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KINSALE TAKING STEPS TO COMBAT THE RECESSION

KINSALE is taking action to combat the recession with its biggest ever multi-media marketing campaign starting on April 13th and at a very well attended public meeting in the Trident Hotel on Monday March 23rd, many positive suggestions were put forward aimed at putting in place an action plan of achievable targets aimed at revitalising the town and its tourism industry when the town aspect of the sewerage scheme ceases at the end of May. Eighty seven people who care about Kinsale and its future attended the meeting called by Kinsale Chamber of Tourism, chaired by its president Ciaran Fitzgerald and assisted by Maria O'Mahony, where the consensus was a the need for people from all tourism and business interests to 'work together' for its benefit. Management and strategy consultant with SHRC Ltd, Conor Hannaway took ideas and views from the floor after which it was agreed on the suggestion of former councillor Dermot Ryan, that all of these should be collated and a further meeting held in three weeks time to establish a working committee that will oversee a plan of action for a town regarded as one of the 'jewels in the crown' of Irish tourism.

The meeting began with a power point presentation by marketing officer Kate Howey who outlined Kinsale Chamber of Tourism's marketing campaign which received matching funding of €50,000 from Failte Ireland South West. Such a campaign was needed now, she said, so that the town would be ready when the town phase of the main drainage scheme ended on May 31st. Read details of the new marketing campaign on page four.

Further suggestions were welcome and in order to maximise the effectiveness of the ten weeks marketing campaign, Kate Howey encouraged tourism interests to make their pitch with voucher offers etc and invited submissions which could be included on press releases such as specialist activities. These could be made to the chamber at katehowey@eircom.net.

Conor Hannaway then opened up what he called a "strategy session" and a large number of views and ideas were expounded. Positive suggestions included:

- 'Reclaiming of the Streets' event to celebrate the completion of the sewerage scheme in June (Cormac Fitzgerald)
- Shopfront, hanging basket and other competitions run by the town council and businesses in the aftermath of the drainage scheme (Henry Mitchell).
- A general 'power wash' of all the streets when the sewerage scheme has finished.
- More effective directional signposting to highlight Kinsale's attractions and new walkways (Colette Boland)
- An inter-active map of Kinsale (Cormac Fitzgerald).
- A call on Cork Airport in conjunction with Failte Ireland to highlight Kinsale and West Cork with photographs of the region in the terminal and better signposting for Kinsale from the airport.
- Promotion of Kinsale's newer attractions such as the Arts Week, the Pottery and Arts Centre and the Land Train and as a venue for music and entertainment in addition to its traditional attractions of gourmet food, sailing, fishing and golf.
- Draw attention to Kinsale's beauty from the air for visitors arriving into Cork Airport.



Pic: Howard Crowdy

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NO DOWNGRADING OF KINSALE 'BRING SITE'

There is no intention on the part of Cork County Council to charge householders using the recycling 'bring site' at Kinsale, the manager Mr. Declan Daly assured Mr. Kevin Murphy at the March meeting of the Southern Committee. For too long however, he added, there had been an unacceptable level of use by commercial outlets of what is a facility for domestic consumers only, a situation which wasn't happening anywhere else. A review was currently taking place to see what options could be taken to apply a charge to the commercial sector.

Mr. Murphy urged that the 'bring site' continue to operate for householders adding that no other 'bring site' in the county – unlike that of civic amenity sites – had an entry charge. He acknowledged there had been abuse of the facility by some commercial users and agreed that a fee could apply for the recycling of cardboard and glass bottles only.

In reply to a motion from Mr. Murphy on the issue at a recent meeting of the full council, director of services in South Cork, Ms. Mary Ryan said a review of civic amenity sites had been undertaken throughout the county and due to the current financial situation, it was anticipated funding would not be available in the foreseeable future for the development of new sites.

"Kinsale Recycling Centre has been operating for the last four years from the area engineer's depot in Kinsale. This was introduced as a temporary measure. The centre accepts cardboard, paper, plastics, bottles, cans etc. and is in effect, acting as a mini civic amenity site. Following a review a number of weeks ago, it was proposed that this site be downgraded to a 'bring site' (free recycling of bottles and cans only by the public), due to constraints on site and the cost of servicing the compactor."

"Following notification of these proposals it became apparent that there was a demand that the centre would continue to operate in its current format. Waste management operations are currently reviewing the operation of the site with a view towards introducing an appropriate charging mechanism to enable the site to continue in its present configuration," added Ms. Ryan who is also manager of Kinsale Town Council.

Mr. Murphy said that he was satisfied, having raised the issue, that what was always a 'bring site' at Kinsale was not being downgraded. In reply to Mr. Aindrias Moynihan and Ms. Veronica Neville, the manager said there was a problem facing the council with regard to staffing civic amenity sites and this could affect hours of operation. A review was ongoing and the council was seeing if it could redeploy staff in order to avoid curtailing hours of operation. There are civic amenity sites at Bandon, Macroom, Raffeen, Youghal and Rossmore near Carrigtwohill in the South Cork division. Mr. Moynihan urged this be done now that there is a €3 charge to enter such facilities and in order to ease worries among staff.

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- Encourage more businesses to leave the lights of their premises on by using low energy bulbs and thereby add to the attractiveness of the streets by night.
- Maximum promotion of Kinsale if the Swansea-Cork Ferry service is revived.
- Greater use of the internet as a marketing tool which could include special packages and an engaging 30 second video of Kinsale.
- Better promotion of what is unique to Kinsale, especially its heritage, such as Charles Fort, Desmond Castle, St. Multose's Church, etc.
- Promote Kinsale as being open year round as 'a town for all seasons' and a place for families to visit.
- Build on the niche success of the past two years of 'Kinsale Christmas' promotion (Cormac Fitzgerald).
- Promote Kinsale's green image as Ireland's second Fairtrade town and the world's first Transition Town (Alan Clayton).
- Seek to attract visitors from the large population base in Cork City possibly through a tourist bus service.
- Re-opening immediately of the public toilets (Dermot Ryan).
- Promote Kinsale's churches and history.
- Extended opening hours for the tourist office.
- A questionnaire survey of tourists to get feedback (Howard Crowdy).

On the negative side, two speakers said dog fouling in the town and the lack of bins for dog waste was appalling. A cafe owner, who acknowledged the good work by council staff on weekdays, said Kinsale was "absolutely filthy" at weekends and had photographs showing raw sewage on one of the roads and footpaths just 40 feet away from his premises. A guest house owner said the smell from the harbour and sewage was a serious problem as was the lack of parking.

In attendance with fellow town councillor Fred Treacy was Tomas O'Brien who explained that the proposed hotel, marina and removal of pungent slob to accommodate the latter would solve this but the project was currently on hold. He added that the sewerage scheme was proceeding.

Brian Graham, a long serving member of the chamber and a founder of the website, said Kinsale had lost the knack of being tidy. He also believed that promoting 'gourmet' in a time of recession was wrong and it would be better to highlight 'good food served well' and provide incentives that would serve as a 'nudge' to attract new visitors. Another speaker claimed that because of pay parking, the town was losing support from its catchment area because people could park for free in Clonakilty or Bandon.

Dermot Ryan recalled that the Tidy Towns national success of 1986 was built on people of all ages and backgrounds which made it a good place in which to live and do business and there was need to strive for this again and for people to have a knowledge of their town and its visitor attractions. It was a view supported by county councillor Kevin Murphy who said that Kinsale had many positives but he also urged the importance of ensuring value for money. Another speaker said there was need for Kinsale to change its 'price image' because it was perceived as being expensive.

Conor Hannaway then sought views about access and there were calls for Kinsale to set about providing a designated parking area for touring coaches, a multi-storey car park and attracting more visitors from the large population base that is Cork City, possibly through a tourist bus pilot project entitled 'Spend a day in Kinsale' and maximising promotion of the town via Cork Airport, the ferries and cruise liner visits.

Views were also expressed that the actual quality of life in Kinsale needed evaluating because as John Thuillier once put it, Kinsale wasn't a tourist town but a working town and port to which tourists came and were most welcome. Another speaker said rowdiness at night and street drinking did nothing for tourism and there was unanimity that all interest groups must work more closely.

After further debate, it was agreed that, as suggested by Dermot Ryan, all ideas should be collated by and summarised in a newsletter by the chamber and a further meeting held in three weeks time aimed at setting up a working committee to implement proposals that can be achieved in the short term.

Ciaran Fitzgerald thanked all who attended, especially Conor Hannaway and fellow marketing committee members Kate Howey, Michael Smith, Jack Walsh, Hal McElroy, Carole Norman and Maria O'Mahony. A huge amount of work had been put in and information gathered already by the chamber through a survey and the marketing plan. "We can't do everything, we need help" and said, adding it was now more important than ever for people to work together to better promote a unique town with great people, organisations and businesses and a lot to sell.

Biggest Yet Marketing Campaign for Kinsale



The Kinsale Chamber of Tourism is proud to announce the details of the biggest marketing campaign the town of Kinsale has seen to date. Starting on April 13th and encompassing radio, TV and printed advertising over ten weeks, the campaign will focus on attracting visitors primarily from the wider Dublin area.

The campaign is being match funded by Failte Ireland Southwest, who are doubling the Chamber of Tourism's marketing budget and enabling this impressive venture. The timing is to coincide with the last of the road works and also to counteract the negativity in the market about tough economic times. It will also complement Failte Ireland

Southwest's domestic marketing campaign which starts at the end of March.

According to Failte Ireland, the trend this year will be for Irish holiday makers to holiday at home, replacing their usual week in the sun with a handful of short breaks.

Ciaran Fitzgerald, Chairperson of the Kinsale Chamber of Tourism, and Kate Howey, Marketing Consultant to the Chamber, have been working closely with Failte Ireland Southwest to secure this funding and to confirm the details of the plan. By booking the media through the Failte Ireland agency in Dublin (a condition of the funding), they have secured extremely competitive rates.

The main message to be conveyed throughout the campaign is that Kinsale is easier to get to than you think - only 1 hour travel time from Dublin if you fly into Cork and jump in a taxi! Also the continuing tag line of "More than just the gourmet capital" reminds people of the myriad activities they can enjoy when they get here. The Kinsale name will be emblazoned across billboards & metropolises around the wider Dublin area showing interesting and enticing shots of Kinsale. At the same time a series of adverts will run on the radio stations Newstalk, FM 104 and Lyric FM for 2 weeks. To boost the awareness further there will also be 2 radio competitions on the Tubridy show and a TV competition on The Afternoon Show. As for printed advertising, the Chamber has secured 4 inserts in the Irish Independent Weekend Supplement, 4 pages in the Sunday World Magazine as well as 4 inserts in the Tribune Supplement.

UPDATE ON KINSALE ARTS WEEK 2009



Many people will have already earmarked the dates for Kinsale Arts Week. For those who haven't, please take note. This year, KAW takes place from Saturday 11th – Sunday 19th July.

According to Festival organisers, the programme aims to be as varied and inclusive as in previous years and is in the process of being finalised. However, we'll have to wait for the launch on May 27th to find out exactly what's on offer. BUT, I have been given one or two clues, so get your thinking caps on, folks, and see if you can guess who's coming to town in July.

In the literary programme there's a Man Booker prize winner; there'll be a musical concert by an artist considered part of the Irish music aristocracy. Winners of the BBC Audience Award for Best World music act will make an appearance. There will be a comedy dining experience based on a 'well-known and well loved sit-com'. One of

the theatrical experiences will involve 'a sensory tour of an actual house'. In the Visual Arts section, a major Irish artist now living in New York will be creating some work for the Festival.

Intrigued? Or have you cleverly managed to guess what's in store? There will also be a day dedicated to the young between the ages of thirteen and eighteen. On Friday, April 17th, the concerts in Charles Fort will be made known. To keep abreast of all the announcements and to be sure of getting tickets for your preferred choice of events, it's advisable to keep an eye on the Kinsale Advertiser, the local press and the KAW website.

The KAW team have been working hard over the last few months. But as one of the team said, probably summing up the feelings of everyone concerned: "It's nice to have the feeling that you're working towards something that benefits the community".

As with many things, funding and sponsorship have been difficult. However, the support is still there which has to be a tribute to how far this Festival has come in such a short time. The 'Friends of the Festival' was

launched on March 11th and the response has been good, once again demonstrating the local commitment to Kinsale Arts Week.

KAW has also introduced a Hospitality scheme whereby hospitality providers can support the Festival in an 'in kind' fashion: providing rooms, meals, etc., and they will be mentioned and listed in programmes and the website. There will also be a link to Accommodation from the website.

As this Festival has grown in stature over its short life, so has its needs. Therefore an appeal is out already for local support. Volunteers are needed. Anyone who helped over the years or newcomers are asked to please sign up. They will find it a possibly tiring but very rewarding and entertaining week. In keeping with the times, this year they will be introducing concessionary prices and an Early Bird booking offer.

