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East Africa Crisis

East Africa's drought has led to millions of people across Kenya, Somalia and Ethiopia being dependent on food aid, with up to half the population of certain affected areas suffering from serious malnutrition. The UN has declared that Somalia is now in famine. The failure of adequate rainfall to have hit the region for full year has plunged east Africa into humanitarian crisis.

- Over 1,000 Somalis are arriving into Ethiopia and Kenya every day.
- Malnutrition rates among Somali children arriving into Ethiopia or Kenya are as high as 47 per cent.
- Communities in Ethiopia have reported that 80 per cent of animals have died.
- Half of the 13 million affected people are children.

East Africa is Trócaire's main geographic area of work. With a presence in the region dating back almost 40 years, Trócaire is well placed to respond to the current crisis.

Trócaire is funding drought response projects in Kenya, Somalia and Ethiopia, bringing food and water to affected communities. We are also purchasing malnourished animals before they die and redistributing them to areas that still have sufficient grazing. When the next rains arrive in the autumn, we will help those families buy back the animals and re-establish their herds.

Trócaire has been working with these communities for almost 40 years. Our ongoing livelihoods programmes prevented the people there from falling into crisis over recent decades. Such is the severity of the current drought, however, that Trócaire has launched an emergency appeal for the people of east Africa.

Please do what you can by phoning 1850 408 408 or log on to www.trocaire.org/

Special Collection for the East Africa Crisis

Here in **St. Mary's** in Lucan, we are having a **Special Collection** this weekend at all Masses – Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 8.45am, 9.45am, 11.00am, 12.15pm and 7.00pm.

Lucan Citizens Information Centre

Ballyowen Castle Community Centre
Tel – 6217930. email lucan@citinfo.ie
www.citizensinformation.ie



Open Mon Fri 10 am to 4 pm

Closed for lunch 1 - 2 pm

Legal advice on Thursday nights by appointment.

We will be closed on the Bank Holiday Monday

1st August and open as usual for the rest of the month of August. No legal advice for the month of August.

WIN €1000 FOR YOUR CLUB!

Is your sports club struggling to raise funds this year?

Why not take the easy route, have fun and have a great night out!

Get one of your members to take part in our competition!

Easy as that!

**Don't delay,
contact us today!**



For more information

**Contact: Greenhills Variety Group
085-787 3174**

Woodville Downs Residents Assoc (Inc Esker Lane)

We would ask residents to be vigilant in relation to their and their neighbours' properties as there has been a recent opportunist burglary in our area. Please report any suspicious activity to the Gardai. Whereas the area is fairly tidy anybody willing to trim some of overgrown verges and overhanging shrubbery is always welcomed. Hope you all enjoy the rest of the summer!

Any comments or suggestions please contact: woodvilledowns@hotmail.com

AOB: The website 'British Pathe' has some interesting footage of scenes around Lucan from the early 1900's

Editor's Note: You can find a link to the above mentioned **Pathe News** on Lucan Newsletter's Website – www.lucannewsletter.ie
Go to **History**, scroll down and open 'British Pathe News – 1920s films of Lucan'.

Irish Red Cross

- Lucan Branch

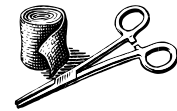


Are you interested in learning or indeed refreshing your first aid skills?

If so, Lucan Red Cross branch are holding an enrolment class on the **5th** September, in the Methodist Church Lucan Village from **8pm-10pm**.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Lynn Galligan (PRO)



A Reader writes.....

Myself and anyone I have been speaking to in the area have a problem with dog fouling here in Lucan.

I live in Willsbrook estate, and I go for a walk most evenings between 6 and 9pm. I walk around Willsbrook and Griffeen Park, and it is not possible to do this without looking carefully at every step you take, due to the amount of dog fouling everywhere.

It is on the greens, walkways, and footpaths. I usually walk for about an hour each evening, and during that hour, I see at least 5-10 dogs going about their business, and the owners just leaving it there...

This is a disgrace, so hopefully something can be done about it and have this matter resolved.

Thanks

Ian Hennessy

Primrose Hill Garden

Last Day - Sunday 31st July

Primrose Hill Garden, a large garden open for Summer Flowers and Walks with Trees, very top of Primrose Lane, Lucan Village. Plants for Sale.

Open: 2pm – 6pm daily. Adults €6; Children €2, **reduced** to Adults €4; Children €1, if you bring a copy of **Lucan Newsletter**.



**Irish Blood
Transfusion Service**

Seirbhís Fuilaeistriúcháin na hÉireann

give blood

and join Ireland's most extraordinary club

BLOOD DONATION CLINIC

Tuesday 9th August 2011

from 5.00pm to 8.30pm

at **SCOIL MHUIRE**

Woodview/Airlie Hgts, Lucan

'The Country Boy' – Readings

Lucan Dramatic Society are delighted to announce that readings for their next production "The Country Boy" by Irish playwright John Murphy will take place in

**The Spa Hotel, Lucan
Wednesday August 31st at 8.30pm.**

The play will be directed by the esteemed **Ewan O' Flynn**.
All are welcome!



Lucan Community Games Update

Swimming Results:

Lucan Swimmers took part in the Dublin Swimming Finals held in Tallaght on 3rd July. A huge number of Lucan children competed in these finals. Lucan Swimming team took home a total of 26 medals. This was the highest no of medals taken home by a community and as a result, Lucan was presented with the Dublin Perpetual swimming Cup for the 5th year in a row. This is an amazing achievement considering Lucan has no Swimming pool of its own!

