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The next edition of Rathkeale Newsletter will be published on Friday January 10th. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has contributed to the newsletter throughout the year and look forward to working with you in 2014. Wishing all our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

ART COMPETITION RESULTS



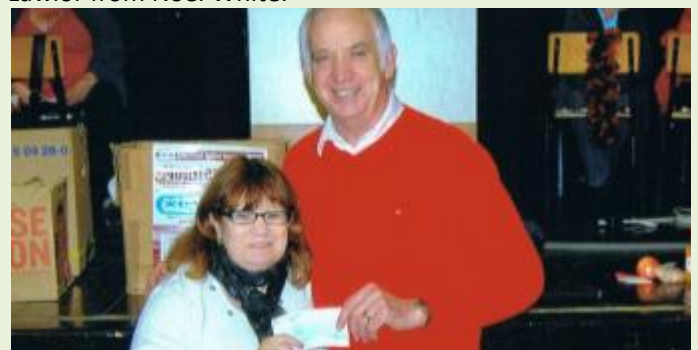
We would like to thank all the children who entered our Christmas art competition this year. The standard was very high and Congratulations to our winners. 1st prize under 12's went to Helen Quilligan, 2nd prize to Claire Power both aged 10. First prize in the under 8's went to Ruby Bourke Mulcaire aged 7. All our winners were from St. Anne's Primary School. They received €25 & €10 vouchers for winners and runner up respectively, which can be spent at Domhnall Ó Gairbhí newsagents and toy store, Thomas St. Rathkeale.



Bernie Naughton receiving a cheque for €1000 on behalf of Pat Naughton from Noel White.



Mary Kiely receiving a cheque for €300 on behalf of Kate Lawlor from Noel White.



Bernie Woulfe receiving a cheque for €100 from Noel White. Photographs by Donovan Studios.

Next Draw 9th January 2014

**RATHKEALE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
CHILDREN'S CORNER RCCCC**

**THE LITTLE
CHRISTMAS
TREE**



This is the story of a little fir tree who dreamt of growing up so that he could go and be a Christmas Tree among the Humans.

The other, older trees, knew more about life and they told him that being a tree with the Humans wasn't as good as all that. But the little fir tree didn't want to believe the older trees - and he didn't have long to wait.

He was so pleased when one day some children came with their parents to choose a fir tree to decorate their living room. The children adored him at first sight.

So he was dug up and brought into the living room, where he was hung with decorations.

After they had finished decorating him, the little fir tree shone with a thousand lights.

Christmas was getting closer and everyone admired the little Christmas Tree. The young fir tree thought: "All the bigger fir trees were wrong" and he lifted his branches even higher so people could admire him better.

Up till January, he was the prince of the living room; but then he started to lose his needles.

Now nobody looked at him, touched him, or even bothered to gather up the tiny needles that fell. Then, the whole family decided to put him down into the cellar. The fir tree started to feel very sad that he had even been chosen by the family.

After several days' wait - it seemed never-ending to him -, the little fir tree was replanted. He was so happy to be back in this good old earth that he'd missed so much during those endless days when he was shut up in the cellar!! Suddenly he understood that the family had left him in the cold of the cellar to keep him healthy.

Each year, the family dug him up again to put him back into the living room. He was very happy with his new family. And yes, in the end the bigger trees were wrong about something - some humans are good after all

**WHAT'S ON IN
RATHKEALE!**

Thursday 19th December

Foley's Bar & Restaurant – Reen's Pike

9.30 Christmas Draw and music By "The Busker" with complimentary finger food.

Saturday 21st December

O'Sullivan's Bar

9.30pm Music by DJ Bunny.

Rathkeale House Hotel

9.30pm Music by Liam McCarthy

Foley's Bar & Restaurant – Reen's Pike

9.30 Music by Wild Rovers.

Sunday 22nd December

An Seabhac

12 Noon Christmas Sale. See page 3 for details.

Rathkeale House Hotel

8.30pm Old Style Dancing in Ballroom

6 – 10pm DJ Ray in the Chestnut Bar.

