

Le Chêile

Community Magazine



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EDITORIAL

Le Chéile is published for 10 months of the year, taking a break for the months of July and August. The first community magazine came out in January 1974. This is therefore its 44th year. We are grateful for the support which it has received over the years and we are willing to keep it going for as long as possible. A number of our leading community groups are continuing to submit articles each month, which we very much appreciate. It has become very difficult however to get reports from others, especially some of the sports bodies.

Community has many sides to it and it is important to keep it ticking on all fronts, especially in these times of unprecedented growth and change. We all benefit from a well integrated and broadly functioning community which works for the benefit all sectors and all ages. We must recognize the needs of the community generally and co-operate in their provision. It has to be a shared effort. We cannot put our heads in one pile of sand.

June 1st to August 31st is the judging season for Tidy Towns. An hour or so of volunteering would be most welcome. Look out for action around the Town Centre or at the Abbey from 7.30pm. Help would also be welcome for the maintenance of the graveyards in Clane or Mainham. The annual Mass in the Abbey Cemetery will be at 7.30 on June 21st. We give the results of Field, Track and Pool for our local area of

Clane & Rathcoffey in this issue. The next stage is the County Games in Clongowes, which will be coming up at the end of June. See Calendar. Good luck to all. Enjoy the Summer.

CALENDAR

Monday 12th. June

Clane Tennis Club's annual Business House Tournament commences.

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Wednesday 21st June Annual Cemetery Mass and blessing of the graves in the Abbey Cemetery, Naas Road at 7.30pm.

Monday 26th June

Monthly meeting of Clane Community Council in the Abbey Community Centre at 8pm.

Wednesday & Thursday 28-29th June

Kildare County Community Games at Clongowes Wood College grounds, commencing 6pm.

Web site: www.clanecommunity.ie

EDITOR'S DEADLINE

The deadline for receipt of material for the **September** issue of Le Chéile is

Monday 28th August

To 142 Loughbolland please.

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CLANE & RATHCOFFEY

COMMUNITY GAMES

The field and track athletic competitions were conducted on the Scoil Mhuire Community School grounds on Monday 15th May. We are grateful to the Principal and Staff for their on-going help and co-operation over many years. The results were as follows:

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| U/8 60m (BOYS) | 80m |
| 1. Ryan Mangan | 1. Ryan Mangan |
| 2. Stephen Marron | 2. Stephen Marron |
| 3. Josh Darcy | 3. Josh Darcy |
| 4. Finn McCormack | 4. Sean Reilly |
| 5. Sean Reilly | 5. Finn McCormack |

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| U/10 100m | 200m |
| 1. Sean McGinn | 1. Rory Óg Maguire |
| 2. Jack Fielding Mallon | 2. Jack Fielding Mallon |
| 3. Lochlan Behan | 3. Lochlan Behan |
| 4. Ryan Conroy | 4. Aidan Maddock |
| 5. Aidan Maddock | |

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| U/12 100m | 600m |
| 1. Adam Millea | 1. David Colbert |
| 2. Alex Heeney | 2. Shane Henry |
| 3. Shane Henry | 3. Alex Heeney |
| 4. Daniel Colbert | 4. Aaron Cash |

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| 5. Tadhg O'Donoghoe | 5. T.J. Dillon |
| 6. Liam Deane | 6. Liam Deane |

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| U/14 100m | 800m |
| 1. James McNamee | 1. James McNamee |
| 2. Michael Behan | 2. Michael Behan |

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| U/12 Long Puck |
| 1. Hugh Muldoon |
| 2. Shane Henry |
| 3. Daniel Puch |

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| U/8 60m (GIRLS) | 80m |
| 1. Hannah McBride | 1. Hannah McBride |
| 2. Anna Grainger | 2. Anna Grainger |
| 2. Marie Corbett | 3. Grace Heeney |
| 4. Annamae Walsh Gleeson | 4. Sophie Heffernan |
| 5. Poppy Healy | 5. Poppy Healy |

