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/musical-tots-september-2022-tickets-411958919217>



Culture Night 2022 - Friday 23rd Sept.

Workshop for Adults: Tackling Finnegan's Wake - a workshop with Roslyn Hickey. Friday 23rd Sept. 4pm - 6pm. This workshop is for the absolute beginner who is ready to tackle James Joyce's Finnegan's Wake. Booking via Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/culture-night-2022-tackling-finnegans-wake-for-the-absolute-beginner-tickets-409889660007>

Family Event:

Music Workshop: Friday 23rd Sept. 5.30pm
Music fun for all the family

Children's Event:

Storytime with Simone Schuemmelfeder from Story Gate, Friday 23rd September, 6.30pm. plus the Teddy Bear Library Sleepover! And if Teddy would like a sleepover at the library, leave it here with the other cuddly toys and collect it the next morning.

Booking essential via Lucan Library Eventbrite. Booking opens on Saturday 10th September at 10am.

Toddler Time with Sarah Sparkles

Thursday 29th September at 10am

Bookings via Lucan Library Eventbrite, from Thursday 22nd September at 10am, <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/toddler-time-september-2022-tickets-411915840367>

Storytime for Under 6s

Our regular Storytime for Under 6s continues every Wednesday at 3pm. All welcome!

My Little Library Book Bags at South Dublin Libraries for all children starting school this year

Lucan Library Book Clubs Monthly meetings:

Monday Lunchtime: 26th September, 12noon
Wednesday Evening: 28th September, 7pm

Lucan Library Classic Movie Night:

Tuesday 27th September, 5.30pm

Scrabble Club for Adults:

Tuesday 13th Sept. 11am

Junior Book Club: Wed. 28th Sept. 3.30pm

All welcome, contact the library for information.

Study Desks - please book your study desk space in advance, contact us by phone, email or in person

TTRS at Lucan Library

Touch-Type-Read-Spell is available from Lucan Library from September. Contact us to learn more about this learning support, and how you can avail of a TTRS course free of charge. Phone us at 01-6216422 or email lucan@sdublincoco.ie for more information.

Exhibition:

From Rural Electrification to the National Broadband Plan - a century of change

Please note:

All events are subject to change, but we will endeavour to keep any changes to the absolute minimum.

All events and activities are free of charge.



Cumann na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin



Football Championship update

Disappointment for our Senior Footballers this year as they fell short of the 7 point win required against Whitehall Colmcille to make it out of their group.

This is a young team who can learn from this year's championship and return stronger next year.

The Inters had a 3-08 to 1-08 win, in monsoon conditions no less, over St Brigids to book their place in the quarter-finals. Opposition TBC.

The Junior As had to await confirmation from the Country Board having lost their final group game by a point. Despite St. Annes' win, the Junior As are through to the quarter-finals as three teams all finished level of points. Final Ravens await in the QFs.

The Junior Bs had a strong 2-15 to 0-7 over St Brendans to ensure that they top the group. A quarter-final against Naomh Mearnog is their reward!

The Junior Cs lost out to Tempogue Synge Street and unfortunately didn't make it out of the so called "Group of Death". Time for next year's preparations to begin.



Camogie Championship Update

Senior camogie have their last group game this Sunday at home to Plunketts in a must win game having drawn to Judes and lost to St. Vincents Inters are away to St. Maurs in their final group game. Lucan are through to the semis regardless but the game against Maurs decides who tops the group. Junior 3 are into the semi-final on 13th against Cuala, Junior 4 are into the shield final (fixture TBC) and junior 6 are through to the semi-final at home on the 8th against Na Gael Oige.

All to play for in the camogie section with lots of exciting games to be played so all the support we can give would be appreciated.

Juvenile camogie has restarted after the summer break and the girls are excelling in terms of determination, skills and teamwork.

