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CCÉ Lucan

Traditional Irish Music Classes



As you are aware, the branch was unable to hold classes as normal due to the Covid 19 pandemic. Whilst some virtual classes were held, unfortunately due to ongoing restrictions, we were unable to resume face-to-face classes. This, coupled with more recent difficulties in securing some teachers and new committee members, has regrettably meant that we are unable to offer classes at this time. You might be aware that Lucan was due to host the Dublin Fleadh in 2020, but this was subsequently cancelled due to the pandemic.

The branch is holding its AGM at 8pm on Wed 26th October in Gaelscoil Naomh Pádraig at 8pm. As always, and especially now, Lucan Comhaltas is asking for support on the night, and to seek support in ensuring that the branch can continue into the future.

Our committee will be stepping down having worked together to progress the Lucan branch for several years. Most of the current committee had indicated they would be stepping down 2 years ago but stayed on during covid. In order to ensure the continued running of the Lucan branch, and to build on its legacy, we are seeking interested parties to consider assisting in the formation of a new committee. It is an extremely rewarding group to be a part of, as you get to know many people in the community, foster the tradition of Irish music, dance, language and culture and develop the talent of the children and adults attending classes.

We are optimistic that, with some planning, Craobh Leamhcáin will be able to resume face to face classes in 2023/2024. However, there are many options available to the new committee in the absence of face-to-face classes, such as workshops, sessions and more. That's for the new committee to decide. The branch is in a favourable financial position with a relatively good instrument bank. Another potential goal of the branch would be to host the Dublin Fleadh in the future (which is available to us to host next year should you want to). Any member 16 years of age and over can become an officer.

We look forward to seeing you all on the 26th October and greatly appreciate any support you can give.

Contact: email: lucan@comhaltas.net

Phone: 086 7269033

Lucan Citizens Information Centre

Our telephone number is **0818 07 5090**

www.citizensinformation.ie

Email – 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

Information is available on our website on the following subjects:

Student grant 2022-2023

Applications for the student grant 2022-2023 close Thursday, 3 November 2022. To apply after the closing date, you must contact SUSI to make a late application request.

College applications 2023-2024

CAO will open for 2023-2024 college applications on 4 November 2022.

The strict closing dates that apply to the Higher Education Access Route (HEAR) and the Disability Access Route to Education (DARE) are:

Apply for CAO by 5pm, 1 February 2023

Submit HEAR or DARE application by 5pm, 1 March 2023

Submit all supporting documents by 5pm, 15 March 2023

Sexual violence and harassment in higher education

A new plan has been announced to address issues regarding sexual violence and harassment in higher education institutions (HEIs). It includes the appointment of



Sexual Violence and Harassment (SVH) Prevention and Response Managers in HEIs.

Supports for vulnerable customers changing bank

The Banking and Payments Federation Ireland (BPFI) announced that the main retail banks have set up account switching phone lines for vulnerable customers:

AIB 0818 227 056

Bank of Ireland 1800 946 146

KBC Bank 1800 804 472

Permanent TSB 0818 818 721

Ulster Bank 1800 656 001

The BPFI has published a leaflet with information for customers in vulnerable circumstances (pdf) and information on movingaccount.ie.

Planning permission exemptions for rooftop solar panels

On 7 October 2022, restrictions on the number of rooftop solar panels you can install on your roof were removed. Houses and certain other buildings, regardless of location, may now install unlimited solar panels on their rooftops without any requirement for planning permission.

Public sector pay agreement

Public service unions have endorsed the extension of the current Building Momentum public service pay agreement to the end of 2023. A 3% pay increase for 2022, will be backdated to February 2022.

Recovery Meeting Reopened

Do you have?

Anxiety,

Panic,

Anger,

Depression



Recovery Self -Help Method Ireland CAN HELP YOU!

Local Meeting:

**St Marys Parish Centre Lucan
Thursday 7.30 p.m.**

Tel: 00353 062 60 775 /

www.recoveryireland.ie

0872563193

Lucan Senior Citizens

Wednesday 26th October: **Social Morning** in the Parish Centre.