Gold Medals: 9 in total: U16 Girls Freestyle - Aoife Crowley; U16 Girls Butterfly-Aine Rushe; U14 Boys Freestyle- Ben O Dwyer; U14 Boys Breaststroke- Liam Douglas; U16 Boys Butterfly-Ross Thompson; U13 Boys Relay Team- Harry Thompson, Fiacra Bevin, Liam Douglas, Eoin Crowley

Silver Medals: 5 in total: U10 Girls Freestyle- Marie Crowley; U12 Girls Breaststroke- Ciara Rushe; U12 Boys Freestyle-Fiacra Bevin; U12 boys Breaststroke-Harry Thompson; U14 Boys Freestyle-Eoin Crowley

Bronze Medals - 12 in total: U14 Girls Breaststroke - Tara Kenny; U 16 Girls Relay Team- Tara Kenny, Aoife Crowley, Aine Rushe & Ciara Rushe; U12 Boys -Michael Carron; U16 Boys Freestyle- James Carron; U16 Boys relay-Tom Douglas, James Carron, Ross Thompson, Ben O Dwyer & Shane Rushe.

All our gold medallists will represent Dublin in the National Community Games finals in Athlone in August. This is the largest ever group of competitors from Lucan competing at the National Finals. We wish them all well.

Camogie:

Lucan U14 Community Games team from Sarsfields competed in the Leinster Finals last weekend. They beat teams from Kilkenny & Offaly to become the Leinster Community Games Champions. They will go forward to the National Finals in Athlone in August. Hope they do well.

Lucan Newsletter Holidays

We're all going on our Summer Holidays!

The next issue of Lucan Newsletter will be for **Sunday 28th August 2011**. Items for inclusion should be at the usual addresses not later than **Wednesday 24th August, 10pm**.

We wish all our readers and contributors a happy and safe holiday time, and look forward to your company once again at the end of August.



Happy Holidays!

St. Mary's Parish Centre - Holidays

The Parish Centre will be closed for the month of August; I take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers and Patrons of the Centre, it has been a pleasure working with you all throughout the year. Have a wonderful August – **we reopen on Monday 29th August**.

*Hope to see you all then
Deirdre.*

Free Time on your Hands!!!!

If you have some free time on your hands, we could do with your help at the Parish Centre.



We are looking for **volunteers to help in our Coffee Dock**; it would

mean a commitment to one morning a week from 10am – 12 noon, or a Friday afternoon from 2pm – 4pm. (We already have a rota going so you may only be needed every second week).

We are also looking for **Sunday morning volunteers**, there is already a great team of people doing this, but if a few more come on board it would be wonderful – it usually works out at 4 Sundays over the year.

If interested please contact Deirdre 01-6217041. If the office is closed, please leave your name and number and I will contact you.

Our Parish Centre, Coffee Dock is a wonderful facility where everyone is welcome, you come have tea/coffee, meet friends old and new and have a chat.

Deirdre.

Parish Notes

St Mary's, Lucan

www.stmarysparishlucan.ie

Christian Meditation

No meeting until Tuesday 6th Sept.

Sr. Geraldine 6217158.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

The Bethany Group are available to listen to or just to 'be there' for anyone who is feeling lonely or lost following the death of a loved one. We meet at the Parish Centre on the Second Monday of each month 10.30am – 11.30am, also Fourth Thursday of each month, 8pm – 9pm.

Sr. Geraldine 6217158. Parish Centre 6217041.



St Patrick's, Esker/Dodsboro/Adamstown

www.stpatrickslucan.ie

Esker Lucan Legion of Mary

Are having their next Patrician faith discussion group meeting on Thursday 18th August at St. Patrick's Church Parish centre at 8 pm. The topic is 'Sexuality and the Catholic Church'. All are welcome. There is a cup of tea afterwards.

Blessing for Expectant Parents

There will be a blessing for expectant parents after the 10.30 am Mass on the **2nd Sunday of each month.**

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes



A **PETITION BOX** will be made available in the church, for anyone who would like to send their special petitions, which will be included in all our Masses and then placed

in the Grotto. **NO MONEY** to be put in box. Anyone wishing to share in our Masses or have candles lit at the Grotto should give their donation to organisers or to anyone travelling. We wish all travelling on Pilgrimage over the coming weeks a happy and safe pilgrimage.

Oliver and Breeda Meyler.

Parish Office



The Parish Office will be open from 10 – 12 pm Monday to Friday until September.
Office Tel: 6281018,
Website: www.stpatrickslucan.ie



Parish of Divine Mercy, Lucan South

www.lucansouthparish.net

Drought in East Africa

A special collection to aid those suffering in the drought and famine conditions in East Africa will be taken at all Masses this week-end. This will replace the Share collection. Please support this worthy cause.

World Youth Day

Thanks to all who took part in the Table Quiz and contributed to the bucket collection last week-end to raise funds for the young people who will represent our Parish at World Youth Day in Madrid. Almost €800 was raised.

Baptism

Parents who wish to have their children baptised are invited to attend a meeting beforehand. The next meeting will take place in the Church on **Wed. 24th August at 7.30pm.**

Following the Camino to Santiago

Well the good news is that on the 23rd July we walked into the Cathedral Square in Santiago having completed 111km in 7 days just as we planned. It was a marvellous journey every step of the way.

Thank you to everybody who supported us and helped us to raise over €700 so far for Pieta House. We prayed for you all at the Cathedral Mass on the Feast of St. James on July 25th.

Enjoy the summer.

Anne Keating, Anne Hunston, Niamh Keating and Elna Bychkova.

Acknowledgement



Christy McCormack

The wife and family of the late Christy McCormack, Hillcrest, Lucan, would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the neighbours and friends who attended Christy's funeral and visited the house to offer their support, and to all who sent Mass cards and offered their condolences. Your kindness at this difficult time is very much appreciated. We would also like to say a special thank you to Father John Hassett, the paramedics and to the staff at Connolly Hospital, Blanchardstown. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.
Kathleen, Neil and Alan McCormack.

Birthday Remembrance

Ann Dignam

14th August

To us you were so special,
Words can never say,
How much we love and miss you,
On your birthday,
There will be a heartache and
Often a silent tear,
But always beautiful memories of
The days when you were here,
You were a mum in a million,
You meant the world to me,
If I had one choice today,
My choice would not be hard,
I'd wish that I could have you here,
To give you a birthday card.
Happy Birthday Mam.xxx
*Love you always, your daughter Josephine, brother
James and granddaughter Donna.*



Anniversaries

Donal Allis

2nd Anniversary – 11th August

Donal, you are forever in our thoughts.
*Sadly missed, Mam, Dad, Jenny, Mary, Jack, Katie, Ben
and Grace.*

Raymond (Rash) Carey

28th Anniversary - 30th July.

