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PRESIDENT MCALEESE & SENATOR DAVID NORRIS VISIT KINSALE - PATSY RETIRES ...AND MUCH MORE!

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TEA'S UP AT PATSY'S CORNER

Life just won't be the same for many a local and visitor to Kinsale since Patsy's Corner closed its doors for the last time.

Opened thirty years ago by Patsy Thompson, the charming café was situated in the heart of Kinsale at Market Square, opposite the Regional Museum and Old Courthouse in a listed semi circular building dating back well over a century.

Its six round tables and chairs, plus more on the pavement outside, were always bright and busy with its customers enjoying its cosmopolitan old-world ambience.

For the past three decades, Patsy got up early every morning (in recent times with a helper) to make all those irresistible fresh fruit crumbles, apple and gooseberry pies, bakewell almond tarts, carrot cakes, quiches, scones and her world famous lemon meringue at home in Scilly, all of which were brought to the shop.

Patsy said her café was favourably mentioned in The New York Times and many other leading publications around the world. She also received many complimentary letters from all round the world, some of them asking how she made a lemon meringue pie to die for.

A native of Townshend Street, Skibbereen, Patsy Thompson (née O'Sullivan) has vast experience in the hotel and catering trade dating back to the mid 'sixties.

She worked in the Imperial Hotel, South Mall, Cork, and also for a time in the Metropole Hotel, MacCurtain Street. She first came to Kinsale in 1970 to work as head housekeeper in the Trust House Forte Trident Hotel when Gino Gaio was manager and the harbour town was growing in popularity for tourism with lots of German, Dutch and British big spending sea anglers staying there.

In those days, recalled Patsy, many premises would close for the winter so she travelled to London and worked at the Regent Palace Hotel, Piccadilly.

For three summers in the 1970s, she worked at the Blue Haven Hotel which was then run by Pat and Fred Heathcoate and it was at the 1973 Advertising Awards Festival in Kinsale that she met her husband to be Fred Thompson and the couple later married in London.

In 1976, Patsy worked at the prestigious Carlton Tower Hotel at Sloane Square and after that Grosvenor House in Park Lane, London, and eventually she and Fred decided to live in Ireland where they purchased from Hedley McNiece, the original Spinnaker Restaurant at Low Road, Scilly.

This enabled Fred to pursue his interest in painting while his wife, in 1980, rented and opened 'Patsy's Corner' in what was previously a grocery store.

Every year, said Patsy, she would close the store after the October bank holiday weekend (Kinsale Fringe Jazz Festival) and take a holiday before re-opening around December 8th. The couple liked to go to the south of France or Madeira.

Having survived two floods, the severe disruption of the sewerage scheme and several near misses from vehicles passing along Kinsale's narrow streets Patsy said she had finally decided to retire, put her feet up, 'sleep a lot' and do some travelling.

Patsy said she was blessed to have wonderful customers and excellent staff over the past 30 years, all of whom she sincerely thanked, including Jane Scanlon and Therese Hurley and in more recent years, Michelle and Denise Jones

who themselves said they would miss working in such a social place.

To mark the end of this special era in Kinsale's history, fellow traders and friends of Patsy organised a party for her on November 6th last. The Blue Haven bar was the venue for this gathering which was attended by many of

Patsy's former customers, friends and colleagues. Jim Good acted as MC for the occasion, thanking and acknowledging Patsy on behalf of the business community for her contribution to the Kinsale town centre, Patsy's Corner being such a focal point in every sense. Jim praised the quality, quantity and consistency of the delicious food served in Patsy's and her generous welcome, all of which were legendary and known worldwide. The many staff which passed through Patsy's over three decades were also acknowledged, particularly her current staff members, Michelle and Denise Jones who, along with Carmel Hayes, Eileen Murphy and Fiona Evans, organised the farewell party. Patsy's late husband Fred Thompson was remembered on the night.

Once Jim Good completed his job of MC for the evening, Bernard Greaves serenaded Patsy with a specially composed song, Hello Patsy Thompson! Patsy was also presented with a recording of the song.

John Daly, loyal customer and friend, had the honour of presenting Patsy with a fabulous gift, a voucher for a World Cruise.

We truly hope Patsy enjoys a wonderful retirement.

Front Cover Picture: Michelle and Denise Jones serving Patsy a cup of tea outside Patsy's Corner.



Christmas Greetings



from Mayor
of Kinsale
Michael Frawley

Christmas is a time for family, friends and community. What makes Kinsale really special is that it is our family and friends that make up our community and when times get harder one can always rely on our community to really pull together. As we face what will be for some the most difficult Christmas they have ever had to face we must remember to draw upon our strengths as a community to help and support each other, this does not have to be a huge gesture sometimes all someone needs is a friendly smile or an ear to bend.

I appeal to you that when shopping for your Christmas gifts this year please support our local businesses, you will be amazed at how much you can pick up in Kinsale at reasonable prices!

We celebrate Christmas to remember the birth of our Lord however it has come to symbolise a time of hope and peace across the various beliefs and religions of the world, which ironically makes it even more Christian. So it is on that note that on behalf of myself, Aggie and the Kinsale Town Council I would just like to wish both residents and guests of Kinsale a wonderful Christmas full of hope and peace and most definitely a prosperous New Year.

Michael Frawley



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KINSALE ARTS WEEK 2010 A GREAT SUCCESS



Over 20,000 people attended Kinsale Arts Week in 2010, with bookings remaining strong compared to last year and a number of the high profile events selling out over the course of the week. Over 3,000 people visited the newly renovated Mill Gallery, which promises to be a year-round addition to the Kinsale community.

Michelle Carew, Producer of Kinsale Arts Week 2010 said "We are truly delighted by both the calibre of the programme and the support of the audiences attending this year. In these challenging times audiences showed their support by buying tickets for events across all genres and turning up no matter what our unpredictable Irish climate threw at us! We had a brilliant 9 days and look forward to another Kinsale Arts Week in 2011".



THE TRIDENT HOTEL KINSALE VOTED "LARGE GOLF HOTEL OF THE YEAR" AT THE 2010 GALA IRISH GOLF AWARDS

The 13th Annual Golf Classic & Ireland Golf Tour Operator Association (IGTOA) "Gala Irish Golf Awards" took place in October with the Trident Hotel, Kinsale, voted as IGTOA best Large Golf Hotel of the Year. The ceremony was part of a 3 day event including the Annual IGTOA Networking Event and Golf Classic, at the Slieve Donard Resort & Spa, Co. Down, and is the largest gathering of Irish Golf Tourism Industry Professionals in Ireland.

Hal McElroy, Managing Director of the Trident Hotel, was delighted with the award: "We were so pleased to be honoured with this award. All the hard work of our great team has certainly paid off! Recent winners of this award have been Hayfield Manor and the K Club so we're in great company!"

Amy Duggan, Sales Executive at the Trident (and an ex Irish & Munster golfer herself!) was also there to receive the award. Amy states, "In difficult times, we've seen a significant upturn in the amount of golf business into the Trident Hotel. We will continue with our high standards of service and value to each of our guests."

5 Irish companies in total were recognised for their high standards of service, quality & continued excellent industry standards, and were congratulated by Minister for Tourism, Culture & Sport, Mary Hanafin TD.

Pictured above (L to R) Amy Duggan, Sales Executive at the Trident Hotel; Pierce Wall, of Golf Ireland; Hal McElroy, Managing Director of the Trident Hotel; David Good, Owner of the Trident Hotel; Kate Howey, Sales & Marketing Manager of the Trident Hotel



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PRESIDENT MCALEESE OPENS PHASE ONE OF SAILE PROJECT

'This is a celebration of what community is all about', declared President Mary McAleese when officially opening the 1st phase of the Saile Kinsale Community Sports & Leisure project.

Extending a welcome to the function at the nearby community school, chairperson of Kinsale Community Association, Gerry Wrixon said phase one, costing €1.2 million and comprising four floodlit and enclosed five-a-side all-weather pitches that can convert into one large pitch, tennis and basketball courts, an access road and car park and a soon to be completed kickabout area and community garden, was already in high demand from the GAA, rugby, soccer and other clubs, the community school and other organisations and generating much needed income.

The group was anxious to begin construction in 2011 on phase two, a community and sports centre building costing around €1.5m for all ages which would include a sports hall, gym, dance studio, changing and treatment rooms, meeting rooms, a kitchen, offices and equipment store. A 25 metre swimming pool is planned in phase three, subject to Department of Sport support.

Mr Wrixon thanked Cork County Council for leasing the 7.5 acre site at Cappagh, Bowen Construction, the design team and consultants (including AKC Quantity Surveyors, Walsh Design, Richard Rainey architects, EDC mechanical and electrical engineering and UCC), a major anonymous donor, West Cork Partnership (Leader), Eli Lilly, Kinsale Lions Club and other sponsors and supporters of various fund raising projects including 'buy-a-brick'. He paid a special tribute to his predecessor Virgil Horgan, fellow steering committee members Lorraine Stanley, Pat Hegarty and project co-ordinators Bronwyn Connolly and Ann Murphy and around 50 fund raising volunteers in what was a team effort.

President McAleese, who viewed the Saile site with the committee, spoke of how impressed she was by the passion and care for a community which had responded positively and generously in a wonderful 'meithal' of effort at a difficult time economically and set an example for the rest of the country to follow. One should never underestimate the power of Ireland's greatest natural resource community spirit.

Pictured above at the official launch of the Saile Kinsale Community Sports & Leisure Project are: President and Dr. McAleese with Lorraine Stanley, Treasurer; Pat Hegarty, Committee Member; Bronwyn Connolly, Project coordinator; Anne Murphy, Facilities coordinator; Virgil Horgan (Director) and Professor Gerry Wrixon, Chairman of the KRD Community Association.



Construction starts to bring Natural Gas to Kinsale

Over thirty years since natural gas was discovered off the South Coast of Ireland, at the Kinsale Head gas field, this summer Bord Gáis announced its construction programme that will see this clean, efficient fuel made available to homes and businesses in Kinsale town.

Last September representatives of Bord Gáis Networks met with key stakeholders to outline the €4 million construction programme, which expects to have natural gas in Kinsale by April 2011. Bord Gáis Networks commenced work on September 16th 2010.

Fran McFadden, New Connections Manager for Munster, said: "We've had a very good response from businesses in Kinsale wishing to change over to natural gas, particularly those in the hospitality sector. All businesses can look forward to savings of anywhere between 30% and 60% on their current fuel costs, together with reduced carbon emissions, zero storage requirement and a constant, reliable supply of gas".

Kinsale will be served from the existing Brinny AGI (Above Ground Installation). The project includes



construction of a 16.7km Feeder Main pipeline along the R605 to the edge of Kinsale town, and approximately 8km of distribution mains pipeline around the town. Bord Gáis Networks has

been liaising with the relevant authorities and organisations, as well as businesses and residents along the route of the pipeline, to ensure disruption is kept to a minimum and that all concerned are aware of the planned construction.

The Kinsale & District Newsletter has been informed that the project in Kinsale is on schedule and due to be completed by the end of April 2011 as anticipated. The overall project is 40% complete. The Feeder Main is 55% complete and is due to be finished by the end of



January 2011. The Low Pressure Distribution Main is now 50% complete.

As agreed with Kinsale Town Council, a number of road closures and diversions are still in place. These works are updated weekly on The Bord Gáis website www.bordgais.ie

Businesses and residents located along the route of the new pipeline network in Kinsale will soon be able to avail of clean, efficient natural gas like 640,000 other homes and premises in Ireland. It is anticipated that the first natural gas customer in Kinsale will be burning gas in spring 2011. For further information on this project or on connecting to the

natural gas network, contact 1850 200 694 or email kinsale@bge.ie or log on to www.bordgais.ie/networks. Business customers may call the dedicated Bord Gáis Networks Businesslink service on 1850 411 511



(pic Howard Crowdy)



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Pictured at the Emigrants reunion in the Municipal Hall during the Kinsale Regatta were:
Top Pic: Kay Brownsword, Meg and Tony Baker, Toni Duggan, May McCarthy, Daniel and 10 week old Megan Baker from Birmingham and Kinsale
Middle Pic: Sylvia Stone, Thomas and Catherine Benn from Limerick; Ann Benn, New York; Cllr Dermot Collins, Kinsale, and Richard Benn, NY.
Bottom Pic: Richard and Geraldine Emms, London; Elizabeth Murphy, Capt Phil Devitt, Roger Murphy and Cllr Dermot Collins from Kinsale

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Christmas Concert

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Chorus of Opera Cork

Frank Buckley (Musical Director)
Annabel Adams (Accompanist)
Vincent McCarthy (Organist)
Kevin Goggin (Narrator)

Seasonal Favourites incl: Ave Maria, O Tannenbaum, O Holy Night
Mary's Boy Child, Silver Bells, The Snowman, Adeste Fideles
Silent Night, The Holy City, The Wexford Carol, Gaudete

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SENATOR DAVID NORRIS VISITS KINSALE

On All Saints Day (1st November), Senator David Norris gave a most inspirational, educational and entertaining talk when he addressed students in Kinsale Community School on the topic of Human Rights. More than 200 students and staff heard Senator Norris talk about his involvement in working for Human Rights in such places as East Timor, Palestine and Ireland.

Senator Norris encouraged the Kinsale students not to think that they cannot make a difference just because they are individuals and to highlight this fact he gave the example of Tom Hyland, an unemployed bus driver from Ballyfermot who brought the situation in East Timor to national and international attention. He also told the story of the Swedish humanitarian Raoul Wallenberg who saved tens of thousands of Jews during WWII.

Senator Norris had students laughing and entertained as he told them how he once stripped down to his underwear when going through an Israeli checkpoint on his way into Palestine! The Israeli soldiers, who up to this point were quite stern, ended up laughing so much that they told him it was the first time in seven years of border duty that they had so much fun and wanted to know when he would be returning. Senator Norris stated that what this illustrated was how it is the human interaction that is really important and which can break down barriers of prejudice and mistrust.

The visit of Senator Norris was facilitated by the Padraig Fitzgerald & Gerard Timmons of the Kinsale Peace Project and the school is most appreciative of the fact that they included a visit to the school as part of his itinerary.

Laura Mae Keohane and Jeremiah Wright welcome Senator David Norris to Kinsale Community School, where he spoke to pupils as a guest of the Kinsale Peace Project.



