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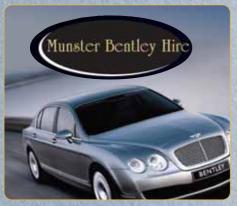
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People of Kinsale and visitors alike enjoyed the buzz around town during Kinsale Arts Week which ran from July 11th to 19th. Whether attending events, workshops or just soaking up the colorful street entertainment, the air of excitement KAW 09 brought with it was palpable to all.

Kath Gorman, the festival director, is delighted with the very positive feedback she has been receiving. 'Events like this are very important in bringing the town together', she said. She was overwhelmed by the invaluable support the local community gave to the festival. She wishes to express her gratitude to everyone who helped in so many different ways: Kinsale Rugby Club, the Gardai, friends of the festival, Kinsale Town Council, Howard Holdings, the OPW, West Cork Leader, Cork County Council, the Arts Council and the board of directors and staff who put in huge amounts of upaid time. She gives a special thank you to the volunteers for giving their time so generously; the festival is hugely dependent on them.

Displays in 34 shop windows brought art right into everyone's daily walks through town. Armed with a map, anyone could follow the Artist's trail around town on foot and take the east and west trail buses which went as far as Minane Bridge and Ballinadee. The annual Charles Fort installation was this year A Fort Within a Fort by one of Ireland's most successful living artists, Brian O'Doherty. For those interested in literature there were plenty of events to choose from. Man Booker prize winner John Banville read from a

novel due for publication in September. He then entertained the audience with innuendo-laced anecdotes of fountain pen nibs and

answered all their questions on writing, music and life. Theo Dorgan also read from an unpublished manuscript to an audience enthralled by his description of stormy seas, while they glided through calm evening waters on The Spirit of Kinsale harbour cruise. John Brierly gave a talk on the Camino de Santiago and how pilgrimages can change lives. Four award winning young internet writers, formed the panel for Entering the Blogosphere. The panel discussion was very informative for complete novices and experienced bloggers alike. Children's author Oisin McGann and west Cork poet Leanne O'Sullivan both gave readings and two local poets, Adam Wyeth and Matthew Geden, launched their debut books.

Talented musicians abounded for the duration of the festival. At Charles Fort, Imelda May, whose show sold out weeks before Arts Week, gave the audience goosebumps with her singing. Paul Brady and Terrafolk with Una Palliser also gave fantastic performances.

The Prey Trio played a concert for all the family in the Municipal Hall and Syrius Piano Trio filled St Multose Church with their music. Emerging classical artists were given a platform at the Friary lunchtime series of free performances. In other venues acts included Kinsale's own Rampart Players sell out Tribute to Johnny Mercer, Aine Whelan and Sara Corkery and the Colin McLean Trio.

Sounds on the Square showcased local talent Room 201, Karma Parking, Soup Symphony, King K and Kinsale Drumming Circle. Local singer songwriter Barry Tierney launched his award winning single "Da Rocket Boy' at Sounds on the Square. From further afield there were the Leichardt Celebrity Brass Band, singer song writer Claire O' Mahony and rock bands: Small Cars, Machismo and Grand Pocket Orchestra.

Soul Driven filled the dancefloor with a brilliant and passionate performance at the Sunday Showdown festival closing party. They were followed by DJ Juice who kept everyone on the dance floor (and joined them once or twice) with his eclectic selection of music.

Red Lola was a play that went down very well. It was performed with masks, making the actors almost appear like puppets. Through a series of shadows and mime the play became darker and darker.

David Peare's performance in *The Bulman* received rave reviews. Written by Donal Hayes, this part maritime yarn, part ghost story was based on actual records of the Cork Harbour authorities. David held his audiences captive with his fantastic acting talents. *Midsummer*, a play with songs, was also a great favourite among Arts Week goers. A clever set combined with great actors enthralled those who were organised enough to get tickets early.

One of the highlights of this years Arts Week has to have been *Faulty Towers – The Dining Experience*. Interactive Theatre Australia performed three sell out shows in the Trident and Actons to packed audiences who enjoyed every second of their hilarious dining experience at the hands of Basil, Sybil and Manuel.

The amphitheatre at the Further Education College turned into an open-air cinema, where audiences arrived armed with blankets and beverages to keep warm through the films. One of these nights included the screening of documentary on Surf to Heal, a week long surf camp for autistic children held at Garrettstown last summer. This was followed by the classic surf film Big Wednesday as part of the 'Focus on Surf Culture'.

A related event was a panel discussion in the Friary Space featuring well known surfers, a surf photographer and a surf board recycling service, which attracted many of the ever-growing surf population of Kinsale.

For those wishing to get hands-on in the arts during the festival there were workshops in drawing, writing, pottery, poetry appreciation and painting. A personal highlight of KAW09 for Kath Gorman was Street Day, in particular the Streets Ahead Dance demo and taster workshop which gave everyone the opportunity to try out their hip-hop dancing talent.

The Arts Week certainly was not just for grown-ups. Teenagers had their own day dedicated to them, of which events proved very popular were the workshops on how to customise clothes. Children's entertainment included Aesops's Fabulous Foibles and Fables, Higgedly Piggedly and There's a Snail in the Garden. Children's workshops ran all week and covered film animation, shadow puppetry,

drama and Comedia Dell'Arte. And of course there was Family Day, on Sunday 19th, packed full of things to do from 12 until 7.30pm. Workshops ran all week and covered film animation, shadow puppetry, drama and Comedia Dell'Arte. This year was a very busy one for the box office. Events sold out faster than in previous years. The organisers believe this was down to having a strong marketing campaign and keeping ticket prices reasonable. Feedback indicates that many local businesses were busier than normal during the Arts Week. KAW has commissioned an independent company to analyse the impact of the festival on the town, results of which they will share with the Chamber of

We're already looking forward to next year!

Pictured left are Michéal Martin TD, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mareta Doyle, Chairman Kinsale Arts Week, Kath Gorman, Director Kinsale Arts Week and Mayor of Kinsale, Tomás O'Brien. Pic John Allen.

Niamh Prior





KINSALE HONOURS FIREMEN

"Three angels of mercy" with a combined total of 91 years of "outstanding and dedicated service" to Kinsale Fire Brigade, Bobby Wright, Charles Henderson and Michael O'Connell, were honoured with a civic reception recently by Kinsale Town Council at a packed Municipal Hall.

Leading the tributes was then Mayor of Kinsale, Dermot Collins, who said the honour being bestowed on the three men who had retired from the service was very well deserved.

He recalled in his youth the deep impression made on the community by a fire in the back of the Glen where a young man was killed and members of a Kinsale family who lost their lives in a fire at Enniskeane. There were also fires in the Goods Mills which came to mind. He himself would always remember the experience of a chimney fire in a house he was renting at the Mall in the 1970s when he and his wife Breeda had a young family and the tremendous professionalism of the local brigade which couldn't bring the fire engine to their home because the street was dug up but had to resort to using buckets of water.

In former times, he said, the fire station was of very limited capacity within the old Courthouse but then it moved to the Glen and a few years ago to a state-of-the-art building at New Road. Over the years, the duties of firefighters evolved to also providing a rescue service in crashes and acquiring many new skills, including an in depth knowledge of first aid and giving fire safety presentations. However, no matter what equipment was available, getting the call any time of the day or night must have always been a source of concern to the part time members' families and relatives.

Station officer Bobby Wright, Winter's Hill, was a humble, retiring man who joined the brigade in 1962 and gave 48 years outstanding service. Along with his brother Edward, who was present with his wife Margaret, and his late brother Billy, they gave over 120 years to the brigade and for that Kinsale was honoured to have a family of such calibre.

Sub officer Charles Henderson, Ardbrack, a fellow councillor and town foreman, had given 26 years service and was renowned also for active involvement in the Credit Union, Tidy Towns, Regatta and other community activities. Charles was accompanied by his wife Teresa, son Brian, daughter Niamh and extended family. Michael O'Connell, Barrack Street, who became assistant sub officer, served in Kinsale fire brigade for over 17 years and was also well known for his work as an undertaker with Gabriel and O'Donovan. The mayor thanked all three men and their colleagues past and present for their professional manner, expertise, kindness, understanding and sympathy in often delicate situations. He also congratulated and extended best wishes to new station officer Donal Dillon and sub officer Martin O'Neill

Local county councillor Kevin Murphy said he was delighted to officiate on behalf of the county mayor who was unable to attend. Describing it as the most important service provided by the council, he was happy to say that there were no cut backs in this year's budget and in fact, further development of the service was on the way with a new fire station due to open in Millstreet. He spoke of his pride in the modern top of the range fire station at Kinsale and expressed gratitude to the three retired officers for their sterling service and professionalism, adding that Bobby Wright was a former classmate in the old St. John's School and was a man of immense ability. The mayor presented to each retired fireman, a plaque recognising their "outstanding service and dedication" and also an Avoca glass candle holder in the shape of

an angel (supplied by Cronin's of Kinsale) remarking that all three men were "angels of mercy". Floral bouquets were presented to Phil Wright, Teresa Henderson and Anne O'Connell.

Returning thanks on behalf of all three, Charles Henderson said he was glad that so many past and present members of the brigade were present, as over the years, they gelled together and became great friends. He acknowledged the support of the Co. Fire Department, the town council staff, the Gardai represented by Sgt. Ryan and Garda Mick Heffernan, Civil Defence, the Health Service Executive, ambulance service, hospital and others in the community.

"If the bleeper went off at four o'clock in the morning, you didn't know where you would be going and what was involved," said Charles who also thanked his and the other families of brigade members, adding that at 58 years of age he was forced to retire but would happily have stayed on.

A special welcome was extended to Chief County Fire Officer Ger. Malone. Excellent fare was supplied by Michael and Rose Frawley of The White House and drink served by Mary Nagle and Margaret Lynch.

* At your service in Kinsale fire station today, most of whom were present, are Donal Dillon, Martin O'Neill, Tim O'Donovan, Dave O'Donovan, Liam Dyer, Mick Scanlon and Michael Ronan.



DOG POLLUTION

Certain breeds of dog were supposed to be muzzled when walked in public but this wasn't happening in Kinsale, said Mr. Dermot Collins at the monthly meeting of the town council.

A number of people had gone to the Gardai about this only to be told it was not their function but rather a matter for the county council's dog warden.

Mr. Collins referred to an incident in Milk Market in which two dogs on leads, but not wearing muzzles and belonging to separate owners, got into a vicious fight. He asked that the dog warden be made aware of the problem and visit Kinsale because such dogs were dangerous.

Town clerk Ms. Michelle Kelleher said the dog warden would come in response to specific reports but the task was made more difficult when dogs were not licensed.

Mr. Collins also enquired about the ongoing problem of dog fouling on footpaths and streets in Kinsale. Town clerk Ms. Michelle Kelleher said she wrote to the dog warden and awaited a reply as to whether fines were imposed. The town foreman told her that picking up dog waste now formed part of the duties of the council's outdoor staff. The council has already contacted the veterinary department in County Hall to obtain a list of dog licence holders and get leaflets about dog fouling distributed.

The town clerk reported that she recently met with the chairman of Kinsale Tidy Towns committee in relation to increased litter picking. He told her that his committee didn't have the capacity to litter pick at weekends but commended the efforts of councillor Billy Lynch and committee vice-chairman for his work in Tidy Towns. He extended an invitation for more volunteers to come out on clean up nights, adding that high visibility vests and hand-held litter pickers would be supplied.

KINSALE HOSPITAL TO BENEFIT FROM KINSALE REGATTA ROAD RACE

The annual Kinsale Regatta 5 Mile Road Race takes place on Friday evening, July 31st at 8.00 p.m. sharp. This year, Belgooly Athletic Club has chosen Kinsale Community Hospital to benefit from 50% of the entry fee. The race is open to all athletes, joggers, fun runners and walkers. The usual list of prizes will be on offer to include seniors, masters and juniors.

Kinsale G.A.A. Club have once again offered their grounds for the use of taking entries and providing showers after the race. Entries will be taken at the grounds until 7.45 p.m. and entry fee is €10.00. The race has once again been kindly sponsored by Tobin Paving Services. Refreshments and prize giving will be at Muddy Maher's Bar.

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Building Progress at Kinsale Day Care Centre

Significant progress is evident in the construction of the Kinsale and District Day Care Centre. The project, which began in late January and was in the process of planning over a period of two years, will be completed in October of this year. Thanks to the generosity of many groups and individuals within the community, together with excellent assistance from the HSE, the coordinating Committee are satisfied that when complete the Centre will be a superb medical resource. Every effort is being made and attention to detail is a priority. Despite the difficult financial constraints that exist, Kinsale will have a facility second to none. Physically hidden to some extent behind the Community Hospital the extensive range of medical inputs will ensure that patients will receive excellent care and yet maintain contact with family, neighbours and friends by virtue of continuing to live at home.

The Committee are very pleased to welcome the new Hospital Matron, who already has made significant inputs in the planning of the Centre. We wish her well in her appointment.

The project would not have been possible without the voluntary financial contributions of many people. The Committee wish to acknowledge this generosity. It goes without saying however that the need for funding will continue into the future to provide improved facilities.

Please contact any member of the Committee, listed below, if you wish to contribute or organise a fund raising event.

John Thuillier, Cora Roche, Dr. Tom O'Leary, Heide Roche, Bernadette Galvin, Michael Frawley, Margaret Ryan, Maureen O'Donovan, Ted Whitaker, Pat O'Leary, Anne O'Leary, Nuala O'Reilly, Dr. Eleanor Mullan and Cariosa Lynch.

Breakfast with Mayor Bloomberg



Cllr Billy Lynch, Chairman of Kinsale Harbour Board, had the honour of having breakfast with Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg at Gracie Mansion, New York, to mark St. Patrick's Day. Cllr Lynch is pictured above with Mayor Bloomberg.

NEWPORT DELEGATION TO VISIT KINSALE

A delegation from twin centre, Newport, Rhode Island, USA, led by its Mayor Jean Marie Napolitana will visit Kinsale for four days in late September, Mayor of Kinsale Tomás O'Brien informed members of the town council at their July meeting.

The visit will mark the 10th anniversary of the signing of the twinning. It was agreed on a proposal by Mr. Dermot Collins (who signed the twinning agreement for Kinsale in 1999), seconded by Mr. Michael Frawley, that the town council, as already budgeted, should hold a reception on September 25th.

A delegation from Kinsale attended the St. Patrick's Parade and 10th anniversary of the twinning in Newport in March and there was also a visit by Kinsale chefs and Kinsale Rugby Club to Kinsale's twin city this year.

KINSALE REGATTA LAUNCHED

One of Ireland's oldest annual festivals was launched at Acton's Hotel on Wednesday July 15th last.

Kinsale Regatta, which has been running annually for over a hundred years, promises to provide its usual entertainment for the entire family.

