



# LUCAN

## NEWSLETTER

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Here come the girls.....



Wednesday last, saw **Lucan's 20<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day Parade** wind its way through the Village, which was very much in festive mood for the occasion.

Pictured above is a group from **Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club**, who have taken part in every parade since its inception. Another five entrants bear the same honour – **The Irish Red Cross**, **23<sup>rd</sup> Lucan Boy Scouts**, **Sweeney School of Irish Dancing**, **Denis Malone Blinds** and **Keane Windows** – all receiving special awards for their support over the years.

Congratulations to the Committee and to all involved the organisation of the event.

## Found

A small sum of money found in Beech Grove. Please call 087-9616661 or 6282020 for information

**DS Console** in Hermitage Park, on Wednesday last. Ph: 5056352

## Would you like to become involved with your local community?

If you are an adult with a learning disability, living in North Kildare & you are not currently availing of any special service, find out more about the Dara Community Inclusion Programme.

More information – contact Bob at 01 6271484 or by email on [darars@indigo.ie](mailto:darars@indigo.ie)



## The Alzheimer Society of Ireland Social Club

10.30am to 12.30pm every Monday, in St. Mary's Parish Centre.

Come along, enjoy a cuppa or friendly chat, for information, or just to meet people in similar circumstances.

### Any enquiries:

Adrienne McAvinue, Ph: 086-8381215

## Thank You

The **Lucan Hedgehogs Special Olympics Club** express their sincere thanks to everyone who supported our **Coffee Morning** last Sunday.

We particularly would like to say thanks to the **Peace and Justice Group** for their Support. Go raibh mile maith agaibh go leir



## Calling all...



**Artists - Crafters  
Potters - Wood Turners  
Photographers**

## Archbishop Ryan Senior N.S.

is hosting an  
**Art Exhibition**  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>  
and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2010

For further details contact:  
The School 01-4670689  
Brid Connolly 087-9213520  
Miriam Carmody 086-0573820  
Cronán Dooley 086-1967962



## Lost

**Dog Lost**, Sunday night, February 28<sup>th</sup>. Male, Collie/German Shepherd cross. Black & brown, 12 years old, very friendly. Ballyowen Lane area. If found, please contact 086-8873697. Small reward.

## Chernobyl Children's Appeal (Irl) Lucan Group

We are pleased to announce that we hope to welcome 22 children and 2 adult translators to the Lucan area this summer. Thank you so much to all the families who have volunteered to welcome these young visiting Chernobyl children. We will continue to report on progress on this summer's children's holiday programme. In the meantime we have been asked to extend warm St. Patrick's Day greetings from the Chernobyl region to the people of Lucan in an email received on St. Patrick's Day. The Lucan community is never far from the minds of those we continue to assist.

*Derek Keating, Co-ordinator, 087 285 7435.*

## Were you a member of St Mary's Youth Club in Lucan?

We are holding a Hollow Disco reunion in the Spa Hotel Lucan, on 15th May and invite all former members to attend. Tickets are now available from The Lucan Spa Hotel, O'Neills Bar or ph Liam 0851220162

Tickets will cost €20.00 and the event will include a supper and the entertainment by Good Vibrations Disco, which will be a trip down memory lane with the original D.J.'s from The Hollow. If you are interested in coming along, phone 0851220162 or or email [thehollowdiscoreunion@gmail.com](mailto:thehollowdiscoreunion@gmail.com)

## Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association

## COFFEE MORNING

Sat 27<sup>th</sup> March

The Grasshopper Pub

Clonee, Co. Meath

10.30 – 12.00

All Welcome!



## TABLE QUIZ

In Liffey Gaels GAA, Ballyfermot  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March, 8.30pm

Proceeds to St. Michael's School,  
Glenmaroon, Chapelizod

Table of 4 - €20. Raffle – Good Prizes!



## Lucan Active Retirement Assoc.

I do hope all enjoyed our clubs 5<sup>th</sup> Birthday Cake and Paddy's Day celebrations, with Frances and her singing Larks, on Thursday last. To the member who are going on the trip to Galway, this Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March:

**Train leaves at 2.06pm for Galway. We meet at 1.30pm at Heuston Station.**

Just to remind new members who are thinking of joining our club, we are not a Ladies Club! Twenty five percent of our existing members are male.

Both male and female with a G.S.O.H will be more than welcome, to join us.

Sheila.



## Lucan Flower and Gardening Club

is delighted to welcome back Suzanne Keena, Floral Demonstrator, to their next club meeting.

As Easter Sunday is only a fortnight away Suzanne, appropriately, will give a demonstration of flower arranging on an Easter theme.

Join us in the St. Mary's Parish Centre on Monday night 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 8pm for what will undoubtedly be a most enjoyable evening.

Admission: €6 for non-members.

## Lucan Drama

Cast, Directors, and Crew are busy getting ready for '**LOVERS**' (**Winners and Losers**) which is being staged **13th 14th 15th and 16th April**, Spa Hotel 8.30pm. A great play by a great playwright Brian Friel.



**Tickets are €10.... €5 for students and senior citizens** with a great offer of a **3 course dinner** - starters, main course, tea/coffee in the **Dining room in the Spa Hotel plus a ticket for the play all for €24...** Why not make it a night out in Lucan! Plenty of free parking and finish the evening with a chat and drink after the show in the bar...great value!!

Tickets will be available at the door.

For further information contact Sheila 6282827/Bernie 0864015794/ email [mbaf.edgeworth@gmail.com](mailto:mbaf.edgeworth@gmail.com). Visit [www.lucandrama.com](http://www.lucandrama.com)

## Battle of the Parishes

### HURLING EXTRAVAGANZA Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Camogie 4pm

Hurling 5pm

Entertainment & BBQ 8 till late!