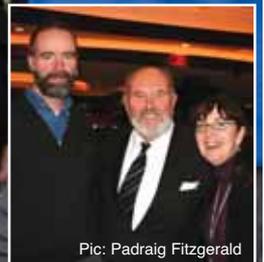
Senator David Norris with:
Padraig Fitzgerald...

...Local Kinsale shop owner
Sheila Murphy...

...Gerard Timmons
and his wife Liz Timmons.



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Major contribution of craft sector to economy of Cork

The major contribution of around €10 million being made by the craft sector to tourism and the local economy was highlighted by Adrian Wistreich, speaking on behalf of Cork Art and Design (CAD) at the launch of Cork Craft Month in the Old Mill building in Kinsale recently.

'Over the last five years, since CAD was set up under the auspices of the county development boards to represent the interests of 300 or more craftspeople, we have had

a huge amount of support from the county council and in particular Ian McDonagh and Dymna Murphy. Craftspeople across the county have been mentored and trained through some excellent schemes run by the enterprise boards and as members of local guilds and networks, we have all benefited a great deal from the support of the Crafts Council of Ireland (CCI). So, it had been a great boon to our sector to have all these agencies finally come together, on the recommendations of our research conducted last year, to co-fund Cork Craft Month 2010,' said Adrian.

'It is important to make clear that CAD sees grant aid as seed funding and not a hand-out. We might sometimes seem like a bunch of romantic dreamers who have chosen to live in beautiful surroundings in semi-retirement to pursue our art – and I'm not denying that this image is nurtured by many of us – in the interests of cultural tourism. However, we are micro-enterprises which generate taxes, rates and expenditure in the Cork economy.

On behalf of CAD, Adrian also thanked Cork Airport, Cork Swansea Ferry (Fastnet Line), Blarney Castle, Ballymaloe House, Bantry House, Cork City Gaol. 'We intend to build on these new relationships for next year by starting our planning early and working closely with all stakeholders to build a long term franchise into Cork Craft Month. He specially thanked fellow voluntary committee members and co-ordinator Meabh Ring and the curator Nora Norton and organisers of the Kinsale event, Aoife O'Mahony & Fergal O'Leary as well as graphic designer Zoe Turner, without whom it wouldn't have been possible.

- Adrian Wistreich runs Kinsale Pottery & Arts Centre, which this year celebrates its 10th anniversary and runs a wide range of classes for adults and children.



Laura Mahay, Chairperson Crafts Council of Ireland; Deputy County Mayor Kevin Murphy; Adrian Wistreich, Secretary of Cork Art and Design; Billy Kelleher TD Minister for Trade and Commerce; Christine Heffernan, West Cork Enterprise Board and Cllr; Michael Frawley, Mayor of Kinsale, at the launch of Cork Craft Month in the Granary building, Kinsale.

- Pic. John Allen

Bowel Cancer Treatment Fund at C.U.H. to benefit from Belgooly's Road Race on St. Stephen's Day.

The Annual St. Stephen's Day 4 Mile Road Race takes place in Belgooly at 12 noon. The race is promoted by Belgooly Athletic Club and the club donates 50% of the entry fee to the Bowel Cancer Treatment Fund at Cork University Hospital. The race is open to all athletes, joggers, fun runners and walkers and entry fee is €10.

Entries are taken on St. Stephen's morning at the GAA Grounds in Belgooly from 9.30 a.m. Last entries will be at 11.45 a.m. Pre entry forms can be obtained by contacting any of the names mentioned below. Changing facilities, showers and refreshments are available at the G.A.A. Grounds. The race starts and finishes in Belgooly.

Prizes will be for the 1st six Men, 1st six Ladies plus master, junior and team prizes.

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Dunderrow N.S. 10th Anniversary Celebrations

A project that began in 1993 and was completed in 2000 when former Principal Mr. Michael Creedon, joined by staff, parents and friends, turned the key in the door of the old school in Horsehill and walked with its, then, 120 pupils to the newly constructed school in Leighmoney more.

The decade has seen much activity in the school. School enrolment numbers continue to grow, now standing at over 200. Principal Mary Cottrell would say that the school has much to be proud of over the last decade having won a national award in BT Young Scientist on two occasions and was overjoyed to have had past pupil Aisling Judge, win the overall national award in 2007. The school has been proudly represented on 3 occasions at the National

Finals of the Credit Union Quiz in the R.D.S Dublin, and has enjoyed success in Sciath na Scol, Cork City Sports.

To commemorate the day pupils from 2nd to 6th returned to the old school in Horsehill where they enjoyed a happy hour playing and exploring. On return pupils, parents past pupils, neighbours and friends joined with Fr Robert Young for a celebration blessing. Mr Noel Henderson, chairperson of the Board of Management, then spoke on the commitment to education in D.N.S. and the positive collaboration that is to be seen between all partners in education.

But the highlight was the planting of a beautiful oak tree by Mrs. Joan O' Sullivan a very special past pupil who earlier this year celebrated her 100th birthday. The children were delighted to hear Joan recall how she had once been a pupil in the old school in the Doon.





FOUNDED IN 1989, THE AWARD WINNING DUNDERROW COMMUNITY ALERT RECENTLY CELEBRATED ITS 21st ANNIVERSARY AT A FUNCTION IN ELI LILLY, DUNDERROW.

'The idea of having a Community Alert for Dunderrow came from Vincent Murphy in December 1988 when he attended a meeting in Kinsale to discuss the formation of a Neighbourhood Watch Group. Encouraged by Garda Jerry O'Leary, he met with Dunderrow ICA and Bowls Club who supported his idea. With the support of May Keohane, an informal meeting was held and it was agreed to call a meeting of the community,' said secretary Fred Treacy who welcomed everyone to the celebration.

'High point of those early years,' said Fred, 'was winning the Chubb Award in 1991 marking Dunderrow as the top Community Alert group in Ireland. This achievement is marked by a stone tablet on the site of the old Tinny House. The high standard then, I believe, has been maintained over all 21 years and I know that Dunderrow is held an example to other Community Alert groups'. Apart from winning the Chubb Award, said Fred, other projects and achievements by the group included care of the elderly, property and the environment; maintenance of Tisaxon and Dunderrow graveyards, installation of Emergency Response phones, organising the senior citizens' Christmas party, working with the Gardai to keep crime levels low and more recently, provision of defibrillators in the community and training of operators in a project

headed up by Eileen Murphy, Killaney. Fund raising has included coffee mornings, sponsored walks and church gate collections and the group is very grateful to those who made donations towards its work.

The secretary specially thanked Eli Lilly for hosting its meetings over the years mentioned William Barrett, Donal Johnson, Eamonn Judge and the catering staff. He acknowledged past and present Garda officers Superintendent Noel O'Sullivan, Supt Bertie Kelleher, Chief Supt Dermot Dwyer, Supt Eddie McEoin, Sgt Pat Maher and Sgt Con Cadogan (now superintendents), Inspector Brendan Fogarty, Sgts Pat Ryan, Alan Gosnell and Mick Lyons, Gardai Jerry O'Leary, John Lawton and especially Larry Murphy and other Kinsale station members. He also welcomed newly appointed crime prevention officer Sergeant Ian O'Callaghan. A magnificent 21st anniversary cake was made by Eli Lilly for the occasion with

excellent fare provided by Frances Tyner, chef John Hurley, Tina Bertoletti, Rose Carroll and Tanya Wrenn.

Supt. Eddie McEoin said Dunderrow was the most active Community Alert group he had come across and it was thanks to voluntary organisations such as this that the crime detection rate of the Bandon District was over 50%. In urging people not to be shy about lifting the phone and dialling 999 if they see anything suspicious taking place, Supt McEoin added: 'Don't consider yourself nose-y but rather as helpful. But for you, we would not get the information to keep this area almost crime free.'

Thanks and congratulations were expressed by retired Garda Larry Murphy and by newly appointed crime prevention officer Sgt Ian O'Callaghan who specially thanked Fred Treacy for his input at Divisional Community Alert meetings in Bandon Garda Station.

'Let us never forget our elderly friends and make Dunderrow an even more wonderful place in which to live,' said PRO and first chairman Vincent Murphy while his brother and county councillor Kevin Murphy also publicly thanked the group and acknowledged the very important role it plays.

The attendance included past and present members and friends from Kinsale Neighbourhood Watch and other Community Alert groups.

* Dunderrow Community Alert meets on the third Monday each month at 8.30pm in Eli Lilly and always welcomes new members. To find out more, phone Vincent Murphy 021-4772588.



Things have been pretty busy in Flynn's Kitchen...

since the man behind it all picked up two awards at annual National Irish Food Awards, 'Blas na hEireann' in Dingle the first weekend in October. Iain Flynn's local baby spinach and ricotta cannelloni won the gold medal in the ready meals & prepared food category. Flynn's Kitchen also won the Supreme Champion Award 2010, the prize for the overall winner of Blas na hEireann, in which there were over 30 categories.

Flynn's Kitchen artisan jams, chutneys and pâtés are sold in Quay Foods here in Kinsale and many other independent shops around the country. And of course they are available every Tuesday at the farmer's market in the church carpark, along with a huge range of Flynn's Kitchen mouthwatering ready-made meals such as chorizo & bean stew, aged parmesan & organic leek quiche and

moroccan lamb tagine to name a few. Iain also runs a stall at Douglas, Mahon Point and Bandon farmers markets.

Iain loves working in the markets for the interaction with customers and the camaraderie with other traders. 'It's a community where everyone helps each other out', he says, adding that a lot of his ingredients come from the markets – in fact, the spinach in his award winning meal came from local Horizon Farms.

The business has been growing since 2007 when Iain was working in Acton's Hotel. He and another chef decided to take a stall at the farmers market. When they realised there were enough customers to make a business out of it they took unit at Kinsale Commercial Park for a workspace. In 2009, Iain's business partner had to leave due to work commitments and Iain now works on his

own from Riverstick.

Naturally Iain is delighted with the regional and national exposure winning the awards has given his business and has already seen an increase in sales. He intends to keep Flynn's Kitchen small with no plans to expand just yet.

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Kinsale Karate Club

Killarney recently hosted the World Martial Arts Game with over 400 competitors gathering at the Aura Sports and Leisure Centre to compete in the 11th Annual World Martial Arts Games. The three day competition kicked off on Friday and continued until Sunday evening with participants competing across 10 rings in over 360 divisions in all styles, all systems and all belt rankings. The tournament commenced with a special seminar with British Martial Arts movie star Zara Phythian, followed by a seminar on full contact rules and K I Fighting. Mayor of Killarney, Donal Brady, visited the centre and carried out the official opening of the games.



(L to R) Chief Instructor John Collins, European and W.O.M.A.A. World Games Champion, Zoe Patel from Wolverhampton who lives in Kinsale and has trained for the past two years under the direction of Chief Instructor John Collins. Zoe has also trained in Jujitsu and won her first World Championship medal in Killarney, taking the bronze medal in the Kumite Sparring event. Instructor John O'Driscoll, no stranger to the W.O.M.A.A. games, won a bronze medal in the Grappling event at the games.

Kinsale Lions Club News



Table Quiz at Actons Hotel raises €1800 for local charities

Although there was a relatively low turn out for the recent Table Quiz at Actons Hotel, there was a very generous response to the obligatory raffle, which resulted in a better than expected sum raised. This is very welcome in the run up to Christmas when the needs of the less well off will be greater than ever.

Lions President Tony Cierans gave special thanks to Actons Hotel, for the well organised venue, and the Good Food Circle of Kinsale who sponsored the main quiz prize. Sponsor of the Hamper, which was first prize in the raffle, was Market Street Surgery.

Question Master Bernard Greaves set a tough standard, with musical rounds provided by Tony Cierans and Rosaleen O'Regan. Joan Hurley was Scoremaster, and other Scrutineers on the night were Ann Corcoran, Sheila Gimblett and Anne McCarthy.

Only a few points separated the first three teams, with the very experienced team led by Séan Hurley, with Noel Coffey, Niall Twamley and Lee Murphy, proving the best at the end.

Cheque Presentations to Local Charities. Tuesday 7th December.

It's an appropriate time of the year for the Lions to support those organisations which are at the coal face of social action in Kinsale. It is not surprising that while requests have increased, donations are fewer and smaller.

Thursday 9th/Friday 10th December

Members of Kinsale Lions will be active at the 'Santa Special' taking place at Fota House. This will see up to two hundred sick children brought from four Cork hospitals to a fun filled Christmas wonderland. They'll meet Santa, aka Lion Bernard Greaves. Assisting with transport will be the Kinsale Vintage Car Club, and all is done in

conjunction with Cork Hospitals' Children's Club.

Lions' Christmas Food Appeal at Supervalu Kinsale

Friday 10th/Saturday 11th December

The Christmas Food Appeal is a national effort by the 117 Lions Club in Ireland, north and south, to channel the generous donations of food and cash from those who are able to give to those who are in need.

Crosbie's Christmas Cabaret

Sunday 12th to Thursday 16th December

Taking place at the Dining Room Theatre of the Blue Haven Hotel. This is the brainchild of Kinsale Lion Billy Crosbie, and will feature many local personalities with multitudenous entertainment talents. Be warned, it shows what can befall Grumpy Granddads. Proceeds are for local charities via Kinsale Lions Club.

Christmas Day Swim

Saturday 25th December

From the Pier Head, Kinsale. This is an annual event running now for over 25 years. Any brave person who is willing to be sponsored to take part, please make contact with Lion Club members: Mervyn on 086-828 9063 or Gary on 021-477 3674.

The usually seasonally cold day will be modified by servings of mulled wine, while there will be much exchanging of Christmas greetings and wishes of good will to one and all.



(photo Howard Crowdy)

Lion Bernard Greaves seeking young recruits for the Redcoats during the Kinsale Lions Boston Tea Party in July.



Pic: Justin Mac Innes, Mac Innes Photography.

Mary Hunt from Tissaxon, Kinsale, won a total of €28,000 on the National Lottery Winning Streak TV Game show on RTE.

Pictured at the presentation of winning cheques were from left :

Marty Whelan, game show host.

Barbara McCallum, The National Lottery ticket selling agent from Supervalu Pearse St, Kinsale.

Mary Hunt, winning participant.

Peter Plunkett, Head of I.T, The National Lottery.

Doreen McCallum

Kathryn Thomas, game show host.

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Irish in Greenwich honour Kinsale Woman, Aggie (Henderson) Forde

Kinsale woman Aggie Forde has been unanimously elected the first ever President of the Irish Community Services in Greenwich, Bexley and Lewisham.