Speaking at the official launch, Kinsale Town Mayor, Mr. Tomás O 'Brien, paid tribute to the Regatta Committee for all its hard work in organising the event. Mr. O'Brien also remarked: "The Regatta is an opportunity to meet with many of the town's exiles, who return on their annual pilgrimage."

The festival will commence with the official opening by Kinsale Mayor, Mr. Tomás O'Brien, at the Plaza, Short Quay, on Thursday 30th July at 7.30p.m.

The packed programme will have many highlights including a 10k Road race on Friday 31st July; Watersports at Sandycove on Saturday 1st August beginning at 1.15p.m. and Children's Races at Kinsale GAA grounds on Monday 2nd August commencing at 10.30a.m.

Of course, the Regatta will also have an extensive sailing programme from Sunday 1st August to Monday 2nd August, with details of times and classes available from the Harbour Master.

No Regatta would be complete without a comprehensive music programme and the committee has promised to provide music at the Plaza from Thursday 30th July to Monday 3rd August from 7.30p.m. to 10p.m.

Certainly, one of the highlights of the week long festival is the Annual Emigrants night, which will be hosted by Kinsale Town Council at the Municipal Hall on Tuesday 3rd August beginning at 8p.m.

Mr. Ted McNamara, who is Chairman of the Regatta Committee, said: "I would like to express my sincere thanks to the businesses of the town and district for their continuing support."

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Pictured at the launch are from left: Maureen Bocking, Mary Nagle, Eileen Murphy and Joan Lucey



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New Kinsale Mayor a Popular Choice

At the A.G.M of Kinsale Town Council Mr. Tomás O'Brien was unanimously elected Mayor of Kinsale for the first year of the new incoming Council.

The Labour Party councillor, who recently topped the poll in the local elections, will be seen as a popular choice by the voters.

In addition to his fifteen years unbroken service as an elected representative, Mr. O'Brien is also a very active member of Kinsale Rugby Club, the Rampart Players, Kinsale Lions Club and Kinsale Yacht Club.

Mr. O'Brien possesses a wealth of experience having previously held the position of Chairman of Kinsale Urban District Council from 1998 to 1999, Mayor of Kinsale Town Council from 2005 to 2006, and more recently, he was Deputy Mayor in the outgoing Council.

Addressing his fellow Councillors, Mr. O'Brien said: "It is a huge honour to be elected Mayor of Kinsale Town Council," Mr. O'Brien also expressed the need for the Council to work closely with those who are committed to the town and its development.

He also paid tribute to the many volunteers in the town for their contributions. Finally, the new Mayor outlined the challenges for the new Council including housing, parking, tourism, traffic calming, pedestrian safety, boundary extension, recycling and communication with the people of the town.

The election pact between Fianna Fail, Labour and Mr. Billy Lynch also saw Mr. Micheal Frawley elected as Deputy Mayor of the Town Council.

The Fianna Fail Councillor, who was returned on an increased vote in the recent election, will be hopeful to take the 'top job' as Mayor during the lifetime of the Council and follow in the footsteps of his father, Mr. Micheal Frawley snr.

In addition to the decision of Mayor and Deputy Mayor, Councillors were also elected to a number of key positions. Mr. Billy Lynch and Mr. Tony Cierans were elected to be the local authority's appointees on the Harbour Board.

Mr. Billy Lynch was appointed to be one of the representatives to the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland, while Mr. Dermot Collins and Mr. Darren Cotter will both share the role of the other representative, with Mr. Collins serving the first half of the term.

Ms. Isabelle Sutton and Mr. Fred Treacy were nominated to represent the local Council on Cork County Council's Strategic Policy Committee, with Mr. Treacy having responsibility for housing and Ms. Sutton having responsibility for the

Mr. Dermot Collins proposed Mr. Fred Treacy to attend the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurance. However, Mr. Micheal Frawley was elected to the role as a result of a vote in the chamber.

Finally, newcomer, Mr. Noel Harrington, was proposed by Mr. Billy Lynch and seconded by Mr. Darren Cotter to be the representative on the tourist board.

JJ Hurley

Mayor of Kinsale Tomás O'Brien is pictured below with his Labour colleague Tony Cierans.



GO AHEAD FOR TREATMENT PLANT

The contract for the construction and operation of the new €5.6 million Kinsale Wastewater Treatment Plant was signed recently in County Hall.

It was awarded to the EPS-Bowen Consortium representing Electrical Pump Services, Quartertown, Mallow, and Bowen Construction, East Gate, Little Island. Funding will be provided by the Department of the Environment and Local Government under the Water Services Investment Programme.

The contract for a 12 months construction period, involves the construction of a new waste water treatment plant at Cappagh that will have the capacity to serve a population of 10,000. The contract also provides for operation of the treatment plant by EPS-Bowen for an initial 20 years period.

The treatment plant is the final element of Kinsale Main Drainage Scheme which has seen the construction of a new pipework collection system in the town over the past 18 months. The council appointed Malachy Walsh and Partners in association with Jacobs Engineering as consulting engineers for the scheme.

Although there has been at times unavoidable disruption in the town with its many narrow streets during the main phase of the scheme, the benefits of this and the treatment plant will include:

- \bullet Full compliance with all national and EU requirements for wastewater treatment.
- Improved water quality in Kinsale Harbour to benefit port, amenity and tourism activities
- Capacity for future commercial, residential and industrial expansion of Kinsale town and environs.



WKINSALE LIONS CLUB NEWS

Kinsale Lions Club was the recipient recently of a welcome donation towards their Defibrillator Project being run in conjunction with Kinsale Red Cross.

A group of enterprising young ladies in fancy dress worked their way through the hostelries of Kinsale inviting people to contribute to the Defibrillator Fund, and with great success. The sum of \in 1,123 was raised and a cheque was presented recently to then Lion President PJ Power.

Shown here, left to right, are:

Sarah Faherty, Lorraine O'Mahony, Sarah Hepburn, PJ Power, Niamh O'Hea, Paula Lynch, Jean O'Leary, Joann McCarthy and Denise Whelton.





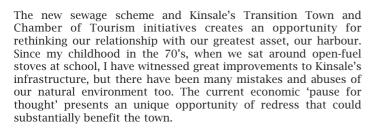
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Kinsale - A National Park at Sea?

Dear Editor

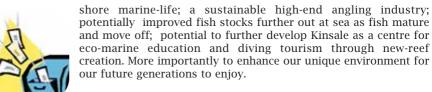


As a child I marvelled at the dozens of sharks and great skates (then misguidedly killed and...) hung aloft outside the then Trident angling centre; was in awe of the river-spanning great shoals of breaking mackerel that, like a season, arrived with the regatta; the magnificent bass that top-shoaled, open mouthed after 'joey' mackerel in our estuary; the jumping sea trout and salmon as the Keohane's draught-netted in a gully bridge sunset; the glitter of winter harbour cod under a freezing moon. Many of our harbour and coastline's landmarks take their name from their sealife.....Hake Head where older seamen remember the large sea snake-like 'monsters' being caught with regularity at the mouth of the harbour....Conger rock....Bream rock...ling rocks etc. Our town traditionally relied on and still trades on its' image of a fishport though the relationship has been largely an 'all-take' rather than 'give and take' one.

Our estuary, a naturally flooded fjord, is a unique one with the potential to support a huge variety of marine life. It's historical naval and marine importance with its' fragile and endangered harbourscape, sets it apart from most other Irish ports. While we cannot control directly what happens further out at sea (though we could even influence that by better informed choices when we dine and avoid damaging fishing methods and endangered species such as Cod, Bluefin tuna, swordfish, marlin, shark etc. and no restaurant should be serving wild salmon or wild sea-bass) – we can however directly influence environmental matters closer to shore. In this light I would urge consideration be made to making Kinsale a National Park at Sea – the first in Ireland.

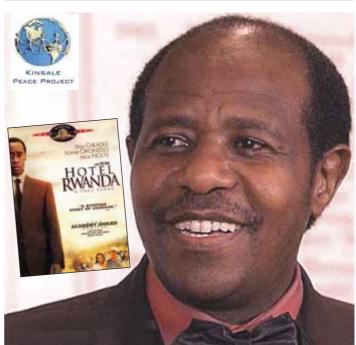
This would involve an novel application to Dept of Marine to commission an initial survey of our estuary, inner and outer harbour fish life; an agreement to limit further inappropriate development along our harbourscape; a national agreement of commercial fisherman not to fish or trawl nets in the estuary or harbour and in a line from the Sovereign Islands to the southern tip of the Old Head (including red-sands / hole-open bay). Expert marine biology advice on improving our stocks and the sinking of de-commissioned trawlers etc. outside our boat-lanes to create artificial reefs and havens for sealife to flourish again close to shore and discourage trawling. A commitment to improved water quality; sale and use of phosphate free detergents only in our town; use of non-toxic anti-fouling paint on all boats. A code of angling that promotes education and respects sea-life -to take what's only mature and edible and fishing with environmental sensitivity (fastrusting hooks, non-lead weights etc.)

This is what real environmental commitment to our long-abused harbour would mean, but it could have huge genuine publicity and benefit for the town; preservation of our harbourscape from further inappropriate development; a restoration of our rich in-



After our prolonged roadworks "reclaiming our streets" is an excellent idea. Maybe we can reclaim our harbour too! Just a thought from an 'exile'!

Ronan Collins



The Kinsale Peace Project invites Paul Rusesabagina to speak in Kinsale on September 3rd and 4th

Mr. Rusesabagina saved the lives of over 1200 individuals, both Hutus and Tutsis, during the Rwandan genocide of 2004. His bravery as manager of the Hotel des Mille Collines was the inspiration for the acclaimed



film Hotel Rwanda starring Don Cheadle and earned him the Presidential Medal of Freedom – the highest civilian award in the United States.



As President of the Hotel Rwanda Rusesabagina Foundation, he travels the world raising awareness about the need for truth and reconciliation in the Great Lakes Region of Africa and inspiring people to take action against genocide.

Watch out for further details to be announced shortly.



Belgooly's Bonfire Lights Up the Village

Belgooly GAA Club's Annual BBQ and Bonfire certainly brightened up the village recently. The event, which has been running for several years, is now one of the most important community functions held in the village.

Initially it was organised to welcome the Chernobyl children for their annual visit to the families in the area but now it's very much an opportunity for the entire community to 'catch-up'.

Certainly, great credit must go to the organisers who have made the event such a family orientated occasion.

Along with organising a football tournament the club also provided burgers and hot dogs for all those who attended. In fact, it was remarked at this year's event by one local resident: "Even Our Lord would have been impressed with the feeding of this multitude."

Certainly Gordon Ramsay could not have found any fault with the efficient manner in which Carina, Irene and Cara O'Shea organised the food and refreshments. The men also got stuck in with Cathal O'Shea and Donie O'Callaghan, pictured below, demonstrating their culinary skills on the BBQ.

The highlight of the evening was the lighting of the bonfire and that onerous task fell to Ger O'Riordan under the watchful eye of club Secretary, Nicola Desmond. Safety at the event was paramount, with the attending crowds well marshalled, and Munster Drains providing a large tanker of water in case of emergency.

As the flames leapt high into the night sky, it was remarked by a number of



members Belgooly GAA "Events club: such the night bonfire show how the GAA has an important role in fostering c o m m u n i t y spirit."

JJ Hurley

FOLLOWING THEIR FOOTSTEPS...

Minnie James is the 16 year old granddaughter of John James and the late Anne James of Rampart House, Kinsale. She travelled over with the under 16 hockey team to play for England against an equivalent Irish team in Dublin. Her proud grandfather, John, travelled up to the capital to join his son, David, her father, to watch her. As can be seen from the accompanying photograph, she looks a very confident and accomplished player and his pride is well justified.

The players took part in three matches. The first took place at Pembroke Wanderers Hockey Ground near the RDS with England emerging victorious with a 3-2 win. The next two were played on the UCD grounds at Belfield, both being state-of-the-art, all-weather pitches. In the second match, Ireland held England to a draw and beat them in the third, 1-0. According to her grandfather, the matches were both 'exciting and enthralling'.

On an historical note, four of the late Mrs. James's aunts, the Misses Cummins, played hockey for Ireland and between them notched up 35 appearances for the



country. It could be said that today's games are played at a much faster rate on the all-weather pitches and many of the rules are different. But Minnie, with her three 'caps' for England is well on the way to emulating her grandaunts' sporting feats.

Liz Mahony



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Wild around Kinsale

Painted Lady butterflies have been arriving in Ireland in extraordinary numbers since the end of May. They migrate from the Atlas Mountains in North Africa where there has been unusually heavy winter rain, which triggered the germination of food-plants devoured by caterpillars.

The epic journey is approximately 1,000 miles during which the butterflies can fly at speeds of thirty miles per hour. This feat belies their delicate



appearance with upper wing patterns of pinkishorange and black and with white markings. Although Painted Lady butterflies fly quickly they enjoy basking in the sun with wings open on their favourite plants such as thistles, which serve both as larval food and nectar sources. Other favoured flowers are the common Buddleia which can be seen along the lower road in Scilly.

An unexplained aspect of the Painted Lady's lifecycle is the lack of evidence for a southerly migration at the end of the season.

The concluding stanza of William Wordsworth's "To a Butterfly" evokes carefree summer days when butterflies are plentiful:

Oh! pleasant, pleasant were the days, the time, when, in our childish plays, my sister Emmeline and I together chased the butterfly!

A very hunter did I rush upon the prey:-with leaps and springs I followed on from brake to bush; but she, God love her, feared to brush the dust from off its wings.



KINSALE LIONS CLUB NEWS

The July meeting of Kinsale Lions Club marked the end of a very successful year for outgoing President PJ Power. The agenda set at the start of his year has been fully completed, including assistance to several local charities, major sponsorship of seriously sick children sent to Disneyland Paris in April, contribution to new Day Care Centre, and just recently installation of defibrillators in locations around Kinsale.

All of the projects were made possible by the generous support of the Kinsale business community and many other contributors from the town. There was also successful fund raising achieved in Cork city and other towns during the Motor Cycle and Bike Rallies.

Picture shows outgoing President PJ Power donning the chain of office on Tony Cierans, who has been elected President for year 2009/10.

Tony is a popular teacher at Kinsale Community School, and has additional responsibilities as a newly elected Kinsale Town Councillor.



BLUE HAVEN NOMINATED FOR TOP AWARD

The Blue Haven was recently short listed for a top award in the Licensing World Bar Awards which was held in the Four Seasons in Dublin. The Blue Haven was included in the 7 nominees along with top names in the industry such as The Shelbourne, The K Club and Druids Glen. The Blue Haven is now one of the most popular and well known establishments in Kinsale,

having played host to many prestigious events in the last number of years.

