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## Beauty Tips



For attractive lips, speak words of kindness.  
For lovely eyes, seek out the good in people.  
For a slim figure, share your food with the hungry.  
For beautiful hair, let a child run his or her fingers through it once a day.  
For poise, walk with the knowledge that you never walk alone.

People, even more than things, have to be restored, renewed, revived, reclaimed and redeemed; never throw out anyone.

Remember, if you ever need a helping hand, you'll find one at the end of each of your arms. As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands, one for helping yourself, the other for helping others.

The beauty of a woman is not in the clothes she wears, the figure that she carries, or the way she combs her hair. The beauty of a woman must be seen from in her eyes, because that is the doorway to her heart, the place where love resides.

The beauty of a woman is not in a facial mode, but the true beauty in a woman is reflected in her soul. It is the caring that she lovingly gives the passion that she shows.

The beauty of a woman grows with the passing years.

A legend in her own lifetime, Audrey Hepburn (1929 – 1993), starred in films such as *Breakfast at Tiffanys*, *Roman Holiday* and *My Fair Lady*.

When asked to share her beauty tips, she penned the above lines, and while Hepburn may have written with women in mind, the same can apply to every human being.

Some food for thought in these lines!

## Lucan Citizens Information Centre

Our telephone number is **0818 07 5090**

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

Email – [lucan@citinfo.ie](mailto:lucan@citinfo.ie)

Our office is located in the Ballyowen Castle Youth and Community Centre, Ballyowen, Lucan.



### **Opening hours:**

*Walk-ins to see an Information Officer*

Tuesday: 10am - 12pm

Wednesday: None

Thursday: 10am – 12pm and 2pm to 4 pm

*Reception open*

Tuesday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

Wednesday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

Thursday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

**We are closed on Mondays and Fridays.**

**Citizens Information Phone Service (CIPS)** is open Monday to Friday 9 am to 8pm on 0818 07 4000

### **MABS – the Money Advice and Budgeting**

**Service** is the State's money advice service, guiding people through dealing with problem debt for over 20 years. MABS phone service is open Monday to Friday 9 am to 8 pm on 0818 07 2000.

### **Agency agreements, trusts, and ordinary powers of attorney**

There may be many reasons why you are unable to deal with your affairs. For example, you may be physically unable to collect your pension or you may acquire an illness or disability that limits your ability to make decisions. If you become incapable of dealing with your affairs, there are various legal arrangements you can make to have someone else do these things on your behalf.

The choice of legal arrangements open to you depends on your precise circumstances. Some of the arrangements are very simple to make and have limited effect, for example, appointing an agent to collect your social welfare payment. Others are much more complex and require the help of legal and medical professionals, for example, executing an enduring power of attorney. It is advisable to take legal advice before entering into the more complex arrangements.

### **Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Act 2015**

The Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Act 2015 creates new decision-making arrangements to help people make decisions about their welfare and their property and affairs. This assistance and support is required where the person lacks, or may lack, the capacity to make the decision unaided.

The new arrangements include decision making assistance and co-decision-making and a process is

also set out for a court to appoint a decision-making representative for an individual.

As well as introducing new decision-making procedures, the Act sets out new arrangements for wards of court and for people who wish to make an enduring power of attorney.

The Decision Support Service has been set up to provide a range of functions when the new arrangements come into effect.

### **Agency arrangements**

If you appoint another person to represent you in certain dealings with third parties, you are making an agency arrangement. You are called the principal and the person you appoint is called the agent or appointed representative. The most usual example is where a pensioner nominates someone to collect social welfare pension payments or other allowances from the post office.

Another example of an agency arrangement is where you appoint a friend or family member as an agent to manage your financial affairs or pay bills while you are abroad for a period. You may appoint a professional to do these things and pay for the service – this is not an agency arrangement but is a contract for services.

If you are physically incapacitated, your bank may allow you to carry out a third-party mandate. This authorises your agent to perform certain functions, for example, to write cheques on your behalf.

You may only make an agency arrangement while you are mentally competent and the arrangement usually only lasts while you remain mentally competent. The arrangement does not have to be in writing unless the agent is required to sell property on your behalf. It is advisable to put the arrangement in writing so that both you and the agent are clear about what is intended and what powers the agent has.

### **Agency arrangements for social welfare payments**

The Department of Social Protection (DSP) has the power under social welfare legislation to make payments to a third party acting on behalf of a social welfare recipient. The legal status of a social welfare agency relationship is different from the general agency relationship in that the social welfare agency may be put in place or may continue in operation if you become mentally incapable.

If an agent is appointed to collect the money, it is still your money and there is a legal duty on the agent to use it on your behalf and for your benefit. The DSP may end the agency arrangement at any time where it has reason to believe that the arrangement is not working satisfactorily.

*Continued next week.....*

## Sarsfield Park Residents Assoc.

**Residents Association Meeting Monday 8th May 2023**

### Agenda

1. Family Day
2. Estate Clean-up day
3. Council Proposal for Age Appropriate Social housing in Sarsfield Park

We would like to engage with the residents on SDCC Section 179 proposal to build six number age appropriate units on the vacant plot at No. 62, in the initial proposal units are to be built facing the small green and the also facing the laneway, which, leads from the main entrance road (between 61-63) to no's 12-42. This proposed development will impact every resident and daily visitors to our estate. Including closure of the laneway, restricted parking and access, increased traffic and heavy vehicle access and noise pollution along with the loss of the greenspace. Section 179 means they can basically bypass any planning objections from residents or interested parties.