The Festival week has become a 'must' for most people and by all accounts, this year, as ever, they will not be disappointed.

Liz Mahony



MARK'S CHEESES

Mark Hosford comes from Rostellan, East Cork. He's a new breed of person who attends all the Farmers' Markets. That's his business. He sources Irish cheeses, buys and sells them on in each market. He also sells olives and bread.

It's a busy life because he spends his time ordering, taking delivery and selling in Kinsale, Cork, Mahon Point, Blackrock and Bandon Farmers' markets. He's filling a niche because the cheesemakers are generally too busy making their products so have no time to sell it themselves at markets. Mark's been doing this for 6 years. He loves the lifestyle, meeting and chatting to customers. As far as he's concerned, there are 'not too many horrible days'. On most days, the weather is good to fair. That's the voice of a true optimist!

Before he settled down to selling at the markets, he travelled a bit, trained and worked as a chef for four to five years and with the Farmers and Growers of Ireland Association. While working for someone else in one of the markets, he was encouraged to set up a stall for himself.

So he became a cheesemonger and deals with about twenty to twenty-five cheesemakers! At the moment, he's also selling Gubbeen produce because they have upped their production on Tuesdays and can't attend Kinsale's market.



His manner is laid back and friendly and well suited to the goodwill and lighthearted rapport that exists between most of the stall holders.

Liz Mahony



ON THE SHELF The Crescent by Chris Merle

Covering a period from 1980 to 1990 with the outbreak of the 1st Gulf War this novel is based on the true and anecdotal stories from the author and ex pats including a large Irish contingent who worked in the Gulf region.

The story is based around a mythical hospital where a series of adventures and mishaps both humorous and horrific occur. It's definitely a book for an adult reader only.

The Crescent is now available in the Bookstor & Kinsale Book shop.

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KINSALE RECYCLING CENTRE RECEIVES STAY OF EXECUTION

At the March meeting of Kinsale Town Council, Mr. Tomas O' Brien described the decision to down grade the town's recycling centre as an "absolute disgrace." Mr. O'Brien, who is also the Deputy Mayor of Kinsale Town Council, said: "The Council is taking away a brilliant service."

In a debate, which drew cross party support, the members of Kinsale Town Council were incensed at the decision to relocate the cardboard compacting and plastic collection from the facility at Cork County Council's depot at the New Road, Kinsale, to the civic amenity facility in Bandon.

Mr. Charles Henderson, who is also a member of Kinsale's Tidy Towns Committee, said: "This decision will lead to more illegal dumping." Mr. Henderson went on to say instead of saving money this will cost the council money.

Mr. Micheal Frawley also agreed with the sentiments expressed by Mr. Henderson, and he further added, that it was ridiculous to expect people to travel to other civic amenity centres.

Mr. Fred Treacy said: "Instead of the service being down graded it should be upgraded. "

Cllr. Darren Cotter pointed out that the facility had the potential to create employment through the development of a compositor on the site, but this would now be lost.

Mayor Dermot Collins said: "If this decision goes head, it will be catastrophic for the environment in the area."

While Mr. Billy Lynch, who is an active member of Kinsale Tidy Towns, said that he had received a number of calls from people in the town who are angered by the decision. Mr. Lynch went on to say that if the service at the New Road is to be downgraded it will be back to bags being dumped in the bushes.

Both Mrs Mary Evans and Mrs. Isabelle Sutton questioned the decision making process of Cork County Council in deciding to downgrade the facility. Both Councillors also questioned the lack of a consultation process between Cork County Council and the members of Kinsale Town Council. Mrs Sutton called on the Town Manager, Mary Ryan, to be more proactive and not simply rubber stamp decisions taken by Cork County Council.

In response to Mrs. Sutton's remarks and the questions raised by the members of the Town Council, Mrs Ryan said: "The decision had been taken as a result of a report from the Area Engineer."

In the report, the Engineer had deemed it impossible to erect a barrier system, which would allow all users of the site to be charged for the service as was the policy in all local civic amenity centres now.

In addition, Health and Safety issues were also a concern as the facility is located in a busy council yard as well as highlighting the €100,000 it cost to operate the compactor over a fiscal year.

However, the members of the council were unhappy with the arguments put forward to restrict the service and Mayor Dermot Collins appealed to Mrs. Ryan to put a stay on the downgrading of the service.

The Town Manager agreed to the Mayors request and the service will remain open until the issues raised are re-examined.

JJ Hurley

KINSALE MAN RECEIVES AWARD IN BOSTON



Congratulations to Kinsale man, Denis Keohane, who was recently honoured in Boston with a Person of the Year Award by the Irish American organisation 'The Friendly Sons of St Patrick'.

The organisation hosts the biggest dinner dance for St. Patrick's Day in the North East of the U.S.A. Close to 700 people attended the event and Denis was honoured to have as his guests at the head table Cllr Dermot Collins, Mayor of Kinsale, and his wife Breda. Denis and a business colleague received the award for their charitable contributions over the years.

Cllr Dermot Collins was invited to speak to the large audience at the awards ceremony and we understand from Denis Keohane that our Mayor gave a wonderful speech promoting Kinsale in glowing terms. Many congratulations to Denis on receiving this award. Pictured above from left to right are Mary and Denis Keohane, Mrs Breda Collins and Cllr Dermot Collins, Mayor of Kinsale.

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KINSALE LADYBIRDS SOUTH WEST CHAMPIONS

Back in December Kinsale Ladybirds were told that they would be entering an Irish Girl Guide talent show. We held auditions for the girls when we returned in the new year. Much to our delight we discovered that we had many talented Ladybirds in our unit and we came up with an Irish St. Patrick's Day theme. The show consisted of a very talented recorder player, some great moves from the Irish dancers and great renditions of 'I'll Tell Me Ma' and 'Oh When The Saints Go Marching In' and to finish off, a cheerleading chant about Ladybirds.

Our first round was an area final held in Bandon Town Hall on February 22nd, which coincided with World Thinking Day, a very special guiding day when we remember all our fellow guiders around the world. Our Ladybirds were up against Bandon Brownies and Ladybirds combined. The girls could not contain their excitement when they were announced Area winners.

And so, the following Sunday March 1st, we all travelled to Canon Packham Hall, Douglas, for the

South West final. There were units from as far as Killarney entered in our section. The Ladybirds put on a wonderful performance and did themselves proud. The whole hall erupted into cheers as Kinsale Ladybirds were announced the winners.

A special word of thanks to our leaders: Joann, Denise, Samantha and Jenni who volunteered their time each week. If anyone would like more information about the Kinsale Ladybirds or to sign up just call 087 634 7717

To Ava, Leah, Abby, Molly, Caoimhe, Aoife, Ciara, Lily, Emily, Molly, Ellie-Mai, Faye, Gina, Holly, Maeve, Julie, Kelly, Leah and Mia...

CONGRATULATIONS!!!



CORK/SWANSEA CAR FERRY

As we go to print, negotiations between the group of West Cork business people interested in re-starting the Cork/Swansea car ferry and the Finnish Bank who have a vested interest in the ship, The Julia, are at a crucial stage.

There is still hope that the negotiations will be successful and Cork and the whole of the West will once more have the benefit of a ferry. The lack of a ferry into West Cork has been a blight on tourism, trade and ordinary people needing to take a car to England and back.

The Julia did not reach its reserve price at auction on March 12th. So now it's down to the serious talking. But it means all interested parties will have to wait a little longer before we know the outcome, successful or otherwise.

www.bringbacktheswanseacorkferry.com for full details.

Liz Mahony



KINSALE FIFE AND DRUM BAND PICTURED IN 1930/31

From left to right: Skipper Scannell, Paddy Madden, Bobby Francis, Billma Healy, Jerry Collins, John Kidney, Willie Carbury, Jackie Maher, Joe Searles, Willie Stapleton, Dan Barrett, Gourmet McCarthy, Charlie Searles, Denny Searls.

KINSALE FIFE AND DRUM BAND

KAW'S ANTHOLOGY PROJECT FOR LOCAL SCHOOLS



In the last few days, Cork County Library and Arts Service has committed funding for the 4th Kaw Anthology of Children's Writing. This project was introduced in the first year of the Festival and has gone from strength to strength, culminating each time with publications of poetry and illustrations by approximately 250 children and young people.

Previously, five schools were involved, St Multose National School, St John's

National School, Summercove School, Dunderrow School and St Joseph's National School. Now children between the ages of 8-12 years from Ballinspittle National School and Belgooly Primary School will also be involved.

The generous grant has made it possible to hold 48 writing workshops which will be run by local professional writers, Adam Wyeth and Niamh Prior.

"As young people from the villages move

into their teens, Kinsale will become more the hub of their social life, so it's important to involve them in the cultural life of the town," says Kath Gorman, Festival Director.

The aim of the Anthology Project is to expose youngsters to all forms of prose and poetry, stimulate their imaginations and foster a love of and interest in creative writing.

Liz Mahony

Organ Restored at the Parish Church of St. John the Baptist

The organ is almost back! And just in time for its 200th birthday!

It was taken away for essential repair and restoration last May and since then we have had to make do with a small electronic organ for all the church services. Finally all the complex bits and pieces that go to make up this fine organ are now once again in good shape and are being carefully reassembled in the organ loft. This unique heritage organ will sound again in the Parish Church for the ceremonies on Holy Saturday night and again on Easter Sunday – a fitting time, surely, for the re-emergence of this wonderful instrument.

For some time we have been aware that the organ in the Parish Church represented a unique link to the master organ builders of the early 1800's. It is almost certainly the oldest playing organ in use anywhere in Ireland or in the United Kingdom. It was originally constructed in 1809 for the earlier church which stood further down towards Cork Street; it was moved to the existing church in 1832 and apart from its recent 'holiday' absence it remained in position and without any modification up to the present time. It is this fact that makes it particularly special. Other organs may have been installed before then but they have since been substantially modified or modernised. The Kinsale organ is truly an important part of Kinsale's history and Ireland's musical heritage.

The restoration of this organ is a truly specialised job. We have been very fortunate in securing the services of Paul Nieland at whose workshops in Wexford the hundreds of 'bits' have been lovingly and painstakingly worked on for the last few months. Some of the individual parts could not be restored – they were simply too far gone. And so the hunt went on for replacements that were of the period. The keyboard, for example, just fell apart. Paul searched through many specialist shops in the UK and in continental Europe to find an equivalent. Luckily he found just the right one in France.

Over the last two weeks all the components have made their way back home to the balcony and the organ loft – bellows, soundboards, boundon chests, consoles, wind systems, swellbox, stops, connectors Paul has been carefully reassembling all the different parts with Vincent McCarthy keeping a watchful eye over his 'baby'.

The original cost estimate of €47500 will be exceeded because of the unforeseen changes that were necessary. Fundraising during 2008 – through concerts, donations from individuals and from businesses and a '3rd Sunday' collection raised a significant portion of this money but the inevitable shortfall means the Organ Restoration Fund Committee is appealing for additional support.

Apart from the official relaunch of the organ at Easter, plans are already afoot for a Grand Concert in May which will give all of us a chance to welcome back this wonderful organ with a selection of popular music performed by local and visiting choirs and soloists.

Donations as always will be very gratefully received by any member of the Committee: Garry Fitzsimons, Vincent McCarthy, Ewen Tubridy, Frank Buckley, Bob Quinn, Eoin McCarthy, Kevin Goggin.



The organ is pictured above prior to restoration with organist, Vincent McCarthy.

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Kinsale Library Computerised

On February 3rd Kinsale library was the last one in the county to be computerised.

Eileen O'Connell, or Eileen Library as she is known to many, is in her twentieth year as Kinsale librarian. Now that she is used to the new system it she thinks it is fantastic. She points out that a good library is more valuable than ever in this time of recession. They are constantly striving to improve it.

Kinsale library has the most recent publications and is well stocked with a great selection of children's books. If they don't have what you are looking for there is a request facility.

Internet access is free for members and one computer is especially adapted for people with disabilities. The library gets the Irish Times, the Examiner, the Southern Star and the Carrighoun. Non members are welcome to come in and browse and read the papers.

Membership is €2.50 a year for adults, €0.50 a year for children and free for senior citizens. Adults can borrow six books for two weeks and children can take out four books for two weeks.

The library hosts a number of events for festivals such as Seachtain na Geailge, World Book Day and Bealtaine and Kinsale Arts Festival.

Opening hours are Tuesday to Friday 2pm to 6pm and Saturdays 11am to 1pm and 2pm to 6pm. The phone number is 4774266.

