

**ICA:** Cullohill ICA Guild held their March meeting in the Community Centre recently. Votes of Sympathy were passed on the families of Kitty Delehunty and Sadie Delaney, Kyledellig. Sadie was a card player at the 25's every Sunday night. May they rest in peace. The Pilate classes continue every Monday night until March 21st. Laois week at An Grianan is from 13th to 17th June. Next month we will hold our AGM and fees are due for next year. Contributions were made to the Federation Charity and to the Durrow Senior citizens Party. The raffle was won by Anne Delaney and Mary Kelly. The next meeting is on Tuesday April 5th and we will be having our AGM that night. All members are asked to attend.

**WHIST:** Killermogh Parish Union Whist Drive results for February: Top Score - Mary McCabe; First Lady - Rose Ann Corcoran; Second Lady - Mary Quigley; First Gent - M. Delaney; Second Gent - Henry Martyn; Low Score - Mary Lennon; Juveniles - Ed Slevin, Erin Lalor, Colleen Lalor; Quarters - Alice Thompson, Josie McCartney, Patricia Delaney, Kathleen Phelan and Eamonn McEvoy. Raffle - Des Finnermore, Nellie Conroy, Margaret Slevin, Ed Slevin and Mick Scully. The next Whist Drive will be held on Thursday March 31st at 8.30pm.

**DURROW DEVELOPMENT FORUM - *Durrow Scarecrow Festival*:** Anybody who would like to get involved in the Annual Durrow Scarecrow Festival or who has ideas for same, please do not hesitate to join us, many hands are needed to make the scarecrows and create the festival and we are more than happy to have you come on board the straw machine!

**KIERAN MONO MONAHAN MEMORIAL FUND** presents Country & Western sensation Robert Mizzell and Soundz Country on Friday 8th April at 9pm in The Castle Arms Hotel. The evening will also include a mini auction and raffle with many prizes including a Shane Long signed Irish Jersey, a trip for two to Manchester United, a two night break in the lovely Radisson Hotel, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal, a €250 All4One voucher, a plane ride for two, and many many more. Tickets are €15 includes entry for a door prize. Tickets are available from Mary (086) 0823447 or Ethel (087) 0665752. All proceeds go to the Naomh Bríd Autism Unit in Abbeyleix.

**FISHING:** Durrow/Cullohill Parish Anglers are preparing for a good years fishing during 2016. Anglers are reminded that the Trout season starts on St. Patrick's Day March 17th. Membership available at Lawlor's Gala, Daybreak, Lawlor's Florists and from Mick Walsh. On Thursday St. Patrick's Day the club will hold their first trout fishing competition of the year for the Michael Walsh Cup. Entries will be taken at Lawlor's Flower shop from 9.30am with the competition starting at 10am and weigh-in at 6pm sharp at the Durrow Inn.

**LAOIS KAYAK & CANOE CLUB: 2015/16 Membership-** Membership is now due for the new season, please download memberships forms from the website and return as soon as possible.

**Fundraising Bag Pack-** The club will be having a fundraising bag pack at Dunnes Stores, Portlaoise on Easter Saturday 26th March. If you are in the area please call in, every coin is a help towards the club and its development. If any members would like to assist, please contact Emer O'Brien.

**St. Patrick's Day Parade-** The club will take part in the Durrow St. Patrick's Day parade, if you would like to join in please contact either Mick Malone or Karl Rafferty or any other club member for details.

**Freestyle Team Trials 2016-** Congratulations to Mikie Murphy on qualifying for the Junior Irish Freestyle Team, he will compete in Germany. His qualification shows the commitment of the club to our junior members and the increasing development of freestyle kayaking in Laois.

**Interested in Kayaking-** If you are interested in taking up paddling, we will be having training sessions in the coming months as the evenings get longer and these sessions are a perfect opportunity to try it out. We will be running different kayaking courses with trained instructors and this will give you a great opportunity to get to know the water and be more confident in your kayaking skills. Please keep an eye out on Facebook and on our website for details - visit [www.laiskayak.com](http://www.laiskayak.com) online for further information.

**LIONS AFC:** Lions AFC are hosting an Easter Soccer Sisters camp for girls aged 7 to 12 years. It is on Thursday 24th and Friday 25th March from 10 to 2pm. Cost €20. Each participant gets a jersey. Limited number of spaces left so book now to avoid disappointment. Book online at [www.fai.ie/soccersisters](http://www.fai.ie/soccersisters) or phone (01) 8999304.