## Woodville Downs Residents Assoc. (inc Esker Lane)

Reminder; This Saturday our Spring clean-up takes place, please give a little of your time.

Neighbourhood Watch; Residents will be contacted shortly regarding it and what role each of us can play in protecting our Neighbourhood.

## Annual Easter Sale

at  
**Lucan Methodist Church**  
(opposite Village Green)

**Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> March 2010**  
**10.30am – 2.30pm**



- \*Home and Garden Produce\*
- \*Bread, Cakes, Jams\*Books\*
- \*Bric-A-Brac\*Crafts\*Giftware\*
- \*Sweets & Soft Drinks\* Plants\*
- \*Children's Stall\*Bouncy Castle\*
- \*Ethnic food and goods\*

**Kitchen Corner, Tea or Coffee**  
Homemade Soup & Roll, Apple Tart & Cream

Adm. €2 Children 50c. *All Welcome*

## Lucan I.C.A.

**Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar: Craft Group**  
10am-12.30pm. Jewellery making, crochet etc. Great to see new crafts ladies joining.

**Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Mar:** This is a **Craft Night** – bring whatever project you are working on, or learn a new craft.

**Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Mar: Senior Citizens Social** 11am.  
*Hostesses* Kathleen May, Nellie Curry & Peggy McGinley.

**This is also Daffodil Day!** Please support this worthy cause. Come and help Margaret Hynes with the collection at Superquinn.

We wish the ladies going to the National Handcraft Week in An Grianán, a safe journey and a lovely week of learning and fun. We look forward to seeing the results.



## Parish Notes

**St Mary's, Lucan**  
[www.stmarysparishlucan.ie](http://www.stmarysparishlucan.ie)



### Justice and Peace

#### **The Talent Trek in St. Joseph's - The Idea –**

Having got the seed from the Justice and Peace Group, we (Ms. Byrne's 4A4 Religion class) brainstormed fundraising ideas to increase it. We decided on the chocolate fountain because the novelty of it would encourage people to try it out; we ran it for 3 days before Lent. We used the seed capital to supplement the donations of goods from various companies. Fyffes donated pineapples, Keelings gave strawberries, Superquinn supplied chocolate & marshmallows, & both Tesco & Supervalu donated marshmallows. This helped us enormously, & we spent our seed money on more fruit, chocolate, biscuits, sprinkles & smarties. The operation went smoothly with a rota for the different jobs involved, preparing the dunks, selling the chocolate skewers & cleaning up. All the planning & work paid off, we multiplied our seed capital by 5, & were able to give a good donation to our chosen charity, *Nightlight for Homeless Teenagers*.

Also in April watch out for **Sleep-Out** in town by students of King's Hospital.

### 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 Mary's Prayer Group

We meet every Wednesday night in Room 3 in the Parish Centre. All are welcome to join us in prayer. Rosary 7.45 sharp- meeting 8 to 9.15pm

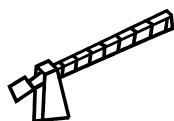
### Christian Meditation

Every Tues. at 8pm in the 'Nuns' Chapel. All welcome.

*Sr. Geraldine*, 6217158.

### **Reminder**

The church car park closes automatically at 4.15pm each day. It opens again in the evening for various church/parish activities but closes for the night at 10.30pm.



**Parish of Divine Mercy,  
Lucan South**

[www.lucansouthparish.net](http://www.lucansouthparish.net)



### Baptism

Parents who wish to have their child Baptised, are invited to attend a meeting beforehand. The next meeting will take place in the Church on Wed. 24th March. at 7.30pm .

### Adoration & Prayer

Adoration every Friday 10am – 3pm

Divine Mercy Prayer Group: Mondays 8 – 9pm

Scripture Sharing: Tuesdays 9.45-10.45am.

### Confirmation

Preparation for Confirmation continues on Sun. 25<sup>th</sup> April. at 12 noon. All candidates are asked to participate.

### Do this in Memory

The next preparation Mass for the First Holy Communion programme will take place on Holy Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 5pm.

### Sick and Homebound

Ministers of the Eucharist would be happy to bring Holy Communion to the sick and homebound. Contact: Fr. Donal or Parish Sisters

## **St. Patrick's,**

**Esker/Dodsboro/Adamstown**

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



### Lent

There will be an evening Mass at 7.30pm during Lent except on the following dates to facilitate the schools when the Church will be in use : Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Mar. and Holy Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March Lenten Service of Reconciliation.

### Minister of the Eucharist

Anyone wishing to be a Minister of the Eucharist, please leave your name and number in the Sacristy or with Anne in the parish office.

### Prayer Group

Meet on every Monday night in the Pastoral Centre 8.30 to 9.15pm

### The Legion of Mary

Meet every Friday 7.30 to 9 p.m. in the Pastoral Centre.



### Do This in Memory

**"Do This In Memory"** the next mass will be Holy Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April,

## Fógra

Ceiliúrfar Searmanais Tréan na Cásca, trí Ghaeilge, i Séipéal Choláiste Chaisleáin Cnocha, Caisleán Cnocha ag na tráthanna seo a leanas:  
Déardaoin Mandála - 8pm  
Aoine an Chéasta – 7.30pm  
Bigil na Cásca – (Dé Sathairn) – 9pm

## Pilgrimages

### Medjugorje 2010

Details: 27<sup>th</sup> April to 7<sup>th</sup> May (11days). Spiritual Director.: Fr. Tom Gilroy. Fare €499.  
Call Pat or Phil: 6281436/087 2238911

### Italian Pilgrimage to San Giovanni & Sorrento

3 nights F/B in San Giovanni & 4 nights H/B in Sorrento. Price fully inclusive €949. Depart 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2010 for 7 nights. Spiritual Director: Fr. C. Cunningham S.D.B. Contact Sheila on 043-6687512.