"It a great tribute to the management and staff to be nominated for such a prestigious award. All

of the management and staff were involved in the initial design of the new bar and were involved at every stage of its development, so take great pride in the finished product. We were delighted to be in the last seven nominees along with some of the top names in the business".

The Blue Haven is part of The Blue Haven Collection which also owns Hamlets Café Bar, The Old Bank House and has now just launched a new Blue Haven Food Company and Luxury Chauffeur service 'Munster Bentley Hire', www.bluehavencollection.com



Cork City Hospitals Children's Club launches the raffle of the year in conjunction with Lee Travel

Lee Travel has organised the raffle of the year with all proceeds going to the Cork City Hospitals Children's Club. The draw was launched on Friday July 10th in the reception of Cork University Maternity Hospital with special guests from Disneyland Paris attending! Prizes include a cruise holiday for 2, 1 week holiday in Spain for 2, a weekend for 2 in Paris and 4 executive Man Utd match tickets.

Following the launch 27 well deserving children from hospitals throughout Cork visited the Naval Base at Haulbowline, Cork, at the invitation of the Irish Navy who organised a fun filled day for the children.

John Looney of the Cork City Hospitals Children's Club said "we are thrilled that Lee Travel have organised this wonderful raffle. The prizes are superb and the reasonable cost of the tickets at €5 each means that everyone can get involved."

The Cork City Hospitals Children's Club raises funds each year to give deserving children a memorable adventure at a number of events during the year. Annual events include taking over 40 children to Disneyland Paris, a cruise on the river Shannon for over 80 children and organising a very special winter wonderland at Fota House, Cork, for 240 children.

To purchase tickets for the raffle or for further information contact John Looney on 087 2949235 or Lee Travel on 021 4277111.

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The GAA recently held a golf classic to raise funds for the Underage section of the club. It was an enormous success and with over 40 teams entering. The prize giving was held that night in Hamlets. In conjunction with the 125th anniversary of the GAA, there was a display of old photos dating back to the late 1800s to the present day. This brought back a lot of memories for young and old. The president of the club, Neilus O'Regan, made a fitting speech of how the club was set up and it's history. Graham Canty, captain of the Cork football team, presented prizes to the winners of the golf classic along with Ray Cummins, former All Ireland medal winner on many occasions. A great night was had by all!

Golf Classic Result

1st; Paddy Ward, Ger Barry, & John Nyhan (49pts) winners on back 9

2nd; Brian Coughlan, Timothy Broderick, & Eoin Scully (49pts)

3rd; Tim Daly, Con Daly, & Carroll Daly (48pts)



Paddy Ward receiving his prize



Underage trainers Brian Murphy, Kevin Sheehan and Michael O' Brien



Neilus O' Regan, John Maloney, Dermot Collins and John Collins

Kinsale to Feature in Award Winning Cookery Show

After a rigorous nationwide search for a suitable location, Rondo Media Television Company; an independent television company based in Cardiff, Caernarfon and Menai Bridge, UK, chose Kinsale and Ballinacurra House as the venue for the latest edition of their Bafta Winning Cookery Programme "Dudley".

Rondo Media three years ago were commissioned by S4C (Channel 4 Television Authority in Wales) to provide 7 hourly programmes focusing on a cookery competition. Dudley Newbery has been one of the most recognisable faces on S4C since 1994. He has presented 12 series of the BAFTA winning cookery programme 'Dudley' which was filmed in some of the most colourful and exotic locations on the planet but more recently the chef has turned teacher. Following on from the success of Chez Dudley in France, Casa Dudley in Italy and Casa Dudley in Spain, Dudley and his cookery school are back, and are visiting the Emerald Isle and the picturesque fishing harbour of Kinsale and the award winning Ballinacurra House – Private Estate.

"After the success of the previous programmes we decided this year to shoot in Ireland. We viewed numerous properties and locations throughout the country – but settled on Kinsale because of its telegenic attractions, gourmet reputation and Ballinacurra House – which offers total privacy, exclusivity and stunning decor and grounds", said producer Dudley Newbery. The first two rounds have been held in the UK, where a panel of judges choose the final 8 competitors. The eight are then placed in a Cookery School at Ballinacurra House where they are put to the test! Contestants will be tested on their knowledge of Irish cuisine, and of course, their cooking skills, contestants will also be set daily tasks in and outside of the school e.g. local markets, with local food/wine producers etc. The prize for the winning cook? A week's tuition course at Raymond Blanc's Le Manoir, Oxford, UK.

The contestants are from all over Wales and even a Welsh speaker from London in the final eight. Judges for the competition are well known chefs including Martin Shanahan of Fishy Fishy, Kevin Dundon, the Chef/Proprietor of Dunbrody Country House Hotel & Restaurant, and celebrated TV Chef Eamonn O Cathainn, a familiar face on RTE's The Afternoon Show. Emma Walford, co-presenting with Dudley, used to be in a very successful girl band called 'Eden' before presenting various children's programmes. She is now co presenting a Welsh chat show shown daily on S4C. It is an emotional and exciting experience for the eight and one of the most amazing gastronomic experiences of their lives. It will be shown on S4C in the autumn. Challenges will to include: a dish using local and in season produce which will feature Skeaghanore Duck, visit to Sally Barnes Smokery, a visit to the Tannery in Dungarvan and the English Market in Cork

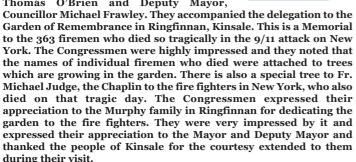




U.S. CONGRESSMEN VISIT KINSALE

Congressman Richard Neal from Massachusetts recently led a delegation of eight Congressmen to Ireland. On their arrival in Ireland, they met the President of University College Cork, Dr. Michael Murphy and they were given a tour of the University and the Glucksman Gallery.

They then proceeded to Kinsale where they were met by the Mayor, Councillor Thomás O'Brien and Deputy Mayor,



The following day, they visited President McAleese in Aras An Uachtarain.

SOLO EXHIBITION

Carolanne Crosbie's first solo art exhibition takes place in 68 Main Street, Kinsale, (formerly "Kist") for two weeks from Friday July 31st.

Carolanne has had an interest in Art, particularly painting, since her school days. After years of art classes she completed a two year Cert course in the Kinsale Further Education College in 2008.

For the past year she been working towards this her first solo exhibition. We wish Carolanne well.

Super Valu Presentation to Kinsale Community School



Michael Smith of Super Valu, Kinsale, is pictured above making a presentation of a cheque for €2500 to Sr. Mary Donovan, Principal of Kinsale Community School. The cheque is the proceeds raised from the recent Food Fayre event organised by Super Valu and will go towards the Book Rental scheme at the school.

Also pictured are Séan O'Callaghan and Pat Murphy, Super Valu, and Ronnie McCarthy, Kinsale Community School.



BUSY SUMMER FOR SÁILE!

YOUR FOOTSTEPS CAN RAISE VALUABLE FUNDS FOR YOUR COMMUNITY...

Run, hop, skip, crawl or walk this years Evening Echo's Mini Marathon in aid of Sáile - Kinsale Community Sports & Leisure Project, whichever one you choose you will be helping us to raise vital funds needed to start construction on this much needed facility. Guys don't feel left out because you can also join the marathon as long as you're willing to sport some ladies attire...Come on guys do it for the community!! Further information can be found on the web site www.sailesportsandleisure.ie and sponsorship packs are available from Bronwyn or Elaine @ 021 4773929.

The annual Kinsale Quackers Duck Race will take place on August 8th at 12pm at the dock, Quackels and the Duck Patrollers along with the Red FM crew will be on hand providing great entertainment for all the family. With face painting, give-a-ways galore and all the usual "Quack" it's a day not to be missed!!

A contractor will be appointed very soon for phase 1A which will see the site clearance and the construction of four 5 a side all weather playing pitches that will also have the ability to be made into one full size pitch. The revenue generated from these pitches will allow the KRD Community Association Ltd to raise capital for further phases.

A huge thanks to Lucy French and her amazing performers, some of whom are pictured below with Lucy, who donated the proceeds of their presentation to the project! The event took place over the June bank holiday weekend at the Trident Hotel and was an amazing success! Well done to all ©!

Also a thank you to The Old Bank House, Jo's Café, Cucina, The Carlton Hotel and Jola's restaurant for taking parting in the Community Coffee Day on June 6th.

Bookstor held another Readathon on Saturday July 18th and kindly donated the proceeds to Sáile, it was a fantastic success. Thanks to all of you who volunteered and participated.

If you are interested in hosting a fundraising event, buying a brick, volunteering your time, skills, etc., please contact us. We would be delighted to hear from you. Email: Info@sailesportsandleisure.ie phone 021 4773929 or pop in, we are located over Joy's Relaxation at 7 Pearse Street, Kinsale.

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SPORT IS THE NECTAR OF LIFE

The Kinsale Soccer season ended on Whit Monday June 1st 2009 when the Kinsale Premier League team was beaten 4-3 on penalties in the Mossie Linnane Cup Final at Turners Cross. The previous week however Kinsale won the A.O.H. Cup Final for the 2nd year, being only one of six teams to win the A.O.H. Cup double since it was established in 1960. This is a wonderful achievement for the Kinsale Premier League team under Peter Jones, Manager, and his assistant Graeme Quinn. Well done lads and congratulations to the panel of players: Pat O'Regan, Brendan Hurley, Pat Murphy, Geremy O'Donovan, Adrian Tyner, Michael Bradfield, Gerard Cummins, Florence Lynch, Daniel Searls, Terence Eade, Stephen O'Donovan, Ger Harrington, Richard Holland, Martin Etsehen, Dave Barry, Derek Ryan, Ryan Coyle, Dave Donovan, Colm Kilty, Danny Donovan, Derek Varian and captain Derek McCarthy, the latter two being our two junior amateur internationals. Congratulations to panel member Sean Prior on his recent wedding, we wish Sean and his bride every happiness.

It was a great honour for the Kinsale premier team when four of the team, Brendan Hurley, Derek McCarthy, Derek Varian and Michael Bradfield were selected to the A.U.L. when they played in the Oscar Traynor Inter League Cup, winning the cup this season. The last time Cork A.U.L. won this cup was in 1966.

The Kinsale 3rd Division team had a great year winning promotion from the 3rd to the 2nd division next season. Congratulations to the panel of players: Gerard Rice, JJ Cotter, Robin Renwick, James Brazil, Eamon Jones, Eoghan O'Neill, Ross Kenny, Rory O'Brien, Andy Howarth, Con Daly, Gary O'Sullivan, Mat MacEvoy, Craig McCarthy, Leonard McCarthy, Sean Foran, Romano Syhoza, Jonathon Cantillon, David O'Hare, Sean Lyons, Shane Quinlan, Stephen Brazil, Rob Daly and David Donovan, top goal scorer.

The coaches were Gerard Rice, Leonard McCarthy and David Donovan, while Ray Foran, who hails from a great family of sportsmen, managed the team.

My sincere thanks to Mr. Jack Walsh, who took charge of the Ladies Soccer team, read his report in the next column.

On January 10th the official opening of Madden Park took place, a beautiful playing pitch any club would be proud of. My sincere thanks to all who organised and attended the event.

The Kinsale Soccer Club wishes to thank the following coaches for the school boy teams from Under 11 to Under 16s: Noel Henderson, Joe Connell, Conor Lynch, Andy Howarth, Daniel Searls, Graham Hynd and Owen Hackett. Thanks also to the coaches for the Under 6 to Under 10 teams: Denis O'Connell, Ian Carter, Robin Renwick, John Power, Phelim Barry, Scott Weaver, Thomas Soderland and Stephen Daly. Thanks to the officers and committed back room staff of the club, our grounds man Tom Jones and all the good ladies.

The club would also like to thank very sincerely Kinsale Community School for their kind permission for the underage teams to train on their pitches during the

Now as one season has ended and we look forward to another may you all have a good rest and enjoy the summer break, with God's help we will see you all when training resumes in September.

> Yours sincerely Paddy Madden



KINSALE SCHOOLGIRLS SOCCER 2008 / 2009 SEASON

The 2008/09 season saw a Kinsale schoolgirls team entered for the first time into the Cork Schoolgirls league, we entered a team in the under 12 division not really

We had a very enthuasiastic and lively bunch of girls. Our plan was to go out and have a good time, give the girls some experience of playing competitive games, and as long as we did not get embarrassed and too downheartened we would be

Our first game was played at home on the wonderful new pitch at Madden Park in September. The girls, all excited and looking great in their new strip sponsored by the Kinsale Lions Club, set out on a wonderful journey.

Although we were beaten by two goals to one in a very exciting game, everyone was delighted with the performance and the manner in which the girls approached the game.

Over the season the team showed great improvement and a wonderful team spirit and it was a pleasure to be part of it.

We had some memorable victories, a few narrow defeats and finished the season with two draws to finish mid-table. not bad for our first year!

The squad was as follows.

Majella Ford, Anna Cronin, Sarah Howe, Michaela Cooney, Sarah Walsh, Tori Gimblett, Ellen Murphy, Allie Urbanek, Ciara O'Brien, Cara Houston, Leah O'Sullivan, Maedbh O'Leary, Scarly McGahan, Emily McCarthy, Lauren Bridgewater, Emma O'Brien, Alex Black, Jill Hosford, Alice Whelan, Hayley Kiely and Alana Power. Our top scorer was Leah O'Sullivan with nine goals, followed by Maedbh O'Leary and Ellen Murphy.

Kinsale girls also entered teams in the 2009 u9 and u11 blitzes held during April and May and did very well with 12 wins, 3 draws and only 3 defeats.

Kinsale will enter an under 14 team as well as an under 12 team in this seasons league. There are some great young girls coming through the u8/u9 and u10 section and the future looks bright.

Great credit must go to the Kinsale AFC Underage section for their help and support to the girls group. Special mention also for Mervyn Greene and Diane Houston for getting the project off the ground and to the various coaches who gave up their time to help the girls get to where they are now.

Kevin Cooney, Diane Houston and Jack Walsh took charge of the under 12 team while the u8/u9 and u10 groups were under the care of Mervyn Greene, Tom Black, Frank Hill, Siobhan Connell and John Hayes. A special thank you to the parents who brought the girls to training and to the various games, especially the away games, and provided great support to the girls and the coaches.

Finally a big thank you to all the girls for taking part and making it a memorable year!

European Mobility Week

Support for Kinsale's participation in European Mobility Week from September 16th to 22nd was given at the monthly meeting of the town council in response to an e mail from Mr. Alan Clayton of Transition Town

The transport group of Transition Town Kinsale suggested that EU Mobility

- Week could possibly be marked in a number of ways such as:

 'A day in town without my car' day on Saturday, September 19th led by members of the town council, Kinsale Chamber of Tourism and other community groups.
- An end of summer season street party and ceili.
- Walking tours and pony rides with money raised going to the Saile Community and Sports Centre project.
- A health promotion day as already being done during the year by Health Options Project (HOP) with the support of the Health Service Executive.
- Closure of the road from the Pier to Archdeacon Duggan Bridge near Commoge Marsh for two to three hours on one day during the week so that the scenic route can be used in safety to and from the town by pedestrians and cyclists, especially children.
- A street parade.
- A ferry service linking Kinsale with the Dock, Castlepark.