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| U/10 100m | 200m |
| 1. Lisa Manning | 1. Lisa Manning |
| 2. Nessa O'Shea | 2. Nessa O'Shea |
| 3. Lauren Keena | 3. Isabelle Fitzpatrick |
| 4. Isabelle Fitzpatrick | 4. Anabelle Fadden |

U/12 100m**600m**

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| 1. Maebh Maguire | 1. Maebh Maguire |
| 2. Laura Edwards | 2. Laura Edwards |
| 3. Caoimhe Maddock | 3. Eabha Moriarty |
| 4. Sonche Lynch | 4. Grace Gallagher |
| 5. Emer Behan | 5. Anna Carbury |
| 6. Grace Gallagher | 6. Robyn Massey |

Congratulations to all the winners and to all who participated. We wish those who will be representing Clane & Rathcoffey in the County Games in Clongowes on Wednesday and Thursday 29th and 30th June [6pm] the very best of luck.

Presentation of medals:

The winners in the various categories in both Athletics and Swimming were presented with their medals at a special ceremony in the Abbey Community Centre on Thursday 25th May. The winners in Swimming were as follows:-

Girls**U 8 Freestyle U10 Freestyle**

Áine Mackey Muirne Gaine

Nessa Jordan Saoirse Dagg

Katie Wolfe Alexandra Finn

U10 Backcrawl

Tessa Dillon

Annie Nevin

Muirne Gain

U12 Freestyle

Méabh Maguire

Hannah Walsh Hussey

Erin Corrigan

U12 Backcrawl

Méabh Maguire

Erin Corrigan Ella Hampson

Abbie Dowd

U12 Breaststroke

Hannah Walsh Hussey

Abbie Dowd

U14 Freestyle

Rachel Millea Áine Maguire

Nicoleta Cociug

U14 Backcrawl

Nicoleta Cociug

U14 Breaststroke U16 Freestyle

Rachel Millea Niamh Henry

Áine Maguire Evita Andreikeviciute

U16 Backcrawl

Niamh Henry Hannah Walsh-Hussey

Katie Walsh-Hussey Erin Corrigan

Evita Andreikeviciute Méabh Maguire

Ella Hampson

Abbie Dowd (sub)

U16 Medly Relay panel

Niamh Henry

Rachel Millea

Katie Walsh-Hussey

Áine Maguire

Nicoleta Cociug (sub)

Evita Andreikeviciute (sub)

Boys**U8 Freestyle U10 Freestyle**

Ruan O'Carroll

Harry Reid

Markbryan Dodds

Lochlan Behan

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| U10 Backcrawl | U12 Freestyle |
| Lochlan Behan | Shane Henry |
| Markbryan Dodds | Liam Dagg |
| Joseph Finn | Daniel Colbert |

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| U12 Backcrawl | U12 Breaststroke |
| Liam Dagg | Daniel Colbert |
| Diarmuid Finn | Adam Millea |
| TJ Dillon | Shane Henry |

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| U14 Freestyle | U14 Backcrawl |
| Matthew Walsh-H. | Matthew Walsh-H. |
| Adam Mazur | Adam Mazur. |

U13 Relay panel

Shane Henry
Adam Millea
Daniel Colbert
Liam Dagg
Markbryan Dodds (sub)
Diarmuid Finn (sub)

Congratulations to all and best of luck in the County and follow-up stages. The County Finals in the Track events will be held in Clongowes Wood College grounds on Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th June, commencing at 6pm. The County Finals in the Field events will be held in Leixlip on Friday 30th June commencing at 6.30 for 7pm.

The County Finals in Swimming have already been held in Athy and Matthew Hussey-Walsh went on from there to win Bronze for Kildare in U14 Freestyle at the National

Aquatic Centre. Congratulations to Matthew and to all participants.

FOR TEAM EVENT RESULTS SEE P. 9

CLANE TENNIS CLUB

The summer days are here and even though the club is very active throughout the year, the next 4 months will see many extra events.

