Our legacy…….

The image shows children running through a buttercup meadow – a natural playground, or is it? The scene is in one of our parklands where wild flowers and grasses have been planted giving us a taste of what life was like in Lucan a couple of generations back.

Many of us enjoyed a childhood of running through the fields, that are now housing estates – such is progress!!!

But isn’t it sad to think what the collective “we” have done in our time on this earth.

There was a time when the term “Climate Change” was very far removed from us ordinary people, but now we find it is in our faces, and “we” unwittingly have played our part. Suddenly, we’re all sitting up and taking notice – the Bloom gardens this year focused heavily on climate change, on both land and sea, we saw wildflower gardens, and pollution from our coasts. Pollination is big on the agenda now when it comes to our planting. The UCD garden showed how our diet has changed over the centuries. Not that we want to go back to nettles and the likes, but we do need to take stock of what we are consuming these days.

Who remembers bringing back mineral bottles to the shops for a penny, or leaving out empty milk bottles for the milkman; pre-plastic days when your lunch was wrapped in paper, within a paper bag; terry nappies; food not wanted was placed in a pot to be collected for feeding pigs – ‘slop’ was the term we had for it – yes, this was in Lucan!

Bad planning all over the country has played an immense part; our transport system leaves a lot to be desired. I could go on, but the straw that broke the camel’s back is the latest ESB Leaks scandal, where thousands of litres of oil have been leaking into the ground in certain areas for the past twenty years………..

When the grandchildren ask “What have you done in your lifetime?”, how will we answer them? m.m.
Opening hours from April 2019:
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10am to 1pm and 2pm to 4pm. Wednesday 2pm to 4pm.
For your convenience, please arrive before 12.30pm in the morning and before 3.45pm in the afternoon as we close promptly.

Citizens Information Phone Service (CIPS)
0761 07 4000 opening hours 9am to 8pm Monday to Friday.

MABS (Money Advice and Budgeting Service) helpline and MABS mortgage arrears helpline are both on the same number 0761 07 2000

Free Legal Advice Clinic (FLAC) on Thursday nights from 7pm to 8pm. FLAC Legal Information & Referral line 1890 350 250 (lo-call from landlines) / 01 8745690 (mobiles).

Know Your Rights:
State Pension (Contributory)

Question:
I will be retiring soon. I spent many years working and I have also spent time raising and caring for my family. Can I qualify for the State Pension (Contributory)?

Answer:
The State Pension (Contributory) (SPC) is paid from the age of 66 to people who have worked and have enough social insurance contributions. Recent changes introduced a new method to calculate the rate of SPC paid to a person who reaches pension age on or after 1 September 2012. The new method can help people who have spent time out of the workforce caring to qualify for an SPC.

Firstly, you must be aged 66 or over and have enough Class A, E, F,G, H, N or S social insurance contributions, you must have started to pay social insurance in Ireland before the age of 56 and you must have 520 full-rate contributions (10 years of contributions).

Then, provided you reached pension age on or after 1 September 2012, you can have your contributions assessed using the new Total Contributions Approach (TCA) and can avail of a new HomeCaring Periods Scheme. The TCA counts the total number of contributions you have paid. If you have 2,080 or more contributions (40 years of employment) you will qualify for the maximum personal rate of SPC. If you have fewer than 2,080 contributions, you can use up to 1,040 Home Caring Periods (20 years) and up to 520 credited contributions (10 years), to help you qualify for an SPC. Your combined Home Caring Periods and credited contributions cannot be more than 1,040 (20 years).

If you reached pension age on or after 1 September 2012, your entitlement to a pension will be calculated using both the current yearly averaging system and the new TCA calculation. If you are entitled to a SPC, the rate of pension you get will be based on whichever calculation is best for you. You can get a State Pension (Contributory) form from your local post office and your Intreo Centre or Social Welfare Branch Office.

Further information is available from your local Citizens Information Centre.

Would you like to join a free course in Digital Skills in Lucan?
The not-for-profit organisation, Third Age is starting new classes in the next few weeks geared to people aged 45 and over, those with a disability or currently unemployed. Classes may be of particular interest to a local retirement group.

Classes will begin at Lucan Library shortly, date and time to be confirmed.
The free training course is a 10-hour programme over five weeks, two hours per week, up to 10 participants per course. It covers introduction to the Internet, Internet security and safety, email, search engines and websites, accessing online government services, conducting everyday transactions, online banking, online voice and video calls and use of apps.

If you would like to register your interest, phone Third Age on 046-9557766, email nationaloffice@thirdageireland.ie, or log on to www.thirdageireland.ie
Lucan U3A
U3A stands for university of the 3rd age, university in the sense of a gathering of people. We are a learning circle of people that encourages members to share many educational, creative and social activities. We are supported by Age Action.

We meet on the second Monday of the month from September to June. Our next meeting is on Monday 10th June at 2.30 pm in the Ballyowen Castle Community Centre. (behind Lidl).