**Meeting 8pm Monday 8th May, Kennys back lounge**

## WAR

Denis, Leo and Sandra are the poor unfortunates who are trying to set the questions, pull the pints and serve the drinks to the rowdy rabble of punters who turn up at the fundraising pub quiz at the Barrytown Inn.

Will they survive unscathed, will they survive at all.....

Tickets for **WAR** are now available. Lucan Drama will present Roddy Doyle's WAR from Tues May 23rd to Sat May 27th at the home of drama in Lucan, the Lucan SPA Hotel.

Tickets are 12/10 euro each and can be booked by TEXTING your name, day/date required and no. of tickets to 086-3018982. You can pay for your tickets on the night and both cash and card are accepted.

The Lucan SPA Hotel is offering a dinner/theatre special with a 2 course meal plus tea/coffee and a ticket for the show for €30. To book this special offer, please phone the Lucan SPA Hotel directly on 01-6280494.

**Lucan Drama - Bringing Drama to your Doorstep**



## Lucan Active Retirement Assoc.

We meet in St Andrew's Parish Centre, Main Street, Lucan, on Thursdays at 11.30am. New members always welcome, come and join us in a friendly atmosphere and meet new friends. No charge for your first meeting.

Lots of activities to enjoy. Bowls, scrabble, cards, drama and choir. Coffee break at 1pm. Organised trips in Ireland and abroad.

Come with us to the Bord Gais Energy Theatre on May 20th to see *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*. Join us in a reserved suite at Fairyhouse Racecourse on June 1st for a great day out. Partners or friends of members welcome.

Letslip Union of Parishes

## PLANT SALE RAFFLE



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RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SALE  
DRAW WILL TAKE PLACE ON  
SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023  
TICKETS €5 EACH (in aid of parish funds)

PLANT SALE ON SATURDAY 13<sup>th</sup> MAY, 2023  
IN THE CANON DESPARD CENTRE, CHAPEL HILL  
LUCAN, CO DUBLIN 10AM - 2PM

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize Quilt	2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize Garden Hamper	3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize Garden Hamper
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**Anam Cara South Dublin**, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding

it's monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 7:15pm in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown Way, Tallaght. 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.

# Parish Notes

## St Mary's, Lucan

[www.lucanparish.com](http://www.lucanparish.com)



### Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm

Sunday: 10.30am, 12 noon and 7pm.

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

**Masses live-streamed on** [www.lucanparish.com](http://www.lucanparish.com)

### Rosary at the Grotto

The Legion of Mary will say the Rosary every weekday Monday to Friday during the Month of May at 6.30pm at the Statue of Our Lady in the Church Grounds.

You are very welcome to join us.



**St. Mary's Readers' Roster May 2023:** The roster for readers at the Saturday vigil, the 12 noon and 7pm Masses on Sundays in St. Mary's for the month of May 2023 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:** We meet every Tuesday night at 8pm in the Parish Bungalow.  
*All welcome, Sr Geraldine.*

**Scriptural Readings:** We meet from 7.30-8.30pm every Monday evening in the Bungalow opposite the church. The group will read and reflect on the following Sunday's Gospel to get a deeper understanding of the Word of our Lord.  
*All are welcome.*

**Bethany Bereavement Support Group:** We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 10.45am and 4<sup>th</sup> 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. *Sr Geraldine.*

**Divine Mercy Devotion:** On Wednesdays after 10am Mass. Everyone is welcome to participate in the devotion regularly or occasionally.  
*St Mary's Divine Mercy Group.*

**Legion of Mary:** We meet every Thursday evening at 5.30pm in Room 4 in St Mary's Parish Centre for Rosary and Prayers. *All Welcome.*

**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.

**Baptisms:** Dates are bookable on line. If you need to cancel [secretary@lucanparish.com](mailto:secretary@lucanparish.com)

**Confessions – Nuns' Chapel:** After Saturday 10am Mass and Saturday Evening 6.30pm Mass.

**Coffee Dock Open:** Every Sunday Morning and Weekdays 10am to 12 noon. *All Welcome.*

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

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

**Sunday Masses:** Vigil Saturday 7pm,  
Sunday: 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon.

**The 10.30am Family Mass** is aimed at younger parishioners and their families.

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

All Masses livestreamed at [stpatrickslucan.ie](http://stpatrickslucan.ie)

Best Wishes to the girls and boys of *Scoil Mhuire, Airlie Heights* and *St John the Evangelist* who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May.

Enjoy your day and please remember them in your prayers.



**St Patrick's Prayer Meeting:** Meeting every Monday night in the Pastoral Centre, (Side of St Patrick's Church) from 7.30pm to 8.15pm.

**Confessions:** Confessions after Saturday 10am and 7pm Masses.

### This Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May

Mass will be celebrated  
from the RTE Studios

by Fr Philip  
with the Aontas Youth Choir

RTE 1 at 11am

## Date for Your Diary Pilgrimage to Knock 2023

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May**

For further details contact:  
Marie McBride 087 122 6766 /  
Marie Anderson 087 269 1786.



## Divine Mercy, Lucan South

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



**Sunday Mass Times:** Saturday Vigil 6:30pm,  
Sunday Masses: 10.30am and 12.00 noon.

**Weekday Masses:** Mon.-Fri. 9:15am. Sat. 10am

**All Masses will be livestreamed on**  
[www.lucansouthparish.net](http://www.lucansouthparish.net)



### Catholic Faith Formation for Children:

Would you like your children to know more about God and the Catholic Faith? We are thrilled to invite your children to a programme that would help them to understand and appreciate their faith. They will explore their faith through age appropriate, interactive activities, discussions etc.

