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## SOUTH DOCKS 2012 CELEBRATING 25 YEARS

As this New link goes to press the 25th South Docks Festival is being organised by the Festival Committee. They are working away looking at new events new ideas and for the most part how the traditional events are to be arranged for this most auspicious year.

The review of the 24th Festival took place a number of weeks ago and the new innovations including the new parade route were welcomed. It seems a good time was had by all, and of course the weather last year was really fantastic for us. Let us hope it's as good this year.

In common with other years we are looking for even more involvement from everyone locally and its the communities Festival so please let us know if you have any ideas or suggestions you can drop in and talk to us phone us or email us contact details are at the end of this article.

Last year a new booking system for the trip for the seniors was introduced and worked well, so please keep an eye out for notices and so on about when to book and how to be included.

At this stage everyone will know that the South Docks is organised by local people coming together and giving freely of their time and skills. During the festival and in the build up we need all the help we can get if your interested in volunteering please contact us.

Finally the Festival Committee are aware of the difficulties that the country, our community and businesses locally are facing, these are tough times indeed. The South Docks Festival is a celebration of our community and continues in good times and bad. The unique nature of our area and the resilience of the people who live here is what the celebration of the South Docks is about. It's at times like these that the Festival is needed more than ever.

In a new departure this year a weekly update and news will be posted on the St Andrews website and as events are agreed and organised information about that event will be available immediately. Also ticket information dates and deadlines will be published there on a regular basis. Go to [www.standrews.ie](http://www.standrews.ie) and click on the South Docks link at the top.

Contact details: 01 6771930 email [sdf@standrews.ie](mailto:sdf@standrews.ie)

**Jim Hargis, Festival Co-Ordinator**

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# SLIMMING WORLD NEWS

The Group has gone from Strength to Strength and it also helps that they never have to miss a weigh-in as all members can go to other groups around Dublin to weigh-in if they cannot make their normal group, this keeps members focused and motivated on their weight loss journey.



*Mr. Paul Haw who won our Greatest Loser 2012 @ the 5.30 Session*

Paul Haw and Frances Gleeson, both have lost the most weight since our group opened in September 2011 and I am so proud of each of them.

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**The Labour Party wishes the Community a very Happy Easter.**



# THE TWO TENORS by Tony Rooney

It was sometime in late 1930s, or the early 1940s, that Richard Tauber, the great tenor, appeared at Dublin's Theatre Royal; and it was there, seated high in the balcony, that Mick Kelly first became acquainted with that wonderful voice.

Up to that moment, Mick had never shown the slightest interest in singing, or music of any sort. It was purely by accident that he, and his friend, Bomber Martin, went to the Theatre Royal to see Richard Tauber; both men under the illusion that Tauber was a comedian. When it became apparent that the star was a singer, Bomber gave a snort of disgust, but his companion was transfixed. As the voice of the great singer soared through the theatre Mick sat entranced; this was his road to Damascus. From that day on every penny he earned went on Tauber's records. To his, and everyone else's surprise, he realised he had a reasonable tenor voice, and, at the slightest encouragement, would launch into "Girls Were Made to Love And Kiss" or some other Tauber favourite. As his confidence grew, so, alas, did his vanity; to the embarrassment of his family, and the delight of his neighbours, he began to sing with an Austrian accent. Within no time at all he became known as Tauber Kelly, and his opponents meant it as a gibe, Tauber accepted it as a compliment. If Tauber's discovery of his own genius came late and sudden, Christy Flynn, on the other hand, believed he was born to sing. It was said of Christy that he'd sing you a song at the drop of a hat, and he'd drop the hat. In Dublin's Liberties, where both men lived, Christy's reputation as a singer had long been unchallenged, but with the emergence of Tauber Kelly all that changed. At first he treated the new arrival with tolerant amusement, but, as Tauber's reputation spread, their relationship became one of barely concealed hostility. I suppose it was inevitable that their friends, and neighbours should take sides; within a short time the entire neighbourhood was evenly split on the relative merits of the two tenors. And there the matter might have stayed, but for an event which was soon to occur: the local parish hail announced the holding of an amateur talent competition. Christy and Tauber, were approached, and both consented to take part in the coming competition. In the weeks leading up to the event tension and excitement gripped the neighbourhood, predictions were made and bets taken. It seemed the great issue was about to be resolved, and an objective assessment of the singer's merits finally given.

Finally the great night arrived, and Father Joyce, the parish priest, watched, with gratified astonishment, as the hall filled up. Both sets of supporters took their seats, and each side predicted their favourite's victory with unruffled confidence. The mere idea that one of the other contestants might win was dismissed as a matter of course.

Abruptly the lights went out, the curtains opened and the show began. And quite a good show it was too, for the other contestants were as keen to make their name as our tenor friends. First came a sixteen-stone soprano from Donore Avenue who sang 'Some Day My Prince Will Come'; next came a display of Irish dancing from a chap known locally as Grave Digger Thomson, a nickname coined with reference to his rather grim appearance. Ram-rod stiff, Grave-Digger battered the boards with such frightening intensity that the audience were cowed into silence. A contortionist from Inchicore withdrew due to the recurrence of an old back injury; an accordionist treated the audience to a selection of popular tunes; this was followed by a chap reciting "The Green Eye Of The Little Yellow God", and an unfortunate

comedian, whose jokes were so bad he was howled off the stage. Finally, the great moment arrived: the local curate, who was acting M.C. announced that a Mr. Christy Flynn would now entertain us with that grand old favourite "Danny Boy." The small orchestra struck up; now whether Christy was affected by stage-fright or not, I don't know, but he started off on a high key, and after a few bars was clearly in trouble. I know nothing of music, but I understand that with some songs it is advisable to start on a low key and build up, Christy had failed to do so and was now paying the price. I heard afterwards that his bellows could be heard on the far side of James St. He left the stage to a smattering of applause while his supporters exchanged looks of disbelief. Tauber's supporters could barely conceal their glee; surely the rest of the proceedings were a mere formality.

But if Christy had suffered from stage fright it seemed Tauber fell victim to over-confidence; even his choice of song sounded inappropriate: it was "Vienna, City Of My Dreams." As his friend Bomber Martin put it: "Vienna! What does he know about Vienna? He's never even been to Switzerland?" Nevertheless, Tauber coped quite well with the opening, but as he strove to reach the high c's the strain began to show. The audience watched with alarm as the veins in his neck bulged like whiplashes, his face turned a bright crimson and his eyes seemed ready to pop from his head. The burst of applause that greeted the songs end owed less to the singing than to a general relief that a cardiac arrest had been avoided.

The competition came to an end, and all eyes turned to the adjudicators who sat in the front row. They were a Mr Tom Sullivan, and a Mrs. Sheila Cassidy; they huddled together for a few minutes, they then passed a sheet of paper to a steward who in turn passed it to Fr. Nolan, the M.C. A hush fell over the hall as the M.C. perused the paper, he then he announced the winners. First was the soprano from Donore Avenue, second was the Irish dancer and third was a magician from Mount Brown.

To say our two heroes supporters were downcast would be an understatement; not only had their candidates been defeated, but the perennial issue as to who was the better singer was still unresolved. Finally one of the group, Owen Doherty, declared he would not leave the hall till the matter was settled; he strode to the front of the hall and addressed Mr. Sullivan. He accepted the decision of the adjudicators, he said, but would the gentleman kindly give his opinion on the merits of Mr. Kelly, and Mr. Flynn as singers. Tom Sullivan was a gentle, courteous person, but long hours of listening to amateurs performing can take their toll, and this, perhaps may have coloured his reactions.

His assessment was brief: In all his years as a musician he had always believed that the basic ingredients of any piece of music, vocal or instrumental, were: rhythm, harmony and melody; during his performance Mr. Kelly had somehow managed to dispense with all three. The adjudicator then turned his attention to Christy: Over the years he had heard "Danny Boy" sung many times, it has a pleasant air and the words have considerable pathos. When the singer informs Danny of his coming demise it is always assumed that the passing will be sad, but peaceful; as rendered by Mr. Flynn it sounded like a particularly brutal homicide. With these words Mr Sullivan bid Owen goodnight and walked away. When Owen met his companions outside the hall they clustered around him; "Well, what did he say?" asked one. Owen thought for a moment, "He said they were both on the same level."

**Tony wishes the Community a very Happy Easter.**

# The Local Policing Forum (LPF)

The Local Policing Forum (LPF) was established in September 2010 as part of an initiative **to make our communities safer places to live.**

## FUNCTION

Discuss and make recommendations to the relevant Joint Policing Committee (JPC) concerning the levels and patterns of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in the local area (including the patterns and levels of misuse of alcohol and drugs) and the factors underlying and contributing to the levels of crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in the area.

Advise the local authority concerned and the Garda Síochána on how they might best perform their functions, having regard to the need to do everything feasible to improve the safety and quality of life and to prevent crime, disorder and anti-social behaviour in the area.

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- RAPID team community representatives
- Ethnic and minority groups
- Youth groups
- Drugs user for a

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If you would like to contact the LPF you can email us: [localpolicingforumd2@gmail.com](mailto:localpolicingforumd2@gmail.com) or contact the community Garda on 01 6669030.

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# FOOTPRINTS

by Ann Curran

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord.

**Ann Curran**

Across the sky flashed scenes from his life.

For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand: one belonging to him, and the other to the Lord.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand.

He noticed that many times along the path of his life their was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it. "Lord you said that once I decided to follow, you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, their is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me".

The Lord replied, "My son, My precious child, I love you and I would never leave you.

During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you.

**Ann wishes the Community a very Happy Easter.**

# PARADES by Ann Curran

St. Patricks day. It is also known as Paddy's day. Is one of our traditional events that take place every year on the 17th of March .St Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland. He is one of Christianity's most widely known figures. His life remains somewhat of a mystery, but one of the stories associated with St Patrick is of his banishing all the snakes from Ireland. He is believed to have died on the 17th of March around 460 AD.

It is celebrated by many countries across the globe. If your great great grandmother came from Ireland, everybody wants to be Irish that day, no matter where you are. Everyone wears the shamrock in coats and Jackets.

The parades are just spectacular and the floats so colourful and the pipe bands from near and far. The costumes are out of this world. Green is the colour of the day and flags are flying high. Harps and fiddles and jigs and reels. They are all out that day. The mammy's and daddy's put so much into getting the children ready so they can take them into the city to see the parade. Daddy's shoulders come in very handy as a high seat view.

The buzz and excitement puts a happy glow on people's faces and the atmosphere is just electric. The restaurants and pubs are exceptionally busy and Irish stew could be top of the menu. The children will want their favourite chips and burgers and the big boys a green pint with a shamrock on top or some might still prefer the black. Either way cheers to you St Patrick keep the rain away, come again another day.

Ann Curran



## MINI OVARIAN CANCER WALK OF HOPE

Over 300 people joined Siabh for her cause to raise money for Ovarian Cancer research.

The Ajax Lions Club held a delicious BBQ at the event to give walkers a bit after a 5km walk! The walk at Rotark Park was held to honour Siabh's sister Brenda. Siabh's link to the Pearse Street Community is through her family, Hughie and Chrissie, both from the Macken Street area.

Both emigrated to Toronto, Canada where Siabh, Brenda, Denis and Sean were born. Siabh has done her family proud and indeed the Community have admiration for her dedication and commitment to the cause of Ovarian Cancer awareness.

Well done Siabh and your family!!!



## PHOTO PROJECT - Pearse House

Jeanette Lowe is holding a Photo Exhibition during July 2012.

Indeed Jeannette's mother Anne Ashmore lived in 18 E Pearse House.

If you meet Jeannette say Hi and if you have a photo of Pearse House, maybe you could give Jeannete a loan for her forthcoming photo exhibition.

