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In Support of UKRAINE



CHORAL CONCERT
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR OF
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Davenport, Iowa, USA
Directors: Matthew Bishop
Accompanist: Alex Gilson
St. Mary's Church
Lucan Road, Lucan, Co. Dublin
Tuesday, July 19th, 2022
8 pm
FREE ADMISSION
www.acea.co.uk

When the Russian invasion of Ukraine began on February 24th of this year all of Europe, and indeed most of the world, united in deploring the aggression of Russia in invading a sovereign and independent nation. Since that time, we have witnessed scenes of horror and devastation. Several millions of people have been driven from their homes, many fleeing to safety in countries throughout the world, including here in Ireland.

When a situation endures, as the invasion in Ukraine, there is a danger that the world spotlight grows dim, and a kind of coverage fatigue sets in. This would be a tragedy for the people whose lives are still very much in turmoil. We must not allow their ongoing plight to fade from our consciousness.

Just this week we saw the bombing of a shopping Mall in a town which is miles from the frontline of the conflict, and the shelling of an apartment block which took the lives of men, women and children. Such acts of savagery are hard to comprehend in 2022.

The silence of the Russian Orthodox Church is deafening; how any Christian leader can remain indifferent to such human



suffering should be a cause of their shame. It appears that they are too enmeshed in Putin's tyrannical regime.

Within Ukraine many have fled to the relative safety of Western Ukraine, and towns and villages are struggling to provide food and lodging for these unfortunate people. The Concert night in St. Marys on July 19th is a fundraiser for the Catholic Diocese of **Chernivtsi** relief fund. We will channel the money through the Diocesan Bishop, Bishop Yofafat Mosych. Each day they are struggling to provide meals and shelter for several thousands of the displaced, and are desperately in need of funds.

Admission to the concert is free, and we will pass collection bags around for voluntary offerings for this very worthy cause. Why not combine an enjoyable musical evening with an opportunity to express concrete solidarity with the suffering people of Ukraine.

We hope you can join us on July 19th at 8:00 pm

Philip Curran, St. Mary's Lucan

Lucan Citizens Information Centre

Our telephone number is **0818 07 5090**

www.citizensinformation.ie

Email lucan@citinfo.ie

SERVICES AND OPENING HOURS
DROP-IN WITHOUT APPOINTMENT
(Limited Capacity)

Tuesday mornings 10am to 12pm
Thursday mornings 10am to 12pm

PHONE CALL QUERIES FOR CALL BACK

0818 075090. Tuesday afternoons only

OUR CITIZENS INFORMATION PHONE SERVICE IS OPEN

Monday to Friday 9am to 8pm on 0818 07 4000

We are closed on Monday and Friday each week.



What are Youth Information Centres and Services?

Youth Information Centres and Services offer free and confidential information on issues that matter to young people (up to 25 years) and those acting on their behalf.

Some of the common things young people ask about are:

- College courses, apprenticeships and other types of education
- Grants, bursaries, scholarships and financial supports for education
- Writing a CV, getting a job and starting a career
- Finding somewhere to live
- Your rights and entitlements
- Sport and leisure activities
- European opportunities to work, study and volunteer for young people
- Drug and alcohol awareness
- Health, wellbeing and healthy relationships

Youth Information Centres are open to all young people, as well as people who work with young people. They are run by Crosscare, YMCA Ireland, and Youth Work Ireland, and are funded by the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth through local Education and Training Boards. Spunout is Ireland's youth information website created by young people, for young people.

Youth Information Officers

Youth Information Services are staffed by trained Youth Information Officers who:

- Provide information in a way that is accessible, non-judgemental, and welcoming for young people

- Give time and a safe space to come and talk or get support
- Help young person to explore the situation and identify the issue with them
- Provide information and options and help the young person make sense of the information at hand and support them to take the next step
- Signpost young people to other specialised organisations when necessary
- Aim to enable young people to make their own informed choices and become independent and active citizens

Youth Information Chat Service

Youth Information Chat is a free, non-judgemental, one-to-one, online chat and email service for young people.

Youth Information Chat is available to all young people aged 16 - 25 years old, parents, guardians, friends, family and those working with young people. Youth Information Chat is open Monday to Friday, 4pm - 8pm (excluding bank holidays). Outside of those hours, you can leave a message at any time, day or night, and Youth Information Chat Officers will reply by email during opening hours.

The service is a partnership by youth information organisations: Crosscare, spunout, YMCA, and Youth Work Ireland.




Open Day
Sunday 10th July at 1pm

KILDARE ANIMAL FOUNDATION
South Green Road, Kildare Town

Plants, Cakes, Antiques, Bottle stall, Kids games, Face painting, Crafts, Refreshments/Barbeque and much more

FREE ADMISSION

Very important: **NO dogs allowed** as it upsets the resident animals at the shelter.

Lucan ICA

ICA closed today for summer holidays with a social morning. We had a game of Scattergories, prizes galore followed by a nice healthy lunch, tea, scones, apple pie and strawberry pavlova. Our last morning until September.



President Pauline wished all members a safe and restful holiday and look forward to meeting up again in September.