Foley's Bar & Restaurant – Reen's Pike

9.30 Trad session with Batty Collins & Friends.

Monday 23rd December

O'Sullivan's Bar

9pm Christmas Draw.

Thursday 26th December

Foley's Bar & Restaurant – Reen's Pike

9.30 Music by Front Line.

Saturday 28th December

Foley's Bar & Restaurant – Reen's Pike

9.30 Music by Greg O'Shaughnessy.

O'Sullivan's Bar

9.30pm Music by Brian Kelliher

Rathkeale House Hotel

9.30pm Music by Blue Bayou.

New Year's Eve

Foley's Bar & Restaurant – Reen's Pike

9pm Music by Dark Horse.

O'Sullivan's Bar

9pm Music by DJ Bunny.

Rathkeale House Hotel

9pm Music by Full Irish.

COMMUNITY NOTES

Reported By Tim Shiels

Party proposed for Friday in Hotel:

A change of plan. Blessing of Christmas tree and new crib figures and lights at 8 o'clock in the square. Light refreshments afterwards in the Community Centre on Friday 20th

Sincere Sympathy:

Sincere sympathy is extended to Gerry and Mary Enright and family Ballyallinan, on the death of Mary's mother, Ora Brosnan, Broadford. May she rest in peace.

Rathkeale Gala Christmas Concert:

A lovely programme of Christmas songs and music from the students of Colaiste - na - Trocaire, St. Anne's Girls School and St. Joseph's Boys' School on Thursday 19th December at 7.30pm Tickets: Adults €10, children €5 all children taking part in the concert are free. Proceeds to the Colaiste and C.Y.M.S Hall.

Parish Kris Kindle Prayer.

You are invited to write your name on the prayer cards being handed out and to pray for another parishioner during advent while someone else prays for you. We will join with our brothers and sisters in the local Church of Ireland and Methodist communities.

Confession:

Christmas without confession is like dinner without the turkey. Please find a copy of a brief examination of conscience which may help you to prepare for good cleaning of the soul as we prepare for the birth of the saviour. Extra confession times will be announced.

Visit the elderly:

In this cold winter weather please visit the elderly especially those living alone. Have a chat and cuppa tea with them and please check if they are warm and have what they need.

Be careful on the roads:

Please be careful while you are driving on the streets and roads, as with the weather and dangerous drivers it can be dangerous.

CLASSIFIED

Christmas Sale at "An Seabhac"

Church Street , Rathkeale
Sundays from 12 noon.
Designer Glassware & Pottery, Lamps, Pictures, Mirrors etc. Hampers from less than €10. Great gift ideas. Pieces included are - Waterford, Louis Mulcahy, Michael Kennedy, Jack O Patsy, and lots more. Wine Hampers, Vintage China, Something for everyone , + Mulled Wine for Christmas !!!



Eddie's Quiz Corner

Last weeks Answers:

1. Who has won the most Oscars ?
Answer: Walt Disney.
2. What would a Scotsman do with a spurtle ?
Answer: Eat porridge (it's a spoon).
3. Who sang the theme song in 9 to 5 ?
Answer: Dolly Parton.
4. What in business terms is the IMF ?
Answer: International Monetary Fund.
5. Which country grows the most fruit ?
Answer: China

Christmas Quiz (Answers on page5)

1. Name the original eight reindeer from the 'Twas the night Before Christmas' poem?
2. What is New Year's Eve called in Scotland?
3. In what year was Band-Aid's Do They Know It's Christmas the UK Christmas chart-topping record ?
4. Who is officially credited as the author of Auld Lang Syne?
5. What colour are the berries of the mistletoe plant? **W**

Results of Card Game held in Rathkeale Community Centre December 18th

Jim Roche & Jed Kerins
Sean McElligott & Sean Dolan



Table Prizes

Rita Corkery & Mary Roche.
Joe Dunleavy & Anthony McMahon.
Vinnie Wrenn & Joan Fitzgibbon

Raffle

Mary O'Grady, Betty Kerins, Gretta McKenna,
John Supple & John Supple.
Spot Prizes
Ann McCarthy, Moss O'Connor,
Paddy Roche & Sean Moriarty.