We wish Jeanette well

# What Goes Around, Comes Around by George P. Kearns



Dear Readers,

It may well be of interest to you to know that at long last I am putting together the final chapters of my new book "My Irishtown Story". I have entitled it such for the want of a better name and the fact that members of my family were continually nagging me by asking, "When are you going to finish that Irishtown book of yours". It also may come as a

surprise to you to learn that I began writing this book in 2003, yes nine years ago.

The reason for the delay is because I took time off to write four other books, two of which are about old Dublin cinemas and the other two are about "Speedway" a very popular sporting activity of the 1950s era, which saw some 20,000 persons crowding into Shelbourne Park Stadium on a Sunday afternoon to watch their boy hero "Ronnie Moore" and his team of Shelbourne Tigers take on and beat the best British teams that came across the water to have a go.

To give readers of "New Link" an idea of what "My Irishtown Book" will be about, I have arranged with Patrick McGauley, the editor of New Link to publish an extract from my book in the next four issues of New Link and I hope you enjoy same.

This, my first instalment, is a topical issue as it informs one and all that Dublin City Council's decision to privatise its waste collection is not an new experience as it did likewise in 1923 and hence my use of an idiom as a heading for my story.

## **PRIVATIZATION OF THE WASTE COLLECTION BY DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL**

The privatization of the waste collection services by Dublin City Council in January of 2012 is of some concern to the citizens of Dublin and the council workers who know not what might lie in store for them when their jobs are contracted out to others.

Nor will the people of Dublin know what to expect when a private company takes over the collection of Dublin's household waste. The collection of Dublin's household waste is no mean operation and one wonders if a private company will be able to cope.

However it may be of some interest to you my readers to note that the handing over of this service to outside contractors is nothing new to Dublin City Council as it is not the first time that such a move was made. In fact; it will simply be a case of history repeating itself.

Although it was reported in the Evening Herald on Tuesday, January 17th 2012 in a story entitled "Bins Fiasco" that the service had been in the control of Dublin City Council for almost 150 years, this statement is not exactly true.

As far back as 1925, which is only 87 years ago, Dublin Corporation franchised their main cleansing operation which included waste collection to a business consortium known as

the Franco-Irish Enterprises and it was this company that introduced a fleet of French made refuse trucks to the streets of Dublin in 1925.

This French fleet of trucks which were built by the Dion De Bouton Company were solid-tyred trucks that could be heard rumbling along the streets of Dublin from miles away and we kids christened them "the Frenchies" and they were a great skut.

As can be seen in a picture of same on a following page, which picture was supplied to me by an English representative of the Dion De Bouton company, the "Frenchie" was a horrible looking piece of equipment and as already mentioned one could hear it trundling along the adjacent streets on its solid tires as it made its way to the dumps. The cab had no doors or windows and the crews always had to keep plenty of old sackings in the cab to try and protect themselves from the elements by draping same over the window and door opening to keep out the cold and the rain.

This company carried out their duties without complaint until sometime during the Second World War when for some unknown reason the franchise came to an end and Dublin Corporation once again found themselves responsible for the cleansing of Dublin and the collection and disposal of its waste.

It might also be of interest to know that the crews of these refuse lorries in those days were generally referred to as "dust men" rather than bin-men or refuse collectors and the reason for this was quite simple, as the waste in those days were in fact simple piles or containers of dust or if you like ashes, as nothing reusable was wasted.

This operation continued for many years until sometime during the Second World War when the Dublin Corporation took back its franchise.

While no good reason was given for the cancelling of this franchise, it was assumed by many that the reason behind the move was because the private firm was experiencing a loss of manpower at the time and this probably came about because of the war

So I would say to those that are not in favour of this transfer of our waste collection to a private firm, don't despair, as once again Dublin City Council may have to take back the franchise if again there is a shortage of manpower, yes, yes, I know that there is no war on at the moment to create a shortage of manpower, but by the looks of things immigration may well take its place.

The Dion De Bouton bin lorry known as "The Frenchie" While it did not have any doors or windows it did have tipping gears which made life a little easier for its crews.

The side panels along both sides of the truck could be slid back with a pushing motion and allowed for each bin of ashes to be tipped in.

***George wishes the Community a very Happy Easter.***

# TRINITY ART Photos by James Tobin

## VOLUNTARY TUITION PROGRAMME (GRINDS)

As part of the activities in the program we took some of the local primary school children to Trinity College, to take part in a project called the Friendship tree. The Friendship Tree is 8ft tall and the idea was to attract Colleges and Communities to place a handprint on the tree side by side. We like to thank the Provost Dr Pendergast for taking part and joining the handprint with his family.

*A special word of thanks to the organising group.*

**By Betty Watson**



## ONLY JOKING !!!! by Mr. Ed

Guy goes into the doctors. "Doc, I've got a cricket ball stuck up my backside. "How's that?" "Don't you start."

So I have having dinner with Gary Kasporov and there was a check tablecloth on the table, it took him two hours to pass me the salt. He said "You remind me of a pepper pot." I said "I'll take that as a condiment."

I bought my wife a wooden leg for Christmas! It's not her main present, just a stocking filler... Two aerials met on a roof – fall in love – get married. The ceremony was rubbish but the

Reception was brilliant.

Man goes to the doctor with a strawberry growing out of his head. Doctor says "I'll give you some cream to put on it."

A man and his wife were in London for the day. She was wearing a rather grotesque new hat. They went to a wax museum and in the Chamber of Horrors an attendant approached the man and said "Is she with you?" "Yes", replied the man. "Well, keep moving – we're stocktaking", replied the attendant.

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Kick off is at 2 p.m. at Ringsend Park. **Further events including a sponsored shave or dye** is to be held after the match in Clan na Gael Club, Ringsend. All players must take a sponsor card (to be returned the Sunday before the event – 3rd June 2012). All proceeds will go the Cancer Unit.

On behalf of everyone here in Our Lady's Hospice & Care Service, but particularly, on behalf of the patients, we would like to thank you most sincerely for your kindness and consideration in this matter.

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## MORE FOOTBALL HOWLERS

Compiled by Tony Rooney

We lost because we didn't win – *Ronaldo*

If we played like this every week, we wouldn't be so inconsistent – *Bryan Robinson*

You can't compare two players who are different because they're not the same – *Glenn Hoddle*

Fortunately, Paul Scholes injury wasn't as bad as we hoped for – *Trevor Brooking*

With eight minutes left, the game could be won in the next five or ten minutes  
– *Jimmy Armfield*

There's thirty five minutes gone and we're in the first quarter of the game – *Joe Champion*

If there's one good thing Gus Uhlenbeek's got, it's pace and determination – *Ray Houghton*

Kilmarnock versus Partick Thistle, match postponed. That is, of course, a latest score – *Frank Bough*

The first two-syllable word I learned when I was growing up was "discretion" – *Eamonn Dunphy*

It's now one-one, an exact reversal of the score last Saturday – *B.B.C. Commentator*

He has all-round, 365 degree vision  
– *Alan Mullery*

He doesn't know how to spell the word "give up" –  
*Paul Wade*

They'll perhaps finish in the top three. I can't seem them finishing any higher – *Don Howe*

That was only a yard away from being an inch perfect pass – *Murdo Macleod*

Four minutes to go ... four minutes ... three hundred and sixty seconds – *Alistair Alexander*

Football is a game of skill" We kicked them a bit and they kicked us a bit – *Graham Roberts*

Two-nil is a cricket score in Italy – *Alan Parry*

He's thirty one this year. Last year he was thirty – *David Coleman*

A bit of retaliation there, though not actually on the same player – *Frank Stapleton*

Michael Owens is not a diver, he knows when to dive and when not to – *Steve Hodge*

Well, Terry, can you tell us where you are in the league, how far are you ahead of the second team – *Ian St. John*

# Councillor Jim O'Callaghan



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## *Cyber – Links News*

### Medal of Honor - Epic Easter Event

**Friday the 13th April 2012 – 2.00pm - 5.00pm**

It's that time of year again folks. This time it is an Easter Tournament and in the last two years we stand at Trinity/Adults 1 – St. Andrews 1.

It's time to make sure someone takes the lead once and for all.

To register for the event drop into Lisa, Jay or Scobie in St.

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That date is not without some significance. It was the year that saw the foundation of Larkin's Irish Transport and General Worker's Union. When Big Jim came on the Dublin scene to organise the down-trodden workers – dockers, carters, transport employees – he found a ready made nucleus in the waterfront sporting clubs which had done so much to preserve solidarity and to maintain an oppressed community's ability to achieve success, if only on the playing fields. One of Larkin's first lieutenants was the Liffey Wanderers goalkeeper – Barney 'Dunleary' Conway (later to become a prominent trade union official and a popular member of Dublin Corporation). And almost to a man the club's officials and players and rank-and-file supporters followed Conway into the nascent union. Coming events cast a sombre shadow over the club's activities – the dark incubus of the 1913 Lock Out and the General Strike, the foundation of the Citizens Army, the Irish Volunteers, the outbreak of the World War, the 1916 Rebellion, the subsequent Anglo-Irish war of 1912-1921 and the tragedy of the Civil War of 1922-1923. These traumatic events claimed the energies and loyalties of a whole generation, deflecting many from their peacetime pursuits and their sporting recreations.

***For the Liffey Wanderers a chapter was coming to a close ...***

### THE BATTLE OF RINGSEND

Dublin, that city of contrast provided another worthwhile acceptable one in the form of a fixture between Youth and Not-so-Youthful at Ringsend Park.

To follow in the next issue is an unedited supplied report of the whole affair, and a copy of the original hand drawn poster which appeared in the window of Mr. Grace's premises.

Yes, Mr. Grace is the man you've heard of, who has generously contributed sums of money for the welfare of many local teams, thereby setting an example to some self-employed sportsmen of our executive committees.

Ready now, Here it comes – the poster that appeared in Mr. Grace's premises.

*To be continued in Summer issue*

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## St Andrews Resource Centre Heritage Project – Pearse Street

### “1916 The Local Connection.”

The St. Andrews Resource Centre Heritage Project are working on a new Heritage Publication entitled “1916 The Local Connection.” It will reflect local peoples experience of that momentous week in Irish History. It will take two years to complete and will be published to coincide with the centenary of the 1916 Rising in 2016. This will be the heritage projects fourth publication.. We would appreciate local peoples feedback on the 1916 Rising. Maybe your parents or grandparents told you a story about the 1916 Rising that might be of relevance and worthy of inclusion in our publication. We have a 1916 Exhibition in St. Andrews Resource Centre that was compiled and launched in 1990, it will be developed and incorporated into our 1916 Exhibition. We are also looking for 1916 military memorabilia such as medals, uniforms, flags etc for the launch of the book. Many

people who live locally will be aware that Bolands Mills on Ringsend Road was occupied by rebel troops during the rising, and the famous battle on Mount Street Bridge are but a small example of the military activity in the area at the time which would have come up in conversations among people of many generations through the years. Pdraigh Pearse was the leader of the 1916 Rising and was born in 27 Great Brunswick Street, it was later renamed Pearse Street in his honour. James Connelly was also an important figure in the rising and worked in partnership with Pdraigh Pearse.

**For more information please contact: Paul Graham St Andrews Resource Centre Heritage Project. Phone: 016771930 Email: paul.graham@standrews.ie**

# ST. ANDREW'S CHILDCARE NEWS

Hi Everyone ....

Hope you are all enjoying the longer days it means summer is finally on its way. Hope you like our Christmas photos, Dionne and Lorraine cooked a lovely Christmas dinner for the children and Santa visited.