### Medjugorje

7 Nights – Depart 14<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2010 - €669. Contact Sheila on 043-6687512.

### San Francisco for Cystic Fibrosis

The “Cystic Fibrosis” International fundraising walk will take us to San Francisco in Sept. Seeing the Golding Gate Bridge in one thing but walking it at sunset is completely another! Imagine walking through Yosemite National Park and watching the fog rise before your eyes in the valley below! Why not join us on this wonderful lifetime experience whilst raising much needed funds for Cystic Fibrosis. You will never walk alone. For more information and brochure contact Bernie on 045 881277 or 087 2353319.

### St Vincent De Paul Charity Shop

3 The Village Centre, Lucan

Large selection of Ladies/Gents/Children clothing, footwear, handbags, bric-a-brac etc. on sale at rock bottom prices.

Come in and bag a bargain.

Opening Hours

Mon – Sat. 10am – 5.30pm

Selection of First Communion Dresses for sale in shop in perfect condition, All donations greatly appreciated

Please support your local charity shop

## ANNIVERSARIES

### LADDIE BIRNIE

3<sup>RD</sup> Anniversary – 19<sup>th</sup> March

We hold you close within our hearts,  
And there you shall remain  
To walk with us through our lives  
Until we meet again.

*Loved always, your wife May, Alec and Clare and families.*



### PATRICK HABERLIN

13<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary – 20<sup>th</sup> March

No special day is needed  
For the memories we have of you  
You were someone special.  
We hold you close within our hearts  
And there you shall remain  
To walk with us through our lives  
Until we meet again

*Sadly missed by your loving wife Rosie, and daughter Helen.*



### MARY JANE LAMBE

34<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary

A special smile, a special face  
And in our hearts a special place  
No words we speak will ever say  
How much we miss you everyday  
To hear your voice and see your smile  
To sit and talk to you for a while  
To be together in the same old way  
Would be our dearest wish today

*Loved and sadly missed by your son James, granddaughter Josephine and great granddaughter Donna*



## Perhaps

Perhaps if we could see the splendour of the land,  
To which our loved are called from you and me  
we'd understand

Perhaps if we could hear the welcome they  
receive,

From old familiar voices all so dear we would not  
grieve

Perhaps if we could know the reason why they  
went

We'd smile and wipe away the tears that flow we'd  
wait content

From *God called his Name* – Fr. Alex Conlan



**Wasn't it great** to see Lucan in such festive mood for the parade last Wednesday! This year we had Liffey Sound broadcasting live from Lynch's former boutique, where they interviewed locals and played requests for just about everybody.

A little further down, Kenny's had a burger and hotdog stall – yours truly felt the need to sample same, and went along the way happy and content.

At 3pm, the crowds were in place awaiting the spectacle, and by all reports, everybody had a great time. Well done to all who took part.

Congratulations to the organisers – Barbara, Mary and Peter, who with the support of local businesses, and lots of helpers on the day make it all possible.

**Old Photos** – Log on to [www.nli.ie/digital-photographs.aspx](http://www.nli.ie/digital-photographs.aspx) to view the National Library's collection of 34,000 photos from the period between 1860 and 1954. There are scenes from all over Ireland, and Lucan is in there too with pictures from the Lawrence and the Irish Independent Collections.



*Above:* a sample of what you can view! From the Lawrence Collection, it shows a tram going through Lucan. Those were the days!

**Still on 'Old Things'** – many people remember John Caldwell's garage at the bottom of Esker Hill, where Panhard and Messerschmit Bubble Cars were sold. Does anyone have any recollection of **Peugeot Scooters** here, back in days of old. If you know anything about this, please contact [Mary@lucannewsletter.ie](mailto:Mary@lucannewsletter.ie) We've had a recent query from an enthusiast.

**Best Wishes** to St. Mary's Chorale who will be performing *The Armed Man* this Saturday night.

**Happy Birthday**



to  
**Johnny Cummins**  
on 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Have a great  
day!

## Lucan Citizens Information Centre

Ballyowen Castle Community Centre

Tel – 6217930.

email [lucan@citinfo.ie](mailto:lucan@citinfo.ie)

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

**Open** Mon Fri 10 am to 4 pm

**Closed** for lunch 1 - 2 pm

**Legal Advice** by appointment



### Are you a Parent / Carer of a child with an Intellectual Disability?

*Parents / Carer and Child*

#### **Social Support Group**

Every **second** and **fourth** Monday  
from **9.30am – 11.30am**

#### **Ballyowen Castle Community Centre**

*(beside Lidl and Penny Hill Pub)*

€2 contribution toward room hire.

**Come for coffee / tea, chat and play....**

For information call:

**Ann 087-2279126 or Colette 087-6488049**



  
**Marie Keating**  
FOUNDATION



Join the Marie Keating Foundation  
as they take on the challenge of  
Kilimanjaro – “The Roof of Africa”

For further details

**Please contact Susan on 01 628 3728**  
or [soreilly@mariekeating.ie](mailto:soreilly@mariekeating.ie)



**Maybe they were watching all the girls go by.....**

But if there had been a St. Patrick's Day Parade in Lucan back in the 1930s, these boys may well have been watching all the goings on as they sat on the window ledge of Bob Carroll's Pub (*now Courtneys*).