Late of Beech Park, Lucan
Forever Young
Of our much loved and missed son and brother.
We thought of you with love today, Ray.
But that is nothing new,
We thought of you yesterday
And the days before that too,
We think of you in silence
And always speak your name.
All we have is memories
And your picture in a frame
Your memories are our keepsake,
With which we'll never part,
God has you in His keeping
We have you in our hearts.
*Missing you and loving you always sweetheart,
Mam, Dad, brothers and sisters.*



Paddy Murphy

20th Anniversary – 4th August

Remembering our dear Dad Paddy, who died
4th Aug. 1991.
No matter how life changes,
No matter what we do,
A special place within our hearts,
Is always kept for you,
Each one of us in our own way,
Have special thoughts of you to-day.
Deeply missed and forever loved by all your family.



Sheila Dalton

4th Anniversary – 7th August

“Do not stand at my graveside and weep
I am not there, I do not sleep
I am a thousand winds that blow
I am the diamond glints on snow
I am the sunlight on ripened grain
I am the gentle autumn rain
I am the soft stars that shine at night
Do not stand at my grave and cry
I am not there, I did not die”.
Loved and missed by your family.

4th Anniversary Mass for Sheila on Saturday 6th
August at 6.30pm.

Kathleen Fitzgerald (nee Curry)

30th Anniversary – 3rd August

Late Dodsboro, Lucan
Today is your anniversary,
You wouldn't want a fuss,
Just to be remembered,
And loved by all of us,
So today we light a candle,
And say a little prayer,
We'll take a trip down memory lane,
And know that you'll be there.
Always remembered by her family and sister Nellie.

Ann Moffitt

2nd Anniversary – 7th August

Moff, your resting place we visit,
We place some flowers with care,
But no one knows the sadness
As we turn and leave you there.
Always remembered by your friends in Hillcrest.xxx.

Eileen O'Brien

2nd Anniversary – 19th August 2009

Remembering our dear Mam on her 2nd anniversary
away from home,
and also our dear **Dad Jimmy** who passed away on 5th
January 2011.
Our hearts are still broken,
Our lives are not the same,
We would change everything,
To have you back again.
*Loved and sadly missed by Jacqueline, Alan, Tracey and
families.*

Sonya Rabbitte

5th Anniversary – 1st August 2011.

Sonya, every day we treasure the memories of the happy
times we shared with you, we miss and love you always.
May God keep you and Fintan safe in his arms.
Look at life with eyes that see,
The good and not the bad.
Cherish in your memory,
The good times not the sad.
*Love, Mam, Dad, Carey, Louise, Neola, Michael,
Nobuko and Juliet.*


Anniversary Mass for Fintan and Sonya is this
Sunday at 9.45am.


Beads, Bags & Bling

Bag and Accessories sale

All proceeds will aid the relief efforts of East Africa's famine and drought crisis

Sunday 28th August 2011
St. Mary's Parish Centre
Lucan Co. Dublin

 St Mary's Parish Lucan
 stmarysparishlucan@gmail.com



Tomas Mulligan Memorial Cycle

The 4th annual Tomas Mulligan Memorial Cycle is on 13th & 14th August 2011

This year the cycle is heading from Dublin to Athlone on Saturday 13th August.

Cyclists and support crew will complete the return journey on Sunday 14th August.



All proceeds go to
Pieta House

The Centre for the Prevention of Self-harm or Suicide

Further details available on:

tmcycle.pieta.ie
 or
www.pieta.ie

Liffey Sound 96.4fm

Radio, Radio where forth art thou radio? In our house it is as though the radio could answer, especially when I use the magic words *Liffey Sound 96.4fm*. Each radio is tuned into Liffey Sound from 4/10pm daily and Sat & Sundays from 8am/10pm.

Saturday we *Wake up to Mark Sheridan* and his blend of music and chat, followed by Terry's *Blast from the Past* with his encyclopaedic knowledge of singers, songs & the charts of yesteryear. John O'Reilly follows with *Excellent Eighties* leading into *The Tracey Evans Show*, isn't *Liffey Sound* blessed to number such a professional broadcaster as Tracey in our ranks. Music genres are catered for next with *Jazz up your life* with Fiona followed by *Cool Classics* with Pat Q. *The Sports Club* blazes a trail from 4.30 with Paul, Mick and Daniel bringing you the scores that matter. *Maria Meets* showcasing local personalities is next, with Danny Carty *Getting the Right Mix* from 7/8pm. Adrian Nicholson from 8/10pm brings you the *Electronic Republic*.

Sunday gets off to a great start with *Sunday Sunrise* when Audrey & Declan reviews the week,



Out of this World is presented by Pat Quinn closely followed by Teresa's *Bookline*. *Doc on One*, courtesy of RTE, can now be heard at 11.30am. Sunday 12.30/1pm brings a mix of *Mrs G's Recipes*, *All together Now* or *Volunteer Voices*. Afternoon programmes get under way with Adrian Corcoran's *Celtic Ballads*, followed with Pat Kavanagh's *Wild life Show*, *The Vault* with Mike Morgan and *Ethnic Youth* with Rachel, Gillian & Becky. *Ceol agus Caint*, clár go hiontach le Tomás ó 6/7pm, then *Sports Results* with Pat McGee, Mike & Daniel bringing our listeners nicely to *Country Sounds* with Padraig right up to 10pm agus deireadh na cláracha.

Maria Meets Saturday 6/7pm Owen Cosgrave from *Justdance*, I wonder will there be waltzing in the studio? Guests coming shortly to *Maria Meets* include local girl *Zara Curtis* of Riverdance fame and also *Brian Daly* Magician par excellence.

Remember you may contact Liffey Sound 96.4fm with your community notices, event reminders, birthday/anniversary requests or just if you wish to hear that *special* song on 087 0627138 or by email to studio@liffeysoundfm.ie.

