

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.

RATHKEALE COMMUNITY COUNCIL AGM

8pm on Monday 28th February 2011 in Rathkeale Community Centre

One of the main items on the agenda will be the adoption of the amended Constitution. Immense work and consideration was put into this revised document and we hope it will serve Rathkeale Community well.

The main structural change to the Community Council is the creation of an Executive Committee which will meet every month; this will be a closed meeting, except every 3rd meeting will be open for the wider Community to attend.

The Executive Committee will be made up of 2 representatives (each with a vote), from each of the existing active committees, which are:

- Business Committee
- Fas
- Image & Tourism
- Planning Committee
- Tidy Towns
- Trustees
- Workspace

The new Constitution allows for further committees to be included, this will be at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

The active committees should at this stage have forwarded the following in writing to Aoife Kiely:

1. List of Committee Members
2. Mission Statement of your committee
3. Names of 2 representatives from your committee to sit on the Executive Committee.

A copy of the proposed revised Constitution is available for any of the Community should you wish to read it entirely prior to the meeting. Please email rathkealecommunitycouncil@gmail.com or contact Aoife Kiely.

Births

Congratulations to Ray & Vivian Doherty on the birth on their baby daughter Mollie Doherty.

Birthdays

Congratulations to Carmel Wilmot (Morrissey), who celebrated her 40th Birthday last weekend and to Lauren Wilmot who celebrated her 18th Birthday. Congratulations to Brian Coleman who celebrated his 8th Birthday on Saturday 19th February.

Congratulations to Colin Cleary who celebrated reaching the "Big 40", first on the golf course in Ardagh and then with family and friends at O'Sullivan Bar.

Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to Ned and Kathleen Lawlor, St. Mary's Park, who celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary with family and friends last Sunday.

Engagement

Congratulations to Niall Ryan, O'Sullivan's Bar, Rathkeale and Annette Leahy, Dungourney, Cork on their recent engagement.

Deel Anglers AGM

Deel Anglers AGM is being held on Friday 4th March in the Sports Complex at 8.30pm. All are invited.

Church Gate Collection

Rathkeale Boxing Club will hold a Church Gate Collection next weekend, please give your support.

World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer Service International and Interdenominational is being held this year on Friday 4th March. The Service is prepared by women from a different country each year and this year, 2011, it has been prepared by the Christian Women of Chile with the theme "How Many Loaves Have You". There will be a service in Rathkeale in St. Anne's Girls School at 8pm. Everyone is welcome, men, women and children, all cultures and all Christian backgrounds. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Monthly Sunday Market

at

An Seabhac Wine Bar, Rathkeale

Recommencing this Sunday 27th February

11am ó 5pm

Crafts, books and home produce etc.

20% of proceeds goes to the Simon Community

NEWS FROM COLÁISTE NA TRÓCAIRE

for week ending 18th February 2011

All Ireland Art Winner

Last Sunday Catherine Fitzgerald was presented with her award for coming first in Ireland in the National League of Credit Unions Art Competition for U13 years. Marty Whelan of R.T.E and Lyric F.M presented Catherine with the award at the Gresham Hotel in Dublin. This is a wonderful achievement for Catherine, her family, the school and in particular Ms Wilmot her Art teacher.

Sports News

1st year hurlers played Abbeyfeale on Tuesday last, they played a good match but were defeated on the day. 1st year hurlers are currently being trained after school by Mr Patsy Hall who is also the trainer of the County Junior team.

Work Experience

Transition Year students completed their work experience programme last week, 5th year L.C.V.P students are out of school on their work experience this week.

Retreats

All Junior Cert pupils completed their mock exams on Thursday and are doing a one-day Retreat in the school on this Friday. The Retreat will take place in the gym hall and will be facilitated by Mr Jerry Keegan from Dublin. Fr Tim Curtin, school chaplain organises these school retreats which pupils always find worthwhile and enjoyable. The annual year group retreat also gives pupils an opportunity to stand back from the daily routine of classes and school work and spend some quality time in reflection. On Wednesday Feb 3rd the feast of St. Blaise Fr Curtin carried out the traditional blessing of throats in the school.

Maths Course

This weekend Leaving Cert Higher Level Maths students will be attending a maths seminar in Cork with their teacher Mr Michael McMahon, Leaving Certs have now completed their mocks and at this stage its full-stream ahead in preparation for the exams in June.

Other News

Last week a group of 2nd year students went to see a performance of The Merchant of Venice which was performed in the Ferkin Crane Theatre in Cork. After the performance the performing group gave a talk to the students in a workshop designed to explore theme, characters and setting. J.C.S.P students were treated to a visit to the cinema with Ms Annette O'Brien, English teacher.

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

A number of members of the public have brought to our attention the amount of litter strewn around all the main entry and exit points of the town. Unfortunately, due to insurance reasons we cannot bring our volunteers out onto the by-pass or main roads etc. With the Confirmation rapidly approaching and visitors coming into town for various celebrations we hope the relevant authorities will act immediately.

Litter on the Streets

Spotted out and about after close of business last weekend was Benji Riordan of Benji's Fish & Chip Shop, (well done Brian). If only other late night businesses would follow suit, if everyone does a little bit after close of business it makes life easier for everyone and the town looking the way it should be.