*L-R: Dinny Malone (Scorp), Joe Dignam, Barney Thornberry, Paddy Mulligan (Thady), Noel McConnell and Sean Graham (Tweed).*

The advertisement under the window ledge is for *Will's Wild Woodbine Cigarettes!*

We have lots more 'oldies' to show you in the coming weeks – some very charming indeed!

*m.m.*



**Westmanstown Gaels GAA Club** were prize winners in Wednesday's Parade.



*Above: Tara Dance Academy*

*Left: Nolan Dunleavy School of Irish Dancing*



## ADAMSTOWN TAEKWON-DO

Many congratulations to the members of Adamstown Taekwon-Do Club, who competed in the recent INTA Open International on the 13th and 14th of March, at the National Basketball Arena, Tallaght. Proudly bringing 3 Silver and 6 Bronze Medals back to the club - Rachel Harnet, Orla MacGrath and Gerard Byrne winning Silver in Sparring; Darren Kelly, Rebecca Behan, Grace Byrne and Orla Hyland winning Bronze in Sparring and Darren Kelly and Gerard Byrne both winning Bronze in Patterns and a second medal each. Well done to all who took part over the two days.



## Lucan Community Games 2010

### Swimming Trials

Trials for the Dublin Finals will take place in **Clondalkin Swimming Pool**, Nanagar Roadon **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 5.30pm**

**Ages: U8 to U16** (age cut off is 31<sup>st</sup> July)

There will be front crawl, backstroke, breaststroke and relays.

Entrants must be able to compete for Lucan in the **Dublin Finals in Tallaght on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2010**. These trials are open to all residents of the three parishes in Lucan. To register and for further information please contact Janet on 085 7836126

### Coach Required

The committee are looking for a Swimming coach to volunteer to help organise these trials and to coach the selected team for the Dublin Regionals. Please contact Janet on 085 7836126 if you may know someone who can help.

### Committee Members Required

Lucan Community Games committee are looking for some new volunteers. We are a small group of people who organise for Lucan children to participate in a wide range of activities including art & model making, gymnastics, basketball, camogie, athletics, swimming, Gaelic football and soccer. If you have some free time and would be willing to help, please contact Siobhan on 087 6335363

### Sponsorship

The committee would like to thank South Dublin County Council Sports Partnership who are sponsoring Lucan Community Games Team this year.

*Siobhan Briggs, PRO*

## Pieta House

### Darkness into Light 5k Event

Pieta House 'Darkness into Light 5k Event' will take place this year on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2010 in two venues. The Phoenix Park, Dublin 7 and University of Limerick. Participants will be invited to walk or run the 5k route, starting whilst it is still dark and completing the circuit as dawn is breaking. This will be a symbolic event to give hope to those affected by Suicide and Self-Harm.

On line registration will be available from 15<sup>th</sup> February 2010 at [www.pieta.ie](http://www.pieta.ie)  
Postal registration will also be available.

For any enquiries contact Marie Freeman at 01-6010000



**Dancity** gave a wonderful performance at the Lucan Parade. They 'Just Arrived' in what was their first year taking part.



## St. Joseph's College

**Seachtain Na Gaeilge** was a great success in St. Joseph's this week with many activities organised by the 5<sup>th</sup> years and the Irish teachers to celebrate the Irish language and Irish culture! From table quizzes, poster competitions, seanfhocail and Irish films to our wonderful seisiúin ceoil on Tuesday. So many acts performed for our seisiúin ceoil. Talented musicians, traditional Irish dancers, actors and singers performed & provided great entertainment to all. It was great to have our own Jedward take part, our múinteoirí try some sean-nós dancing and our 6<sup>th</sup> years provided many humorous reflections on the skill of Irish dancing and summer love! Tá buíochas mór ag dul do na cailíní ón gcúigiú bliain a d'eagraigh an tseachtain. Níl dabht ach go bhfuil an Ghaeilge beo i gColáiste Iosaif Naofa!

### Junior 'A' Championship Reports

**Quarter-Final Score: Our Lady's, Terenure 1-0, St Joseph's College, Lucan 6-13.** 9th March 2010  
Team: Rachel Finan, Rebecca Urquhart, Ciara Sheehan, Aoife Clancy (0-1), Ailise Dowling, Rachael Kenny, Grainne Rochford, Emer Moloney, Alison Twomey (capt.) (2-8), Laura Morrissey, Ailish O'Grady (0-4), Juliette Sejean (2-0), Tara Keenan, Fiona Dowling, Niamh Power (1-0), Jennifer Foy, Aoife Flynn, Grace O'Shea (1-0), Jenny Ryan.

St. Joseph's College reached the Championship Semi-Final with a comprehensive win over Our Lady's College, Terenure. The Lucan girls took control of the game from the start, with captain Alison Twomey, who scored 2-8, particularly impressive. The team will now play Maryfield College in the Semi-Final.

## Palmerstown Community School

Celebrating diversity was the theme of **Intercultural Week** held recently in the school. The celebrations were officially launched by Minister of State; John Curran T.D. Students shared their language, national costume, music and traditions throughout the week. Special thanks to all those who were involved and especially to those who gave school announcements in their first language as well as in English and Irish.