Halloween Party and Gala Bingo 10.30 – 12.30

Lucan ICA

Monday 24th October: **Crafts** in the Parish Centre from 10am till 12.30.

Tea Hostesses: Nuala Corbett and Mary Skelly.



Welcome back to some more of our ladies who returned on Monday. The room was a hive of activity with all the different crafts being worked on.

We are now taking names for Lucan Drama and dinner in the Spa hotel on Wednesday 9th November. This will be our group night out for Christmas.

Mother & Toddler Group



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

Lucan Drama

4 for the price of 1!

As the weeks tick by, excitement levels grow as everyone in Lucan drama continues to work on the 4 one act plays which will run at the SPA Hotel from Nov 8th to Nov 12th.



Tickets are €12 each with a discounted rate of €10 for OAPs. To book your tickets please text name, date/evening of the show and number of tickets required to: 086 3018982.

A dinner/show deal is available directly from the SPA Hotel. 2 course meal plus tea/coffee and a ticket for the show for the bargain price of 30 euro per person. To avail of this deal please contact the SPA Hotel directly on 01-6280494.

Date for your diary.....

Table Quiz

in aid of **NAGARHOPE**

Friday NOVEMBER 18th
Lucan Sarsfields Clubhouse



Lucan Active Retirement Association

Venue - St Andrew's Parish Centre, Main Street, Lucan

Winter is fast approaching so don't sit at home, get out and enjoy yourself. Lucan Active Retirement are having a Halloween party so do dress up (maybe you'll win first prize) so come on down on 27th October.

New members are very welcome at 11.30 am on Thursdays. We play cards, bowls and Scrabble. We also have a choir for party times and when we go on our trips.

Lucan Planning Council

L52 routing update:

1. LPC sent a deputation to NTA headquarters and handed a detailed letter to Mr Hugh Creegan there inviting Bus Connects planners to undertake for themselves the journeys they design for Lucan people. We joined up with representatives from Ballyfermot who were doing similar. We continue to work on your behalf regarding direct city access also for thousands left behind by Bus Connects.



2. We met with Government Chief Whip Jack Chambers who voiced full support for hospital access in Blanchardstown and has undertaken to personally pursue this further with the NTA. We will keep you informed. We made the point it is easier to extend a bus route than build a new hospital in Lucan for our expanding population.

Part 8 two canals cycleway and active travel: Having examined the proposals carefully we cannot support the exclusion of huge parts of west Lucan from the plan. LPC's own submission therefore supports extension of the concept to include Weston Park, Kew Park, Airlie Height, Woodview, Woodview Heights, and Dodsboro residence by providing a cycle lane from Tandy's Lane and onward via Vesey Park. We fully support the concept of active travel, and argue it should be extended to all. Walkers must also be encouraged and facilitated much more and this is listed as an objective by SDCC. We ask SDCC to deliver on this and provide more casual seating in the village on the Main Street and hilly spots. We thank those who have engaged with us on this and wish them well with their own submissions.

Caitriona McClean 086 3898327

Parish Notes

St Mary's, Lucan

www.lucanparish.com



Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm

Sunday: 10.30am, 12 noon and 7pm.

Weekday Masses: Monday to Saturday 10am

Masses live-streamed on www.lucanparish.com

Annual Mass of Remembrance

Our Annual Mass for all our departed relatives and friends will take place on

Thursday 17th November at 8pm

At this Mass the names of those from our parish community who died in the past 12 months will be especially remembered. The names of all those on the November list of the dead will automatically be included.

Christian Meditation:

We meet every Tuesday night at 8pm in the Parish Bungalow.

All welcome, Sr Geraldine.

November Altar List of the Dead

Envelopes for the November Altar List of the Dead are available in the Church Porches.

Please return to the Sacristy when completed.

Invitation

Legion of Mary invite you to join them on a Thursday evening at 5.30pm in Room 4 in St Mary's Parish Centre for Rosary and Prayers.