A Champions Stare!

Young local craftsman, **Chris Lawlor** from Lucan has had his woodcarving entry in the RDS National Crafts Competition selected for exhibition at the **RDS Discover Ireland Dublin Horse Show** from **August 3 - 7, 2011**



His woodcarving titled '*A Champions Stare*' is a replica of current Formula One World Champion, Sebastian Vettel's helmet, with working visor which, when raised reveals the 'Champions Stare'.

Chris is about to launch his new website www.chrislawlorwooddesigns.com

Ode to Deirdre

Deirdre sells Bloomers
In shades of blue and pink
They come in several sizes
And never made her blink.
They're good in all weathers
They keep the draughts at bay
And when it's time for new ones
The others alternate to:



*Shammies for the windows
Dusters for the shelves
Clothes to mop those spills
up
And rags for those ringlets.*

mgm

(Note: Deirdre was a sales lady in Boyers)



Keep Lucan Tidy! These are the days when the **Tidy Towns Judges** are making their second visit to check up on our Village, so be extra vigilant, and do your best to keep the place nice and tidy. These 'Judges' do not stand out from the general public – so you could be standing beside one at any time.

Hopefully the hard dedicated work of our Tidy Towns Team will be well rewarded.

Great to see local lady **Mary Lacey** on RTE's *The Way We Worked* last week, Oh how that wedding photo brought us back in time!!!!

Lucan's Superquinn is also featuring a lot on the telly these days – hopefully all will work out well for everyone concerned.

Dáil Bar! Isn't it amazing that TDs are let run up a bill of €70,000 in the Dáil Bar – and part of this debt belongs to some who are no longer TDs. Surely, they should have to settle such bills at the end of each month at least. Fat chance of any of the public being allowed such a facility anywhere.

€100 per House! While it might not sound extravagant at only €2 a week, it's undoubtedly just the start of what's to come in the next year or so. All the '*only €2 a week*' add up!

Still the fallout from the Cloyne report goes on. It was reassuring to hear Fr. John Hassett's homily at Mass in Esker last Sunday – With regard to the English Mobile Phone Hacking scandal, Rupert Murdoch had faced committees, answered questions, and apologised for what was done. Fr. John regretted that Bishop Magee didn't do the same!!! No doubt the generations gone before us are spinning in their graves.

GREETINGS

Happy Anniversary
Mam & Dad

Love from all the Carty family xxx



Happy Birthday Lorraine
Love from Mam and Dad xxx

Happy 9th Birthday Craig
Love Mam, Dad and Lauren xxx



Happy 9th Birthday Craig
Love Nana and Grandad xxx

Cllr Guss O'Connell Independent Community

087 6838 254 gussoconnell@gmail.com

May I wish the Newsletter team a happy well earned rest. We have no Council meetings during August but I am available to help in any way possible.

The community festival is not far off now and in with the spirit of 'think local' I'm sure that the business community will once again put their full weight behind it and in turn residents will 'buy local' so we are all winners!

I got complaints recently about thoughtless dog owners who fail to clean up when their pet fouls a public area. It's the law and carries a penalty. So if the cap fits....

Still time to give your views on what kind of Dublin you want. Click

<http://www.yourdublinyourvoice.ie/> and you could win a helicopter view of Dublin!

Minister Frances Fitzgerald – Fine Gael.

457 7712. frances.fitzgerald@oir.ie

www.francesfitzgerald.ie

Supporting the Lucan Festival: The Lucan Festival is less than two months away (September 19th -25th) the committee would welcome the support of local businesses - its success benefits the entire community.

This is the last edition of the Lucan Newsletter before the staff break for the summer. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the hard work, effort and commitment of the staff and volunteers at the Parish Centre and to wish residents throughout Lucan a safe and enjoyable summer. As always, I will remain available to constituents throughout the summer. You can e-mail me any queries or concerns at frances.fitzgerald@oireachtas.ie and my constituency office (457 7712) will remain open throughout August.

Derek Keating TD, Fine Gael

Peace Commissioner. 66 Beech Park
Tel/Text: 087 285 7435 (m). 01 618 4014 (o)
Email: info@derekkeating.net
Web: www.derekkeating.net

Household Service Charge: The Minister had no choice but to introduce a new 100€ service charge, commencing next year. This is part of the Bailout agreement by the previous Fianna Fail /Green Party Government which we inherited.

Dáil Eireann: I wish to record my gratitude for the many responses both very positive and some challenging which I received to date by post, email, phone, txt and personal contact, since elected to our national parliament please keep it up! All views and opinions are important to me.

Lucan Newsletter Team: Can I record publicly my appreciations to YOU, the hard working team who keep us all so well informed with another year of voluntary work well done.

Email Newsletter: To receive my free Email Newsletter please send me an email marked 'Subscribe'

Mayor Caitriona Jones – Labour Party.

Office: (01)4149031

Mobile: 087 2034427. Email: mayor@sdblincoco.ie

Book of Condolence for Norway: I have opened a book of condolences at County Hall for the people of Norway and I invite citizens of our County to sign it. It is an opportunity to express your solidarity with the people of Norway who have been devastated by last week's tragic events. For those of you who cannot make it to County Hall you can add your name in the Online Book on the website www.sdcc.ie

Lucan Festival: Businesses and Communities should pull together and lend as much support as possible to the Lucan Festival. The festival will take place in from September 19th – 25th; it is a great opportunity to celebrate what is best about Lucan. Please do all you can to help make this year's festival a success!

Cllr. William Lavelle – Fine Gael

16 Lána na bPáirce, Ballyowen Lane
0874107885. wavelle@sdblincoco.ie

Over the past two years I have prioritised efforts to improve pedestrian safety across Lucan, in particular close to schools. I am delighted to see further progress on this front with a new signalised crossing now installed at Earlsfort/Rosse Court which will improve safety for children walking to and from Archbishop Ryan schools.

N4 Grass-Cutting: Following representations from local businesses, residents' associations and Lucan Tidy Towns, I have now secured agreement that overgrown grass verges along the N4 in Lucan will be cut shortly.