**When:** Starting from September 2023

**Where:** Church of Divine Mercy, Lucan

**Age groups:** Between 6-12 years and 13-17 years.

**Also open to all children of neighbouring parishes and there is no fee.**

If you are interested, please contact the Office 01 457 2900 or E: [catechism-lucansouth@gmail.com](mailto:catechism-lucansouth@gmail.com)

**Legion of Mary:** Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday evening at **7.30pm** in the Confessional Room in the church. Their works include visitation of homes, nursing homes, prisons and outreach to the poor. All welcome.

### St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:

The aim is to pray for vocations and also try to help seminarians financially. We also assist seminarians throughout the world spiritually. We would gladly welcome new members.

**The next meeting of the St Joseph's Young Priests Society is on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 10.40am**

### Adoration and Holy Hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

**Mon:** 7.30pm: Divine Mercy Adoration

**Fri:** 1.15pm: Adoration MMPH Cenacle

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

**Prayers of the Church:** Mon. to Fri.: 8.40am.

The Church is open Monday to Friday from 10am to 4pm for private prayers.

### Medjugorje Mass 2023

#### St Mary Church, Lucan

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May - Mass at 6.15pm**  
(Rosary and Confessions at 5.45pm)

Facebook Medjugorje mass lucan

### Fundraiser

Following a recent fundraising breakfast in Leinster House, a sum of €10,300 was raised in aid of victims of the recent earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. - *Pat Colgan*



This will replace the usual Share collection at all Masses. Please do not use the Tap and Go machines in the porches for this special collection.

# Anniversary

**MARIE CLERKIN**

**19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - 11<sup>th</sup> May**

Will those who think of her today  
A little prayer to Jesus say.

*Lovingly remembered by Gerard and Farin*

**Marie shall be remembered at Mass on the  
13<sup>th</sup> May in St. Patrick's Church Esker at 7pm.**



## Mother & Toddler Group



**Thursdays**

in **St. Mary's Parish Centre**,  
from **9.30am to 11.30am**.

## Alzheimer Social Club



**Every Wednesday  
1.30pm - 3.30 pm**

**JOIN US!**



St Marys Parish Centre, Lucan road, Lucan

Contact - Adrienne Mc Avinue

phone number- 086 838 1215

email address -amcavinue@alzheimer.ie

Our Club is a social gathering where people can access information and support, meet other people as well as to exchange ideas and experiences.

## IRISH SET DANCING

**Friday Nights 9-10.30pm**

**Palmerstown Parish Centre,  
Kennelsfort Road Lower, D20  
K732**

*(opposite Palmerstown House)*

Drop in. Free tuition. €5 incl. tea & coffee

**For more info contact Tom 085-8808868**



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**Anniversaries etc. / Advertising**

**Queries**

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**Reports and Ads. etc.** may also be left at the usual addresses:

St. Mary's Parish Centre

Or 3 Hillcrest Walk, Lucan.

**Remember 10pm, Wednesday night is the weekly deadline.**

## Recovery Meeting Reopened

Do you have?

Anxiety, Panic, Anger

Depression



**Recovery Self -Help Method Ireland  
CAN HELP YOU!**

Local Meeting:

**St Mary's Parish Centre Lucan**

**Thursday 7.30 p.m.**

Tel: 00353 062 60 775 /

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

0872563193

**ACRE  
project**

A Community  
Rethinking Education

### Celbridge

**Acre Lawn Bowling** is now open for membership. All ages welcome. Come and play on our wonderful lawn. Running from April to September 2023.

### Calling All Bakers and Gardeners!!!!

Show us your culinary skills and let us taste your yummy treats at this Baking and Plant sale. Great plants for sale to spruce up your summer garden. Come along for outdoor delights!!!!!! 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of May.

**For more information**

Contact: [holly@acreproject.com](mailto:holly@acreproject.com)

# LUCAN Festival

Below is a photo from the Slide Show of 170 images - **Johston Mooney** delivering the bread in the Phoenix Park February 1900.

On Sunday 10th September there will be a continuous showing on four large TVs of local history in the Village during our Family Fun Day.

These will include the history of:

Hills Mills (1865-1988)

Lucan Tram (1883-1940)

Jane Shackleton (1843-1909)

Sale of Lucan village (1919-1925)

Jane Shackleton was the wife of John Fisher Shackleton who managed Anna Liffey Mills. In or around the mid-1880s

Jane took up photography and from that time recorded all around Lucan and throughout Ireland. Jane processed her own prints from the negatives at Anna Liffey house in a room on the second floor. She often complained of the dust from the Mill which was right up against the House.



The Upside Down tree in Lucan Demesne  
(taken 1900 gone in the 1960s)

## SEEDS WANTED for MALAWI!

Many are now starving in Malawi, mostly because they can't afford fertilizer and chemical pesticides, but we have a system requiring neither.



BUT we are looking for seeds that are not genetically modified to demonstrate, grow and multiply.

We will take local, out of date and in fact anything with possibilities, in brown envelopes, plastic bags or left overs, to try and grow model gardens everywhere, to be copied

John and Mary Coyne  
[Wellsforzoe.org](http://Wellsforzoe.org)



**Don't forget the Liffey Descent** takes place this Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>! Thrills and spills in abundance at Lucan Weir from around noon onwards.