Niamh Prior

TROCAIRE 24 HOUR FAST

Padraig Fitzgerald would like to thank everyone who contributed so generously to his recent 24 hour fast for Trocaire. Every donation is very much appreciated and will be used effectively to combat poverty in developing countries.

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KINSALE TOWN COUNCILLORS STILL UNHAPPY WITH ORDER

At the March meeting of Kinsale Town Council, the members of the Town Council continued to express their anger at the recent order by the County Manager. The order, which sought a payment of €200,000 for arrears on county charges, has been challenged by the Members of Kinsale Town Council.

Having been directed by the Councillors to seek legal advice on the matter, acting town clerk Michelle Kelleher, reported that she had received some preliminary advice.

This legal advice suggested the County Manager was within his remit to request this order. However, the members were not satisfied with the manner in which the legal advice was communicated and have requested the Town Clerk to obtain written confirmation.

In addition, Mrs. Isabelle Sutton argued that the legal question was concerned not with the County Manager issuing his order, but if Kinsale Council was liable for a bill which was the result of a miscalculation by Cork County Council.

Mrs. Sutton went on to say that she had raised the issue with the Minister for Environment, John Gormley, on his recent visit to Kinsale and he had voiced his concern.

Town Manager Mrs Mary Ryan stated that the manager's order had come from a direct request from the Auditor for Cork County Council.

Mayor Collins, who along with his fellow members, were not informed of the payment when the request was made, said: "It was only a matter of courtesy that we should have been informed."

Mr. Tomas O'Brien was stronger in his condemnation of the manner in which Cork County Council conducted itself. Mr. O'Brien said: "I am very upset that these sorts of things keep happening."

He went on to say that recently Kinsale Town Council had worked very hard to produce a budget, which had sought to make significant savings to allow for a rate cut, but when Cork County Council made its demand the money was found immediately.

Mayor Collins asked "What if we had spent this money on another project? Ms. Evans asked "Where did this sum of €200,000 come from and was there a slush fund?"

Acting town clerk, Michelle Kelleher, said: "The financial accounts, which would be published shortly, will detail all the necessary information."

Mayor Collins has asked that the sum be returned until the matter is resolved.

JJ Hurley

S.V.P. CLOTHES APPEAL

On Wednesday 29th April 2009 the Kinsale branch of St. Vincent de Paul is organising a used clothes collection in the car-park of the Community School from 1.30pm to 3.30pm.

Donations of clean clothes, sheets, blankets and duvets in bags would be most welcome. These will be sorted and distributed to needy families and/or sold in the shops run by SVP in the Cork area. The work of SVP is undertaken through visitation to individuals and families and assisting them through difficult times. The clothes appeal should raise much needed funds for the organisation which will in turn will be passed on to those who require them.

The co-operation of the Principal of the Community School, Sr. Mary Donovan is much appreciated in facilitating this event.



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Urgent Appeal at Kinsale Civic Ceremony

At a civic reception to mark the success of Kinsale Community School at the BT Young Scientist of the Year Competition, Principal of Kinsale Community School, Sr. Mary Donovan made an urgent appeal to all the public representatives attending the function to continue to lobby for commencement of the proposed extension to the school.

Speaking at the event, which was held at the Municipal Hall, Kinsale, Sr. Mary said: "The failure to provide funding by the Department of Education was creating an impossible situation." The award winning school, which has twice claimed the overall prize in the Young Scientist Competition in the past three years, is now facing an acute shortage of class rooms as student numbers are set to double. Sr. Mary said that unless the school received the go-ahead for the project a cap would have to be placed on the intake of student numbers in 2010. Appealing directly to the Department of Education, the Principal asked that the Kinsale school would be included in the recent announcement by the Taoiseach of €156 million capital budget for the schools building programme.

Sr. Mary's comments drew aloud applause from the students, parents and guests and the issue looks like dominating much of the coming campaign in the local elections in the area. However, on a night which sought to celebrate the recent success the Principal remarked: "Our success in the competition exceeded our expectations." The pupils along with winning the overall prize, the school also claimed a total of eleven awards from the school's nine entrants into the competition. In addition, Sr. Mary along with paying tribute to the pupils and students also thanked Eli Lilly for its help and support, particularly, Eamonn Judge and Charlie Dolan, both of whom are employees of the Dunderrow based company. She also thanked Kinsale Town Council and the Mayor Dermot Collins for holding the civic reception as it was indeed an honour for the school to be feted with such an event.

Mayor Collins, whose speech preceded the principal's address, said: "The victory gave a high profile to the town." And he said: "The students were a credit to their parents." Mayor Collins went on to say that the school was indeed a unique institution as it fostered many different talents including sports, academic, cultural and social pursuits and its teachers deserved their due recognition, with staff members Joan Crowley, Mairead Dulea and John O'Connor receiving many plaudits for their contribution to the school's success.

To commemorate the occasion, Mayor Collins on behalf of the Town Council, presented two specially commissioned medallions to Liam McCarthy and John D. O'Callaghan, who had claimed the overall title of Young Scientist of the Year. While the other students who had distinguished themselves in the competition including Daisy Pemble, Theresa O'Donoghue, Laura White, Molly Gibson, Melissa O'Neill, Anna Henderson, Darcy Mc Gahan, Aidan Doran, Lucy O'Donovan, Hannah McGovern, Roisin Daly, Paul Curtin, Oliver Pemble, Jack Henderson and Paul Harrington all received commemorative scrolls.

Speaking on behalf of the pupils, Liam and John D. said: "Our success was not just solely based on our efforts, but on the entire school's involvement. Finally, Ann McCarthy, Liam's mother, said: "On behalf of both families we would like to thank the Council, the teachers and the Judge family for all their help and support. But it was her comments, in relation to Sr. Mary, which drew the loudest applause of the evening, when she said: "Any organisation is only as good as its leader."

JJ Hurley



Ciaran Allen, Dara Daly, Lara Butler and Jack O'Regan from Scoil Mhuire na nGrast, Belgooly. They recently won the senior section of the Credit Union quiz in the Trident Hotel.

LOCAL VIOLINIST MAKES GOOD

At the recent annual Macroom Feis organised by the County Cork School of Music, a local youth musician had a great success bringing home two firsts to Kinsale.

Ciara Judge initially competed in the Junior Concerto section and came away with the Cork County School of Music perpetual cup. She then went on and in a duet with a friend from Bandon also came first in the Intermediate Chamber Music section.

The past month has been a busy time for Ciara: in February she was a lead violinist when the Cork County Junior Orchestra performed in the National Concert Hall in Dublin.

Ciara is an 11 year old 5th class student in Dunderrow National School and has been a student of violin at the Bandon Branch of the County Cork School of Music for the past 7 years. Well done Ciara!!!



Ciara with the perpetual trophy awarded at the Annual Macroom Feis

LETTER TO THE EDITOR



Madden Park Kinsale

The Madden family wish to thank the local Kinsale Soccer Club and all who were involved in the event for their kind gesture in naming their new pitch Madden Park.

Thanks also to some people whose names were inadvertently omitted during the speeches: our sponsors throughout the years; Eli Lilly and new manager Mr. Dave Urbanek who have always been so helpful to our club; Mr. Tom Ross, ex player; Mr. Finbarr Coleman for the use of his field in the past; Mr. Tom Jones, grounds man; Mr Owen Hackett for looking after the Underage boys and girls and all who helped in any way to make it such a happy event.

Also thanks to the Master of Ceremonies, Mr. Donal Foran, for his great presentation.

The Madden Family

90th Birthday Celebrations



Congratulations to Mrs. Eileen Murphy, Main Street, Kinsale, who celebrated her 90th birthday on February 2nd 2009.

Mrs. Murphy celebrated the occasion with her daughters, their families and friends at Haven Bay.

Liz and Margaret would like to thank all the catering and nursing staff at Haven Bay for making the occasion such a special one for everyone.

Congratulations Mrs. Murphy!



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Kinsale Gun and Preservation Club Announces Honorary Members

At a special function held in the Lord Kingsale recently Kinsale Gun and Preservation Club honoured four of its members by making them honorary members.

The members including Michael O'Sullivan, Stanley Woods, Josephine Woods and Trevor Barry were described by Club Chairman, Neilie Dunne, as individuals who had contributed to the success of the club.

In making the presentation Club Chairman, Mr. Neilie Dunne, said: "Making honorary membership is not done lightly, but these individuals, who have been dedicated and devoted members, deserve the recognition."

In fact the decision to make Mr. Barry an honorary member had been kept a secret and he described his accolade as a "shock," but there was universal consensus that it was well deserved.

The Kinsale Club, which was founded in 1960 by Paddy Cattell, Paddy Doyle, Paddy Timmons, Micheal Murphy and Neilie O'Connell, has continued to grow and the current membership, which stands at fifty, is testament to the fact.

Reflected in the membership is that Kinsale Gun club is not just confined to the Kinsale area, but also includes Belgooly, Tracton and Dunderrow. Mr. Dunne said: "Kinsale Gun club had always been fortunate in the calibre of its membership."

He went on to pay particular praise to those members who have sadly passed away, including: Pat Broderick, Paddy Timmons, Neilie O'Connell, Robert Walton and Paddy Cattell.

While the club success has ultimately been based on the hard work of its membership, however, all the committee members agreed that the survival of the club is due to the continued goodwill and support of the landowners.

The current committee, including Chairman, Neilie Dunne; Treasurer, Neilie Hurley; Secretary, Jim Tobin; Trevor Barry, Brian McCarthy, Eamon Hetherington, John Curnow, M.J. Noonan, Kevin O'Connell and John O'Brien are also conscious of the need to promote the preservation element of the club.

Last year, the club released a total of two hundred and fifty birds in to the wild. Unlike shooting in other countries, the sport is highly regulated with specific rules enforced including a limited season from November to January for pheasant and September to January for duck, only male pheasants can be shot, members are not allowed shoot on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays and each member can shoot no more than two birds per day's shooting.

In addition, the gun club has also established large four large sanctuaries in the countryside and no members are allowed to enter these areas.

JJ Hurley



KINSALE LIONS CLUB NEWS

DEFIBRILLATORS FOR KINSALE IF DAVY CAN'T DO IT, IT CAN'T BE DUNNE

This was the catchphrase coined at the press launch recently of the campaign to encourage more runners to join this years Cork City Marathon on the June holiday Monday 1st.

Kinsale Lions and Kinsale Red Cross are joining together to raise funds for defibrillators to be available in several locations through Kinsale.

Local personality Davy Dunne has volunteered to run his first ever marathon. He is now in serious training for the event, and will be joining veteran marathoner Mary Evans and others from Kinsale.

The success of this fundraising is dependant on YOU, yes YOU reading this, to consider participating in aid of a worthy cause.

Most runners are not athletes in the full sense. Many are joining together in a relay of five or six per team, with each person walking or running five or six miles at whatever pace is comfortable for them. It is a fun way of achieving something useful and it is satisfying to know that your efforts may save a life.

All are welcome to join the campaign. For more information, contact Mary on 021-477 2192, or on 087-134 7292. The time is now so that you can get help and advice to prepare to participate safely.

And if you cannot participate, be generous in filling the green collection boxes which are in many local premises and on the streets.

Pictured at the press launch at the Trident Hotel, Kinsale, Lion President P.J. Power, Mayor of Kinsale Dermot Collins, Slim Davy Dunne, Cllr. Fred Treacy, Cllr. Mary Evans, John O'Mahony Jnr.



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STUDENT MAGAZINE IS OUT OF THIS WORLD!

The creative, literary and journalistic skills of the students of Kinsale Community School were evident when the TY students from Kinsale Community School produced a student magazine entitled The Planet. This is a very glossy and professional publication for a first issue and a lot of credit must go to the hard working editorial team of TY students consisting of Dominick Mouroz, Jessica Mundy, Stephanie O'Donovan, Ben Healy Mahalingam, Alesha McCallum and Michelle Fenton.



The magazine has been very well received by both the staff and pupils of the school and contains articles from 'Life in Kinsale' to 'Vegetarianism' and other such staples as film reviews, book reviews and horoscopes. The editorial team would like to thank the hard work of their teacher, Ms. Aisling Hogan and the magazine has been entered into a competition being run by The Irish Times, so who knows if the exploits of the students will hit the national press!

Making Drama in a Crisis

Kinsale Pottery and Arts Centre
launches new drama programme

Despite the much-reported global financial meltdown and belt-tightening across Ireland, this month sees Kinsale Pottery and Arts Centre expand its range of arts courses to include a full programme of drama workshops. Led by Cork-based international theatre practitioner, Marcus Bale, a team of experienced drama teachers will provide:

- Weekly drama workshops for adults and children (aged 9-12)
- Two-day weekend improvisation workshops both for beginners and experienced actors
- One-day workshops in exploring creativity and in physical theatre
- A 5-day summer drama camp for children aged 8 plus
- One-off classes for private and corporate groups, including teambuilding techniques

Kinsale Pottery and Arts Centre has traditionally been associated with a wide range of arts and crafts courses, including in 2008 such specialist subjects as glass fusing, film animation, creative book making and binding, jewellery-making and raku kiln building for ceramicists. In January, the centre expanded its range of arts to include a literary programme this year – creative writing for children and adults, and events for readers.

