



## DURROW PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### **Thoughts for the Day - Orroses**

Do not cross your bridges till they come in view. Don't waste time in wondering what you're going to do when you meet disaster or adversity. It may never happen. It may never be. It is more than foolish to anticipate trouble in the future. Why not let it wait till you're up against it? Fate may intervene. Something unexpected, something unforeseen may be round the corner, changing everything. Situations alter while you're worrying.

### **LOCAL news:**

**THIRD LAOIS DURROW SCOUTS:** Last week a team of six **Scouts** entered the County Shield challenge in Charleville Castle, Tullamore. The competition tested their scouting skills in lone camping, campcraft, cooking & hygiene, skills bases and teamwork. They also had a trade fair and a campfire sketch. It was a very enjoyable camp and the Scouts worked very well together and won the Test Meal Shield - a huge achievement as it has only been won by one other team in the County over many years. The team consisted of: Edward O'Brien PL, Evan Campion APL, Mikey Fogarty Camp Chef, Eric Lawlor First Aid, Fionn Tobin Quartermaster, Dylan Parkinson Record Keeper. Well done to everyone, you are making everybody proud!

The **Beavers** have just had their camp for their Chief Scout Award in Shrahan, where they shared activities with the Roscrea Beavers at the weekend. Camping season is here for the scouts in Durrow!

The **Venture** scout section would like to wish the Scout Section the best of luck in the upcoming Slivebloom County Shield Competition. Sadly the Venture Sword Competition was called off due to poor uptake within the county. A deposit is now due for Jambori 2018 in Stradbally Hall and this promises to be a great week of fun, learning, and meeting lots of groups from around the world, and is great to have such an event upon our doorstep. It promises to be great and a camp that should not be missed!

**USED CLOTHES COLLECTION IN AID OF DURROW COMMUNITY CENTRE:** The committee are holding a used clothes collection which will be collected from the Community Hall on next Thursday week, May 25th. Bags of used clothes can be left into the Hall each morning from 9am to 1pm. No duvets, pillows or cushions to be included as they will not be accepted. This is an opportunity to do a clean-out of used clothes and by doing so, you will be supporting the Community Centre & The National Council for the Blind - this would be very much appreciated!

**THANK YOU:** The Irish Blood Transfusion Service wish to thank everyone who attended their clinic recently in Durrow. A total of 142 attended including 16 new donors and 8 lapsed donors. Gold Awards were presented to Essie Thornton, Ballyragget and Patricia Clancy, Durrow. Silver awards were presented to Nora Moore, Durrow and Paul Kelly, Limerick.

**CHURCH GATE COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND:** Durrow Tidy Towns are holding a Church Gate Collection this weekend. Please give generously as much money is needed for planting of flower beds, hanging baskets etc... to make our town more attractive for residents and for visitors over the Summer months. Your support will be very much appreciated.

**CAPPONELLAN WOOD BLUEBELL WALK THIS SUNDAY:** DDF Tidy Towns invite everyone to enjoy a Bluebell Walk which will feature a Bug Hotel and a Fairy Door Adventure this Sunday, May 14th at 12.30pm (Weather Permitting). Meet in Capponellan Wood, Cork Rd (opposite the former Woodview Restaurant). All are welcome - why not bring a picnic and make it a day out!