## SCHOOL NEWS



### St. Thomas' JNS Minister Foley's visit



We were delighted to welcome Minister of Education Norma Foley to our school last Wednesday 26th April to launch the free primary book scheme. She visited some classes where the children showcased their amazing work. All pupils and staff put a lot of work into preparing for her visit. Pupils made Kerry and Ireland flags and posters welcoming Minister Foley. Bright futures ahead for all our pupils!

### ART EXHIBITION AT LUCAN LIBRARY

**Lucan Community College Adult  
Education & the Art Students  
from:**

**The Drawing & Painting  
Class**

**Invite you to view their Art  
Exhibition**

**From  
Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> May  
to Tues 30<sup>th</sup> May**



**Venue: Lucan Library, Newcastle  
Road, Lucan**

## Thank You from the Colaiste Phadraig Parents Association

*Dear All,*

It was fantastic to see so many of you at the Colaiste Phadraig Parents Association's pub quiz fundraiser, which took place in Kenny's of Lucan. Thank you so much to all those who came along on the night and donated towards the event. We would like to give a special thanks to the following:

Mr Brady, Mr Geraghty, Trisha, Fiona and Susan from Colaiste Phadraig for their support with the event.

Damien, Kevin and all the staff from Kennys who facilitated and sponsored the event.

Terry our quiz master who put our general knowledge to the test on the night.

Aarron O'Sullivan of AOS Home Improvements, who very kindly donated the supply and fit of an attic ladder.

Maya Campbell and her employer United Hardware who very kindly donated the below mentioned 5 piece Garden Multi Tool.

Emer Burke and her employer Eco Modular building Ltd who donated a 100 perx card.

The Office of Public Works at Castletown House who donated 2 family heritage passes.

To all the parents who dropped down spot prizes to the school.

All the local business who were so generous with their donations including Sabatini Steak House and Ristorante, Seasons on the Weir restaurant, Finnstown golf society, The Anglers Rest, Grafton Barbers, Paddys Barber, Salon Anu, Femme Fatale Beauty, Power & Co. Fine Wines, The Artisan Pantry, J.Collins and Sons Butchers, All Seasons Flowers, SuperValu Lucan, Centra (Griffeen), Halpenny Golf, TSB Lucan, Hair and Beauty by Deirdre Lawless, Adrian Dunne Pharmacy & The Lucan Credit Union. The Lucan Newsletter who helped advertise the event.

Congratulations to all the lucky winners on the night.

We hope you all enjoyed the night & many thanks once again for your support!

*The Parents' Association*





## Coláiste Phádraig CBS

**Basketball:** Congratulations to our 2<sup>nd</sup> yr basketball team who advanced to the All-Ireland Junior Boys “B” Final after defeating St. Pat’s Grammar School, Armagh 31-26 in their semi-final, held at the Oblate Centre in Inchicore last Wednesday. Lucan led 11-4 after the 1<sup>st</sup> 1-4 thanks to 9 points from Aaron McCormack and a basket from Páidí Murphy. St. Pat’s reduced the deficit in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter thanks to three 3 pointers but they still trailed 13-11 with Ciarán O’ Sullivan scoring Lucan’s only basket in this period.

Lewis Adjinakou scored 7 crucial points in the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1-4 with Cian Kelly also scoring a basket as Lucan led 20-17 at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1-4. The final 1-4 was a tense affair but Lucan held their nerve to win by 5 points thanks to further scores by Lewis (5), Aaron (2) and Cian Kelly (4) to secure their 10<sup>th</sup> win from 10 this campaign. The team will now face Le Chéile, Tyrellstown in the All-Ireland Final in the National Basketball Arena, Tallaght.

**Economics:** Congratulations to 5<sup>th</sup> yrs Calum Conway, Cian Carr, Tabib Haque, and Mobashir Ahadmanish for placing 2<sup>nd</sup> overall for all 5<sup>th</sup> year projects in the Young Economist of The Year Awards Ceremony held in UCD on Friday. They also all received a gold medal for their work. Their project looked at De-Globalisation and the exploitation of resources in developing nations, and it will be available for students to view on the Economics and Business board outside of Mr. Geraghty’s office. Judges were very complimentary of the depth of their work and their ability to structure a research project. Notably it was the only project which did not focus on the Irish economy to win an award, so well done to all of the lads involved.

**Hurling:** Our 2<sup>nd</sup> yr hurling team cruised into the Dublin League “C” semi-finals after an emphatic 16:20 to 1:05 victory over St. David’s CBS Artane last Thursday. It was a dominant display of hurling from our 2<sup>nd</sup> yrs and they didn’t ease off at any stage despite the massive gulf in class and experience. Henry Greene excelled for Lucan with an impressive haul of 5-02, Cian Kelly added 4-01, James Duffy scored 3-0, Brian Whelan got 2-02 with further goals and points being scored by Ciarán O’ Sullivan, Páidí Murphy, Derry Ware, Morgan Gladney, Jack Henry and Seán McGillicuddy.

**Fundraising:** The Parents Association Table Quiz, held in Kenny’s in Lucan Village last Friday, was a great success as it raised just over 2,000e for the school. The money will go towards

the cost of installing defibrillators in the new school building. Thanks to all who came along on the night and to those who donated spot-prizes for the event. The PA would like to thank the staff at Kenny’s for the sponsoring the event and for facilitating the quiz with such professionalism and patience. They would like to thank all of the local businesses (too many to mention) for being so generous with their donations and support. A great night was held by all and congratulations to the winning team on the night.