Our next open, general meeting is on Monday 10th June; 18.30 to 19.50 in Lucan Library, in the Supervalu shopping centre.

The following is our provisional programme for this year's Festival:

**Weds 4th Sept**
An interesting talk about the "The Invincibles" by Michael O'Doibhilin (venue to be confirmed)

**Thurs 5th Sept**
**Village Historical Walk** meet 10.30 opposite Circle K garage (aprox 2 hours)

**Sale of Lucan Village** and surrounding areas 100 years ago Talk and slide show 8pm

**Fri 6th Sept**
**Interactive forum** between 4th yr Primary students and senior citizens 10.30am

**Fireworks on the Liffey Weir** at 9pm plus surprise event

**Sat 7th Sept**
**Walk in the historic grounds of Lucan House** (by kind permission of the Italian Ambassador). See Viking village, oldest cemetery in Lucan and various other attractions. Adm €5 at gate from 1pm.

**Model Railways, Photography, and War of Independence exhibitions** in St Andrews Parish Centre from 2 to 5pm.

**Sun 8th Sept**
Family Fun Day in the Village. Garda Open Day. Food Stalls, Community stalls, street entertainers, bouncy castles and Vikings at the weir. Lucan's own street train. Exhibition at St Andrews Parish Centre All from 2 pm to 5.30 pm.

Generally all events are free but Lucan House which is our main fundraiser is charged at €5 with children U12 free.

More information on venues will be published later.

*Joe Byrne, Chairman*

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**Celbridge Camera Club**

Annual Photo Exhibition

*Castletown House, Celbridge*

1st to 14th June

11.00am, to 4.00pm daily

Visit our Website: [www.celbridgecameraclub.net](http://www.celbridgecameraclub.net)

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**Celbridge Concert Orchestra**

ANNUAL CONCERT

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL DUBLIN

SUNDAY JUNE 23rd 8pm

With special guests from U.S.A.

Grand Haven String Orchestra Michigan

Tickets €10, €5 Concessions:

Contact Helen 086 1075084

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**Sarsfield Park & District Association**

The next meeting is at 8pm on June 11th, in Kenny's back lounge.

This will be our last meeting before Summertime. Local public representatives are welcome to attend.
Parish Notes
St Mary’s, Lucan
www.lucanparish.com

Lucan Justice and Peace Group –

Strawberry Breakfast
Sunday 9th June 2019,
9.00am to 2.00pm
St Mary’s Parish Centre

After all Masses
Proceeds are in aid of the Youth Community Training Centre in Livingstone, Zambia.

Lucan Justice and Peace Group - Eco Tips
If you are buying a take-away coffee check to see if the cup is recyclable, and comment to the seller, if it is not recyclable.
Tell them you approve, if it is!

Readers are invited to send their favourite suggestions to the Justice and Peace Group, c/o The Parish Office.

Christian Meditation:
We meet each Tuesday at 8pm in The Bungalow. Everyone welcome. Sr. Geraldine, 6217158

Bethany Group:
Bethany Group is available to listen to or just be there for anyone who is feeling lonely or lost following the death of a loved one. We meet on the 2nd Monday of each month from 10.30am-11.30am, also on the 4th Thursday of each month from 8pm - 9pm. in The Bungalow. Parish Centre – 6217041

Legion of Mary:
We meet in Room 2 in the Parish Centre every Wednesday at 6.30pm. We are much involved in home visits and nursing homes. With extra help we could a wider range of work in the parish. Come and join us, you will not regret it.

More info: Peter 01 6241105/ Brigid 01 6281686

Holy Communion for the sick and housebound: If you wish to avail of this service or if you know someone who does, please contact one of the priests.

The Irish Catholic:
Don’t miss out! ‘The Joy of the Gospel is here!’
Read news, analysis and enjoy our faith, family and lifestyle features weekly by buying The Irish Catholic, the longest selling Catholic newspaper in Ireland. It is available in this church!

St. Vincent de Paul –
Church collection at all Masses NEXT Saturday/ Sunday 15th/16th June.
Many thanks for your generosity.

St. Patrick’s
Esker/Dodsboro/Adamstown
www.stpatrickslucan.ie

St. Patrick’s Folk Group
Our next Mass is this Sunday at 12.15pm.
Please come along and join in the singing.

Holy Communion for the sick and housebound:
If you wish to avail of this service or if you know someone who does, please contact one of the priests.