Aggie went to the U.K. in 1947 when she joined her husband Sean Forde in Blackheath, London (in the borough of Greenwich). For many years during the '60s and '70s, Aggie and Sean were involved with the Kinsale Association and were responsible for producing a monthly newsletter for the Association. During the '70s and '80s she took on the roll of treasurer of the Greenwich Irish Pensioners Association for whom she also currently serves as President.

She has been treasurer of five community lunch clubs operated by the Irish Community Services and also serves as a Trustee. The title and honour of President was bestowed on her at a function in the

Town Hall on Wednesday 22nd September. It was attended by the Lord Mayor of Greenwich – Barbara Barwick (seen in photograph presenting flowers to Aggie). It was also attended by Ellen Stafford, Director of the organisation and Cal O'Herlihy, Chair of the Board of Trustees. Following the function at the town hall a reception was arranged for her by the many good friends she has made during her years in Greenwich.

I'm sure everyone that knows her both from Kinsale and Greenwich will agree with the words of Ellen Stafford, when she said "Aggie truly deserves this accolade. She goes above and beyond the call of duty and nothing is too much trouble for her".



Despite her obviously very busy life in Greenwich, Aggie visits her home town of Kinsale and her many family and friends here at least once a year – usually around the time of Kinsale Regatta.

Congratulations to Aggie from all in Kinsale.

BILLY CROSBIE PRODUCTIONS IS "MOVIN' ON UP"

Fresh from a highly acclaimed four night run during Kinsale Arts Week, the Billy Crosbie Productions team has agreed to take their show, The Rat Pack and Friends: In the Cool, Cool, Cool of the Era, to the Everyman Theatre in Cork for a three night engagement, February 25-27, 2011.

This show which delighted Kinsale audiences with the music, the stories and the strut of the Rat Pack, featured the regular Crosbie crew, Billy, Kevin Goggin, Peter Maguire, Aine Ryan, Tony Cope, and the two great Dublin vocalists, Jimmy O'Byrne and Kathy Nugent and bassist George Hart. Rat Pack and Friends features such great songs as The Lady is a Tramp, That's Life, Over the Rainbow, That's Amore, Chicago, Mr. Bojangles, The Second Time Around and many, many more wonderful



Pic. John Allen

songs from The Great American Songbook. The Kinsale performances were sold out well in advance with many showing up at the door each night hoping for tickets.

This is also the team that created the hit show Moon River: a Reflection, a tribute to the great lyricist, Johnny Mercer, which was not only performed in front of four sold out audiences during the 2009 KAW and a "Special" Kinsale evening a month later, but then in November, ran for six nights to packed crowds at the Half Moon Theatre in the Cork Opera House. The scripts for both Moon River and The Rat Pack and Friends have been copyrighted in the United States.

Negotiations are now ongoing to take Moon River to Dublin sometime in 2011. If the possibility of doing two different shows in 2011 is not daunting enough, the Crosbie crew have begun work on a new show for Kinsale for the summer of 2011.

A word to the wise: if past experience is any indication, you should order your tickets as soon as they become available.

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December 2010

on the bookshelf *at the Bookstór*

Bookstór is abuzz! There is a lovely Christmassy feeling in the shop; we are heaving with new books and have just launched our Christmas Catalogue, which is packed full of ideas for gifts, holiday reads and goodies for under €10. Our Christmas Storytime is always a real treat, and we are gearing up for a magical event at 10am on Saturday 4th December, with festive stories, songs and goodies for young children. We celebrated our brilliant second-hand book section on October 23rd with an afternoon of great used books, live music, paper crafts and homemade cakes, and we collected over 900 books for local charitable groups. Thanks to everyone who made the day such a success by bringing in your used

books; we were delighted to be able to pass books on to Kinsale Hospital, the Haven Bay Care Centre and to various programmes supporting the vulnerable throughout Cork.

We received some truly inspired and beautiful entries to our Make a Book Bag Competition. The winning entry came from Alannah Humphreys, with second and third prizes going to Lauren O'Donovan and Lauren Murphy. The winners all received Bookstór gift vouchers.

Mooching around in a cosy bookshop when it is cold and dark outside, before curling up by the fire with a juicy new read, has to be one of the real pleasures of winter:

We wish you all the joys of the season!



Belgooly GAA Lotto Picture (L to R)
Noreen Coleman, Ticket Seller; Jane Coleman, Winner; Nicola Desmond, Club PRO; Cathal O'Shea, Chairman

KINSALE MAIN DRAINAGE

Just when it seemed that Kinsale was getting back to some semblance of normality following several years of upheaval during the Kinsale Main Drainage, traffic restrictions are now once again back in place to facilitate the third and hopefully final phase of the Kinsale Main Drainage Scheme.

L&M Keating Ltd. has recently been awarded the contract for the construction of the storm-water holding tank on the foreshore at Long Quay adjacent to the car-park and the associated pipe-work on Long Quay. Works on the construction of the tank structure on the foreshore have commenced and are ongoing.

Excavations for the pipe-laying activities on Long Quay commenced in mid-November and a section of the road at Long Quay has been fenced for this purpose. The Contractor has established a traffic management system incorporating traffic lights on this section of Long Quay which has been reduced to single lane traffic. Parking restrictions are also in place on a section of Long Quay. The pipe-laying works will proceed towards the junction of Emmet Place/Pearse St.

Meanwhile the construction of the Waste Water Treatment Plant at Commogue Marsh has been completed and the period of process-proving has commenced.

The treatment plant has, in the past few weeks, commenced accepting the main town sewage flow which is being pumped to Commogue via the main pumping station at Denis Quay. Cork County Council apologises for any inconvenience caused.

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on the bookshelf *at The Kinsale Bookshop*

Kinsale Bookshop opened their lovely sun deck this Summer which the customers seem to enjoy, browsing, drinking coffee and taking the sun. Some even did a bit of weeding. For the Arts Week John Eagle's book *Lighthouses of Ireland* was launched, which proved very popular with locals and visitors alike. Gavriel Ezutah from Nigeria told his children's stories which he had heard from his father and grandfather. This was a wonderful morning with children having to find the moral in the stories. Also in July ex Kinsale restaurant owner, now poet, Gerry Galvin's collection *No Recipe* was launched. Gerry caught up with many old friends and customers that evening. In October local author Alannah Hopkin and co author Kathy Bunney signed copies of their book *Ship of Seven Murders*.

In early summer Matthew started his Poetry Evening's; these are held on the first Friday of every month and have proved extremely popular. Poet's come and read their work and those attending include Derek Mahon, Desmond O'Grady, Matthew Sweeney, Gabriel Ezutah, Adam Wyeth, Tom Pirkle, Afric McGlinchey, Mary O'Connell and Derek Robinson. These evenings are not just for poets, some people pop in to listen and some to read a poem they love. Musicians and anyone with a good story to tell will also be welcome. On two of these evenings money has been raised for Haiti and Gaza. Look out for more fund-raising when the bookshop has a book-sale in the New Year.

At the August Poetry Evening local poet Sarah O'Sullivan launched her debut collection *Small Things*. Sarah completed her MA at UCC in 2001. Her thesis was entitled *Mary Dorcey: The Making of Poetry*. She has had her work published in a collection of contemporary poetry called *The Stony Thursday Book*.

The Book club has also been busy reading, titles include Colm Toibin's *Brooklyn*, Joseph O'Connor's *Ghost Light* and Derek Mahon's *An Autumn Wind*. New members are always welcome and if you are new to Kinsale it's a good way of meeting people. Contact the shop for details.

All in all a busy season for Matthew and his staff with more to look forward to during the Christmas season. Look out for details of events and pop in on Saturday mornings and join the Coffee club.



Sarah O'Sullivan with Desmond O'Grady at the launch of her book 'Small Things'.

SHOCK IN KINSALE OVER COURT MOVE TO BANDON

The announcement that sittings of Kinsale District Court are being held in Bandon Courthouse, until further notice, has been described as a downgrading in status and a major blow to Kinsale that must be rectified as quickly as possible.

District Court Judge James McNulty made the announcement under Section 27(3) of the Courts of Justice Act 1953 at the September sitting of Kinsale Court. Justice has been administered in the town dating back to the 17th century when sittings were previously held in the Old Courthouse and Market Hall which is now the regional museum.

The announcement isn't totally surprising, given the fact that on several occasions over the past two years, Judge McNulty, who presides in West Cork District Court Area No. 18, has pointed out to Kinsale Town Council, the Courts Service, the Bar Association, Gardai and other practitioners that the Municipal Hall building in Kinsale had become increasingly unsatisfactory for all court users and with no significant improvements resulting, he was left with no other course of action.

However, the statement issued by the chief clerk for District No. 18, which is based in Clonakilty, did state that the transfer of Kinsale

Court business to Bandon from October 1st is temporary which leaves open the possibility for Cork County and Kinsale Councils, with the assistance of the Courts Service, to take the necessary remedial steps that could possibly herald a return of the District Court to the town, possibly in early 2011.

At present, the upper storey room has defective windows (which are currently being replaced), has very poor acoustics, a noisy floor and only a tiny lobby where practitioners and clients can consult other than go on to the street outside. In the winter, the high ceiling concert room is cold, draughty and uncomfortable.

Judge McNulty said he put forward suggestions as to how the situation could be remedied. He believed that in the upstairs concert room, the stage area could be lowered and recessed to accommodate himself and the court clerk and at the back of the hall, there was scope and space for three rooms to accommodate the hearing of family law cases in private (window side) and consultations. It would still be possible to continue using the room as a venue for drama and indoor sports and other activities on non-court days. He contended the cost of the changes he proposed to keep Kinsale Court in Kinsale would not be excessive, as shown by the superb job done in Lismore, Co Waterford, and added that facilities at the refurbished courthouse in Bandon were excellent and was the standard that should be aspired to for a heritage town such as Kinsale.

Now that the decision had of necessity - but with reluctance - been made to transfer Kinsale Court sittings to Bandon, Judge McNulty said it was his earnest hope that measures would be taken by the local authorities and be supported by the Courts Service. It could be either a temporary respite or a prelude to full loss of an important local facility but added 'where there's a will there's a way.'

Diarmuid O'Shea of O'Shea Byrne and Co Solicitors, Main Street, Kinsale, who has been in practice in since 1989 said the transfer to Bandon is 'a major inconvenience'. Only last year, he pointed out, Kinsale (1st and 3rd Thursday at 10.30am) was given a second sitting in the month in recognition of the fact it was a busy court. It was very important for local practitioners and Gardai to have quick and easy access to their offices on court days rather than having to spend additional time having to travel all the way to Bandon and back. His comments were echoed by Tony Greenway of the long established firm of Hegarty and Horgan Solicitors who added that it didn't make sense for local Gardai to have to be away from the town for long periods.

The point was also made that since the business of Kinsale Court, although in West Cork District No 18, was administered by the District Court Office in Cork rather than Clonakilty, there was a real danger that if the problems concerning the Municipal Hall were not resolved in the short term, Kinsale Court business could eventually be transferred from Bandon to Cork District Courthouse in Anglesea Street on a permanent basis, as happened with major towns such as Carrigaline and Ballincollig Courts which are no more.



A year and half after opening at 19 Market St., business is going strong for Kinsale Health Store

Owner, Karen Garvin, believes that every town needs a health shop. This is a view shared by the many Kinsale residents who were pleased and relieved to see the shop open as it meant they no longer had to travel to city health shops. 'As a new business opening during a recession', says Karen, 'I have been so lucky that local people allowed it to continue by showing huge support.'

The characterful shop is stocked with a wide variety of products. Food makes up half of the stock, including gluten and dairy free and a huge range of frozen vegetarian fare. There are household cleaning products, including Ecover and Lilly refills; supplements, vitamins and herbs by brands such as Vogel, Quest, Higher Nature, Solgar, Udol and Patrick Holford to name a few; angel cards, essential oils, skincare, baby care including eco nappies, hair care and hair dye and much more. If there is something you want that isn't in stock the staff will do their best to source it and get it for you in 3-7 days.



Karen has always had an interest in natural health and medicine and uses it herself and with her children. She is a qualified massage therapist and a reiki master. 'I wanted to work in the same community as I lived. Now I work in an industry that I love.'

The staff, one of whom is a nutritional therapist in training, offer an informed, qualified and helpful alternative health service. They encourage customers to consult with their doctors to help decide on the best complementary medicine for them. There is also a national support line, operated by medically trained staff, that they can ring to check the safety of using certain herbs for people's specific circumstances.

One of the most important features of the shop is the notice area where people pin up posters for alternative therapies and events. Karen often spreads the word about what they are advertising via the shop's facebook page, becoming a hub for information sharing and networking.

The shop also facilitates a community supported agriculture scheme. Thirty members joined the scheme this year, committing to buying a box of vegetables every week from Kinsale Organic Greengrowers, which they collect from the shop.

Karen has been amazed by the lengths people go to to keep their town in business by keeping their business in town and would like to thank all the people who have made a great effort to support Kinsale Health Store and make it what it is today.

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With its large outdoor seating area, canopies and ice-cream hatch, the idea behind the Seaview was to provide good quality food at a reasonable cost somewhere you could enjoy sitting outside. Owners John and Joan Nagle along with their daughter Hannah transformed the Pier Road site, which had long been an eyesore, into a hive of holiday atmosphere. The menu includes a selection of cheese, meat and fish platters, fresh homemade pizza, soup and cakes, a selection of wine and beer, fresh juice, flavoured coffees and lots more. Free wi-fi is available.

John is originally from Kinsale and Joan from Cork city. They now live in Dublin and Joan travels down to Kinsale every weekend to run the Seaview Saturday morning outdoor food market. She is thrilled that the market has developed a following. While the Nagles are in Dublin they are lucky to have a great manager, Maria Cannon, holding it all together for them here.

The Seaview is more than just a business to the Nagles. They would very much like to see it become an asset to the town by taking advantage of its unique space and location. They hosted the Hallowe'en parade and recently held a hugely successful outdoor fashion show featuring winter collections from Nouvelle & Footloose. One Sunday in every month they hold a craft market and would like to organise more varied events, such as artists exhibitions, in the future.

The Seaview will be the venue for an evening festive market on Friday 3rd, 10th and 17th December with 30 stalls, selling all things Christmassy from jewellery to mince pies. You can even place orders there for artisan food to be delivered to your door on Christmas Eve. With a choir to fill the air with carols and even an appearance by Santa, it promises to be not just a shopping experience but a Christmas experience.