**Congratulations** to the First Year Boys Basketball team on their recent victory over Coláiste Cois Life.

## Parade Winners

Apart from special awards made to six entrants who have taken part in all 20 Lucan Parades (*see front cover*), the following received prizes on the day:

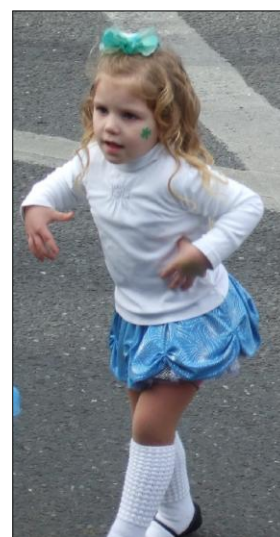
**Clondalkin Youth Band**  
**Lucan Tidy Towns**  
**Lucan Hedgehogs Special Olympics Club**  
**Gold Wing Owners Club**  
**Beech Park F.C**  
**Taekwon Do School**  
**Stagg Cycles Raleigh Choppers**  
**Esker Celtic**  
**Ronanstown Training & Education Centre**  
**Tara Dance Academy**  
**Westmanstown Gaels**



Above: **Esker Celtic**



An early Easter Chick from **Stagg Cycles**, and a future champion from the **Flood School of Irish Dancing**





Above: Annie, Grace, Sean and Liam, enjoying the parade.



Leader of the Band!



Twenty years parading! The Sweeney School of Irish Dancing

# Political Notes

## **Cllr. William Lavelle - Fine Gael**

16 Lána na bPáirce, Ballyowen Lane  
087 410 7885. [w.lavelle@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:w.lavelle@sdublincoco.ie)

**Work-Placement and Training:** At last week's council meeting, I proposed a motion asking the council to establish work-placement and training schemes to take local unemployed off the dole and to get their skills working for the community. My motion was adopted and council management agreed to progress my proposal. Unfortunately government bureaucracy remains the biggest barrier to this initiative.

**Hillcrest Traffic:** I share residents' frustration over the delay in installing traffic lights at Hillcrest. Councillors have again been advised that works are due to commence this month. I will continue to press council management to ensure these much-needed traffic lights are delivered along with additional pedestrian safety measures at the schools.

**St. Patrick's Day:** A big thank you to Peter Brady and the committee on another fantastic and very enjoyable parade and well done to all who took part.

## **Councillor Guss O'Connell – Independent Community.**

087-6838254. [goc2@eimcom.net](mailto:goc2@eimcom.net)

**Even before an Elected Mayor,** the Regional Authority on which I represent South Dublin County, which in addition to the four Dublin Councils, also includes Wicklow, Kildare and Meath. This is the second such joint effort with the Mid East Regional Authority and we have had a number of joint meetings. The objective is to provide strategic planning guidelines for the wider region 2010 to 2022 with a review in 2016. It is an aid to individual Counties in drawing up their own plans.

The focus is very much on growth combined with protecting sensitive and environmentally important locations. The draft report is out for public consultation and is now available on [www.dra.ie](http://www.dra.ie) and if you wish to discuss it or get a copy contact me at 6268554.

## **Cllr. Derek Keating Peace Commissioner Fine Gael Councillor.** Tel. 087-2857435. Email: [info@derekkeating.net](mailto:info@derekkeating.net) Web: [www.derekkeating.net](http://www.derekkeating.net)

**N4 & Outer Ring Road Noise:** I have persisted in making representations on behalf of residents who have experienced increased noise levels and loss of visual amenity. Recently I received agreement from the Council to introduce noise monitors in

estates on these roads. As part of my continuing consultation, and before noise monitors are introduced, I am convening a special residents meeting on **Wednesday next 24<sup>th</sup> March in Ballyowen Castle Community Centre at 8pm.** All residents welcome.

**Bins:** I continue to assist residents who are experiencing difficulties in having their bins emptied. Please email me, text or telephone if you need assistance.

**Litter in Lucan:** I am in regular contact with the Council regarding the growing litter problems. I am available to assist you and your local community.

**Free Email Newsletter:** Please email [info@derekkeating.net](mailto:info@derekkeating.net)

## **Senator Frances Fitzgerald**

Tel: 457 7712 / 618 3771 [www.francesfitzgerald.com](http://www.francesfitzgerald.com)  
[frances.fitzgerald@oireachtas.ie](mailto:frances.fitzgerald@oireachtas.ie)

**Fine Gael National Conference:** Fine Gael's national conference is taking place this weekend. We will be outlining our policies on the economy and the health service. For more information on either of these policies call my office on 457 7712.

**Headshops:** Last week in the Senate I raised the issue of the flyers that have been dropped throughout Lucan advertising home delivery of controversial products mimicking the affects of illegal drugs. I was delighted to have been able to raise this important issue with my constituency colleague Minister John Curran as I believe that we need cross party support and co-operation to tackle this very serious problem.

**New Website:** I have recently updated my website log on to [www.francesfitzgerald.ie](http://www.francesfitzgerald.ie) and let me know your thoughts on it. If you would like to receive my free e-newsletter simply emails news to [frances.fitzgerald@oir.ie](mailto:frances.fitzgerald@oir.ie)

## **Tom Dowling**

*'For our Community and Environment'*

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**Rubbish on Tandy's Lane:** I have contacted South Dublin County Council about the continuous dumping of rubbish. I have asked the Council to look into the installation of CCTV cameras along this road to catch the culprits involved as they do at bring centres.

**Clonburris Development Appealed to An Bord Pleanála:** The decision by South Dublin to grant permission for 973 units' residential units on part of the Clonburris lands has been appealed. I was one of forty who objected to this development being given permission by SDCC I intend to substantiate my reasons why this development should not proceed in the current economic climate at An Bord Pleanála.