We had our annual St Patrick's Day Parade, we were very noisy but had a great time (photos in next issue)

The children are taking part in an early years Initiative this year focusing on numeracy, they are having great fun participating in all events we have planned. Thanks to all our parents for their continuing support.

**We have a limited number of places available for babies aged 6 months to 1 year and also some after school places.**



**Martina and all the staff in Childcare wish the Pupils, Parents and the Community a very Happy Easter**



Happy Valentine, Sarah

***Wishing the Pupils, Parents and the Community a very Happy Easter.***



*Sonny Kinsella.*

*Sonny would like to wish the Community a very Happy Easter.*

## **GRUESOME MURDERS** by **Sonny Kinsella**

One of Dublin's most horrendous murders was committed on November 13th, 1801 in North Frederick Street, Dublin, Thomas Barry was a prosperous wine merchant. On the morning of his death, he was enjoying an evening at home and his spectacles on and was reading the newspaper. He had just finished his dinner and was relaxing. After it with a glass of wine he had just filled from a decanter. He was in a very good mood and life was good to him,

a short time later Thomas was found dead on the floor with half of his head blown away and part of his brain was found on the wall and ceiling. It was assumed that someone broke in while he was relaxing, unaware of their presence, they used a blunderbuss to kill him. It was a heavy loaded gun that killed him, as it also blew away half of the back of the chair he was sitting on. After he had been murdered his body was laid out on the floor with his own gun placed by his side giving the impression that he had committed suicide, but when the gun was examined it was found it hadn't been fired eliminating suicide, when his body was checked they discovered that his wallet was empty.

Thomas Barry was very eccentric and kept his money in different places in the house, he was never keen on banks and when the house was searched large sums of money was where he had hidden it. But money had been taken from a cupboard that had been forced open. It seemed the intruder had been disturbed before he could search the rest of the house. Mr. Barry's maid Catherine Delaney did not hear any shot, but on entering the room where Mr. Barry was she found his body on the floor covered in blood and immediately called the police. Within a short time they had taken into custody a former servant, Frank Reville who was very drunk at the time and had a lot of bank notes on his person. When asked about the money he said he had done a job for a man called Vaughan, but when questioned Vaughan denied this and told the police that Reville had asked him to say that. The next day the police arrested Reville who again was very drunk and brought him before a judge who found him too drunk to be questioned and sent him to prison to sober up. The next day under questioning he denied having any involvement in his late employer's death, they continued to question him for a number of days until he finally broke down and confessed to the murder which in those days was good enough for a guilty sentence. Eventually further evidence proved beyond any doubt that he was guilty of the wilful murder of Thomas Barry with the blunderbuss which they had recovered and which was owned by Reville. He was brought to the gallows forty eight hours later and as

the custom was in those days Reville was allowed to say his last words to the crowd who came to see the public hanging. His last words were that it was through drink that he murdered Thomas Barry and asked for forgiveness the terrible crime that he had committed. A short time later he died on the gallows in front of a huge crowd who came to see the public hanging, which was quite normal in those days.

### **THE LAST FAREWELL (1940's)**

In the war years of the Forties  
When we all had to buckle down,  
Many of our neighbours had to emigrate,  
From the streets of Dublin Town,  
I stood and watched from the Tenement Hall,  
As our neighbours said goodbye,  
For many of them it was to be the last time,  
They didn't know they were going away to die,  
Their cases packed with the little they had,  
Their families waved them farewell,  
As they made their way down Townsend Street,  
To Westland Row Station to board the train to hell,  
The women sat on the hall door steps,  
With shanks wrapped round their shoulder,  
Some had a husband, some had a son,  
Who would become a British soldier,  
The Street got very lonely,  
As all our neighbours went away,  
The times were hard and the jobs were few,  
As we all lived from day to day,  
The time went by and the months followed on,  
The War years got worse and worse,  
We were rationed with almost everything,  
With very little money in the purse,  
Some of our neighbours fought in the front line,  
Others fought battles in the sky,  
The War lasted for six long years,  
And we all began to wonder why,  
Each week the telegram boy would call,  
To bring the news and the weekly pay,  
This went on for quite sometime,  
Until we feared the dreaded day,  
When the telegram boy would call again,  
This time with news not very good,  
To say your son is posted missing,  
Or your husband's death has been confirmed,  
This news brought great sorrow to our Street,  
But we all rallied around each other,  
Many of our neighbours had very close ties,  
With the Father, the Son or the Brother,  
Then in the year of 1945,  
And in the month of May,  
The Second World War came to an end,  
And in June we had V.E. Day,  
Eventually our Street got back,  
To the old ways and all went well,  
But none of our neighbours could ever forget,  
The days of the last farewell

SONNY KINSELLA

# One Book – One Community Literacy Project



**Brian Gallagher  
(Author)**

There was a great buzz of anticipation at the launch of the One Book One Community Literacy Project on Wednesday 22nd February in St. Andrew's Resource Centre.

This reading initiative has been

Speakers included: Breedge Conway (City Quay NS +Sc.Chaitriona NS) who explained the role of HSCL and also outlined the main points of the One Book One Community Project.

Mr. Booth, Principal of St.Patrick's B.N.S. Ringsend, spoke on behalf of the principals and offered his support and encouragement.

Though they didn't take to the stage, the other HSCL teachers, Margaret Irwin (Haddington Rd.), Helen Sherry (Ringsend), and Ann-Maire Waddock (C.B.S.Westland Row) were kept busy meeting and greeting and seating!

After officially launching the project Brian

organised by the Home School Community Liaison Teachers in the local schools, in collaboration with the School Completion Programme.

It involves the Senior classes (Primary) and First Years (Post-Primary) reading the same book, **Across the Divide**. The main theme of the book is one of friendship, set in the time of the Lockout of 1913. The book's author, Brian Gallagher, read an excerpt on the morning of the launch. This was followed by a very lively Question and Answer session with the pupils.

Robbie Cronin (Marian College) was MC for the morning and he began by welcoming everyone, especially the children and their teachers who are essential to the success of the project!

Mr. Lynch the 6th Class teacher in St.Mary's B.N.S. Haddington Rd. gave a very interesting talk on the historical background to the book.



**Opening Ceremony Cutting Ribbon**

Gallagher posed for photos with all the school groups. As they left the hall they received their goody-bag, containing a copy of the book and a few treats! Thanks to the Senior pupils from Marian College who helped with this and many other tasks!



**CBS Westland Row**

During this project all the children will do reading, writing and art-activities related to the book. They will hopefully also encourage parents, grandparents and friends to read it.

The library has extra copies of the book if anyone is interested in joining us in reading **Across the Divide**.

Finally a big thank you to the staff of St. Andrew's who gave generously of their time in helping us set-up on the day. (The cups of tea and biscuits were especially welcome!!)

**Breedge Conway**

# One Book – One Community Literacy Project



**Ringsend College**



**St. Patrick's GNS**



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**Greenore Ladies Club wish the  
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### Gloucester Street Centre Classes 2012

Day	Class	Location	Time	Duration	Price
Monday	Circuit Training	Hall	8.00am	35 mins	(B) €5
	Circuit Training	Hall	12.40pm	35 mins	(B) €5
	Boxing	Fitness room	12.40pm	45 mins	(B) €5
	Boxing	Fitness room	5.45 pm	1hour	(B) €5
	Kettle bells	Hall	6.00pm	45 mins	(B) €5
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Tuesday	Spinning Class	Fitness Room	8.00am	30 mins	(B) €5
	Spinning Class	Fitness Room	12.40pm	30 mins	(B) €5
	Baby Body Fit	Fitness room	6.00pm		
	Zumba Fitness	Hall	7.00pm	1 Hour	(B) €8
Wed.	Boxing	Fitness room	7.45am		
	Body Conditioning	Hall	8.00am	35 mins	(B) €5
	Forever Fit				
	(over 55's)	Fitness Room	11.00am	1 hour	(B) €2
	Body Conditioning	Hall	12.30pm	45 mins	(B) €5
	Spinning class	Fitness Room	12.40pm	45 mins	(B) €5
Wed.	Boxing Kids	Fitness Room	4.00pm	1 hour	(B) €5
	Hour of Power	Fitness room	6.00pm	1 hour	(B) €10
Thurs.	Spinning Class	Fitness Room	8.00am	30 Mins	(B) €5
	Spinning Class	Fitness Room	12.40pm	30 mins	(B) €5
	Boxing	Fitness Room	5.45 pm	1hour	(B) €5
Friday	Boxing	Fitness Room	7.45am	45 Mins	(B) €5
	Circuit Training	Hall	8.00am	35 mins	(B) €5
	Kettle Bells	Hall	12.40pm	35 mins	(B) €5
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**(CHECK OUT OUR NEWS ON PAGE 30)**

# RINGSEND COLLEGE NEWS

## Second level School

Our third years, sixth years and Repeat Leaving Cert students are working hard to build on their Mock results and achieve success in their exams in June. As Easter approaches the language of Study Skills and Planning Sessions will become the main one spoken in the College!



At the opening of the One Book One Launch Literacy Project

Seachtaine Na Gaeilge began last week and wraps up on Friday 16th. The Irish department is running a competition to promote Irish in the school community. The 'Gaelgoir is fearr', (best Irish student) will receive a prize at the end of the

week for best effort.

Fifth Year students successfully completed their work experience in February and received very useful experience and feedback to help them with the challenges they face when they move from us into the world of Further Education and Work in 2013. In order to prepare them for this new experience a Personal Development Workshop was held for them with lots of team work, positive participation and an outlining of what is expected of us all in the world of work.

In the area of Literacy, the school is continuing with several positive initiatives. The Reading Challenge is one of these. A large selection of books are bought and introduced into the school library. Students can choose a book, read it and then come and choose another all of which happens over a four week period. This Challenge will finish up on Friday 16th when the student who has been the most enthusiastic reader will be presented with a prize to recognise their great effort. What has been wonderful about all of this is to see students all over the College during their break times happily sitting with their noses stuck in a book and then chatting to each other and teachers about what they are reading.

Another positive Literacy initiative is the involvement of our First Year students in the 'One Book One Community' project taking place in nine schools in the area. All of the students, their teachers and indeed some of the parents are reading the same book, 'Across the Divide' by Brian Gallagher. This is a story based on the true events of the Lockout in 1913. This is a Home School Community Liaison Initiative in collaboration with the School Completion Programme.

The College is part of the Green School Initiative. As such, this week has the Green School Student Committee running several events to promote sustainable transport. The Walk and Cycle to school is being promoted throughout the College culminating with the visit of an electric car to the College on Friday 16th and a Green Day theme to celebrate both the end of Green School Week and the upcoming St Patrick's Day.

## Further Education College

The VTOS and PLC students are working towards the completion of their respective courses and along with the Mainstream students are currently planning their futures.

## Sport

In Sport, the College Junior Badminton team made it to the semi finals in the VEC Sports and Cultural Council Badminton Competition. The Football Team have been playing very well in the School Completion tournament and taking part in the Dublin City Council matches in Irishtown park and away every Tuesday evening. We are delighted with the commitment all of our students are showing to their different sports.

All in all, a very busy term!

We wish all of our Leaving and Junior Cert students the very best in their studies over the Easter holidays and in their upcoming exams and look forward to hearing their success stories when the results come out.

***We look forward to hearing from you and we would like to wish the Community a very Happy Easter.***



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# CBS NEWS

## THE WIZARD OF OZ

The school's annual musical took place on March 21st & 22nd in St. Marks Church. The show this year is 'The Wizard of Oz'. This play promised to be the most spectacular yet.