The Nagles are making the most of every season at Seaview. In the spring and summer, when the weather warms up again and daylight stretches on, they plan to provide an open-air venue for musicians; tourists and locals alike will be able to sit outside, and enjoy a drink, something to eat and unwind to some live music.

John, Joan and Hannah are delighted with the huge compliments they have received since opening, especially from visitors who had been to Kinsale before and see the Seaview as a great improvement to the town. They are grateful for all the local support they have received and continue to receive since opening.

The Seaview is open 10am until 6pm Sunday - Thursday and 10am until 6.30pm Friday & Saturday.
For more information call 021 4709953

Niamh Prior

Peggie Celebrates 40 years with Super Valu

When Peggie Ross arrived to work at Henry Goods VG Supermarket on Pearse Street, Kinsale, on September 6th 1970 little did she think that she would still be working in the same store forty years later. Peggie celebrated her 40th anniversary with Super Valu on September 6th last. During the past forty years Peggie has seen a huge amount of change with three owners (Henry Good Ltd., John & Eileen McNamara and Michael & Jacinta Smith), the move from behind the counter service to self-service, the introduction of electronic point of sale (scanning), extended trading hours, etc. to name but a few.

"I have thoroughly enjoyed working in the store and the daily interaction with our customers" said Peggie. "I can clearly remember the original small store with the counter located just inside the door. At that time a customer would tell us what they wanted and we would have to fetch it from behind and serve them over the counter."

"The shop used to open at 9.00am and close at 6.00pm. The shop would close for lunch and Thursday was a half day while it was closed on Sundays." That's a far cry from today with the store remaining open from 8.00am until 9.00pm seven days a week.

Michael Smith spoke on behalf of all Peggie's colleagues in Super Valu. "On behalf of all of us in Super Valu I want to thank Peggie for her dedication and commitment. To celebrate forty years in a business is a tremendous achievement and one which is extremely rare these days. Of course Peggie is very well known in Kinsale and is very popular with our customers. We look forward to the next forty years working with Peggie."

Photograph shows some of the staff of Smiths of Kinsale celebrating with Peggie on September 6th.



LEADING LIGHT FOR KINSALE

Alan Gould is the first Kinsale player to represent his county at minor level in hurling since the early 1970s. This team beat Tipperary but subsequently lost to Waterford in a replay at the semi-final stage.

Alan won an All-Ireland medal with the Cork U17 hurling team in 2009. He also won an All-Ireland medal with the Cork Vocational Schools inter-county football team in 2009/10.

Alan has been a leading light for the underage teams in Kinsale. There are many players in the club who are performing very well at underage level and this should pay dividends in the future.

Neilus O'Regan





KINSALE CLIPPER FESTIVAL

With an estimated 45,000 visitors, glorious sunshine, worldwide publicity and a carnival atmosphere, Kinsale hosted the penultimate stage of the Clipper Round the World Yacht Race with crews, support teams and organisers from the ten participating nations vowing to return to the beautiful West Cork harbour town.



At a reception hosted by the Town Council in the Municipal Hall a welcome and congratulations were extended by Mayor Michael Frawley on behalf of the town.

'It has been a great stopover and all the crews have had a ball,' declared a founder of the race in 1996 and the first man to circumnavigate the world single handed, Sir Robin Knox-Johnston.

'You cannot realise what an effect this can have on a town. The crews have been overwhelmed by the friendliness of the people and I know that many of them will be coming back again to this lovely place', added Ulster man Sir Robin whose brother Michael Knox-Johnston used to run the Inchydoney Hotel. He then presented to the mayor a special edition bottle of Benromach Speyside Scotch Whisky.

Reflecting on a festival weekend featuring free live music, quayside food and craft stalls on the quayside, a Clipper parade, guided tours of the yachts and street entertainers, Mayor Frawley said it was 'absolutely magnificent' and a huge boost for the town. There were also art exhibitions, dancers, the Kinsale Drumming Circle, the Clipper Adventure bookmaking workshop, a ceili, historical walks, the RTE Roadcaster, busking and a US Independence Day Boston Tea Party and surf challenge on the lawn of Acton's Hotel on Sunday organised by Kinsale Lions Club to raise funds to bring children in Cork hospitals to Disneyland in Paris next year.

He paid tribute to all the organisations and volunteers involved in hosting the stopover, extended because the fleet led by Cork Clipper arrived early. He specially mentioned Mary Nagle and Margaret Lynch in charge of refreshments and stalwarts of Kinsale Tidy Towns, the Point to Point committee for providing park and ride parking, town manager Mary Ryan and staff of the councils.

Michael presented to Sir Robin Knox-Johnston a Wild Goose Studio crafted boat sculpture depicting the 6th transatlantic voyage by St Brendan entitled 'Strength and Unity' with most appropriately, the following recitation 'The power of a couple or a team pulling together working for the same goal, striving to reach a common destination is far greater than the sum of its parts'.

The mayor then presented him with a framed 16th century picture of Kinsale Harbour and scrolls of same for each of the ten yachts and also made a presentation to Mary Ryan.

Chairman of Kinsale Harbour Board and Deputy County Mayor Kevin Murphy, said Kinsale was thrilled to be chosen as a stopover on the global race and he hoped all who visitors would take home fond memories of a most memorable weekend and come back again. He and Dan Cummins went on a short trip aboard the Cork Clipper to the Old Head of Kinsale and said it was a wonderful experience.

There were also positive comments from Clipper chief executive William Ward; sponsorship manager Sam Parker; communications officer Heather Ewing and Cork Clipper skipper Hannah Jenner. Many of the 200 crew plus their families we met said they intended visiting Kinsale and West Cork again, having had a fantastic time.



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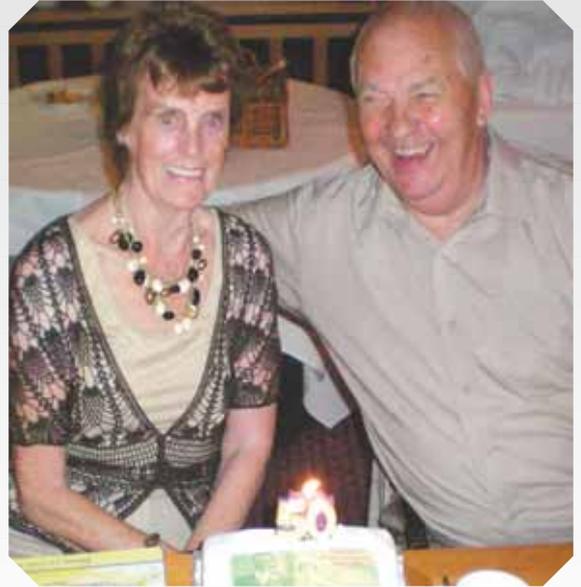
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Katelynn Carroll, Dunderrow, (past pupil of Kinsale Community School) graduated from Canterbury Christ Church University, Kent, with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing with Honours in Interprofessional Learning. Katelynn is the daughter of Leo & Mary Carroll



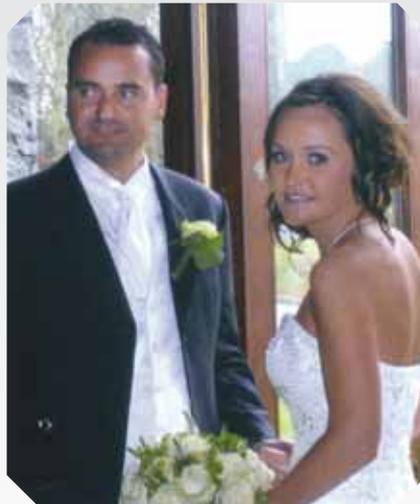
Mairéad O'Hea, Sleaveen, Kinsale, graduated recently from U.C.C. with a B.Sc.(Hons). Mairéad is the daughter of Marie and Des O'Hea.



Daniel & Patricia McNamara celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in Actons Hotel on August 29th



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and Mark O'Driscoll, Britways, Castletlyons,
Castletlyons April 2010
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Mary Sheehan , Belgooly,
and Patrick Crowley, Bandon
St Joseph's Church Riverstick.
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Left: Jenny Wright, Kinsale, & Diarmuid Clancy, Dublin, who were married at St. John the Baptist, Kinsale, on July 2nd 2010. Also included are Jenny's parents Marian and Tim Wright.

Right: Louise Lawton and Matthew O'Shea Belgooly, who were married on July 28th in Sacred Heart Church Belgooly.

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DAYS...



Caroline Arnopp and Paul O'Shea
who were married on June 25th 2010
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Michelle Donohue and Paul Mulcair
who were married on July 30th 2010
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Shaun McCarthy and Lojana Kumar
who were married on July 3rd 2010
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Pictured right are
Grace O'Connor
and Declan Daly who
were married on
October 7th 2010
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Pictured at the Kinsale
Gourmet Festival Mad
Hatters Trail were
Joanne McCarthy,
Caroline Scanlon,
Eoin and Susan
O'Mhurchu,
Fiona Dyer and
Sinéad O'Mahony.
Pic John Allen



Pictured at Kinsale Gourmet Festival's Mad
Hatters Trail is Niamh Kieran, Old Head, Kinsale.
Pic. John Allen



Enjoying the annual Hallowe'en parade
were Katie Compagno and Eve Corkery.
Pic. John Allen



Enjoying the annual Hallowe'en parade
were Gina Ahern and Lucy Foley.
Pic. John Allen



SOUTH CORK BUSINESS ALLIANCE

In a time when most of us have heard about all we can take of the 'R' word, it's refreshing to hear about a group of local business people who have been getting together to help each other out.

The South Cork Business Alliance is an informal business and mentoring group which has been meeting once a week for about two years, every Tuesday at the eager hour of 7.15am. The group has 11 members at present and consists for the most part of service providers. Professions of SCBA members vary greatly, from artist to builder, architect to nutritional therapist.

One aim of the group is to raise the visibility of service providers to let people know they are there. While it is easy for those in retail or tourism to get involved in business networking due to their visibility, service providers can find it more difficult. It is not just service providers, but also some people employed by big corporations who work on their own that join the group.

Over a light breakfast in the Blue Haven the South Cork Business Alliance provide support for each other and exchange ideas and advice. The meetings are held in a structured, informal and friendly atmosphere. They are about brainstorming, stimulating ideas, generating growth and sharing information. The group benefits by having more ears to the ground to find ways to connect and know what's going on. For instance, if someone sees a website that could be useful or hears of an agency that provides funding, they bring the details to the meeting.

Sometimes the members make presentations to the group about what they do and how they work and some have even cooperated on projects. Occasionally they invite a guest speaker and have had talks covering a wide range of subjects, from the technical such as to how write business plans and effective methodology in book-keeping, to the personal such as how you manage yourself.

The South Cork Business Alliance welcomes new members. And one factor that ensures the dynamic of the group is that no more than one person from each profession is accepted in the group at a time. This results in an inspiring diversity of experience and ideas. It not only adds layers to the different information and points of view everyone brings to the table but also encourages more openness as there is no room for competition; everything shared with people of different professions is helpful on a general business level. And then of course, every success is a shared success.

'The South Cork Business Alliance is there for support, to make work easier and more fun. In the present climate that is so important', says Julie Silfverberg, coach and trainer, and a member of the group.

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Niamh Prior



SCBA pictured from left: Alan Clayton, Bobby Nash, Lucy Hyland, Mark Costello, Joe Neville, Julie Silfverberg, Sean Devereaux, Sheena Jolly
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Angela O'Driscoll and three of her grandsons Fionn, Feidhlim and Jordan, pictured with Cork Hurling star, Séan Og O'Halpín at the recent Magic Vacations Disney Showcase at Actons Hotel.

CLASS OF 2010



Former 6th class pupils of St. Joseph's N.S. planting a bay tree to celebrate their last day of national school last June.



Congratulations to the Summercove 3rd class Indoor Football team who finished top of their group at the Indoor Gaelic Football Competition in Riverstick on Wednesday November 24th. They were convincing winners in all of their three matches against Belgooly, Ringaskiddy and St Josephs. They will now play in the semi-final on Thursday December 9th... Well done girls!!

Photo Back Row Left to Right: Clíodhna Doyle, Dara Wall, Faye Ahern, Mia Buckley. Front Row Left to Right: Victoria Bollard, Sarah Murphy, Molly Hegarty.





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Merry Christmas

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our readers, advertisers and contributors for your loyalty and support in 2010.

Please remember to support small local businesses in the run up to Christmas; our local shops, bars, restaurants, service providers, etc, are the lifeblood of our beautiful town.

Wishing you and your families a very peaceful Christmas and a healthy and happy 2011.

From all at the Kinsale & District Newsletter



King of The Hill Triathlon 2010

Kinsale Triathletes from left to right: Séan Hayes, James O'Driscoll, Denis O'Connell and Brian Murphy

The deadline for adverts for the **Bumper Christmas & New Year** issue of the **Kinsale Advertiser** is **Wednesday December 8th at 5pm.**

Please note: adverts must be paid for in advance.

LIONS CLUB SPEARHEADING BID FOR NEW KINSALE PLAYGROUND

Kinsale Lions Club proposes, with the support of West Cork Development Partnership (Leader) and the local community, to develop a new children's playground on the Saile Community Sports and Leisure site at Cappagh.

So stated Cllr Tony Cierans, who is also Lions Club president, at the November meeting of Kinsale Town Council.

Town clerk Ms Michelle Kelleher reported that due to vandalism and necessary repairs, the existing

playground near the Carmelite friary has to be closed temporarily. Cllr Tomas O'Brien and others thanked her for promptly emailing the members so that they could inform parents.

At the previous meeting, Cllr Dermot Collins had suggested consideration be given to relocating the playground to a more suitable site and Mayor Michael Frawley spoke in support. The manager, Ms Mary Ryan said the Saile site was looked at while Cllr Cierans said he was contacted

by people who expressed concern about ongoing vandalism to the existing playground and other problems.

He then said that Kinsale Lions Club was interested in acting as agent in an application for funding to West Cork Development Partnership, since a local authority wasn't eligible, if the Saile site was deemed suitable. He and the manager were due to see the playground in Bandon. Mayor Michael Frawley said a member of the previous playground

committee he spoke to was happy about this and all councillors welcomed the idea with Cllr Darren Cotter suggesting that funding also be sought from Eli Lilly donations committee and the National Lottery.

