

Rathkeale Newsletter

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Have you something to advertise or tell the community, then you can email rathkealecommunitycouncil@gmail.com or drop a note into Wilmott's Newsagent on Thomas Street, on or before Tuesday evening of each week.



Milford Hospice Harvest Fair

MRS. FENNEL WOULD LIKE TO
THANK EVERYONE THAT

CONTRIBUTED TO THE MILFORD HOSPICE
CAKE SALE. EXCEPT FOR THE ODD SHOWER
THE WEATHER WAS GOOD AND AS USUAL
THE PEOPLE OF RATHKEALE SUPPORTED THE
CAUSE GENEROUSLY. €1,500 WAS
COLLECTED FROM THE CAKE SALE.
THANK YOU TO EVERYONE!

A MEETING NOT TO BE MISSED!

Rathkeale Business Committee invites the wider business community to attend a meeting on Tuesday 7 September, 8pm in the Rathkeale Community Centre.

Updates will include:

- Rural Bus coming to Rathkeale!
- Involvement in rathkealeonline.ie
- Advertising and marketing opportunities
- Energy saving tips and advice
- Guest speaker from The Kilmallock Business Committee

We will also have members of Limerick County Council, the Community Council and the RAPID committee in attendance to update you on project they are working on, and to answer any questions you may have.

We hope to see you there.

Any questions, please contact:
Siân on 087-273 5234

Community Council Monthly Meeting on Monday 6th September @ 8pm in the Community Hall

Rathkeale Community Council
45 Drive - Card Results

1st Prize: Pauline Kerins ó Mai Wall
Mary O'Grady ó Kathleen Daly

Table Prizes: Mary Barrett ó Nora Dore
Jack Higgins ó Peter Donovan

Raffle: b40 Christy Lynch
b20 Tom Hogan
b10 Catherine Hickey
b10 Paddy Sheehy
b10 Marie Wrenn

ST. ANNE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

St. Anne's Primary School re-opened on Monday 30th at 9am for the new school year 2010/2011. The parents, have been asked to drop and collect children from Thomas Street entrance while the school renovations are in progress.

COLÁISTE NA TRÓCAIRE

Coláiste Na Trócaire Rathkeale opened on Wednesday 1st September for the 2010/2011 school year. Kevin Cusack is the new Principal and Susan Burke is the new Vice-Principal. They are both welcomed to Rathkeale and wished the best of luck in Coláiste Na Trócaire. We would also like to wish the best of luck to John Brouder, who had been Principal for the past six years, now that he has retired. And also best wishes to the 1st years that started in the Coláiste this week.

Rathkeale Parent & Toddler Group will restart on Wed. 8th Sept. in Rathkeale Community Centre 10am-11.30am. New members welcome. Contact Brenda Kerins on 087-6764246.

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MAIGUE FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

The Maigue Flower and Garden Club will be meeting at the Woodlands House Hotel, Adare on Wednesday 1st September at 8.30pm.

Beginners: Herbal table decoration in terracotta pot.

Intermediate: Basket of flowers and foliage from the garden.

Growers: Spray of climber or rambling rose.

Slides, photographs and work night.

öBring oasis, flowers and containerö

WEST LIMERICK VINTAGE CLUB

West Limerick Vintage Club are holding their annual Vintage Rally and Family Fun Day at the Thatch Bar, Newbridge on Sunday 12th September, in aid of Breast Cancer and Cystic Fibrosis. Two excellent causes and your support will be appreciated.

A STORY & A SONG

A Story & A Song can be heard every Sunday at 3pm-4pm, repeated at 7am on Sunday mornings on West Limerick 102fm. Recently John Hughes, Rathkeale, told many a story and sang many a song. Hopefully John will do another programme soon.



MEALS ON WHEELS

The Meals-On-Wheels Committee are holding their annual Churchgate collection at all Masses this weekend ö Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th September. Your support for this wonderful organisation will be appreciated.

The Meals-On-Wheels service resumes on Tuesday 7th September after the Summer break.

Volunteers are required to help with the cooking and delivery of the meals to the houses.

R.T.A.G / Tidy Towns (Rathkeale Town Acton Group News)

The long awaited return of the

CHAIN GANG

after their last visit, five years ago, is happening on Saturday 18th September

This visit to Mann's Hotel promises to be the hottest show to hit Rathkeale in 5 years.

This is going to be the ultimate ladies nite.

So hurry up and secure your ticket from Cafe V, That's Nice and Mann's Hotel or any committee member or just contact Val Foley.

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TAKING BOOKINGS NOW
FOR 2011 WEDDINGS

GREAT VALUE ALSO FOR REMAINDER
OF 2010

CONTACT DAN ON 087-6294431

WANT TO LOSE WEIGHT?