Pilgrimage to Knock
Pilgrimage will take place on
Saturday 29th June
To book a place, please contact:
Marie Anderson – 087 2691786
Marie McBride – 087 1226766
Cost and times to be confirmed at a later date

Bethany Bereavement Support Group:
We meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 8pm to 9pm. We can be contacted through the Parish office: Tel: (01) 628 1018 or 089 2507213, or email: stpatrickschurchlucan@gmail.com

Legion of Mary:
Are looking for volunteers to help with Prison Visits. Please call Frank 086 3951741
Intercultural Mass
Church of Divine Mercy
A special Intercultural Mass will be celebrated in
The Church of Divine Mercy, Lucan South at
10 am on Saturday 15\textsuperscript{th} of June
Each participating group will contribute from
their own catholic culture making this a
wonderful uniting occasion.
All are welcome to be part of this special
celebration of Mass.

Pentecost Sunday in Clonfert
There is a bus going to Clonfert \textbf{THIS} Sunday
9\textsuperscript{th} June, departure from the layby at St. Marys
Church at 8.45am
Cost approx. €16 (depending on numbers)
Tea is provided but please bring a packed lunch.
To book, phone Nora - 01 8404247 or
Pat 086 3292329

Irish Society for Autism
We wish to say a sincere thank you to everybody
who contributed so generously and those who
helped out with our recent church gate collection.
The amount raised was a fantastic €1315.
This will help the Society in continuing our
support for and advocacy on behalf of people with
autism.
\textit{Many thanks to you all.}
Sheila and Liam Collins

Medjugorje Mass
St Mary's Church, Lucan
\textbf{Monday 25\textsuperscript{th} June at 7.30pm}
(Rosary and Confessions at 6.50pm)
All Welcome

Pilgrimages
Medjugorje 2019
\textbf{Oct 4\textsuperscript{th} – 14\textsuperscript{th} - 10 nights €629 pps.}
\textbf{Oct 4\textsuperscript{th} – 10\textsuperscript{th} - 7 nights €599. Insurance included.}
Contact Pat and Phil 087 2238911/ 01 6281436
Email: medjugorienewslucan@gmail.com

Medjugorje Irish Centre
Pilgrimages. April – Oct. 2019
7 nights B&B and Airport Shuttle
service from Dubrovnik or Split
for €279 per person sharing. Book any flight - any
time and we provide guaranteed airport shuttle
service. Call us for further info and book the dates
that suit you. Tel. 01 4434510 or
email reservations@med-irishcentre.com

Anam Cara
South Dublin, the
organisation that
supports bereaved
parents, is holding
a Parent Evening on \textbf{Monday 10\textsuperscript{th} June at
7:20pm} in the Maldron Hotel, Tallaght, Dublin 24.
This event is free and open to all bereaved parents
regardless of the age your child died, the
circumstances of their death, or whether their
death was recent or not. \textbf{Please note there are
no Events in July or August.} Please contact us
on \texttt{info@anamcara.ie} or 085 2888888.
Month's Mind

Ryan (John)

Month’s Mind Mass for John Ryan, Hillcrest Park, will take place in St Patrick’s Church this Sunday 9th June at 12 noon Mass

Alzheimer Cafe Leixlip

Wednesday June 12th 7-9pm

Join us at our next Alzheimer Cafe, Wednesday June 12th in “The Conservatory”, Ryevale Nursing Home, Leixlip from 7-9pm.

Our speaker will be Dr Katie McElroy, a GP, and she will talk about how GPs can support people living with dementia.

Attendance is free of charge and there is plenty of parking available (www.alzheimercafeleixlip.ie - Phone 087 7418512).

Dublin Rosary Rally

Dates: 15th June, 20th July, 10th August, 14th September and 12th October

Time: 4pm

Location: Dublin, O’Connell St junction of North Earl St. (at the Spire)

Email: isfcc@isfcc.org

FREE Class

Free five-week basic iPhone, iPad, Smartphone, Tablet Class starting in Lucan Library on Tuesday 2nd July from 10:30 - 12:30. If you would like to book as place please enquire in the Library or call Angela on 046 9280790.
Lucan ICA
*Tues 11th June: Craft Morning 10am to 12.30pm. If members wish to exhibit crafts at Clondalkin Horticultural Show on 29th and 30th June, please bring item in to Carmel in the next two weeks – the mornings or Wednesday nights.*

*Wed 12th June: Exercise with Hazel Rafferty – Come and enjoy and get fit for the summer. We hope to see a good attendance on the night.*

Lucan Drama
Lucan Drama’s exciting, full-length production of *Peg O’ My Heart* by J. Hartley Manners, is a period play set in the early 1900’s in the luxurious home of the aristocratic Chichester family. This intriguing piece of theatre was a Broadway smash-hit running from Dec. 20th 1912 to May 1914. It is a play which delivers in its engaging plot, wit, variety of characters, intrigue and tender moments. Peg is the feisty young Irish girl at the heart of the play.

Come to Lucan Spa Hotel for a great night of entertainment.

**Dates for your Diary:**
**Tuesday 25th June**
**Wednesday 26th June**
**Thursday 27th June**
**Venue: Lucan Spa Hotel.**
**Time:** 8.30 for Play. 7.00pm for Dinner and Play.
**Cost:** €12/€7 concession or €25 Meal and Play.
**Booking:** Tickets at The Door. Booking only for Meal and Play at Lucan Spa Hotel. Phone: 6280494.