Last year, councillors were told, Carlow, Cork City, Dublin, Dun Laoghaire, Galway, Limerick, Waterford and Wexford participated in EU Mobility Day. Mr. Fred Treacy proposed support of the initiative and in support Mr. Billy Lynch said he would be leaving his car at home on September 19th while Mayor Tomás O'Brien and Mr. Dermot Collins said it was a very worthy proposal.



Congratulations to Paula Jones, Kinsale, and Ronan Young who were married on June 12th 2009.

Nelius Buckley Photography O21 477 4440

NO MORE TAKEOUT!

Chef Stephen Hartigan signed copies of his book 'No More Takeout!' in Kinsale Bookshop on Tuesday 14th July.

In the past Stephen worked in the Blue Haven, Chez Jean Marc and Oz Cork and was named one of the top ten chefs in Ireland. He trained at top London restaurants including The Ivy and The Caprice. Since moving to the USA he has worked at New York's Café Gray and is currently private chef to prominent entertainment attorney Allen Grubman. He has finessed the fine art of cooking both comforting family meals and blowout party menus.

The book contains 100 simple and delicious recipes with more than 450 step-by-step photographs. Three recipe levels take you from basic eats to dinner parties. Easy to follow instructions walk you through each recipe.

"Food is Stephen Hartigan's great passion. In 'No More Takeout', he's managed to translate all that love into simple, delicious and completely inspiring recipes." Calvin Klein

Niamh Prior

Stephen is pictured seated at the Book Launch with Paul Greer of Oz Haven



So, you think they don't make things like they used to? Ah, but they they do. Dresses that is. And they are "Charlotte and Jane". "Charlotte and Jane" is a new ethical Irish label, based here in Kinsale, specialising in classically charming, glamorous and utterly unique dresses.

The designers, Charlotte Cargin and Jane Skovgaard, are both talented artists who blend the best of their ideas into each creation. Charlotte is a graduate of Central Saint Martins College of Art and Design and Jane is an artist and third level teacher of drawing and painting. Each dress is made locally by Cork seamstresses working from home.

A selection of their dresses can be bought off the rail in Granny's Bottom Drawer. But if what you're looking for isn't there you can choose your own custom made dress from their in-store catalogue and swatches. With twenty-four designs and twenty-four fabrics to choose from in mini or knee length it is unlikely that you will bump into anyone else in the same dress. The classic design of the dresses suit all figures and come in sizes 8-16. Dresses are ready within two weeks of ordering. 'Charlotte and Jane' gift vouchers are available from Granny's Bottom Drawer, allowing the recipient to pick out their own fabric and style.

Charlotte and Jane's aim was to create wearable elegant dresses that are adaptable enough to wear to barbeques, the beach or weddings, in a style they describe as sexy but innocent. In this they have certainly succeeded. Each dress is beautifully finished, beaded, fully lined and has intricate detailing. Many of the dresses have fine French lace trims, boning and unusual buttons. The fabrics, which they get from a secret source, are all natural fibres: fantastic printed cottons, Irish linen and silk. For added fun and a dash of subversion some of the fabric prints, such as guns, baseballs or cowboys, are delightfully incongruous with the feminine designs.

The price of the dresses are relative to the material and the work that has gone into them, starting at €150. These handmade dresses are of such good quality and so timelessly elegant that they can be passed on from mother to daughter to granddaughter.

Charlotte and Jane are reassured by their close relationship with their seamstresses. They deliver the fabric and pattern for each dress that is made and collect them, checking the quality of every inch of every dress. They are happy to be able to create employment for local people in the comfort of their own home instead of having their designs made anonymously in a factory somewhere.

Charlotte's work was selected to represent her college in London Fashion week and as a result she received job offers from fashion houses all over Europe. However, she wanted to be based in Ireland and start an ethical fashion business.

Jane grew up in Zimbabwe, studied fine art in Durban and then travelled working as an artist, in interior design and in textiles. She has been teaching in Kinsale Further Education College for ten years, while continuing her own work as an artist.

Charlotte and Jane have found the local response to their venture very positive and supportive. Clodagh Murray, in particular, proprietor of Granny's Bottom Drawer on Main Street, has shown them amazing support in many ways.

The pair work easily together and enjoy the process of creating each dress. They have the perfect balance of talents and skills and

their ideas really compliment each other.

The design due first met when lane was



The design duo first met when Jane was Charlotte's teacher nine years ago at the Further Education College. Some years later Charlotte made Jane's wedding dress. The pair have many common interests including a love for 1950s fashion, growing their own food and generally getting back to a simpler way of life. They both feel very strongly that fashion needs to be ethical, and that now more than ever we need to encourage Irish businesses and employ locally.

The merchandise on their website is eclectic, reflecting a blend of their relaxed, quirky outlook on life and fashion. There are vintage hats, bags, shoes and kimonos. They see 'Charlotte and Jane' label eventually becoming a lifestyle.

For more information see www.charlotteandjane.com

Niamh Prior Pic: John Allen



Kinsale Little Athletes Enjoy McDonald's Little Fun Session

Little athletes from Kinsale Athletics Club recently took part in a McDonald's Little Athletics Agility Challenge at Kinsale Rugby Football Club as part of a nationwide programme which is encouraging and providing resources for children to become involved in grassroots athletics.

The McDonald's Little Athletics programme, which was launched September 2008 by Sonia O'Sullivan, McDonald's Little Athletics



Ambassador, has been very well received with some 170 clubs now participating in the programme across the country.

Athletics Ireland developed the initiative to enhance the agility, co-ordination and balance of 5-10 year olds, the age group identified as the fundamental stage in longer term physical

development of children.

Commenting on the programme McDonald's Cork operator Jim Ronayne said, "We are delighted that this exciting initiative is being implemented

in Kinsale and indeed across Ireland. We are extremely encouraged by the reaction of athletics clubs across the country who have embraced the programme and are availing of the facilities, resources and expertise that the programme is providing for young Irish athletes.



"We will continue to work with Athletics Ireland to ensure that the programme continues to prosper and develop so that children from all backgrounds have access to the facilities; expertise and resources which

will help them develop their sporting



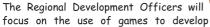
capability. At McDonald's we are committed to promoting active lifestyles amongst children and to reinforcing the importance of energy balance - that is the food you eat balanced with the activity you do."

Steven Macklin, Regional Development Officer for Athletics Ireland in Cork said "This

programme makes athletics fun for children and with McDonald's we are working to increase participation here in Cork and across Ireland. We

have found widespread enthusiasm for the programme and I am looking forward to seeing more children reap the rewards."

The McDonald's Little Athletics programme is being delivered by Athletics Ireland's seven Regional Development Officers and by Athletics Leaders - adults trained by Athletics Ireland through the Athletic Leader coaching qualification. The Development Officers are working with the leaders within the clubs to deliver the programme.



fitness in a fun way. Props such as hurdles, obstacles, foam javelins, and hula-hoops will be used to encourage young people to develop movement skills such as, running, throwing, hopping and jumping.



Belgooly National School Receives Significant Boost

The news that Belgooly National School has received an additional grant to build two new classrooms has been extremely well received by both the parents and staff

The school, which has undergone rapid expansion over the past number of years, now caters for three hundred and thirty pupils and employs twenty six staff. Last year the Board of Management decided to convert the school's hall into two additional classrooms.

Initially, the school had secured funding for one classroom but the additional allocation for another class has secured a total grant of $\leq 220,000$.

School Principal, Mr. Eamon Kelly, paid tribute to Deputy Christy O'Sullivan T.D, Mr. Alan Coleman MCC and the Minister of Education, Mr. Batt O'Keffee for their support in securing the funding.

In addition, Mr. Kelly also paid tribute to the hard work of both the Parents Association and Board of Management ensuring the school's application was successful.

Work has already begun in earnest and the school has employed Mr. Mark Salter, a former past pupil, as the Consulting Engineering to oversee the project. Having worked with a number of schools in the area, on similar projects, Mr. Salter's experience will be important to maximise the potential of the new classrooms without affecting the children's play area, remarked the Chairman of the Board of Management.

Along with the allocation of a grant for Belgooly N.S., Scoil Náisiúnta Fionan, the Rennies, has been given approval for funding under the Summer Work Scheme for roof works.



Principal of Belgooly NS, Eamonn Kelly and Cllr. Alan Coleman with the offical letter of confirmation of a grant from the Department of Education for additional classrooms.

JJ Hurley



Kinsale & District Lions Club Annual Golf Classic



was held recently at Kinsale Golf Club's Farrangalway Course, in aid of local charities with 43 teams taking part and 85 local businesses sponsoring. The above photo shows Lion President PJ Power presenting First Prize to the winning team, Three Greens Catering; Anthony Linehan, Ray Walsh, Fintan O'Hea and Dave Kingston. They returned the remarkable score of 96 points. Also with 96 points, the Supervalu Kinsale team were beaten on the last six holes, with their team of lan Smith, David O'Hare, Denis Paul Griffin and Frank Morrisson. Actons Hotel team came third with 92 points. Longest Drive on the 10th. fairway was won by Alan Aherne with 320 yards, while Nearest the Pin was recorded on the 15th green by Joe Kavanagh.



MOBILE PET SHOP

Margaret McGuire was working as a Credit Controller, not the most exciting of jobs you might think but it paid the bills. After July 2008 and a good deal of research, she had transformed herself into the Mobile Pet Shop bringing dog and other pet foods to people's doorsteps.

The transformation came partly due to her wish to always do this and partly because one of her own dogs suffered from skin problems so she researched dog food on the internet, tried some unsuccessfully until she arrived at the Land of Holistic Pets, a Scottish firm producing holistic dog food and her pet's skin problems disappeared completely. That seemed to be a good basis to start supplying the food to customers. And since March 2009, she is the Irish distributor for the company.



The firm supplies her with Robbie, a dehydrated complete food which is reconstituted with hot water. It has the convenience of tinned dog food but with no preservatives. The other food, Luath, is a complete dried food but again with no additives or preservatives. These two are the only dog foods containing Spirula which aids digestion and is, therefore, especially good for dogs with digestive, skin or joint problems or simply to maintain good health.

Another item in her mobile pet shop is a selection of organic and holistic dog treats which are exclusive from Scallywags in Dublin. And then, of course, she has all the accessories for dogs and cats. My own boxer has acquired from Margaret a beloved pig which 'honks' very realistically. And during her interview at the market, a small Jack Russell passed by looking very smart in one of her bejewelled collars!

Apart from the obvious pet supplies, she's also the Irish agent for Allen and Page, the suppliers of animal feeds which are all GM free. These include feeds for poultry, water fowl, goats, horse and donkeys. And if that doesn't seem enough, she can provide the poultry 'accessories', viz., feeders, drinkers, heat lamps, incubators, tonics, de-wormers and mite powder.

And all this comes delivered to your doorstep, free of charge if she's in your area. If you have a special order, then it'd be wise to read the Terms & Conditions on her sites:

www.mobilepetshop.ie / www.pickofthelitter.ie.

You'll see Margaret at the Kinsale, Clonakilty and Skibbereen markets and the just starting Leap market. Or you can contact her direct on 023-8839880 or 086-8408944.

- Liz Mahony

EYE ON KINSALI



Congratulations to Davy Dunne, pictured left, who completed his first ever Marathon in the Cork City Marathon held on the June Bank Holiday Monday.

Davy ran to raise much needed funds for the Kinsale Lions Club Defibrillator Fund.

Well done to Davy on his fantastic achievement.

Photo Nelius Buckley 021 477 4440.

ENJOYING KAW09











EYE ON KINSALE



Ursula O'Leary, Ballinvard, and Kevin Murphy, Kilcawha, who were married in St. John the Baptist Church, Kinsale on March 21st 2009 Photo: Philip Bourke



Congratulations to Aisling O'Sullivan and Alan Kelleher, Cluan An Oir, Belgooly, who were married in Belgooly Church on May 16th. Pat O'Brien, 021 477 0005



Congratulations to Carolyn O'Dwyer, Kinsale, and Aman Ulhuq who were married in Kinsale on July 18th 2009. Nelius Buckley Photography 021 477 4440













Clockwise from top left corner: Young Shaun McCarthy enjoying the Hip Hop display; Laura McKeown, Lucy French and Aine Tierney at the opening of KAW09; Denise and Darlene Duggan with Micheal Martin TD and Cllr Kevin Murphy CCC; Paul Gould and his daughter Georgia enjoying the Street Day; Melissa O'Gorman, Julia Rushworth and Heather O'Donovan enjoying the Sounds on the Square; Susan Crosbie and Louise McKeown enjoying Imelda May; Mary O'Regan from Ballincollig with Courtney, Richard, Kate and Katie enjoying the Street Day; Aoife Lehane and Kate Farley enjoying the Mundo Capoeira Brazilian Martial Arts show during Kinsale Arts Week 2009; Hip Hop dancers from Kinsale's Lucy French School of Dance performing at the Street Day.



IN CROKE PARK!!!

On July 6th the Kinsale U12 team was invited to play a hurling blitz in Croke Park, the ground where many GAA heroes have played, which was a great honour for the club. The bus departed Kinsale GAA grounds, at 6.30am with eighteen keen players, coaches and parents for the journey ahead.

Our first match was scheduled at 10.30am against Limerick's Temple-Glantine and the game was 10 minutes long. The Limerick team scored early points against us, and we were chasing the game to get back on level terms but, unfortunately, time ran out and we weren't successful.

Our next game was against Ballinahinch from Co. Clare. Kinsale got off to a perfect start, with a tremendous goal from Gary Ward, and with players like John Murphy, Cormac Gibson and Liam Griffin supplying ball into the Kinsale forwards James Bohan, Stephen O'Neill, Daniel McCarthy, Callum O'Donovan, Scott McCarthy and Niall Buckley, Kinsale pressed ahead with a good tally of scores to win the game easily.

The next game was against Mount Sion from Co. Waterford who have a strong tradition of hurling and on the day were too strong for Kinsale, although there



outstanding displays from the Kinsale backs, most notable Shane O'Connell for his long range puck outs and h i s organisation of h is backline of C a 1 1 u m

O'Connell, Joe Moriarty, Daniel Horgan, Gearoid McCarthy and Shane Lanigan

A special mention for our goal keeper Matthew Scanlon who put on an outstanding performance on the day to keep the scores to a minimum and to our sub Patrick Mulcahy who was put into the thick of it at times.