Area engineer Mr Frank Morrison said the Lions Club worked very well in the past with the county council on developing the public shoreline walk from Charles Fort to Middle Cove.

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Kinsale's Gourmet Nursing Home Haven Bay Care Centre Wins At Nursing Homes Ireland Care Awards

Residents, relatives and staff at **Haven Bay Care Centre** are celebrating following the recent announcement that **Haven Bay Catering Team** has won the **NHI Catering & Nutrition Award** at the first annual Nursing Homes Ireland Care Awards in Association with Homecare Medical Supplies.

The awards were presented to winners by President Mary McAleese on Thursday November 11th at a gala dinner attended by over 450 people in City West Hotel, Dublin. The NHI Care Awards are designed to recognise and reward the contributions made by those living and working in nursing homes nationwide.

Helen O'Regan, Operations Manager, said "We are delighted that our Catering Team has won this award. Emanuele Ferri and his colleagues have created a wonderful dining experience at Haven Bay. Residents provide input into the seasonal menus through the Residents Forum and through comment cards. Special Events are catered and Haven Bay also supplies the local Meals on Wheels in Kinsale.

There has been great excitement and expectation over the last number of weeks following confirmation that Haven Bay Care Centre had been shortlisted in 3 out of 7 categories. Adrienne Crowley was a finalist in Ancillary Worker category and Deirdre Mullins and Jim Grennan were Finalists in the Community Initiative Award. To win the overall Catering and Nutrition award is a fantastic achievement for all residents and staff."

President Mary McAleese addressed the attendance in advance of the announcement of the winners by the MC, well known TV and Radio Personality, Ms Terry Prone.

The attendance also included Minister for Health and Children Mary Harney TD, Dr Marion Witton, Chief Inspector of Social Services, HIQA, President of the Irish Gerontological Society Professor Des O'Neill, Mr Robin Webster, CEO Age Action Ireland and representatives of a variety of stakeholders in older person's care including Alzheimer Society of Ireland and the Senior Citizens Parliament.

Winner of the NHI Nursing Home Catering and Nutrition Award was Haven Bay Catering Team, Chef Emanuele Ferri pictured receiving the award from President Mary McAleese and Tadhg Daly, CEO NHI. Pic: Bryan Brophy



Kinsale Toastmasters meet on the first and third Wednesday of every month in the Trident Hotel at 7.45pm. Toastmasters help with debating and interview skills, all carried out in a friendly and convivial atmosphere. Come along and join the group and you will never again be stuck for words at a wedding speech or debating a point in public. New members are more than welcome.

Kinsale Students Happy with Junior Cert Results

Like many of the other fifty thousand students who received their Junior Cert results, the students of Kinsale Community School were particularly pleased with their performance in their first state exam. The results in the school were very good, and school principal, Mr Seán O'Broin congratulated all the students and their teachers on their hard work and effort over the past three years.



Pictured in the photograph (left to right) are Kinsale students Molly Gibson, Jessica Cronin and Marley McCallum who between them achieved a combined total of 25 A grades in Higher Level papers.



Members of the Ballymartle teams recently visited Belgooly NS where they were welcomed by Chairperson Donal Kelly and principal Eamon Kelly who had 3 sons involved in the teams. The school was visited by the intermediate cup and captain Patrick Dwyer, the junior A SE cup and the U21 cup. Seamus Corry, Man of the Match, also attended. They signed jerseys, sliotars and hurleys to the delight of the pupils.

Kinsale Parish Assembly

A Parish Assembly is a gathering of a large group of parishioners, a cross section of the entire community including the priests and religious. It is concerned with the pastoral, community and faith life of parishioners. The Assembly tries to name the issues that concern people and identify ways of supporting them in their faith journey.

The process of forming the 4th Assembly in Kinsale began in September last with an information leaflet about it being distributed to all parishioners. After this the nomination process began, 243 people were nominated. These people were contacted to verify if they would be interested in serving. There are more than 40 people currently training for the new Assembly and this will be completed by December. They will then be commissioned to serve the parish for the next three years, 2011 to 2014. We wish the new Parish Assembly well.



Crosbie's Christmas Cabaret

This year, The Blue Haven has asked Billy Crosbie to produce a Christmas show and he has assembled some of the immense local talent available in Kinsale, to present a Family Christmas Entertainment in the style of a Cabaret. There will be five evening performances in the Dining Room Theatre of the Blue Haven, Kinsale, from 12th to 16th December.

The story goes that Grumpy Granddad's family have left him all alone for Christmas, so he has invited in the neighbours and friends to cheer him up as the long, dark days are gradually transformed into the Festive Season. But, the best laid schemes.....

Kinsale's newest choir, plus local singers, musicians and entertainers of all ages will be his guests, reminding him of a traditional Christmas atmosphere, but there may well be interruptions and disruption from a number of 'uninvited' interlopers.

Tickets at €12 for adults and €6 for children of ten and under, are available from the Blue Haven reception desk, 021 477 2209.

With a complimentary glass of mulled wine before taking your seats, and a mince pie interval, the show starts at 7.30pm each evening.

This is Kinsale's Christmas show, performed by Kinsale people to Kinsale people, friends and visitors, and all proceeds will go directly to local Kinsale charities via The Kinsale and District Lions Club.



KINSALE REPRESENTED AT INTERNATIONAL FAIRTRADE TOWNS CONFERENCE IN BONN

Kinsale, through town councillor Alan Clayton, was one of the delegates representing Ireland recently at the 4th International Fairtrade Towns conference in Bonn, Germany.

Ireland joined the Fairtrade Towns Campaign in 2003 and now has 46 Fairtrade towns and cities with another 30 working towards status. Clonakilty was Ireland's first Fairtrade town followed by Kinsale.

'This is an international grassroots movement of people who all care passionately about the poorest

producers in the world. We are now on our way to celebrating 1,000 Fairtrade Towns worldwide in 2011 which is a fantastic achievement for volunteers all over the world,' said Melanie Drea, manager of Fairtrade Ireland.

During the conference, the Czech Republic, Poland and Nigeria, among others, signed up to start the Fairtrade Towns

Campaigns in their countries. There were presentations on projects implemented in partner communities in countries of the North and South and opportunities were discussed how Fairtrade can be even more included in community-based sourcing and procurement.

Kinsale & Dock Rowing Club News

The 2010 season has been a very eventful one for the club. Despite having a very good summer weather wise, three regattas were in fact effected by bad weather with 2 being postponed half way through and one being called off before it started. Our own club regatta, which has been in existence for nearly 20 years, did not take place this year because of circumstances beyond our control but rest assured it will be back next year.

The first regatta of the season was held in glorious weather in Blackrock way back on May 23rd where we had just 4 crews entered but despite that 2 of the crews were in the medals with the U16's coming 2nd and the Pre Vet Men coming in 3rd. This season was the first time in a number of years that the club had adult crews and having started off with 2 crews, it had grown to 4 by mid-season. All these adult rowers were completely new to the sport and come from as far away as Indiana and all are parents of kids who are rowing in the U12, U14 and U16 categories, so it really shows that coastal rowing is a sport in which all the family can participate. Apart from the 4 other championship regattas, 2 of the country's biggest coastal regattas of the season, namely the County Finals and the ICRF All Irelands, were also held in Cork Harbour. The counties, for which we had 5 crews qualified, were held in Cuskinny on July 18th and unfortunately they had to be abandoned after 9 categories due to terrible weather with the Pre Vet Men being swamped during their race. They were re-fixed for August 7th but unfortunately our results on both days were disappointing. On the following day we headed for Crosshaven but again the weather intervened half way through and led to the remainder of the regatta being run on August 28th.

The club entered 11 crews (including 2 U14's) in the ICRF All Irelands which were held in excellent conditions in Lower Aghada on August 14th/15th which were hosted by Whitegate RC. The heats were held on the Saturday and 7 of the 11 crews qualified for the finals on the Sunday, as you'd expect competition in the finals was very strong and none managed to win medals with the best placed being the Pre Vet Men who were placed 8th and the U21 Ladies coming 9th but all 11 can feel proud of their efforts and when you consider we had just 4 crews in the first regatta of the season to having 7 in first 12 in Ireland by seasons end is a great achievement.

Currently plans are a foot to start a big fundraising effort by the club during the winter. The club requires about €15000 to purchase a new boat, oars and road trailer. We hope that we will receive the necessary support from the community for this project as there are no longer National Lottery grants available for sports clubs.

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Kinsale Students Receive Scholarships

For the third year in a row Kinsale Community School has been recognised for its outstanding Leaving Certificate results when two its students received prestigious scholarships awarded by the JP McManus All Ireland Scholarships Trust. This annual scholarship scheme provides third level education scholarships to top 100 performing eligible Leaving Certificate students.

Billy McCarthy and Eoin O'Leary, who obtained places in UCC and TCD respectively, were presented with their scholarships by JP McManus at a special ceremony held in UL on Saturday November 6th. Joining them in celebrating their success were their families and their school principal Séan O'Broin who said, 'I am very proud of the achievements of Billy and Eoin who were all-round excellent students in Kinsale Community School and who are an excellent example to our current students.'



STUDENTS LOBBY KINSALE TOWN COUNCIL...

'In God's name do something!' said Cllr Dermot Collins at the November meeting of Kinsale Town Council attended by pupils and a teacher from Kinsale Community School with the results of a survey stating that an accident is waiting to happen unless a pedestrian crossing and other safety measures are put in place.

Present were Leaving Cert Applied students John Dillon, Ross O'Connor, Margaret Fogarty and Laura McDonald with teacher Mr Diarmuid O'Donovan. Their social education action project was circulated on their behalf by deputy mayor Tony Cierans, also a teacher at the school, who said the most dangerous times were 15 minutes before and after each working day when 760 pupils and around 70 staff would be going to and from the school by bus, car or by foot from every direction. He added that it must be one of the few schools without such a facility. Moved by the deaths of 11 teenagers in two crashes in Ireland last summer, the students decided to do a project on road safety to prevent Kinsale teenagers being killed or seriously injured. It was pointed out that the road no longer had anti-speed ramps to curb speeding and no signs to warn motorists and called for these to be installed in conjunction with a

pedestrian crossing to benefit not only the school but all other residents in the area. To support their case, the students produced the results of a survey of 57 people at the school and photographs showing the total lack of safety measures and how vision is obscured by buses and other vehicles.

A similar plea for a crossing before there was serious injury or loss of life was made in a letter to the previous meeting by principal Mr Séan O'Broin after the issue was highlighted by Cllr Cierans.

Area engineer Mr Frank Morrison said he too would like to see a pedestrian crossing in place but since the road wasn't yet taken over by Cork County Council it couldn't legally do anything.

Cllr Collins however, said he wasn't satisfied with the reply. The issue had been raised many times and councillors were repeatedly being 'fobbed off'. He urged that taking in charge of the road be expedited and called on the county council with the guards to get something done before it was too late.

Cllr Tomas O'Brien agreed, and called for a report next month that would guarantee immediate action and positive measures that

Micky Mouse and Donald Duck will, next spring, be once again greeting many young friends from Cork City Hospitals who have been visiting them in Disney Paris.

Kinsale Lions teamed together with Cork Hospitals' Children's Club in running a Fun Cycle Run from alongside the Naval Service vessel LE ORLA docked at Horgans Wharf to Ballincollig, and thence to Kinsale.

At the same time an eighty strong group of Expert Cyclists covered 130km on a circular and sometimes hilly course from Kinsale to Crookstown and Coachford and back to Kinsale.

Perfect weather encouraged the cyclists who took part in the two events which went off very smoothly, thanks to generous assistance from Gardai, Civil Defence and HSE staff.

Collections were mostly based in Cork City and Ballincollig, and were augmented by jazz revellers in Kinsale when the cyclists arrived in town.



All proceeds are going towards sending over forty seriously ill children to Paris, accompanied by volunteer medical carers. This is the thirteenth year of the Disney trip.

Kinsale AFC

Recent results from the Men's AUL

Mossie Linnane Cup League	1st Round Kinsale 1 Coachford 0
Mossie Linnane Cup League	Knockavilla 0 Kinsale 1 (E. Jones)
Mossie Linnane Cup	Kinsale 2 (R. Walsh, D. McCarthy) Blarney Street 0
Mossie Linnane Cup	1/4 Final Kinsale 2 (D. McCarthy) Park United 1
Mossie Linnane Cup	Semi Final Kinsale 3 (R. Walsh, D. McCarthy, S. Lyons) Ballyvolane 0
AOH Cup	Kinsale 2 (D. McCarthy, P. Fitzgerald) Greenwood 0
FAI Cup	Kinsale 3 (D. McCarthy, R. Walsh, S. Lyons) Kilmurray 1
Munster Junior Cup	Park Utd 0 Kinsale 7
FAI Cup	Crescent Athletic 1 Kinsale 4 (S. Lyons, E. Jones, J. O'Donovan, C. McCarthy)
Munster Junior Cup	Greenwood 1 Kinsale 1 Kinsale won 5/4 on penalties

could be taken such as a pedestrian crossing, temporary flashing lights and recruiting volunteers to assist in helping people cross there.

Cllr Alan Clayton said there was also an opportunity to incorporate a cycle lane and complimented students who initiated installation of a cycle rack in the school property.

Mayor Michael Frawley, said it was embarrassing that it had taken a delegation to light the fire under their feet even though elected members had been pressing for it. He welcomed young people attending council meetings but feared they would see it as just a talking shop if nothing happened. Taking in charge of the road was urgent and in calling for a proper roundabout, ramps, signage and a crossing undertook to raise the issue at the next meeting of the county council's Bandon Macroom Area Committee which he attends as mayor.

A pedestrian crossing would also serve the nearby Saile Sports and Community Project, the first phase of which President Mary McAleese opened on October 30th.



Michel Laroche hosts wine evening in Man Friday, Kinsale

The internationally acclaimed winemaker Michel Laroche flew into Cork recently to host a wine evening in The Man Friday Restaurant, Kinsale, in conjunction with Christys Wines and Spirits.

The best of Chablis from his Burgundy house, Domaine Laroche, were quaffed on the night and also a fantastic Pinot Noir from his Chilean winery, Punto Alto.

Michel has been one of the leading pioneers of Screw Cap bottle, he endorses Screw Cap closures so much so that he began using it on only his best Grand Crus back in 2002 – he believes the wines have a much better freshness and crispness than its traditional alternative, natural cork.