Adrian Wistreich, the Director of Kinsale Pottery and Arts Centre says "After eight years providing pottery and other arts and crafts workshops, we decided in 2008 to expand our facilities to include teaching space for up to 50 people and we built a huge gallery extension. This has provided the capacity to launch the new drama and literary programmes for 2009." he adds: "theatre workshops and creative writing appeal to our existing customer-base, and broaden the Arts Centre's audience in Ireland and internationally, which is essential to its future success. Despite the credit crunch, course bookings at the moment are buoyant, which reflects the attraction to Irish people of taking their breaks at home, as well as the growth in activity-based tourism in the South West."

Marcus Bale, Co-ordinator of the Arts Centre's drama programme said "we aim to appeal to amateur actors and budding professionals, offering quality training and personal development through improvisation in a relaxed atmosphere. We're also looking to establish a centre for childrens theatre courses which will encourage young people in the area to try acting."

Full course details are available at www.kinsaleceramics.com or on the dedicated Drama Programme brochure, available from Adrian Wistreich: email: adrianwistreich@gmail.com or 087 969 6901.



Great News for Saile and Kinsale!

Saile – Kinsale Community Sports and Leisure Project, an initiative by the Kinsale Rural Development (KRD) Community Association, announced on Monday March 23rd that they have received full planning permission for the proposed community sports and recreation centre at Cappagh, Kinsale. This much need centre will stand on a 9 acre site which has been leased to the association from Cork County Council. It will be built using a phased approach and will commence in 2009 with Phase 1A – All-weather playing pitches, basketball courts and a sand-based kick about area; subsequently a community centre with a sports hall, dance studio, gym and multi-purpose meeting rooms will be built once funding has been secured. In the future a 25 metre swimming pool may also be added.

This good news was also followed by a donation of €100,000 towards the capital cost of the project. The people of Kinsale have been extremely generous and have definitely not lost their sense of community, with the constant flow of businesses, households and community groups signing up to the Association's community fundraising initiative, Buy A Brick Scheme which offers 3 levels of brick to suit all pockets and an option of spreading the cost over 1 year, start from as little a €6.50 a week! Energetic and willing volunteers will take to the streets over the summer and are looking for your support; they will be calling on all households encouraging you to sign up to the scheme.

Recently local business people, Diamond Brokers, Tony & Colette Boland, Robert Acton, Kinsale Credit Union and Conor and Mareta Doyle have signed up to become patrons of the gold brick scheme. In times of uncertainty, Kinsale's sense of community is certainly inspiring.

The Association has a number of exciting fundraisers planned, which began with the successful Spring into Action, Ladies Lunch on Saturday 28th of March at the fabulous Blue Haven Hotel. Tickets were just €50 and included a champagne reception, goodie bags on arrival, a scrumptious lunch and a wealth of information on how to become less stressed with more success. A 3 ball better ball golf classic will be held at the Old Head Golf Links on April 30th, teams of 3 are €450 per team and include lunch at the Speckled Door, contact Bronwyn on 021 4773929 for tee times and further details.

Kinsale Rugby Club has kindly chosen Saile – Kinsale Community Sports & Leisure Project, to fundraise at this year Rugby Sevens Tournament. We would be grateful to anyone willing to volunteer for 2 hour intervals over the course of the weekend. If you have any queries regarding the project or you would like to get involved please contact us on 021 4773929, or info@sailesportsandleisure.ie

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Together we'll built it



Sailing Legend Makes A Splash at Annual RNLI Lunch

THE Maryborough Hotel & Spa played host to the recent RNLI Annual Fundraising Lunch when Sailing Legend Sir Chay Blyth addressed a 200 strong crowd at the "Sailing By The Lee" lunch to support local RNLI lifeboat branches.

Sir Chay Blyth, who was knighted in 1997 by Her Majesty the Queen for his services to sailing, became the first person to sail non-stop around the world in 1971. He gave a witty, honest and engaging speech about his seafaring adventures to the pleasure of the crowd.

Guests were treated to a sparkling wine drinks reception in the foyer of the hotel before being led into the newly refurbished Sherrard Suite which includes mood lighting, exquisite fabrics and a Swarovski crystal finish where guests were treated to a three course lunch.

Susie Elliott, Kinsale RNLI Fundraising Secretary, said: "Sailing by the Lee has become an esteemed custom for maritime enthusiasts from all over Ireland. Year after year, we are treated to eminent speakers such as Roy Disney, Ron Holland and Brad Butterworth. Crowds have gathered in Cork for this special event to mark the beginning of spring, the imminent sailing season and the reunion of sailors & friends from all over the British Isles. 2009 is a very exciting event in the series." she said.

Well known faces in attendance included Joe English, twice Skipper to the Volvo Round the World Race and his wife April, Susie Elliott of the RNLI Kinsale Local Branch, Mary Bernard, Marketing Manager Maryborough Hotel & Spa, Donal McClement, Yacht Broker, John Downey, Auctioneer, and his wife Pat, Mark Mansfield, a previous Olympic Sailor, Nigel Young, North Sails Ireland, sponsors of the event and Peter Crowley, Council Member RNLI.

The events proceeds, an impressive €14,000, will go towards the new Kinsale RNLI Lifeboat Station, currently under construction at Adam's Quay, Kinsale.

Pictured below are: Stormy Sam, Ewen Tubridy, Brian Jolly, Peter Crowley, Sir Chay Blyth, John O' Gorman, Jenna Riese, Susie Elliott, Kevin Gould, Nigel Young, North Sails Ireland.



Belgooly Tidy Villages

The A.G.M. of the above took place in Belgooly Community Centre on Monday 9th March. The committee for the upcoming year is:

Chairperson	Irene O'Shea
Vice Chairperson	Kathleen Keogh
Secretary	Niamh O'Brien
Treasurer	Rose Walsh
PRO	Nicola Desmond (086 8515371)

Renewal of membership is now due or if you would like to become a member please do not hesitate to contact any of the above.

Meters of walkway are still available, and forms can be received by Texting - FORM followed by your name and address to 0868515371.

If you have any ideas, suggestions etc please do not hesitate to contact any member of the committee.

Bookstór's Terrific Ten Hour Readathon

Bookstór hosted a Terrific Ten Hour Readathon on Saturday 7th March to celebrate World Book Day 2009. Forty reading volunteers took part, each sitting in the armchair in the window of Bookstór and reading for 15 minutes.

There were 10 Read-Aloud sessions through the day, when the audience in the street were treated to a wonderful mixture of stories and poetry. There were delightful children's stories by writers such as Oscar Wilde and Roald Dahl, as well as a special appearance by The Library Lion. There were funny, edifying and moving readings from works by James Joyce, Lynne Truss, Elizabeth Gilbert, Gerry Ryan and others.



The aim of the Readathon is to show that reading is fun. We hope that our Readathon will support the efforts of all those who engage in motivating reluctant readers, helping those with reading difficulties and hurdles to overcome, appealing to boys, and reaching readers for whom English is not the first language.

All the volunteers were entered into a draw for €50 Bookstór gift token, which was won by Labhaoise Barrett, of Ballyherkin. Great support was generated through the event for Sáile Kinsale Sports and Leisure Project, and €184.27 was raised for the project.

This is the third Readathon that Bookstór has run to celebrate World Book Day.

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EYE ON KINSALE



Garda Gerry O'Leary pictured with some of his Garda colleagues at his recent retirement function which was held in the Blue Haven in Kinsale (pic Howard Crowdy)

St. John's Confirmation 2009



Ciara Gimblett, Alana Healy, Ciara Walsh, Shannon Forde, Ciara Judge, Ciara Forde, Scarlet McGahan and Eadaoin O'Leary of Dunderrow NS pictured at the recent South East Scor na bPaisti finals in Ballinspittle (pic Howard Crowdy)



The Summercove NS Figure Dancers of Cliona Ni Shulleabhain, Amber McAulliffe, Alison Norman, Laura Murphy, Sophie Drinan, Rachel Lysaght, Ali Hill and Shauna Finn seen at the South East Scor na bPaisti finals in Ballinspittle (pic Howard Crowdy)



Members of the 1958 Ballymartle Junior A hurling team pictured at their 50th anniversary function. Included are David Walsh, Sean Kelleher, Con Kelleher, Paddy Deasy, Timmy Fitzpatrick, Seanie O'Donoghue, John Nyhan, Seanie Cosgrove, Sonny O'Mahony and Bernie Lordan. (pic Howard Crowdy)



Ballymartle celebrate their very first South East U21 A football championship title following their victory over Ballinhassig in the final at Belgooly recently (pic Howard Crowdy)



Members of the Carrigaline and District COPE Fundraising committee which covers Belgooly, Riverstick and Roberts Cove, present John Clifford of COPE with a cheque for €42,000 which was collected in the region last year (pic Howard Crowdy)



Carmel Hennessy, Miriam Hurley and Julie Wilshaw pictured attending the Ballymartle GAA Club dinner in the Carlton Hotel in Kinsale (pic Howard Crowdy)



Lucinda Wright, Elaine Fitzgerald and Karen Crowley at the Kinsale GAA Club dinner in Actons Hotel, Kinsale. (pic Howard Crowdy)



Pictured with some of the silverware at the Kinsale GAA Club dinner in Actons Hotel were Vanessa Kellett, Catherine Murphy, Theresa Barnett & Lucinda Wright. (pic Howard Crowdy)



Niall McCarthy & Jeremiah Wright pictured at the Kinsale GAA Club dinner in Actons Hotel. (pic Howard Crowdy)

EYE ON KINSALE

Kinsale Confirmations 2009



Best friends Sinead Walsh, Sarah Hankard and Denice O'Leary from Dunderrow NS. (pic Howard Crowdy)



Anna Cronin, Roisin O'Brien, Jennifer Hurley and Caoimhe Reilly from Dunderrow NS. (pic Howard Crowdy)



Gearoid McCarthy, Shauna Daly, Roisin Sheehy and Padraic Keane Kelleher from Summercove NS (pic Howard Crowdy).



Gareth O'Sullivan, Fergus Gimblett and Joseph Cronin from Dunderrow NS. (pic Howard Crowdy)



James O'Mahony and Niall Buckley from Summercove NS. (pic Howard Crowdy)



School Principal Kathleen Lane from Summercove NS pictured with Lindsey Bowles and Simon Pindel. (pic Howard Crowdy)



Luke O'Leary (St Johns NS); Benjamin Barry, Kinsale Community School and Zachary Urbanea from Bandon Grammar (pic Howard Crowdy)



Maura Spellman and Emily McCarthy from St Josephs NS Kinsale (pic Howard Crowdy)

David O'Leary pictured following the Kinsale Confirmations.

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Pictured above from left to right: Eoghan Gilleran, Fergal O'Brien, James O'Mahony and Susan Calnan Photos by Nelius Buckley Photography Kinsale 021 477 4440

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The Parents association of Gael Scoil Chionn t-Sáile would like to thank all those who made the coffee morning, cake and book sale in the Temperance hall at the beginning of February a fantastic success. A total of €1200 was raised. A special word of thanks to our sponsors: Supervalu Kinsale, Murphys Grocers, Daisy Chain Florists, Roasting House Limited, Actons Hotel and of course the parents. We were also delighted to have a few unexpected but very welcome guests!



KINSALE STUDENT IS STOCKHOLM BOUND



Ben Fusco, a 5th Year student in Kinsale Community School, will be part of the Irish delegation to the European Youth Parliament which will be held in Stockholm from the 17th to the 26th of April. Founded in 1987, the European Youth Parliament (EYP) encourages young people throughout Europe to have a say on the future of their continent and at the session in Stockholm topics for discussion will range from environment to the financial crisis to the future of the EU.

Each year students from Kinsale Community School attend the regional sessions of the European Youth Parliament, and last year three of our students attended the National session of the Parliament where Ben was selected to attend the 60th International Session of the European Youth Parliament in Stockholm which will bring together more than 250 young people, from 32 different countries. 16 students were selected to be part of the Irish delegation, all but 3 of whom are Leaving Cert students, which is further testament to Ben's knowledge of European issues and his ability to articulate his opinion on these issues.

Whilst the cost of the conference itself is quite reasonable, the associated costs of traveling to Stockholm have to be met by Ben himself, so he would greatly appreciate any assistance. More importantly Ben is keen to bring to the parliament the views of young people concerning Europe, as this allows delegates to express not only their own views, but the views of their peers.