Both sets of players came off the field smiling and shaking hands after enjoying the experience of playing on the hallowed grounds of Croke Park where some day they may return to win an All Ireland with Cork! The Kinsale team and coaches were then given a tour of the stadium and museum to end the enjoyable day.

On our way home , we had another stop at the Manor hotel for our dinner courtesy of Kinsale underage GAA. A special thanks must be given to Paul McCarthy who organised the trip and to coaches Liam Griffin, Owen Murphy, Kevin Moriarty, Gerry O'Connell and David Ward who represented Kinsale as a referee.



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SPRINGMOUNT RESIDENTS CELEBRATE SUMMER

On Sunday July 12th, Springmount Residents Association organised a summer barbeque for all living in the estate. It was attended by many and those who came brought their own food to cook on the barbeque. Many contributed delicious salads for the event. A great day was had by all and especially Springmount's younger residents who spent the day jumping happily in a choice of two bouncy castles. A great local success indeed!!!



Blue Haven Collection launches new exclusive Bentley Chauffeur Service

The Blue Haven Collection has just launched a new service "Munster Bentley Hire", a new luxurious Bentley Continental Flying Spur which will

be one of the most exclusive chauffeur driven cars in Ireland. This new service from the Blue Haven Collection will be available for Corporate Hire, Private Hire for day trips, special occasions, Weddings and Promotions and has already become the car of choice for many top executives and weddings in the Munster region.

For more log www.munsterbentleyhire.com



NEW BUSINESS Profile by Niamh Prior

Market Quay in Kinsale is fast turning into a hive of activity...

The street went through a sleepy period, lined with vacant premises, but now the one longstanding shop on the street, the Quay Food Company, has

neighbours popping up on all sides. The last few months has seen the opening of Heron Gallery and Studio 1 Framing. The latest addition to the street is Acton's Coastal Wear. The shop stocks top quality sailing gear, but there is also plenty of casual clothing for landlubbers and children, including a range of organic cotton clothing.

"Top quality sailing gear, but also plenty of casual

clothing for

landlubbers"

With experience in sailing and in retail, Emily saw the need for such a shop in Kinsale. Her father, Robert, a keen sailor, who retired from his own business

> last year, was happy to help and advise her in her venture.

> Acton's Coastal Wear stocks basic seafaring necessities such as buoyancy aids, sailing gloves, McWilliam Sail bags, and Henri Lloyd bags from wash bags and laptop cases to 85 ltr Kit Bags. They also sell the world famous Tilley

adventure hats, which come with a lifetime guarantee.

The clothing department has a huge range of jackets, Henri Lloyd sailing and fashion range, coastal wear from Marina to Off Shore Sailing as well as smart casual clothes such as shirts, vnecks, jeans and polo shirts.

Reasonable pricing is important to Emily. Members of Kinsale Yacht Club receive a 10% discount. Stock is clearly displayed in the bright and spacious shop. The staff of Acton's Coastal Wear are friendly, helpful and allow customers to enjoy browsing in a relaxed atmosphere.

Emily is delighted that business is going well and has found local people to be very supportive. The shop is open, Tuesday to Saturday: 9.30am-6pm and Sundays: 2pm-5pm.

For more information contact: Acton's Coastal Wear, 6 Market Quay, phone: 021 4773581,

email: actonemily@gmail.com.

Proprietor Emily Acton opened the doors for business on 27th of February.





DANCE PRESENTATION 2009



The Lucy French School of Dance, Kinsale, held its first dance presentation on May 31st & June 1st at the Trident Hotel. Both nights pulled in a good crowd, who were treated to a showcase of Ballet, Jazz and Hip Hop. The pupils of the school (which has only been open a year) were full of energy and dedication and put on a fantastic show. Ages on display ranged from tiny 2 year old ballet princesses to teenage hip hoppers with masses of attitude. This is the first of many productions by the school who will produce a show of a professional standard on a yearly basis. The presentation also included a raffle in aid of the Saile Sports and Leisure Project, Kinsale which was very successful and raised over €500.



The Lucy French School Of Dance operates from the Kinsale Yoga Centre and the new term begins in September. Classes on offer include R.A.D Ballet, I.S.T.D Modern, Jazz and Hip Hop for all ages.











We have a number of upcoming fundraising events for Kinsale Christmas 2009 and a very exciting programme in progress.

Please note the following dates for your diary.

- 1. Christmas at Jola's details will be announced soon of a fundraising auction of promises at Jola's restaurant at 8.00pm on September 18th.

 Kinsale Businesses & Traders are encouraged to donate a voucher please.
- 2. Ghost stories with Colin Hawkins at the Blue Haven.

After the popular Halloween Parade there are going to be ghost stories by famous Author Colin Hawkins in the Blue Haven. This will be a ticket only event with tickets on sale for €5.00. Details will be announced on this event closer to the time and the tickets will be on sale from the Blue Haven on-line store. This Christmas story time event will be held at Halloween and is aimed at ages 5 to 70. It's going to be a true Christmas Ghost Stories told with ghostly drawings and promises to be a spooky presentation that has been a great success with audiences of children, parents and teachers for years. There will be some horror Halloween drinks and horribly hot chestnuts served. There may be a selection of spooky books for sale.

- 3. Battle of the Bands at Hamlets Battle of the bands is going to incorporate all local talent. There will be an entry fee of €50 per band and this is your chance to make it in the music business. We are going to have a select panel of judges, it's going to be on Friday, November 13th, entry forms can be got from Hamlets and we are encouraging, given that there is so much local talent in Kinsale and surrounding areas that now is your chance to show it to the public. The Judging panel headed by famous composer Gunther Fischer of Kinsale will select the best act/ band and will record the winning song onto CD in his studio. Other judges include local solicitor Virgil Horgan and Cllr. Alan Coleman. Media will also be invited along to this event.
- 4. Snow Queen at the White Lady this year's Snow Queen competition details will be announced shortly and this year it is going to be even a bigger event at the White Lady so check back to kinsalechristmas.com for details and entry forms will be available shortly.
- 5. Kinsale Christmas Window Display Competition.

Given the success and the effort made by local business people and traders of the Town, we are going to run this again this year and we would encourage all businesses to participate. Again, we will be announcing details of this shortly. Last year's competition winner was Mylie Murphy on Pearse Street, the year before was Maurice Murphy's on Main Street. Well done to these competition winners. Who will be the 2009 winner?

www.kinsalechristmas.com



JOHNNY MERCER CENTENARY TRIBUTE SHOW A HIT

Billy Crosbie Productions, during Kinsale Arts Week 2009, paid a wonderful musical tribute but also provided a fascinating insight, in the centenary year of his birth, to one of the greatest lyricists ever, Johnny Mercer, in the show 'Moon River – A Reflection' before full houses in the intimate setting of the De Courcey Suite of The Lord Kingsale. This production, directed by Aine Ryan, flowed as sweetly as the melodies of so many great songs for which the man from Savannah penned the words and all were enthusiastically received by very appreciative audiences.

The multi-media presentation began with greetings on video from the Mayor of Savannah, Otis Johnson, who referred to Johnny Mercer's great fondness of Ireland, where he had ancestral roots and once kissed the Blarney Stone, and the extending of a welcome to Kinsale people to visit the city in the southern American state of Georgia and enjoy some of the year long centennial celebrations of its famous son. With multi-talented Billy Crosbie (musical director) at the piano, Kevin Goggin on violin and Peter Maguire (technical director) at the bar, the cosy lounge was the perfect setting as the very versatile and tireless Jimmy O'Byrne sang a litany of memorable songs, accompanied on some by Tony Cope and Kevin Goggin who also interspersed with interesting snippets accompanied by archive video, photographic and wireless snippets from the life of Johnny Mercer, warts and all.

'The show began with 'That Old Black Magic' and others in the first act included 'Lazybones' 'Skylark', 'Accentuate the positive', 'On the Atchison, Topeka and the Sante Fe', 'Blues in the Night', 'The Summer Wind' (featuring a beautiful violin solo by Kevin) and 'I Remember You' the latter of which, it's generally agreed, was written after his affair with an 18 year old teenage star he was infatuated with, Judy Garland, had ended. More memorable hits showing the remarkable versatility of Johnny

Mercer, from blues to singalong, continued in the second half of the show.

'Moon River' of course, is the most famous song associated with Johnny Mercer and his collaboration with Henry Mancini won for him in 1961, an Academy Award and the same duo repeated their success the following year with 'The Days of Wine and Roses'. The lyricist was a four times Oscar winner.

His collaborations were with many legends while the glittering line up of performers included Bing Crosby, Peggy Lee, Fred Astaire, Tony Bennett, Nat King Cole, Frank Ifield and Frank Sinatra, the latter of whom described Johnny Mercer as his favourite lyricist and he gave inspiration to the singing careers of countless more.

As pointed out by Tony and Kevin however, life wasn't all rosy but roses were often the redemption offered by Johnny Mercer. His marriage to Ginger Meehan (1931) was far from perfect and his bouts of heavy drinking frequently resulted him insulting anyone in his company and then trying to repair the damage the next day with a bouquet of roses. However, the co-founder of Capitol Records was also renowned for his charity.

This was a thoroughly researched and seamlessly presented musical tribute and most definitely one of the highlights not only of Kinsale Arts Week 2009 but also the worldwide Johnny Mercer Centennial celebrations. All concerned did Johnny proud so much so that there was an extra performance at the weekend.

A warm welcome was extended to Dianne S. Thurman, chairperson of the Johnny Mercer Centennial Committee who specially travelled from Savannah to see the shows. Dianne told The Southern Star that it was "a brilliant production" and paid tribute to Tony and all the team who were in contact with her and gleaning information about the great man since January. "What made this show so unique is that they really did get the man. Congratulations to the cast,'" said Dianne who invited all Kinsale people to attend the unveiling of the Johnny Mercer statue in Savannah on November 28 or visit the website at www.johnnymercercentennial.com.

An excellent programme also featured Johnny Mercer's (1909-1976) career highlights and Savannah connections with Kinsale. These include Most. Rev. Kevin Boland, Bishop of Savannah, who this year celebrated the golden jubilee of his ordination. He was home to meet his brother Tony and wife Colette and other relatives and attended one of the shows. There was also the 'SS Savannah' which made the first ever crossing of any ocean by a steam driven vessel in 1819 and had to seek anchor in Kinsale en route from Savannah to St. Petersburg via Liverpool. Savannah, incidentally, annually stages one of the USA's biggest St. Patrick's Day parades. Overall, a night of nostalgia 'too marvellous for words'.

Pictured above right at the Johnny Mercer show at the Lord Kingsale was Kevin Boland, Bishop of Savannah (brother of Tony Boland); Dianne S. Thurman, Chairperson of the Johnny Mercer Centennial Committee and Billy Crosbie, show organiser. Pic. John Allen



RINCURRAN REVIVAL

In the lead up to Christmas 2008, the community associated with St. Catherine's annual recitals joined forces with Summercove National school's students, teachers and parents in a joint effort to celebrate the festive season. This was a first for the local national school as all of their Christmas shows to date were performed within the school itself, without the support of outside audiences. These recitals have inspired a number of follow up concerts and related events to be organised in the area since then. In his article 'The Parish of Rincurran' from the 'Kinsale Then and Now...Aris' published at around the same time, Terry Connolly outlined some of the customs and folklore associated with Rincurran, and he also renewed awareness of its location by illustrating the old parish boundaries.

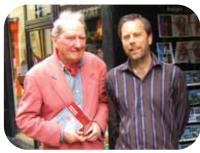
In February of the New Year, a local group discussed other ventures for this historic and quaint building. Pupils from the senior classes of the local primary schools and Transition years of secondary school were invited to attend rehearsals for a Community concert entitled 'Music for Spring' at St. Catherine's Church. Musical and choral direction was ably provided by local talent in the persons of Emma Kate Tobia and Billy Crosbie. A selection of well known musical numbers was performed by the young soloists and singers in a candlelit church adorned with flowers and foliage in keeping with the theme of the concert. The proceeds of both nights' performances 21st and 22nd of May were for the preservation and maintenance of St.Catherines.

An art competition based on the theme 'Spring' was also organised and made open to those taking part and not taking part in the concert alike. All art work was on display throughout the church and the winners were announced on the performance nights. There were four primary school sections with prizes for 1st 2nd 3rd places. The winners were: Infant section: 1st Grace Hynes, Summercove, N.S., 2nd Christian Hurley, St. Multose, N.S., 3rd Sean Hill, Summercove, N.S. 1st 2nd classes: 1st Matthew Hurley, St. Multose, N.S., 2nd Mia Hynes, Summercove, N.S., 3rd Rebecca James, St. Multose, N.S., 3rd 4th classes; 1st Mark Sweetnam, St. Multose N.S. 2nd Charlotte Howley, St. Multose, N.S., 3rd Joanne Connell, Summercove, N.S. 5th 6th classes: 1st Allison Norman, Summercove, N.S. 2nd Ali Hill, Summercove, N.S. 3rd Ethan Twomey, St. Multose, N.S. Caoimhe Hill took the special prize in the post primary school section. Judging was by Jane O'Shea and the Art department of Colaiste na Toirbhirte, Bandon. Some of the entries were also on display in the art section of Belgooly Show on May 30th.

To celebrate Kinsale Arts Week a concert of traditional Irish and Spanish Music was held in the church on July 16th where Emma Kate Tobia soprano was accompanied by Pat Crowley on Piano, Johnny McCarthy (Songwriter) on fiddle/flute and Jerry Creedon on Classical Guitar. A packed audience was enthralled by the stunning performances.

Hopefully many more of these events will follow in the months and years to come in what is the perfect setting.

TWO LOCAL POETS LAUNCHED BOOKS DURING THIS YEAR'S KINSALE ARTS WEEK



Matthew Geden, familiar to many from Kinsale Bookshop, has lived in Kinsale since 1990. A reviewer, critic and translator, he has been widely published in literary journals and anthologies. He co-founded the Bandon Arts Festival as well as Soundeye Festival of the Arts of the Word.

There was a huge turnout for

the launch of his book Swimming to Albania on Monday July 13th at Kinsale Bookshop. Kinsale resident and renowned poet Desmond O' Grady gave a wonderful introduction and Matthew read some of his work to those gathered.

Matthew's first collection of poems is an exploration of the mythic realms of landscape and the travails of the human condition. His writing draws on a broad range of literary and geographical influences and yet he is still very much rooted in the fields and sea breezes of west Cork.

Matthew first became interested in writing poetry while studying at UCC where he read the work of Paul Muldoon and Derek Mahon. He is inspired by Desmond O' Grady, Aidan Higgins and Derek Mahon.

'This new collection is a beautiful work, combining the hard rockface of exile with the transforming attrition of love and family. Whether watching gannets circling or preparing a breakfast of stale bread and wine, he has certainly filled the house of Kinsale with words." Thomas McCarthy

'A quiet contemplative poet alive to the hours and the seasons. A true voice.'

