

DURROW PARISH NEWSLETTER

COMPILED BY DURROW SCOUTS

THE BRICK

The bricklayer laid a brick on the bed of cement. Then with a precise stroke of his trowel spread another layer and without a by-your-leave laid on another brick. The foundations grew visible. The building rose tall and strong to shelter men.

I thought, Lord, of that brick buried in the darkness at the base of the big building. No one sees it but it accomplishes its task, and the other bricks need it. Lord, what difference whether I am on the roof-top or in the foundations of your building as long as I stand faithful at the right place.

HOLY FAMILY BOY'S M.S.

Many thanks to the Presentation Convent in Durrow who presented us with the goalposts from the Secondary School playing field. The B.O.M. teachers, parents and pupils greatly appreciate their generosity and they are being used both during and after school to develop skills in football, hurling and soccer. Noel Cooney's skill in erecting both sets of goalposts has been widely admired.

Tennis:

Coaching in tennis by Colin Kennedy is being carried on with great enthusiasm and success with 4th, 5th and 6th classes. Tournaments against other schools will be arranged in the future. Coaching will resume after the November break for 2nd and 3rd classes.

Cumann Na mBunscoileanna Football Matches:

The Boy's School are currently taking part in the Killeshin Hotel Cup Tournament. Their first match was played locally on Tuesday 22nd September against The Heath which they won by a wide margin, 5 goals 4 points to 1 goal 3 points. Scoarers were Mark Young (2 goals) Brian Shortall (1 goal 2 points) Eoin Lalor (1 goal) Kieran McGree (1 goal 1 point) David Dunne (1 point).

The second match was played in Ballyroan on Wednesday 30th September in Ballyroan. At half-time Durrow led by 2 goals but after a very exciting, tough 2nd half they lost by just 2 points. Scores were Brian Shortall (2 goals) Eoin Lalor (1 goal) Kieran McGree (1 goal 2 points) David Dunne (1 point) Justin Dooley (1 goal) Mark Young (1 point) Kevin Donohue (1 point). Final score, 6 goals 4 points to 5 goals 5 points.

Tommy Walsh's support and advice has been greatly appreciated. The entire team including subs are; Shane Brophy (goalie) Canice Clooney, Michael Kennedy, Tomas Woods, Leo Feehan, Justin Dooley, David Dunne, Eoin Lalor, Brian Shortall (captain), Kieran McGree, Kevin Donohue, Mark Young, Niall Donohue, Allen Ryan, James Scully Evan Grogan, Jason Walsh, Ricky Tobin.

Fire Brigade:

Congratulations to the local fire brigade who came 2nd and 3rd in their recent competition. Their practices every night in the Boy's School drew an eager, interested bunch of spectators.

SYMPATHY is extended to the Clancy family, Carrigan Street, on their recent bereavement.

SYMPATHY is extended to Fr. Jackie Robinson C.C. on his recent bereavement.

SCOUT NEWS

The Troop resumed their Friday night meetings on 2nd October with 30 scouts approx. at present. This is probably the largest number in attendance for years. At this point we would like to extend a welcome to the new Scouts and hope their stay in the Troop is a long and happy one.

The Troop begin the Outdoor Award programme for the coming Scout year (September '92 - September '93) this Sunday 11th October with an activity in Tinnaslatty Wood. For this event we join together with the Rathdowney Troop so a large number are expected on the day. Parents who are available to transport the Durrow Troop should be in the Square at 1.45p.m. We would be very grateful for any assistance, either transporting to or from the venue. (Distance 5 miles) On the subject of transport we are grateful to Dolores Campion, Helen O'Sullivan, Seamus Clancy and the Mountrath Leaders for their help in this years Sionnach.

Leaders on duty for Troop meeting 16th October;
Seamus Clancy, Dermot Woods, David Kenna.

CUB meetings cannot be resumed yet due to lack of leaders.
Anyone interested contact Maura Rafferty immediately.

CAR WASH:

The Scout Troop are doing a CAR WASH in aid of SOMALIA
on Saturday 24th October
at ESSO FILLING STATION.

Your support would be much appreciated. From 9.00a.m.
to 5.00p.m.

DURROW MACRA CLUB

Durrow Macra held their club meeting in the Durrow Inn on Wednesday 7th October.

Up-coming events which were discussed were:

Cabaret: The Club are holding a cabaret in Lennon's Lounge on Saturday 10th October. Music by Joe Corcoran. Admission £1. Spot prizes. All are welcome.

Pool Tournament: Our Annual Pool Tournament for the Durrow Inn Perpetual Shield plus Trophies for winner and runner-up begins on Friday November 6th in the Durrow Inn. Closing date for names to be given in at the Durrow Inn is Friday October 30th. Entry fee £2. All are welcome to take part.

GOLD AWARD

On Wednesday September 30th Durrow Macra Club were presented with the Gold Award in the Killeshin Hotel for achieving their Club Targets for the year '91/'92, which were recruitment of members, community involvement, Social/sport and education. The club members are very proud of their achievement and the Chairman would like to thank the members for their determination and dedication to the club in making this Gold Award a reality.