Usual game again on Wednesday, January 1st at
Rathkeale Community Centre.

New Players welcome!

GENERAL NOTES

Reported by Various

ONE MORE FOR THE ROAD:

An updated version of "One More For The Road" by Raymond Fennelly has now been launched in paperback by Amazon. It contains all the old favourites as well as a new collection of articles and short stories first published on the Abbeyfeale On Line website. The book is also available as an e-book and might make a suitable Christmas present, particularly for those living overseas. Further details from Amazon or the local Abbeyfeale On Line website.

IRISH COUNTRY MUSIC RADIO:

"Hi. Joe Harrington here. Just the usual reminder that Joe's Country Kingdom is coming up on www.irishcountrymusicradio.com Three hours of Country and Irish music. You can request a song by way of the red button on the home page. You can chat with others listening in to the programme by going to ICMR Presenters page on Facebook. Looking forward to your company. The following are the times for the Tuesday and Saturday programme around the world. (If there are errors please let me know.) Joe's Country Kingdom on Tuesdays Ireland Tuesday 8pm – to 11pm, Sydney Wednesday 7am -10am, Brisbane Wednesday 6am – 9am, Vancouver Tuesday 12 noon – 3pm, Ottawa Tuesday 3pm – 6pm. Newfoundland Tuesday 4.30pm – 7.30pm. Wellington Wednesday 9am – midnight. Cape Town Tuesday 10pm – 1am Sunday, San Francisco Tuesday 12 noon – 3pm. Kansas Tuesday 2pm – 5pm. New York, Tuesday 3pm – 4pm. Indiana Tuesday 3pm – 6pm. Joe's Country Kingdom on Saturdays, Ireland Saturday 9pm – to midnight, Sydney Sunday 8am -11am, Brisbane Sunday 7am – 10am, Vancouver Saturday, 1pm – 4pm, Ottawa Saturday 4pm – 7pm Newfoundland Saturday 5.30pm – 8.30pm, Wellington Sunday, 10am – 1am, Cape Town Saturday, 11pm – 2am Sunday, San Francisco Saturday 1pm – 4pm, Kansas Saturday 3pm – 6pm, New York Saturday 4pm – 7pm, Indiana Saturday 4pm – 7pm. Just in case you don't know... You can continue to browse the internet while listening to the programme. In the home page of www.irishcountrymusicradio.com click on the small arrow on the top right hand corner of the "Radiotuna" and it will detach. Click "play" on the detached radiotuna and it will play away in the background."

NOONAN'S OF TEMPLEGLANTINE WINTER

WONDERLAND: The winter wonderland that is Tullig, Templeglantine continues to set the hillside ablaze. Follow the signs and anything you can give will go directly to Brothers of Charity NCW and Foynes, Acquired Brain Injury, Castleisland, Adare Alzheimer's Branch and Milford Hospice.

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS PROGRAMME:

Participants are now being sought for a new Employability Skill Programme which will start this coming January and run two mornings per week (Monday & Friday) from 9.30am-1.00pm. The course will cover core modules include Functional Maths, Team-work, Work Experience and a language (tbc). The course is a FETAC level 4 programme delivered by the Limerick Education and Training Board. Limited places available. Contact Finn at West Limerick Resources on 069 61316 or email ffitzgerald@wlr.ie

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED:

Volunteers required for English Language classes in Newcastle West in the New Year. Volunteers do not require any specific qualifications or experience but must be willing to commit to volunteer 1.5 hours per week for an 8-10 week period to support small groups of 3-4 people at a time to develop their English language conversation skills. Contact Irene at West Limerick Resources on 069 66298 or email iocallaghan@wlr.ie

ADSAR MONSTER BINGO:

Abbeyfeale District Search and Rescue is hosting it's annual Monster Bingo Night in Halla Tadhg Gaelach, Tournafulla, on Wednesday, December 18 at 8.30 sharp. There's three thousand euro in prizes, and spot prizes galore. It promises to be a great night and your support will be greatly appreciated. ADSAR does amazing work within our community, a lot of which goes unnoticed behind the scenes. It is truly one of the best assets the district has, and the organisation is always on hand to help, not only in the event of a search and rescue situation, but in many other ways also. As it is an entirely voluntary organisation, it depends heavily on fund raising. Please support the bingo night and be in with a chance of winning some Christmas shopping money !! Single book and one sheet is 15 euro, double book and one sheet is 18 euro.

