

DURROW PARISH NEWSLETTER

Compiled by Durrow Scouts

HOW I RESIST CHANGE

I like things clear cut and neat.  
As long as I feel in control  
Things flow along smoothly.

And then comes another one  
Of life's unexpected challenges  
And I find myself again  
Experiencing spiritual death  
darkness, despair.

I come running back to you, O God,  
Seeking communion with your spirit  
Seeking strength and courage  
Seeking again to follow your will.

You never fail to accept me back  
I find myself refreshed... renewed  
restored... reconciled.  
I am empowered to face the change and  
uncertainty in my life.  
The new life I experience through your  
grace  
Is life's greatest mystery.

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HEYWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOL

The Management of Heywood Community School wish to bring the following to the attention of parents:

On Monday 21st October there will be a Careers Information Night for Leaving Cert Parents. This meeting will deal with some of the difficulties facing the Leaving Cert Students this year and hence the necessity for parental involvement. The meeting will take place in the Social Area in Heywood C.S. at 8.00p.m.

On Thursday 24th October there will be an Information Night for Parents of Third Year Students regarding the New Junior Certificate. Parents are encouraged to attend this very important meeting in Heywood at 8.00p.m.

November 21-24th School Musical.  
"Pirates of Penzance".

The following are the winners of the first draw in our 10 week Silver Circle;

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| 1st Prize | £150 | Emma & Julie Sheppard, Barn Hill, Durrow.      |
| 2nd       | "    | £75 Mary Owens, Hillview, Timahoe.             |
| 3rd       | "    | £25 Liam Foley, Barn Hill, Durrow.             |
| 4th       | "    | £25 Jas. Harford, Ballinakill Road, Abbeyleix. |
| 5th       | "    | £25 Patrick Butler, Freshford.                 |
| 6th       | "    | Avonmore Hamper P. Kelly, Doonane Hill.        |
| 7th       | "    | Scientific Calculator David Brown, The Rushes. |

Anybody with cards not yet returned can do so via students to geography room at school on this Monday at 8.30-9.00a.m., 11-11.30a.m. or 1.20-2.00p.m. for next draw which takes place on Monday night (October 21st) at 8.00p.m. at the school. Your co-operation and support would be appreciated.

## SCOUT NEWS

The Troop held its P.R. Day in the Green on Sunday last, unfortunately the weather was bad which considerably reduced the attendance. On the positive side was the attendance at the Slide Show. The Camera Club Premises was full to capacity for the showing of some interesting slides from U.S.S.R. '90, Kerry '89 plus assorted other activities were on view.

Thanks to the following for their assistance in organizing the event: John Joe Drennan for transport, Durrow & District Camera Club for premises, Vicky Walsh for organizing the event as part of her Chief Scout Award, the Senior Scouts for staffing and working at the event for virtually the whole day and Debo Woods for transporting the equipment.

On Wednesday 9th a group of nineteen from the Scouts section travelled to Portlaois to see the much hyped new Irish film "The Commitments". Well you can believe the hype - it's great! The standard part is the cast's interpretation of the classic soul songs of the '60's. It's also a very funny film, everyone concerned thought it was well worth seeing.

CUD SCOUTS will resume meetings in the Convent Hall on Friday next at 7.00p.m.

BEAVER meetings resumed on Friday last and will continue on every Friday from 4.30 - 5.30p.m. in the Convent Hall.

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### POKER NITE

Results for Tuesday 8th October;

1st. Michael Carroll  
2nd. Noel Meade  
Margo McKenzie  
Ken Creegan  
Kieran Scames  
Tom Woods

Results for Tuesday 15th October;

1st. Billy White  
2nd. Nial Dollard  
John Woods  
Michael Carroll  
Noel Meade  
Richard McGeaugh

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### FOR SALE

ALLEYS DURROW

### NEW ARRIVALS

Ladies:

Lyora Ski Pants black £12.95. 100% cotton leggings black £2.95.

Born to be Free sweat shirt £17.50.

Knitwear - Lady Laura - Hannah - Alison Craig - Andi - David Mark  
- Castle. CITY SHORTS.

Steilmann - Jackets - Coats - Skirts - Blouses - Knitwear.

Shell - Suits.

Childrens: Button front black denim jeans. Autumn colour Shell-suits.

Special value track suit bottoms. Good value track-suits.

Mens Robbie Pants, Mens Knitwear - Kellerman - Castle - Cruising Club.

Footwear: Boots - childrens - ladies - mens, NOW IN STOCK.

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FOR SALE: Service Twin Tub Washing Machine. Spinner needs repair.

Also Service Twin Tub for spare parts. Going cheap.

Phone 36227.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Mr and Mrs Bert Moynan, Cappanellan, who celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary recently.

## HARPS G.A.A. CLUB

The Harps qualified for yet another juvenile final (their fifth in all this year) when their Under 16 hurlers beat a very strong Abbeyleix team at wet and blustery Ballinakill on Sunday last. This was a brilliant team performance from these young lads when one considers that their opponents had beaten them in two U.14 finals last year. Our best wishes go with the lads on Saturday next October 19th when they play Borris in Ossory in the co-final in Portlaois.