Pauline

Hillcrest Residents Association

Celebration of 50+ Years

To celebrate the establishment of Hillcrest and our bordering roads in the early 1970s, and to commemorate deceased residents, an **open air Mass has been arranged for 2pm on Sunday, 10th July**, at the playing pitch, top of Hillcrest Heights, to which you are cordially invited. Lucan Concert Band will provide entertainment from 3pm.

We look forward to seeing you all so that we can share memories of the past and hopes for the future of our lovely neighbourhood.

Please bring along a chair if you would prefer to be seated for the duration of the event.

Gardai will be in attendance and have confirmed that the estate will be patrolled throughout the afternoon.

It would be lovely if as many residents as possible would decorate their house fronts with bunting, county colours or national flags/emblems to mark our celebration.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 10th.

Rita O'Brien, Secretary

Bus Disconnects

There is no direct connection with the new bus system, it is blind connecting having to wait until a bus arrives.

The new busway from Adamstown to Dodsboro has just opened, this provides almost a full busway from Dodsboro to the city centre via Tandy's lane onto N4. A bus taking this route would reach the city centre in just over 30 minutes from Dodsboro. From Tesco footbridge, 5 minutes to Woodies, 10 minutes to Liffey Valley. It would benefit other estates near the N4. With a route like this more users would be clamouring to use the bus.



The Elderly people who want to use Blanchardstown hospital have been badly let down by the NTA.

Lucan Planning Council is holding another meeting on these issues at AGP Green on Sat. 9th July at 11am.

Tom Newton 086 3127364



Lucan Active Retirement Assoc.

Our meeting on Thursday 30th June was our last before the Summer break and we enjoyed a fun quiz and beetle drive with prizes. We finished with our Line Dancing which is an enjoyable way of getting exercise.

Lucan Lions Club visited us and presented us with a supply of the "Message in a Bottle" containers. The Message in a Bottle is an emergency information scheme which includes a Personal Information Form (PIF) containing accurate relevant medical and other information relating to the Bottle recipient. We were advised to keep the completed form in the special green and white bottle in our fridge.



We're looking forward to our Summer Outing on Thursday 14th July.

Thanks to all our members for contributing to our club since our return. Looking forward to seeing you all in September.

Parish Notes St Mary's, Lucan

www.lucanparish.com



Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm

Sunday: 10.30am, 12 noon and 7pm.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Saturday 10am

Masses will continue to be live-streamed on

www.lucanparish.com

St. Mary's Readers' Roster July 2022:

The roster for readers at the Saturday vigil and Sunday masses in St. Mary's for the month of July 2022 has been sent to all readers by email. If any reader has not received it a copy is available for inspection in the sacristy.

Christian Meditation:

Tuesdays at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

All welcome, Sr Geraldine.

Praying with Scripture:

Please note there will be NO meeting for the months of July and August.

Divine Mercy Devotion:

On **Wednesdays after 10am Mass**. Everyone is welcome to participate in the devotion regularly or occasionally.

St Mary's Parish Divine Mercy Group.

Baptisms:

Dates are bookable on line up to the end of **August 2022**. If you need to cancel a booking contact: secretary@lucanparish.com

Confessions – Nuns' Chapel:

After Saturday Morning 10am Mass and Saturday Evening 6.30pm Mass.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group:

Sr Eileen Cannon, a Presentation Sister, Clondalkin has joined our group and is available to speak with (via zoom) or answer calls (on phone) to anyone bereaved.

Her phone no. is 087 6380994

We thank her in anticipation for her help.

Sr Geraldine and Team.

We meet **every 2nd Monday at 10.45am and 4th**

Thursday at 8pm of the month in the Parish Centre. We are available to listen to or just be there for anyone who is feeling lonely or lost following the death of a loved one.

Visits to the housebound:

If you are housebound you can call Deirdre at the parish office (01 621 7041) we will be happy to call on a monthly basis.

Icon Writing Course for St Mary's

August 15th to 20th In St Mary's Parish Centre.

9.30am – 5.30pm each day.

Writing (painting) an icon is a prayerful and specialised gift and we are very fortunate to have Mihai Cucu, writer of the WMOF icon, to give the course.

Cost €350. All materials will be provided (includes all brush sets, paints, gold, boards) and the week will draw to a close with a special Mass in St Mary's when the icons will be anointed and blessed.

Places are limited. Please contact Bernie Martin on 087 2240606

Deepest sympathy to the family and friends of **Peg Mullin**, Westmanstown and to the wife, family and friends of **Thomas (Michael) Murphy**, Lucan Heights. *May they rest in peace.*



Medjugorje Mass

St Mary's Church, Lucan

Monday July 11th

at 6.15pm

(Confessions and Rosary at 5.45pm)

Celebrate: Fr. Philip Bradley

Phil Colgan

First Anniversary



St. Patrick's Esker/ Dodsboro/Adamstown

www.stpatrickslucan.ie

Sunday Masses: Vigil Saturday 7pm,

Sunday: 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Friday at 10am.