Adam Wyeth launched his collection, Silent Music at the Friary Centre on Thursday July 16th to a great turnout. Derek Mahon gave an entertaining speech introducing the book and



Adam read some of the poems. With another larger work in the pipeline Adam calls this chapbook the EP before the LP.

Originally from Sussex, Adam was a prize winner of the Fish International Poetry Competition 2006, 2009 and a runner-up in the Arvon International Poetry Competition, 2006.

His poems have been anthologised in The Best of Irish Poetry 2010, Something Beginning with P, The Arvon 25th Anniversary Anthology and a forthcoming Dedalus Press anthology. His work has appeared in numerous literary journals. He was a featured poet in Agenda and selected for the Poetry Ireland Introductions series, 2007.

Adam has been writing poetry since he arrived in Ireland nine years ago. He was influenced early on by work of Walt Whitman and Shakespeare and more recently Ted Hughes and Czeslaw Milosz. He finds inspiration for his poems in everyday life and often from reading the work of other poets. He values the advice of Simon Armitage: 'read, read,'

'Adam Wyeth's work is fresh and intriguing, alive with imaginative riffs, grave humour and more besides - it rewards close attention.' Derek Mahon

'Adam Wyeth's poetry is quirky and full of ideas: humorous, dark romantic. He achieves a rhythmic musicality by playfully stretching and shaping language, rolling it around his tongue. A rising Star.' Ian Wild

Adam runs Creative Writing and Poetry Appreciation workshops and is a member of the Poetry Ireland Writers in Schools scheme. For more information on these email: adamwyeth@yahoo.co.uk

Niamh Prior



John Thuillier

RINGFINNAN

Regatta Connection

Rínn Fíonnaín - Fínnan's Headland

Continuing the series on the beautiful sounding place names of areas close to Kinsale the story continues with townlands, which touch the water on both sides of the Bandon River. The townland of Ringfinnan is particularly evocative at this time of the year when the annual Regatta comes around because it was from here that the rowing races started before the Duggan Bridge was constructed. As one recalls the enthusiasm and roars of encouragement from the followers, who had travelled with the boats and crews in the backs of lorries from Blackrock, St Finbarrs or the Coal Quay in Cork City, Virgil's lines in the Aenaid come to mind:

"And now the shouts from shore Grew twice as loud, as all the watching crowd Cheered for Mnestheus, filling the air with din."

Racing to the finish at the Pier Head

"Abreast they cleft their furrows, all the sea Torn up by oar strokes and the biting prows."

Of such feats local heroes are created. Many a wager on the result was laid on the wall of the Worlds End Road as the jostling cheering crowds ashore followed the muscle straining crews to the finishing line.

Located between the townlands of Kilnacloona and Ringrone, Ringfinnan is on the opposite bank of the Bandon River as one looks across from the Causeway at Kinsale Marsh. A striking feature in this landscape is Ringfinnan Cove, which is frequently referred to as the Marsh Dock. Providing shelter from all but strong north easterlies, the inlet has been used as winter protection for boats for many centuries. Another feature of this townland is Murphy's (or Ringfinnan) Point to which vessels under canvas managed to sail on the River as they made their way to Kilmacsimon Quay. At this point the outline remains of a sand quay, so important for commerce on the River, may also be identified.

The Finnan in the name may be a corruption of Finghin, a McCarthy, who won a decisive battle over the Normans at Callan near Kenmare in 1261. Sweeping through West Cork Finghin won back land taken by the Normans after their arrival almost 100 years earlier. However in attempting to take the Castle at Ringrone from Myles de Courcey he was driven back and killed losing his life in trying to escape across the River. Since then he has been known in history as Finghin of Ringrone. While Finghin may have met his nemesis on this stretch of the river in the 13th century, in modern times various crews of the Kinsale and Dock Rowing Club continue a centuries old activity as they train for success in the local Regatta. Picture shows Regatta Day in the 1940s, waiting for the finish

Kinsale Fife & Drum Bank in their distinctive caps giving a recital on the old Dockyard Pier, now filled in. Castlepark is in the background. Photo courtesy of Buddy Irwin.





Congratulations to Robyn Powell (née Duggan, The Rock, Kinsale) recently qualified in Medicine from Liverpool University and is going on to study Anesthesiology.



Keith Scannell & Conor McCarthy, pupils of St. John's N.S., pictured following their First Holy Communion on May 16th 2009

KINSALE MACRA LAUNCHED

Kinsale Macra got off to a flying start at its introduction night held in Actons Hotel on Thursday 2nd July. A great crowd attended on the night with over 30 young people from Kinsale, Ballinhassig, Ballinspittle, Dunderrow, Belgooly, Riverstick and even further a field signing up to all that Macra has to offer.

On the night a brief presentation was given on some of the main activities that Macra get up to. The club is a fantastic way to meet people from all over Cork and Ireland through its many social and competitive events. The main areas of activity for the organisation are in the performing arts, sports, public speaking, agriculture, community involvement and travel.

On the night, members from other Macra clubs in the region of Seandún, of which Kinsale is a part, and from the neighbouring Carbery Region enthusiastically shared their experiences of Macra with the new club members.

The Macra Training Officer for the area, Jerry Murphy, highlighted all the benefits of being a Macra member including the invaluable training that the club's officers will receive (not to mention that the training itself is always great fun!). He stressed that active participation in Macra has a very positive impact on potential employers as it is a great way to learn new skills and for networking.

Seandún's National Council Representative, Josephine O'Connell of Whitechurch Club, explained how all clubs have a powerful say on how the national organisation is run. While Seandún Regional Chair, Alan Jagoe, spoke on the delight of being a National Winner of a competition

and the fun enjoyed on the resulting prize winners trip. Ger Reilly of Whitechurch shared his experience on a Macra exchange program when he spent time with a family in Canada.

Brian Fenton, PRO of the Carbery Region Organising Committee for the Macra na Feirme National Conference, affectionately known as 'The Rally', gave a rousing account of what the Rally is all about. It was easy to see that the new members of Kinsale were already looking forward to it on the October Bank Holiday Weekend! This is just one of the many festivals that are hosted by Macra every year and are attended by hundreds of young people from all over the country.

Kinsale Macra wish to thank everyone who showed the new club such wonderful support on the night and to thank the staff and management of Acton's Hotel for providing the venue for the occasion.

Given that the summer is traditionally the quieter time in the Macra Calendar there is a lot happening already for the Kinsale Club. Members went on a Tepee Camping trip to Cape Clear Island on Saturday July 18th. The Macra golden rule of what happens on tour stays on tour applies!

The club is starting Tag rugby training for August and September so that they will be ready to hit the ground running for the Kinsale Tag Rugby Competition next summer.

Knockraha Macra is hosting a Rodeo night in the village of Knockraha. This was scheduled for Saturday July 11th but was postponed due to the bad weather. However, it is going ahead and the date will be confirmed shortly. Entertainment on the night will include a Bucking Bronco, music by the Whiskey Jacks and prizes for the best dressed Guy and Gal!

Kinsale club will have a weekly sports night for all members in St. Multose Hall on Monday nights from 9pm to 11pm, starting in September.

Finally, The Kinsale Macra AGM will be held on Thursday August 20th at 9pm in the Temperance Hall. All are welcome

If you are interested in joining Kinsale Macra or want details of any of the upcoming events and activities, please contact Anne (086 3953573), William (086 3638652) or Paul (086 1673527) or check out www.bebo.com/kinsaleM7. New members are very welcome!



Left: Irene
Heffernan presents
a cheque for €1000
to Bob Cast and
Tom Reilly of the
Kinsale Red Cross.
The €1000 was
raised at the
Black & White Ball.
Pic. John Allen



RIVERSTICK UNITES TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE COMMUNITY

A unique draw was launched by Ballymartle GAA and the Riverstick Community Association in Riverstick Community Hall on Tuesday recently.

Along with a significant number of cash prizes, the €10,000 first prize will certainly be attractive to many 'punters' in these recessionary times.

Speaking at the event, Mr. Peter Deane, who is Chairperson of the Riverstick Community Association, said: "Our objective is to raise €200,000 and the proceeds will be divided evenly between the GAA club and the Community Association."

Since opening its doors in 1989, Riverstick Community Hall has been an important asset, not just to Riverstick but to the surrounding districts also.

However, the current facility is not capable of coping with the demand, so the association has proposed to develop an additional hall on to the existing building. The proposed new development will also have a storage area and meeting rooms.

The new development will certainly enhance the existing facilities on the site including two pitches, one of which is an all-weather pitch, extensive changing rooms, hurling alley and state- of- the- art-flood- lights.

The club's investment in its facilities has certainly been beneficial with a number of its players receiving recognition at county minor, intermediate and senior level.

Of course, such a significant investment has not come cheap and it's proposed to reduce the debt of the club with the proceeds of the draw.

While acknowledging the difficult financial times, Mr. Peter Deane said: "Whenever we have asked for the backing of the community, it has always been forthcoming."

Chairman of Ballymartle GAA club, Mr. Joe Hallissey, appealed to the community to play an active part, not just in buying tickets but also selling tickets. People have until the 23rd of October to buy a ticket, which is priced at €20.

Any individual who would like to play a more active role in the draw can contact Mr. Deane on o86 380 5114 or Mr. Joe Hallissey o86 2566703

JJ Hurley

BAPTIST EVENTS IN KINSALE

The Association of Baptist Churches in Ireland is organising a number of events in Kinsale over the coming weeks. The first of these is a Men's Breakfast in aid of Compassion, (Christian Child Sponsorship Agency), on Friday 21st August in Vista on the Pier Road. The cost is €10 which must be booked in advance but places are limited so don't delay! To book your place, text mens breakfast' and your name to ○86 256 5407 and you will receive a confirmation text by reply.

The Kinsale Suite in Actons Hotel is the venue for the second event which takes place on Sunday 23rd August. Family Praise and Worship from 7.30pm to 8.15pm will be followed by refreshments and all are welcome. More details on www.kinsaleabc.ie

The final event is a Youth Coffee Bar Music Evening 'The Tempo Café' in aid of Saile Sports and Leisure. Local musicians will entertain the youth of Kinsale in the Temperance Hall from 7.45pm. The cost is €4 per person and you must be aged 15 or over. Check out www.kinsaleabc.ie for further information.



remembering Stanley William Wood

Henry David Thoreau wrote

"Even the death of friends will inspire us as much as their lives.... Their memories will be encrusted over with sublime and pleasing thoughts, as monuments of other men are overgrown with moss; for our friends have no place in the graveyard."

Those of us who love him will keep Stanley alive in our hearts, with deep affection and loving memories of happy times.

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KINSALE LADYBIRDS & GIRL GUIDES BUY A BRICK FOR SAILE SPORTS AND LEISURE



Well done to the Kinsale Ladybirds & Girl Guides who recently bought a brick for Saile Sports and Leisure. They are pictured above with Bronwyn Connolly of Saile Sports and Leisure.

Haven in Haiti

Haven is a new non-governmental organisation which aims to tackle poverty and improve the quality of life of impoverished people in Haiti by building new homes, improving existing ones and introducing development programmes to help beneficiaries work their way out of poverty.

Haven was established in late 2008 by Leslie and Carmel Buckley. A long time supporter of many charitable causes, Leslie is a founder of Digicel, the largest mobile phone telecommunications company in the Caribbean. It was his work which first brought him to Haiti, the poorest country in the Western World.



Haiti is about a third the size of Ireland and has a population of of 8.5 million. Levels of unemployment, illiteracy and child mortality are high. Hundreds of thousands of people are condemned to live in shacks and slums. Last year four devastating storms and hurricanes left 800 people dead and a million homeless.

'No matter how many times I travel to this beautiful country, I cannot help but be horrified by the levels of poverty that almost three quarters of its people have to endure.' says Leslie.

To kickstart fundraising, Leslie has pledged $\mathfrak{C}1$ million. This money will cover all administration costs so every cent donated to Haven by others will go directly into building and community programmes in Haiti.

In October of this year, the first of many volunteer groups from Ireland will travel to Haiti for the first annual Build It Week. They will spend a week building homes for people living in shacks and slums in one of the poorest areas of the country, the city of Ouanaminthe. Haven has secured five hectares of land in this city, which has a population of approximately 100,000. They aim to build 125 houses and improve 250 exisiting homes in their first year of operation. The volunteers have to raise a minimum of $\mathfrak{C}4,000$ each to take part; half of this goes to flights and expenses, the other half directly into the houses. The three year target is to build 1000 new homes and improve 2000 by the end of 2011. This will dramatically improve the lives of more than 20,000 Haitians living in poverty. Local Haitian contractors will be employed, trained and empowered to build the majority of the houses.

J.P. Simpson

J.P. Simpson was the first of the Kinsale volunteers to go to Haiti to work for Haven. A carpenter by trade, J.P. spent two months in Ouanaminthe from 10th May to 10th July, preparing for Build It Week.

Ouanaminthe is in the North East of Haiti, on the border with the Dominican Republic. This region is mainly rural and underdeveloped. Unemployment is extremely high and most adults seek seasonal work in agriculture and construction in neighbouring Dominican Republic.



J.P. was joined by another Irish volunteer, an electrician. Their job was to survey the houses designated for improvements. The project is under the control of a local committee.

Their working day started at at 5.30am, in an effort to beat the heat which reaches 30 degrees by 8am. The pair met a

member of the local committee every morning and spent around three hours surveying the 250 houses in need of upgrading: taking photographs, measuring, taking note of what work needed to be done. After that they went home to type up the results of the surveys. In the afternoons they went the main site to see that all the work was going to plan or had meetings with the mayor or other member of the local comittee.

Every two days they had to cross the border into the Domincan Republic to buy food and other supplies, as not so much as a bottle of cola can be bought in Ouanaminthe. J.P. was shocked by the huge contrast within walking distance between the two countries. The Domincan Republic side was lush and developed with comfortable houses; the Haitian side was desolate, rubbish marring the landscape and shacks for houses.

J.P. explains the reason for poverty is the huge imbalance between wages and the cost of living. The skilled labourers earn \$10 dollars a day. However because everything, bar mangoes, has to be imported, things are expensive. It costs the same if not more than it does here for cement and other building materials.

Haven has been building for three months and 50 houses have been built already. These will serve as accommodation for the volunteers. Everything was built completely without power tools as the town only has electricity for a short time each day. Only three cities in the country have power 24 hours a day.

One highlight of Haiti for J.P. was going to see the Citadelle Laferrière castle

during his few days off, but the thing that made the biggest impression on him during his two months there were the people. He describes Haiti as a stunning country with wonderfully happy and proud people. His photographs, which



will be on exhibition in the near future, capture this. He was struck by the prevalence of smiles and the love of socialising of the Haitians, even in extreme poverty.