The annual Business House Tournament commences on Monday 12th. June and we hope to have over 25 teams representing Businesses, Shops, Pubs, Organisations and Clubs participating. We welcome all

Non members and of course past members to enter a team of 2 ladies and 2 men. Three grades will participate over the 2 weeks with finals

on Sat. 24th. Details in clubhouse or call 087 2745904.

The Summer Camp will be held over 2 months – July and Aug. over 100 children and teenagers participating. Two groups 6- 10yrs and over 10 to 16yrs. Full programme of events planned and all leaders are Garda vetted. Contact the club any Thurs. from 7.30p.m or Sat mornings from 10a.m. Tel Mick Hennessy 087 6293170.

Junior coaching continues under Junior Ritchie Mahony -086 6051005.

Membership now available to end March 2018, application forms in clubhouse. Call any Tuesday evening from 7.30p.m. We welcome all new members, both young and not so young to come along and see our facilities. Coaching available. Further details on facebook.

CLANE GOLF CLUB

The results for May are:

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| 1st | Eamonn Howlin (15) & Sean Byrne | 62 Back 9 |
| 2nd | Brian Conlon (11) & Michael Kelleher (16) | 62 |

Weekend Competitions:

30th April-1st May Scotch Foursomes

W/E 6/7th May-18 Hole Stableford

1st Niall Collins (9) 42 pts.
2nd Matt Costello (16) 40 pts.
3rd Michael Kelleher (16) 38 pts.
Gross- Niall Collins (9) 71

W/E 13/14th May 18 Hole Stableford

Fourball Better Ball

1st Ger Nevin (10) & Tom Bryan (23)
48 pts.
2nd Niall Bryan (6) & Matt Costello (16)
46 pts.

W/E 20/21st May- 18 Hole Stableford:

1st Lloyd Bracken (20) 42 pts.
(last 9)
2nd Michael Cuddihy (11) 42 pts.
3rd Eamonn Howlin (15) 39 pts.
(last 9)
Gross: Michael Cuddihy (11) 73.

W/E 26/27th May 18 Hole Stableford:

1st Padraic Rooney (13) 42 pts.
2nd Sean Lavin (27) 41 pts.
Gross: Seamus Carew (7) 75

9 Hole Street League Competition:

9 Hole Street League- Week 6/7:

1st Paddy Murray (26) 25 pts
2nd Dec Mahony (20) 22 pts

9 Hole Street League-Week 8:

1st Brian Conlon (11) 22 pts
2nd Jim Craughwell (21) 21 pts

9 Hole Street League- Week 9:

1st Michael Cuddihy (11) 25 pts
2nd Jim Craughwell (21) 23 pts
3rd Paul Morrissey (18) 23 pts
4th Joe Higgins (23) 22 pts

Leading Teams (after week 9)

1. **Mainham Slashers-** M. Cuddihy, J. Higgins, B. Conlon & M. Kelleher 290 pts
2. **Abbeyland Arrows-** D.Maguire, J.Brady, J.Carew, P.Murray 269 pts
3. **Loughbollard Seniors-** J.Mahony, T.Murray, J.Craughwell & T.Brennan

Students start their Summer Holidays on 2nd June.

Golfer of the Year leaders:

1. Declan Mahony 37 pts.
2. Michael Cuddihy 34 pts.
3. Eamonn Howlin 32 pts.

9 Hole Match Play

Third round matches have to be played no later 12th June:

Dermot Maguire V Eamonn Howlin
Brian Conlon V Diarmuid Coonan
William Lacey V Declan Mahony
Fintan Connolly V Tim Moran

18 Hole Match Play

Third round matches have to be played by 6th June:

- Brian Conlon V Tom Bryan
6 Declan Mahony V Lar Blanchfield

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| Tim Moran | V Michael Kelleher |
| James Brady | V Paul Morrissey |
| Aidan Donovan | V Eamonn Howlin |
| Pa Connolly | V Michael Cudihy |

Already through to the Quarter final are:

Niall Bryan & Jim Craughwell.