Summer: May I thank the Newsletter staff for all their hard work and may I wish all the staff and readers of the Newsletter an enjoyable Summer break.

Cllr. Emer Higgins – Fine Gael

ehiggins@sdblincoco.ie 087 921 7741

Lucan Fest 2011: This years' Lucan Festival is less than two months away (September 19th -25th) the committee would welcome the support of local businesses - its success benefits the entire community.

Summer Break I would like to take this opportunity to wish you an enjoyable summer break.. Please contact me on 087 921 7741 or on e-mail (ehiggins@sdblincoco.ie) throughout August

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Masquerade at Mega-Bites

Mega-Bites Youth Café finished their summer activities with a Masquerade Ball on Friday night last, and what an event it was. Our Newsletter people turned up rather under-dressed for the occasion as suave Bond look-alikes, and girls in the most wonderful creations showed how it's done – Salsa, Waltz and Jive were the order of the night!

The event was organised by the young people themselves, who were so much into it that they took dance classes the previous week, and were also put through their paces before the real dancing began on the night. Nothing was left to chance as the party kicked off with the music of Strauss getting us in the mood.

This was followed by a classical guitar session by Marc Baleirnie, after which the boys and girls danced the night away.

Pictured right are committee members **Alan O'Brien**, **Kate O'Mahony** and **Rachel Norris**, with a selection of masks, which were made by members.



Rachel Norris plied us with cocktails (non-alcoholic mind you) - we went for *Sex on the Beach!*



Darren Fox from *Dancetones* put the guys through their Paces.



Louise Geagan-Murray and **Michael Burns** (*left*) had a ball – while Classical Guitarist **Marc Baleirnie** was simply enchanting. Well done to all!

Mega-Bites Youth Café will resume in September after their summer break.



Presentation Re-Union
Secondary & Primary Pupils

Finnstown House Hotel 

Sunday 4th September 2011 at 4pm

TICKETS NOW ON SALE

Tickets €20 (incl. buffet meal)
on Sale at

St. Mary's Parish Centre, Lucan

From after 11am Mass until 1pm
on Sunday 7th August

Please Note:
Tickets must be purchased in advance of the event, as food has to be organised.



The Re-Union is to commemorate and celebrate the anniversary of the **First Leaving Cert sat in Lucan (1961)**. Both **Primary** and **Secondary Presentation Past Pupils** are invited to come along, meet up with classmates from bygone days.

The Sisters are coming..... Sisters Kathleen (*John Bosco*), Susan (*Oliver*), Mary, Ita, Julia (*Patrick*), Rosario, and of course Frances (*Dolores*) who was herself one of that first class, are all looking forward to the celebration and renewing old acquaintances.

No doubt, there are many happy memories of these times – if you would like to share some and see more photos, come along to the Re-Union.

Further information from any of the following: Anne Geraghty (*Moffett*) Mob. 087 930 4129; Pat Lysaght (*Higgins*) Mob. 087 222 3009; Mary Moran (*Gordon*) Mob. 086 1521123.
On Facebook - Our page is called St Josephs Reunion. E: PCLreunion2011@gmail.com

Making it happen! – Mary Moran (*Gordon*), Anne Geraghty (*Moffett*), and front Pat Lysaght (*Higgins*) were on hand selling tickets for the event on Saturday last.

Incidentally, all three were the first typists at **Lucan Newsletter!**



Mags with Lucan Hedgehogs Athletes Maeve Phillips and Gerard Regan along with Mark Kennedy Shriver, son of Eunice Kennedy Shriver, founder of the Special Olympics.

Women's Mini Marathon – Sincere Thanks

I want to thank all my work colleagues, friends, neighbours and relations most sincerely for their support for my participation in the Flora Womens Mini Marathon in June. Arising from their generosity I raised a sum of €636 for the Lucan special Olympics Club, the Lucan Hedgehogs.

This money will enable us to have improved facilities for our athletes who participate in Basketball and Bocce and will be of great benefit to us in the coming season.

Your contributions have given all my colleagues and I, in the Club great encouragement to continue our activities for our very special athletes.

Mags McCabe



These are good times for Dublin GAA, and it is great to have so much Sarsfields involvement as several Dublin teams are still in contention as we head into August. Well done to Peter Kelly and Johnny McCaffrey on Dublin's win in the All-Ireland SH Qtr-final against Limerick. This is Dublin's first semi-final appearance since 1948! They will play the All-Ireland Champions Tipperary on Aug 14th in a double header with the Minor Hurlers. We look forward to a feast of hurling and best of luck to Dublin and the Lucan players. Welcome win for the Senior Footballers in the League over Fingal Ravens.

We wish all club members and supporters safe and happy holidays and best wishes to the Newsletter staff as they take a well-deserved break 'til the Aug 28th edition.

Dublin v Tyrone/Rossies ticket information – Saturday 6th August 2011 in Croke Park. Throw in 7pm. A list to order tickets for this game will be on the notice board in the Club only 'til this **FRIDAY night 29th July.**

AFL1 Lucan 2-12 Fingal Ravens 1-12 Lucan secured a much-needed two League points with a hard earned win over Ravens. Two goals from David Quinn helped Lucan to a win despite concession of a late penalty.

UPCOMING FUN DAY IN SEPTEMBER

Donations of the following are required for our **Annual Family Fun Day**: Books, jewellery, handbags, DVD's, Playstation games, football jerseys, football boots, bottles (alcohol, soft drinks, perfumes, etc). These can be left in the Bar.

GALA BALL

Lucan Sarsfields plan to celebrate their 125 with an end of year Gala Ball. Date is 12th November and location is Westmanstown complex. Deposits for tickets now being taken at bar and the cost is €50 per ticket. Further details over coming weeks.

Director of Football:

Following on from the completion of the juvenile football development plan and the subsequent approval of the plan by the club's Executive, the club would like to determine who would be interested in taking on the role of juvenile football director. The skills that this person needs are as follows:

A good knowledge of football/coaching

- Good administration skills
- Good powers of delegation

- Good interpersonal skills
- A clear vision on where we need to go with juvenile football
- The time to commit to this important role.