ENTERPRISE START PROGRAMME:

Applications are now being sought for the Enterprise Start Programme which will begin in the newly opened Red Door Business Incubation Centre in Newcastle West in early 2014. The EnterpriseSTART training programme, delivered by LIT, will be used as the means of identifying the most suitable candidates for the center's eight incubation spaces which was developed by Newcastle West & District Chamber of Commerce and funded in part by West Limerick Resources. See: www.reddoorbic.ie or call the centre on 069 77751.

RAMBLING HOUSE:

The very popular Knockfierna Rambling House will hold a special night of storytelling, music, singing etc at The Village Hall, Adare on Saturday, December 28 at 7.30pm sharp. All musicians welcome. Doors open at 7pm. There is no admission fee. All are welcome.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR LIMERICK'S NEW YEAR EVE FESTIVAL:

Volunteers are now being sought to help make this year's New Year's Eve Festival the biggest and best New Year's Eve party Limerick has ever seen! This is a unique opportunity to be at the heart of the action whether you are considering a career in event management or just simply want to be part of this exciting event. We have a wide range of opportunities available ranging from stewards, stage hands and event managers. While no specific training or qualifications are required to volunteer for this event, volunteers should have strong communication and interpersonal skills, be outgoing and friendly and be comfortable dealing with large crowds. All volunteers will receive full training on Sunday, December 29 and Monday, December 30 from Davis Events. To apply as a volunteer for the festival, please visit the Volunteer Limerick Website <http://www.volunteerlimerick.ie> or contact the centre on 087 7387481

COMMUNITY ALERT:

Roadside Trees, Ditches and Hedges. Under the terms of the Roads Act 1993, householders, landowners, and occupiers of land are obliged to take all reasonable care to ensure that the trees, ditches, hedges and other vegetation growing on their land are not or could not become a danger to people using or working on a public road. Examples of hazards might be dead or dying trees, ditches or hedges interfering with traffic, blocking footpaths, obscuring road signs or obscuring a view of the road ahead. People are required to fell, cut, log, trim or remove such trees, ditches and hedges. The liability for damage or injury resulting from such hazards will rest with the householder/landowner/occupier.

THE RED DOOR BIC :

If you are interested, or if you know anyone interested in starting their own business, please e-mail info@reddoorbic.ie or ring the chamber office at 069-77751.

RACES:

Limerick Racecourse is gearing up for one of the oldest festivals in Munster when the 4 Day Irish Independent Limerick Christmas Racing Carnival gets underway on St. Stephen's Day.

THINKING OF GETTING MARRIED:

Accord Marriage Care Service, Newcastle West, provides Marriage Preparation Courses for couples choosing to get married in the Catholic Church. There are still some places available on our January Course which takes place on Saturday, January 18, 2014. For further details, please phone 069-61000 or email accordnewcastlewest@eircom.net

TOASTMASTERS:

Next meeting of West Limerick Toastmasters Wednesday, January 15 at the Desmond Complex from 8.30pm – 10.30pm. This will start off the new season and people thinking of joining are made especially welcome on that night. For further information contact Donnacha on 086 8494505.



COLÁISTE NA TRÓCAIRE

L.I.T Visit

As part of Engineering week in L.I.T., the Leaving Cert. Engineering class visited the college where they attended a presentation on the special topic for the Leaving Cert. This year the special topic is Nuclear Power Plants. They also took part in a number of different workshops on third level options in the college, involving engineering. They were accompanied by Mr. Vincent Murphy. There are over 40 past pupils of Coláiste na Trócaire currently studying a wide range of courses in L.I.T.