## SPORTS

The CBS Snooker team is growing from strength to strength. Over the last number of months the team has been participating in the 'Stars of the Future' snooker tournament held in Carlow. Competitors from all over Ireland have taken part in the tournament. In February Alan Payne won the Under 15s tournament. In March Adam Deegan won 1st place and Alan Payne won 2nd place. Well done! Congratulations to all members of the snooker team who have made the school proud with their determination, hard work and positive attitudes. Special mention goes to Nathan Ward and Daniel Wilson who have been performing superbly throughout the competition stages and who are indeed 'stars of the future'.

The team will be entering the Dublin Championship in April. Well done boys!



## CBS WESTLAND ROW WINS EXCELLENCE AWARD



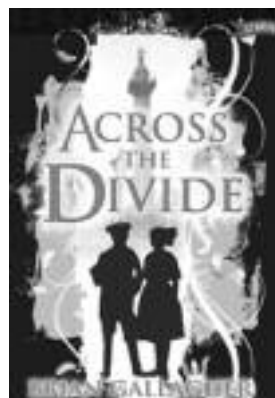
CBS has recently been awarded a Certificate of Excellence for the 'outstanding efforts made by staff and students to improve the school attendance of all students'. The certificate was awarded by the National Education Welfare Board to reflect the hard work of students and teachers in improving school attendance. Well done to everyone!

## ONE BOOK, ONE COMMUNITY



In February 1st year students attended the launch of an exciting new project 'One Book, One Community'. This project is a home school community liaison initiative designed to unite people from the entire community by encouraging them to read the same book over a five week period. Nine local schools are participating in this unique and exciting project.

The book chosen for this programme is *Across The Divide* by Brian Gallagher. The novel is set in Dublin 1913. It describes the blossoming friendship between two unlikely friends from different social classes against the backdrop of the labour reform movement spearheaded by Jim Larkin. The book has become an instant success in CBS and has sparked students' interest in Irish history. Well done to all students participating in the initiative.



**"TALK ABOUT YOUTH PROJECT" WISHES YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY EASTER**

# "Talk About Youth" Project



**In this edition of the Link we have the following updates and information regarding the various activities and event that are happening in the Project: New Arts and Craft Group; Noel O'Reilly Soccer League; Future Chess Champions; Senior Volunteers; Junior Leadership; Drugs Awareness Week and much much more.....**



## **New Arts and Craft Group!**

A new arts and craft group has been set up for young people ages from 8-12 years of age. The club has been running for the last month and has been successful so far! The group have done two arts project since starting including canvas art in which they designed and painted their own individual canvases and also ceramic designs onto mugs. We hope to continue with a various number of arts and craft project in the future including puppet making, candle holder designs and so much more!

The Talk About Youth Project are also hoping to create a Senior Arts Group for young people 13+ who are interested in arts and craft. If you know any young person interested in either please contact Carmel or Lisa on 016771930 to be put on the waiting list.

## **Life Choice Baby Programme**

The Life Choice Baby Programme has started up for the first time this year, we have 7 young women aged 15+ partaking in the programme. The aim of the programme is to show young people the realities of having a baby, in which at the end of the 6 week programme they will take home one of our 'babies' for a weekend to look after and take care of. We are taking a list of names of people interested in doing our next programme, in which we hope to include boys and couples! If you think you are interest contact Carmel or Ceara in the office.

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## **NOEL O'REILLY SOCCER LEAGUE:**

The Talk about youth project will be entering a team in this years Noel O'Reilly soccer league. The competition is run between various youth services from all over Dublin and is centrally co-ordinated by Tommy Carberry from the Football Association of Ireland.

10 young men from the area have agreed to play, and are being coached by local volunteer Graeme Tucker.

It is a great opportunity for young men from 15-18yrs to play against some other youth services in a structured league. There are 10 teams split in 2 groups

Our opponents in the league are Swords/East wall/Ballybough and Swan. The competition culminates with a finals day in Clontarf in July for all the teams involved.

Thanks also to Tomo Nolan, all the staff from PARC and community Garda for their help and assistance. Good luck to all the lads/ COME ON TAYP.!!!

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**Scott Ryan one of our many very valued volunteers, who has been with the Talk about youth project since 2002 as both a member and junior / senior leader, is leaving Pearse Street for the sunnier climes of Puerto Rico /Gran Canaria. Scott has been an integral part of our DJ programme since 2006 and has helped, assisted and trained many young people from the area in learning DJ skills.**



**Scott has been paramount in the success of many events in the area providing his DJing skills to various activities including- many talent shows/fashion shows/numerous South docks festivals, opening closing of summer programmes and also silly season etc. Scott's skills and expertise and contribution to many clubs and events with his DJing will be sorely missed. Scott also participated in various exchanges to both Slovakia in 2007 to Preda in the Philippines in 2009.**

**Everybody in the youth project and youth office would like to wish Scott all the best in his new adventures!!!!**

**"TALK ABOUT YOUTH PROJECT" WISHES YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY EASTER**

# "Talk About Youth" Project



## **FUTURE CHESS CHAMPIONS!!!!**

**Darragh Kelly and Keilim Swaine, two of our young people involved in the Chess Club with their medals, which they won in a school chess tournament. Well Done Darragh and Keilim from the staff of the Talk About Youth Project.**

The Talk about Youth project, Gloucester St, and PARC/DCC will be running a fun filled Easter programme from Monday 2nd April-Thursday 5th April for all young people from the area.

There will be many activities in the various venues including Tag Rugby, Ultimate Frisbee, Boxing, Cricket, Soccer, Easter games, Circuit training, Easter arts and crafts, an open dancing workshop and also some exciting Easter egg hunts!!

Places for events are strictly limited and young people must pre register in PARC on Thursday 22nd March at 5pm-6pm. Cost is only €10 and some events are free.

For more information please feel free to contact the youth office anytime.

## **SENIOR VOLUNTEERS**

The Youth Service runs over 32 various programmes and activities throughout the year. This vast array of programmes would not be possible without the continued support and involvement of our senior volunteers who give up their time willingly throughout the year. As part of our volunteer commitment they give up one weekend a year to take part in a staff and volunteer training weekend. This year saw us in Glendalough.



The weekend comprises of Friday night and all day Saturday and Sunday Morning of planning and evaluating, policy formation, issue solutions and agreeing a way forward for the coming year. This weekend is also important for us to meet in an informal way, to socialise together and for the Project to say Thank You for all their work throughout the year.



We really appreciate all of the work done and look forward to the future pathway together. From all of us in the Youth Office and on behalf of all our young people, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We would be lost without you! If you know of anyone who may be interested in volunteering or may have a particular skill or talent to share please contact Susan Menton or any staff member in the Youth Office 6771930.

The "Talk About Youth" Project International Club Is looking for EXPLORERS! The "Talk About Youth" Project in St Andrews resource centre will be taking part in International exchanges programs in England, Italy,Finland, Malta and other countries.



So if you're male or female, over 13 years of age, and think you might be interested, why not drop down and talk to one of youth workers, Or just ring the youth office on 01 / 6771930



**Talk About Youth Project wish Lisa a very Happy Birthday.**

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# "Talk About Youth" Project

## **JUNIOR LEADERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAMME**

This year saw another fantastic group of young people who gave up their time over their February mid term break to spend two days taking part in the Junior Leadership Training Programme. They were a pleasure to work with and enjoyed the fun in learning through discussing issues, team exercises and planning ahead.



They covered areas like team building, communication & listening skills, conflict resolution, programme planning & evaluating. These young people are invaluable to the life of the project. They spend time all year round helping and running programmes for younger children. They play a very significant role in the leadership teams of the various programmes and events. So from all in the youth office and on behalf of the young children you work with, thank you and keep up the good work.

## **Drugs Awareness Week:**

Drug Awareness Week is here again in which we hope to plan a fun-filled packed week of fun, sports and activities for young and old people alike! As you might know Drug Awareness Week is one of our annual events in which the aim of the week is to include many community events which will bring the community together to discuss important issues relating to drug misuse and about making informed healthy decisions about their life choices.

**Activities from Tuesday 10th – Friday 13th of April, aged 10+, free to attend**  
**Tuesday; Workshops in Dance, Body Beat Percussion and Graffiti. (10yrs +)**  
**Tuesday Evening; 'Men at Work' performed by the Dublin-based Community Response, Information Evening and Reiki, Stress Management and Massage Workshop (15yrs+ and Adults)**  
**Wednesday; Irishtown Record Breaking Events. Evening; Games Workshops 10yrs+**  
**Thursday: Trip to Sutton Dinghy Club (10-13yrs), Combat Fitness (14yrs+)**  
**Thursday Evening; Film Night Premier and Mental Health Launch (14yrs+)**  
**Friday; Trip to Sutton Dinghy Club (14yrs+), Medal of Honour Tournament (12yrs+)**

**You must attend at least 2 events to collect stamps for the Trip to Sutton Dinghy Club.**  
**Registration - Tuesday 10th of April at 12.30pm, spaces are limited so first come first served.**

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This year shall be no different! We hope to provide a wide range of information through a number of activities for young people aged 10 years and older. The activities start from Tuesday the 10th of April until Friday the 13th. We have a compact week of workshops and events for young people to enjoy, with the week finishing up with a trip to Sutton Dinghy Club on Thursday for young people age 10-13 and for young people 14+ on the Friday. As has usually been, all events and trips are free! However if your child is interested in attending the trip away they must attend at least two events during the week where they will get stamps to allow them to go on the excursion. Some of these events include; taster workshops in graffiti art, body beat percussion and Show Fit Broadway Dance Class, on Wednesday we also hope that we can get as much young people as possible to come to Irishtown to take part in our Sports and World Record Breaking Day! Here we hope to break as much world records as possible! That evening we also have a games workshop planned in Andrews for all ages! If you like films you will also be interested in our Film Premier Night on Thursday evening where we launch the Film Clubs new movie.

Monday evening will be specially aimed for young people aged 15+ and adults where we will be having a holistic and performance evening. Here you will enjoy a play presented by the Dublin-based Community Response Drama Group called 'Men at Work' and take part in Reiki and Stress Management and Massage Workshops.

These are just a sample of what's going to be happening that week, and we promise you it's not to be missed! Registration for young people to take place on the first day of the event- Tuesday 10th of April at 1pm, unfortunately spaces are limited so it is based on first come first served basis!

**The Staff in the Project would like to say a big thank you to all our volunteers and leaders for their help over the past year.  
You are all a great asset to the young people, community and the project. We wish you all a Happy Easter**



# Gloucester Street Sports & Recreation Centre

Ladies over 55 years young are welcome to come to this class.

If you are free on a Wednesday between 11am and 12pm come and join the class in Gloucester Street Sports Centre.

Within a year of this class starting up its coming along leaps and bounds with new people coming every week. It's a class to keep you moving and motivate you to do more. Our trainers will spend one on one time with you within the class. The class is only €2.



## SO LONG YASMIN / MARIE

Thank you for your three years of service in this centre Yasmin is a student that everyone in the centre is sad to come over to have said goodbye to Marie. Ireland from France We wish her the best of luck in the future. for 5 weeks, to work in Gloucester Street Sports Centre.



## BABY BODY FIT

**Stage 1** – Prepare your body while pregnant through yoga and pilates exercises and light cardio work. Your body will truly benefit from this class, making it easier to lose any unwanted weight afterwards.

**Stage 2** – Regain your body after giving birth. A fitness and weight loss programme designed specifically for women who want to get back into those pre-pregnancy jeans and feel good again! All levels of fitness are catered for.

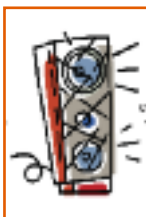
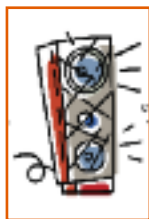
**Stage 3** – Maintain your body after that initial new baby phase. A slightly more intense workout for those who want to keep up their fitness regime after returning to normal pace of life.