Those who wish to express their views to Ben or who wish to assist him in meeting the costs of attending can do so by contacting him at b.fusco@hotmail.com



Belgooly 4 Mile Road Race Cheque Presentation

At a recent cheque presentation in the Belgooly Community Centre for the monies raised by the St Stephen's Day Road Race, Gerry O'Dwyer, Hospital Network Manager of the H.S.E., thanked the members of Belgooly Athletic Club saying "You have no idea how your efforts benefit people, the awareness the race gives is fantastic, it also gives fantastic publicity in terms of prevention and that's very important particularly around the cancers and it creates huge awareness amongst everybody who participates." He continued to say that the publicity up to and afterwards is most appreciated. He extended a big thanks to the marshals and all of the organisers because there is no doubt about it that Belgooly on St Stephen's day is an event not to be missed. "The event has grown from strength to strength over the years, which is no mean achievement, well done to all."

Ann Murphy, Clinical Nurse of the Bowel Cancer Treatment unit, echoed the sentiments of Gerry and gave an insight into the current developments at the CUH, where a new unit is being opened for Cancer and two rooms are being dedicated to Colon and Bowel cancer, a new specialist and member of staff have been recruited. She continued by thanking all involved as the money raised each year is very much appreciated.

Tom Tobin, Chairperson, Belgooly Athletic Club, thanked everyone for attending. The amount given to the Bowel Cancer Treatment Fund this year was €3,273.00. A special thanks to Gerry and Ann for the support showed year after year. Thanks to everyone who helped on the days before, during and after the race. He continued to say that, hopefully we can make 2009 a bigger race, because the biggest winner is the charity.

Picture includes members of the Belgooly Athletic Club & Friends, The Mayor of Belgooly Ger O'Riordan, Gerry O'Dwyer, Hospital Network Manager of the H.S.E. and Ann Murphy, Clinical Nurse of the Bowel Cancer Treatment unit.

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Kinsale Home of Hope - Great News!

For those of you who are aware that the Kinsale Outreach Group of the Chernobyl Childrens Project Intl. have been fundraising for a Home of Hope in Belarus, we have great news.

A home has been found and is currently being renovated. A new roof is required and general refurbishment needs to be carried out to make it suitable for use as a foster home.

Foster parents are currently being sought and by the time the house is ready for occupation a family will be in place. Up to 10 children will be accommodated in the home saving them from having to spend their childhood years in an orphanage.

Pam Norris and Maureen Judge plan to visit Belarus and meet the family and see the Home in May, where they will erect a plaque naming the home "Kinsale Home of Hope."

"It is a testament to the people of Kinsale that our fundraising efforts have met with such success"

It is planned to bring some of the children from the foster home to Kinsale this summer as part of the summer rest and recuperation programme. The children can come each summer thus strengthening the ties between Kinsale and the family.

It is a testament to the people of Kinsale that our fundraising efforts have met with such success. When we signed up for the Home in January 2008 we thought we would need two years to raise the €50,000 required to fund it.

Thanks to the generosity of local business, local school children, Girl Guides, and the general



Kinsale public we are almost a year ahead of schedule and now are just €2,500.00 short of our target.

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone in Kinsale who have helped us to date.

- Maureen Judge.

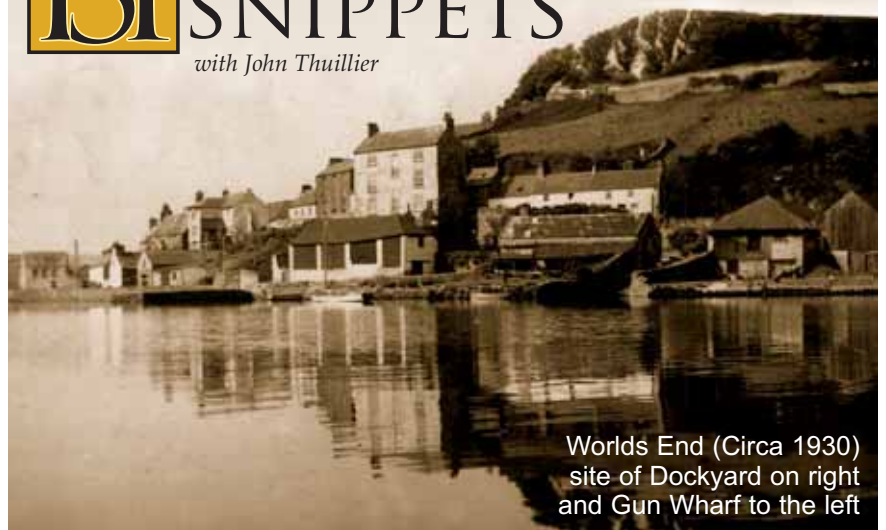
2nd Degree Black Belt for Kinsale Girl



Congratulations to Leighanne McCarthy who received her 2nd Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do in Gorey, Co. Wexford, on Saturday March 14th 2009. Well done to Leighanne who is pictured above with Master Wheatley (left) and her instructor Mr. Liam Corkery (right). Congratulations and a big thank you to her instructor Liam Corkery.

ISI HISTORY SNIPPETS

with John Thuillier



Worlds End (Circa 1930) site of Dockyard on right and Gun Wharf to the left

THE GUN WHARF AT THE WORLDS END

If one looks over the wall, close to the Ferry Slip at the Worlds End, the remains of a stone structure protruding into the River can be seen. Viewed at low water this is what remains of the Gun Wharf, which was part of the Admiralty Dockyard located where the Trident Hotel is today. Before the road between the Hotel and the Ferry Slip was constructed access to the Wharf was by way of the "Drang", the upper road, which inclines at the Great War Memorial and emerges from the steep lane at the Ferry Slip.

The Gun Wharf with its cranes and lifting devices was used for fitting out, stepping masts and loading guns aboard fighting ships. The cambers at the Dockyard itself in which ships were repaired and built were filled in during the 1960s to form the Hotel car park. The HMS Kinsale, one of many magnificent vessels, was built here in 1700 and a detailed model replica may be viewed in the Museum. The stretch of shoreline from the Trident to the Ferry Slip must have hidden many objects lost in the course of working on these great ships. The Wharf itself is all that remains of this ancient facility and structurally it has been damaged by the removal of stone.

Further destruction of what remains must be resisted.

John Thuillier

ANGLERS INITIATE A START TO FLY FISH PROJECT FOR THE RECENTLY UNEMPLOYED

An item on a recent Late Late show has sparked a positive reaction from some professionals in the angling business. Eddie McCarthy, who developed Ballyhass lakes near Mallow, County Cork, is spearheading a **Start to Fly Fish** project offering people who have recently been left unemployed to the opportunity to take up a new interest. Groups of ten are being offered free tuition in fly fishing, workshops, equipment and fishing permits to open a new direction in their lives.

On the Late Late show gardener Dermot O'Neill related how he had lost his job and his house some time ago and now wanted to share his enthusiasm for gardening by offering 20 people an introductory course in gardening. Eddie McCarthy could identify with him as he too was made redundant in the 1980s following a Bank restructuring and he had also experienced the sense of loss, despair and lack of direction that follows unexpected redundancy. "Fly fishing will now offer some a new focus, an interest that is absorbing and time for some to consider their future" said McCarthy.

Over the weekend, McCarthy approached others and found quick acceptance and support for the idea from Glenda Powell from Ballyduff, one of Ireland's top fly fishing instructors, and the current World Ladies distance casting Champion, and John Buckley from Killarney, Manager of the Irish Youths fly Fishing team, and owner of Emerger the Irish fly tackle company. Both agreed to assist and take part in workshops for the new entrants to the sport and to promote the programme.

Ballyhass lakes are offering the groups who will be drawn from those recently unemployed; the base from which to start flies fishing. Each member will be given the use of a full fly fishing kit, free instruction and free fishing at Ballyhass.

Workshops will be held for them at Ballyhass Lakes as they improve in their fly fishing techniques.

In addition to learning a new skill it is hoped that the group environment will help offset the isolation that those newly made redundant can feel. Now they can form new friends who share a common background and a common interest. There is always hope in new beginnings.

Anyone interested in taking part, can apply by E mailing info@ballyhasslakes.ie. Full details of how to apply are given on the Latest News section of the web site www.ballyhasslakes.ie



ALTRUSA PRESENTATION TO LOCAL CAUSES

Even in the present financial climate the Altrusa Club of Kiinsale & District Christmas Fayre was still able to raise €4,000, thanks to the incredible generosity and support of the businesses, the people of Kinsale and the visitors too. Everyone seems to be so willing to give when they know the money is going to such deserving causes - to Kinsale Community Hospital where the patients are cared for with such love and understanding, to Kinsale Meals on Wheels which enables people to live at home with just that little extra help and to the Saile Sports & Leisure Project, a facility so badly needed especially for the young people of the town but will also prove an asset to older people and families.

A great deal of work goes into the organisation and preparation for the Fayre including an evening making the Christmas Decorations under the guiding hands of Eileen O'Brien and Teresa Murphy - hard work but great fun too. So many people bake cakes, large and small, which are so appreciated - we can never get enough home-baked goods, and of course all the Altrusa Club Members take such a pride in their stall, or decorating the Christmas Tree most artistically, thinking up new ideas for Christmas Gifts or getting good prizes for the Raffle.

The wonderful thing is that everyone comes for their cup of coffee or tea their scone with cream & jam and there is such great chat - truly a community event.

At the recent presentation held at Kinsale Yacht Club, President Cora Roche stated that Altrusa Club of Kinsale prides itself on having The Friends of Kinsale Community Hospital as its Main Community Project and all the members involved find it most rewarding. So it is fitting that the Hospital is included in the proceeds of the Christmas Fayre. She complimented Nuala O'Reilly - Acting Matron - and all the Staff for the loving care given to the patients, and also paid tribute to Maureen O'Donovan on the excellent way in which she ran the Hospital for the past ten years.

The Meals On Wheels is a wonderful facility for the older people in the Community, not only the provision of the meals but also the contact which is so important. Kevin Goggin and many more volunteers make such a valuable contribution to the people of Kinsale.

This year Altrusa also included the Saile Sports & Leisure Project and they are delighted to support this worthwhile project for the youth of Kinsale. The Chairman - Gerry Wrixon, Project Co-Ordinator Bronwyn Connolly, and members of the fundraising committee are working hard to raise the much needed funds.

Altrusa Members in attendance were : Cora Roche - President, Dawn Healy - Hon. Secretary, Geraldine McEvoy - Treasurer, Dr. Arabella O'Keefe, Elsa Furney, Sylvia O'Farrell, Marcia Wrixon, Cathy Kelly, Margaret O'Toole, Eileen O'Leary.

Cora Roche, centre, President Kinsale Altrusa Club, pictured presenting cheques to Nuala O'Reilly, Acting Matron Kinsale Community Hospital; Kevin Goggin of Kinsale Meals on Wheels and Bronwyn Connolly of Saile Sports and Leisure Project being the proceeds raised at the recent Christmas Fayre in Kinsale. Also pictured is Geraldine McEvoy, treasurer Kinsale Altrusa Club (pic Howard Crowdy)



KINSALE GAA UNDERAGE PRESENTATIONS 2009

The medal presentation for both the Underage Mens and Ladies Clubs took place recently in Acton's Hotel. Kinsale had a lot of success last season and there was plenty of silverware on show on the night.

The first team to be awarded medals on the night were the U16 boys who won the South East hurling B league. The team was led by captain Alan Gould and medals were presented by Chairperson Michéal O'Connor.

The U16 girls were also successful winning the South West A league beating Bantry in a hard fought battle. Orla Finn one of the U16's receiving her medal also won an All Ireland football medal with the U16 Cork team beating Donegal in the final. She also won a Munster minor medal.

The U14 boys won a South East hurling medal beating Shamrocks in the final and Joe O'Leary presented them with their medals. A fine squad of players were introduced by Michéal O'Connor on behalf of Conor O'Brien. The girls U 14 team received county premier medals for the second year in a row. They beat Mourneabbey in an epic final winning by 2 points. It was also mentioned about the U14 girls who won All Ireland medals in the Kilmacud 7's winning the Plate competition.

The U10 boys were the final group to get medals. They won a blitz in Clashmore in Co. Waterford and also participated in South East games in both hurling and football.

Kinsale had a very successful year and have bright young stars pushing up through the ranks which bodes well for the future of the Club. Here's to a great 2009 season and congratulations to all involved.