Sporting Events

Our senior camogie team had a win over Fermoy in the first round of the Munster Schools Competition which was held in Neville Park this week. Our junior camogie Team lost to Cashel in the Munster semi-final. The senior boys' footballers lost to St. Munchin's College last Tuesday in Rathbane. The first year footballers lost to Hospital in the final of the county first year hurlers competition.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Leaving Cert. and Junior Cert. Parent Teacher Meetings took place last week. First Year Parent Teacher Meetings will be held on Monday 16 December.

Animal Magic

All First Year students had a special treat to celebrate their first term in Coláiste na Trócaire with a visit from the 'Animal Magic Show' which visited the school on Thursday last. The pupils had an opportunity to see a display of a wide variety of animals. They also had an opportunity to handle and see animals such as small snakes, rabbits, etc. at close quarters. Also on the day, a local Magician named Leon Anderson presented a magic show focusing his tricks on numeracy. This was a wonderful event for the pupils and is part of the J.C.S.P programme for schools.

Christmas Quiz Answers

1. Name the original eight reindeer from the 'Twas the night Before Christmas' poem? **Comet, Cupid, Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Donner, Blitzen**
2. What is New Year's Eve called in Scotland?
Hogmanay .
3. In what year was Band-Aid's Do They Know It's Christmas the UK Christmas chart-topping record?
1984
4. Who is officially credited as the author of Auld Lang Syne? **Robert Burns**
5. What colour are the berries of the mistletoe plant?
White



Rathkeale A.F.C.

By
Caoimhe
Molyneaux

Michael O Sullivan and Paul Hogan Memorial Cup

Rathkeale A.F.C are hosting a five aside tournament in aid of Michael O'Sullivan and Paul Hogan Memorial Cup, These two gentlemen were valued past members of the Rathkeale A.F.C. and we like to host this event in their honour. It will take place on the 26th of December. The team must consist of a panel of 8 players - two ladies, two over 35 and rest junior or lady players, club members. €40 entry per team will be given to Rathkeale Community Council. Anyone interested in taking part should contact Caoimhe Molyneaux on 0879823444

Sincere Sympathy :

Sincere sympathy is extended to wife Laura, daughters Tina, Janet, Michelle and Mary, sons Mark and Michael, son-in-laws, daughter-in-laws, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives and many friends on the death of Mike Meehan. May he rest in peace.

Special Offer

Hire of Astro Turf

Rathkeale AFC Club offers two, state of the art, floodlit and partitioned (removable) pitches available to everyone to rent by the hour. These pitches are supported with changing rooms and shower facilities. If you would like to block book a pitch to guarantee your slot each week or make a one off booking, please contact us to avail of our special offer rates. Contact John Coleman 0872754330

Contact Us

Rathkeale AFC can now be contacted on its new email address rathkealeafc@gmail.com. If for any reason you need to contact the club requiring information or would like to share some information, the above email address can be used.

Facebook

Rathkeale AFC can be found on facebook, go to the club's page to see the latest news and pictures of our teams in action.

Season's Greetings

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



St Mary's/Sean Finns GAA Club

Reported By David Gilbourne



Premier U21 Football – Rathkeale/Cappagh through to Semi Finals

After an impressive victory over Fr. Casey's on a scoreline of 0-11 to 2-4, Rathkeale/Cappagh now find themselves in the semi-finals. Permutations are as follow; if St. Kierans beat Shamrocks in the quarter final replay, then it is straight forward. Rathkeale/Cappagh will play NCW in one semi-final and Drom/Broadford will play St. Kierans in the other one. If Shamrocks beat St. Kierans in the quarter final replay, that will mean that 3 of the semi-finalists will have already met in the group stages. In that case there will be a draw for the semi-final pairings with Drom/Broadford & NCW in one hat and Rathkeale/Cappagh and Shamrocks in the other hat. So in that case the semi pairings will be:

Drom/Broadford or NCW v Rathkeale

Drom/Broadford or NCW v Shamrocks

We will have to await and see what happens!

All County Senior Football League

We still await a fixture for the County Senior League semi-final.