All Ireland champions. Congratulations to Declan O'Neill; Sean Ó Ceallaigh; Ollie Mann agus Annette Healy who won Trath na gCeist All Ireland Final in Croke Park on St Patricks Day. Wins for Inter footballers, Junior 'A' and Junior 'B' footballers at w/end. Membership Subscriptions are now overdue for 2010. No pay no play strictly enforced this year. Well done to Johnny McCaffrey and Peter Kelly who played for Dublin Hurlers last weekend. Best wishes from Mentors and Teammates to Shane Donohue and Ben Quilligan for speedy recoveries. For all the latest news and events click new link on our website under 'Club news' box.

**Hurling Extravaganza  
BATTLE OF THE PARISHES**  
– Saturday March 27<sup>th</sup> -  
  
Entertainment 8 till Late  
Music by Dionsé

**Membership:** Membership Subscriptions are now overdue for 2010. All members are asked to pay their membership ASAP. Forms available from Clubhouse or through your team mentor. You can now renew your membership online. There is a new link on our website [www.lucansarsfields.ie](http://www.lucansarsfields.ie), which makes paying membership online a simple process.

**Congratulations** to the seven Lucan Sarsfields girls who were part of the Dublin U16 camogie squad who had a big win over Wexford in the Leinster championship in Gorey last Saturday. Well done to Ali Twomey Laura Murtagh Siobhan Grimes Claire Rigney Sarah Courtney Kate Whyte and Ciara Sheehan. In the Under 14 section, well done to Laura Morrissey, Niamh Byrne, Anne Marie Courtney and Orla Beagan who helped beat kilkenny 4-8 to 1-5 with Laura scoring 4-1 from play. Well done to Ailbhe Ryan who won an All Ireland medal in the All Ireland schools Cross Country race in Cork.

**Dates for your social diary:** Sunday Afternoon 21/03 for Session with CCE. All musicians welcome. Slow session in function room for beginners. Fast session in bar for experienced musicians. Everyone welcome. Sat 20/03 Feile social night-Music and food. Everyone welcome.

**Balloon Race:** The balloons have been launched. The winner is the furthest balloon returned by April 11<sup>th</sup> 2010. Prizes of €300, €200, €100. Prize also for finder of furthest balloon. Thanks to everyone who brought a balloon.

### Lucan Sarsfields Junior 'A' Football:

Lucan Sarsfields 2-9 Wild Geese 1-8. A good team performance saw Lucan Junior Footballers get off to a winning start in the AFL 9 league against a very strong Wild Geese side, winners of last years League, championship & Cup. Playing with a stiff breeze Lucan were the stronger team playing some excellent attacking football in the first half to open up a lead of 8 points with goals from twins Donal & Eoin Crowley giving a half time score of 2-6 to 0-4. Wild Geese fought back with a goal and a few points of their own early in the second half but Lucan defended well and in particular had Aidan Elliot in goal to thank for a number of outstanding saves which paved the way for a good victory.

**U12 Hurling:** Round 2 of the cup saw Lucan host Ballyboden St Endas in Arthur Griffith Pk. The early exchanges here saw Boden dominate. They were quicker to react and didn't allow Lucan any room to hurl. At the break they deservedly led by 2-1 to 0-2. Some positional switches at half-time helped Sars get a foothold in the 2nd half and they began to really hurl. A couple of lovely points and goals saw Lucan edge ahead for the first time. Ballyboden reacted but the local defence held strong and a well-taken 3rd goal for Lucan looked like it would settle it. Boden came again and reduced the game to a 1 score deficit - Lucan replied yet again to record a terrific victory by 4-5 to 3-3. After the slow start all the Lucan lads played well in the end, especially H Ladd, C Dowling, E Lombard + M O Donovan.

**SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE**  
**Date 29th March - 1st April. Cost €80**  
**Football, Hurling, Camoige  
and Ladies Football. U12 to U16**  
Top inter county players will be there  
coaching through out the week.

**Adult Fixtures.** Sen Camogie vs Ballinteer St John Sat March 20<sup>th</sup> @ 11.30 in Ballinteer. SH v St Brigids Sun March 21<sup>st</sup> @ 11am in 12<sup>th</sup> Lock. JH 'A' vs Fingallians Sun March 21<sup>st</sup> @ 11am in Lawless Park. JF 'A' vs Raheny on Sun March 21<sup>st</sup> @ 12.30 in St Annes Park. JF 'B' vs St James Gaels Sun March 21<sup>st</sup> @ 12.30 in 12<sup>th</sup> Lock. Please check with bar for any changes.

**Lotto Numbers:** Last weekend Lotto Numbers 03-04-13-19 No Winner. This weeks jackpot is €9,500. Josephine Donohue's team will be in charge this Sunday. Don't forget you can always enter our Lotto online by clicking on [www.lucansarsfields.ie](http://www.lucansarsfields.ie). Thanks to Diamond & Gem Jewellers who are this week's sponsor. Please support our sponsors.

**Lotto:** Three ways to play our weekly Lotto. Just three clicks and you can enter online at [www.lucansarsfields.ie](http://www.lucansarsfields.ie). Easier again is our Direct Debit option (Easy Play) – details in the Bar. Or fill in a weekly ticket and drop it into the Lotto Box in the Bar. Each entry costs just €2. **EVERY entry helps us** and could help you to a Jackpot.

# SPORTS

## Westmanstown Bowling Club

**OPEN DAY**  
**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April**  
2.00 pm – 5.00 pm

Contact Gerry Flynn  
087-9229322 to register



## BEECH PARK F.C.

Beech Park U13 3 – 0 Cabinteely

Having thrashed Bru Crumlin 5 - 1 last week, Tom Conlon's U-13 side made it 2 wins in a row with another fantastic away win which sees them rocket up the league table.