**For more information on Lucan Drama** find us on Facebook or e-mail lucandrama@gmail.com or Phone: Sheila 6282827 or text Lucan Drama on 0894900429.

Celbridge Mill Community Centre
*Main Street Celbridge. Phone 01 6288556 www.celbridgemillcommunitycentre.ie*

**Summer Activity / Art Camp** for children 6-12 years 9.30 -2pm plus other camps such as Sewing, Basketball, Dance, Drama, Science, Cake decoration. July – August.

**Paw Patrol** comes to the Mill June 16th, 3pm.
Phone 083 0662722

**Paediatric First Aid Course** Sat 29th June 9.30am-1.30pm. Phone 085 8393441

**Soccer Players** aged 55 – 75 years wanted for our “Walking Indoor Soccer” which takes place on Tuesdays at 7pm

**Fancy a game of traditional “Whist/ 25s”**?
Whist / 25s Card Games and social night at the centre every Monday at 8.30pm. Phone Mary at 01 6288174

"Lucan Live" is taking a break for the Summer
The radio station is looking for new volunteer presenters and researchers for this flagship programme. This would suit people who have a strong interest in local issues, are looking for a new challenge and want to learn new skills. Full training will be given over the Summer months and you will be ready to go on-air in September. Please contact stationmanager@liffeysoundfm.ie for more details or call 6109339.

www.liffeysoundfm.ie or catch up on Facebook
Liffey Sound 96.4FM- Lucan's Community Radio Station!
Exams underway this week, and there are good reports so far. At least, students won’t be troubled by the hot weather we’re not having! Lots of experts on the airwaves too, telling how they did or didn’t do in their Leaving Certs – It all works out in the end!

We ventured to Bloom last weekend, and enjoyed all the beautiful gardens, then came home and looked at what we could do in our own space – still looking!

Lots of sporting events over the next few days…

Ireland take on Denmark in Copenhagen this Friday night, and on Monday, Gibraltar come to the Aviva – Here’s hoping for two great results.

The Dubs v the Lily Whites on Sunday in Croker, in the Leinster Championship. Up the Dubs!

Lucan Senior Citizens

Social Morning in St. Mary’s Parish Centre next Wednesday 12th, from 10.30am to 12.30pm. All welcome!

Live While You Can

Live While You Can by Fr Tony Coote is still flying high on the bestseller list - a very powerful read indeed!

Fr Tony Coote was just fifty-three years old in February 2018 when he was diagnosed with Motor Neuron Disease. Just a few short months later, he found himself confined to a wheelchair. But rather than succumbing to the darkness that threatened to overwhelm him in the days after his diagnosis, he drew on his powerful faith and unwavering belief in life and found a way to light, hope and acceptance. From growing up in Fairview, to serving in the dioceses in Ballymun and later Mount Merrion and Kilmacud, and his charity work while in UCD, Fr Tony takes us on the journey of his life and shows us how, through this devastating illness, he came to know the true meaning and nature of God’s love. Live While You Can is the inspiring, life-affirming account of finding joy in dark times and living every day in the now.

Copies are available at Dubray Books and Easons.

We spotted Lucan Community College Principal and some of her pupils, reviewing the English Paper on Virgin Media News, last Wednesday!

Well done to all the Mini Marathon Ladies – Wasn’t it lucky the event changed to Sunday, which was probably the best day of the weekend weatherwise.

Good turnout at St. Catherine’s Market – Last Sunday, lots of people enjoyed this new event, made all the better by the glorious sunshine on the day. Home baking and veggies were among the stalls, while musicians lent to the atmosphere.

Set up beside the Rangers Building, it will take place every Sunday from 10am to 5pm between now and October.
Lockout Lucan Strike, Strife ... and the Shackletons
By Gerard O'Connell, with Brian Daly
© May 2019

“The sweet choristers of the air, the solemn tones of church bells, the loud sounding horn of the factory, Rousing the weaver from his calm sleep to the busy loom, the pleasure-seekers, with song and laugh and Instrumental music, revelling in this lap of Nature, give to Lucan a distinct and local splendour” 1

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Part I - Introduction
Difficult Decision
Wednesday 27th August 1913
The pleasant autumnal morning sunshine did little to lift William Shackleton’s gloomy mood. As he ate breakfast in the large drawing room of his comfortable home in Lucan he knew that trouble was brewing.

Along with his brothers, George and John, he was in charge of the running of Shackleton and Sons Mill located on the banks of the river Liffey in Lucan. Shackletons Flour Mill was a thriving, well run and progressive mill. It gave employment to approximately 60 people in the greater Lucan area and used the latest cutting edge technology. The Shackletons were viewed as benevolent employers who treated their workers well.