Forthcoming events:

- **Vice-Captain's (William Lacey) Competition on Sunday 11th June. Time sheet on noticeboard & filling up fast.**
- **Prize presentation of all competitions, including away outings will take place at 8.30 in the Village Inn. All prize winners will be notified by text. Please make a special effort to attend or notify Seamus Carew if you can't be there.**
- **Sunday 25th June 18 Hole 4 ball competition. Sheet will be posted on Noticeboard.**

We welcome the new members that have joined & we remind readers that we are still open for membership.

Eamonn Howlin
Hon. Secretary
Clane Golf Club

I.C.A.

Our I.C.A. "year" is drawing to a close once more and it's hard to be-

lieve how swiftly the months have passed. It is similar to the school "year", which I suspect passes at a much slower pace for the students concerned! The Kildare Federation Meeting was held on Wednesday, April 26th and was hosted by Clane Guild at Mc Cauley Place, Naas. By all accounts, it was well attended, and decisions, and proposals for the future were amicably reached (no handbags at dawn, then?!) Congratulations to Nellie Dillon, who was elected Federation President, replacing outgoing President, Mildred Keyes whose term of office was completed. On Saturday April 29th we had a very interesting and enjoyable visit to An Gránán in Co. Louth. This was made possible through the generosity and thoughtfulness of the late Julia Connolly, who was a valued and esteemed member for many years. The good lady had stipulated that her family arrange for our group to have a special outing -of our choice, cost free. This gesture is much appreciated by all concerned.

June meeting -Thursday 1st and conclusion for the Summer break on June 15th.

We wish the best of luck and success to all students, sitting exams, over the coming weeks, and a safe and sunny Summer to everyone.

We were delighted with a surprise visit by a very special member - Jo Mahony- on Thursday April 25th -as she had been absent for a time - due to health reasons -and to see her in such sprightly form -(as ever)!

For information on activities please contact Hon. Sec. Eileen O'Brien (086-3447803).

P. R.O. M. O'Connor.

THE EVERGREENS

We're into the beautiful and delightful month of June and hope we have long hazy days of bright sunshine. It is the month we all know of the Sacred Heart and the special novena -an appropriate time of reflection when we bring our prayers and petitions before Him -the feast of the Sacred Heart being this month on 23rd. In this month too we reflect on the feast of Pentecost and the gift of the Holy Spirit and how that empowers in prayer and reflection in our daily lives.

Wasn't it very uplifting to see such great congregations at the novena to Our Lady each Monday night -a faith lift really. The really great speakers were most informative. They spoke about their work, faith journey and how their faith strengthens them in their ministry and work and they shared in a little of their own life stories with us.

We are quite busy with our activities and outings in the Evergreens. On May 16th we had a wonderful outing to Rathwood in Carlow where we enjoyed the day. We liked very much the restaurant, the interesting gift shops, the garden centre and Chocolate factory - where we successfully tried our skills at chocolate making . We went around the excellent garden centre where the medley of scents embrace you -those of us that are green fingered (not me) and came home with rosy prospects. Yes, Carlow is a county of ancient beauty and mystical charm and its scenery is spectacular with a wealth of picturesque riverside towns and villages and a bustling centre too it is.

Our annual Day's Outing this year will be to the beautiful town of Wexford on June 26th, which is something to look forward to.

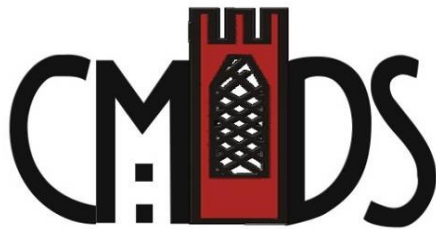
As this is our last issue before we

resume in September, we would like to thank everyone who has helped us in any way, both financially and otherwise. Thanks to P.J. and Sally, who always look after us, and to lovely Fiona, who is the supreme and gifted artist, who comes to us every Tuesday and imparts her unique knowledge of art to all our budding artists. Last but not least, on behalf of the Evergreens, I would like to say a big thank you to Clongowes Wood College for their entertainment every Tuesday. We had lovely meals, games, questionnaires and entertainment. We are all very grateful to the College and also the students there, who were all so kind and helpful.