All Masses continue to be livestreamed at
stpatrickslucan.ie

St Vincent De Paul – St Patrick's Conference

Church Gate Collection at all Masses

THIS weekend 2nd/3rd July

Many thanks for your generosity

Divine Mercy, Lucan South

www.lucansouthparish.net

Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 6:30pm,

Sunday 10:15am and 12:15pm

Weekday Masses: Mon.-Fri.9:15am.

Sat.10am

All Masses will be livestreamed on

www.lucansouthparish.net

Adoration and Holy Hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon: 7.30pm: Divine Mercy Adoration

Thu: 7pm: Holy Hour (Adoration/Confession)

Fri: 1.15pm: Adoration MMPH Cenacle

Fri: 2-3pm: Divine Mercy Devotion/Adoration.

Morning Prayers of the Church:

Monday to Friday: 8.40am.

The Church will now be open Monday to Friday from 10am to 4pm for private prayers.

Visitation team for Holy Communion:

Pastoral care of the Sick is provided for all who suffer in any way in our communities.

When a person becomes ill, receives a serious diagnosis or because of frailty is no longer able to attend Mass, our Ministers facilitate visitation of the sick at home or in a care setting when this is requested by families and permitted by public health authorities. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange a visit.

Bingo night:

Wednesdays at 7.30pm. In the John Paul II Memorial Hall. Meet up with friends, connect with new people and to assist with fund raising for the Church.

All are Welcome!

Coffee Morning:

Our Coffee Mornings - Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10am (after the 9.15am Mass) in the John Paul II Memorial Hall. Enjoy a cup of tea/coffee, biscuits/cakes

– or just drop in for a chat!



Divine Bloom:

Every Saturday morning after the 10am Mass.

All are Welcome!



St. Andrew's Church of Ireland

St Andrew's, Lucan:

Sunday: 9am and 10am.

Wednesday: 10am

St Mary's, Leixlip:

Sunday: 11.30am. **Tuesday:** 10am

Services are available on our parish

Facebook pages:

[St. Andrew's Church, Lucan](#) or [St Mary's Church, Leixlip](#)

Lucan Presbyterian Church

Sunday Morning Worship: 11am.

Services will be streamed online and available on Youtube

DCU BA in Theology and Religious Studies - Scholarships Available

Interested in studying theology, but need a flexible programme to suit your needs? The DCU BA in Theology and Religious Studies might suit you! This part-time, flexible programme is designed for mature students, and holds lectures on Thursday evenings and a handful of Saturdays throughout the year. Classes are small and academic support is provided for all students. Scholarships are available for new incoming students. More info online

at www.dcu.ie/dc300 and <https://www.dcu.ie/registry/batrs-c-2>; or contact John

Murray: john.murray@dcu.ie or 086-0783438.

Esker Cemetery Mass

The Annual Cemetery Mass and Blessing of Graves will take place on

Sunday 4th September at 3pm.

(weather permitting)



Anniversaries

DONNELLY (FRANK) - 1st Anniversary

May the wind of Heaven blow softly
And whisper in your ear
How much we love and miss you
And wish that you were here.

*Paula, Bren, Andrew, Rachel, Freya, Samantha
and Harry x*



MARRON (NIALL FRANCIS)

1st Anniversary - 8th July

Niall filled his life with laughter
Happiness and the love of family and friends
A man too loved to ever be forgotten
You will always be in our memories
For his family his loss has been strongly felt
But the warmth of his nature
And the light of his memory lives in all of us.

**Anniversary Mass on Saturday 9th July at 7pm
in St. Patrick's Church, Esker.**

*Sadly missed by his beloved wife Anne, son Niall,
daughters Maria and Liza, family and friends*

KATHY'S BACK – AGAIN!

Movie themes you can sing at



**The National Concert Hall: John Field Room
Friday July 8th 2022 at 1.05pm**

Tickets: NCH.ie and NCH Box Office

See you there!

Thank You

Sincere thanks to all my wonderful
neighbours and friends for all their
kindness to me during my very long
hospital experience.

Holy Mass will be offered for all your intentions.

Peggie Dungan



Reminder.....

Lucan Newsletter Annual Block Ads

Renewal Notices have been issued for our
Annual Block Advertisements.
(pages 8 and 13)

Thank you to those who have replied so
far. Please remember the cut-off date for
renewal is **Thursday 14th July 2022.**

Esker Active Retirement Association

Hi everyone,

We had our end of year party today and like all
our parties, it was a great success. We had a very
good crowd and judging by the smiling faces,
everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The
food and wine was lovely and the craic mighty.
Some of our members are very good singers and
entertained us very nicely today, and some told
jokes. Even Helen and myself sang a song or
two!! Members baked some fabulous cakes, tarts,
pies and pavlovas; it's going to take a while to
work off the calories I'd say. Prizes for the raffle
were donated by our members and also by Adrian
Dunne Pharmacy who are so good and donate
something to us every year. We really appreciate
it.



Our club members donated €300 today to
“Gofundme Caroline’s Dream” for a lovely local
lady who needs as much help as we can give her
at the moment for a medical condition.