The Harps send their congratulations to Raymond Fogarty on winning the All-Ireland, U.17, 60x30 handball final on Sunday last in Croke Park. This was a fantastic achievement by a very dedicated and committed Harps player.

The Harps Junior A hurlers will be striving to make it a league and championship double, when they take on Shanahoe in the League final on Sunday next. The game is down for decision in Rathdowney at 12.30 and lets hope they can put the gloss on their earlier championship win.

The latest news on the Minor B football final is, that it is due to be played in O'Moore Park on Sunday October 27th as a curtain raiser to the Lacise V Fermanagh or Portlaois V Buffers Alley game. The minor B football final of course, will see the Harps play Crettyard.

Tickets are now on sale for the Lacis County Board development draw. Tickets are £5 per month for 3 months and the prize money will be in excess of £3,000 per month. The Harps will receive 50% of their ticket sales. Please contact any committee member if you wish to purchase a ticket.

The Harps send best wishes to Gerry and Sarah Brophy on the birth of another "hurler".

All Harps committee members take note, an important committee meeting will take place in the dressing-rooms on Tuesday next at 8.30p.m. All returns from recent fund-raising events to be collected by this date.

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## C.Y.M.S. SNOOKER & BILLARDS

The Durrow C.Y.M.S. has now re-opened since last Sunday. The Club will be open every night of the week from 7.00p.m. to 11.00p.m. and all day Sunday from 12 noon until 11.00p.m. The Club has two full size snooker tables and a smaller table for juniors. If you are not playing snooker you can relax and enjoy a game of cards or view some television in our centrally heated premises.

The Club also has re-started their Poker Nite, which is run on Tuesday nights only and starts at 9.00p.m. All are welcome. The committee would like to welcome as many new members as possible, both senior and junior.

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## THE YOUNG DURROW SINGERS

The Young Durrow Singers would like to thank everyone who helped them on their way to the Choir finals in Mesney. Thanks to the sponsors for their generous support. Thanks to our parents who did all the fund-raising for us and those parents who came with us to Mesney. We would also like to thank everyone who supported us in the raffle. A special thank you to Sr. Mairin who made it all possible.

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## DURROW MACRA NA FEIRME

Durrow Macra held their meeting on 9th October in the Durrow Inn. Discussed was the forthcoming competitions and events.

COMPETITION The club has entered a team in the Farm Task competition, which is being held in Mountrath Mart on Sunday October 27th. This competition enables the team to test their efficiency in Tractor Driving, Frame Fencing, and Academic Skills. The Club team is represented by John Kennedy, Martin O'Sullivan and David Tynan. Best of luck is extended to the team.

COURSE The Club officers attended a leadership course in Saville Lodge Kilkenny last weekend, October 12th-13th. A very worthwhile and interesting programme was prepared for us by the Lacis Macra Co. Executive and Training Officer, Tom McDonald, and which was carried out by all participating club officers from Lacis. A very enjoyable nights entertainment was had with a Disco in Hotel Kilkenny on Saturday night.

EXCHANGE TRIP The Club is organizing an exchange tour to Dublin with Stradbally club on Sunday, November 3rd, with a visit to the "Gold of the Kremlin" exhibition in the Royal Kilmmainham Hospital. The aim of the tour is to make it educational and of cultural value and benefit to both clubs. An enjoyable day is being looked forward to.

MACRA CONFERENCE (RALLY) This years Rally is taking place in Jurys Hotel in Cork. The theme of this year's Rally is "Rural Development in Action". Six members are attending and are looking forward to a very enjoyable weekend.

The next meeting is on Wednesday, October 23rd in The Durrow Inn. New members are always welcome.

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## DURROW FIRE BRIGADE

Congratulations to Durrow Fire Brigade on finishing 2nd in the All Ireland Pump Drill competition held in Dublin Airport Fire Station on Sunday last. The Durrow Brigade were defeated into second place by six hundredths of a second by Monaghan champions, Carrickmacross.

The Durrow team was; Gay Lalor, Martin Lawlor, Ger Brophy, Tom Flynn. Subs: Noel Keenan, David Donchue and Kevin Brophy.

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## DURROW COMMUNITY HALL

Durrow Community Hall committee are holding a MONSTER AUCTION in the Community Hall on this Sunday 20th October at 2.00p.m. Items for SALE should be given to J. Kelly, phone 36371, L. Phelan, phone 36278 or Benny Dunne, phone 36340. Items donated will be gratefully accepted.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Sarah and Ger Brophy, Swan Road, on the birth of a son.

CONGRATULATIONS to Lulu Carroll, Chapel Street, on her performance in the Ladies Football All Ireland played on Sunday last in Croke Park between Laois and Waterford.

CONGRATULATIONS to Raymond Fogarty, Dereen, on winning the All Ireland U/17 60x30 singles Handball title in Croke Park on Sunday last.

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SYMPATHY is extended to the Barry family, Dunmore, on their recent bereavement.