**Awards:** Well done to TY **Eoin McGarty** who won the *Mark O’ Neill Student of the Month* Award for March in recognition of his excellent participation in numerous Transition Year activities.

Congratulations to 2<sup>nd</sup> yr **Aaron McCormack** who won the *Sports Star of the Month* Award in recognition of his exceptional displays for the school’s 2<sup>nd</sup> yr basketball team.

Comhghairdeas freisin le **Olan Sullivan** ón triú bliain a bhuaigh an gradam *Gaeilgeoir na Míosa* mar gheall ar an sár-iarracht a dhéanann sé an Ghaeilge a labhairt.

**Athletics:** Well done to 1<sup>st</sup> yr Conor Abbott and 3<sup>rd</sup> yr Alex Leonard who both won gold medals at the West Leinster Track and Field Athletics Championships held in Tullamore last week. Conor won the 1km race in great style while Alex stormed to victory in the 200m Final in a great time. Alex is the reigning u17 All-Ireland 200m champion, having claimed this title at the National Track and Field Championships in Athlone last month in a time of 22.70, so his victory was not unexpected but he still had to push hard to see off some very talented and very fast opponents.



The two athletes now advance to the Leinster Track and Field Championship Finals which will be held in Santry. All of our athletes competed well throughout the two-day event so well done to all of our participants on their excellent individual and team performances.

## Lucan Community College

**TY's head Back to the 80's!** Next week our TY's bring their production of 'Back to the 80's' to the stage in Lucan Community College. Performances will take place at 7.30pm on the 9th, 10th, and 11th of May. Tickets can be purchased directly from the school – it promises to sell out!

**'Our Day Out' - a Roaring Success:** Last week our Teacher and Student Drama Group took to the stage for three sold out performances of Willy Russell's 'Our Day Out'. In this enormously successful production, teachers and students pulled together and showed fantastic teamwork and cooperation to pull off a fantastic show. The five months of rehearsals were hugely evident on stage – the standard of acting and singing was incredible!



The very first teacher/student drama took place in 2001 – that cohort also performing 'Our Day Out'. In 2019, teachers took to the stage again, this time for John B Keane's 'The Field'. 'Our Day Out' will be Director and Teacher Mr John M. O'Connor's final production before he retires at the end of this school year. Mr O'Connor has been involved in close to 20 musicals and dramas throughout his career at Lucan Community College. Mr O'Connor has said 'directing 'Our Day Out' in Lucan Community College has been a wonderful high note to finish on.' We wish Mr O'Connor every success as he embarks on the great adventure of retirement – which will no doubt be spent dabbling in the Arts.

**Student Amnesty Group:** Members of the Lucan Community College Amnesty group invited all local politicians to visit the school last week to discuss the today to discuss the homelessness crisis. The group organised a petition which was

signed by local representatives who attended the event Eoin O'Broin, Mark Ward and Gino Kenny. These politicians went on to present this petition to Darragh O'Brien which called on our government to reinstate the eviction ban and build more houses. Photo Credit: Eoin O'Broin



**Art Trip for Students:** Last week Second Year Art students took a visit to the Hugh Lane Gallery and the National Gallery. Highlights for the students were seeing Caravaggio's Taking of Christ, work by Monet, Picasso and William Leech.

**Athletics:** Well done to our students who competed in the Athletics competition last week: Ferdia McDonagh 2nd Saoirse Fitzgerald 1st and Maggie Jez 2<sup>nd</sup>, Cillian

Murphy 2<sup>nd</sup>, Rachel Jez 1st



The students will now go through to the Leinster Finals.

**Taekwondo:** Congratulations to 5th Year student Aaron Cronin who took part in the European Taekwondo Championships in Romania last week. Aaron won his first match and narrowly missed out on his second. Well done on representing Ireland!



## St. Joseph's College

**Italian Trip:** A number of Italian students from TY and 5th year travelled to Italy for a four day trip on 24th April. We arrived in Pisa airport and drove to Florence for a two-night stay. We attended language class, went on a walking tour of the city, had free time for lunch and shopping in the markets of course and had great fun on the second night at a cooking school learning how to make our own pizza and gelato. We spent the third night in Verona where we went on a guided tour and got to see all of the sights, including the Amphitheatre and Romeo and Juliet's houses. We spent most of Thursday in Gardaland theme park going on rides and before heading to the airport for our flight home. A really brilliant day for everyone. Thank you so much to Ms Borza for organising everything and also to Ms Duignan, Mr Sweeney and Mr Collins for accompanying us on such a great trip! (Holly O'Carroll)



**LCVP:** On Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May the 6<sup>th</sup> year LCVP students completed their final exam, well-done to everyone involved.

**Darkness into Light:** On Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> of May a group of our students will take part in the Darkness into Light walk in Corkagh Park Clondalkin. You can donate to this fantastic cause by clicking on their sponsorship page link on our Instagram page. Well done to Mr. Collins for organising this event.

**Mary Martin Memorial Event:** St. Joseph's College will be holding a memorial service for Mrs. Mary Martin, who passed away on Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> October 2022. The memorial service will be held in St. Joseph's College on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30pm. Principal, Ms. Bernadette Fitzgerald, would like to invite former students, who wish to attend, to this most special event. Mary contributed so much to the life and spirit of the school during her many years as teacher of Home Economics, Year Head and dear colleague to the staff of St. Joseph's.

**Minor Camogie:** On Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of May our Minor camogie team lost out in the shield semi-final against a strong St Marys Naas team. Hard luck but I am sure you will be back stronger next year.