U14's had their best win of the season beating Belmont 6-1. A brace each from Bode Cole and Kevin Adetunje with contributions from Cian MacMahon and James Molloy sealed the victory for Beech Park.

## LUCAN PITCH & PUTT CLUB

What a start to the season, great weather, great turn-out and a great course. Yes, the pitch and putt season has started in earnest with the first competition of the year, the Paddy Maguire Memorial Sponsored by Paddy Power in full swing. Some fantastic scores coming in but the final results will not be known until late Wednesday evening. The presentation for this competition will be held in the clubhouse on Saturday the 27th of March at approximately 10.30pm, all winners are expected to attend [please check the notice board].

The Dublin mixed scotch-foursomes club qualifier will take place this Sunday the 21st of March starting at 3.30pm --check notice board for your tee-off time.

Last round in normal club singles competition on Sunday will be at 3pm.

**Lotto** results for last weekend --the numbers were **7, 17, 20**. No winner. Winners of the €20 --Susan Connelly, Rose Thompson and Anto McDonnell. Best wishes and a speedy recovery to Eugene Farrelly from all the members, hope to see you soon.

## ST. MARY'S CARDS

1<sup>st</sup>: Prim Dempsey.

2<sup>nd</sup>: John Garde

3<sup>rd</sup>: Rita Dillon.

4<sup>th</sup>: Joe McPartland.

## WESTMANSTOWN GAELS GAA

Under 13's started the 2010 campaign in Division 5 off with a convincing win against St Sylvester's of Malahide at home.

**Congrats** to the Under 14 Girls team who played Kildare in Westmanstown.

**Easter Camp of GAA Games** will be held in Westmanstown GAA Grounds, April 6<sup>th</sup> to April 9<sup>th</sup>, 10am to 2.30pm, costs €50 per child, its open to children from 5yrs upwards.

**Nursery continues** every Saturday in Crunch Fitness @ 10am, club open to new members, visit the GAA Grounds on Saturday's to view the facilities @ 10am to 11.30am or visit [www.westmanstowngael.ie](http://www.westmanstowngael.ie) for info.

## LUCAN CYCLING CLUB

### Stenson Wins / Gibbons 4<sup>th</sup> In Palmerstown:

Lucan's youth riders got their 2010 season off to a great start in Palmerstown on Sunday (March 14th). Adam Stenson winning at his first attempt for the Lucan Club. Adam Stenson was riding his first ever competitive race – and the Under 12 rider came out fastest in the Park Time Trial to take his first win.

Kayleigh Gibbons came home fourth in the Under 14 race. This was Kayleigh's first road event of 2010. The 2009 National Track Champion will be racing a number of road events this season to keep her fitness up for the 2010 Track Championships. The Park races are the first of a series of events to be held by the Youth commission at the new venue at Waterstown Park in Palmerstown

**Good Results from LCRC in Newbridge:** Lucan Cycling Road Club Riders continued their great start to the season with high placings in the Newbridge G.P on Sunday (March 14th). Brendan Whelan took 2nd In the A3 Race, Daryl Bent was 4th in the A4 event, Ross Grogan was 7th In the A3 race and Roisin Kennedy was first Lady in the A4 race. Daryl Bent came home 4th In the A4 race - The hard working Veteran Lucan Rider deservedly taking his First Open Race prize this Season. Roisin Kennedy came home with the first Lady prize - Her Team mate Sandra Fitzgerald finishing with her. Sandra will now be tested by Cycling Ireland on Tuesday evening at the Irish Sports Institute in her attempt to break into the Irish Development squad. Brendan Whelan came home 2nd in the A3 Race - Whelan benefited from an excellent lead out from promising young Lucan Junior rider Darragh Zaidan. Lucan Junior Ross Grogan came home with 7th prize in the bunch finish. Enda Connolly showed a welcome improvement in form in the A1/A2 race. Connolly had been sick since the beginning of the 2010 season - and he came through his first full weekend of racing after a strong ride on Conard on Saturday.



## ST.MARY'S LUCAN BRIDGE CLUB

### Results: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March

N/S: 1<sup>st</sup>: Barbara Clarke/Melita Gorman  
2<sup>nd</sup>: Marguerite Cunningham/Jacinta McKelvey

3<sup>rd</sup>: Bridie Nestor/Nuala Joyce

E/W: 1<sup>st</sup>: Phil Devlin/Monica Gaffney

2<sup>nd</sup>: Kay Cullen/Carmel Shanley

JOINT 3<sup>rd</sup>: Aileen/Denis Keane & Chris McHugh/Lulu Van Cauwelaer.

**DON'T FORGET** Easter Egg Competition tomorrow – please be seated by 9.30 a.m.



## LUCAN GOLF CLUB

### Ladies Results: Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2010

1<sup>st</sup>: M C Barrett HC 36 41 pts. J Hickey HC 35.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March. 1<sup>st</sup>: R Byrne HC 34 36 pts.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March. Sweep Competition

1<sup>st</sup>: B Kirwan H/C 24 37 pts.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March. 1<sup>st</sup>: G Williams H/C 36 48 points. 2<sup>nd</sup>: A Cochrane H/C 31 46 points.

3<sup>rd</sup>: M Quinn H/C 25 44 points. 4<sup>th</sup>: M Whelan H/C 23 43 points.

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March. 1<sup>st</sup>: C Harris H/C 17

40 points. Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March. 1<sup>st</sup>: Ann Cochrane

H/C 31. Catherine Gilhooly H/C 32 38 points.