If you are interested in taking on this important role in the club could you please contact Frank Fleming via email at lucanfrank@gmail.com

Lucan Camogie girls line up another Leinster title!

Following the marvellous Leinster community games victory for the Lucan U14 Camogie team earlier this month, next week it is the turn of the U16 Camogie girls when they take on all comers in the Leinster U16 club Pink Day. The Pink Day, held in support of breast cancer awareness charities, takes place in St Martins Wexford on Saturday 6th August. Team captain is Dublin player Claire Rigney and Rachael Kenny, Ciara Sheehan and a host of stars from the Lucan Camogie Féile teams from 2010 and 2011, will ably assist her. Lucan, as one of the emerging powers of national Camogie, are among the favourites to take the title, but will face stern opposition from the cream of the Camogie talent from Kilkenny, Wexford and Offaly. Bus will take supporters to Wexford for the day for €10. Contact Martina for last few places.

Eve of Hurling All Ireland

Sat 3rd Sept

Music in Clubhouse Bar with Peter Mangan
9.30pm 'til late

Summer Camps: 2011 August Summer camps have been fixed for August 8th – 12th and 15th – 19th. Registration can be done online via link on website.

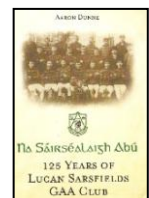
Na Sáirséalaigh Abú

- 125 Years of Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club

by Aaron Dunne

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Careys Newsagents, Village
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Abtree, Superquinn S/c.



Club Shop CLOSED on Saturday 30/07/11 (Bank Holiday). Summer Opening Hours: The shop will open on Thursday evenings only for the month of August from 7:30pm - 8:30pm, with 2 additional openings on Friday 12/08/11 & Friday 19/08/11 from 2:15pm - 3pm (Summer Camps). Fully stocked with hurleys, Don Lyons, Dowlings Stars, Pat Kearney plus selection of 125 Celebration clothing and goods.

Last weekend Lotto Numbers: 08 – 13 - 24 - 26
No Winner. This weeks Jackpot €4500. If you are in bar and your name is drawn first, you win €50. Colette Condon's team will be in charge this weekend. Do not forget you can always enter our Lotto online by clicking on www.lucansarsfields.ie. Thanks to Newcastle Golf who are this week's sponsor. Tickets can also be purchased in Carey's.

SPORTS

GARDA GAA CLUB & WESTMANSTOWN GAELS



Quiet last week with no fixtures played and Junior 2s getting a walkover from St Jude's. Back to action this week with all our adult teams in the league, the **Intermediates** are away to Kilmacud Crokes in Division 4 clash on Wednesday 27th July at 19:15.

Junior 1s are away to Civil Service at Islandbridge on Tuesday 26th July at 19.15 in Division 6. The **Junior 2s** play away to Liffey Gaels at Liffey Park on Thursday 28th July at 19.15 in Division 11 South.

Training continues for the **Ladies** on Mondays and Fridays at Westmanstown at 19.00. Any remaining monies due for the **New York trip** to be paid by July 31st to Alan Lynch or Eugene O Sullivan. Last call for any of travelling party not yet measured for tour gear to contact Robbie Harrison. Do it now or go without!

Westmanstown Gaels U/8s visited Croke Park recently. Many thanks to Marc O'Carroll and his support team for making it a day to remember.

Thanks to Shane Henry for the photos of the trip as well. Summer training continues (see the club web site for details). To order tickets for upcoming Dublin hurling and football matches, visit <http://www.westmanstowngaels.ie>.

LUCAN GOLF CLUB

Lucan Ladies Competition Results

21st July 2011 18 Hole Stableford Ria Kenny Qualifier

Winner	M Kenny	H/c 18 40 Points
2nd	C Gilhooly	H/c 32 39 Points
Gross	K Whyte	H/c 13 38 Points
4th	F Madigan	H/c 35 38 Points
Winner of Front Nine - A Tully H/c 21 21 Points		
Winner of Back Nine - C Graham H/c 19 21 Points.		

Nine Hole Competition –

Winner D Mulcahy H/C 28 13 Points.

Sat. 23rd July: 1st Alan Reck (5) 44, 2nd David Marten (20) 43, 3rd Paul Pidgeon (17), Gross Martin O'Toole(1) 34.

Sun. 24th July: 1st Michael Rankin (10) & Jodie Corcoran (20) 42, Fintan Dunne (5) & Thomas Lakes (19) 40BB6, Paddy Perry (16) & Barry O'Leary (17) 40.



LUCAN PITCH & PUTT CLUB

The traditional start of the **Club Open Week** with the Over 55's Singles Comp took place Wednesday 20th. **The winners were:** Gents: 18 Nett Winner- Christy Kane 42Nett. 18 Gross Winner- Anthony Malone 48Gross. Ladies: 18 Nett Winner- Yvonne Middleton 50Nett. 18 Gross Winner- Mairead O' Brien 58Gross.

A very wet Thursday saw the start of four days of **Scotch Foursomes**, and thankfully the good weather for the rest of the weekend saw plenty of games being played. The Course could not have been in better condition and the locals did very well, with the Greens proving tricky for our Visitors. Thanks to those who played and everyone who helped in any way throughout the Open.

Results were; Gents: 36 Nett: Conor Mc Carthy & Cathal Casey [Lucan] 82 6/8. 36Gross: Anthony Malone & Chris Gallagher [Lucan] 86. 18Nett: Terry Mc Morrow & Dan

Courtney [Lucan] 38 7/8. Ladies: 36 Nett: Tracey Smith & Fiona Langan [Lucan] 86 6/8. 36Gross: Ger Ward & Sheila Elms (Portmarnock) 96. 18Nett: Claire Keeley & Ger Holland [R.G.S.C] 46 5/8. Mixed: 36 Nett: Jimmy & Roseleen Thompson [Lucan] 85 6/8. 36 Gross: Dave & Bernie Hayden (Lucan) 94. 18 Nett: Kathleen Croke & Mick Purcell 42 ¼.