**5<sup>th</sup> Year Ecology Trip:** On the 30<sup>th</sup> of April, the 5<sup>th</sup> years went on their ecology trip to Castletown in Celbridge and did many fun activities like

catching different bugs and surveying different flora. We also got to enjoy our time in the café during our break! Many thanks to the Biology teachers of organising it! (Marly Bah)

**Sports Day:** We are very excited to host our sports day this Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup> of May in Lucan Harriers Athletic club, this day is one of the highlights of the year and we will update you next week of all the thrills and spills of the day.

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# POLITICAL NOTES

## Emer Higgins TD – Fine Gael

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**National Transport Authority:** I had encouraging discussion with John Barry from the [National Transport Authority](#). I discussed with him in particular the need to improve local services including the C Spine routes. He confirmed that extra buses will be assigned to the C routes to improve frequency and capacity.

**Housing Grants:** It was announced this week that South Dublin County Council will have an allocation of €3.792 million to fund Housing Adaptation for older and disabled people. Grants of up to €30,000 are available to assist disabled people in carrying out necessary works to make a house more suitable for their needs. Additionally, grants of up to €8,000 are available to assist older people to have necessary repairs or improvements carried out on their homes. And up to €6,000 are also available for mobility aids. Forms available from my office.

## Gino Kenny TD - People Before Profit

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**Review of Medical Card Eligibility:** It is almost ten years since there was a review of the medical card eligibility. The medical card means testing on income has not changed for many years, except for changes to over 70s card or free GP care for under 6 years of age. However, the list of expenses considered in means testing for a medical card is limited and does not reflect many costs of living expenses and the real net income of a household. In circumstances where persons have a medical condition, we need to be sure that patients are not facing undue hardship and those who need a medical card are receiving a card. My office meets patients whose real net income is not considered to qualify them for a medical card due to the limited means testing system, but because their illness is not terminal, they don't receive a discretionary medical card.

## Cllr. Shane Moynihan – Fianna Fáil

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Twitter: [@shanemoynihan](#) Phone: 087-7840898.

**Hermitage Park Playground:** I raised the need for repairs to Hermitage Playground last October and I was happy to see them being completed this week! There is some work to be done with the play equipment, which is out for tender.



**Joint Policing Committee:** I was honoured to have been elected as Chairperson of South Dublin County Joint Policing Committee last week. I look forward to working alongside my colleagues, fellow elected members, Garda leadership and PPN members from civic society to work for a safer area and addressing the prevalence of crime and anti-social behaviour in our communities.

**Foxborough Road Resurfacing:** The need to resurface Foxborough Road and the Lucan - Newlands (Balgaddy) Road has been apparent for some time. I was pleased to see these works start last week, following allocation of the funding for it after my representations last year.

## Cllr. Liona O'Toole – Independent

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**Childcare Places:** The issue of the lack of childcare places continues to be raised with me. At a recent area committee meeting I asked that the Planning Department request statistical data from the County Childcare Committee for current demand on childcare services, such as calls received from parents seeking a place, calls from service providers seeking accommodation, the number of crèche closed in the last 10 years compared to the number of crèche opened in same period. I await the report and will continue to campaign for better services.

**T-Junction Esker Lane/Esker Manor:** New road safety measures will be placed along Esker Manor to help improve the safety at this T-junction. Initially the junction was examined with a view to placing a roundabout on it, however this would not address the sightline issue. A bus table and warning signage will be installed.

## Lucan Library

*All events and activities are free of charge.*

### Bealtaine 2023

May is the month we celebrate creativity in older age in the national Bealtaine Festival.

### Free Computer Classes for Adults

Tuesdays: 2.30pm - 4.30pm. Fridays: 10am - 12noon. Contact the library for details of these classes and how to book your place.

### Exhibitions:

Lucan Community College Adult Education Art Exhibition

An 1851 Lucan Directory; a pictorial guide based on an article from the Lucan Newsletter



## Cumann na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin



### Lucan Sarsfields White Collar Fight Night

On behalf of the Chairman, Colm Farrell and the executive we would like to say a big THANK YOU. Our organisers, our boxers and their sponsors, our local businesses who all supported the evening, have helped deliver the most successful fundraising event in our club's history. It was an outstanding evening and an outstanding result for our club.... Sars Abú.

*The Lucan Sarsfields Executive.*

### Hurling

#### AFL9 Skerries Harps 3-12 Lucan Sarsfields 2-

21. The Junior B hurlers made the long trip out to Skerries for their league match last week and were rewarded with a good 6 point win.

Skerries went in search of goals, but a strong defensive display led by Ryan Brant in goal, Dan Coogan and Jack McCarthy ably assisted by their teammates and a string of points including a great team score finished off by Cian Ryan saw the Lucan lads run out deserved 6 point winners to get their third win of the league campaign.



### Coiste na nÓg/ Juvenile

Comhghairdeas mór le foireann camógaíochta BÁC f.16 agus ár n-imreoirí Chloe, Rachel agus Sadhbh inniu!

Congratulations to the U16 Dublin camogie team and our players Chloe, Rachel and Sadhbh in their win against Laois in the Leinster Shield final this afternoon in Kilkenny.

Lucan: R. Brant, D Murphy, D. Coogan, C. Ryan 0-1, J. McCarthy 0-1, D. Quinn, J.O'Connor, L. Farrell, N.O'Leary 0-3, F. Breen 0-6, R. Campion 2-5, E.Power 0-2, C O' Neill, J. Cavanagh, J. Brant.