The Kinsale Ladies Football Under 16 team, West Cork League champions 2008, pictured at their annual Kinsale Under Age GAA and ladies football awards in Actons Hotel. (pic Howard Crowdy)



The Kinsale Under 14 ladies football team, County Premier champions and Kilmacud Sevens Plate winners, pictured with sponsor Virgil Horgan and coaches Catherine Murphy and Michael Creedon, at the recent Kinsale Under Age GAA and ladies football awards night in Actons Hotel. (pic Howard Crowdy)



The Kinsale Under 16 team who won the SE hurling league last year, pictured at the Kinsale Under Age GAA awards in Actons Hotel. (pic Howard Crowdy)



Members of the Kinsale Under 12 panel, pictured attending the Kinsale Under Age GAA awards. (pic Howard Crowdy)



Left: Youngsters from the Under 10 and Under 12 panel at the Kinsale Under Age GAA awards. (pic Howard Crowdy).



Left: The Kinsale Under 14 team who won the SE hurling championship last year, pictured at the Kinsale Under Age GAA awards in Actons Hotel recently (pic Howard Crowdy)



Going Bananas for Fairtrade!

As part of Kinsale's contribution to the International Fairtrade banana eating record attempt on March 6th and 7th, many people attended the Methodist Church coffee morning. To mark the occasion there was delicious home made Banana loaf for sampling along with plenty of bananas!

Padraig Fitzgerald of Kinsale Fairtrade and Kinsale Peace Project enjoyed his 'last supper' before the 2pm start of his Trocaire 24 hour fast.

Elsewhere students at the Community School sold over sixty Fairtrade bananas around the classes, and junior schools ordered boxes for their students. So a couple of hundred were added to the 24,000 in Ireland alone who signed up for the record breaking attempt. Well done all!



The Carrighoun final of Scor na bPaisti took place in Ballinspittle recently. Musicians from Scoil Muire na nGrast, Belgooly, came second in their category. Stephen Desmond, Emma Coughlan, Jerome Bernard, Emily Chezdomme and Tadgh McCarthy are pictured above left. Fourth class pupils acted out a humorous sketch based on retired gaelic footballers in an old folk's home, they won first prize for their efforts! Tadgh Mc Carthy, Emily Chezdomme, Jerome Bernard, Emma Coughlan, Dylan O' Sullivan, Sheila Marie Kelleher, Rachel Butler and Sharon McCarthy are pictured above right.

Brain Injury Awareness – Cork BRI

Brain Injury Awareness Week 2009 was held from March 9th to 13th 2009. The numbers of people living here with a serious acquired brain injury (ABI) following a fall or sports injury, car crash, an assault, or a stroke are increasing. About 4,000 people have a serious brain injury in Ireland every year; with around forty of these people living in Cork and Kerry. In addition, around 7,000 other people have a stroke every year with 8,000 other people having some other forms of brain-head injuries. Most of these growing numbers of families living with ABI have to cope with limited access to specialised brain injury services and to generic disability services, such as transport, housing and welfare needs.

Living with a hidden brain injury may affect a person's memory, concentration, problem-solving, balance and/or perhaps motivation and emotions. This can be difficult enough, still numerous people with ABI find the negative attitudes of the public often bigger problems for them - if they are being rushed, being ignored or being stared at. These negative attitudes often make it harder for people with ABI to get back into community events after their stroke or brain injury. Improved public awareness about ABI and better access to BI information is needed for all members of families involved.

Meeting other people living with ABI may also assist somewhere along that journey. BRI Ireland is one such ABI support-advocacy group, based at the National Rehabilitation Hospital, Dun Laoghaire. Cork BRI meet in the Wilton Community/Parish Centre (opposite CUH) at 8pm on the third Wednesday of each month (apart from July and August). Welcome to anyone living with ABI or working with people with ABI. If you would just like to ask about BRI or some other BI query, please contact Phil McGowan (/Briscoe) Volunteer Secretary Cork BRI on 021-4772435 /087-9955166 or p.mcgowan@ucc.ie

Other useful national brain injury websites are: www.hse.ie; www.headwayireland.ie; www.abiireland.ie; www.nrhl.ie



Kinsale Ladies Football Junior B captain Aoife Hurley, 2008 Player of the Year, pictured at the recent Kinsale GAA Club dinner in Actons Hotel, Kinsale. (pic Howard Crowley)



New Business Profile



by Niamh Prior

Studio 1, the new framing shop at 1 Market Quay, has been open since November 1st. It specialises in fine art framing for artists. Their prices are competitive and discounts are offered to artists and students. They also frame photographs, textiles and mirrors.

Proprietor Niamh Lucey had a framing business in Crosshaven artist's co-op gallery, Arthaven, for two years before that. When the gallery closed she decided to open a shop in Kinsale, and she hasn't looked back. She lives in Ballinadee and a third of her work in Crosshaven was coming from Kinsale already so she knew there was a demand for picture framing in the town.

Many of her Arthaven customers have stayed loyal to her and come to Studio 1 for their framing.

“Studio 1 is a gallery as well as a shop”

Niamh, from Clonmel originally, got into framing through art. She got a degree in Fine Art from the

Crawford College in 2001 and a Masters in painting in Scotland in 2003. She had several exhibitions and, as a result, ended up making her own frames in order to get them just right for her paintings. She enjoys crafts and so painting and framing go hand in hand for her.

The studio also does window mounting and dry mounting which is ideal for photography or posters, on board, MDF, aluminium or foamboard. They also offer canvas stretcher making. For artists interested in making prints of original work, the studio offers image capturing, using professional studio equipment. A selection of ready made frames are for sale.



Photo By Neiius Buckley 021 477 4440

Studio 1 is a gallery as well as a shop. On exhibition is the work of a select group of 15 local artists as well as a selection of fine art prints.

The first few months have gone well for Studio 1. Niamh said the town has been very supportive and other businesses in the town have sent plenty of work her way. She loves the

street and is looking forward to experiencing the buzz of summer in Kinsale.

**Opening hours are
Tuesday to Friday 10am - 5.30pm
and Saturday 12pm - 5pm.**

**For further information ring 4773606,
email info@studio1kinsale.com
or go to www.studio1kinsale.com**



TAG RUGBY will be commencing for the Summer season

on May 28th at Snugmore. There will be a maximum of 16 teams with 14 players on each squad. The success of last year's event was so clear, there was never any doubt that it would be a runner again this year.

Tag Rugby is open to both male and female players and is the largest growing sport in Ireland.

If you are interested in finding out more about the rules of tag rugby, log on to www.irfu.ie

Club contacts for Tag Rugby are: Brian Hadden, Eoin O'Callaghan and Kim Kerins.



Debrillators are now available in the following locations in the Belgooly/Riverstick areas:

Belgooly GAA Grounds; Entrance to Allen's Shop, Belgooly; Belgooly Central School; Entrance to Centra Shop, Riverstick; Ball alley at Ballymartle GAA Grounds. Anyone interested in getting trained to use the

Debrillators should contact Shane Kelleher at 087 293 6373 or Cathal O'Shea at 086 248 6496. Training will be on a demand basis by the Irish Red Cross.

Riverstick / Kinsale Athletic Club

All Ireland Juvenile Combined Events

The Woodie's DIY All Ireland Juvenile Combined Events were held in Santry, Dublin on January 18th. Orla Finn represented the club at Under 18's and proudly took 1st place and gold for her efforts. The following are Orla's results. Hurdles (9.6), Long Jump (5.02m), High Jump (1.49 m), Shot (7.56 m) & 800 m (2.38). Well done Orla!!

Munster Juvenile Indoor Championships

The Munster Juvenile Indoor Championships were held in Nenagh, Co. Tipperary, on the weekend of February 7th & 8th. The club was represented at this event by Jessica Sheehan, Shannon Ronan, Emer Stanley & Caoimhe O'Callaghan. Jessica's performance at the weekend was outstanding. In the Long Jump Jessica jumped a personal best of 5.03 metres and thereby securing a gold medal for her performance. In the 60 metre sprint Jessica finished a credible 3rd place to win a bronze medal. In the 200 metre race Jessica finished just outside the medals in 4th place. Well done to Jessica who is pictured above right with coach, Kathleen Maher.



The following weekend the club was again represented at the Munster Juvenile Indoor Championships by Orla Finn, Vivienne Maher, Diarmuid Hickey, Orlaith Hickey & Kevin Fitzgerald.

Orla Finn (U18) won gold in the 60m Hurdles, Silver in the High Jump and Bronze in the 300m & 300m. Vivienne Maher (U18) came 4th 1500m. Diarmuid Hickey (U17) won Gold in the Shot, Silver in the 60m Hurdles & Bronze in the Long Jump. Orlaith Hickey came 5th in the Shot, and was Semi Finalist in 60m sprint. Kevin Fitzgerald was a Finalist in 60m and 600m. Well done to all Athletes won took part.

Training

Training continues every Tuesday evening at 5.30pm at the Kinsale Rugby grounds. New members welcome.

Translations

Kinsale's Rampart Players are busy rehearsing for their forthcoming performances of Brian Friel's play Translations. The play will be staged at the Municipal Hall from April 21st to 26th and will feature several new faces to the Rampart Players' fold.

Tickets cost just €12 and are available from Bookstor (no telephone reservations, personal callers only please).

No doubt this will be another stunning performance from the Rampart Players so be sure to purchase your tickets early!

Pictured rehearsing for the forthcoming performance by the Rampart Players of the Translations are Sebastian Thommen, Padraig McGillicuddy and John Ryan-Howard.



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TRANSITION TIMES

Updates & news on the Transition Town process in Kinsale edited by Nicholas Harvey

Working today for a sustainable tomorrow

AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING FOR EXTRAORDINARY TIMES



And so it was when forty people came to the Friary on 7th March to give their tuppence worth to the Transition process. The difference was that everyone got to express what they thought was important in making Kinsale a more sustainable and self-reliant community.

After an initial presentation on TTK and a go round in which everyone introduced themselves, participants were asked to write ideas on post-it notes under the following headings: food, transport, energy, waste, economy, education, tourism and health.



After a quick coffee break, participants sat at tables allocated to each of these themes and a small group discussion ensued. The energy in the room crackled and buzzed with the exchange of ideas and solutions to the twin challenges of climate change and energy uncertainty.

Amongst the ideas generated were:

- A roving garden club with a group market stall
- An energy advisory bureau
- Growing herbs and vegetables on council green spaces
- A local carpool scheme
- And online skills sharing hub
- Lighting up Charles Fort with solar/wind power
- Minibuses to and from Garretstown during the summer
- Street games for children in car free streets
- Education on diet for dental health and the promotion of community based healthcare.

And that's just for starters! The next step is to invite those who participated to put their ideas into action with the formation of small working groups.

Thanks to David Peare and Carole Norman for supplying a tasty lunch and to Fr Michael at the Friary for the use of the facilities.



MONTHLY AWARD

...goes to all those who gave of their time and energy to the lively discussion at the Friary on 7th March.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

'Si vous aimez la transition, mais vous parlez français, le Web a été un endroit assez infructueux jusqu'ici. Maintenant 'En Transition' de Villes et de Communaudes est arrivé, le portail pour le monde de langue française au monde lumineux et brillant de la transition.'

From the new French language Transition website: www.villesentransition.net/transition/

TIP OF THE MONTH

Tumble driers are the most energy intensive household appliances, costing about €80 a year to run and contributing an average of 310kg of CO2 per annum. Drying clothes on a washing line costs zilch, produces zero emissions, won't shrink your socks and makes them smell fresher. It's another no brainer.

Transition Town Kinsale is always looking for ideas and suggestions so if you have anything you'd like to offer or contribute you can contact us at **087 783 9446** or email info@transitiontownkinsale.org

www.transitiontownkinsale.org

SPRING FAIR 25TH APRIL 2009

Workshops • Ecomarket • Car Boot Sale • Children's Entertainment
Evening Variety Show • Healthy & Sustainable Food & Drink

KINSALE COMMUNITY POWERDOWN

We are going to highlight at the Spring Fair what the community has been doing to powerdown and are asking householders and businesses:

- 1) What steps do you take to save energy?
 - 2) What energy saving habit are you trying to develop?
- Let us know by text or email.

Would you like to learn more about any particular issue? Let us know as we are organising workshops at the Spring Fair. info@transitiontownkinsale.org or ring Liz at 087 2894077

BROAD WELCOME TO FRIENDSHIP PACT

There was a unanimous endorsement from the Members of Kinsale TC, at its monthly meeting, to an invitation from Barry TC to sign a "Friendship Pact" between the two seafaring towns.

The invitation was extended by the Executive Officer of Barry TC, Mr. Derek Wolfe, in correspondence to the Mayor of Kinsale Mr. Dermot Collins.

In the letter, Mr. Wolfe said: "In recognition of the long association between the two towns that the respective Councils would recognise this by entering into a formal type of association." Mr. Wolfe in his correspondence went on to say "It is not intended to be a formal type of association, where visits are made on a formal basis, but rather on a voluntary one."