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March. 9 Hole 1<sup>st</sup>: B O Donovan H/C 24 21 points. 2<sup>nd</sup>: H Downes H/C 31 20

points.

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March. 9 Hole 1<sup>st</sup>: S Griffin

H/C 21 23 points. 2<sup>nd</sup>: T Keane H/C 28 23

points.

## Kildare Social Bowling Group



New club now commencing in the Leisureplex – Tallaght –  
New members welcome.

**Please contact:**

Steve kildarebowlingclub@gmail.com

## LUCAN HARRIERS & A.C.

### BHAA NCF Floodlit 5.5km Cross Country Race – Malahide Rugby Club, Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>.

Lucan athletes once again produced superb performances in this novel cross country race run under floodlights in quite good weather conditions. Gareth Fereday led the way for the Lucan men with a brilliant 8<sup>th</sup> place finish. Gareth covered the 5.5km cross country distance in a very swift time of 20 mins 29 secs and was the first scorer for his Swords Labs team that finished 3<sup>rd</sup> overall.

Tommy Buggle finished just outside the top 10 with his 11<sup>th</sup> place finish in a terrific time of 20 mins 57secs to be helping his Irish Prison Service

team to victory by being the 3<sup>rd</sup> scorer on the team. Shane McCarthy covered the 5.5km distance in a noteworthy time of 23 mins 04 secs for a 41<sup>st</sup> placed finish in a very strong field of 134 athletes. Shane was also the 2<sup>nd</sup> scorer on his Irish Prison Service team that finished 7<sup>th</sup> from the 17 teams on the night.

### The Hague Half Marathon / 10km Race – Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>

As has become the norm at the club, our athletes once again headed overseas (this year to The Hague) for an annual half marathon & 10 km challenge and the trip proved well worthwhile. Claire Buckley and Bernie Stapleton were involved in a very close tussle and could only be separated by 7 seconds at the finish! This was a personal best run by Claire over the half marathon distance bettering her time of 1.44.42 that she posted in Bath on the same weekend last year. Bernie continued to run strongly all the way to the line and was rewarded with a brilliant time of 1 hour 44 mins 41 secs. Deirdre Counihan was the third Lucan lady across the finishing line a very impressive 1 hour 49 mins 34 secs. Emer McCarthy was the fourth Lucan lady home, in a time of 13.1 miles in 1 hour 56 mins 54 secs, Ursula Murphy a terrific time of 2 hours 5 mins 13 secs. Amber Nugent, too, can be well pleased with her performance on the day, having clocked a brilliant time of 2 hours 6 mins 42 secs. This was a fine run from Amber who had actually trained to run the Dublin marathon in October but was ill on the day and couldn't run. Anne McGrane was the next Lucan lady to finish after clocking an impressive 2 hours 8 mins 50 secs.

In the 10 km event we had Eithne Reid and Sinead Murphy competing. Eithne produced an excellent run of 50 mins. Eithne is another of our athletes that mixes her athletics with the triathlon so she has great strength that she was obviously able to put to great use in this 10 km race to produce this performance. Sinead Murphy also produced a great performance on the day coming home in under an hour, having posted a superb time of 58 mins. Sinead continues to show us that she is a fine distance runner for the club as can be seen from her 10 mile and half marathon times that she has previously posted over the last number of seasons.

### Metro St Brigid's 5km Road Race – Dublin City centre, Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>

Lucan athletes were once again out in force in this St Patrick's weekend race hosted by Metro St Brigid's. Run over a flat course in the city centre (around Georgian Dublin) our athletes can be pleased with their performances. Josie Dignam was the sole representative for the ladies and did not disappoint as she continued her return to form with yet another great performance. Josie covered the 5km distance in 33 mins 38 secs.

# Church Notices – 21<sup>st</sup> March 2010



## Sunday: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

### St. Mary's Lucan

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

**Weekday Masses:** Monday to Friday 10 am & 7.30 pm

Saturday 10 am only

**Morning Prayer of the Church** at 9.45 am Monday to Saturday.

**Friday - Stations of the Cross** 3.10 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 – 6.20 pm & after the  
6.30 pm Mass

**Baptisms:** Every Sunday at 1.15pm. Please give at least **four** weeks notice to avail  
of Preparation Programme. **As numbers are limited to 4 children**, please book  
before making arrangements.

### St. Patrick's Esler / Dodsboro / Adamstown

**Sunday Masses: Vigil Saturday**, 7.00 pm, 9 am, 10.30am & 12 noon

**Eucharistic Adoration** – Saturday from 5.30pm – 6.45pm

**Weekday Masses:** Monday to Friday, 10 am & 7.30 pm.

Saturday 10 am only.

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

**Baptisms:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 12.45pm & 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

### Divine Mercy Lucan South

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

**Weekday Masses** Monday to Friday 9.15 am & 7 pm.

**Adoration** Fridays from 10.00 am – 3.00 pm.

**Divine Mercy Prayer Group** Monday nights 8.00-9.00pm

**Scripture Reading** – Tuesday 9.45 am – 10.45 am

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

**Sunday:** 9.00 am Holy Communion. 10 am Service of the Word

**St. Mary's, Leixlip**, 11.30 am Holy Communion

**Tuesday St. Mary's, Leixlip**, 10.00 am Holy Communion

**Wednesday St. Andrew's**, 10.00 am Holy Communion  
8.00 pm Holy Communion

### St. Andrew's Church of Ireland

### Lucan Methodist Church

**Sunday:** 10.00 am Family Service  
Rev. Bill Mullally

### Lucan Presbyterian Church

**Sunday:** 10.30 am Morning Service