**U12 LGFA:** U12 girls football had four teams playing at home on Saturday afternoon. Two teams against St. Kevin's Killian's and two against St Peregrines. All four matches were very competitive and results were very close at the end. Two teams ended in a draw, one a narrow win for Lucan and the other a narrow win for the opposition. It was great to be playing in the sunshine at home on a bank holiday weekend and the girls, mentors and parents enjoyed the afternoon. As always a big thanks to our fantastic Lucan referees, Aisling, Clara, Cora and Roisin who keep the games running smoothly and were fantastic at talking to the girls during the match, explaining the mistakes they were making and encouraging all players during the matches.



### Summer Camps

We have now set dates for our much anticipated Summer Camps, remember to book early and not be disappointed. You can book Club Camps

[https://member.clubforce.com/memberships\\_cart.m.asp?LL\\_ID=480&intMF\\_ID=12372#topp](https://member.clubforce.com/memberships_cart.m.asp?LL_ID=480&intMF_ID=12372#topp)

and the Cúl Camp link is

<https://www.kelloggsculcamps.gaa.ie/>

**Healthy Clubs:** Lucan Sarsfields Healthy Club will host an information evening on Tuesday, 9th May at 7.30pm highlighting the supports ALONE can provide to those aged over 60 while also highlighting what a club and community can do to support their older members. The club is hosting this event as part of their involvement in the Irish Life GAA Healthy Clubs Programme. It is one of a series of such information sessions being hosted across the four provinces by GAA Healthy Clubs as part of a pilot between the GAA and ALONE. On the night there will be a presentation about Alone services...All are welcome to attend...older members of our community, friends, family and neighbours. Light refreshments will be provided. For more information, please contact Audrey @ 087 2312560.

**Lotto:** No Winner of last week's Lotto Prize of €18,200. The Numbers were **7, 8, 17, 20.**

**The 5 lucky dip prizes go to,** Tony Rigney, John McGivney, Jim O'Carroll, Laurance Fitzharris and Seaghan & Sinead. Next week's Lotto will be for a jackpot of **€18,600.**



## Na Gaeil Óga CLG

### Grúpa Tuistí & Léanaí

Beidh Grúpa  
Tuistí & Léanaí  
Na Gaeil Óga ag  
bualadh le chéile

arís ar Satháirn an 6 Bealtaine ag 9.30 sa  
chlós súgartha i bPáirc Cairtróna. Má is  
spéis leat bualadh le teaghlaigh eile le  
Gaeilge sa cheantar a bhfuil páistí idir 0-3  
acu cuir scéal go Neasa ar 0830676145.

### Cailíní F14 agus Buachaillí F15

Go raibh maith agaibh as ár gcairde i  
Laochra Loch Lao a chuir faillte roimh ár  
mbuachaillí F15 & cailíní F14 i mBAC.

Bhi cluichi an-spoirtuile agus ansin ar aghaidh linn  
le tacaíocht a thabhairt do hiomanaithe BhAC sa  
chraobh iomana!



### Cailíní F8 - Camogie

Bhí na cailíní F8 go hiontach ar fad in aghaidh  
Bhaile Buadáin Naomh Éanna. Ní raibh aon  
fhadhb acu díriú isteach sna cluichí ó thús go  
deireadh imeartha. Táimid chomh sásta agus  
bródúil asaibh uilig arís.  
Maith sibh, a chailíní!

### Peil na bhfear

Is cinnte go raibh fonn  
imeartha ar fhoireann B na  
bhfear Dé Domhnaigh seo  
imithe tharainn. Chruthaigh  
an fhoireann neart deiseanna  
scórála sa chéad leath in  
éadan Bhaile Baodáin ach  
cuireadh roinnt mhaith dóibh  
ar fóraoil agus bhí mí-ádh ar  
Shane Mac Domhnaill an



### Buachaillí F11 - Peil

Dhá chluiche chrua i gcoinne CLG Chloigthishe  
Lusca.

Sár scileanna agus imirt ar taispeántóir ó na  
buachaillí...go háirithe ó Rhys Reilly John  
McDermott, Cian MacGiollaPhadraig agus  
scóranna iontacha tógtha ag Bobby Foy ar an A  
pháirc.

Ar pháirc B sár imirt ó Dhonnchadh Büttner,  
Ruairí MacGiollaPhadraig, James Hickey, Dara  
Canning agus scóranna iontacha ó Evan Foley  
agus Conor Sheehan.

### Calíní F12 - Camogie

Bhí cluichí camógaíochta iontacha ag na cailíní  
F12 in aghaidh Naomh Peregrine in ainneoin na  
drochaimsire. Spiorad foirne iontach! Lá do na  
lachain a bhí ann.

### Buachaillí F9 agus F12

Bhi lá iontach ag na mbuachaillí f9 & f12 thíos i  
gcontae Laois.

trasnán a bhualadh. Dá bharr, in ainneoin na  
himeartha, ní raibh NGÓ ach pointe amháin chun  
tosaigh ag leath ama. Bhíodar foighneach sa darna  
leath agus de réir a chéile tháinig na scóranna.  
Rith Kev Ó Tiománaigh leis an liathróid nach mór  
ó lár na páirce agus chuir sé an liathróid isteach i  
cúinne na heangaí chun cúig phointe a chur idir na  
foirne. Níor fhág cúl déanach ó Bhaile Baodáin  
ach trí phointe idir na foirne ach chinntigh Shane  
agus Ciarán Ó Gallchóir an bua nuair a chiceáil  
siad dhá phointe áille agus muid ag druidim le  
deireadh an chluiche. Toradh suntasach don  
bhfoireann. Scór lán ama NGÓ 1-11 BB 2-3.