The Shackleton brothers had enjoyed a privileged upbringing and were now successful entrepreneurs. Aside from the usual commercial stresses associated with the running of any enterprise the Shackletons had little to worry them. But today was different. William and his brothers knew that they were going to take a very difficult decision in the mill. What disturbed William most was that the “difficult decision” that would have to be taken was not economic - it was human.

William and his brothers were preparing to lock out some of their workers. They were about to do the unthinkable - treat their workers in a harsh and cruel manner. As Quakers the Shackletons believed it was their moral duty to care for their workers. Now they were organising to throw a large number of them out of work. The Shackleton brothers well knew that the consequences for any worker that they “locked-out” would be calamitous. Dire poverty and homelessness were very real potential consequences for any locked-out worker. What William and his brothers could not have realised was that the lockout at their mill would be the fuse that would ignite similar lockouts all over Dublin and in the process propel Lucan and the Shackletons into the very epicentre of early twentieth century, radical societal change.

Part II
Lucan before 1900
Before the onset of The Great Famine (1845-51) Lucan was a relatively prosperous place. While the famine did have some effect, it seems that Lucan did not suffer to the same extent as other areas. Although much of the agricultural land of Lucan adjoined that of Leixlip, it was in the bordering county of Kildare where the potato blight decimated the crop in1846. In Lucan both the early and late crops of potato suffered only a 10% loss through the effects of blight.

The relative wealth of both pre and post-famine Lucan can be seen from population statistics. The population of Lucan in 1841 stood at 563 inhabitants in the town and 576 living in the rural hinterland of Lucan. In the taking of the next census in 1851 there was a marginal change from 563 to 535 inhabitants in the town while the number of people living in Lucan’s rural hinterland fell from 576 to 474.

3 Relief commission papers, 1845 (N.A.I., MS RLFC4/9/63).

The above is a sample taken from the publication.

To purchase the full ebooklet, please go to: www.lockoutlucan.com
Festa Nazionale
Italian National Day

Many groups from Lucan had the pleasure of celebrating Italian National Day at Lucan House, as guests of His Excellency Mr. Paolo Serpi, Ambassador of Italy, and his wife, Mrs. María Gabriela Echeverría Serpi on Thursday 30th May.

On the occasion, the Ambassador welcomed one and all, including Minister for Children, Katherine Zappone, and members of the diplomatic corp, as well as the Italian and Irish communities. The opportunity was taken to launch the Italian Chamber of Commerce in Ireland.

The Italian Choir sang *Amhrán na bhFiann*, and *Il Canto degli Italiani* – the Italian national anthem.

Then followed a haunting rendition of *Va, pensiero* – the slave chorus from Verdi’s *Nabucco*, while some members of Lucan Gospel Choir treated us to an *Irish Blessing*.

On what was a delightful occasion, all had the opportunity to visit Lucan House itself, and see some of its great treasures.

Admiring the Wedgewood Room were Maureen Carthy, Tess Greene, Áine Clayton, Sr. Geraldine, Anne Beales and Geraldine Archibold.

In the grounds, were several Fiat 500s, which were the cause of great curiosity driving through the village earlier in the day.

Many thanks to His Excellency for what was a most enjoyable occasion on this very historic site. You couldn’t but wonder if the ghosts of the past were hovering!

*m.m.*
Lucan Library

Phone 6216422. June Events

Cruinniú na nÓg

**Camp Ignite**
Friday 14th June, 3.00pm - 4.30pm
Coding workshop with The Academy of Code. Learn the language of code and the art of computational thinking. Meet the expert coders, and break the code. Suitable for 8 - 12 year-olds.

**Booking** via https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/camp-ignite-coding-workshop-14062019-tickets-61887512215

**Early Starters Music Class with Music Generation South Dublin**
Saturday 15th June. Session 1: Babies (0 - 2 year-olds): 10.00am - 10.30am
Session 2: Children (2 - 4 year-olds): 10.45am - 11.15am
A fun-filled song, movement and percussive musical experience through play, giving parents the chance to actively participate in preparing their babies and toddlers for the later development of accurate rhythmic skills, pitch skills and sensitivity to the expressive qualities of music through the medium of play!

**Booking** via https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/early-starters-music-classes-150619-tickets-61885193279

**Story Time**
Tuesdays, 3.00pm. For 3-5 year-olds
All welcome.

**Gymboree**
Friday 14th June, 10.00am - 11.00pm
Interactive musical workshop for pre-schoolers with their parent / guardian.

**Booking** via https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/gymboree-14062019-tickets-61885733896

**Toddler Time**
Wednesday 19th June, 10.00am - 11.00am
With Sarah. Fun, educational activities for preschool children and their parent/guardian who helps their child participate, promoting literacy skills.