Mr. Billy Lynch, who is a member of Kinsale TC and Chairman of the Harbour Board, was particularly pleased with the initiative as his family has a long association with Barry.

Mr. Lynch's grandfather, Florence O'Connell, who served with distinction in the Royal Navy in World War One and in the Merchant Navy during the last world conflict, sailed out of Barry as did many generations of seafarers from Kinsale.

Kinsale TC are set to accept the Annual Sea Sunday as an appropriate date to sign the Friendship Pact as proposed by Barry TC. This year's Annual Sea Sunday service, which takes place on Sunday 17th May, will be broadcast live from St Multose Church by RTE.

The Sea Sunday service is an ecumenical and interfaith service to commemorate those who have died at sea, to pray for those who work at sea and remember all those services involved in rescues at sea.

After the service, members of the Defence Forces, Rescue Services and various maritime related organisations will lead a parade to the Seaman's Memorial on the Pier, which is followed by a blessing of the boats and a wreath laying ceremony in the harbour.

This year's weekend will also see the official opening of the New Harbour Master's Office on the Pier by Canon David Williams. This acclaimed building was designed by local man Rob Jacob, who has also been responsible for designing a number of other impressive projects in the town including the Lost at Sea Memorial and the 1601 Commemoration Mast.

JJ Hurley

SCIATH NA SCOL CARRIGDHOUN INDOOR HURLING BLITZ

The Sciath na Scol indoor hurling blitz finals took place recently in Riverstick hall. Eight teams emerged from the qualifiers which were held previously.

Ballinadee and Crosshaven boys played in the Roinn B final. This was a great battle from two very skilful teams. But there could only be one winner and it was Ballinadee who emerged as the victors.

In the Roinn A final Scoil Mhuire na nGrast and Gaelscoil Carrig Ui Leighin played another nailbiting final. This was an eagerly awaited final, both teams winning their semi finals after extra time. Belgooly won a close encounter from two great teams by one goal and the trophy was collected by Eoin Healy, captain, and presented by Eamon Kelly, Chairperson of Sciath na Scol.



Kinsale Toastmasters



The fact that there were thirteen people present at our last meeting, in the Blue Haven Hotel, was not the least bit unlucky for Kinsale and District Toastmasters. Our guests were warmly welcomed, along with our regular attendees, by our club President, Mags Riordan.

Myra Heffernan had arranged a full programme for the night.

Gerard O'Leary was Master of Ceremonies for the Meeting, which saw a broad range of topics being discussed, including what we would do if we won the lotto and whether or not Ireland is a safe place to live. We had some interesting responses to the question of "What next for Bertie Ahern?" We also looked at ways in which men are becoming more feminine and women more masculine.

We had marvellous speeches beginning with Johnny Cargin's "African Adventures Part Three". Johnny told us about his ancestor who emigrated to South Africa and ended up as a partner in a diamond mining company. A real rags to riches story! Sadly for Johnny, the riches had disappeared before he got his hands on it!

Gavin Falk relayed some of the history of Westrop House in Innishannon to us. He told us about some of famous owners and guests, including Winston Churchill who was a regular visitor in his early years, when the house was owned by his Aunt and Uncle. While Gavin's tale was unfolding he made us feel like guests around the breakfast table in Westrop house, which he and his wife operated as a B&B for many years.

Stephen Hanley entertained us with an impromptu speech called "Dreams Come True". Stephen told us of his love for fly fishing which he got from his father, and the joy and excitement of being chosen to represent Ireland in an International fishing competition, in Colorado in the USA. This was a dream come true for Stephen.

In her role as General Evaluator Collette O'Donoghue praised all those who made the night so enjoyable. She was impressed by the diversity of topics and the many humorous and well delivered responses. John Maloney was Timekeeper and he ensured that no one was allowed to hog the floor on the night.

Our April meetings will be held in the Blue Haven Hotel on the 1st and 15th at 8pm.

Pictured are toastmasters and guests from left Gerard O'Leary, Mags Riordan, Olivia O'Mahony, Hamish Adams, Myra Heffernan, Johnny Cargin and Edel Duignan.





KINSALE LIONS CLUB NEWS

Cheque Presentation to Cork City Hospitals Childrens Club

Kinsale Lions Club handed over a cheque for €25,000 to the Cork City Hospitals Children's Club at a reception held in the Municipal Hall on March 10th last. This money will enable sick children, patients of various hospitals in the city, to enjoy a short holiday in Disneyland Paris in May. The cheque is the proceeds of a combined effort between the Childrens Club and Kinsale Lions Club who organise annual Rallies from Youghal and Midleton to Kinsale.

Last October, 150 cyclists from 10 to 60 years old cycled from Midleton to Kinsale. In August, 400 motorcyclists had rallied between Youghal and Kinsale. Members of both Clubs collected sponsorship money and also collected on the streets - in some very poor weather! Accompanying the cavalcades, there was also support from Garda bikers, the Ballinhassig Vintage bikes, Civil Defence, Ambulance and Fire Service

The Navy have always helped by providing lunch facilities on Horgan's Quay on Cycle Day and Musgrave's have always provided the refreshments.

A truly combined effort for a truly good cause. Thank you to everyone.

The Kinsale Lions also join with the Childrens Club's Christmas Santa Special at Fota House. Organised by the Childrens Club, over two days in December, nearly 200 suffering children, including some from Kinsale, from 5 hospitals in the area, visited Santa and enjoyed a Christmas Party in the wonderfully decorated stately hall, transported there by vintage cars and limousines from Kinsale's Vintage Car Club.

The Kinsale and District Lions Club, chartered in 1992, has grown to be one of the most successful of the 116 in Ireland with 38 Members from all walks of life being very active in our community. In each of the last four years they have raised over €100,000 for their charities, which include the R.N.L.I. the Guardwell Homes, S.V.P. the Lourdes Fund, the children in hospitals, the elderly in Kinsale, the Youth Programmes, Drug Awareness, the local schools, the churches, the Special Olympics and other unexpected emergencies like the trawler tragedy, the tsunamis, the recent Australian fire tragedy and the Lions International world - wide campaign to prevent unnecessary blindness.

The Club has now committed to raising money for Kinsale's Day Care Centre and has initiated a campaign with the Red Cross to provide defibrillators for the town.

The Rallies, plus Musical Shows, Golf Classics, Auctions and numerous varied activities, are the means of raising necessary funds.

And, when all the work is done, there is pleasure and pride in handing over the result.



PROPERTY *Of The Month*



OLD HEAD VIEW, DOONEEN STRAND, OLD HEAD, KINSALE

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RESIDENCE WITH
MAGNIFICENT VIEWS

This spacious stone - faced home, extending to approximately 3000 sq. ft., standing on circa 0.5 acre, is located in a private setting with magnificent views over Dooneen Strand, Old Head of Kinsale and Garrettstown Beach. Designed to take advantage of the dramatic coastline views, it has many special features such as french doors from many of its rooms to the garden and paved patio areas. The residence is accessed via tarmac driveway with a spacious parking area, it is surrounded by well kept lawns and an abundance of shrubs.

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- David Caren, Founder of Dad.ie



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WORKSTART WEST CORK... A NATIONAL SUCCESS IN 2008

The West Cork based supported employment service, Workstart West Cork moved more people into work last year than most of its 23 counterparts around the country. There are 23 similar organisations based around Ireland, funded by FAS, under the Supported Employment Programme.

Workstart is in its 8th year, and has gone from strength to strength. A free, FAS funded organisation, it helps people with all types of disabilities obtain work in the open labour market. Co-ordinator of the service, Celine O'Donovan, explained how, "people have a preconceived notion of disability. There are people on our books with depression, anxiety and dyslexia. We also have people on our books with other mental health, physical, learning and sensory disabilities. These are all people who we help find work and keep work in West Cork".

Workstart covers the whole of West Cork, from Kinsale to Castletownbere. There are offices in Bantry, Skibbereen, Clonakilty and Bandon. Workstart employs 6 job coaches, who work one to one with their clients on a weekly basis to help them with CVs, Interview skills and to find work. Many of the clients are on a disability payment. The added benefit of this service is that the job coach will continue supporting the client, after the client has secured work, and can act as a medium between employer and employee. A benefit to the employer, would be that the job coach can train the client on the job, and can offer the employer a range of subsidies such as the Wage Subsidy Scheme.

In 2008, the service extended to cover Bandon and Kinsale, and opened a new office in Bandon in January of that year. In 2008, Workstart found work for 96 clients and are continuing to find work for clients in this new and challenging climate.

Although the Recession is testing for Workstart, almost 20 clients have gone into work in 2009 to date. Many people with disabilities may be put off looking for work, in this current climate, when every day there are news stories about redundancies, etc. However, this service is a client led, highly professional service with an excellent reputation in West Cork and this has meant the continued success of this service, in 2009.

Celine O'Donovan would like to thank the excellent staff of Workstart, the directors of the service as well as FAS for its continued support for this valuable service. Finally she extends her thanks to the clients who have worked with the service, and the employers and local client referring agencies, who have been supportive of Workstart.

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Pictured from left: Marc Counsell, Fiona Chappell, Celine O'Donovan, Christine Westwood, Anna Moynihan, Mags Riordan, Micheal Hurley and Martin Mulchrone.



Wild around Kinsale

Rooks can be seen throughout the Irish countryside particularly in proximity to agricultural land where there is a plentiful supply of grubs, worms and insects in the dug-up soil. Berries, fruit, cereals and small invertebrates such as mice and frogs also form part of their diet. The Rook's plumage is entirely black with a dark blue metallic sheen and the stout silvery bills have a greyish/white base.

Rooks are the most sociable of all the Crow Family and live in rookeries which may number hundreds or thousands of birds during the autumn and winter, then dispersing into small rookeries at the breeding season. Nests are built of twigs high up in trees and three to five blue or grey-green eggs are laid by the end of March. The eggs are incubated for eighteen days and the chicks remain dependent on the adults for food for sixty days and are not fully independent until they are five months old.

There are several large flocks of Rooks in Kinsale such as in Scilly and Cappagh. It is wondrous sight to see them flying overhead at twilight noisily calling.

Rooks feature in folklore where the sudden desertion of a rookery was said to bring bad luck to the land owner. They are also associated with escorting the souls of the virtuous to Heaven to which tale W. B. Yeats may be referring in the opening line of his poem 'The Cold Heaven' 'Suddenly I saw the cold and rook-delighting heaven'.



Kinsale Vintage and Classic Motor Club prepares for 20th Birthday!

Kinsale Vintage and Classic Motor Club organised a run to Courtmacsherry on Sunday 1st March for the Olan O'Donovan fund. Over 70 cars and bikes turned out to support us, and helped by the beautiful day the trip was enjoyed by all.

We would like to thank Kathleen in the Huntsman, Belgooly, for opening early to allow registration and for providing teas & coffees and the Anchor Bar, Courtmacsherry, for their hospitality when we arrived.



A cheque for €2250 was passed on to the family, and we would like to extend our appreciation to all who supported on the day.

Plans are in progress for our 20th birthday celebrations at our Rally from 8th to 11th May. Anyone interested in joining us on the weekend

can download an application form from our website www.kinsalevintageclub.com or can contact either Ann O'Regan (087-6822853) or Cathal O'Shea (086-2486496).

CARRAIGDHOUN SCIATH NA SCOL GIRLS INDOOR CAMOGIE

The Carraigdhoun Indoor Sciath na Scol camogie blitz took place recently in Riverstick.

The first semi Final of Roinn A took place between Scoil Mhuire na nGrást, Belgooly and Ballygarvan. Belgooly emerged the victors qualifying for the finals. In the second semi final Scoil Eoin, Innishannon played Balinspittle in a hard fought contest and Innishannon were victorious.

Belgooly played Innishannon in the Roinn 'A' finals. This was a tough battle between two great teams and at halt time the scoreline was 4-0 in favour of Innishannon. But Belgooly came back very well and got 3 goals but it wasn't enough in the end and Innishannon won a great final. Mary-Ellen Sweetnam, captain of Scoil Eoin was presented the trophy by Chairperson of the board Eamon Kelly.

In the first Roinn 'B' semi final Castleack played Ballinadee. Both teams showed great skill but Balinadee won on the day and progressed to the finals. In the second semi final Knockavilla played Gurranes. This was an excellent game which went to extra time but Knockavilla emerged victorious.

Knockavilla played Balinadee in the Roinn 'B' final. This was another great game but Knockavilla won in the end on a score line of 5-0. Siobhan Hart, captain, accepted the trophy on Knockavilla's behalf from Eamon Kelly.

Congrats to all the teams who played on the day and showed great skill.

