

DURROW PARISH NEWSLETTER

COMPILED BY THE DURROW SCOUTS

VALUES

I have come to know at last
What I had failed to know,
Life is such a simple thing
If we but live it so.

Silently the moon and stars
Swing out thro' gorgeous space,
Seasons move without a sound
To their appointed place.

I, who have moved hurriedly,
Am learning now to go
Softly, step by step with stars
To walk with things that grow.

Step by step with trees and stars
With grains that pierce the sod,
Surely walking thus I shall
Keep company with God.

SCOUT NEWS

At the moment Job Week is in full swing, this is one of the main Scout efforts to raise money for the Summer Camp. The Scouts are divided into small groups led by either a Patrol Leader or an assistant Patrol Leader and assigned to a particular area where they try to secure jobs large or small with an appropriate payment to match. We are grateful for all support as this enables us to continue our programme of outdoor education.

This weekend the Troop are having their first weekend of the year under canvas when they take part in a local camp in Duhmore. Details next issue.

MACRA NA FEIRME

Durrow Macra would like to thank all the people who supported our charity Buffet Dance on Easter Sunday night in aid of Cystic Fibrosis. Our thanks to the management and staff of the Castle Arms Hotel and to all our sponsors of prizes.

Proceeds will go to sending Aoife and Mrs. Bridget Conroy to Lourdes. We wish on behalf of everyone, a safe pilgrimage to both Aoife and Bridget.

Variety Show The Macra club are staging a Variety Show on Sunday May 3rd in aid of Parish Funds in the Convent Hall at 8.00 p.m. Admission: Adults £2 Children 50p. A great nights entertainment assured to all.

The Club will also present the Conroy family with a cheque for the trip to Lourdes.

Sympathy is extended to the Brophy family, St. Fintan's Tce. on their recent bereavement.

DURROW C.Y.M.S.

The club was saddened this week on the death of Mr. Paddy Brophy. Paddy was a life long member of the club who was caretaker and committee member for years. He was well liked by everyone, young and old in the club. He was also one of the best billiard players in the game who was known and respected by every club in the Diocese. The club wishes to express their sympathy to the Brophy family.

The final of the Maher Cup between Durrow and Piltown took place in Kilkenny on Thursday night and Piltown were victorious. The results were as follows:

<u>Piltown (4120)</u>	<u>Durrow</u>
S.O'Brien 200	John Carter 193
Ger Everett 119	Tom Woods 200
Kieran Everett 200	Kieran Soames 73
Gerry Everett 28	Morgan Kelly 26

The Maher Cup is sponsored by the Borris-in-Ossary C.Y.M.S. The trophies for the winners and runners-up were sponsored by Avonmore. A special award, Clubman of the Year was won by our own Morgan Kelly. Before the game started a one minute silence was observed by all for the late Paddy Brophy.

POKER NITE The final 'Poker Nite' for the season will take place on Tuesday at 9.00 p.m. All are welcome.

As from Sunday 26th the C.Y.M.S. club will only open at week-ends. The new opening times will be 8.00p.m. The C.Y.M.S. club wishes to thank all who supported our Cabaret last Sunday night in The Durrow Inn. A special thanks to Mr. Michael Gaughan for sponsoring the raffle we held during the night.

POKER NITE

Results for Tuesday 14th April

1st Terry Jacob
2nd Peter Monnelly
Jack Murphy
John Woods
Sean Aylward
Martin Lawlor

Results for Friday 17th April

1st Peter Monnelly
2nd Tom Woods
Neill Dollard
Patrick Dempsey
Sean Aylward
Kieran Soames

I.C.A. NOTES

GARDENING CLASSES Gardening classes will be held in the I.C.A. Hall for 5 nights starting Thursday 30th April, and every Thursday for 5 nights at 8.30 p.m. - 10.00. For booking contact:- Mary Ryan 36270 or Mai Bowe 36281. Tutor:- Oliver Lawlor Price for 5 nights £7.50 but anyone wishing to come for 1 or two nights only may do so for £1.50 per night.

Night One - Lawns Night Two - Roses
Night Three - preparing, sowing and caring of vegetables
Night four - Summer Bedding Plants, how to plant your window boxes and hanging baskets
Night Five - Conifers, Shrubs, Trees, Heathers for your garden.
General care of pot plants.