J.P. is returning to Haiti at the start of October to prepare for Build it Week and is already considering going back there for a much longer stay.

Ireland to Wales Kite-surf

Paddy Buckley and Ed Bourke are going to attempt to be the first Irish people to kite-surf from Ireland to Wales in early September in aid of Haven. Paddy and Ed are among 250 volunteers who will be taking part in the first ever Build it Week in Haiti, from the 25th of October this year.

Paddy, 27, a kite-surfing expert, is the founder and operator of Vertigo Kite surfing School in Cork. His parents are Leslie and Carmel Buckley, founders of Haven. Ed, also 27, Cork all Ireland winning medallist, also has vast experience of the sport. The two will be making the record breaking attempt between the 7th and 13th of September, depending on weather conditions.

"I'm very excited to be taking on the crossing in aid of Haven," said Paddy, "It's definitely going to be the toughest challenge I've ever attempted!"

The crossing from Rosslare to St Bride's Bay in West Wales is 102 kilometres in length. With kitesurfing requiring a minimum of 10 knots of wind to keep the kites in the sky, the longest time the journey should take is approximately 10 hours. However, the duo who are based in Ballinclashet are hoping to do it more quickly than that. "In giving ourselves the seven day window, we're hoping we get some favourable conditions, and fingers crossed we will land in Wales more quickly." said Ed Bourke.

The ideal conditions for the challenge would be somewhere between 15-20 knots from a southwesterly direction. For safety, Paddy and Ed will be joined on their attempt to cross St George's Channel by a support boat which will monitor progress.

Anyone can sponsor Paddy and Ed's record breaking kite-surfing attempt by going to www.havenpartnership.com and clicking on the donations page. Anyone who sponsors them will be given the opportunity to guess the length of time it will take, with some great prizes up for grabs: a week's stay in a luxury villa in the Algarve, a weekend away in a top Irish hotel and water sport goodies. "Please give what you can to this excellent Irish-founded charity, every single cent goes directly to the Haitians that need it the most to give them homes and give them hope," concluded Paddy.

Catherine Murphy

Kinsale girl Catherine Murphy is also heading to Haiti in October. She has successfully raised the required amount through various fund-raising events in Kinsale and in Belgooly, where she received tremendous support from her pupils at Belgooly N.S. We wish all the volunteers well and look forward to reading their reports in the next issue of the Kinsale & District Newsletter.

For more information go to www.havenpartnership.com

Niamh Prior



TRANSITION TIN

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

Working today for a sustainable tomorrow

DECONSTRUCTING DINNER WORKSHOP

Held in the Carmelite Friary Space on Wednesday 8th July, this workshop was one of ten modules from Cultivate's 'Community Powerdown Toolkit' course exploring the key issues of our times peak oil and climate change - and looking at some of the solutions. Facilitated by Jude Cumiskey from Irish Rural Link and Klaus Harvey from TTK, the evening consisted of a 20 minute TV Show made by Cultivate Centre for Sustainability in Dublin, group discussions, and individual presentations all looking at the food production and how it is currently unsustainable. For example it takes ten calories of energy to produce 1 calorie of food energy. Think about how our food gets to us: the farmer grows it using fertilisers and pesticides, both derived from fossil fuels; farm machinery is used to plough, sow, spray and harvest and from the farm it is transported, processed, packaged, refrigerated, stored and transport from the supermarket or shop to our homes, all of which uses up energy, and produces greenhouse gas emissions.

So what is a sustainable system of food production? It is one that will last, and has an equal ratio of energy input to food energy output. This can be achieved by growing food closer to where it

is consumed. A good example is a farmers' market where the farmer grows the food and sells it directly to members of the local community cutting out the middlemen and unnecessary transportation from the four corners of the earth. Of course not everything can be grown locally: tea, coffee and bananas for example. But if we can grow apples and carrots in Ireland why fly them halfway around the world? Growing food ourselves in our gardens, in allotments or in community gardens also contributes to a sustainable food system. It also has numerous other benefits - we learn new skills, we spend time outside in healthy activity, we meet our neighbours and swap skills and produce. And



Hilda Ryan Purcell giving feedback at **Deconstructing Dinner**

ultimately we experience the pure pleasure of eating delicious and healthy food grown by ourselves.

Feedback from the workshop was extremely positive and it is hoped to run more workshops from the Powerdown Toolkit in the autumn, so watch this space for more info. Thanks again to The Carmelite Community for the use of their facilities.

TRANSITION NETWORK CONFERENCE LONDON, MAY 22-24

Not so much a conference as a 'dip in the warm frothy Jacuzzi of Transition' this was a buzzing, thrilling, action packed weekend with 450 people from some of the 170 Transition Initiatives across the globe all swapping stories of their own progress towards a more sustainable future. Amongst the breathtaking choice of workshops was one on Community Supported Agriculture (CSA), by members of the UK Soil Association; 'Moving Sounds' - an exploration of how to make the issues fun and exciting using games and classroom type activities to create songs; a live online video-link with sustainability guru, Richard Heinberg; the premier of the film, 'In Transition', which features footage of TTK's '50 Mile meal Award'; an open mic night in which this writer jammed a version of van Morrison's 'Gloria' with Rob Hopkins; football and Frisbee on Clapham Common and countless discussions and exchanges of ideas and much merriment. Ed Milliband, UK Environment Secretary, came along, having been invited to attend as a keynote listener. Reports have it that he now frequently refers to the Transition movement with great enthusiasm in his speeches. Onwards and upwards.

CORK TRANSITION CONFERENCE, MAY 30TH

Hosted by Cork Institute of Technology's Sustainable Energy Department, this was the first opportunity for all the Cork Transition and Sustainable groups to get together to find out what each is doing, swap stories, tips and hints and in general have a grand time getting to know each other. It was fantastic to meet up with friends and fellow travellers from Bandon, Bantry, Ballydehob, Clonakilty, Midleton, Youghal, and of course Kinsale, represented by six of its members (we must be a keen lot!).

Chris Gibbons, lecturer in Renewable Energy at CIT facilitated the event, and admitted at one point that he'd never felt such a buzz at a conference before. Like Richard Heinberg says, Transition feels more like a

party than movement.

Presentations were given by reps from Kinsale, Midleton, Bantry Clonakilty and after which we split into two smaller groups those already established as Transition and those who want to set one up in their community.



Cork Transition Groups

It was such a success and so enjoyable, that we agreed we should get together at least twice a year to keep the process going and to offer each other support and advice.

KINSALE EDIBLE GARDENS NETWORK

The Edible Gardens Network is really starting to find its feet as a useful resource for the food growers of Kinsale. We meet fortnightly either socially at Actons Hotel bar, to share our gardening experience and try to solve any gardening problems we may be having within the group. There is also an open discussion on a particular topics such as composting, so we all get to widen our knowledge base which hopefully will then rub off in the garden. We also have been meeting for garden visits, such as to Gort Na nain, an organic farm near Nohoval. If you are interested to join the group's emailing list to find out when our next meetings are email aimipinder@hotmail.com

DOWN AT THE COMMUNITY GARDEN

by Aimi Pinder

We are having lovely harvests thanks to the warm wet weather we have been receiving. The broad beans, kale, garlic, beetroot, spuds and salads have all been cut, pinched off or pulled from the ground much to our satisfaction. All this lovely produce can then be shared between out helpers and the local community around us, which is what it's all about! Work days: Sundays 1-4pm Thursdays 6.30-8.30. It seems there are lots of edible and community gardening projects springing up around Kinsale what with the school gardens facilitated through the Education for Sustainability programme and the new allotments which are thriving. The more the merrier I say!!! Continued overleaf





TRANSITION TIMES

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Working today for a sustainable tomorrow

From previous page:

Because of all the hard work that is going into these community growing projects, Transition Town Kinsale has decided to reward them. Following suit from the highly successful Bandon Community Garden Awards, TTK will also be giving awards for the best community garden scheme in Kinsale. Look out in September for our launch of the awards and to find out how your community or group can get involved. Contact Aimi at: 085 8300074.

ENERGY GROUP

Here are some notes from the last meeting of the group: Revised funding application for a feasibility study for a community anaerobic digester now awaits a decision at the end of July.

It was suggested that a link could be made between the Sewage Treatment Works and Saile's Leisure Centre. The use of heat from the treatment works to fuel the leisure centre could potentially be a great money/energy saving opportunity, requiring little more than the political will to make it happen.

The group noted that the Blue Haven has 2 brand new electric bikes for rent at \leq 25 a day including safety gear.

The group discussed again the option of establishing a Kinsale Energy Co-op as an umbrella group for projects such as the digester, and other wind/water projects. Paul Sliney undertook that along with Dave Simpson at CIT, he would try set up a local 'energy survey' to be carried out next term by CIT students, to help focus on the best areas for future micro generation projects, especially water generation. Paul also took the brave step, committing to buy a 'smart meter' by the next meeting, to set about analysing some home energy use, with a view to 'renting' it to others and encouraging us to 'pass it round'.

A Business Energy Forum will be held around 6/7th October. Alex Grassick at Cork Energy Office has agreed to contribute as he did before. But there is enough talent in the group to make this work well, for the benefit of local businesses and others.

Date of next meeting is Tuesday 8th September at 18.30 in Actons Hotel. Contact Alan at: 087 2219266.

TRANSPORT TEAM

This group is planning a 'Car Free Day' for Kinsale to which the Town Council have given their support. A date has yet to be fixed but it will be held sometime in September/October. Amongst the ideas discussed by the group are:

- A great opportunity to test out new pedestrian areas and one way systems proposed in the Kinsale Transportation study.
- End of season street party.
- A health promoting day by encouraging people of all ages to being more active either by walking or cycling.
- Pier Road as far as the new bridge be closed off for 2-3 hours. There is a great lack of areas for children to cycle and this would be a wonderful opportunity for children to cycle to town. With some assistance from the Gardai, groups could be brought up from Commoge Marsh area to the new bridge.

Any ideas of your own? Contact Liz Creed at: 087 2894077

EDUCATION GROUP

We are currently putting together a programme for the coming autumn including:

- A continuation of the successful Education for Sustainability in the primary schools
- A year-long programme on sustainability for the Transition Year students' Green team at the Community School
- Another run of the highly popular evening class in Permaculture at the Community School
- A number of workshops and upskilling events including some or all of the Community Powerdown Toolkit

Next meeting Wednesday 5th August, 6.30pm, Hamlet's.

Contact Klaus at: 087 6763516

To join any (or all!) of the newly forming working groups please go to our website: www.transitiontownkinsale.org, where you first need to sign up and then join.

TIP OF THE MONTH

Even though the summer's been a mixed bag so far, a good way of saving that precious resosurce is by investing in a water butt. Basically it's a barrel used to catch rainwater for use in the garden. Install it under a drainpipe and watch it fill up, then, during those occasional dry spells, it will save on mains/well water which always costs energy somewhere along the line.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

'We have this collective view that we're somehow going back to what was there before with just less wealth and I believe we're entering a brand new economic age and the future is all about energy efficiency, energy creation, green technology and we've a lot of catching up to do in order to prepare for that. And we've great potential to do so.'

Eddie Hobbs, final Questions and Answers, 29th June, 2009.

© SMILEY AWARD

Kinsale Arts Week gets our smiley this month for providing the community with another splendiferous week of culture and entertainment despite budget constraints. Transition is all about promoting the community as a place of creativity and celebration, particularly with and emphasis on local artists, writers and musicians, which KAW continue to support. Well done to all the committee, organisers and volunteers.

Transition Town Kinsale is a voluntary initiative exploring community solutions to peak oil and climate change. We are always looking for ideas and suggestions so if you have anything you'd like to offer or contribute you can contact us at 087 7839446, info@transitiontownkinsale.org

Website: www.transitiontownkinsale.org

One of Ireland's funniest funnymen is coming to Kinsale this August! Brendan Grace will be appearing in Actons Hotel on Thursday August 6th at 8pm. Tickets cost just \in 25 for what is sure to be a highly entertaining evening! Contact Actons Hotel for further details on 021 477 2135





TALENTED YOUNG KINSALE COMPOSERS

Kinsale has eight up and coming talented young composers in its midst. Tom Barton, Mia Hynes Morrison, Sheila Marie Kelleher, Cathy Hynes, Aoibhinn Lynch, Rhona Hurley, Gearóid O Riordáin and Jake Hyland, pupils of MusicMakers level two keyboard / piano and guitar classes composed their own mix of songs, guitar melodies and keyboard / piano pieces, some of which featured in MusicMakers Summer concert recently held in Kinsale Municipal Hall. The children are all still in primary school and in the course of their MusicMakers composition workshop during the year learnt how easy and fun composing your own music can be.

Summer In Kinsale (Music and lyrics by Gearóid Ó Riordain)

Chorus

[D] It's too hot to wear a [G] jumper Traffic backed bumper to [D] bumper Giant ice creams cool my [G] lips [A] The sun is too hot Mind the [D] drips

[D] It is great when it doesn't [G] rain

[D] Going around Kinsale on the [G] train

[D] Licking our ice cream

[A] Swimming at the beach

As if we were back in [D] sunny Spain [Chorus]

[D]Let's go to Dino's for chicken [G] and chips Not too good for the auld [D] hips The sun is shining, we're all at [D] the beach [A] Oh how I love Summer in [D] Kinsale [Chorus]

More information on MusicMakers classes can be found on or by contacting Caroline at or 087 9513589.



Top left: MusicMakers Guitar Level Two pupils playing one of their own compositions L-R Rhona Hurley, Keeri Ann O Reilly, Gearóid O Riordáin, Cornelia O'Reilly, Lisa Marie Desmond



MusicMakers Keyboard Level Two pupil Mia Hynes Morrison



MusicMakers Keyboard Level Two pupil Cathy Hynes







President of Kinsale Lions Club, P. J. Power, addressed an Open Meeting about defibrillators in Actons on Friday, 5th June, with the news that the first two machines have been positioned in Kinsale, at the Harbour office and at the Garda station.

He thanked those involved in raising over €17,000 so far for this venture, which will quickly provide six defibrillators to be available to public access. A map, showing all positions for the boxed machines and break-glass keys, will be produced and circulated to all residents by mail in due course.

P.J. made particular mention of the inspiration of Mary Evans, who, along with the Lions Club, has been involved with the project from the start. Another star performer is, of course, Davy Dunne, who trained all spring to compete in the Cork Marathon and who triumphed magnificently, raising a great deal of money for the defibrillator cause.

P.J. also thanked the organisations and premises that have been holding fundraisers and remarked that it has been a great community effort which had captured the imagination of the citizens of Kinsale and district to provide a means of saving lives in the circumstances of heart arrest. He was joined in expressing appreciation to all by John O'Mahony, who paid a touching tribute to his friend, Davy Dunne.