Our next trip is on Wednesday 13th July when we
are going with McGinley Coaches on our Dublin
City Tour with Martin, a professional tour guide.
The day trip to Arklow: date to be confirmed.
Two more trips are being organised for August,
then possibly we are going to Spain towards the
end of September and then Hilda is organising an
Autumn trip in Ireland, possibly to Waterford. So
loads of upcoming events for all our members.

Our club is now closed until mid-September.
Have a lovely summer everyone and take care.

Marian Egan (Club Secretary) 0861269043

LUCAN FESTIVAL

Following on from local protests of the disappearance of the 25 bus we have succeeded in bringing it back to Lucan.

Not only have we got back the 25 bus but also the 25 tram. We found them in the National Transport Museum Howth and they will be making the long journey back to Lucan on Sunday 11th September.



Palmerstown Camera Club

At Palmerstown Camera Club we had our end of year exhibition last weekend in the parish centre. Just to say a huge thank you to all who helped in setting it up and for the smooth running of it. Also, thanks to all who came along to view it over the weekend.

There will be a smaller scaled down version of the exhibition in Lucan Library for the month of July and thank you to the Lucan Library for hosting it. At that library you will be able to enter a competition to win a print by voting for your favourite image.

Over the summer months we run photography outings to places like, Bective abbey, Glendalough and Skerries to mention just a few.

People interested in joining the club or even attending one or two meetings FREE of charge to see how their photography could benefit from being a member can do so by contacting secpcc@mail.com



At the exhibition we handed out our yearly awards and pictured here are all the recipients, congratulations to all the winners and thanks to our judge on the night Paul Stanley. Image provided by Martin Devlin.



Lucan Concert Band

26 June 2022, Lucan Concert Band & M.D Áine Doyle had the absolute pleasure of performing at President and Mrs Higgins Garden Party at Áras an Uachtaráin.

We arrived midday to setup on the main lawn, and were then invited to the Hyde Room for delicious hospitality. Afterwards gathered on the front steps of the Áras for a photograph with President and Mrs Higgins, and of course Bród!

Thankfully the torrential rain avoided Áras an Uachtaráin and we played in the beautiful surrounds of the main lawn basking in glorious sunshine.

We must give a special mention to all the babysitters who stepped in to mind the children of the band members, while we all excitedly travelled to the Phoenix Park, we would be lost without their support!

A truly memorable occasion for the band, and here's to hopefully repeating it next year when the band turns 40 years old in 2023!



Upcoming events - the very best of luck to the band as we travel to Clonakilty to take part in the South of Ireland Band Championship on Sat 2 July.

Follow the band on Facebook (Lucan Concert Band) or Instagram @lucanconcertband

Primrose Hill Garden - 30th Anniversary

Very top of Primrose Lane, Lucan

Open to the public every day **up to July 4th**

and also during **Heritage Week 13th August – 21st August 2pm – 6pm daily**

For Summer Flowers

Adults €6.00. Children Free



1959 – An Impressive Extended Summer

1955 and 1959 were the outstanding summers of the 1950's. In 1955 the poor weather of June changed into lovely weather for July and August with above normal sunshine and temperatures. In 1959 the mostly summer like weather lasted from May right through to September, giving us an extended summer.



Highlights for each month

May 1959. This was a month with above normal sunshine. May 24, 25 both had an impressive 15 hours of sunshine. To put this into perspective 6 hours is the average daily sunshine for May.

June 1959. The mostly pleasant weather continued.

Sunday June 14. High atmospheric pressure in summer tends to bring warm, sunny conditions. On June 14 Clones, Co Monaghan had a pressure reading of 1,043 hectopascals (millibars). This was very much above normal. The average pressure reading for the time of year is about 1,015. The temperature responded well to this situation with a maximum temperature of 25C at Clones and 22C at Dublin Airport on that day. A clear blue sky combined with temperatures in the low to mid 20's. (21C to 25C) can be considered to be a very pleasant day.

Tim Carey in his book **“Dublin Since 1922”**, talks about Dublin on June 14, 1959. *“It is the hottest day of the year. The temperature is in the 20's and above the city is an almost impossibly blue sky. Because Dubliners know that this may not last, in their thousands they head to the beaches at Dollymount, Sutton, Sandymount and Killiney and the seaside towns of Dún Laoghaire, Howth and Bray. Gardaí report that the roads to the city's coastal areas are busier than they have ever been. But not everyone has gone to the sea. At Croke Park, over 100,000 people are celebrating the diamond jubilee of the Total Pioneer Abstinence Association which was founded in Dublin”.* It is a Sunday, so it is easy for people to be out and about, enjoy themselves and have happy memories of the day.



July 1959. The average maximum temperature for Dublin Airport is about 19C in July. The warmer than normal weather continued with 14 days above 20C at the airports weather station.

August 1959. Rainfall was well below normal, and Dublin Airport recorded an amazing 23 rainless days.

September 1959. This month also had below normal rainfall with temperatures above normal up to mid-month. At Dublin Airport a notable 24C was recorded on the 12th.

Some News and Sport from back then

24-6-1959. Walt Disney's film *“Darby O'Gill and the Little People”*, based on H.T. Kavanagh's short stories had its premiere in Dublin.