OUR LADY'S MEADOW GIRL'S P.S. would like to remind parents of First Communion children that there is a talk being held for them in the school on Wednesday evening, 29th April at 8.15p.m.

HARPS G.A.A.

We wish to thank all those who attended our recent American Tea Party in Cullohill and hope that it was enjoyed by all.

All roads lead to Rathdowney this Sunday where the Senior team takes on St. Patrick's at 2.00p.m.

The Junior B hurlers are also due to play this Sunday in the League. This match takes place in Durrow at 7.00p.m.

The Senior B footballers lost the first round of the championship last Sunday at the hands of O'Dempsey's. Experience told on the day, but there were many fine performances by the young Harps team.

The Harps G.A.A. Club offers it's sincerest sympathy to the Kavanagh family on the tragic death of Pat, following an accident.

Winners of the recent grand draw were Tim Cleary, Dick Dunne, Nick Fitzpatrick and K. Whelan.

LIONS JUVENILE SOCCER CLUB

The Lions Juvenile Soccer Club are holding a Cabaret in the Durrow Inn on Sunday 26th April. Music by Barley Wine. The funds will go to continue to provide facilities for the many young boys who play soccer in the area. Your support would be much appreciated.

The Lions Juvenile Soccer Club at present have an U/12, U/13, U/15 and Youth team, providing sporting facilities for over 100 youngsters.

KEYWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOL

There is a Seminar on Thursday 30th April at 8.00p.m. in the college. Speaker is Mr Tommy Hannon. Topic: Drugs. All parents are invited with 3rd, 4th and 5th year students.

We would ask parents of exam students to encourage their son/daughter to make maximum use of the eight weeks remaining before the commencement of the Public Examinations on June 10th.

We would like to bring to your attention that classes will continue until Wednesday 27th May for Leaving Cert and Junior Cert students. It is against the policy of the school that students stay at home to study before this date.

FOLY FAMILY BOY'S N.S. is holding a Sponsored CYCLE in aid of school funds, on Sunday 17th May. This money will go towards the running expenses of the school. Your support will be much appreciated.

DURROW & DISTRICT CAMERA CLUB

The clubs last meeting was held on 21st April, last,. The meeting consisted of a slide and photographic display of the recent parachute jump undertaken by Clare , Eugene, Joe and Pat in aid of the Laois Hospice.

Members are reminded of our next club competition - "Black and White" - which will be held during our next meeting on Monday 4th May.

DURROW & DISTRICT ANGLERS

On Sunday, April 26th the Club is holding a trout fishing competition for the William Lawlor Cup. A large turnout of anglers is expected to take part in the competition which is sponsored by William and Susan Lawlor. The Committee and Members would like to take the opportunity to thank William and Susan for their support to the club over the years. The same rules will apply as for the last trout competition. No farm trout will be accepted by weigh master.

The committee would like to thank all land owners in the area for their support in the proposed work that will be carried out by the Fisheries Board in July on the River banks of the Nore and Erkina.

All Ireland Pike Competition

The second qualifier of the All Ireland Pike Competition will be fished on the River Suck at Ballyforan Bridge on Sunday May 3rd. Check in at Ballyforan Bridge at 11.30 a.m. Fishing starts at 12.00 noon and finishes at 5.00 p.m.

The trout fishing competition for the Richard O'Rourke Trophy was held on Sunday 12th April and the results are as follows:-

1st	Michael Walsh	2-01
2nd	Sam Taylor	1-49
3rd	Christy Emmett	1-42

47 anglers fished in the competition.

HARPS JUVENILE G.A.A.

The U-14 Football Team received their first defeat at the hands of Ballyfin at home on Monday evening, more training and determination is needed if we are to bring home the Championship.

The Under 12's travelled to Portlaois and recorded their second win this year. Behind at half-time they really got going in the second half and scored the winning point in the last minute. Great credit goes to Martin Brophy trainer of this team for his time and dedication.

DURROW SET DANCERS

CEILI and OLD-TIME

In aid of Kathleen Fitzpatrick and Jacinta Kenny
Heart in Action Black Forest Walk

In Castle Arms Hotele
On Saturday 9th May

Music by The Manchester Ceili Band. Commencing 9.00p.m.
Admission £2.