**Booking** via https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/toddler-time-19062019-tickets-61885870304

**Art & Creativity with Elena**
Wednesday 19th June, 3.30pm - 4.30pm
For 9-11 year-olds.

**Booking** via https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/art-creativity-with-elena-9-11-yrs-19062019-tickets-6188599668251635

**Coderdojo (TBC)**
Saturday 22nd June, 12.00pm - 2.00pm
Creative computer programming workshop

For 7-17 year olds. Parent to stay with child under 12. We have a limited number of laptops available to use for each session.

If you wish to use one of our laptops, please choose "Coderdojo - Library Laptop" when booking. If you wish to bring your own laptop, please choose "Coderdojo - Own Laptop" when booking.

**Booking from Wednesday 12th June, 1.30pm** via https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/coderdojo-22062019-tickets-61886953544

**Midsummer Stories**
Saturday 22nd June, 3.00pm
Join story-teller Nuala Hayes to celebrate Lucan Library's Summer Stars Right to Read Programme. All welcome.

**Art & Creativity with Elena**
Wednesday 26th June, 3.30pm - 4.30pm
For 6-8 year-olds.

**Booking** via https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/art-creativity-with-elena-6-8-yrs-26062019-tickets-61886206309

**Musical Tots**
Thursday 27th June, 10.00am - 11.00am
Fun, interactive workshop for children aged 6 months to 5 years and their parent / guardian.

**Booking** via https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/musical-tots-27062019-tickets-61886592464

**Kids' Movie Club**
Saturday 29th June, 2.00pm. Showing 'Babe'.
All welcome.

**Lucan Knitting Club**
Mondays, 10.30am – 12.00pm
All welcome.

**Adult Creative Writing Group**
Thursday 13th & 20th June, 10.00am – 12.00pm
New members welcome.

**Japanese Family Group**
Thursday 13th June, 2.30pm – 4.30pm
Parent and children group with arts and crafts activities for local Japanese families.

"Showband Days": A Presentation by Pat McGee. Thursday 13th June, 6.00pm – 8.00pm
Do you remember the Showband Era? Those carefree days when a visit to the local dancehall was a weekly adventure, eagerly awaited. Did you have a favourite showband? Do you have fond memories of your favourite dancehall?
Relive some of those wonderful days with Pat McGee. This presentation will include live screen performances, still photographs and personal memories of those popular days.

**Booking now open.** Contact the library at lucan@sdublincoco.ie, 01-6216422, or call in.
POLITICAL NOTES

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Twitter: @curranjohna

Lucan Primary Health Care Centre – St. Edmundsbury Hospital:
I managed to secure a special debate in the Dáil recently with Minister for Health Simon Harris TD in relation to the delay and setbacks in the delivery of a Primary Health Care Centre in Lucan at St. Edmundsbury Hospital. I welcome the Minister’s reply that he will review the progress made in Lucan and that he will meet with me on this matter.

Fianna Fáil Bill to stop scramblers:
I have introduced a Fianna Fáil Bill in the Dáil to give Gardaí extra powers to tackle the illegal use of scrambler bikes in our communities, this has moved to second stage without any Government or Fine Gael support. I will continue to work on this very important bill.

Kellie Sweeney – People Before Profit
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Facebook: www.facebook.com/kelliesweeneypbp

Thank You
I would like to thank the people of Lucan for the courtesy and support they showed me in the recent elections. If you voted for me, I appreciate that very much and assure you that myself, Gino and People Before Profit shall keep fighting on the side of ordinary working people well into the future. If you did not, we hope to convince you of our policies in the future.

Voter turnout was poor nationally in working class areas and we hope in the coming months to empower more people to come out in the General Election to support left wing candidates.

For now, we want to make just one commitment to you: Whenever you want to stand up for your rights - either in your community or workplace - People Before Profit will give you full backing.

Cllr. Vicki Casserly PC - Fine Gael
Local Councillor, Peace Commissioner.
Tel: 0858317982.
Email: v.casserly@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie
I would like to thank the residents of Lucan for putting their confidence in me and re-electing me to South Dublin County Council. I look forward to continuing my commitment to our community and representing you for the next 5 years. Should you require any assistance, please feel free to get in touch!

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Climate Change Crisis:
Most people who voted Green Party in the elections were hoping for concrete action on the climate crisis. To this end I wrote to my former colleagues asking them to unite with green-minded independents to form a policy-driven alliance and push for real change on the Council. However the four Green Party Councillors have instead joined with Fianna Fáil and Fine Gael. The last time there was an FF/FG-led alliance on the Council, half of Lucan was rezoned with private housing without any facilities. While I have a lot of time and respect for current local Councillors from these parties, we need to think bigger given the scale of the challenges that face us.

Meanwhile our independent group has agreed an ambitious work programme for the coming term. We will fight relentlessly for our communities and for our children’s future.