25-6-1959. Éamon de Valera was inaugurated as third President of Ireland. Douglas Hyde and Seán T. O'Kelly were his predecessors.

9-7-1959. The first 12 female recruits were selected to join the Garda Síochána.

GAA. 6-9-1959. The All-Ireland Hurling Final took place between Waterford and Kilkenny. The match ended in a draw, 1-17 to 5-5. Conditions were cloudy with a normal temperature of 17C. Both Waterford and the weather improved for the replay on October 4. Waterford won, with a score of 3-12 to Kilkenny's 1-10. The weather was very good: 20C with sunshine.



Football. 27-9-1959. Kerry beat Galway, 3-7 to 1-4 in the All-Ireland Football final. The weather was pleasantly sunny with a temperature of 17C.



*“Sing a song of seasons,
Something bright in all,
Flowers in the summer,
Fires in the fall”.*
Robert Louis Stevenson.

Enjoy summer 2022,
everybody.
Let's hope it matches 1959!



D. T.



July already.....

As the Primary School Pupils begin their Summer holidays, we wish all the boys and girls and their teachers a happy and safe time, and hope they will all be back bright eyed and

bushy-tailed in September – have a great holiday!

You learn something every day!

We visited Palmerstown Camera Club's exhibition launch last weekend, and met some very keen photographers with a great eye for pictures. With several categories on display there



were lots of awards on the night. Well done to all!

And here's something that many of our readers will not have heard before - among the pictures were a couple of shots of a very graceful

ballerina. We learned that this Hungarian lady who is a model/dancer/actress, travels all over the world, coming to Ireland a couple of times each year, posing for avid photographers, giving them a great opportunity to get that perfect image.

If you missed the exhibition last weekend, you can see it in Lucan Library from 11th July.

Adamstown Boulevard no less! We see the newly constructed road along the old Tandy's Lane, from Shackleton Park area, is at long last open for use.



At the far end of it, a large shopping centre is presently under construction – to house Tesco and Aldi among others!

Bus lane all the way, hundreds of apartments, and not a school building of any kind in sight – just an observation!!!



Castletown House, Celbridge

Dun Aengus

Join us for an afternoon of music in the garden Sunday, 10 July 2022 @ 2-4pm

Dun Aengus, a Swedish trio of trad musicians, returns to Ireland and to Castletown in July.

On Sunday 10th July, the three will treat visitors to the biodiversity garden to a medley of Irish ballads and instrumentals, in the spirit of The Dubliners and other well-known musicians of that genre.

Join us in the garden sometime between 2.00 – 4.00pm. *Garden entrance rates apply.*

If I had my way, I'd remove January from the calendar altogether and have an extra July instead.

(Roald Dahl)

Happy 10th Birthday

to

Tadhg Fitzgerald

in Melbourne, who celebrates his big day on 4th July.

Hope you have a great day, Tadhg!

Love from all your friends in Lucan!



Don't Worry

At age 20 we worry about what others think of us;

At age 40 we don't care what they been thinking of us at all.

At age 60 we realise that they haven't been thinking of us at all!

Lucan Library

Summer Stars Reading Programme

It's that time of year again! Calling all our young readers to join up to the Summer Stars Reading Programme. Once you get your summer stars reading card, you can get it stamped for each book you read. When you've read 6 books you get a reward. So come along to the library today and take part!



Summer Activities for Children – we have a great programme of events for all ages and interests!

Tuesday 5th - Friday 8th July 10am - 11am (4 days, 10am – 11am each day).

A Million Dreams Music Theatre Singing camp for ages 12-14. Learn new music skills in this fun, confidence-building singing camp taught by an experienced Music Theatre Singing teacher, Lisa Price. Featuring all your favourite Musical Theatre Tunes! Lisa teaches Musical Theatre Singing Syllabus with the Royal Irish Academy of Music.

Ages 12 – 14 years. Booking essential through Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/a-million-dreams-tickets-372790806337>

Wednesday 6th July 3pm - 4pm Let's Drum

Have fun learning about rhythm and beat with everyone performing as a percussion group at the end of the workshop. Ages 8-12 years. Booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite:



<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/372106619917>

Thursday 7th July 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Make your own bar of soap and learn how to save the planet from plastic. A sustainable workshop with environmentalist tutor Aoife Munn. Each child brings home their own bar of soap. Lots of hands-on fun for children ages 7-12
Booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite

Mondays (11th, 18th and 25th July) 2pm - 4pm

Board Games for Children - bring a friend and have a game of Snakes and Ladders, Chess, Scrabble, Guess Who?...lots of fun games to choose from in this free play session. All welcome



Thursday 14th July 10.30 - 11.30

Cool Food School for ages 5-8 years

Booking essential via Eventbrite

Thursday 14th July 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Jack Flash Magic Show - fun for all the family!