Join 6 Weeks Pre-Paid Classes (Cost " 50)

Venue: Rathkeale
Overhead Bloomers Restaurant

Time: 6.30pm

Commencing: Tuesday 14th September

- Healthy common sense eating plan
- No Exercise
- Ongoing

Contact:
Bridie 069-68124 or 086-3269538

St. Mary's / Sean Finns GAA Club (Rathkeale)

Minor Hurling - Mick Nevilles runners-up in West Minor-A Final

The "Mick Nevilles" minor hurling team played in the West Minor-A Final against Drom/Broadford on Friday night 27th August in Feenagh. This was a major challenge with Drom/Broadford having the upper hand and winning the trophy. On the night we never really got going and missed some early scoring opportunities. Drom/Broadford, on the other hand, hit the ground running and never allowed us into the game.

Minor Football

The minor football team of Sean Finn's played this Tuesday 24th Aug in Ballyhahill against the team of St. James (combination of Cappagh & Ballyhahill). This game was a one-sided affair and Sean Finn's were dominant in all areas of the field. We won this game with a score of 3:25 to St. James' score of 1:04. On Sunday 29th August the minors had another game which did not go as well for us when we met Dromcollogher/Broadford in the Bog Garden at 7pm. This was a more difficult task and we were on the losing side when the referee blew the final whistle. Final score was 4-7 for Drom/Broadford to 1-7 for Sean Finns. This result almost certainly sees Drom and Adare make the A-Final while we will have to trade our wares in the B Grade semi-finals. Our next game with this team will take place this Saturday 4th Sept when we will play against Deel Rangers in Knockaderry at 6.30pm.

Under 16 Hurling

St. Mary's under 16's have played Ahane in the quarter-final of the Championship on Tues 31st August in Ahane. Match report next week.

Under 16 Football team qualify for the final

Sean Finn's Under 16 Football team played Killluta Gaels on Wednesday 18th Aug at South Liberties GAA grounds in the Championship Semi-Final. Having been beaten by Killluta Gaels on their last encounter, the win was all the sweeter when the final whistle blew.

Training will continue under the watchful eyes of Rob White and Barry O'Riordan as these lads prepare for the Championship final.

Under-21 Football

We are graded in the premier All-county division for this competition. It is due to commence on 7th Sept with a away game against Fr Caseys. This will be quickly

followed by 2 home games (v Bruff) on 14th Sept and (v Mulcair Gaels) on 21-Sept. Top team from this group makes the semi-finals while the 2nd & 3rd placed teams will play the 2nd/3rd placed teams in the other group in the quarter finals. Qualification for the knock-out stages is well within our abilities. At this stage, it is vital that all U21 footballers are training so if you intend to play, get on to the management team of Niall Ryan, Dinny Guiney or Seamus Dollery.

U14 Football

On Monday night 23rd August, our U14 football team played in the Co. Quarter Final, Division 2 against Ballybrown. Ballybrown got off to an excellent start scoring two quick goals but the boys of Sean Finn's fought back gallantly playing some fine football and led at half-time with a score of 3:04 to 3:01. The second-half was keenly contested but we found it difficult to score. At the final whistle the score showed Ballybrown 5:04 while Sean Finn's had 3:05. Many thanks to Paddy O'Grady, Brian Nolan and James O'Grady who have managed and trained this team all season. The Team for Sean Finn's was as follows : E. Jacobsen, G. Mulcahy, M. Morrissey, C. Mulcahy, A. Brennan, D. O Grady, G. Mulcaire, B. Meade, P. Naughton, A. O Connor, K. Shanahan, A. White, S. Hayes, J. Moran and P. Brennan. Substitutes : J. Feane, T. Collins, S. Keating, B. O Grady and T. White. Well done to you all on giving us so much entertainment all season.

Under 8 Football

U8 Football blitz was played last Friday night 27th August. As usual this was a great event for our youngest team players who enjoyed themselves under the watchful eyes of Mike Barrett. Well done to all who took part.

Junior Hurling

Training continues for the junior hurlers as they prepare for the West Semi-Final against either St Kierans or Croagh/Kilfinny. Our opposition is not decided yet as Feoghanagh still have to play Askeaton in the last quarter final. Should Feoghanagh win this one, we will meet St Kierans in the semi-final. If Askeaton win it, our semi-final opponents will be either St Kierans or Croagh/Kilfinny to be drawn from a hat. The quarter final takes place this Friday night in Croagh and we still await a firm fixture for the semi-final.

Fixtures

Tues 31st Aug: Under 16 Hurling Quarter-final V Ahane in Ahane at 7pm.