To book Phone 0879254378 or email: info@babybodyfit.ie

## GO GIRLS GYM

Calling all female teenager's from the age 14 to 18 years old to come to our Go Girls Gym at 8pm to 9pm on Monday night. Work Up a sweat with our Fantastic Instructor while you listen to the latest tunes.

Just €2.00 a class, no need to book.



## FIGHT NIGHT

The fight night on the 3rd March was the best yet. The night was electric with every fighter giving as good as they got. A great night was had by all and also great work done for I. Big thank you to all our Fighters for raising funds for Pieta House and Our Sponsors Georgian Cleaners, Brown Sugar, Lanzo Weddings and Gloucester St Sports Centre for the continued support many thanks to Pixels Photography for the Photos on the Night.



Next Show will be on the 7th of April in the Berkeley Court Hotel Raising funds for SOS (Suicide or Survive)

If you want to contact the instructor John O' Brien for the Thunderbolt Boxing Bootcamp or the next Fight Night his number is 085 2424209 or email: thunderbolt1obrien@yahoo.ie

New classes Bootcamp classes in Gloucester St In 2012

Class times: Mon & Fri Lunchtime 12.40 - 13.30pm

Mon & Thurs Tea Time 5.45 - 6.45pm

Wed & Fri Morning 7.45 - 8.30 am

## MARK TAKES ON THE WORLDS

Best of Luck To Mark from the Centre he is taken on a 6 week high performance camp before taken to the his base races for 2012.

1. Qualifier World Duathlon Cahamps 31st March
2. London Marathon 22nd April
3. Belfast Marathon 7th May
4. Tri An Mhi 1/2 Ironman 12th May
5. Kildare Marathon 13th May (Cooldown)



From March to May will be a busy 3 Months for Mark he will need a lot of Support.

## GLOUCESTER ST SPORTS CENTRE CHARITY EVENT WEEK

Be part of the Winning Team

Dates for your Diary's

We are looking for people to help out and join our Charity team Events week for 2012 .

Monday 4th June 2012

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(Raising funds for SOS Suicide or Survive) Contact Elaine in the Centre 016779322

## FRIDAY 8TH JUNE 2012

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- ECDL classes are held @ 10am-1pm Mondays and Wednesdays
- Basic Computer classes are held @10am-1pm Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Silver Surfers classes are held @ 1.30pm-3.30pm Tuesdays and Fridays

#### EQUALSKILLS

Equalskills is a fun and informal introduction to computers and the Internet. It is designed to increase skills in basic computer literacy. It introduces technology to all people, regardless of status, education, age or ability. Equalskills is a flexible learning programme with a proven track record in equipping people with the basic computer skills they need to become part of the information society.

The aim of the programme is to make people feel comfortable using a computer, and to teach them the basic skills necessary to communicate using the internet and email. It is well structured with excellent training resources, and it has the added bonus of providing certification to candidates who complete the programme.

#### WHO IS EQUALSKILLS FOR?

Equalskills is for anybody who wants to start from the beginning and learn some practical ways of using a computer. It is particularly aimed at people who might not normally come into contact with computers in their everyday lives. People who are accustomed to living in a non-digital world may feel intimidated by technology. By learning some simple computer skills, they can quickly understand how technology can improve their quality of life.

Equalskills is a very good starting point for inexperienced candidates who aspire to ECDL and test centres which offer Equalskills will have a cohort of motivated candidates who may wish to advance to the full ECDL programme.

Equalskills is run on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### SILVER SURFERS

Complete introduction to basic computer skills. i.e. e-mail, browsing the internet and general IT skills. Class will be given by other Silver Surfers.

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For more information contact Josephine at [training@st.Andrews.ie](mailto:training@st.Andrews.ie) or telephone the Centre on 01-6771930.



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#### ECDL

The European Computer Driving Licence (ECDL) is the world's most successful IT skills certification programme.

To date, more than nine million people have undertaken an ECDL programme in more than 60 countries worldwide. In Ireland, the ECDL is administered by ICS Skills (<http://www.ics-skills.ie>).

The ECDL course covers seven modules which are: Windows Explorer, Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Internet, Access and Theory, in that order.

Outside of Europe the programme is known as the International Computer Driving Licence (ICDL), attesting to its phenomenal world-wide recognition and growth.

The ECDL establishes a standard for everyone who uses a computer in either a professional or personal capacity. It is a certificate that verifies competence in computer use, making the holder readily mobile within Ireland and internationally. Employers and job seekers all agree on the importance of this standard definition of practical competence in Information Technology.

The ECDL consists of 3 main components – a syllabus, a skills card and a question of test base, all leading to the European Computer Driving Licence.

St. Andrew's are very flexible with the ECDL course. If you wish to do for example Word but not Excel straight after it you could drop out and come back for PowerPoint. We also accommodate clients that are just interested in one or two of the modules.

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Theory	Module 1	Self Study	€70
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Excel	Module 4	6 classes	€70
Access	Module 5	8 classes	€70
PowerPoint	Module 6	4 classes	€110
Internet	Module 4	4 classes	€70

Discount cost of ECDL is €450 if all 7 modules are booked together. Theory Module is self study. Cost includes exam fees, official ECDL courseware and ECDL Skills Card.

#### EQUAL SKILLS

Equal Skills is a six and half week course and costs €150. All participants are given a workbook which they will complete during the course. On completion of this they will receive a certificate from the Irish Computer Society.



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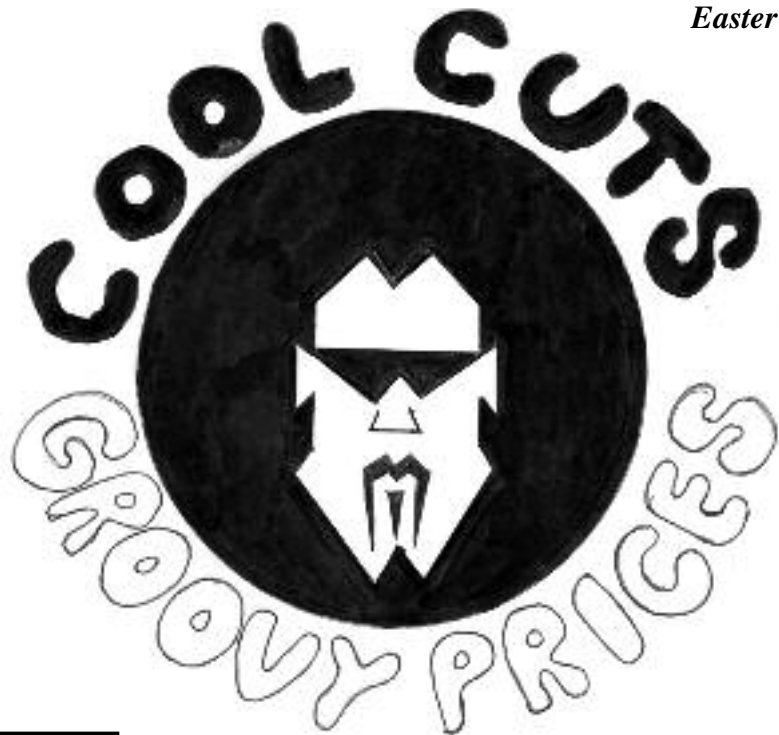
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# VOICES OF SPRING by Monica Moffatt



It is difficult to believe but the first week of the New Year, brought with it Spring Blossoms which arrived before their time.

I remember looking at a local garden and staring with awe, at the sight of the daffodils and primroses lying in clusters of golden yellow against the blackness of the soil. This colourful display would be an artists delight, as they reproduced it on a palette. Snowdrops nestled against the sturdy stems of crocuses, whose colours of white, purple and yellow were made evident by tiny buds, awakening in the pale sunshine.

In fields throughout the land large daffodil blooms, mature just in time to greet the newly born lambs. Apparently they also arrived earlier than usual.

A horticulturist on a radio programme explained that global warming had penetrated the soil, and this was the reason for the early arrival of vegetation of all species.

The afternoons have lengthened considerably, making more time for working in the domestic garden and on the land. It is the time of year when garden centres come into their own. Nowadays great interest is taken by people, in all forms of outdoor activities. Magazines, television and radio programmes all add their own brand of knowledge to the enthusiastic gardener and farmer.

Allotments have become popular again. People like to grow their own vegetables, even though it can be hard work preparing the soil. Herb growing is also very popular. Some people have "green fingers" everything grows for them. Others are not so lucky. They can become disgruntled.

Homes with medium to large back gardens can have the added pleasure of a green house and maybe a small pond with some fish, also a patio complete with barbeque, table and chairs. All this hopefully to be enjoyed as Spring lengthens into Summer.

I feel birds are the real "Voice of Spring" as fledglings emerge from the nest. Elaborate feeding trays dot some gardens while others have feeders hanging from trees and bushes. Japanese maple trees flourish in Springtime, their red leaves adding colour in a perhaps confined area. Cherry trees add their very delicate pretty blossoms to Gardens, Parks and Streets, in some areas. Tennis Courts and Croquet Lawns are prepared for the influx of players.

Overall Spring is a very uplifting season. Playgrounds become busy and noisy with children's voices and laughter. A walk through a park can be a pleasant experience. In the quietness a person can reflect on life and nature, and perhaps with a bit of luck you may even hear the grass growing!!!

Irish voices in song, story and musicianship are on the world platform winning prestigious prizes. Our poets and writers are famous in their own particular genre. It also appears that our film and animation industries are on the up and up. Irish sports stars and their followers, are held in high esteem when they travel abroad. In the midst of doom and gloom it behoves us to note, Ireland is like a bright star shining in the firmament.

The emergence of Spring into our lives brought a spate of secular events. The Easter Sunday church services bring it to an end, in a culmination of organ and choral voices.

Monica wishes the Community a very Happy Easter.

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# YOSEIKAN/SHOSHINDO NEWS

The Club would like to welcome our new members.

The club's motto is "never trouble, till trouble troubles you."

The Yoseikan Team: Gerry and Instructor Heather Downes would like to thank Shane in the Windjammer Pub for his continued support of the club.

***We would like to wish Pat Boucher and the Community a Very Happy Easter!***



## **FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMMES**



Three parenting programmes have taken place since the last Link a Childrens programme completed last December and this term in St Andrews an Adolescent Parenting programme and an Early Years Programme (for parents of children aged 0-6 years) took place.

One of the most beneficial parts of the programme has to be the support within the parents for each other and the sense on not being on your own with your problems.



## **ADOLESCENT PROGRAMME**

The Key areas covered in the Adolescents Programme:

- Getting to know and connecting with your teenager
- Communicating effectively and positively
- Listening to and encouraging teenagers
- Negotiation rules and boundaries
- Teaching teenagers Responsibility
- Managing conflict and aggression
- Solving Problems together

## **EARLY YEARS PROGRAMME**

The key areas covered in the Early Years Programme:

- Tune into your child
- Child centred play
- Responding to misbehaviour
- Encouragement
- Routine and picture charts
- Learn through play
- Solving childhood problems

Next programme is another Adolescent Parenting Programme starting Tuesday 17th April in St. Andrews. Please contact Dara Terry for more information.

***Dara wishes the Community a very Happy Easter.***

# EYE FOR AN EYE by Denis Ranaghan



Denis J. Ranaghan

Several years ago we were homeward bound from a round Africa trip on a very large passenger liner via Aden and Suez. We arrived one day in Aden and anchored off, Tommy my mate and I went up on deck later in the afternoon about twenty minutes before sailing time. Not to the crew areas fore and aft but topside among the First Class passengers. We were wearing our going ashore gear although there was no shore leave for the crew, he told me he had a

very good reason for doing this and I would soon see.