Business Premises

Again a gentle reminder to all property owners on the Main Street, a quick makeover on every premises would make such a difference and thank you to those that have already go out the brush and paint, remember, every little helps.

Election Day 2011

A question to ask yourself before you decide who to give your vote to is, what have they done for our town in the past need we remind you of the amount of dereliction on Main Street and of course a topic that needs immediate attention, PLANNING in Rathkeale which seems to be a bit of a running joke or should we say the lack of it. It seems over the years our politicians have totally ignored the rules and regulations when it comes to planning in Rathkeale or then again maybe they were just not interested in our great town. This Friday use your vote to make a difference and elect someone that will take an active interest in the future of Rathkeale's business and social interests.

Famine Graveyard

If you've not had the opportunity to visit the Famine Graveyard lately, we would highly recommend a trip, our project here is now fully complete, so why not take a ten minute break from this busy world and drop in to this beautiful place of remembrance, and again a bit thank you to the people who sponsored the benches.

Join Us

If you would like to join us please contact any of our team, Caroline Sheehan, Val Foley, Noel McNamara, Marie Brennan, Treacy Burke, Jason O'Grady, Gwen McNamara, Stephanie Dalton or Seamus Hogan – we meet once a week for an hour or so – everyone welcome.

Bus Stop

Good news at last, our bus stop which has been sponsored by Rathkeale Town Action Group should be in situ in a week or so.

FOOT HEALTH PRACTITIONER

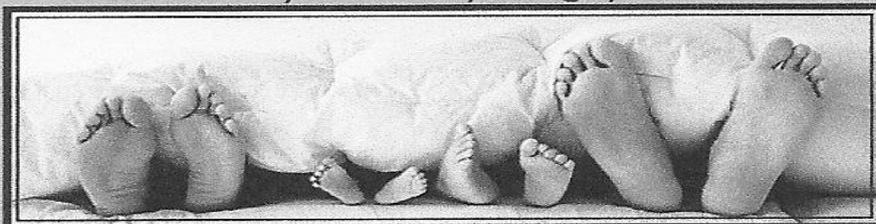
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Rathkeale Boxing Club

SHAUGHNESSY BOX'S HIS WAY TO COUNTY TITLE IN STYLE CLUB TAKES HOME 11 COUNTY TITLES

In only his first year boxing Cian O'Shaughnessy has come on in leaps and bounds. He just proves what hard work and dedication can do as he trains very, very hard and is determined to win and win in style he did as he forced his opponent's corner to pull their man out at the end of the second round. Right from the first bell Cian got his plan together and worked brilliant behind his jab and then set up his combinations which drove the head of the St. Francis man Luke Nolan back onto the ropes and straight away Cian started to hit the body hard with left and right hooks which forced his opponent to withdraw from any more punishment. If there had been an award for best boxer no doubt Cian would have been taking it home. Next weekend will see Cian looking for Munster titles and no doubt he will be a force to be reckoned with.

Next up was Bob Hogan against St. Francis man Clive O'Meara in what was a cracking contest. Right from the start it was tit for tat with Bob forcing his man onto the back foot with mighty combinations and most of the second round was the same but in the last O'Meara just started to get the better of the exchanges just winning this one on a close score.

Liam Chalky Chawke was next in against another St. Francis man Collan Ryan in a contest which saw Chawke just not boxing to his full ability as he was standing too close to his man and couldn't land his punches clean so was making a very hard contest out of it. So after three hard fought rounds saw chalky lose this one.

Unfortunately next saw two of our own boxers having to box each other in this 57kg final in Willie Harty v William O'Dwyer as both weighed in the same weight which happens from time to time. Both boys gave it their all in three thrilling rounds which saw Harty take this one.

Padraig O'Gorman was next, in his bid for glory in this 80kg contest against olol Brian Joyce which saw a very tough fight for O'Gorman as his man kept the pressure

on him all the time and he just couldn't keep him off, but at times O'Gorman did take centre of the ring and caught his man with some nice head and body shots but unfortunately couldn't do enough to win it. Stephen Casey was next against Lee Sherlock of Ennis in another cracker but again things not going all Casey's way as his jab just wasn't working for him and was getting caught too much on counter punches as Sherlock was keeping the pressure on Casey throughout the contest with Sherlock taking this one in the end.

Next in was Dylan Bourke against James Gailbtraith of Ennis in another tough one for Bourke as he found his man just had too much experience for him as this is Bourke's first year boxing and done himself proud but wasn't the victor in the end.

Last in was multi champ Micky Harty against Clonmel's Shane McGrath in this 80kg contest. Right from the off Harty was working well with hooks to the head and body and had his man on the back-foot all through the contest. But even though Harty took this win he'll have to start working behind his jab again as this is his best punch and didn't throw it much through the contest, so if he wants Munster honours he'll have to get it together.

Well done to all over the weekend as this is a team effort as all the coaches work very hard to bring the lads to this level but when the medals come home it's all worth it.

Up Coming Events

Next weekend we travel to Watergrasshill in Cork for the Munster Championships so more on this next week.