Thanks too to CMDS for their wonderful shows in the Abbey and their great acting and entertainment and their complementary tickets. May they go on from strength; they are a great bunch.

Hope you all have a happy and safe Summertime and enjoy the sunshine. Fé bhrat Mhuire dhibh go leir.

Maureen Spain (PRO)



CLANE MUSICAL & DRAMATIC SOCIETY

CMDS' focus for the past few months has been on their 2017, Carousel. From the band call, expertly lead by our reigning Musical Director Michael Fay,

to the tech rehearsals, under the watchful eye of our Stage Manager Sarah Flynn, and to the dress rehearsal itself so much time and effort was put into the show - and it certainly paid off!

Again, thank you to everyone on and off stage helping to put on this show, but especially to Sadie O'Reilly, Michael Fay, Grainne Jones and Sarah Flynn – we couldn't have done it without you!



CLANE & RATHCOFFEY COMMUNITY GAMES:

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County Kildare

Boys U 11 Hurling won Silver.

Girls U 12 Gaelic won Silver.

Girls U 14 Camogie won Gold.

This team meets Dublin in the in the

second round of the Leinster Competitions on Friday 9th June in Clane G.A.A. at 7.30pm.

Boys U 10 Gaelic Football won Gold.

This team will play in the second round of the Leinster Competitions against Dublin on Friday 2nd June in Clane G.A.A. at 7.30pm.

The Maguire sisters, Áine and Maebh, represented the County in Cross Country and did very well.

CLANE PAST (A FILLER)

Trundling along the Capdoo Lane,
The stagecoach makes it's way to
Clane.

With Robbers Corner safely passed,
The tall church spire's(1) in view at
last.

Across the road from Kitterick's Inn,
(2)

The Post House is our first pull-in.

The Coach House and yard are to the
rere

Where we change the horses and drink
a beer.

Then out the road to Nancy's Lane,

As it's commonly known if you come
from Clane.

It is the road to Offaly,

And the coach goes on to reach
Killeigh.

The Bothar Bríd was an earlier name
Then Butter Stream (3) and Donahue's
Lane
Taking us up to Firmount Hill
And Killibegs on further still.

Palmerstown, Lucan, Celbridge, Clane
Kilmeague, Rathangan, P'tarlinton
Were the stops she made along the way,
With Clonegowan and then Killeigh.

It was a different world you know.
Things were steady and things were
slow.

Three fairs were held throughout the
year
And Geoghan's pub(4) served up the
beer.

In seventeen hundred and fifty one
An Act was passed and work begun.
This Turnpike Act of George II
Shortened the Limerick Road -it reck-
oned.

Instead of by Naas it went by Clane.
The horses were saved both miles and
strain.
More level this road than by Rathcoole,

The Slieve Blooms too would test a
mule.

Mosse's Road, starting from Irishtown
bend,
Heads straight through floodplains, bogs
and fens,
Plying millions of cartloads of gravel
and stone,
While keeping its level above the flood
zone.

Connecting Clane to Ballinagar,
Just twenty miles from Clane afar.
Past Edenderry three miles south.
But at Lullymore the steam ran out.

Though it never replaced the Limerick
line
It was an epic of its time.
Canals and railways soon aspired
And our road ambitions were retired.

In 1780 Prosperous took root
And Allenwood was a further shoot.
With cotton in Prosperous and woollens
in Clane,
The wheels of progress were in train.

In a few more years we'll all be gone,
But the memories of old will still live

- (1) Removal approved in 1826 following damage in 1798.
- (2) Now Manzor's.
- (3) Bothar an t'Srutháin = Road by the Stream.
- (4) The Corner House.