Transport Users
Buses from Lucan and Maynooth face long delays on the N4 crossing the M50 at Liffey Valley at morning peak due to the bridge not been wide enough for three lanes. This delay could be halved until the bridge is widened to take three lanes. Traffic entering the M50 from Lucan direction could be moved in to use the existing unused lane and turn the existing traffic lane into a bus lane. This will allow the bus to go direct up to the bridge and enter the main traffic flow on N4 with the aid of a yellow box junction. This will reduce delay to bus services on these routes. The widening of the bridge should be a priority to improve public transport use.

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Lots more League titles added in Juvenile Camogie last week both U14 teams and the U16L team all securing league titles. Well done to all involved. 15A hurlers bounced back with a good away win vs Kilmacud Crokes. During the Bank Holiday weekend our U11 and U12 hurlers enjoyed a wonderful blitz out in Swords, a big thanks to Fingallians for hosting the event. Best of luck to our U14 Féile Hurlers and Camogie who head for national Féile this coming weekend, we hope everyone has an enjoyable weekend. A good win for our Inter Ladies Football midweek in the league, which moves them away from relegation, a good achievement after promotion last year. Senior footballers unfortunately lost to Crokes midweek. Well done to Chris Crumney and the Dublin Senior Hurlers who beat Carlow and have now have a massive game vs Galway next weekend at home in Parnell Park.

Hard luck to Clara Finn who was part of the Dublin LF U14 squad that lost out in the All-Ireland series. Good to see Jake Rooney back in blue at the weekend as the Dublin Minor footballers had a good win vs Wicklow, the now face Westmeath in the Leinster Semi Final on June 22nd. Best of luck to Darren Gavin as he prepares for the Leinster semi-final with the Dublin Senior footballers this weekend. Our deepest sympathies to the Twamley and Crosbie Families on their recent losses.

Ladies Night. Lucan Sarsfields Healthy Club Committee would like to thank everyone who supported the Ladies Night last Friday night. This was a great night for the ladies in Lucan to come together and to raise money for The Marie Keating Foundation. We are pleased to say that a substantial amount was raised...so well done to everyone who came on the night and to everyone who bought raffle tickets. We are already looking forward to next years’ Ladies Night Out. Thanks to our speakers and entertainers on the night... Linda from The Marie Keating Foundation, Karen from Finnstown Pharmacy Lucan, Peppi and Lisa from Marks and Spencer, Noel from ABC Gym - Athletic Body Coaching, Zara from House of Colour, Celine from www.mindyourmind.ie, Geraldine Dunphy who read poetry, Orla Sadlier Nails and Aidan Tierney. Also thanks to the wonderful Jackie Foley for all her assistance and to everyone who donated the raffle prizes.

Xtreme Funfair is in the club from the 7th to 16th June, check out their Facebook page for a chance to win complimentary tickets.

Lotto. There was no winner of the lotto on the 30th May. Numbers were 1, 2, 12 and 20. Next weeks’ jackpot €7,000, next draw will be managed by Seamus Clandillon and is sponsored by Lucan Village Pharmacy. Lucky Dip Winners: TDG, Niall McCarthy, Patrick Healy, Mags McCabe, Lucan Masters x3, Frank Reehill, Geoffrey Brennan. Play Online, Or Tickets can be purchased at the Club, or in Kenny’s Vesey Arms.

Sars Stars – ‘GAA for All’ is on the AWP every Tuesday at 5pm. Lucan District Credit Union Academy Saturday mornings 9:30am Girls, 10am Boys. Bingo Wednesdays 8:30pm. Club Shop is open Saturdays.

Golf Society’s. Please support our Annual Golf Classic on Friday 21st June in Lucan Golf Club. All support for this important fundraiser is most welcome. Tee-times still available, contact Seamus Fagan at 086 8168984. If you’re not playing golf, why not come to the Golf Club at 9.00pm for the Presentation of Prizes and Raffle, and enjoy some refreshments and the clubhouse banter.

SUMMER CAMPS. The Summer Camps are booking up fast so don’t be disappointed register now through the club website and first up is the Cúl Camp (football) on the 1st of July until 5th July. Following dates we have 3 other camps;

8th -12th July Club Hurling/Camogie Camp 12th 16th August Club Football camp 19th – 23rd Aug Club Hurling/Camogie Camp. Registration can be completed through the link on the home page of the club website. The camps are always very popular.

Juvenile Football Report. Due to the Bank Holiday weekend, all of the Juvenile football action in the last week was confined to midweek games. In the U-14 Division 1 game, Lucan put in a very spirited performance before losing out to St. Pats Donabate on a score line of 3-14 to 2-13. In Division 5 of the league, Lucan lost out to O Tooles on a score line of 6-07 to 4-05 on the juvenile pitch. Both U-16 teams were also playing during the week. In Russell Park, it was case of goals wins games as St. Brigids scored six of them to run out winners on a score line of 6-10 to 1-16. In Division 5, Lucan kept up their good run of form when running up a big score against Na Dubh Ghall. They won out in the end on a score line of 5-18 to 1-07. Well done to all the teams competing at the weekend.
Lucan Harriers Derek Lynch turns on the after burners on the home straight at Tullamore on Sunday picking up a silver medal in 800m in Leinster Masters Track Event. Colin O Gara also ran a personal best winning bronze in 1500m in a time of 5.09.