Church Gate Collection

Also next weekend we have our church gate collection so please give your support.

RATHKEALE COMMUNITY GAMES

U-14 Talent Competition: Saturday 5th March in Askeaton

Card Game 45: Friday 4th March Cappagh. 6.30pm check in.

Art: Saturday 5th March 10am start different venues

Model-Making: Saturday 5th March 10am start Shanagolden.

Hand Writing: Saturday 5th March 10am start different venues.

Projects: Saturday 12th March Shanagolden 10am set up.

U-10 Talent Competition: Askeaton 13th March and Caherconlish 20th March.

Swim A: Sunday 17th April Askeaton.

Round 7 Registrations Wednesday 9th March 2011

1. Primary School Choir

2. Cross-Country: U-9, 300m. U-11, 600m. U-12, Mixed Distance Relay 400m / 600m. U-13, 1200m. U-14, Distance Relay 600m / 800m. U -17, 1000m.

3. Camogie U-14 and U-12 County.

4. Hurling U-11.

Any managers interested in putting a team forward contact Mossie Woulfe 069 64837 for details.

ST.MARY'S ATHLETICS CLUB

MUNSTER SUCCESS

On Saturday last the 19th February and Sunday 20th the Munster Indoor Juvenile Championships U9 to U13 were held in Nenagh Indoor Track. On Saturday St. Mary's A.C. had twenty girls in action. We started with our U9 girls 60m. Claire Power, Ciara O'Connor and Aisling Dalton came through their heats and qualified for the semi-finals. Claire Power and Aisling Dalton failed narrowly for the final. Ciara O'Connor qualified for the final but finished just outside the medals. The next event was the 300m. Due to the amount for entries, the medal winners were decided on the fastest times in the heats. Claire Power and Ciara O'Connor ran a great race and were very close over the finish line – 1st and 2nd respectively and Claire Power received the bronze medal for the third fastest time in the 300m heats U9. Well done Claire on winning your 1st individual medal at the club. Due to there being one girl short for U9 Girls Relay, they were unable to participate.

Next in action were the Girls U10 and what good athletes they proved to be. Niamh Foley stormed her way to victory in the 60m sprint in a time 9.24(cbp) and also won the 300m in a time of 54.68. Ellen Lynch won the bronze medal in the 300m in a time of 55.18 and won the gold medal in the Long Jump with a jump of 3.64m, a new Munster record, a fantastic performance. Also in action in U10 were Holly Meredith, Sophie Liston and Emma Dalton. The Girls U10 Relay team 4 x 100m took the gold medals in the relay final team of Holly Meredith, Niamh Foley, Ellen Lynch and Sophie Liston. In the U11 Sophie Meredith won the long jump with a jump of 3.99m and came third in the 60m. Also in action U11 were Roz Barrett, Catherine Cahill, Emma Healy and Tara Geraghty. At

U12 level Roisin Ambrose, Orlaith and Mary O'Connor and Cathy Ambrose qualified in the heats but did not qualify for the finals. Other girls in action were Kiera Courtney and Arianne Reidy. The Girls U12 relay team 4 x 100 took the silver medal in the relay final U12. Team Sophie Meredith, Orlaith Leahy, Roisin Ambrose and Mary O'Connor. At U13 level we had only one athlete participating, Rachel Lynch. Due to illness Maeve Power was unable to run. Maeve – everyone in the club wishes you a speedy recovery. After qualifying in the 60m heats semi-final and final, Rachel finished just outside the medals. On Sunday the boys Nessan Leahy U10, Barry Coleman U12, Padraig Power and Brian Keating . Nessan Leahy finished outside the medals in the 60m. He ran well in the 300m. Barry Coleman ran well in the 60m and 600m. Padraig Power ran in 60m and 600m. Brian Keating ran in the 60m sprint and 600m but did not feature in the individual medals. The girls relay 4 x 100 received bronze medals. The team Rachel Lynch, Maeve Power, Roisin Ambrose and Mary O'Connor. Well done to all the athletes who took part in the Munster Indoors, medal winners and all participants. Thanks to the parents for travelling on the day and to the coaches Yvonne and Kathleen for all the hard work and training.

Next Event

Munster Juvenile Indoor Championships U14 to U19 at Nenagh Indoor Track on 26th / 27th February, start time 11am, check-in 9.30am.

Training on Thursday 7pm in the astro-turf pitch in the soccer grounds and on Sunday morning at 11am in the Bog Garden, GAA field.

DON'T FORGET...

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

It's coming round to that time of year again, as usual we are looking for people to participate. The Parade will be on Thursday 17th March starting at 12.30pm. If you would like to enter the parade with a float, vehicle or walking please contact one of the committee members listed below or call 087-2755375. We are also asking for people to help steward on the day from 12.00 till 2 if you are interested please let us know.

Committee: Alison O'Riordan, Cathryn Smullen, Katie Sheey, Jason Dowling, Noreen Hogan, Pat Dalton, Sharon Madigan, Sian Wilmott, Tom Enright, Valerie O'Riordan, Yvonne Mulcair and Anne Gaughan.



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