Sat 4th Sept: Minor Football V Deel Rangers in Knockaderry at 6.30pm

Tues 7th Sept: U21 Football V Fr Caseys in Abbeyfeale at 6.30pm

RATHKEALE AFC

Threezy does it

The youths got off to the perfect start to their new league campaign on Saturday. Away to rovers was never going to be easy, But it was clear from the warm up they meant business. We took the lead after only ten minutes, some great work up the left wing by Ryan Morrissey earned his side a free kick. A great ball to the back post by Dave mooney was met with an equally good header by Peter nash. Our second goal (which is already a contender for goal of the season) started of with Colin Barry who was having a great game in goals rolling the ball out to Michael Keating who in turn found Davey Lyons who went on a trademark dribble then played a neat one two with Lee Tomlin and with no space found the top corner of the goal from outside the box. Our third goal also started with Colin Barry but this time a bit more direct, a long punt down field was left to bounce by the rovers defence which is never a good idea with the lively Lee Tomlin around and he dually obliged by knocking it past the helpless keeper. We finished of the game well and were delighted to leave with a clean sheet for which great credit goes to the back four and goal keeper who were outstanding. There is a long season ahead so let's not carried away but still off to a good start. Team: Colin Barry Jason jones(capt) Sean White Deane Maune Michael Keating Davey Lyons Dave Mooney Peter Nash Steven Power Ryan Morrissey Lee Tomlin. Subs Eoin O Donnell Conor Lyons Ryan Daly Ciaran English and Paul White

Da B's Buzz

Rathkeale 4 - Kilcornan 0

Rathkeale B team started the season buzzing last Sunday in Holycross with a home fixture to Kilcornan. under new management this year of Farmer and Swallow, the duo hoped to start brightly and brightly they did. Going into this game, we knew that Kilcornan would be out in force and well up for the game and that the team would need to pull together as a unit. In goals was newcomer Niall Sheehy, who gave a great account of himself pulling off some fine saves throughout the game and helped out by his stead fast back four of Shanny, Eddie, Paul and Adrian. Midfield worked tirelessly to create chances and also to track back in times of need with Kenny, Robert, Young Mooney and Johnny all pushing forward on any chance they had to get to ball to Lee and Ray up front. A substitution was made after the half hour mark for Paul Cregan due to injury and Gavin Wilmoth stepping up to take over his role in defence. Barry Shanny (playing on the back line) got Rathkeale on the score sheet with a well taken header from a corner in the first half and gave the B's a 1 nil lead at half time. Knowing after the break that Kilcornan would not admit defeat, starting to apply some pressure on our midfield and about fifteen minutes into

the second half Timmy Hogan and Mike O'Sullivan were introduced for Mooney and Tomlin respectively. Rathkeale continued to push on with great running from the Markham brothers and with Kenny in the air pushing the Kilcornan defence at all times. With a long free kick from Adrian, which was flicked on by Sully to the ever ready Ray Hogan who left no doubt in slotting the ball to the back of the net. With Kilcornan now on the back foot, the opportunities on goal for Rathkeale came and came with Kenny, Sully, Johnny, Ray and Timmy all coming close. Robert Markham scoring the third with a well taken shot to send the the keeper scrambling for the ball and not to be outdone by his sibling, Johnny scored the fourth and final goal after numerous efforts coming close with a clinical finish from the right wing. Job well done! A great overall team performance was given with mention to Eddie Lawlor who had a great day in the backs, playing well and pulling off some great tackles to clear his lines. Good start but many tough games lie ahead so hope to see the B's improve week after week and keep up the good work as training continues.

Team: Niall Sheehy, Adrian Lyons, Barry O'Shaughnessy, Paul Cregan (Gavin Wilmoth) Eddie Lawlor, Johnny Markham, Kenny Hogan, David Mooney, (Timmy Hogan) Robert Markham, Lee Tomlin (Mike O'Sullivan) Ray Hogan Subs: Brian Byrnes, Domhnall O'Gairbi, Sean White, Dean Maune, Robert Byrnes, Colin Barry

Best Wishes

From all at Rathkeale AFC, we would like to wish Best of Luck to Orla Ryan (Rathkeale Ladies Team and former Club Secretary) and Barry O'Riordan (Rathkeale A Team) who are getting married this Saturday September 4th. This couple are well associated members with this club and are regarded in the highest respect for their commitment and hard work which they have done for the club for many years. Hope that a great day is had by all and Best Wishes to ye both in your future married life.

Under Age Meeting

A meeting will be held in the Community Centre, Rathkeale At 7.30pm on Wednesday the 8th of September. Under Age managers both girls and boy's are asked to attend and also all parents/guardians with children involved in the underage teams from U/8's to Minors.

Astro Turf

It's that time of year again when the evenings are short and dark. Our State of the Art Astro Turf All Weather pitch is available to all. There are still slots available for the coming season but they are going fast so if you would like to enter a group for a time slot please contact Kenny on (087) 7562396.