Lucan Harriers Mary Browne who completed VHI mini marathon on Sunday coming 4th in her age category.

Mary Wheeler from Lucan Harriers at VHI women’s mini marathon. Mary Wheeler from Lucan Harriers at VHI women’s mini marathon.

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Sisters Jenny and Neasa Ni Dhoibhilin from Lucan Harriers at VHI women’s mini marathon on Sunday.
**Lucan Pitch & Putt Club**

**36 Stableford (Nett)**

*31 May - 3 June 2019*

- Gents Class 1 Winner - Ted Flynn - 88 Pts
- Gents Class 1 Runner Up - Vincent Kavanagh - 87 Pts
- Gents Class 2 Winner - Val Poleon - 88 Pts [B9's]
- Gents Class 2 Runner Up - Brendan Keane - 88 Pts
- Gents Class 3 Winner - John Murphy - 95 Pts
- Ladies Class 1 Winner - Angela Shanahan - 86 Pts
- Ladies Class 2 Winner - Martina Tierney - 88 Pts

**Juveniles**

The Wednesday competitions have now commenced for our Juveniles. Our juvenile committee will be in attendance and coaching will be provided. New members are welcome so why not come along any Wednesday afternoon and talk to any of committee who will be delighted to help you.

**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

**All Ireland Matchplay 2019**

Well done to all our club members who participated in Rocklodge last weekend. No trophies but once again our club are so proud of our members carrying the club flag.

**Dates to Remember**

- Saturday 8th June – Presentation of our Remembrance Competition. Music by ‘Strike Two’.
- Saturday 6th July - Our Captains’ Night - Music by Sweet

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**Summer Soccer Schools at AYCC**

The Summer Soccer Schools (for boys & girls) are great value.

- Week 1: 15th - 19th July
- Week 2: 22nd - 26th July

**Book now at:**

[www.summersoccerschools.ie](http://www.summersoccerschools.ie)

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**Lucan Newsletter Sales Outlets**

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- Fintan Dunne (Collins Butchers)
- Esker area – Spar Finnstown
- Dodsboro area – Spar Dodsboro, Maxol Service Station
- Ballyowen / Ballydowd area – Eurospar, Foley’s Chemist, Texaco Service Station
- Churches - St. Mary’s Church, Lucan

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Church Notices - Sunday 9th June 2019

Pentecost Sunday

St. Mary's Lucan

**Sunday Masses:**
Vigil Saturday, 6.30pm, 8.45am, 9.45am, 11am, 12.15pm and 7pm

**Weekday Masses:**
Monday to Saturday 10am.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**
(Nuns Chapel), on Thursday 2pm - 4pm and Saturday 7.30pm – 9.00pm

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**
Saturday after 10am Mass and after the 6.30pm Mass

**Baptisms:**
Baptism will take place every weekend. We ask parents to call to the Sacristy to book at least one month before ceremony.

Divine Mercy Lucan South

**Sunday Masses:** Vigil Saturday, 6.30pm, 10.30am and 12 noon

**Weekday Masses:**
Monday to Friday: 9.15am and Saturday at 10am

**Adoration and Prayer:**
Adoration – Friday 10am-3pm
Prayer Group – Monday 7.30pm-8.30pm
Scripture Reading – Tuesday 9.45am-10.45am

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

St. Patrick’s
Esker / Dodsboro / Adamstown

**Sunday Masses:**
Vigil Saturday, 7.00pm, 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon Folk Mass

**Weekday Masses:**
Monday to Saturday: 10am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**
Saturday morning after 10am Mass and Saturday evening between 6:15 - 6:50pm.

**Baptisms:**
1st and 3rd Sundays at 12.45pm and 2nd Saturday at 12.30pm. At least four weeks’ notice is required to facilitate preparation. Applications between 10am and 1.00pm 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.

St. Andrew’s Church of Ireland

**Sunday:**
St. Andrew’s - 9am and 10am
St. Mary’s, Leixlip 11.30am

Lucan Presbyterian Church

**Sunday:**
10.30am Morning Worship
Crèche and Children’s Ministry

Lucan Methodist Church

**Sunday:**
9.45am - Holy Communion – St Andrew’s Church of Ireland School, Lucan Rd, until further notice.

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Esker Cemetery Mass

Mass for the Dead will be celebrated on Sunday 25th August 2019 - 3pm
(Weather permitting)

Palmerstown Parish Cemetery Mass – Sunday 16th June 2019 – 3pm