Next meeting is on Friday 16th October in the Durrow Inn.
New members are always welcome.

HOLY FAMILY BOY'S P.S.* Following the historic visit of President Robinson to Somalia last week-end, the Boy's School decided to hold a sponsored silence in aid of Famine Relief. The boys brought in a staggering £222-67p on the day with more promised. All money will be sent immediately to John O'Shea of GOAL. We sincerely thank all those who so generously sponsored the lads.
P.S. There wasn't a sound in school.

HARPS G.A.A. CLUB

Pride of place goes to the Minors who achieved Championship success on Sunday last with a star studded performance.

From the very throw in the Harps called the shots with Michael Monaghan hitting the Castletown net within minutes of the start. Although Castletown battled hard throughout they could not break down the Harps defence enough to steal victory. In every sector of the field the Harps were dominant and this showed in their final score of an amazing 6 goals and 12 points.

On this performance the future is indeed very bright for the Harps G.A.A. club. Many of these players have already achieved success at Junior Championship level and will be trying to achieve a Junior League win also. They are also in the Minor League final fixed for 18th October in Portlaois at 2.00p.m.

At a recent committee meeting the following sponsors were sincerely thanked for their generosity to the Club: Ger Alley, Jack Phelan, Jack Murphy and Timmy Cleary.

The Club also passed a vote of sympathy to the Mahony family on their recent bereavement and also to the Bergin family, Gurteen, on their recent bereavement.

DURROW & DISTRICT CAMERA CLUB

Liam Donohue confirmed what most of the members have known for a long time, that he is one of our top photographers in the Club. Only Pat Farrell stopped Liam from completing a clean sweep of the prizes in our recent Summer Slide competition. The theme of the competition was the "Environment" and each member was permitted to enter a number of slides. The main trophy for the competition was sponsored by Liam Hyland T.D. (Minister for the Environment).

Results: 1st Liam Donohue, 2nd Liam Donohue,
3rd Pat Farrell.

Highly commended Liam Donohue.

The above results speak for themselves.

Our Annual Exhibition was held on 3rd/4th October and this event has now firmly established itself on the Social Calendar of the town. Excellent crowds turned up to view the work of the club members. The club will run a four part Basic Photographic Course starting on 19th October. The course is free to club members, for non-members the fee is £10 which includes club membership. Programme for the course is as follows:

19th October - Know Your Camera, 26th Oct. - How to Make Correct Exposure, 9th November - The Right Film For The Right Job,
10th November - Depth Of Field and Flash.

Course starts at 8.30p.m. sharp each night. ALL ARE WELCOME.

POKER NITE

Results for Tuesday 6th October as follows;

1st. Sean Aylward	2nd. Elsie Stewart
Billy Lawlor	Martin Lawlor
Peter Monnelly	Margo McKenzie.

Poker Nites have resumed since 6th October and start at 9.00p.m. each Tuesday night. ALL ARE WELCOME.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Minor Hurlers on winning the County Championship for the Harps on Sunday last.

CONGRATULATIONS to Durrow Macra on winning the Gold Award for the club.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE LAUNCHING
BY
DEIRDRE PURCELL
OF
NED O'BRIEN'S BOOK
(AN HISTORICAL & SOCIAL DIARY OF DURROW 1708 - 1992)
AT A CHEESE & WINE RECEPTION
IN
THE CASTLE ARMS HOTEL
ON
FRIDAY OCTOBER 23RD
AT
8.00p.m. SHARP.

DURROW BADMINTON CLUB
ARE HOLDING A
COFFEE MORNING
in aid of SOMALIA in the
THE COMMUNITY HALL on SUNDAY OCTOBER 18th
after 11a.m. Mass.

OUR LADY'S MEADOW GIRL'S P.S.

Our School Book Fair held this week was a great success. We sincerely thank all parents who helped. As a result each classroom will have lots of new books.

A Coffee Morning in aid of Somalia will be held in Our Lady's Meadow P.S. on Tuesday 13th October, from 9.30a.m. - 11.00a.m. All are welcome.

HOW'S YOUR HEALTH

Medi Screen, (Heart Check, Blood Pressure, Fem Screen, Smear, Breast Examination, etc.,) or Cholestrol Analysis only.

Have your health checked by Irish Medical Services in strict confidence. Don't be another Sad Statistic - - arrange that Medi Screen NOW!

VENUE: Castle Arms Hotel, Durrow.

Appointments: 0502 - 36221, Maura Rafferty or 0502 - 37200 after 6.00p.m. or 044 - 42152.

Screening on Thursday 15th October and Friday 16th October. STRICTLY by appointment only.

CONGRATULATIONS to Durrow Fire Brigade who came 2nd and 3rd in their competition recently.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Finnefan family on their success in the T.V. Quiz Show "Where in the World". We wish them continued success.

CONGRATULATIONS to Lulu Carroll, Chapel Street, who celebrated her 21st Birthday recently.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Conor Murphy on being selected to represent Leinster in the forthcoming Interprovincial series to be played over the weekend of 17th/18th October in Dublin. At these games a committee will select an Irish squad for the forthcoming Internationals against the English and Northern Ireland schools in February and March '93. Best of luck Conor.