U11 Camogie: Our U11 girls camogie teams travelled to Clontarf on a very wet Saturday afternoon to play their first camogie game after the summer break. Even though the weather was poor it didn't seem to bother our girls and they played some fantastic camogie against a very evenly matched Clontarf side. As always we received a lovely welcome from all in Clontarf. We had great displays of teamwork, determination, good communication and improved skill. Well done girls. We now look forward to our next match at home to St Brigid's.

U10 Football: As well as playing our usual Go-Game fixtures, a squad of U10 footballers also participated in the Celbridge Festival on Saturday. Despite the heavy rain, the blitz was a massive



success. In the group stage, we played Kilmurray Ibrickan from Clare, the hosts Celbridge and Donaghmore Ashbourne from Meath. All games were extremely competitive and there was only ever a score between the teams. In the playoff game, we were pipped by a very good Blessington team.

The blitz provided an opportunity for us to catch up with our former player Dylan Cryan and his father (former 2012 boys mentor Davy) who were there as part of the Tulsk Lord Edwards squad. It was great to see them again, and Dylan was showing off his silky skills developed in our academy.

Thanks to all the parents who brought and set up camping equipment to keep us dry and enough food to keep us fed. There was a real festival atmosphere; more than one of us thought we were at the Electric Picnic. We were very proud of how the boys represented the club and they showed great courage, character and skills. Hopefully, they will take a lot from the experience

Thanks to all in Celbridge GAA for making us feel so welcome, and for organising such a brilliant event. There are a lot of boys from around the country who will never forget this day.

Lucan Squad: Cillian Forde, Daire Jones, Fionn Jones, James Cunningham, Jamie McCarthy, Kealan Carley, Leo Fitzgerald, Liam Whelan, Noah Buck, Ross O'Carroll, Ryan Breslin, Ryan Myler, Seamus Moriarty, Rhys Henvey, Daniel Breen

Golf Society: Our final outing of the year is the Captains Day on September 10th in Roganstown Golf Club. First tee off is 10:45. Presentation of prizes, including player of the year will be made in Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club that night. Please contact Brian Mahon on 0879254126 to reserve a tee time.

Thanks: Thanks so much to John Hodgkinson who recently stepped down from his role of boys referee co-ordinator. The Club has grown during John's tenure to where we are now fielding 27 Juvenile hurling teams from U12 down and 29 Juvenile football teams from U12 down. To have successfully managed the weekly allocation of referees for these teams year after year is a huge tribute to John's hard work. Our sincere thanks to John for his dedication and commitment. Stepping into John's shoes will be Colm McSweeney who is involved in several Juvenile teams including being one of the U12 boys lead mentors. We wish to thanks Colm for taking on this role.

Lotto: No Winner of last week's Lotto Prize of €4,600. The Numbers were **8, 10, 11, 23**.

Lucky Dip prizes go to, Ken Murray, Mary Whelan, Des O'Brien, Louise Brogan and Jackie Foley.

Next week's Lotto will be for a jackpot of **€5,000**. The draw is sponsored by DJ Engineering and will be led by Josephine Donohue.



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.

Buachaillí 2014 Peil: Bhí maidin iontach & fluich againn d'ár cead cluiche ar ais tar éis an Samhradh! Bhí na buachaillí go léir go hiontach & is iad go léir laochra na himeartha inniu!

We had a great & very wet morning for our first match back after summer! The boys were all brilliant and they are all our players of the match!



Buachaillí F14 Iomáint: Bhí cath fíochmhar ag na hionánaithe F14 i gcoinne Fingallians ar an Sathairn. Thosaigh buachaillí Leamhcán go láidir le cuilin ó David Ahearne. Tháinig imreoirí Sord ar ais go láidir ach bhí cosaintoirí NGÓ ag seasamh an fóid go tréan ach go háirithe an líne leath-chúl de Daniel Talbóid, Rioghnáin Ó Briain agus Sean Ó Beachain. Bhí gluaiseacht Liam Mac Domhnall & Shannon Reilly an-mhaith chun tosaigh rud a bhí ag cruthú go leor deiseanna scoralacha ach bhí siad deacair le tapu leis an aimsir. Sa dara leath d'ardaigh gaoth láidir i gcoinne NGÓ agus shleamhnaigh an chluiche óna buachaillí. Leanann na hullmhuchan anois don chluiche ceathru ceannais craoibhe ag deireadh na míosa.