In Aden the bumboats, small boats with Arab traders carrying a multitude of goods, would come alongside and bartering for goods with the boatmen would begin both for the passengers and crew. Heaving lines or ropes with baskets tied to them would be lowered over the side when an agreed price would be struck. If it was fore or aft the crew sent the money down in the baskets first but the passengers received the goods before paying. And here Tommy and I were up First Class; the penny hadn't dropped with me yet.

Tommy argued for some time with one of the boatmen for beautiful coloured rug, a watch and two pairs of flip-flops before agreeing to a price. The rugs, watch and flipflops were placed in

the basket and hauled up by Tommy. He checked that the watch was ticking, the colours of the rug and the sizes of the flip-flops then lowered the empty basket to the boatman. He took of like a scalded cat with me at his heels back down to the glory hole (crew quarters). Now the penny had dropped! He stashed the ill-gotten goods in his locker and we changed into swimming trunks and dashed up to the fore deck. The ship was about to sail and the boatman who Tommy had conned was still gesticulating to those on the upper deck for his money. Shortly after we sailed and Tommy was safe. Tommy said the bumboat man will think it's a passenger robbed him. And he told me his story.

The trip before I joined the vessel Tommy had been conned by a bumboat man in this same port Aden. He had sent down the money for a beautiful rug for his mother, a watch for his sister and a pair of flip-flops for himself. By the time Tommy had hauled up his basket the bumboat man had rowed away. Tommy had a plain rug that the bumboat man had switched, the watch stopped for good two days later and the flip-flops were for two left feet. "Today" Tommy said, "It was time to get even. The watch is compensation for me and seamen that have been diddled before." It is worth noting that the bumboat men tricked more than one ship and some of the Arabs sometimes paid a heavy penalty. The following trip when the ship was in Aden they would drop very heavy weights from a great height down into the bumboats, innocent or guilty, and sinking them. Needless to say those bumboats never went near those ships again.



## Raytown by Lyrics Murphy

I remember good old Raytown  
When I was just a boy  
The Shellybanks and the Costelloes  
Were places full of joy  
And the Regal around the backstreet  
Where our heroes could be seen

There was more life in the cushions  
Than there was up on the screen.

There was Olins and the Laragh  
And McCluskeys up from there  
And we all queued up on Fridays  
And Cecil cut our hair  
There was Kitty Whelans Drapery  
And Mary Lovely's too  
And we can't forget old Martin  
Who mended all our shoes.

I remember Ducky Austin's shop  
Where the cats sat on the sweets  
And the awful smell of parafiin  
That met you on the street  
Now I can't leave out old Rafters  
They were everybody's friend  
Where your suit went in on Monday  
And came out the next weekend.

Well, we all loved Fr. Phelan  
The fastest priest in town  
He would have the mass all over  
Before we could kneel down  
Well the years have passed  
And things have changed  
But some things never will  
When I walk across the Ringsend Bridge  
In my memory time stands still.



Tony Gill

## FALLING PIGEON

Can you remember Mother?  
When you and I were watching  
Wimbledon  
And you sent me downstairs to  
make tea  
and bring up the cakes bought  
and you sat in your black chair  
beside the marble fire-place.

You sat close to the fire  
your knees were red  
I brought the tea, bread, butter  
and the jam cakes.

Till that stupid pigeon  
fell asleep  
and brought all that dirty soot  
trundling down the chimney piece,  
Covering us like the minstrels  
from the Black and White Minstrel Show.

But we caught that stupid pigeon.  
Instead of wringing his scrawny neck  
we captured him and set him free  
and I went down to make more tea.

Anthony Gill and Bony Stones November 1999



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## OTHER AGENCIES WE WORK FOR:

- The CDVEC: Ringsend Technical Institute Literacy • Dept. of Social and Family Affairs
- Trinity College • Maynooth College • Liberties College • DALC (Dublin Adult Literacy Centre)
- AONTAS (National Association of Adult Education • NALA (National Adult Education Agency
- LEC (Local Education Committee) • SCP (School Completion Programme)

**The Adult Education Team wish the Community a very Happy Easter.**



Comhairle Cathrach  
Bhaile Atha Cliath  
Dublin City Council

# PEARSE STREET EASTER PROGRAMME



Registration Night in  
Pearse Area Recreation Centre  
on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 5pm - 6pm

*Places for all events are strictly limited and young people **must** pre-register*

Pearse Area Recreation Centre Age 8 - 12 yrs Cost €10			Gloucester Street Sports Centre Free of Charge			St Andrews Resource Centre Free of Charge
DAY	11.00am - 1.00pm	1.30pm - 3.30pm	10am - 12noon	2pm - 2.50pm	3pm - 3.50pm	2.00pm -4.00pm
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Tag Rugby	Football	Easter Games 4 - 10yrs			Arts & Crafts 8 - 12 yrs
Tues 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Ultimate Frisbee	Football	Easter Games 4 - 10yrs	Circuit Training 12 - 14yrs		Arts & Crafts 8 - 12 yrs
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Boxing	Football		Open Dance 8 - 11yrs	Open Dance 12yrs+	
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Cricket	Football		Circuit Training 15 - 17yrs		

*Easter Egg Hunt  
Pearse Park  
Wed 4<sup>th</sup> April  
2-4pm  
4-7 yrs  
Free of Charge*

For more information contact  
Kathleen Ph: 01 222 2243  
e-mail: [southeast@dublincity.ie](mailto:southeast@dublincity.ie)

*Easter Egg Hunt  
Merrion Square  
Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> April  
2-4pm  
8-12 yrs  
Free of Charge*



# Pearse Street, Irishtown/Ringsend Primary Care Centres

*Wishing you a very Happy Easter from all the staff in  
Irishtown & Ringsend and Pearse Street Primary Care Centres!!*

## WHAT IS PRIMARY CARE?

Primary Care services mean all of the health or social care services that you can find in your community, outside of the hospital setting.

Primary Care includes GPs, Public Health Nurses and a range of other services provided through your Local Health Office.

A Primary Care Team (PCT) is a team of health professionals who work closely together to meet the needs of the people living in the community. They provide a single point of contact to the health system for people.

## WHAT IS THE PRIMARY HEALTH CARE TEAM?

The Primary Care Team is a team of health care professionals responsible for organising and delivering care for the local population.

The aim of the team is to provide primary care services that are accessible, integrated, of a high quality and which meet the needs of the local population.

We aim to provide:

- improved access to services,
- a greater range of health and social care services within the community,
- better links with hospitals,
- increased opportunities for the local community to get involved in planning primary care services.

What services are offered by the Primary Care Team? The team is made up of participating GPs, community nurses, physiotherapist, occupational therapists, speech and language therapists, administrative staff, practice nurses and practice staff.

There is a network of other services available, including community welfare, counselling psychology, dietician, and chiropody to support the team in delivering health and social services.

## ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO ACCESS THE PRIMARY CARE TEAM?

You are eligible to access Primary Care Team if you live in the geographical street area.

## WHO CAN REFER TO SERVICES AND HOW DO I MAKE AN APPOINTMENT?

Clients and families may refer to the primary care team by phoning (01) 2320600 for Irishtown and Ringsend primary care team or you can call into the centres and fill in a self-referral form at reception. If anyone other than a parent/guardian is referring a child, the referral must always be made with a parent or guardian's written consent.

Referrals to HSE services are accepted from GPs, hospitals and all members of the primary care team and networks, including the Home Help Service, Community Welfare Officers, day care, respite facilities and voluntary agencies.

You can make a GP appointment by dropping into the centre or by telephone.

## WHAT IS THE COST OF SERVICES?

HSE services are free, but you may have to pay for any equipment you require, depending on whether you have a medical card. GP services are free with a medical card or GP visit card (other patients must pay a consultation fee).

## LATEST NEWS:

1. Women's Health Day is coming up on the 8th March 2012! Keep a look out for posters with information on the event.
2. Chiropodist John Dillon runs a clinic in Pearse Street Primary Care centre each Thursday and in Irishtown and Ringsend Primary Care Centre each Friday phone 01-4100300 for an appointment.
3. Minor surgery clinic is running in Irishtown and Ringsend each Thursday. Dr. Tony O'Sullivan removes warts, moles, treats ingrown toenails and more. Call 01-2320600 for an appointment.

## OPENING HOURS

Irishtown & Ringsend Primary care Centre  
01-2320600 Open: 9.00am – 5.00pm  
Pearse St Primary Care Centre  
01-6427700. Open: 8.30am – 5.30pm

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## LIBRARY TIMES

### RINGSEND LIBRARY

Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 4. TEL: 6880063

#### OPENING HOURS

**Monday 12.45pm - 4pm & 4.45pm - 8pm**  
**Tuesday 10am - 1pm & 2pm - 5pm**  
**Wednesday 12.45pm - 4pm & 4.45pm - 8pm**  
**Thursday 10am - 1pm & 2pm - 5pm**  
**Friday 10am - 1pm & 2pm - 5pm**  
**Saturday 10am - 1pm & 2pm - 5pm**  
**Sunday Closed**

The staff of Ringsend Library wish all a very Happy Easter.

### PEARSE STREET LIBRARY

#### Opening Hours

**Monday-Thursday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.**  
**Friday-Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.**  
**Telephone: 6744888**

The staff of Pearse Street Library wish all a very Happy Easter.

# TRIBUTES / LOVING MEMORY



In Loving Memory of **Bride McCarthy**, December 6th 1925 – August 3rd 2011

Beauty is truth, truth beauty,  
that is all ye know on earth,  
and all ye need to know  
John Keats

May she rest in Peace.



## **NUALA REILLY**

In loving memory of our Mum 'Nuala' who died on the 29th April 2011 and who's first Birthday Away from home on 24th December.

We cannot send a birthday card, Your hand we cannot touch, But God will take our Greetings to our Mum we

loved so much, Put your arms around her Lord, Don't leave her on her own, for today its our Mum's birthday, her first one away from home.

It broke our hearts to lose you, but to stay only brought you pain, tears of love will never wake you, God Bless Mum until we meet again.

A Mother is a special gift, one you think will stay, you never dream the day will come when she will be taken away, if there is another life and we are born once more, we pray that God will give us the Mum we have before. Greatly missed by your heartbroken family.



## **JOE DELANEY Anniversary** 31st January 2012

The family would like to express their gratitude to friends and neighbours for the kindness and support during our sad bereavement of our beloved Joe. Indeed Joe spent 9 happy years in Age Action, Camden Street

(they were like a second family to Joe). A special thank you to Fr. Paul St. John, City Quay Parish for his kind friendship and support. A special Mass was said by Fr. Paul for all friends and neighbours for their support. Joe is in our Hearts, He will never be forgotten.

*A kind and decent man  
A loving father and husband  
Most of all he was my best friend  
Until we meet again  
May you rest in the peace of the Lord*

Maureen & Trevor



## **PAUL MCFARLAND** 1964-2011

### **Going To Heaven**

When I am gone, release me, let me go  
I have so many things to see and do,  
You mustn't tie yourselves to me with tears,  
just be happy that we had some years,  
I gave you my love, you can only guess

how much you gave to me in happiness,  
I thank you for the love you each have shown,  
but now it's time I travelled on alone.  
Do grieve a while for me if you must  
then let your grief be comforted by trust.  
It's only for a while that we must part,  
so keep our memories within your hearts.  
I won't be far away, for life goes on,  
so if you need me call and I will come.  
Though you can't see or touch me I'll be near,  
and if you listen with your heart you will hear,  
all of my love around so soft and dear.  
And then when you must come this way alone.  
I'll greet you with a smile and say welcome home.