A beautiful meal was served with each course designed to match the wines, for example Chablis Premier Cru with a beautiful Crab au Gratin. Among those who attended the Wine Evening were Colm & Aoiife McCann, Ballymaloe House; Carole Norman, Crackpots; Neil Hegarty and Jeremy Smith, The Pink Elephant; Anthony & Susan Mullane, The Trident Hotel; and Pearse and Mary O'Sullivan, Toddies at The Bulman.

Pictured top right: Michel Laroche (right) shared a glass with Pearse and Mary O'Sullivan, of Toddies at The Bulman. Pictured right enjoying the evening were Olivier Bouche and Carole Norman of Crackpots
Pics. John Allen



WILD GOOSE STUDIO KINSALE - FLYING HIGH FOR 40 YEARS!

Gifts with real meaning that inspire the imagination and are treasured by thousands of people all over the world are designed and crafted in Kinsale by a small but multi-talented team at the Wild Goose Studio, which this year celebrates its 40th anniversary.

The inspiration for the company's global success is Ireland's rich history, poetry and mythology all made possible by the creativity and entrepreneurial spirit of Eileen Scott-McCarthy and Kathleen Smyth and continued four decades later by Brian's son-in-law Jamie McCarthy-Fisher and sales director Clive Salter. Wild Goose is truly a total team effort by a staff dedicated to quality and excellence which is evident at its purpose built manufacturing unit and showroom at Farm Lane. The versatile production team comprises Margaret Moore, Noreen Bouse, Paul Beckwith, Adam Grabski, Eileen O'Brien and Tom Maher. At the workshop, designs are carved using clay or plaster and then cast into a mould using rubber with a catalyst. From the mould a cast is made, which is comprised of a bronze or cast iron powder with ceramic resin. This is then sanded and depending on what finish is required (bronze or iron) is polished by Margaret or one of the other members of the team.

There is also a packing and framing room where Wild Goose products which are not sold loose, are put into attractive presentation box packs or wooden frames by Eileen and Tom. The frames are manufactured and supplied by Strand Framing, Clonakilty.

Wild Goose Studio has around 500 retail outlet customers worldwide, including the USA, Canada, Australasia and the UK with 175 in Ireland.

Jamie says he was lucky to learn about the business from Brian and Kathleen who founded the business in Bantry in 1970, and who always ran it with costs in mind and never ran up debts. In these trickier times, it's good to report that we don't owe money' said Jamie who resides in Ballydehob with Brian's daughter Miranda and four children.

Another important factor in the Co. Cork company's success was the appointment ten years ago of Clive Salter as its sales director. It was Clive who suggested it look beyond the domestic tourist market and this resulted in the production of framed pieces and presentation packs for a much wider customer market.

While stressing that a strong tourist domestic buyer base in Ireland continues to be very important, Jamie said the manufacture of Wild Goose gifts at affordable prices for the corporate sector, for special occasions such as weddings, engagements and anniversaries and also for a growing overseas tourist market had, to a degree, served to protect the company from the current downturn in the national economy. The company also enjoys a thriving mail order and internet business, particularly to US customers. A very important role, continued Jamie, is played in administration at the Kinsale facility by Trish McCarthy and Anne O'Connell who keep customers fully up to date with all that's happening.

But what makes a Wild Goose Studio gift so special? 'Our gifts are I believe, more thoughtful than the average souvenir', said Jamie. "What attracts the purchaser, is the idea that goes with the piece chosen and the emotional attachment that results." The company has, over the years, worked with prominent Irish and European designers, sculptors, stone and letter carvers including co-founder and director Kathleen Smyth who recently celebrated her 80th birthday. In addition to being managing director and financial controller, Jamie is constantly endeavouring to think up new ideas. However, while Wild Goose Studio has moved with the times and produces contemporary pieces, there continues to be customer demand for its gifts dating back right back to 1970.

Looking ahead with confidence to continued growth and creating new products to give pleasure and inspiration, Jamie said the company would shortly be setting up on its website, a Wild Goose Collectors' Club in which members could purchase special items signed limited edition pieces and historical designs which are not otherwise available in the shops.

Full information is available at www.wildgoosestudio.com





STUDENTS LAUDED AT KINSALE AWARDS NIGHT

Kinsale Community School held its annual awards ceremony, Éacht na Scoiláirí, on Friday 12 November. Nearly 500 students, parents and staff packed into the school hall to honour the achievements of the Kinsale students in a variety of areas.

Guest of Honour for the night was former school principal and current manager of the Limerick hurling team, Dónal O'Grady. He praised the work of the school and in his address he highlighted that although results are important he thought it far more important that students learn to be decent young people and adults. Dónal said the night was a celebration of the many fine attributes and achievements of Kinsale students and in his address he unsurprisingly used a number of hurling analogies. Testament to Dónal's generosity is the fact that instead of being given a token of appreciation by the school he insisted the money used to buy such a token be given to local charity and this was done when a presentation was made to Kinsale Lions Club President, Tony Cierans.

On the night, students received awards for a host of achievements and activities ranging from Year Awards to Sporting Awards to Academic Awards. Pupils from the Leaving Cert class of 2010 were honoured for their outstanding results with the Senior Academic Award being presented by Seamus Malone from Eli Lilly to Billy McCarthy who is now studying in UCC.

Other notable awards on the night were the Sinéad Barry Memorial Award for Business which went to Holly McGill and the Catherine O'Byrne Memorial Award for German which was presented to Rebecca Foott. The Kilian Ryan Memorial Award for the Arts was presented to accordion player Liam O'Keeffe who displayed his fine musical skills during the musical interlude. Lorraine Stanley, Manager of the AIB, presented the Junior Sports Award to joint winners Timmy Broderick and Mateusz Rudak, whilst Conor Brosnan, Manager of the Bank of Ireland, presented Jacinta Crowley with the Senior Sports Award.

One award of note was the presentation of two gold medals to Patrick O'Leary and Caron O'Reilly for achieving excellent results in their GAA coaching module during TY. Both Joe McGrath, who teaches the module and John Twomey, Chairman of the South East Board, came to the school to honour the two students and explain that these gold medals are presented by the GAA only when the work is of outstanding quality.

In his address on the night, school principal Seán Ó Broin reminded people that in the past, when times were tougher than at present, the Irish people greatly valued education. He stated that 'Children of past eras have passed on a rich legacy that must never be forgotten and I am glad to say that the students of our school, as represented at tonight's awards, are proud bearers of that tradition.' Mr Ó Broin also paid tribute to former principal Sr Mary Donovan on the night recalling her enormous contribution to education in Kinsale.



TALK TO US, SAYS KINSALE TOWN COUNCIL TO THOSE INRATES AND RENT ARREARS

'Come and talk to us'. That's the advice from Kinsale Town Council at a time when 60% of rates due for 2010 is outstanding and further notices to quit from local authority houses have had to be issued.

Town clerk Ms Michelle Kelleher, in reply to Cllr Dermot Collins at the November meeting, stressed that terminating a tenancy was 'an absolute last resort' and would only happen where no effort was made to pay rent. Indeed, if a payment was made after a notice to quit was issued, a person could be given a second chance and the tenancy could be

renewed.

Members noted under manager's orders, termination of tenancy for two dwellings at Barrack Green and individual units at Presentation Terrace and Sean Hales Terrace.

There were also manager's orders authorising legal proceedings in respect of arrears of rates against 32 business premises in Kinsale with the highest being €30,616. The total rates warrant for 2010 was around €1million plus some arrears carried over from 2009.

In reply to Cllr Fred Treacy, the town clerk said a lot of six day notices had been sent out and if

there was no response after that, the matter was referred to the council's solicitor and a summons issued. The council encouraged standing orders and the message to ratepayers in trouble was 'come and talk to us' because taking a person to court was the last thing the council wished to do.

Members agreed to arrange a special meeting to discuss the annual financial statements for 2008 and 2009.

Cllr Tomas O'Brien, in reference to a written reply in the Dail from Minister of State Michael Finneran to Deputy Roisin

Shortall, enquired about the €75,000 allocation to Kinsale out of a national total of €40million for the retro-fitting of council houses to improve energy standards.

The town clerk said that up to now the money could only be used on vacant council houses of which there were none in Kinsale but following a recent notification from the Department of the Environment, it would be possible to do some of the council's housing stock of 93 if a tender could be obtained in time.

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TRANSITION TIMES

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

Working today for a sustainable tomorrow

It's been another busy year for Transition Town Kinsale with an ever-expanding group of people becoming involved in helping to create a resilient and sustainable community. The sheer variety of events and activities is sometimes overwhelming, but the fun and vibrant community spirit that comes with each one means that the buzz and enjoyment is well worth the effort.

50 MILE MEAL 2010

Another hugely successful '50 Mile Meal' took place at the Mad Hatter's Taste of Kinsale on 9th October. We were thrilled to have acclaimed food critic and author, Hugo Arnold, as our judge this year, and he was extremely impressed both by the quality of food on offer and the effort put in by chefs to source the ingredients as locally as possible. Congratulations to Pearse O'Sullivan of Toddies @ the Bulman who prepared the 'Most Exquisite' 50 Mile Meal: Butternut Squash & Oysterhaven Mussels and Pork with Jerk Seasoning & Tomatillo Salsa. The Transition Town Kinsale Special Commendation went to David O'Sullivan at Fishy Fishy for the 'Feast from the Sea' which was 'local, wild and free': periwinkles, samphire and beetroot from the garden! Congratulations to our winners, and to all who took part in raising awareness of the importance of local food production.

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LOTIONS AND POTIONS

We have held two Lotions and Potions events so far this year and both were hosted by lovely ladies, Gabi and Mary who taught us to make a variety of hand creams, lip balms and even your own toothpaste! That last one got a big ooh from our latest bunch of folk who attended the event during a lashing, howling windy night. Did we care? We were cosy indoors learning new skills. The banter and craic are good to go for alone but the added bonus of leaving with lovely new smellies is what puts even more of a twinkle in our eye.

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WILD FOOD WALKS

There was a wonderfully wide variety of wild walks this year ranging in theme from simply 'Nature', through 'Butterfly' to 'Medicine/Herbal' and 'Ecology' and the last one was a mushroom walk. All were well received this year and many people came along to enjoy the fascinating learning while getting in a bit of exercise and getting to meet new people at the same time. It's so good for the spirit to get out into nature to the wild and lovely places that we are so blessed to have around us.

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COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE (CSA)

Community Supported Agriculture is an exciting development in food production, popular in Japan, Germany and the US and now gaining ground in the UK and Ireland. Members of a community come together with a farmer/food grower and share in the costs and risks of growing produce, so that no one person is shouldering the burden and yet we all share in the harvest. In Kinsale there are three such initiatives: Kinsale Green Growers, aka Aimi Pinder and Becca Stevenson, who do a weekly bag of locally grown fresh and organic vegetables; half an acre of oats has been grown and harvested on Derry Desmond's farm at Ringrone and they now await the dehulling, rolling and roasting part of the process. Eventually we'll be eating our own locally grown organic porridge. Finally Colm O'Regan has grown some

very tasty potatoes and once a month, members get sacks of delicious organic Charlotte and Setanta potatoes delivered to their door. All of this greatly increases Kinsale's resilience and means we are slowly building a secure food economy for an energy uncertain future. © Klaus Harvey

AUTUMN FOOD FEST

The first thing one notices upon attending many of Transition Town Kinsale's events is the happy smiling faces and everyone joining in and having a good time. At the Autumn Food Fest, people coming in from the street were greeted by chatty and informative kids at the door telling every one what was going on inside. Inside I saw adults and kids and tourists alike all finding out how to use the apple press, and getting stuck in with the butter making, learn about rolling oats or how to keep bees. Kids and adults were painting locally grown gourds. You could also barter preserves and chutneys, learn about herbs and tinctures, nutrition, or just sit and enjoy locally produced and grown refreshment for lunch in the café. Meanwhile local musicians entertained and the food mountain, created by locally grown produce, was boxed and given out as prizes.

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TINI GATHERING

The first gathering of Transitionistas from all over the island of Ireland took place in Gurteen Agricultural College, Co. Tipperary, last August. Over 100 people turned up for a fun-filled weekend of workshops, discussions, games, networking and a visit to Cloughjordan Community Farm. There were children's activities, swimming in the outdoor pool and an open music/storytelling session on the final evening which revealed a hugely talented group of people. So much more can be achieved if we all pull together, and we saw how absolutely enjoyable it can be. Roll on next year.

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COMMUNITY GARDEN AWARDS

TTK community garden awards 2010 were held at this year's Autumn Food Fest with prizes being given to local groups who run and share their own food gardens. Community gardening is a great way to get outdoors, get some exercise, learn about working with nature, make new friends and relationships as well as producing local food to be shared amongst the garden's workers. The award scheme is now in its second year and aims to reward and celebrate the achievements of all those involved in community gardens around the town as well as encouraging and inspiring new gardens to be created.

This year's 'Best Community Garden award' went to Haven Bay Care Centre for their garden kept by staff and residents alike.

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This year they not only have they grown delicious fruit and vegetables to be used in the kitchen, but also created a calming chamomile seat for residents to sit and enjoy their garden from. Other winning activities include extensive composting and the encouragement of biodiversity in the garden through planting beneficial flowers and creating habitats for all sorts of creepy crawlies. Haven Bay were awarded with a specially commissioned trophy by Rob Ireson of Glen Studios which will be on proud display at the care home for the coming year. The winners will also be forwarded into the county-wide awards held by Cork Environmental Forum in December.

Nobody went away empty handed though with St Multose School, Kinsale Community School, St John's School, Summercove School and the community hospital all taking away the runners up prizes and a cheque to be spent on the garden for next season. Well done to everyone involved! If you are interested to start a community garden or enter a current garden into next year's award scheme please contact Aimi on 085 8300074.

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Congratulations extended to Kinsale Tidy Towns Committee

'It's the biggest eyesore in town', said Cllr Tony Cierans at the October meeting of Kinsale Town Council when referring to the disused former Guardwell House hostel.

The six storey building, he complained, looked decrepid with decayed windows and curtains and urged that action be taken to remedy this. Cllr Tomas O'Brien concurred and members noted that the Tidy Towns adjudicator in his report said the building could do with freshening up with paint.

Cllr Tomas O'Brien said he understood the ground floor was apparently owned by Criminal Assets Bureau and the rest of the building which has been idle, for over three years, had multiple owners. The manager, Ms Mary Ryan, agreed it was an eyesore, and said could possibly be taken under the Derelict Sites Act. It was agreed to further investigate.