Guaranteed entertainment with Jack Flash - all welcome

Monday 18th July – Friday 22nd July 10am - 11am (5-day camp, 10am – 11am each day)

How Far I'll Go - Music Theatre Singing Camp for 7 – 10-year-olds. Learn new music skills in this fun, confidence-building singing camp taught by an experienced Music Theatre Singing teacher, Lisa Price. Featuring all your favourite Musical Theatre Tunes! Lisa teaches the Musical Theatre Singing Syllabus with the Royal Irish Academy of Music. Ages 7 - 10 years
Booking essential via Lucan Library Eventbrite

Tuesday 19th July 2.30 - 3.30pm

Arts and Crafts with Aisling and Cathal - Rock Painting (stones supplied!). For ages 5 - 7 years
Booking essential via Lucan Library Eventbrite

Summer Steam Programme

Tuesday 5th July 2pm - 3pm. Food Chemistry fun with Anyone for Science for ages 5 - 7 years. Experiment with taste and smell...gummy bear Science! Booking essential through

Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/372773193657>

Tuesday 5th July 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Gangsta Granny - Crime solving science workshop with Anyone for Science for ages 8 - 12 years. CSI Solve the Crime: which Granny did it?! Booking essential through

Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/372761197777>

Tuesday 12th July 3pm - 4pm. 3D Printing Workshop for ages 8+ years. Chris from

MakerMeet will lead the children through the steps to create fun objects using the library's 3D printer. Booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite

Tuesdays 19th and 26th July 10.30am -

12.30pm. Magformers Madness! Free play with the library's Magformers Set. Drop in for 15 or 20 minutes and enjoy some magforming!

Storytime for Under 6s

Our regular Storytime for Under 6s continues every Wednesday at 3pm. All welcome!

Lucan Library Classic Movie Night Tuesday 19th July 5.30pm. All welcome, contact the library for information.

Scrabble Club for Adults. Tuesday 12th July 11am - 1pm. All Welcome, bring a friend! Club takes place on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. TTRS at Lucan Library

Exhibitions

History of Irish Television. Palmerstown Camera Club (from 11th July)



Political Notes

Emer Higgins– TD

78 The Orchard, Lucan. 01 401 3416

Emer.higgins@oireachtas.ie

Budget 2023: I know that the cost of living is a huge challenge for many people at the moment. This week I attended a special meeting with Minister Paschal Donohoe and Tánaiste Leo Varadkar to discuss priorities for the Budget. I have provided them with preliminary results of a constituency survey I am carrying out to identify the issues my constituents feel the Government needs to prioritise. I'd love to hear your views. Please email 'budget survey' to me at emer.higgins@oireachtas.ie and I'll send you a link to my 60 second survey.

Adamstown Boulevard: I am delighted that Adamstown Boulevard has now opened. This road is an important connection between the Dodsboro and Adamstown train station, it will help relieve traffic in more congested areas and facilitate the C2 bus route.

Cllr Derren Ó Brádaigh – Sinn Féin

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Electricity Pylons: I have sought updates with regards to the eventual undergrounding of the electricity pylons that run alongside the Kildare railway via Clonburris, Kishogue and Adamstown, Lucan. The Council are in contact with the relevant stakeholders and await up-to-date details such as anticipated timeline and description of works. Once information is available it will be shared with the councillors. The undergrounding of the overhead 220KV is the responsibility of the ESB.

Path Resurfacing – Airlie Heights: Having raised the issue for the need to resurface the 47 metres long tarmac path that runs across the open space opposite Scoil Mhuire N.S. the council have conceded that this would benefit from resurfacing. While there is no budget allocated to carry out this work in the current year, the path will be listed for consideration for surfacing in the 2023 draft Public Realm Improvement Works Programme.

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Public Transport in Lucan.: A number of people have contacted me this week in regard to bus services in the Lucan area. These issues relate

to cancellations and buses that were full on arrival. I have written to the NTA requesting an explanation in why this has happened and have also asked for a review on capacity at peak times emanating from Lucan.

Cllr. Paul Gogarty

"Not just at election time"

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Swimming Pool/Leisure Centre: Latest response suggests Q4 2022 due to delays in construction materials. Management company operator decision should be made by end July but still no final clarification regarding Naíonra being allowed return to facility; have raised this consistently along with need to facilitate former users of centre and Esker Boxing Club.

Red Bridge over Grand Canal: Council have agreed to make the surface less slippery as part of Active Travel funding in 2023.

Lighting in dark areas of Chalet Gardens: SDCC says technical difficulties and vandalism risk make extra lighting difficult but said they will review.

Antisocial behaviour/drug blackspots: Quite a number in Lucan unfortunately. Will keep raising issues as they are brought to my attention.

C2 Bus route: Following opening of Adamstown Boulevard, NTA is looking at bus stops to enable initial route to Shackleton entrance.

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Hayden's Lane Car Park: The Parks Superintendent told councillors at this week's meeting that once the power has been connected to the automated gate in Hayden's Lane car park it will be opened early in the morning to facilitate all users including parents and school children. The gate will also remain open in the evenings to facilitate sports clubs etc. ESB Networks have been requested to make the connection.