The Lions President presented Davy, Mary and Tom Reilly, from the Irish Red Cross, with Certificates of Appreciation for the invaluable services and cooperation extended to the Lions and the whole Kinsale community.

Lion, Dr Micheál Hynes, explained the medical aspects in the use of defibrillators, emphasising that, although the machines were simple to operate, CPR training was vital for as many people in the town as possible if we are to realise the potential benefits of the machines.

Tom O'Reilly then demonstrated the use of a defibrillator to the great interest of the seventy people present. Tom's team will be providing the training, at no cost, in the Red Cross office near the Guardwell.

Those wishing to take the training course, which will be done in groups of eight over two evenings of three and a half hours each, should contact any member of the Lions Club. Arrangements will then be made during the coming weeks to accommodate the training.



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Riverstick - Kinsale Athletic Club

Munster Championships

The Munster Track & Field Championships were held in Waterford on the weekend of June 20th/21st last.

Orla Finn (U18) claimed gold medals when she won the 100m & 300m hurdles. Diarmuid Hickey (U18) had a great day out winning the following medals: 1st in the discus with a personal best throw of 37.44m, 1st in the shot with a personal best throw of 13.58, he also claimed 3rd in the Javelin and Long Jump.

Jessica Sheehan (U16) also had a good day out winning gold in the Long Jump, silver in the 100m and bronze in the 200m.

All Treland Championship

The All Ireland Track & Field Championships were held in Tullamore on the weekend of July 11th/12th.

Orla Finn (U18) claimed a silver medal when she finished 2nd in the 300m hurdles. Diarmuid Hickey (U18) came 2nd in the shot with a personal best throw Jessica Sheehan (U16) came second in the Long Jump with a personal best jump of 5.27m. Orla Nash (U17) claimed 3rd place in the Long Jump with a personal best jump of 5.13m.

School All Trelands

The Woodies School All Ireland Track & Field Championships were held in Tullamore in early June.

Orla Finn (Senior Girls) won a gold medal when she finished 1st in the 400m hurdles. Diarmuid Hickey (Senior Boys) came 3rd in the shot and discus.

Jessica Sheehan (Junior Girls) won gold in the Triple Jump with a personal best jump of 10.69m. This jump has now become a new championship record beating the previous record which stood for 11 years by 15cm.

Tracton Sports

Tracton Sports were on Sunday June 28th. Kevin Fitzgerald and his cousin Alan O'Donovan running along with Cormac Hickey from the club. Kevin ran U11 and was 1st in 100m, 2nd in 400m, Long Jump and Ball Throw. Alan ran under 10 and came 2nd in 80m, 300m, Ball Throw and this was his first competitive outing as he is a new recruit!

All of the above fantastic results could only have been achieved through hard work and commitment to training. All of this directed by head coach and motivator Kathleen Maher. Well done Kathleen!!

Community Games

The Community Games will be held in Athlone during the month of August, we wish the following athletes the best of luck at these games. Sadhbh O'Leary doing the 200m, Alanna Allen doing the 5k race and Jessica Sheehan doing the sprint.

Cross Countru

Our Open Cross Country Meet will be held on Sunday 20th September 2009 (venue to be decided). Always a popular event, clubs from all over the southern region travel to Kinsale for this event and we look forward to another wonderful day out.

Training

Club Training will resume after Summer Holidays on Tuesday night 18th August 2009 from 5.30pm to 6.30pm at Kinsale RFC. New members always welcome.



CHEQUE PRESENTED TO MARYMOUNT HOSPICE AT RIVERSTICK

On Thursday, 25th of June, at The Babbling Brook Bar, Riverstick, members of the Cork City Marathon Group presented a cheque for nearly €5000 to Marymount Hospice. The money was raised from sponsorship collected as a result of the group's participation in the recent Cork City Marathon. The group, who has members from

Kinsale, Riverstick, Ballygarvan and Belgooly, including both runners and walkers, was praised for its efforts by Mr. James O'Mahony, Group Leader. Mr. O'Mahony also expressed his appreciation on behalf of the group to all those who sponsored the athletics. He also thanked Ms. Lydia Coleman of The Babbling Brook for all her help and support to the group in their fundraising efforts.

Before presenting the cheque to Ms. Antoinette O'Sullivan from the Friends of Marymount Hospice, Mr. Mahony said: "Everybody has at some time experienced the tremendous work of the hospice." After accepting the cheque, Ms. O'Sullivan expressed her sincere thanks and admiration for the group's efforts in the recent marathon.

She has also promised to mark their achievement by writing personally to each individual.

Ms. O Sullivan said: "A significant milestone for the ϵ 54 million hospice, at Ballinaspig More, had taken place on the 29th of May with the turning of the first sod.

The new building, which will see a doubling of its capacity, individual rooms, family facilities and increase palliative care, should be occupied by July 2011," remarked Ms. O'Sullivan. Any person who would like to donate to the hospice project should ring (021) 4501201 ext 228



MUSICMAKERS SUMMER CONCERT

RAISES FUNDS FOR CUH CHILDREN'S UNIT

MusicMakers children from Kinsale, Bandon and surrounding areas impressed a captivated audience of parents, grandparents and friends during a fund raising concert in aid of the Children's Unit of Cork University Hospital on Saturday 13th June to a full house in Kinsale's Municipal Hall.

Performers ranged from three years old to teens with highlights of the concert including pieces on triangle, xylophone and tin whistle by the young 'MusicMakers Twinkles' and premier performances by the guitar players of some of their own compositions. This was followed by an amazing display of talent from the recorder, keyboard / piano and violin players. The MusicMakers Choir closed the performance with songs from 'High School Musical', 'Annie' and 'Oliver', enthusiastically received by an appreciative audience.

In the award ceremony at the end of the concert each child received a certificate of achievement in recognition of their hard work throughout the year and celebrate their end of year exam results. The concert was an inspiring example of children working together to help other children and having great fun, growing and gaining confidence in the process.

More information on MusicMakers classes can be obtained by contacting Caroline at 087 9513589

Photos clockwise from top right:
MusicMakers Twinkles playing the tin whistle.
MusicMakers Twinkles playing the xylophone.
Awarding of certificates to MusicMakers pupils who performed.
MusicMakers recorder pupils Freyja Hellebust and Emily Gleave.









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Riverstick Ladies Acquit Themselves Well

The ladies from the Riverstick Branch of the ICA certainly did both their village and county proud when they were placed third in the All-Ireland Drama Competition.

The competition, which was held at the headquarters of Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann at Malahide, Co Dublin, drew stiff competition from the twenty-six counties represented at the competition.

The ladies show was a parody of 'The Strictly Come Dancing' television show. Tony Badcock, who wrote and produced the show, is the husband of Vice President, Miriam Badcock. The cast of seventeen had been busy rehearsing since February and the ladies were well rewarded for their efforts.

Scoring eight-eight marks out of a possible hundred, the judges described the ladies performance as being well performed with' great style and panache'.

It's hoped the ladies of the Guild will perform their show in the community hall later in the year.

JJ Hurley



PLANNING NEWS

Planning Applications

- · Application for permission for the construction of a discount foodstore incorporating an off-licence (c1352 sq.m gross floor area and 1053 sq. m net sales area), comprising of a single storey mono-pitched roof structure and enclosed dock leveller, removable compactor, new boundary treatments and associated site development works including 2 no. new entrances, all site services, the provision of 105 no. car park spaces, including 3 no. disabled car parking spaces, 2 no. parent/child car parking spaces, 2 no. free standing double sided internally illuminated flag pole sign, 2 no. building mounted internally illuminated signs and 1 no. poster display at Troopers Close, Barrack Hill, Kinsale, Co. Cork, for Messrs Lidl Ireland GmbH.
- Application for permission to construct first floor extension, two storey rear extension, alterations to existing facade with associated site works at Troopers Close, Kinsale, Co. Cork, for John & Evelyn O'Reilly.

Planning Decisions

• Application for permission to erect a terrace of 3 no. two storey over basement split level townhouses and ancillary works with on-site parking for six number cars at 1 Lower Catholic Walk, Rathmore TD, Kinsale, for Mr. Graham Clarke.

Permission granted.

• Application for permission for the development which will consist of alterations to a previously permitted development (Planning Reg. No. 05/53046) which comprised a convenience retail anchor, 9 no. retail units, child care drop-in centre, 6 no. maisonettes, 8 no. apartments, 116 car parking spaces, and ancillary circulation, plant and service yard. The alterations to the permitted development comprise internal alterations consisting of; the relocation of the convenience retail anchor unit including an off-licence (106 sqm) to ground floor level; construction of mezzanine level for the convenience retail anchor; provision of one retail unit at ground floor level; provision of a discount retail unit including an offlicence (42 sqm) on the first floor level; provision of one retail unit at first floor level; consequent alterations to mall, toilets, plant room, lifts and stairs, enclosed service yard; alterations to apartments, lifts and stairs at second and third floor levels: minor amendment to the foyer area at

ground and first floor level, minor elevational changes. The total gross area, excluding ancillary car parking, is 5,873 sq.m. as permitted under planning 05/53046 at The Glen, Kinsale, Co. Cork, 09/53006, for I & G Stores Limited.

Permission granted.

• Application for permission for proposed alterations to south elevation at Market Place, Kinsale, Co. Cork, for Mr. John Twomey.

Permission granted.

- Application for permission for the construction of a ground & first floor extension to side of dwelling at 19 Stonewell, Kinsale, Co. Cork, for John Daly. **Permission granted.**
- · Application for permission for development at Seaview Bed & Breakfast, Main Street and Pier Road, Kinsale, (a Protected Structure). The construction of a new 4 storey (the 4th storey being a set back penthouse) mixed use block with flat and monopitch roofs and terraces, to the rear/side of the Seaview building, comprising 8 no. 2 bedroom units, & 1 no. 3 bedroom penthouse unit, 2 no. ground floor shop units, a residential lobby and on site covered carparking for 10 cars with access off Pier Road are provided together with bin & bicycle storage at ground floor level. A new basement is to be provided for plant associated with the residential element. Associated site works to include site works & new drainage connections. The following development is also proposed to the Seaview building (the protected structure). Change of use from guest house and public bar use to shop on ground floor and residential on 1st and 2nd levels to provide 2 no. 1 bedroom units and 1 no. ground floor shop unit. The existing basement is to be retained/altered and used as storage/ancillary space associated with the shop. The proposal includes the demolition of later rear extensions to the Seaview building, re finishing the roofs, replacement of timber roof and floor structures, removal of existing internal partitions and walls, replacement of timber sash windows with matching units. The demolition and removal of the existing petrol station/shop and canopy associated oil storage tanks located on Pier Road is also proposed at the Seaview, Pier Road/Main Street, Kinsale, for Mr. John Nagle. Permission refused.

Milestones

Deaths

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

- Mary O'Toole, Ardbrack, Kinsale.
- · Miah Sheehan, Ardbrack, Kinsale.
- Daniel McCarthy, Tissason, & Guardwell Homes, Kinsale.
- · Stanley Wood, Scilly, Kinsale.

Marríages

Congratulations to the following couples who were married recently:

- ❖ Thomas Rabenda & Magdalena Bednarz, Mallow and Poland, who were married on June 20th 2009.
- Amary McCarthy, Knockduff, Kinsale, and Cillian McNally, Togher, Cork, who were married on June 27th 2009.
- Abbeylands, Kinsale, and Pablo Moreno, Spain, who were married on July 3rd 2009.
- ♣ Gordon Kearney & Kerry Anne McDonald, both from Glanmire, Cork, who were married on July 11th 2009.

Engagement

♣ Congratulations to Caroline Arnopp and Paul O'Shea, Kinsale, on their recent engagement.

KINSALE & DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

For personal reasons the
Kinsale & District Newsletter will be taking a break
from publication for the next number of months.
We hope to resume publication in Spring 2010.
Many thanks to all our contributors,
advertisers and readers for your support,
it is always very much appreciated.

The Kinsale Advertiser and Guide to What's On will be published as usual every Friday throughout the year.

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Anniversaries



JOAN ANDERSON

(née Kearon)

Sixth Anniversary September 11th

In Loving Memory
Of my dear mum

If I could have one single wish
And never have another,
It would simply be to have one hour
And spend it with my Mother.
I'd simply sit and hold your hand
And we'd have a cup of tea,
No one else would be there
There'd just be you and me.
We'd talk about the old times
We'd laugh and reminisce,
And just before you left me
I'd give your cheek a kiss.

Sadly missed by her family and grandchildren



Fifth Anniversary
Remembering with love
our most wonderful mother
and grandmother

SHEILA HEALY

A tear held back, a silent cry, unanswered questions as to why,

So many hopes and dreams denied,

the day our dearest mother died,

To love someone so much and have to part,

is the greatest sorrow of the human heart,

A star that shines in the dark of the night, tells us softly;

Mam, you are alright

Too dearly loved to ever be forgotten Until we meet again Mam.

Love

Dan, Martina, Leonard, Craig and Danielle xxxxx



DAVID O'REGAN

'Siroco', Ballyregan, Kinsale

Acknowledgement and First Anniversary
August 1st 2008

Sheila, family and extended family would like to thank most sincerely all who sympathised and supported us during David's illness and funeral.

Our thanks to all who telephoned, called to our home and attended funeral services. To all who travelled long distances, sent Mass cards, enrolments and letters. Thanks to family, cousins, relatives, neighbours and friends who called to visit him at home and at Kinsale Community Hospital.

Special thanks to Dr. Hugh Harrington and staff at the Mercy hospital, Dr. Tony Foley, Matron, nurses and staff of Kinsale Community Hospital for their care and support to David and to us his family. Thank you to the Marymount team, Motor Neuron Association, P.H.N. community nurse and home help Mary Crowley.

Special thanks to Canon John K. O'Mahony, Fr. Jerh. Hyde and Fr. Martin O'Regan for their spiritual care and our sincere thanks to Canon Liam O'Regan for his lovely funeral Mass, also to Fr. Robert Young, Fr. Martin O'Regan, Fr. Aidan Wrenne and Fr. Liam Kelliher; organist, choir, sacristan, Garda Siochana and Gabriel & O'Donovan Undertakers and grave diggers.

Please accept this acknowledgement as a token of our sincere thanks. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.



FLEMING

Second Anniversary

I won't forget your special face
Or the memories of your smile
Or the countless things you did for me
To make my life worthwhile
You may be out of sight Mam
We may be worlds apart
But you are always on my mind
And forever in my heart

Always remembered by your son Freddie

SuperValu

Real Food, Real People

Proudly supporting

Local Produce & Local Employment



Glenilen Farm Drimoleague

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 Cobb

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.



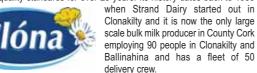
Upton Eggs

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





Ted Brown Dingle

De Brun lasc Teo was established in 1989 by Ted and Hanna Mae Browne and is located at Baile na Buaile, 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.