On a positive note, there were congratulations from members and officials to Mr Charles Henderson, Cllr Billy Lynch and fellow members of Kinsale Tidy Towns committee on winning a silver medal and increasing by ten marks in the national competition to 297 out of 400.

Cllr Alan Clayton noted that the adjudicator's report asked if Tidy Towns was working with Transition Town Kinsale (TTK) which was world's first. TTK, he said was promoting fruit and nut tree growing and community gardens etc and he believed that a closer worker relationship between TTK and Tidy Towns would help Kinsale achieve a gold medal.

Cllr Lynch said no comment was made in the report about the 1601 Mast and Lost at Sea Memorial, nor the dramatic improvement to the road surface in the aftermath of the sewerage scheme. Had the adjudicator been the same person who was coming to Kinsale in recent years, he had no doubt the mark would have been even higher.

Thanking fellow councillors and paying tribute to the small but hard working Tidy Towns committee, Cllr Lynch also acknowledged the input this year of Kinsale Rugby Club and Scilly Residents' Association in clean-ups and called on more clubs and organisations to do likewise in 2011. Cllr Harrington also paid tribute to Scilly residents. The manager said there was need for more people to get involved in Tidy Towns.

CHAIRMAN ELECTED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr Tony Lane was unanimously elected Chairman of Kinsale Harbour Board for the coming twelve months at the Annual General Meeting of the statutory body.

A native of Dunderrow, Mr Lane, who was appointed to the board twelve months ago by Minister Noel Dempsey, paid tribute to the outgoing Chairman Mr Kevin Murphy.

Nominated by Mr Alan Coleman and seconded by Mr Eamonn O' Neill, Mr Lane, who operates the Social Welfare Office in Kinsale, said he was looking forward to working with such a fine group of people over the lifetime of his term.

He also took the opportunity to acknowledge the work of local Harbour Master, Mr Phil Devitt, whom he described as a consummate professional.

Earlier, the outgoing Chairman, Mr Kevin Murphy, who was elected to the position of Vice Chairman, as is the tradition with the Harbour Board, said: 'I have serious pride in this harbour and I wish to thank all my fellow board members for making my term very successful.'

In particular, Mr Murphy highlighted the Clipper Race, completion of Adam's Quay and securing of funding for the repair of main town pier as being some of the significant events of his term in the chair.

The coming year also promises to provide some challenges for the incoming Chairman, with work expected to begin shortly on the town pier as the tender process is almost complete.

JJ Hurley



90K TO CLEAN RIVER

There was swift action following a meeting at the Babbling Brooke, Riverstick, on Monday November 2nd, between the local residents, Cllr Alan Coleman and Fianna Fail TD, Christy O' Sullivan, to discuss the cleaning of the river. Many of the local inhabitants, who have the misfortune to live along its course, are subject to ongoing flooding and have been frustrated at the slow pace in resolving the issue. However, the residents of the locality were delighted to learn that, following a deputation from Cllr Coleman and Mr. O'Sullivan to Dublin, Minister Mansergh allocated 90k to clean the course of the river from Riverstick to Belgooly. Certainly, many motorists, who use the main artery between Kinsale and Cork, will also welcome the initiative as flooding from the river last winter caused major headaches for many drivers.

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December 2010

Thrilling Sciath na Scoil Football Final

Summercove 2-04 Dunderrow 1-04

On Wednesday November 10th neighbouring schools and club teammates Summercove and Dunderrow met in a thrilling battle in Páirc Uí Chaoimh in the Allianz Sciath na Scol DF4 final or 'The Battle of Kinsale' as the commentator described the event.

Dunderrow were first on the scoreboard with a point from Aoife Desmond and Ciara Forde was lording matters at the back for Dunderrow quelling the dangerous Summercove attack but a cracking shot from Georgia Gould went all the way to the net to give Summercove the lead. Summercove settled and found their feet after the goal and Sadhbh O'Leary stormed into the game striking fear into the hearts of the Dunderrow defence. Dunderrow gained possession around the middle of the park though and worked themselves back to parity with points from Juliette Cronin and Éadaoin O'Leary with the score now standing at 1-0 to 0-3. Sadhbh O'Leary then scored a superb point on the stroke of half time to afford Summercove the slenderest of leads.

The second half began with Summercove gaining possession after the throw in and Sadhbh O'Leary slotted over another impressive point to put them two points clear. Georgia Gould rowed in with a point to extend the lead and a third effort from O'Leary skimmed the crossbar much to Dunderrow's relief. Summercove now held a commanding lead but Dunderrow pressed to swing the tie back in their favour.

Sophie Neville's goal chance went wide of the post but a pointed free from Ciara Forde and a stunning goal from Aoife Desmond levelled matters at 1-4 a piece. It would take something special to separate the sides and it was fitting that Sadhbh O'Leary who gave her heart and soul into the game had the final say with a breathtaking goal to claim the plaudits for Summercove.

Along with the huge contributions from the Summercove mid-fielders O'Leary and Gould the goalkeeper Jennifer Murphy made some crucial saves and always remained level headed, she was ably assisted by the solid full backline of Armelle Ogden (Capt) and Michelle Graef. Joanne Connell was the half back sweeper supported by Jennifer McCarthy. The half forwards Amber McCauliffe and Jenny Walsh were supported by the inside forwards Niamh Cronin, Clíodhna Ní Shúilleabháin and Rachel Daly (sub) who all played their part to capture this tremendous victory.

Summercove would like to thank the huge "sea" of blue and white clad supporters of parents, grandparents, teachers, school friends and many past pupils who cheered them on.

Summercove NS have been represented in Sciath na Scol Finals on eight occasions to date, winning seven of those eight.

Sciath na Scol now serves over 400 primary schools in Cork County. It exists through the hard work of teachers past and present to ensure Gaelic games flourish and it allows boys and girls to participate in the full range of the Gaelic games. The competition allows children to enjoy the competitive yet fun aspect of sport and to realise their own sporting potential and enjoy the honour of representing their schools in the matches and finals in Páirc Uí Rinn and Páirc Uí Chaoimh. Congratulations and well done to all involved.!



Pictured above is the victorious Summercove team and below the very worthy runner up Dunderrow team in the most thrilling match of the day at the Scaith na Scol finals



Charles Fort to be illuminated

Following a campaign for many years, the outer walls of Charles Fort in Kinsale are to be illuminated, under a plan implemented by the OPW. The fort, which is one of the primary historical attractions in the region, will now be visible from the town at night. A number of members from Kinsale Harbour Commissioners attended a test of the proposed lighting recently and were suitably impressed.

On a related subject, Kinsale Harbour Commissioner, Mr Eamonn O'Neill, raised the issue of the mast on the Pier Road at the recent monthly meeting. Designed by Mr Rob Jacob, to mark the 400th anniversary of the Battle of Kinsale, Mr O'Neill said: 'Mr Jacob has written to the Harbour Board raising his concern over the ongoing maintenance of the mast.' Harbour Commissioner, Mr Micheal Frawley, who is currently Mayor of Kinsale, promised to raise the issue at the next Town Council meeting, as the mast comes under its jurisdiction.

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There is always one good thing about the short days of November, and that is that it's the month that the RNLI Lifeboat Art Exhibition fundraiser, is held in Hilary Hale's welcoming home – Rincurran Hall in Summercove.

Each year Hilary generously gives over a large part of her house to stage the exhibition which always has an interesting mix of Art, Sculpture, and Jewellery, plus Hilary Hale's own lovely wood turned pieces. This year's line up included great artwork from: Anne A Bologna, Sue Jacob, Geraldine Kieran and Tom Pirkle, Joanne Robey's unique sculptural pieces, vibrant and quirky ceramics from Natalie Allen, Susan Griffith's jewellery of semi precious stones, some lovely fused glass from Diana Good, and last but not least, gorgeous fragrant items from the Sally Miller Collection.

A percentage of all sales were donated to the RNLI and the popular RNLI cards and Calenders were also on sale. This event is a really great way to support the amazing work of the RNLI lifeboat system which looks after all those at sea and also to show appreciation to all those courageous crewmen who all give their time on a totally voluntary basis.

Kinsale Toastmasters meet on the first and third Wednesday of every month in the Trident Hotel at 7.45pm. Toastmasters help with debating and interview skills, all carried out in a friendly and convivial atmosphere. Come along and join the group and you will never again be stuck for words at a wedding speech or debating a point in public. New members are more than welcome.



Centra Riverstick Invests €5000 in Underage Club

There was a significant boost for the Sliabh Rua club recently, with the announcement that Centra, Riverstick, is to sponsor the local club to the tune of €5000 over the coming three years.

The underage club, which encompasses Ballymartle and Belgooly GAA clubs, currently caters for over 170 children from Clontead parish, will certainly benefit from the significant sponsorship deal.

Mr Anthony Cummins, who is the club's chairperson, said: "We are extremely grateful to Leo for his significant investment and it will help in continuing to grow the success of the local club."

Already the club's academy has nurtured a number of accomplished hurlers who have represented their county at Minor, Junior, Intermediate and Senior hurling levels over the past number of years.

Mr Leo Flynn, who operates the Centra franchise in the local village and also gives significant employment in the area, said: 'I am delighted to team up with Sliabh Rua and help promote activities for the young people in the area.'

Since taking over the Centra store three years ago, Mr Flynn has been a keen supporter of many local organisations and activities in the district, including Belgooly NS and the defibrillator initiative, describing his donations and sponsorship to the local community organisations as an opportunity to thank the local residents for their loyalty in supporting his business.

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Ballymartle Ladies Mark Anniversary

The members of Ballymartle ICA marked their 58th anniversary recently with a tree-laying ceremony at St Joseph's Church, Riverstick.

The large attendance, which included three original members of the local Guild, Mrs Shelia Coleman, Mrs Rita Dwyer and Mrs Eileen S. Kelleher, were addressed by its current Chairperson, Mrs Angela Foley.

Mrs Foley paid tribute to all the members of the local association over the past 58 years who have made the organisation such a success in Clontead parish. She also thanked the local Parish Priest, tAthair O'Murchu, for providing a location on the church grounds to mark this unique milestone, which she referred to as 'the ICA corner'. Tribute was also paid to Mr John Cummins, Stonewall Garden Centre, Carrigaline, for all his assistance, not just in choosing the particular tree to be planted but also for his help in establishing a permanent bedding feature around the newly-planted tree.

Certainly, it was an evening to look back on with some pride in the local ladies' achievements, since those first meetings in Ballymartle School in 1952, with both Mrs Coleman and Mrs Eileen S. Kelleher remarking on the importance of the ICA as a social outlet for many ladies in the parish at that time. For both Mrs Coleman and Mrs Kelleher the continuing success of the local Guild is greeted with a great deal of satisfaction.

Meeting the first Tuesday of each month in Riverstick Hall, the local ladies always have a packed programme, which includes a table quiz, charitable works and social outings.

This year was indeed a busy year, with numerous highlights for the Ballymartle women but it was the victory in the All-Ireland Set Dancing Competition and subsequent performance at Áras an Uachtaráin for President Mary McAleese, to mark the 100th anniversary of the ICA, which will long be remembered.

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Jade Jasmine Hickey-Bradbury who was baptised on 14th August 2010 with her parents Royston & Helen



Picture above shows the St. John's Green Flag Committee and Batt O'Keeffe, Minister for Trade, Enterprise & Innovation raising a Green Flag at St. John's N.S. on June 14th 2010. It is their 3rd Green Flag for water conservation.

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KINSALE JUNIOR LADIES CLINCH TITLE

Kinsale 4 - 16 Caheragh 5 - 5

Played in Rossmore recently this West Cork Ladies Football Junior League Final was going to be a game to the wire.

Kinsale, playing against the wind in the opening half, were down 2-2 to 1 point after the 1st quarter with relentless attack from Caheragh. Goalkeeper Grace Cronin with backline of Aine Barry, Neasa O'Leary and Sylvia O'Sullivan kept this to a modest margin also battling wind and rain. Alanna Allen opened with Kinsale's first score, this was soon followed by another from Rebecca Murphy.

Orla Finn secured 2 more points from frees and just before half time blasted home a goal. This brought the margin down to 2 points on the whistle.

Kinsale, motivated by captain Kate O'Sullivan, took on a new approach starting the 2nd half with a tight angled goal from the hard working Aisling Judge. On the kickout Caheragh against the breeze found it difficult to get out of their defence, a well worked ball in found Caroline Sexton at the edge of the square to blast home a goal. Now Kinsale started to dominate, Christine Murphy centre field was reliable as ever winning kick-outs and keeping half forwards on their toes, a pass to Vivienne Maher to Gertie O'Shea to

Caroline Sexton scored a fine point, Caheragh replied with 2 goals but the splendid half back line of Tessa Kingston, Kate O'Sullivan and Ciara Fenton made it difficult for Caheragh to pass from then on. Kinsale powered ahead scoring 12 points in the 2nd half. This was a great team performance and a timely reward for the end of season.

Kate O'Sullivan duely thanked Caheragh for a very sporting game after receiving the cup from West Cork Secretary Paudie O'Sullivan.

Scorers.

Orla Finn 1-9, Caroline Sexton 2-2, Aisling Judge 1-0, Rebecca Murphy 0-3, Alanna Allen, Vivienne Maher 0-1.

Team Photo

Back Row L-R, Rebecca Murphy, Alanna Allen, Kate O'Sullivan Capt, Sylvia O'Sullivan, Gertie O'Shea, Neasa O'Leary, Christine Murphy,
Front Row L-R, Aine Barry, Orla Finn, Vivienne Maher, Ciara Fenton, Tessa Kingston, Grace Cronin, Caroline Sexton and Aisling Judge



Kinsale Ladies Football would like to thank all the following sponsors who generously supported us in so many different ways this year and to all the unnamed people who helped - we could not have done it without you!

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ADAM'S QUAY OFFICIALY OPENED

The upgraded Adam's Quay, Kinsale, providing additional and safer berthage plus storage for the local fishing fleet was officially opened recently by Minister of State for Fisheries, Sean Connick TD.

Then Harbour board chairman, Mr Kevin Murphy MCC, said the completion of the €500,000 development was another historic day for the port which, since 2007, had seen works on the town pier and main slip (€75,000), repair of the fishermens' pontoon (€55,000) and a new harbour commissioners office (€550,000) thanks mainly to funding from the Departments of Transport and Fisheries.

