

BALLINLOUGH/ GRANLAHAN

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

A meeting to put together the five year Community Development Plan will take place in the White House Hotel, Ballinlough on Wednesday, May 2nd at 8 p.m.. This meeting is opened to persons/groups who wish to submit plans for the future of the community.

FORE CLUB

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BALLYMOE/ BALLINTUBBER

BALLINTUBBER VILLAGE WEB PAGE

Ballintubber Village has a new web page which has gone global. It is attracting views from all over Ireland, UK, USA, Canada, Dubai, Saudi Arabia, Philippines, Australia and Columbia. www.ballintubbertvillage.com - please take a moment to have a look and should you want any more details on how to advertise on this page please use the contact section. Declan Murray, a local man designed it and can be contacted by email on declanmurray@gmail.com should you require a web page design for your business.

SPORTS DAY

Ballintubber/Ballymoe Community Games is having its Sports Day on Monday, May 7th at 3 p.m. in the soccer pitch, Ballymoe. There will be events for all ages, from tiny tots to adults. Events will include long puck for boys and girls (please bring your hurleys), cycle-on-grass (bring helmets), long kick, boys, and girls. Participants U-16 that compete in the secondary school field events are asked to contact Leitisha 087 6426157. If they wish to participate in Community Games field events. Fun events - sack races, egg and spoon and three-legged races will be held for all age groups. Families are asked to please make a special effort to support the Sports Day as it is a fundraiser to cover affiliation and insurance fees. Admission to sports, children €3, adults €5, a family of 4 or more €15.

USE OF BALLYMOE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Groups, clubs or individuals wishing to use the hall or meeting rooms are asked to contact the community office in the Fr. Flanagan Memorial Centre on 094 96 55488 between 9.00 a.m. and 1.00 p.m. or Email bac@eircom.net at any time with



Aisling Harris and Haneen Juned at an afternoon of fun in the Old School House, Ballintubber as part of an intercultural project. Pic. Liam Reynolds

details of dates and times required. Please note we also offer a wide range of services at the office, e.g. photocopying, business cards, flyers, posters, all types of tickets at competitive rates.

QUIZ

A fundraising table quiz will be held in Kenny's Lounge, Ballintubber at 9 p.m. on Friday, May 4th. All proceeds going towards Ruth Finan who is travelling to Uganda as a volunteer nurse with Nurture Africa.

BALLYMOE DEVELOPMENT 50/50 DRAW

Congratulations to Conor and Dylan Tully, Dunmore, on winning €100 in this week's 50/50 draw. Tickets cost €2 or 3 for €5.

YOGA CLASSES

Yoga classes will commence in the Ballymoe Community Centre on 3rd May from 8 - 9 p.m.. Offer of €50 for the six week duration or €15 for a drop in class. New beginners welcome. Contact Michelle on 087 402 1289 or michelle.esterhuizen82@gmail.com.

CLOONFAD

GOOD WEEK FOR SCHOOLBOY SIDES

Four goals from Robert Heneghan and Michael Regan gave Cloonfad United's U-14's a 3-1 Premier Division win versus Strokestown United. The U-12's also won 4-2 in Moylough thanks to strikes from Diego Gundim (2), Sean McGuire and Harry Coyle. The U-16's picked up their first points of the season with a 2-2

draw in Castlereagh. Simon McDonagh and Prince Owosu were on target. This week's club lotto jackpot stands at €13,200.

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GLINSK

MEETING TO DISCUSS SPORTS CAPITAL GRANT

Glinsk Community Council was recently allocated a Sports Capital Grant (Lottery) of over €16,000 to refurbish the Community Centre. Thanks to all who helped secure this grant. There are a number of options as to how to spend this grant. The council needs to get the opinions of as many people as possible so that it can decide what the priorities should now be. A public meeting will be held in the Community Centre this Thursday, May at 9 p.m. All who are interested are invited to attend.

WEBSITE

The Glinsk website is down at the moment and the newsletter is not available online. It is hoped to have the website up and running again in a few weeks.