Council AGM: I am grateful to have been elected by councillors to be Deputy Mayor of South Dublin County Council for the coming year. Cllr. Emma Murphy (FF - Ballyboden Electoral Area) is the new Mayor. Congratulations to other councillors elected to positions at the AGM including Lucan councillor Ed O'Brien who was elected as the Chair of the Lucan Palmerstown and Fonthill Local Area Committee for this year.



Cumann na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin



Academy & Summer Camps

Our last Academy took place on Saturday as we now break for the Summer. All the fun and excitement is building now for next week's Cul Camp.

Still some places left for the Summer Camps. Don't forget our Colouring competition for a *free place* in a Summer Camp/Camp Samhraidh, this is closing for entries on the 30th June. Visit our website to download the colouring book.

Lucan Sarsfields Golf Society

Our next outing is Saturday, 16th July, 14:00 St. Margaret's Golf Club. New members and visitors are always more than welcome at our outings, so why not give it a shot! Any enquiries or to book tee-time contact Captain Brian Mahon 0879254126.

Team News

Colm Nally a GAA Master Tutor attended Lucan this Monday with a great turnout from all our mentors who gained some useful insights to coaching football and also got some tips to refresh the training drills. Thanks to Colm for supporting this it was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

In Ladies Gaelic football two of our Sars Stars Rebecca O'Reilly and Sophie McIntyre started for Dublin v Wexford in the Leinster Minor B Championship Semi Final. Full time Dublin 3-06 (15) Wexford 1-10 (13). Good luck in the final ladies.

Another good weekend for our adult hurlers capturing maximum points from four league fixtures. Our seniors, Junior B's and Junior C's all had good wins on the field while our Junior A's received a walk over. All four teams are either first or second in their league tables as we approach the final rounds.

Sean O'Neill (U17 hurling keeper) representing Dublin came in 4th place in the Leinster An Poc Fada competition last Saturday. (Sean Langton was his spotter).



Juvenile Section / Coiste na nÓg U15 Hurling National Feile

Congratulations to our U15 Hurlers who made it to the Semi Final of the National Feile in UCD. The boys were unlucky only losing by 1 point in their last game.

U11 Hurling/Football



Our U11 Boys continued their national tour travelling to Portlaoise on Sunday to play in a Blitz involving Naas, Tullamore and Portlaoise. We also had a couple of the players from the U-10 panel, who made a big contribution. Lucan entered 2 teams in the blitz. Each team played 4 games in testing conditions. The boys demonstrated great skill, determination and teamwork. With each game they improved and by game 4 had mastered playing in the inclement conditions. A particular highlight was watching the boys sing Amhran na bhFiann before their last match, great practice for when they line out in Croke Park in the future. We would like to thank the parents and coaches for bringing the boys to the game and coaching them through the Blitz. A massive thank you to Portlaoise GAA for organising the Blitz and for inviting us. The organisation and planning of the event was second to none. We look forward to hosting them at some point in the future.



Lotto. Last week's Lotto Prize of €14,200 was won. Congratulations to John O'Connor. The Numbers were 8, 9, 26, 27. Lucky Dip prizes go to, Sean Stapleton, Melisa Dawson-Hodson, Ruth Fahey, Eamonn Cuggy and Noel Hickey. Next week's Lotto will be for a jackpot of €1,000. The draw is sponsored by Dual Printing Ltd. and will be led by Edel Mooney.

Tá €1,000 sa phota óir don tseachtain seo chugainn agus is é urraitheoir na seachtaine: Beidh sé beo ón Na Sárséalaigh Leamhcáin, an leathanach Facebook. Déan cinnte go bhfuil d'iontráil curtha isteach agaibh roimh 6 i.n. oíche an chrannchuir, chun í a chur san áireamh sa chrannchur na seachtaine sin.



Na Gaeil Óga CLG

Fáilte chuig an Nuachtlitir is déanaí ó Na Gaeil Óga, áit a bhfaighidh tú an t-eolas is déanaí faoi gach rud atá ag tarlú inár bpobal bríomhar.

Acadamh. Tá an samhradh linn ach beidh an tAcadamh ar siúl arís maidin Dé Sathairn. Tá fáilte roimh gach duine a bhí ann cheana & páistí nub — ar siúl if nGaelscoil Naomh Pádraig, Leamhcán. Más suim leat teacht, labhair le Ailbhe 0830949215.

10am: Naíonra agus Naíonáin Behala

11am: Naíonáin Mhóra

Buachaillí F14 – Peil. Maith sibh do nan buachaillí F14 – bhí bua iontach au i gcoinne Naomh Jude! Laochra na himeartha do NGÓ: Shannon Reilly, Tadhg Ó Breacáin, Tomás Ó Raghallaigh, Darragh de Búrca agus Oisín Mac Giolla Phádraig!

Buachaillí agus Cailíní F7. Bhat lá spraoi leis na buachaillí agus cailíní F7 Dé Sathairn!



Cailíní F9. Bhí an-sparoids Dé Domhnaigh ag na cailíní F9. bhp cóisir acu chun an bhliain agus an dul chun cinn iontach atá déanta acu a cheiliúradh!