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KINSALE CIRCUS CLUB

Have you ever wanted to know how to juggle, how to spin plates, how to ride a unicycle, or to dance with a hula hoop? Well now is your chance!

A new series of Workshops in Circus Skills has just begun in the Municipal Hall every Tuesday evening from 7pm - 8pm.

Run by professional circus tutors from Cork Circus and Kinsale's PassePartout Circus the workshops are open to all age groups from the young, to the young at heart!

The Kinsale Circus Club will also host open practice sessions from 8pm - 9pm after the workshops and this is open to all.

For any further information contact Will Flanagan 087 745 6725 or Cathal O Carrol 087 414 8299.



Who wants to be a Thousandaire?

Who wants to be a Thousandaire? a major fundraiser organised by the Parents Association and the Board of Management of Scoil Muire na nGrast, Belgooly, took place in Acton's Hotel on March 28th.

Based on the popular TV show the fundraiser was launched by Munster and former All Blacks rugby star Doug Howlett and Guinness Book of Records musician Liam O'Connor recently. Many local businesses sponsored the event with PJ O' Hea of Opel dealerships being the main sponsor.

Belgooly NS has seen a huge increase in pupils in the past number of years and the money raised on the night will provide important revenue for the building fund and school activities.

Eamonn Kelly, Principal Belgooly NS, is pictured second left, pictured presenting tickets to musical Liam O'Connor, Munster rugby player Doug Howlett and sponsor Jim Oliver of PJ O'Hea at the recent launch of 'Who Wants to be a Thousandaire' fundraiser in aid of Belgooly National School in Actons Hotel, Kinsale.

(pic Howard Crowdy)



PLANNING NEWS

Planning Applications

• Application for permission to retain conversion of attic to habitable accommodation including rooflights on rear elevation and permission for rooflight on front elevation of existing two storey dwelling at "Glenview", 6 Barrack Street, Kinsale, Co. Cork, for PJ and Mandy O'Brien.

• Application for permission to erect a garage with studio over at the rear of house at Casey's Corner, Lower O'Connell Street, Kinsale, Co. Cork, for Marie Curtin.

Planning Decisions

• Application for permission to demolish 2 no. dwellings, no. 9 Worlds End and Ferry View House, and the construction of 3 no. townhouses and 4 no. apartments in two separate blocks, with off street parking at Worlds End, Kinsale, Co. Cork, for Mr. James Barber. **Permission refused.**

• Application for permission for demolition of existing two storey extension. Construction of new two storey extension with attic conversion and construction of new vehicular access to rear of existing dwellinghouse at 13 Cork Street, Kinsale, Co. Cork. **Permission granted.**

• Application for permission to make the following alterations to the first and second floors at 5 Viking Wharf, Kinsale, Co. Cork. (a) Additional window to front elevation and gable on the first floor. (b) Dormer window in place of existing velux and relocation of small velux on front roof on second floor. (c) New dormer window and small velux to rear roof on second floor at 5 Viking Wharf, Kinsale, Co. Cork. **Permission granted.**

• Application for permission for alterations and change of use of premises from guest house to

restaurant at Quay Side House, The Park, Kinsale, Co. Cork, for Mr. Darren Cotter. **Permission granted.**

• Application for permission seeking provision of 2 no. new off street parking spaces and associated site works 10, Hogans Row, Blindgate, Kinsale, Co. Cork, for Mr. Noel Lovell. **Permission granted.**

• Application for amendment to site layout of permission 04/53026 [conversion and reconstruction of the Convent/Industrial school buildings as well as the construction of 86 dwellings on site] at the former St. Joseph's Convent of Mercy in the townlands of Dromderrig and Town Plots, The Ramparts, Winters Hill, Blindgate and Rampart Lane, Kinsale. The amendments to site layout are confined to south west corner of site and a response to condition 6 of the above permission. The amendments involve the set back of the houses [D1 - D13 inclusive] on Blind Gate to facilitate parking; the elimination of a redundant passageway; the corresponding movement of houses [A1 - A14 inclusive] behind to the east together with minor amendments to local road and parking layout at The Ramparts, Winters Hill, Blind Gate and Rampart Lane, Kinsale, Co. Cork, for Cumnor Construction Ltd. **Permission granted.**

• Application for permission for changes and alterations to no 6 Viking Wharf, Kinsale. The changes and alterations includes a) the conversion of a garage to a bedroom and ensuite, b) the replacement of existing gable window with new projecting corner window at first floor level, c) the resizing and replacement of door and window opening at ground and first floor level, d) the resizing and repositioning of velux roof windows and e) associated site works for Mr Mervin Shaw. **Permission refused.**

Place your announcements; engagements, births, marriages, etc, free of charge in the
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will be published in **JUNE**
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Milestones

Deaths

Our sympathy to all those who have suffered bereavements recently, including the families of the following people:

- Martha Hurley (nee Dillon), Carmelite Terrace

Marriages

Congratulations to the following couples who were married recently:

- ❁ Colin Savoury and Ceri Sheehan, Wales, who were married on February 20th 2009.
- ❁ Ursula O'Leary, Ballinvar, Kinsale, and John Murphy, Kilcaw, Kinsale, who were married on March 21st 2009.
- ❁ Amanda O'Leary, Leamlara, and Timothy Elmes, Glenbrook, who were married on March 27th 2009.

Births

- ❁ Congratulations to Lyn (née Duggan) and Mike Denny on the birth of their daughter Claudia on January 14th 2009.
- ❁ Congratulations to Catherine Whelton and Mark Byrne on the birth of their son Jamie on January 24th 2009.

Anniversaries



BREDA EATON

1st March 2005

*Fourth anniversary of a
wonderful wife and mother
who meant the world to us*

*Throughout our lives no matter where,
In our hearts you are always there.*

*Cherished are the memories of days when you were here,
And times that you're not with us are very hard to bear.*

*Not a day do we forget you,
With pride we speak your name,
Though life goes on without you,
It will never be the same.*

*Sadly missed every day by her husband Gerald, and
daughters Aine and Alison.*

NELLIE BUCKLEY

St. Mary's Terrace, Kinsale

Acknowledgement and First Anniversary

Her daughters Mary and June, their children, and grandchildren wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with us, attended the removal, Mass and burial; those who sent Mass cards, enrolments, letters and floral tributes.

Thanks to Fr. O'Mahony for his funeral Mass, to the Matron and staff of Kinsale Community Hospital for the care and kindness they gave our mother, also thanks to Dr. Downey.

Finally thanks to Emily, Moira and Phyliss, her nieces, for all their help to us.

Sadly missed by her daughters Mary and June, son-in-law Jackie, grandchildren and greatgrandchildren.



THOMAS O'DRISCOLL

*who went to heaven on
October 23rd 2008*

The family of the late Thomas O'Driscoll, 17 Sleaveen Park, Kinsale, would like to thank everyone who sympathised with them on their recent bereavement.

Tommy, as he was better known, was a kind, lovable, gentle, funny character who always put others first. All who knew him could relate to this, he touched the lives and hearts of so many people, and for this we are so grateful for having known him and having him in our lives.

He was a great husband and friend to Esther, a fantastic dad to Patrick, and granddad to Lauren and Devon, a close brother to John, Patrick, Lizzie, Margaret, a loving uncle to his nieces and nephews, and a great brother-in-law to Carmel and Willie.

We would like to thank the following people who took such excellent care of Tommy during his illness, the oncology team of the Mercy Hospital, Cork, the Kinsale Medical Centre, especially Dr. Tony Foley who took such excellent care of Tommy from beginning to end, to the Kinsale Community Hospital, a 'home from home'. Thank you to all there who took such excellent care of Tommy in his final months, you did everything possible for him, and for us his family: May God reward you in Heaven for all you did for Tommy:

Thanks also to Gabriel and O'Donovan Undertakers for their professionalism.

To Fr. O'Mahony and Fr Robert Young for a beautiful funeral Mass and to the choir for the beautiful singing.

Thanks again to all who sent flowers, wreaths, Mass cards, those who attended the Rosary, removal and funeral. Also those who said a silent prayer for Tommy thanks to you all.

*As Tommy looks down from Heaven on us,
He still seems to be sending his love,
Just to help us along our way
And get us through each passing day:*

Always missed and loved by your loving family:

*The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
will be offered for your intentions.*

PAT CONDON

Sean Hales Terrace



The brothers and sisters wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with us.

Thanks to those who attended Rosary, removal, funeral Mass and burial. To those who sent Mass cards, floral tributes and letters of sympathy; thank you.

A special word of thanks to the doctors, nurses and staff of the Mercy Hospital, also doctors, matron, nurses and staff of Kinsale Community Hospital. We thank the Priests of the Parish and Friary Churches, to Fr. Myles McSweeney for a lovely Mass. Sincere thanks to Gabriel and O'Donovan Undertakers for their diligent service.

*The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
has been offered for your intentions.*

*The angels sang Amazing Grace
The Lord came down and touched your face
He held your hand Pat
And whispered low
Come with me, it's time to go.*

*Love and miss you always
Christy, Sean, Eileen, Kathleen, Ester and families*

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Glenilen Farm *Drinoleague*

Alan and Valerie started from their kitchen in 1997 and their business has grown from strength to strength ever since. They convert all of their own milk into delicious products using only the best ingredients. Their range includes cheesecakes, yogurts, raspberry mousse, blueberry sundae, country butter, clotted cream, double cream and fromage frais. They have won numerous awards including Bord Bia Food Industry Award & the British Cheese Award.



Just Food *Cobh*

Just Food was founded by Deirdre Hilliard in 2004 and has won 5 awards across 4 food categories in the National Irish Food Awards (Blas Na hEireann). They produce a diverse range of fresh organic foods using organic ingredients – as local as possible – including Horizon Farm run by Colm O'Regan in Kinsale. "We believe that food cooked in small batches tastes better. Smaller batches also cook quicker and closer to the time of consumption which has taste, nutritional and food safety benefits"

Caherbeg Free Range Pork *Rosscarbery*



"Obsessed with Quality", Willie and Avril Allshire and their sons produce a range of award winning products using locally sourced meat. As artisan producers, the accolades received from far and wide for both their Free Range and Rosscarbery Recipes products testify to the hard work and dedication involved. Products include a range of sausages, rashers, bacon joints, black and white puddings and the new addition – pork pâté.



William Carr & Sons
Curraglass

Founded In 1964 by William and Mary Carr in the rural village of Curraglass in the Blackwater Valley in Co. Cork. The exceptional flavour of their product range is the result of a dedication to the traditional art and craft of preparing seafood and perfecting it over four generations. William Carr & Sons source the finest quality seafood from the cold clear Atlantic waters and they are proud to supply Smith's SuperValu Kinsale.



Noel Hurley *Jagoes Mills, Kinsale*

"Growing local produce for local people" – that's Noel Hurley's motto. It all started for the late Dermot Hurley in 1972 when he grew his first drill of potatoes at Jagoes Mills, Kinsale. Noel took over the business in 1996. By working and living so close to Kinsale means from field to the supermarket shelf is the key to success for Kinsale potatoes.



Upton Eggs

Started by Babs Murphy in the 1940's and run by her until the late 80's when Connor and Eileen continued the business. Upton Eggs carry eggs from a number of local farms like: *Bertie O'Mahony of Kilbrittain, Flor Crowley of Ballinadee & D.J Rice of Ballinhassig.* It is their policy to supply eggs from the local area thereby ensuring quality and freshness always.

Clóna Dairy Products *Clonakilty*

Renowned for producing superior quality dairy products adhering to national and international quality standards for over 25 years. Its history dates back to 1955



when Strand Dairy started out in Clonakilty and it is now the only large scale bulk milk producer in County Cork employing 90 people in Clonakilty and Ballinahina and has a fleet of 50 delivery crew.



Ted Brown *Dingle*

De Brun lasc Teo was established in 1989 by Ted and Hanna Mae Browne and is located at Baile na Buaille, Dingle. What began as a small, family run operation now has 26 full time employees, rising to 60 during the peak season. De Brun lasc Teo processes crab, prawns and smoked salmon. All the fish processed by the company is caught in Irish waters by local Irish boats.



Stauntons *Timoleague*

Dating back to the early 1950's and established at its present site outside Timoleague in 1995, Stauntons is owned by a local farming co-operative and is dedicated to the slaughter and further processing of pork, including sausage, bacon and pudding manufacture. The vast majority of its pigs are sourced from Cork and the company is a member of the Bord Bia Quality Assurance Scheme.



Glenmar Shellfish
Union Hall

Glenmar Shellfish was established in 1989 and now employs 80 people between its factories in Union Hall and Skibbereen. It also has a factory in Scotland. It sources a wide range of fresh fish caught in Irish waters by local boats, 2 of which are based in Kinsale. Glenmar supply fresh fish daily to SuperValu Kinsale.