**ANDREW BRADY**



**ESTHER BRADY**



**RITA DORMAN**  
(nee Nolan)



**CHARLIE PEPPER**



## **LILY BROE**

The family of Lily Broe would like to thank her neighbours and friends for the expression of sympathy in their recent bereavement. Lily will miss you and was very grateful for your friendship and support throughout her life

Noel, Mary, William, her ever loving family.



# IN LOVING MEMORY



## MARY REID R.I.P

In Loving memory of Mary Reid R.I.P. As we started back our Art class on the first Friday of the New Year we sadly remember one of our group.

Mary who was a regular participant was a very good artist, who encouraged others with a helping hand and a friendly smile for everyone.

All Mary's friends at St Andrews Resource Centre miss her very much. You are always in our thoughts and prayers.

We miss you Mary and Mass will be celebrated in your memory in St Andrews Church Westland Row.



## BERMINGHAM, Ann (Nancy)-

Third Anniversary  
A whisper one January night,  
You heard a gentle call,  
You took the hand of Jesus,  
And quietly left us all,  
Remembering you is easy,  
We do it every day,  
Missing you is heartache,

That never goes away,  
WILL those who think  
of her today,

A little prayer to Jesus say,

-Miss you and love you always,  
Doley. May Linda. Cora.  
And family



## PADDY HARRISON

Also remembering our Dad (Paddy) who died on 2nd July 2008, Catherine's Grandad, both are in Heaven. Ever loving Family.



## CATHERINE MILEY

9th Anniversary – 16th March

On the 3rd March would be her 27th Birthday.



## CARMEL SKELLY nee WOODS R.I.P

In memory of our loving sister Carmel late of 3f Markievicz House and Blackpool who died on the 4th of December 2011 suddenly.

*Do not grieve for me for now I'm free,*

*My life's been full I savoured much  
Good times, good friends and loved ones touch  
I took his hand when I heard him call,  
I turned my back and left it all,  
I could not stay another day.*

The family of the late Carmel Skelly, would like to thank all those who support them in their recent bereavement. A special thanks to St Andrews Resource Centre Board of Management and Staff and the wider community.

Gone never forgotten.

Her loving Brothers, Sisters and extended family.



**In Loving Memory of Edward and Bridget Brennan, 2L Pearse House. Edward's 16th Anniversary occurs on the 20th August and Bridget's 10th Anniversary is the 3rd April.**

*We hold you close within our heart and there you shall remain.*

*Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.*

Loving remembered by their ever loving family.

## CATHERINE FITZSIMMONS R.I.P 2nd Anniversary

Catherine remembrance

A smile, a prayer

A silent tear

Memories we shared with you

The friendship we shared

The happy times together

Always remembered

To good to be forgotten

Greenore Committee, Friends and Family

# MEMORIES



**Kay (Fenian Street), Madge (Fenian Street) and Betty (Markievicz House) 1958.**



**Mary Anne Ashe and Nellie Harrison**



**ST. ANDREW'S CONFIRMATION circa 1945**

Back Row: Tony Byrne, Armour Hogan, Walpole, O'Rourke, Mick Nealan, Redmond, Holand, Delaney 1, Freddie Walsh.

2nd Back Row: Fogarty, Ryan, Tommy Brady, Neil, Georgie McDermot, Paddy Marsh, Patsy Ryan, Garry Browne, Jem Humphreys, Frank Mulhern.

2nd Row: Georgie Ward, Fran O'Neil, Paddy Ward, Jimmy Hayden, Mickie Mason, Harry Donohue, Paddy Nangle, Terry Burke, Tommy Ryan.

2nd Front Row: Jimmy Rigney, Sean Hobbs, Paddy Dent, Delaney 2, Martin McGuire, Sam Fox, Willie Coughlan, Brendan Raythorne.

Front Row: Miles Mullen, Dara Redden, Delaney 3. *Our apologies as all names are not known.*

# MEMORIES



Kitty Green, Rita Ivory, Margaret Kelly, Dolores Ryan 1968 Rathmines. (Irish Box Co. Ltd. truck)



Philip Ryan and his horse Magser. Photo outside Westland Row Train Station (now Goldsmith Hall) 1939.



Philip Ryan (Junior), Kevin Ryan and Philip Ryan (Senior) 1967



Baggot Street Girls School circa 1936  
Front Row:  
Bridge Ryan,  
May Fitzpatrick,  
also Bridy Seagrave (Maguire).

# EASTER PICTURE SPECIAL Part 2





*Glenn Reilly*

# Women's Work by Glenn Reilly

A recent RTE documentary called Reabhlóid brought to my attention a name which I had never heard before, despite having more than a passing interest in the revolutionary era of our country, this was the first I had heard of Margaret Skinnider. Born in Coatbridge Scotland in 1893 to Irish parents, as a teenager she joined Cumann na mBan in Glasgow. Her fervent nationalism and intelligence did not go unnoticed and before long she was deeply involved in clandestine operations for republican organisations; smuggling detonators, amongst other things, into Ireland in her hat. It was on these missions that she was given a revolver by Thomas McDonagh which was one of her prized possessions. It was at this time that she met Countess Markievicz, one of the few women to be given recognition for her efforts towards a free Ireland.

Margaret was one of the women who as nurses, cooks, messengers or whatever was needed of them, risked their lives to aid in the fight for our fledgling nation. She acted primarily as a dispatch rider between the Dublin garrisons bringing important communiqués between the leaders of the rising, and was sighted by these men, in the very messages she was carrying, for her bravery.

She was present as the Irish army blockaded St. Stephens Green, commandeering any vehicles that tried to pass; two British army officers amongst those that were removed from their vehicles. But, having been unable to take control of the Shelbourne Hotel, the British armed forces gained the upper hand by placing machine guns on its roof. Their position at Stephens Green becoming untenable, the Irish forces had to retreat down Kildare Street to the Royal College of Surgeons. It was here that Margaret became more than a dispatch rider.

At the order of Commandant Michael Mallin she changed from her Red Cross attire into her Irish army uniform which had been specially made for her by Countess Markievicz or 'Madam' as she was called. Given a rifle she made her way up to a garret in the roof of the Royal College of Surgeons where she began to open fire on the British armed forces at the Shelbourne. She was a crack shot, having been trained to shoot by the British in Scotland during World War 1 to aid in defence of the British realm. She recalled in her autobiography 'more than once I saw the man I aimed at fall'. It was these actions which set her apart from the other women who worked tirelessly in the struggle.

Her superiors, all male apart from Countess Markievicz, were not exactly comfortable with a woman such as

herself being involved in combat; some for fear of her safety and others out of their own chauvinistic notions of a woman's role. But she argued, and rightly so, that 'we had the same right to risk our lives as the men; that in the constitution of the Irish Republic, women were on an equality with men'. And fight she did.

She passed through her first taste of combat unscathed but her next involvement wouldn't be so successful. While trying to burn down a building near University church to hamper the retreat of the British armed forces, her unit came under fire; she was hit three times and seriously wounded. According to reports when taken back to the Royal College of Surgeons she was more concerned about her prized uniform being cut off by the medics than her own mortality.



*Margaret Skinnider*

Margaret was hospitalised for the rest of the hostilities, being deemed to be in too fragile a state to be arrested. She managed to evade capture upon her release from hospital and fled to her native Scotland and then to New York, where she lectured on the Republican movement and wrote her memoir 'Doing My Bit for Ireland'. Returning to Ireland in 1917 she was involved in the

War of Independence on the anti-treaty side, when she was arrested and imprisoned. During the Civil War she acted as paymaster general to the IRA. In 1923 after some of the dust had settled from the troubles, she took a job as a teacher in Kings Inn Street, which she held until her death in 1971.

As though her bravery during the rising and her subsequent efforts towards a free Ireland weren't enough, during her time as a teacher she was heavily involved in the Irish National Teacher's Organisation, becoming its president and representing Ireland at the World Conference of the Organisation of Teaching Professionals in the Philippines.

With the exceptions of Countess Markievicz, whose prominence in the movement and social standing meant she could not be ignored; and Lizzy O'Farrell who managed to get her feet in the door so to speak, most of these women who risked their lives for our freedom are virtually forgotten. As the centenary of the 1916 rising approaches spare a thought for these women who not only fought for our freedom but had to fight for the right to do so.

**Margaret's book; 'Doing My Bit for Ireland' is available in the Gilbert Library, Pearse St. Elizabeth O'Farrell is commemorated at Holles St. Maternity Hospital and at City Quay. And I don't think I need to remind anybody of the impression Countess Markievicz has left on the city.**

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If you need assistance regarding any of the numbers below please contact:  
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<p>Health Service Executive Customer Service                      <b>Freephone: 1800 520 520</b></p> <p>Health Board Executive Dublin South City                      <b>Phone: 01-6486500</b></p> <p>Medical/Chiropody/Dental/ Optical Social Work Services Speech &amp; Language Therapy District Care Unit for the Elderly European Health Insurance Card/E.H.I.C. Other Services available: contact above: Health Service Executive: Out of Hours Emergency Accommodation For Adults:                      <b>Freephone: 1800 724 724</b></p> <p>Irishtown Health Centre                      <b>Phone: 01-6608629</b> Pearse Street Medical Centre                      <b>Phone: 01-6777781</b></p> <p>Dr. Niall O'Cleirigh Pearse Street Primary Care Centre Mark's Lane Off Lombard Street Dublin 2                      <b>Phone: 01 - 6427700</b> Travellers Unit                      <b>Phone: 01-6770963</b> Main Reception                      <b>Phone: 01-6770288</b></p>	<p><b>Dublin City Council:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-2222222</b></p> <p>Rent Assessment &amp; Accounts:                      <b>Freephone: 1800 679 555</b></p> <p>Housing Maintenance                      <b>Phone: 01-2227579</b></p> <p>Estate Management                      <b>Phone: 01-2222098</b></p> <p>Bin Charges (Domestic)                      <b>Phone: 01-2221000</b></p> <p>Community Development                      <b>Phone: 01-2222231</b></p> <p>Housing Welfare                      <b>Phone: 01-2222233</b></p> <p><b>Dublin City Council:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-2222233</b> Block 1 Floor 2 Civic Offices Christchurch Dublin 8</p>
<p><b>Social Welfare Local Office:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6369300</b> <b>Apollo House</b></p>	<p><b>Threshold:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6786096</b> Housing Advice, Information on Housing and Homelessness</p>
<p><b>P.A.Y.E. Enquiries Dublin:</b>                      <b>Lo-Call: 1890 333 425</b></p>	<p><b>A.A. (Alcoholics Anonymous):</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-8420700</b> <b>Al - anon / Ala - teen:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-8732699</b></p>
<p><b>Pearse Street Garda Station:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6669000</b> Community Garda Juvenile Liaison Officer <b>Irishtown Garda Station:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6669600</b> Community Garda Juvenile Liaison Officer Crimestoppers:                      <b>Freephone: 1800 250 025</b> Garda Confidential Line:                      <b>Freephone: 1800 666 111</b> Emergency:                      <b>Phone: 999 or 112</b></p>	<p><b>St. Vincent de Paul:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-8550022</b></p> <p><b>F.L.A.C. :</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-8745690</b> Free Legal Advice Centre/Contact for Referral</p> <p><b>Office of the Ombudsman:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6395600</b> <b>Lo-Call: 1890 223 030</b></p>
<p><b>Parentline:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-8733500</b> Organisation for Parents                      <b>Lo-Call: 1890 927 277</b> Under Stress</p>	<p><b>The Pathways Project:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-8726499</b> Helping Prisoners &amp; Ex Prisoners Re - educate and re - integrate</p>
<p><b>Victim Support:</b>                      <b>Lo-Call: 1850 661 771</b> <b>Dublin North Central</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-8603877</b> <b>Dublin North</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-8531855</b></p>	<p><b>Bereavement Counselling Service:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6768882</b> St. Ann's Church                      <b>Phone: 01-8391766</b> (Mon &amp; Wed evenings from 6pm to 9pm, ring for appointment)</p>
<p><b>One Family:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6629212</b> Training Programmes/Counselling Childcare Service etc. Ask One Family                      <b>Lo-Call: 1890 662 212</b></p>	<p><b>CYC Catholic Youth Support Service:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-8725055</b></p> <p><b>City of Dublin Youth Service Board:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-4321100</b></p>
<p><b>AMEN:</b>                      <b>Phone: 046-9023718</b> (Confidential advice line for male victims of domestic abuse)</p>	<p><b>Crosscare:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-8360011</b> The Crosscare Programme operated in this area is based in St. Brigid's Food Centre in Holles Row for Homeless people - also Meals on Wheels</p>
<p><b>Family Mediation Services:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6344320</b> (Free Service) to couples separating</p>	<p><b>Citizens' Information Call Centre:</b>                      <b>Lo-Call: 1890 777 121</b></p>
<p><b>AIM Family Service:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6708363</b></p>	<p><b>M.A.B.S.</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6706555</b> Money Advice &amp; Budgeting Service</p>
<p><b>The Equality Authority:</b>                      <b>Lo-Call: 1890 245 545</b> <b>Public Information Centre:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-4173333</b> <b>Roscrea Co. Tipperary:</b>                      <b>Phone: 0505-24126</b></p>	<p><b>Women's Aid:</b>                      <b>Freephone: 1800 341 900</b></p>
<p><b>CHILDLINE c/o ISPCC:</b>                      <b>Freephone: 1800 666 666</b></p>	<p><b>St. Andrew's Parish, Westland Row:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6761270</b> <b>Fax: 01-6763544</b></p> <p><b>City Quay Parish:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6773073</b></p>
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<p><b>Focus Ireland:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-6712555</b> Emergency Accommodation advice to homeless People and anybody who needs advice regarding accommodation</p>	<p><b>Samaritans (Dublin):</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-8727700</b> <b>Samaritans Area Helpline:</b>                      <b>Lo-Call: 1850 609 090</b></p>
<p><b>Barnardos:</b>                      <b>Phone: 01-4549699</b> National Children's Resource Centre</p>	