The under 14 hurlers had a tough battle with Fingallians on Saturday. Our lads started well with a point from David Ahearne. Fingallians responded well but Na Gaeil Óga defended solidly, with the half back line of Daniel Talbóid, Rioghnáin Ó Briain agus Sean Ó Beachain particularly impressive. The movement of Liam Mac Domhnall & Shannon Reilly also created many scoring chances in difficult conditions.

In the second half, Fingallians pulled away with the aid of a strong breeze. The lads' attention now turns to the quarter final at the end of the month.

Cailíní F9 Camogie: Maidin álainn a bhí ann do na cailíní F9 i Westmanstown! Fáilte roimh Lilly, Isabella agus Pearl - a d'imir a gcéad chluiche camógaíochta le NGÓ. Go raibh maith agaibh as an gcluiche iontach Garda Westmanstown Gaels. The under 9 girls had a lovely morning for their game in Westmanstown. Welcome to Lilly, Isabella and Pearl who played their first games for the club and thanks to Garda Westmanstown Gaels for an excellent game.

Buachaillí F10 Peil: Cluichí iontacha ar Sathairn le croí agus spiorad iontach ó gach éinne. Sílim gur féidir linn a aontú gur imir na buachaillí go hiontach agus go bhfuil gach duine mar fhear an chluiche!!!

The under 10's showed great heart and spirit in their games on Saturday. All players were good enough to be considered man of the match in a brilliant team performance!

GAA 4 Mas: Thosaigh traenáil GAA 4 Mas arís oíche Luain. Fáilte roimh imreoirí nua de leibhéal Gaeilge nó peil ar bith.

Training for GAA 4 Mas returned on Monday night. New players are welcome, regardless of ability with Irish or football!

Foireann B Peil: Tháinig an Fhoireann B Peile ar ais go láidir in aghaidh Chroimghlinne Dé Domhnaigh. Ba é an cúl báire Conor Grubb laoch na himeartha – rinne sé cúig shábháil iontach chun muid a choinneáil sa gcluiche.

Bhí NGÓ trí phointe taobh thiar ag leath-ama ainneoin taispeántas maith sa gcéad leath. Imríodh an cluiche ar luas buile sa dara leath. Bhí Croimghlinn chun tosaigh le sé phointe ag pointe amháin, ach rinne Dónal Ó Cearúil, AJ Ó Dubhda, Adam Ó Deoráin agus Kevin Timoney obair na gcapall timpeall lár na páirce chun muid a choinneáil sa gcluiche. Scóráil Ray Groarke ceithre phointe san iomlán.

Fuair fir NGÓ an lámh in uachtar arís le cúl iontach ó Shane McDonnell agus ansin ceann eile ó Éanna Ó Muirí, théis rith iontach a rinne Bearach Ó Casaide.

Tá an Fhoireann B Peile tríd go dtí cluiche ceathrú ceannais na craoibhe anois! Tabharfaidh siad aghaidh ar Chill Mochuda na Crócaigh sa gcéad bhabhta eile.

Chaill foireann peile na bhfear A do Chroimghlinn tar éis cluiche cruacha, faraor.

SPORTS

LUCAN HARRIERS A.C.

Sunday September 4th 2022 will go down in the history of Lucan Harriers as a momentous day. We had the second running of our 5-mile race starting and finishing at the track. What a day it was, despite the torrential rain at 4am which woke everyone I spoke to, by the time the kids runs kicked off at 9.45 and the main race at 11am, the Gods were well and truly watching out for us, the skies were blue and the race route dry.