Once again we would like to thank Butler Technologies for sponsoring The Lucan Open. Last Wednesday saw the qualifiers for the **Dublin Mixed Scotch Foursomes**, with the Finals in Lucan 21st August. Good Luck to All. This Bank Holiday Weekend competition 29/7-1/8 is 36 Stableford, due to this weekends B.B.Q, last tee-off Sat 30th is at 3pm and first tee-off Sunday 31st is 10am.

Congratulations to Chris Gallagher who will be playing on this years Inter-County Team. Next Weekends competitions are Gents 18Gross and Ladies 18V-Par. All competitions can be found on the Club Website.

The Presidents Juvenile Day takes place 17th August at 2pm.

Best of Luck to Kevin & Cillian taking part in the U-16S National Championship and to Sean Gallagher playing on the Dublin Team in the U-16s Inter-County Final, both taking place @ Deerpark in Killarney. We wish Jimmy good luck for his Presidents day on 27th August, the time sheet is up in the Clubhouse. There are still a few tickets left for the Presidents Dinner 27th August and music on the night is by Christy Mc Nally.

Music dates for the Diaries

13/8 Billy Joyce, 27/8

Presidents Dinner: Christy Mc Nally, 8/9 Julian.

We extend our sympathies to Barbara on the recent death of her father Austin.

BEECH PARK F.C.

Players wanted for the 2011/12 season,
U9 Saturday (Born 2003).
Contact: 086 0853039.

ST. MARY'S LUCAN BRIDGE CLUB

Results: 25/06/11

N/S: 1st: M. Gorman/B.Clarke
2nd: M. Fitzsimons/J.Murphy

E/W: 1st: N.Brennan/M.O'Reilly
2nd: A.McGee/M.O'Mahoney

Happy holidays everyone and see you back on
Sept. 5th.

LUCAN HARRIERS & A.C.

Juvenile athletics News

Woodies DIY Juvenile Track and Field Championships - Tullamore, Saturday, July 23rd

Tara Andrews, having just recently recovered from an injury set-back, competed in the Girls U15 National Javelin competition. The short lay-off appears to have done Tara some good as Tara produced a magnificent display on her comeback as Tara's amazing throw of 25 metres 81 centimetres placed her 4th just shy of third place in a high quality javelin competition

Woodies DIY Juvenile Inter Club Relays - Tullamore, Sunday, July 24th

Our very talented U12 Boys team of Lee Browne, Max Carey, Udi Nwike, Adam Kelleher, Niall Larkin & Cian Timmons built on their excellent performance of finishing third in the Dublin relay championships on June 24th when they took their talents to Tullamore at the weekend to compete against Ireland's best clubs the Juvenile Inter club relays. As Lee, Max, Udi, Adam, Niall and Cian are all superbly talented athletes as they constantly demonstrate in the individual competitions it came as no surprise to see our team perform so impressively at National level. In an extremely competitive 100 metres relay event our team ran a lightning quick time and finished in a brilliant 12th place overall.

Senior's News

BHAA DCC 5km Road Race – Ringsend, Wednesday, July 13th

Ladies Race: Bernie Stapleton as ever, produced a most impressive display of long distance running when she completed the DCC 5km course in an amazing time of 22 minutes 12 seconds. This placed Bernie a fantastic 5th in her category as she continues to prove herself one of the top ladies in



the BHAA series of races. Eileen O'Brien made a return to action with a bang as Eileen produced a sensational run crossing the line in a brilliant time of 24 minutes 32 seconds. Eileen, making a return to action after her outstanding run in the Cork City Marathon in early June secured yet another victory in her category.

Men's Race: Derry McVeigh continued his remarkable run of results as he raced home in a superb 17 minutes 35 seconds. This placed Derry 10th – his highest finish in a BHAA race. Starting and finishing on the Irishtown track with 3 laps of Ringsend Park also thrown into the mix, Derry produced a display of fantastic 5k running to add to his catalogue of excellent performances over the distance this year. Following Derry home we had the bang in form Brendan Maher. Brendan continuing his scintillating form in 2011 produced a fantastic run on this bendy course in clocking a fantastic time of 19 minutes 25 seconds. This placed Brendan an excellent 6th in his category. Next home for Lucan was Gerry Byrne Snr. Gerry, following up his impressive displays on the track in recent weeks, used the speed he has garnered preparing for these races as he produced a very quick finish to the race to cross the line in an incredible time of 20 minutes 54 seconds. Gerry Martin, closely followed Gerry home as Gerry crossed the line in a lightning quick time of 21 minutes 12 seconds. Gerry is continuing to race extremely impressively throughout the summer season and no doubt there is plenty more to come from Gerry.

Irish Runner 5 Mile Road Race – Phoenix Park, Saturday, July 16th

Ladies Race: Eileen O'Brien shows no signs of easing up as Eileen continued her remarkable run of victories in her category. Eileen ran an magnificent time of 39 minutes 32 seconds. This performance cements Eileen's reputation as one of the top master runners in the country. Deirdre Daly produced her second fantastic run since joining Lucan as she raced home in a superb time of 36 minutes 01 second. Run on a testing course Deirdre demonstrated that her marathon preparations are right on track with this brilliant run. Fiona Doyle having impressed over 10kms in the Women's Mini marathon in early June continued her fine vein of form as Fiona completed the 5 mile distance in an excellent time of 43 minutes 45seconds. This is excellent running by Fiona and even more so that Fiona is so new to the club. Closely following Fiona was the excellent Maria Byrne. Maria who has been in sensational form since returning to the club last year continued her year of fantastic displays as Maria had an outstanding run completing the 5 mile course in a brilliant 44 minutes 44 seconds.