He also welcomed the allocation by the Minister of further grants for pier and harbour improvements in

West Cork this year which would enable repairs to the commercial berth of the main Pier and he appealed for money to repair serious damage to Lobster Quay, which had to be partially closed, and for a long awaited extension to the main pier in order to accommodate larger cargo ships. All were necessary if the Cork County Council was to be in a position to take over responsibility for the port.

Mr Murphy thanked the Minister and his department, past and present harbour board members, harbour master Captain Phil Devitt, town and county councillors, local Oireachtas members, Henry Good Ltd stevedores, the RNLI, which has a lifeboat station next to Adam's Quay; the clergy, the Trident Hotel, and especially local fishermen for their co-operation and support.

Minister Connick said the upgrading of small piers was very important to local communities and paid tribute to the county council for

having in place a plan which enabled nine of these in West Cork to benefit in the 2010 capital programme. 'Kinsale is fighting back', he declared when also praising the harbour board under Mr Murphy and his predecessors for its pro-active approach in getting so many improvements carried out, most especially for the fishing community for whom he had had the highest respect. Indigenous industries such as fishing, forestry and agriculture were three key driving factors towards economic stimulus and recovery and in declaring Adam's Quay open, he wished all users 'fair sailing'.

Prior to the Minister cutting the ribbon, there was a joint blessing by Canon David Williams and Fr Robert Young PP and a reception afterwards in the Trident Hotel.

A welcome to Kinsale was also extended by Mayor Michael Erawley, a former harbour board chairman, who said the town was

lucky to have a fishing fleet and described the upgraded fish landing quay as another asset that was already being well used.

Former harbour board member John Thuillier said they were standing at the foot of Dromderrig which up to around 1800 and before the move to Haulbowline, was an important deepwater naval dockyard extending from the site of the hotel to the ferry slip. It was here, that HMS Kinsale was launched in 1700. Provisions and convoys for trading ships also kept the port busy and in the 19th century one could expect to see up to 700 fishing vessels coming to Kinsale in the spring mackerel and autumn herring seasons. He concluded by welcoming the new developments in the port. Mr Thuillier said it was possible the upgraded quay came from the name of a fisherman Adam Brady, who lived nearby.

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PLANNING NEWS

Planning Applications

• Application for full planning permission for the partial demolition of the existing Acton's Hotel and ancillary structures, including No. 14 Lower O'Connell Street, (a Protected Structure), to allow for its reconstruction as a boutique hotel and apartment development comprising a 15 bed hotel (providing for a leisure centre, ancillary services, public areas, bar lounge, meeting areas) and 30 residential apartments contained in the original Acton's Hotel building adjoining Lower O'Connell Street, 3 no. detached houses, refurbishment of No. 14, 15 Lower O'Connell Street, an additional 32 apartment units and houses in 2 no. blocks separate to the existing hotel (one no. block in an area currently occupied by the existing Hotel Leisure Centre which is to be demolished) with common underground car park allowing for 140 no. car parking spaces (157 no. spaces in total) with new access from the north of the site, ancillary storage, cycle parking and waste areas, new landscaped plaza with revisions to existing public open space area, engineering works and road access provisions all on a site of 1.92 acres bounded by Pier Road & Lower O'Connell Street, Kinsale. The proposal allows for an overall development of 7103 sq.m. New GFA adding to 1880 sq.m. GFA of existing hotel to be incorporated into the proposed scheme for Messrs Tolbaz Ltd, Actons Hotel, Pier Road, Kinsale, Co. Cork.

• Application for retention Planning Permission for change of use of an extension to 26 Lower O'Connell Street, (granted planning permission under reference 17/92) to use as a separate dwelling unit (b) Planning Permission for the construction of a first floor extension and an extension to existing first floor balcony to this single storey structure and associated site development works 26A Lower O'Connell Street, Kinsale, for Andrew Lynch.

Planning Applications

• Application for permission to part demolish existing dormer roof at 2nd storey level to rear of dwelling and construct new extension to existing bedroom on 2nd floor attic space at 4 Worlds End, Kinsale, for Aiden Murphy.

Permission granted.

• Application for permission to demolish existing dwelling and construct new dwelling house, increase the existing car entrance and construct a separate pedestrian entrance with new ancillary boundary wall with associated site works at The Chalet, Pier Road, Kinsale, for Mr. & Mrs. Jack and Gillian Hornibrook.

Permission granted.

• Application for permission to construct detached dwelling (3 storey) and all associated site works at Site No. 12, Ardcarraig, Blackhorsefield, Kinsale, for Mr. Derek Butler. **Permission granted.**

Milestones

Deaths

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

- Con O'Donovan, Dromderrig, June 27th 2010
- Robert James Gabriel-Hurley, The Orchards, July 22nd 2010
- Mario Bertolotti, Ardcarraig, August 5th 2010
- Zeno Capitan, Long Island, New York, August 6th 2010
- Julie O'Connor, Ardbrack, August 30th 2010
- Julia O'Leary, Hollyhill, October 14th 2010
- John Fogarty, Ballinacubby, October 25th 2010
- Breda Cronin, Sandycove, November 6th 2010
- Lily Gray, Coolvalane, November 17th 2010

Milestones

Births

❖ Congratulations to Ellen Rice & Pat O'Mahony on the birth of their daughter Hollie Amy on March 6th 2010.

❖ Congratulations to Jennifer Rice Murphy & John Paul Murphy on the birth of their daughter Freya Kate on May 24th 2010, a little sister for Ruby.

❖ Congratulations to Trish & Paddy O'Donovan, Prehane, on the birth of their daughter Clara Mary, a little sister for Shane.

❖ Congratulations and best wishes to Martin & Mamie Kelly (née Madden), Glasgow, on the birth of their son Eoin Miles Kelly, on April 22nd 2010.

❖ Congratulations to Niamh (née Fitzpatrick) and Tadhg Geaney, Belgooly, on the birth of their twin daughters, Ciara and Aisling, on September 16th 2010, little sisters to Tom.

Marriages

Congratulations to the following couples who were married recently:

❖ Caroline Arnopp, Ballinacubby, Kinsale, and Paul O'Shea, Co. Kerry, who were married on June 25th 2010.

❖ Jennifer Wright, Clonleigh, Kinsale, and Diarmuid Clancy, Dublin, who were married on July 2nd 2010.

❖ Shaun McCarthy, Roseabbey, Kinsale, and Lojana Kumar, Australia, who were married on July 3rd 2010.

❖ Clare Murphy, Hollyhill, and Vincent White, Union Hall, who were married on July 9th 2010.

❖ Catherine Coleman and Jeremy O'Donovan, The Orchards, Kinsale, who were married on September 3rd 2010.

❖ Aine Bernard, Riverstick, and Geoff Wycherley, Rosscarbery, who were married on September 4th 2010.

❖ Shane O'Regan and Patricia Nagle, Ballyregan, who were married on September 18th 2010.

❖ John O'Sullivan and Clíodhna Duane, Ballywilliam, who were married on September 23rd 2010.

❖ Carol McNamara, Ardbrack, and Daniel Kammerer, Germany, who were married on September 25th 2010.

❖ Diane Wright, Springmount, and Patrick Kennedy, Carrigaline, who were married on October 2nd 2010.

❖ Fergus Hurley, Catholic Walk, Kinsale, and Sarah Foley, Dublin, who were married on October 30th 2010.

❖ Rory Roden, Eastern Road, Kinsale, and Eileen Biggs, Knockrobin, Kinsale.

❖ Laura McNamara, Kinsale, and Alan Hipwell, Ballinspittle, who were married on November 20th 2010.




Anniversaries



Third Anniversary
Maureen Fleming
World's End, Kinsale
July 12th 2007

*A thousand words could never say
How much we miss you every day
Life goes on, we know that's true
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Mam & Dad*
James & Sheila Healy
World's End, Kinsale



*The most wonderful parents ever to live
Whatever they had they were willing to give
They never complained, they were not that kind
They were two in a million to the very end
There are millions of Mams and Dads in this world we know
But they were ours, and we loved them so
Too dearly loved to be forgotten
Forever in our hearts
love Dan & Martina, Leonard, Craig & Danielle*



Seventh Anniversary
*In loving memory
of our mother and grandmother*
Joan Anderson (née Kearon)
September 11th 2003

*We think of you in silence Mum
But all we have now are memories
and your picture in a frame
Your resting place we visit and put flowers there with care
But no one knows the heartache as we turn and leave you there
Missed so much, always loved and remembered
by her family, grandchildren, sister and brother*

Second Anniversary

Marguerite Arnopp
November 5th 2008



*A light from our household is gone
A voice we love is stilled
A place is vacant in our hearts
Which never can be filled
A bouquet of beautiful memories
Sprayed with a million tears
Wishing God could have spared you
If just for a few more years
Your vacant place no one can fill
We miss you now and always will*

Acknowledgement and First Anniversary

Sylvia Kennedy
1 Ballinacubby Estate



On the first anniversary of Sylvia's death, she is lovingly remembered by her husband Pat and her mother Sheila. We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to all our relatives and very kind neighbours who were so good and thoughtful and our many friends who supported us in so many ways during that difficult time. Thank you to all who travelled long distances to be with us and to everyone for the many Mass cards, messages of sympathy and floral tributes received, to all who attended the Rosary, removal and funeral Mass. Sincere thanks to Fr. Young and Fr. Myles McSweeney, the Carmelite Friary and Fr. Dan of C.A.S.A. To Ewen Tubridy, the organist Vincent McCarthy, Marco Petrassi of the Cork City Jazz Band and the Parish Choir for a beautiful Requiem Mass, and to Jack Walsh and staff of Actons Hotel for their hospitality on the day of her funeral.

We wish to express our deepest appreciation to all those involved in Sylvia's care, the doctors, health nurses, Deirdre Cullen and physiotherapists here in Kinsale. A special thanks to Dr. Liam Plant and his team for the fantastic care extended to Sylvia at C.U.H. Dialysis Unit and to the nurses of Ward 5B for their care of Sylvia. Thank you to the taxi drivers of Sun Cabs for their kindness to her.

A very special thanks to Belinda, her home help, for her never-ending care and friendship towards Sylvia.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgment as a token of our most sincere appreciation.

Mass has been offered for your intentions.

**Death leaves a heartache no one can heal,
Love leaves a memory no one can steal**



Second Anniversary

*In Loving Memory of
Thomas O'Driscoll
October 23rd 2008*



*Your name is often spoken Tommy
We talk about you still
You haven't been forgotten by us
And you never will
A shadow walks beside us
Forever by our side, always there to guide us
Ever since you died
And now it's your anniversary
It's up to God above, to tell you how much we miss you
And send you all our love*

*Sadly missed by Esther, Patrick, Devon, Lauren,
brothers John, Patrick, sisters Lizzie, Maggie,
sister-in-law Carmel, brother-in-law Willie, nieces, nephews.*

*Always in our thoughts xxx
RIP*

Birthdays Remembrance

*Thomas O'Driscoll
whose birthday occurs December 20th*

*No words we write will ever say
How much we miss you everyday
Although we smile and make no fuss
You are deeply missed by all of us
No one knows the grief we bear,
When the family gather and you are not there
We laugh, we talk, we play our part,
But beyond our smiles are broken hearts*

*All our love Esther, Patrick, Devon, Lauren,
brothers John, Patrick, sisters Lizzie, Maggie,
sister-in-law Carmel, brother-in-law Willie, nieces, nephews.*

*Love you always xxx
RIP*

Thanksgiving

**Miraculous Prayer
Novena to the Sacred Heart**

Dear heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked for many favours. This time I ask you this very special one (mention favour). Take it dear Heart of Jesus and place it within your own broken heart where your father sees it. Then in his merciful eyes, it will become your favour not mine, Amen. Say this prayer for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted. Never known to fail. (MD).

Safe together in heaven

With loving and precious memories
of our dear man and dad
Bob and Joan Fitzgerald,
late of 2 Newman's Mall, Kinale,
whose anniversaries occur



Another year has come and gone
since you left your earthly home but now
you live with Jesus in his beautiful heavenly home.
Though we can no longer see your faces, we feel your
presence near, as you walk beside us every day of every year.
We have such wonderful memories of a Mam and Dad
so dear, we have no fear in all we do
because you are always near.
You thought us care and always be there for anyone in need.
You gave us everything dear Mam and Dad
and loved us all indeed.

On earth you toiled, in heaven you rest
God Bless you Mam and Dad, you were the best.

Forever loved and missed by Eileen, Donal, Robert,
Michael and Sheila, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law,
grandchildren and great-granddaughter Saoirse xxx

Also remembering our sister Theresa
in heaven with Mam and Dad xxx

First Anniversary

*Denis Kiely
Ballyregan, Kinsale
October 11th 2009*



*Remembering a wonderful son, brother,
uncle, grand-uncle, neighbour and friend
A smile for all, a heart of gold, the very best
the world could hold, never selfish, always kind,
these are the memories you left behind.*

*Denis' family wish to thank everybody who called to the house,
those who sympathised with us, sent Mass cards and floral
tributes, to our extended families who were a great support,
a very special thanks to our neighbours in Ballyregan who were
a lifeline to us during the funeral and since. To Fr. Robert,
Fr. John K., Fr. Charlie Nyhan and Fr. James McSweeney
for being so kind and supportive, to Gabriel and O'Donovan
undertakers for being so kind.*

*You are remembered in our prayers
Denis, nephew and best friend Kenneth, sister Bernie, niece
Aideen, nephews Thomas, James and Thomas, grand-niece,
sister-in-law Kay; brothers-in-law Stan and Tom
also remembered by Michelle, Sean, Jill and Lucy.*



St. Joseph's N.S. 5th and 6th Class pupils having fun exploring Indian culture through dance and enactment of a Hindu wedding. The pupils participated in an Indian workshop.



Enjoying the annual Hallowe'en parade in Kinsale were Rachel and Suzie Keating from Summercove. Pic. John Allen



Deirdre and Anne O'Connell were at the Monster Mash Hallowe'en event in aid of the Saile Community Sport and Leisure Project at Hamlets Bar Kinsale. Pic. John Allen



Mags and Ger Rice were at the Monster Mash event in aid of the Saile Community Sport and Leisure Project at Hamlets Bar Kinsale. Pic. John Allen



Left: Enjoying the Saile Fund Day

SAM MAGUIRE ON TOUR!!!



Above: Pupils of Belgooly N.S. pictured with the Sam Maguire and members of Cork panel
Below: Pupils of Summercove N.S. with the Sam Maguire and Cork players.



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