# PEARSE STREET GARDA PARTY Photos by Alex Kearns





# EASTER PICTURE SPECIAL Part 3



Ella, Marion's grand daughter (Conefreys)



Cara – Suzanne's neice (Conefreys)



Cathleen and Christy O'Dwyer celebrating their 58 years of marriage with beloved son Kevin in City Quay Church.



Cyril celebrating with his beautiful wife Peggy's 70th Birthday with friends in Birmingham recently.

## GREETINGS FROM ST. ANDREW'S DAY CENTRE

The Centre opens from noon to 4.45 p.m. five days a week.

We have dinner at 12.45. Card playing after dinner.

Bingo at 2.30. Afternoon Tea and Chat at 3.30 to 4 p.m.

Bingo until 4.45pm, also assisted shower facilities and hairdressing.

Our Bus collects people near their homes. Some return home after their meal by bus, others remain until evening time.

We now have vacancies for those who would like to join us for dinner. Either by bus or you may prefer to walk, you would be very welcome. Just think of the long winter days coming.

Wouldn't it be nice to meet some old or new friends to pass a few hours.

Come on give it a try. You will love the friendly atmosphere, you might even bring along a friend, why not?

Alice and Team wish the Community a very Happy Easter.

For further information contact: **Alice Bregazzi,**  
**St. Andrew's Resource Centre, Pearse Street,**  
**Dublin 2. Tel: 677 1930.**



Wishing Alice a very Happy 21st!

# CONFREY'S PHARMACY

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*Mary Daly, Marion O'Connor, Mrs. Conefrey and Suzanne Slattery.*

*Tomas, family and staff wish the Community a very Happy Easter.*



*Grainne Dunne and Ling Wei Lee.*

## COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CARDS + KEEP SAKES

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DISPOSE OF YOUR OLD, USED AND UNUSED MEDICINES – Just Drop them into the Pharmacy and we will dispose of them for you.**

### TIMES OF OPENING:

MONDAY TO FRIDAY  
8.30 a.m. – 6.00 p.m.  
SATURDAY  
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
SUNDAY  
Closed



*Marion and Suzanne.*

# GREENORE / ROSTREVOR NEWS

This year our group had a number of events over the month of December to start we Celebrated St Andrews Feast Day Mass which was concelebrated by his Grace Bishop Diarmuid Martin and after mass we had Lunch at Alexander Hotel in Fenian Street. Night out to the Grand Canal Theatre to see the musical show White Christmas and after the show we had dinner in the Maldron Hotel Cardiff Lane we also had Santa to our Centre with Christmas gifts. We also attended the Garda Christmas dinner organised by Pearse Street Garda B District.

New this year as a treat we were invited to the Lombard in Lombard St for a lovely Tea Party organised by the Management and staff to the community and a great afternoon was had by all. Well done to the organisers and our friends in the Lombard.

We would like to thank our sponsors and members for their continued support all year we welcome new members why not give it a try get you out of the house we are open two afternoons a week from 2.30 – 5. 15 why not give it a try.

The Committee of Greenore / Rostrevor Centre would like to wish all the community a Happy Easter.



*Greenore / Rostrevor overnight stay in The Green Isle Hotel.*



## **Bits and Pieces ... by Michael McDermott**



While they were having their usual morning cuppa and a chat Magg says to Julia: "Did you hear the news on the radio? The head of the United Nations, Bandy Moon, has a general on trial for war crimes in Bosnia."

"Who, Maggs, who?" says

Julia.

"Ah you know who I'm talking about, Sloppydan Sonofabitch."

"Oh" says Julia. "Maggs you're great with the foreign names"

"I was thinking of getting the place decorated for Easter" says Maggs, "and guess what, our Jemser from around the corner offered to do the painting. I thought better of that as Bridie, my next door neighbour, said he painted her house and made an awful mess of it. She said he hadn't a clue about painting and didn't know his backside from his elbow about the job."

Maggs finally decided to give the job to Kate's son

Jimmie who was serving his time as a painter and who would welcome the time and money.

Our window cleaner is better known than Sonny Knowles; they all call him "Spit and Polish" and he's as well known as a begging ass. He does a great job and is finished in a jiffy and then goes off on his bicycle with his ladder on his shoulder and his bucket on the handlebars. Well talk about Safety First – if you don't see him or hear him coming, you're sure to get a belt of the ladder!

After Fluther drained the last dregs of his pint, having a good few scoops and a skinful of Guinness, he bade farewell and goodnight to his mates.

As he shuffled off home in his usual unsteady gait, he was heard to sing in his own words the Labour song: "*We'll Keep The Red Flag Flying.*"

"The worker can go and kiss me arse, I've got the foreman's job at last" or words to that effect, as he disappeared into the night.

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## For the Third Night in Row by Anne Losty Byrne

FOR THE THIRD NIGHT IN A ROW JOHN HEARD A STRANGE BANGING OUTSIDE THE WINDOW

And slowly his head sank onto the pillow due to the previous disturbed nights' rest and as he tried to wander back into the Land of Nod some mischievous evil genie whispered into his ear that perhaps the banshee had mixed up her signals and instead of knocking three times at the window – signalling an approaching death – obviously his - for no one else lived in his flat, had instead knocked on three separate nights on the window but despite this gruesome thought he still snuggled down into his warm, comfortable, bed; he was too tired to get up and investigate what was causing the banging, he thought that if he could catch the banshee he would kick her where it would hurt, tell her where to go and at what speed and that if his time was up then would she mind buzzing off so that he could enjoy the last bit of sleep which he would have in this World?

The spirit of his Auntie May was none too pleased at the results she was getting, she was on probation and knew that if she did not get a positive result this third night that she would fail the test and would not be able to advance to a higher spiritual level and she did not want that to happen for she thought she deserved better after all the prayers she had said, all she had suffered during her life on Earth and all the time she had studied since her physical death. She looked around the balcony, wondering was there something which she could use to make more noise. She had been instructed not to break anything, she was only allowed to use the powers which she had been trained to use. She sighed in exasperation and frustration.

Paul heard the knocking on the balcony up above his hiding place, he was too cold to be able to sleep and he decided to take another look, the flat must be empty for this was the third night that he had heard knocking from that balcony and if it was occupied then surely the tenant would have come out to investigate and he had not heard any door opening, not a sound except the knocking, perhaps a swinging flower pot or the branch of a shrub? There was a drain pipe close to the balconies, stupid thing for the builders to do for it made access to the flats that much easier, there was a faint light coming from the first balcony but that was probably some nervous person leaving a night light on.

What if he were caught? Hunger and the exceptionable cold weather forced him to come to a decision he had not wanted to make, he knew he was crossing a moral boundary line but he could not spend a third night out in the open and he did not want to be found by Simon, who had done the rounds last night, bringing hot soup and sandwiches to the homeless. Simon knew his parents and he had hated seeing the look of pity in his eyes, he needed to get out of the open in case Simon had informed his family where he had seen him and the cold was steeping into his bones, he needed to get under cover and he decided to risk it, hoping that the flat was empty, he scaled up the wall and reached the second balcony with ease and May stared at him as he tried the handle and saw his surprise when he found it unlocked.

John had forgotten to lock the door, he had meant to because of the knocking the previous nights but the few drinks he had taken had made him too sleepy to bother. Paul stood staring at the sleeping figure and was glad that the man had not heard him entering his flat which was lovely and warm, now for some food. Paul ate the cheese and pastries which he found in the kitchen, he did not feel like drinking cold milk and he could not risk making noise so boiling a kettle was out of the question. Looking around he spotted an opened bottle of whiskey and a glass on a counter so he helped himself to a large whiskey. He was not used to drinking whiskey nor roughing it in the streets and as for those two unwelcome guests - exhaustion and hunger – they were new to him too so as soon as he sat down on a comfortable armchair he fell into a deep sleep.

Next morning John woke to the sound of snoring and when he realised that he was not its source, he jumped out of bed and grabbed hold of one of his golf clubs. He crept into the main room and was astonished to find he had a guest, a rough looking one too. He stared at the young man then fetched his mobile off the hall table and moving quietly headed back into his bedroom so that he would not be heard ringing the guards. Auntie May's second test came at that moment, she mentally tried to communicate with her nephew, she wanted him to help Paul, not get him into trouble but John did not seem to be listening. Again she tried, then she saw Paul standing in the doorway and she decided to try and communicate with him, "Ask him to stop, ask for help, NOW", she mentally shouted. "Please don't call the police, please. Look, I'm leaving".

"You broke into my flat, you are trespassing..."

"I've taken nothing, look, there's your wallet, your watch. I only broke in because it was freezing last night and I needed to get into shelter. I heard knocking at your door and I thought your place was empty, please don't ring the police, I'm leaving right now".

"There's being knocking on my door the past three nights, was that you?"

"No, no. I've been sleeping down below and I heard it each night but it was not me. Look, Mister, just let me go, PLEASE".

John looked at the miserably looking youth facing him with desperation in his eyes and suddenly he remembered that a long time ago he had ran from home in a blind fit of rage and had fled to his Auntie May's home for shelter. She had helped him through the storm and he had never forgotten her kindness to him though he had not done much by way of saying thanks. He sighed and put down his mobile. He glanced at his wallet and his watch and around the bedroom, he knew without checking that nothing had been touched, he took another look at Paul. The chap needed help, not jail.

"Right, let's have a chat over coffee and hot croissants".

The face Paul made told John that he could forget about the croissants.

"Well, coffee and toast then".

Paul turned away from him in order to hide his tears and Auntie May turned around to face her teacher.

"Well, done. Full marks".

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