LUCAN CYCLING CLUB

Women's National League Time Trial:

Fitzgerald Wins Sorrento TT: National League Leader Sandra Fitzgerald made it two National League Wins in a row on Saturday (July 23rd) in the 10 Mile Time Trial in Kilpeddar County Wicklow. **Results**

1 Sandra Fitzgerald (Stagg Cycles/Lucan CC), 23.59; 4 Roisin Kennedy (Stagg Cycles/LCRC)

Tommy Brady Memorial 2011:

Fergus Whelan First In Robinstown: Veteran Lucan cyclist Fergus Whelan sprinted home to take the first A3 prize in the Tommy Brady Memorial in Robinstown on Saturday evening (July 23rd).

A3 1 Fergus Whelan, Lucan.

LCRC Youth Team In Prizes at Robinstown:

Lucan had four riders in action in the Tommy Brady Memorial Youth Races in Robinstown. First year Under 14 rider Adam Stenson is regularly in the prizes both on Road and Track, and First Year Under 12 rider Conor Hehir has joined him in road racing this season.

Youth Results U.14 - 5 Adam Stenson, Lucan CC **U.12**, 4 Ryan Whelan, Lucan CC. 5 Conor Hehir, Lucan CC. 8 Bronagh Hehir, Lucan CC.



Autumn Track League 2011 Round 2:

Rodgers & White Make League Debuts: The LCRC Track Team introduced two new riders to the Autumn Track League On Wednesday night (July 20th). Bronagh Rodgers is a welcome addition to the women's Team, as she prepares for her National Team sprint with Roisin Kennedy, and Dermot White joins an already very strong Youth Team. Both riders made an immediate impact, scoring points on their first night.

Adam Stenson made his usual start to the night with a Win in the Hare & Hound, with his Team mate Bronagh Hehir in 3rd. The ever improving Derek Stenson took 3rd place in the B&C Hare and Hound. Youth League leader Adam Stenson followed up his win with a 2nd place in the 3 up sprint. Young Mathew Stenson took his first Win in the D group 3 Up Sprint. It was all Lucan in the last Youth Sprint, with Ryan Whelan leading home Conor Hehir, and Dermot White taking his first points of the league.

Derek Stenson took a B Group win in the Kilo Dash; with Roisin Kennedy taking a 3rd. Roisin Kennedy led home the women's combined B & C Race, with new signing Bronagh Rodgers in an excellent 3rd place. The final event of the night was the Team Pursuit, and the Lucan team showed they are on Track for the Nationals winning both the Men's and Women's events. Roisin Kennedy and Bronagh Rodgers performed well in their first competitive event as a Team, and the Men's Team of Brendan Whelan, Derek Stenson, Ross

Grogan and John McCormack looked comfortable winning the Senior men's race.



Adam Stenson, Ryan Whelan and Conor Hehir

Lucan Library

Heritage Month August / September



Musical Tots

For 6 months – 4 years with parent/guardians.

Tuesday 16th August, 10.30 am

Booking essential

Storytelling with Brendan Nolan

Tuesday 23rd August, 7.00 pm

All welcome

Local History and Genealogy Online Workshop

Monday 29th, 7.00 pm

Booking essential

Basket-making Workshop

Traditional Willow Weaving

Wednesday 31st August, 10.30 am – c.12.30pm

Booking essential

Exhibitions

Adrian Hendroff

Ireland's Mountains in Photographs – August

'So You Think You Know Lucan?'

Photographic quiz

20th August – end September.

August Bank Holiday Closing

The Library closes at 4.30pm on Friday 29th July and re-opens at 9.45am on Tuesday 2nd August 2011.

Opening Hours

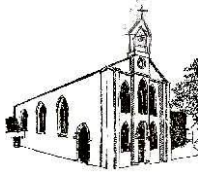
Monday – Thursday 9.45am-8pm

Friday and Saturday 9.45am-4.30pm

For further information contact (01) 621 6422 or lucan@sdblincoco.ie

Church Notices – 31st July 2011

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Mary's Lucan

Sunday Masses:

Vigil Saturday, 6.30 pm,
8.45am, 9.45am, 11am,
12.15pm & 7pm.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Thursday 10 am

Friday: 1st Friday of the month Masses at 10 am & 7.30 pm. Saturday 10 am.

Monday 15th August – Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Masses 10 am, 11 am & 7.30 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturday 7.30 pm – 9 pm (Nuns Chapel), Thursday 2 pm – 4 pm (Nuns Chapel)

Sacrament of Reconciliation – Saturday after 10 am Mass, 6-6.20pm & after the 6.30 pm Mass.

Baptisms: 4 weeks notice is required to those living in the Parish and wish to have their children baptised. For further information contact the Sacristy or Parish Office.

Lucan Methodist Church

Sunday: 10.00 am
Morning Service
Alison Gallagher



Divine Mercy Lucan South

Sunday Masses:

Vigil 6.30 pm,
10.30 am & 12
noon

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday 9.15 am

Adoration & Prayer:

Adoration – Friday 10 am – 3 pm

Prayer Group – Monday 8pm – 9 pm

Scripture Sharing – Tuesday 9.45 am – 10.45 am

Baptisms: Parents are asked to attend an information meeting before making arrangements or booking dates.



St. Patrick's Esler / Dodsboro / Adamstown

Sunday Masses: Vigil

Saturday, 7.00 pm, 9 am, 10.30 am & 12 noon

Eucharist Adoration – Saturday from 5.30 pm – 6.45 pm

Weekday Masses: Monday to Saturday



Lucan Presbyterian Church

Sunday: 10.30 am
Morning Worship

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Trevor W.J. Morrow
Crèche and Children's Ministry

All Welcome



Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays after 10 am & 7 pm Masses

Baptisms: 1st & 3rd Sundays at 12.45pm & 2nd Saturdays at 12.30pm.

At least four weeks' notice is required to facilitate preparation. Applications between 10 am and 1.00 pm Monday to Friday at Parish Office or after any Mass as Parents are required to attend a pre-Baptism Meeting. **Bookings cannot be accepted on the telephone or by email.** Parents are required to attend a pre-Baptism Meeting.

St. Andrew's Church of Ireland

Sunday: *St. Andrew's* - 9am & 10 am

St. Mary's Leixlip 11.30 am



CEMETERY MASS

Will take place this year on the 11th of September
at 3 pm,
Weather permitting.