### Foireann Iománaíochta C

Bíonn gach tús mall. Tar éis 18 mhí ar an bhfód  
d'éirigh lenár dtriú foireann iománaíochta a gcéad  
bua a thiomsú. Is cosúil gurbh fhiú an fanacht.  
Maith sibh lads. Scór deireadh do chluiche na Cs;  
NGÓ 3-13 Na Fianna 2-7.



# SPORTS

## LUCAN PITCH & PUTT CLUB



### 36 Stableford (Nett).

#### Remembrance Competition. 29 April 2023

**Gents Overall Winner** - Gareth Walsh - 93 Pts

**Ladies Overall Winner** - Tess Donovan - 86 Pts

**Gents Class 1 36 Nett Winner** - Gary Ryan - 85 Pts (B18)

**Gents Class 1 36 Gross Winner** - Lennon Blake - 81 Pts (B9 of B18)

**Gents Class 2 36 Nett Winner** - Paul County - 86 Pts

**Gents Class 2 36 Gross Winner** - Pat McDermott - 77 Pts

**Gents Class 1 36 Nett Winner** - Brendan Keane - 87 Pts

**Gents Class 1 36 Gross Winner** - Michael O'Gorman - 64 Pts

**Ladies Class 1 36 Nett Winner** - Sandra Keogh - 76 Pts

**Ladies Class 1 36 Gross Winner** - Kathleen Croke - 54 Pts

**Ladies Class 2 36 Nett Winner** - Trish Tully - 82 Pts

**Ladies Class 2 36 Gross Winner** - Evelyn O'Gorman - 53 Pts

**Ladies Class 3 36 Nett Winner** - Dolores Pegley - 83 Pts

**Ladies Class 3 36 Gross Winner** - Fionna Langan - 42 Pts

**18 Nett Winner** - Barry Gorey - 45 Pts.

### Remembrance Competition

Last Saturday we held our Remembrance Competition, and we were lucky that the weather held up. This year we are honouring the late Paddy Monaghan and Mickey Joe Maher. The photographs of these two gentlemen were on display in our committee room and visible to see by all competitors as they entered the clubhouse. The chat about bygone days brought back many a memory. Rest in Peace – Paddy and Mickey Joe.

### Congratulations

This week's congratulations goes to Damian Creevey who brought back more silverware on Saturday last. Damian first played on Saturday morning in our Remembrance competition and then travelled to Kilcullen to play in the Liam Sherry Scratch Cup in St. Bridget's Pitch & Putt Club and was successful in winning the Scratch Cup - our fourth cup so far this year – well done to you Damian. Not to be outdone Orla Creevey, Lennon Blake and Gareth Walsh were runners up in the Dublin Scramble in Portmarnock on Sunday – great shooting 27 under.

### Dublin Leagues

The Leagues are going well for our Club and so far we have the gents' junior team through to the final. Our other ladies' and gents' teams still have matches to play but looking good to qualify.

### New Members Welcome – Adults and

**Juveniles.** Our Club is now open for membership.

If you would like to join our Club please download an application form from the website and fill in the relevant details and return same – or email the secretary at

[info@lucanpitchandputt.com](mailto:info@lucanpitchandputt.com). 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.

### Dates for your Diary

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May - Race Night and presentation of our Remembrance Competition prizes

1<sup>st</sup> July - 60<sup>th</sup> Diamond Jubilee Celebration

22<sup>nd</sup> July - Captains' Day/Night

26<sup>th</sup> August - President's Day/Night.

**LUCAN** 

**COMMUNITY GAMES**



**ATHLETICS TRIALS**

Lucan Harriers Running Track,  
Newcastle Road, Lucan  
3pm Sunday 21st May



Must be u16 as at 31 July and from Lucan

CHECK US OUT ON  LUCANGAMES,  LUCANCOMMUNITY  
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**DODSBORO GOLFERS**

**ANNUAL OUTING**



Venue : Lucan Golf Club  
Date : Friday 25th August  
Tee Time : 14:00 - 16:00  
Entry Fee €40 Per Person (Golf & food)  
Members & Visitors Welcome  
Contact Joe Curtis (089-425-4684)

## St. Mary's Camera Soirée



This week we have more photos from Lake Maggiore in Italy including a beautiful white Peacock from Josie, a duckling “on the edge” and a shy Jay from Conor.

On the subject of “machinery” Michael G came across a printing press located in the Print Studio the Tyrone Guthrie Centre in Annaghmakerrig near Newbliss in County Monaghan. This impressive machine was made by Hopkinson & Cope of Finsbury, London and bears the number 3258 which would seem to date it’s manufacture to around 1850. The machine is still fully functional and is most impressive in its red livery.



Tyrone Guthrie, who was born in Tunbridge Wells in Kent in 1900, was a highly regarded theatre director, playwright, broadcaster and author. He was the founder of the Guthrie Theatre in Minneapolis and a founding director of the Stratford Shakespearian Festival of Canada.

He died in on this weekend 52 years ago at Annaghmakerrig House. The house was subsequently bequeathed to the Irish state. Today, funded by the Arts Council/An Chomhairle Ealaíon and the Arts Council of Northern Ireland the Tyrone Guthrie Centre offers residential workspaces to local, national and international artists across all art forms.

*Stay safe until next week!*