Oíche Buíochas

Agus an samhradh linn, bhí oíche bhuíochas ann do choitsealaithe agus chúntóirí uile an chumainn le buíochas a ghabháil leo as an obair iontach atá deanta ag gach duine acu go dtí seo i mbliana. Seo thíos roinnt de na buaicpointí:

- Tá méadú 15% tagtha ar líon na bpáistí atá ag imirt ag an aoisghrúpa F8 agus níos sine ón am seo anuraidh.
- Tá obair iontach ar bun leis na foirne F7 buachaillí & cailíní, a d'imir a gcéad chluichí le déanaí. Tá an dhá ghrúpa ar na grúpaí is mó a bhí ag an gclub san aoisghrúpa sin go dtí seo.
- Tá breis is 170 páiste tar éis freastal ar an Acadamh ó thús na scoilbhliana. Sin meadú 20% ar an mbliain roimh COVID
- Tá meadú 30% tagtha ar líon na ndaoine atá ag coitséail agus ag cabhrú leis an gclub ón am seo anuraidh.
- Bhí imreoirí faoi-aois NGÓ ag croílár na bhfoirne i nGaelscoil Naomh Pádraig, Gaelscoil Eiscir Riada, Scoil Uí Dhálaigh, Coláiste Cois Life & scoileanna eile. Bhí 17 ar phainéal GSNP a shroich cluiche ceannais peile Chumann na mBunscoil i bPáirc Parnell níos luaithe i mbliana.
- De réir mar a théann imreoirí óga NGÓ in aois, tá siad á dtarraingt isteach i bhfoirne an chontae! Tá moladh ar leith ag gabháil do na himreoirí óga NGÓ a roghnaíodh do thrialacha BhÁC i mbliana, agus d'imreoirí amháin a bhain áit amach ar fhoireann contae Chumann na mBunscoil.
- Tá na foirne fásta ag dul ó neart go neart. Tá an tsraith buaite ag foireann na mban, agus tá an 3ú foireann iománaíochta curtha chun páirce den chead uair i mbliana!

Molaimid obair na gcóitsealaithe agus na gcúntóirí ar fad. De réir a chéile a thógtar an caisleán!



organising same and well done to all the members who participated in this competition.

LUCAN PITCH & PUTT CLUB

18 V-Par (Nett). 24-26 June 2022

Gents Class 1 Winner - Gareth Walsh - +11

Gents Class 2 Winner - Pat McDermott - +8

Gents Class 2 Runner Up - Sean McGrath - +7
(Back 9)

Gents Class 3 Winner - Seamus Harpur - +7
(Back 9)

Ladies Class 1 Winner - Sandra Keogh - +6
(Back 9)

Ladies Class 2 Winner - Eileen Loakman - +4

Sponsorship

Members, please note that our PRO – Andy Fitzgerald is seeking sponsorship of our tee boxes for the coming year. Please see Andy if you wish to sponsor a tee box.

Dates for your Diary

- 9th July – Captains' Day
Please contact Barbara Coogan or Maria Rooney to book you tickets for our Captains' Dinner. All tickets must be paid for in advance.
- 23rd July - Music
- 20th August – President's prize and dinner
- 24th September – Music
- 22nd October – Race Night



New Members Welcome – Adults and Juveniles

Our Club is now open for membership. If you would like to join our Club, please contact the Secretary in writing and we will be in touch with the relevant details by return. You can join as a family or individual or indeed you are more than welcome to call into the Club House and ask for any committee member who will be only too willing to discuss your enquiry – best time to call is at the weekend or contact us at info@lucanpitchandputt.com

2022 Club Foursomes Matchplay

Congratulations to the winners and runners up in the Club Foursomes Matchplay. Thank you to the competitions committee for all the hard work in



Winners of the 2022 Club Foursomes Matchplay – John McDermott and Eric Doyle with our president Michael Purcell and our Captain Gerry Ward



Runners up in our 2022 Club Foursomes Matchplay – Darren and Christian O'Reilly with our president Michael Purcell and our Captain Gerry Ward

Get Well Wishes

The committee and members with Jimmy Pegley a speedy recovery and hope to see you back playing shortly.



St. Mary's Camera Soirée

The Camera Soiree met for the last time this season in the back garden of the Parish Centre last Friday. Everybody enjoyed the chat and in particular the Lemon Drizzle cake and Fragipan brought to the table by Michael B and Rose from the Artisan Bakery in the village. All going well we will be back in the Parish Centre on Friday 9th September.



This week Michael B submitted photos of wild flowers at Newlands and Joe captured an atmospheric photograph in the Phoenix Park. Frances submitted photos of flowers in her garden including her first Sunflower, much to the envy of other members of the group. This flower is a member of the daisy family and can grow to about three meters in height. The seeds of the plant are a delicious and nutritious food although, be warned, one ounce contains over 160 calories!

Conor has been out and about with the birds, bees and butterflies again and has submitted a photo of my favourite sea bird – the Puffin. This delightful creature is a summer visitor to our shores. The bird winters far out to sea and is not often seen outside of the breeding season. In the breeding season the multi-coloured bill and large white patch on its face make adults distinctive and easily recognisable.

Stay safe until next week!