The kids run had different distances for different ages starting with a 400m for Ages 7 to 9, 800m for ages 10 to 12 and one mile for ages 13 to 16, despite the emphasis been on fun runs, they turned into competitive tussles. The atmosphere was building as the kids completed their events and tucked into their post run goodies



One of the kids races ready for the off

People started to arrive from 10am, the car park filled rapidly, Tee shirts and running vests in all sorts of different colours, runners from Kilkenny and Tyrone, probably further afield also. All were welcome at the fabulous setting of The Lucan Harriers running track, people ran, walked, stretched as part of their warmup. The official warm up started at 10.40am courtesy of Ciara from City Physio in Lucan, one of our race sponsors. The race rapidly approaching people started getting into their positions many lining up behind our pacers. We had Will as 30 min pacer, Pat as 35 min, Aidan as 40 min, Lorraine as 45 min and Mary taking care of the 50 minute group, what a fantastic job they did with them all coming in perfectly with 30 seconds to spare

The race itself was started by Cllr Emma Murphy, Mayor of SDCC, promptly at 11am. Our winner was Peter Samba of Dunboyne AC in a time of 24.49

followed in by Tomas Fitzpatrick of Tallaght Athletic Club in a time of 26.22 and Pauric Ennis of Tullamore Harriers in a time of 27.18. First lady home was Sarah Mulligan of Dundrum South Dublin AC in a time of 30.42 followed closely by in by Siobhan McArdle of Naas AC in a time of 30.51 and our own Lisa Ward of Lucan Harriers AC coming home in a very impressive time of 32.29

The route itself brought the runners from the Lucan Harriers Track, up the Newcastle Road for a mile and then onto the canal for another mile, down to the outer ring road where the runners ran along the cycle path, before turning onto the Adamstown Road for a long one and a half mile straight, before returning to the Newcastle Road for half a mile and finally onto our wonderful new track for the last 300m

Congratulations to everyone who ran and walked the Lucan Harriers AC 5 Mile Road Race. Huge thanks to everyone who supported the race by taking part, our sponsors, supporters, and our club members who volunteered and marshalled the race and provided the post-race refreshments.

Liffey Valley Shopping Centre and Toyota Liffey Valley were our main sponsors. A huge shout out to the twenty plus smaller businesses around the Lucan area that provided considerable sponsorship and support.

A special mention to our friends in Celbridge AC who brought over 20 club members over to us, they had recently just run a very successful 5k of their own 10 days prior to the Lucan Race, we were delighted to see you all. A huge thank you also to Ronan and Lucy at myrunresults, without them this event simply wouldn't have happened, they are super event partners. Organisers of the race were delighted with the way the event went to plan, many of the almost 300 finishers vowing to be return next year. Thank you to the Local Gardai and SDCC for their invaluable support also.

Full range of photos posted on the Lucan Harriers 5 Mile race page. Check out myrunresults.ie for more photos race report and full list of results.



Peter Samba presented with the Tom Byrne trophy by Colin O Gara

St. Mary's Camera Soirée

As this issue of the Lucan Newsletter hits the shops members of the Camera Soiree will be in the Coffee Dock in the Parish Centre formulating their plans for the rest of the year – considering the possibility of organising a physical exhibition in the Parish Centre after two years on line, the calendar for 2023 etc. etc.

Next Friday some members of the group hope to go to the City Assembly House, South William Street to view the new exhibition of their artist friend, Katherine Geoghegan, entitled BOGLAND. The exhibition is open to the public from 5th September to 17th September, Monday to Saturday from 10am to 5pm. Katherine will be present each day.



The City Assembly House was the first purpose built public art gallery in Britain or Ireland. It was built between 1766 and 1771. Its use as an art gallery was short-lived. The building was taken over by Dublin Corporation in 1809. The wheel has turned full circle as the Irish Georgian Society, in partnership with Dublin City Council, has been undertaking the restoration of the House with the aim of reinstating it as a cultural venue. The first of two restoration phases was completed in 2013. The second phase began in April 2017 and saw the restoration of the Exhibition Room.



This week Willie was in Kilkenny, Conor submitted a beautiful photo of a spider's web after the rain and Paddy had some photos of the Liffey with the water level low.

Until next week stay safe!