Gum Shields now Compulsory – Attention All Footballers

We wish to advise that Gum Shields are now compulsory for all footballers from Bord na nOg level right up to Senior level. **The new rule will be strictly enforced in all training sessions and matches.** You have been warned!!

Club Membership now due

Club membership for the 2014 season is now due. Rates for 2014 remain unchanged from last year and are as follows: Adult €20, Under-18 €10 and a family rate of €50. All players must pay their membership prior to taking part in any games or training. This will be strictly enforced this year so make sure you contact Philip O'Donnell, who is the club registrar again for 2014, before training commences. We are taking this matter very seriously this year and you simply won't play if you haven't paid. Players are also going to ensure that their fellow players have paid - so no excuses.

Celebratory Dinner Dance - Keep the date Free

Our celebratory Dinner Dance is scheduled for Saturday 25th January in Rathkeale House Hotel. This promises to be a great occasion, when we celebrate the winning of the intermediate football championship this year and our promotion to senior status for 2014. Further details to follow. Just ensure that you keep the date free.

Find us on Facebook

Become a friend on facebook to receive updates on fixtures, last minute changes and results and so on. Go to www.facebook.com/#!/Rathkealegaa and send us a friend request.

Fixtures

Sunday 22nd December 12.00pm: U21 Football Qtrr Final Replay: Shamrocks v St. Kierans in Kilbreedy.

RATHKEALE BOXING CLUB

Reported by Gavin Healy

TWINS SCOOP TOP SPORTS AWARD AND WIN A DEFIBRILLATOR FOR CLUB

Last weekend we got the brilliant news that European silver medallists, Jamie and Jason Harty won the overall sports award in Limerick. Each month, sports players in all categories were awarded sports star of the month and last week the overall sports star got the award for the year, so it was fantastic news that the twins won. Last Sunday morning we had the Southhill boxing club come visit us for some quality sparring and all the boys and girls got some quality rounds in. Then Sunday evening, we travelled to Macroom in Co. Cork where we had two boxers in action in Johnny Ryan and Moire Mcgelliott. Johnny took on Ryan Dervin in a right stormer with both lads boxing their hearts out, but it was the Cork lad who had his hand raised at the final bell. Ryan just left it a bit too late to find his shots but it was a good learning fight for the Clare youngster. Next in was Moire who really had a battle on her hands as she took on none other than the 9 time National champion, bronze European medalist and the world silver medalist in Macroom's Martina Desmond. With a reputation like that, everyone else would run a mile, but not our girl as she jumped at the chance when Desmond's opponent withdrew at short notice. When we got the call, Moire said she'd jump at the chance to fight someone of that calibre. It was always going to be a tough task to win this one. But this was about learning from the world's best and with Moire only back training a few weeks because of injury, she gave her all in what was a cracking four rounder in this battle of the southpaws. The Cork girl started very strong trying to impress the home crowd but Moire weathered the storm and settled into the fight better in round 2, landing some lovely right hook counters and over hand left hands. She really shook the champ at times. Round 3 was Moire's best round as she backed the champ onto the ropes and worked well on the inside with hooks and uppercuts. So it was into the last round and Moire started well but lack of fitness started to show and the Cork girl was landing some big shots in this round. Moire covered up well to see the final bell and the crowd gave both girls a massive applause for a cracking fight. Well done Moire, for taking the fight at short notice and she will now get back to tough training right through the holidays as she will enter the senior championships in the New Year. This Thursday night there will be no training as most of the lads will head to Dublin to take part in a test match with Drimnagh boxing club. Best of luck to all. The committee would like to thank all who have supported us through out the year.

Without your help it would not have been possible to have achieved the success we had in winning 9 All Ireland gold, 3 All Ireland silver and 2 schoolboy European silver medals, plus numerous county and Munster titles. Here's hoping 2014 will be as lucky for us. We would like to wish everyone a happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.



Twins Jamie and Jason Harty who scooped the top sports award and won a defibrillator for the club. What a fantastic achievement!



Johnny Ryan after his fight in Macroom last Sunday night with Gavin Healy.



Moire Mcgelligott who boxed the world silver medalist last Sunday night in Macroom with Gavin Healy.