WILLIAMSTOWN

RECYCLING WORKSHOP

The Recycling Ambassador Programme will hold a free event on Wednesday, May 9th at 8 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The Recycling Ambassador Programme will show you what you can recycle in your household bin in this free interactive workshop. The Recycling Workshops are being offered to help people improve Ireland's recycling rates and reduce levels of contamination in household recycling bins. Don't miss this opportunity to learn how to get your recycling bin sorted. The VOICE initiative has been funded by the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment and REPAK, project partners are the three regional waste offices (the Southern Region, Connacht Ulster Region and the Eastern Midlands Region).

GAA LOTTO

In the Williamstown GAA Lotto on Monday, April 23rd the numbers drawn were 6, 11, 16, 20. There was no jackpot winner. Two match 3: Mi-

chael Conneely, Padraig Tarmey. Jackpot now €8,000. Next draw in Tarmey's on Tuesday, May 8th.

PARISH HALL

All tables and chair requests must be booked through the WDC Office. Any meetings or occasions must be booked in advance through the WDC office on 0949643374 or call in 9.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. to avoid disappointment. All meetings must be held in the kitchen or hall. No meetings are to be held in the WDC office. Thanking You.

RACE NIGHT

Williamstown's annual Race Night takes place on Saturday, June 2nd in Tarmey's Bar, Williamstown. It is being jointly run by Williamstown Development Company in association with Williamstown National School and Williamstown GAA Club. Horses are on sale from committee members and usual sellers. To buy a racehorse or to have an advertisement included in the race night programme book, please phone the WDC office at the Parish Hall on 0949643374 or email wdcwilliamstown@gmail.com. All support would be very much appreciated, whether it be in the form of horses, advertisements in the race book or spot prizes. Thank you for your continued support.

WILLIAMSTOWN HERITAGE SOCIETY

Our monthly meeting on Thursday last was again very well attended. Among the matters dealt with were ongoing improvements at the Tempelagher Heritage Area, our grant applications to the various agencies, and the ongoing research into the

life and times of the renowned poet, Michael McGovern, born in Castlefield in our parish during the Great Famine, and practically forgotten until just over a year ago. Details of his fascinating life are emerging all the time. Also, at the meeting, there was welcome for the recent national launch of Hidden Heartlands, the tourist initiative which concentrates on several counties in the centre of Ireland, East Galway being among them. This is of particular interest to our society, since one of the features highlighted in that launch is the historic trek by O'Sullivan Beare and his followers in 1603, which passed through a considerable section of our parish. You can check on all the society's activities, in particular the update on the events/current activities page, on our continuously updated website www.williamstown-heritage.com.

DELLA'S BENEFIT TEA DANCES

The most recent dance in the series, held on Sunday last in aid of The Benevolent Fund in the usual venue, the Ard-Ri House Hotel, Tuam, was again very successful. There are two dances in the series on this weekend. The regular dance is on this Sunday, May 6th, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. as usual. It is in aid of Burren Chernobyl Childrens Orphanage with music by Tommy O'Flaherty and Francis Fahy. Then, there is an additional dance on Bank Holiday Monday, May 7, also from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. It is in aid of The Leukaemia Trust with music by Jimmy Hynes and the Crusader. If you haven't got it already, you would be well advised to pick up your copy of Brendan Lee's CD entitled 'Della's Tea Dance' without delay. Brendan's version of this very catchy song, written by Williamstown's Christine Keane and Brendan himself, is excellent. The CD is available from Della or Val for €5, and proceeds are in aid of Tuam Cancer Care.

PARISH EXAM TREE

A parish exam tree is located in Glenamaddy Church sanctuary area. Please write the names (on the tags provided and hang on the tree) of those sitting examinations in school or college and they will be remembered at all Masses until the end of June. Mass for all exam students from both parishes at 7 p.m. in Glenamaddy Church on Saturday, May 12th.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion in the parish of Williamstown at 10.30 a.m. on Sunday, May 13th.

LET'S CELEBRATE FAMILY

On Sunday, May 27th there will be special celebration of family in Williamstown. After Mass there will be walk on the Bog Road. Lots of activities...liturgy, music, song and refreshments. More details later. Please keep this date free. Free admission on the day.



Saoirse Egan with Pat Garvey an afternoon of fun in the Old School House, Ballintubber as part of an intercultural project. Pic. Liam Reynolds



Eithne Fahy with a mix of Syrian and Ballintubber children at her dance class in the Old School House, Ballintubber as part of an intercultural project. Pic. Liam Reynolds