ST MARYS ATHLETIC CLUB



St Mary's AC Athlete Represents Ireland:

On Saturday 14th December Sophie Meredith of St. Mary's AC and SMI School travelled to The Emirates Arena in Glasgow, Scotland as part of the U16 girls' team competing in the Schools International Combined Events competition.

This is an annual event contested between the best all round school age athletes of Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. Sophie qualified for the Under 16 squad at the All Ireland championships held in Athlone in November and at 12 years of age she was the youngest competitor on the Irish squad and in the whole competition.

The competition consisted of 5 events, long jump, 60 metre hurdles, high jump, shot putt and 800 metres. On what was a long day, Sophie performed well in all events and helped the team take the bronze medal behind Scotland and winners England. Sophie individually finished in 8th place overall and 2nd highest point scorer on the Irish squad. It was a great performance from such a young athlete who thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience and was especially proud to wear the Irish colours and represent her country.

All Ireland Xcountry:

Nathan Cremin was our sole competitor in the All Ireland unevenage xcountry which was held at Waterford Institute of Technology last Sunday. Nathan was also a member of the Munster team and wore the blue Munster singlet. In his debut All Ireland xcountry, he ran a fantastic race with 160 athletes who lined up for the u11 1500m race. The weather conditions were unfavourable but that didn't stop Nathan from putting in an exceptional performance. Unfortunately this time Nathan just missed out on an All Ireland medal by a few metres. Well done Nathan - you've had a fantastic 2013 .

A huge thanks:

St .Mary's AC would like to thank Chris McGrill at Adrenalin Sport Shop for his very generous sponsorship.

Next Event:

All Ireland combined events AIT 11th January 2014 U14 - Juniors

Nenagh Olympic AC open sports U13 – Junior Sunday 12th January 2014

Munster combined U11 – Juniors and relays Saturday 18th January 2014

Munster Juvenile U9- U13 indoor competition Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th February

Relays:

To be fair to all athletes and all new athletes who are asking to be on relays, we will be holding relay trials for the Munster relays which are on Sunday 18th Jan. We will hold the trials in UL track Saturday 21st Dec at noon. If you are interested or hoping to be a part of a relay team please make yourself available for the trials.

Training:

Every Thursday: Mick Neville Park Astro turf. Meet at 6:45 – 8:10. Cost €3pp or €5 per family

Every Sunday: St. Mary's Park 11:00 – 12:15

Every Monday: NCW Community Centre 6:50 to 8:00pm. Cost €2

Please be on time for warm ups to avoid any injuries.

St Marys AC Jackets:

Call into Adrenalin Sports Shop NCW to purchase our new club smock and if you haven't done so already give your name in for your 15% discount card.



Left: Sophie Meredith Schools International Glasgow. Middle: Chris Mcgill of Adrenalin Sports Shop presenting Yvonne Meredith St. Mary's AC sponsorship cheque. Bottom: Nathan Cremin U11 1500m All Ireland Xcountry.





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SIZES 8 - 24

MASSIVE CLEARANCE SALE



**CHRISTMAS
OPENING
HOURS**

Christmas Eve 9am-3pm
Christmas Day **CLOSED**
St Stephen's Day **CLOSED**

Fri 27th & Sat 28th 10am-6pm
New Years Eve 9am - 6pm
New Years day **CLOSED**

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SAYS**

**ONCE THEY'RE GONE,
THEY'RE GONE**

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7" 8GB €129
7" 16GB €149

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Dual Core Processor
7" 8GB €169
10" 16GB €319

iPad
Dual Core Processor
IPAD MINI €299
IPAD 2 €389

WALKER
19" LED TV €149
19" LED/DVD €179

WALKER LED HD TV
32" €269
39" €399
SAVE €80

SAMSUNG 600Hz PLASMA HD TV
43" €419
51" €599
SAVE €150

Panasonic 600Hz PLASMA HD TV
42" €479
50" €599
SAVE €200
FREE 5 YEAR GUARANTEE VALUE €100

SAMSUNG 100Hz SMART TV
32" €399
40" €569
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