All Welcome.

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 **2nd Monday at 10.45am and 4th Thursday at 8pm of the month** in the Parish Centre. We are available to listen to or just be there for anyone who is feeling lonely or lost following the death of a loved one.

Sr Geraldine.

Divine Mercy Devotion:

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

St Mary's Parish Divine Mercy Group.

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



St. Mary's Readers' Roster November 2022:

The roster for readers at the Saturday vigil, the 12 noon and 7pm Masses on Sundays in St. Mary's for the month of November 2022 has been sent to all readers by email on 18th October. If any reader has not received it a copy is available for inspection in the sacristy.

For Sale Church Art Calendars 2023

In the Sacristy and the Parish Office. €2

Confessions – Nuns' Chapel:

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

Deepest Sympathy to the wife, family and friends of **Kieran Kavanagh**, Esker Lawns.

May he rest in peace.



St Andrew's Church of Ireland

St Andrew's, Lucan:

Sunday: 9am and 10am. **Wednesday:** 10am

St Mary's, Leixlip: Sun: 11.30am. **Tues:** 10am

Services are available on our parish

Facebook pages:

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

Lucan Presbyterian Church

Main Street, Lucan, Co. Dublin

Sunday Morning Worship: 11am.

(There's tea and coffee after the service)

Lucan Presbyterian Church is a growing family of Christians who come from a variety of different church backgrounds, traditions and nationalities. Regardless of your age, background, experience or previous church connections you are welcome to come and visit us.

Contact: email: lucanpresbyterian@gmail.com

Divine Mercy, Lucan South

www.lucansouthparish.net



Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 6:30pm,

Sunday 10:15am and 12:15pm

Mass Time Changes from the 6th November:

We had changed our Sunday Mass times during Covid to leave an hour between the services for airing the Church but this is no longer required. From November onwards, starting with **Sunday November 6th** the Sunday Mass times in the Church of Divine Mercy will revert to **10.30am** and **12.00 noon**.

Weekday Masses:

Mon.-Fri.9:15am. Sat.10am

All Masses will be livestreamed on

www.lucansouthparish.net



The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

is celebrated annually on October 7th. It was instituted to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful.

To mark this special month we will **pray the Rosary before the 12:15 pm Mass every Sunday**. We will start the Rosary around 11:5am to have enough time before the Mass. So please come early for Mass and join us as we honour our Blessed Lady.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:

A new branch of St. Joseph's Young Priests Society has opened in our parish the Church of Divine Mercy, Lucan South Parish. We meet once a month and the next meeting is Tuesday 25th October 2022 at 7.30 pm here in the parish. The aim of the society is to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and religious life.

All are very welcome and we look forward to seeing you all.

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.

Morning Prayers of the Church:

Monday to Friday: 8.40am.

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

Wednesdays tea/coffee morning:

There is a cup of tea/coffee and a slice of cake **after 9.15am Mass every Wednesday** in the St. John Paul II Room (room with tables and chairs to the right of the porch at the main Church entrance. All are most welcome.

Visitation team for Holy Communion:

Pastoral care of the Sick is provided for all who suffer in any way in our communities. When a person becomes ill, receives a serious diagnosis or because of frailty is no longer able to attend Mass, our Ministers facilitate visitation of the sick at home or in a care setting when this is requested by families and permitted by public health authorities.

Please contact the Parish Office to arrange a visit.

St. Patrick's Esker/ Dodsboro/Adamstown

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

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.

Medjugorje Irish Centre

Free draw: Win a trip to Medjugorje with the Irish Centre. Win one week's all included package trip to Medjugorje for one person. This includes 7 nights B&B, return airport transfer and flight (up to €300 flight & luggage value).

To be in with a chance to win go to our website www.med-irishcentre.com

For more details tel. 00353 1443 4510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com

Our next draw is for 31st October.

Anniversaries

CAROLAN (BRIAN)

13th Anniversary – 22nd October

Those of you who think of Brian today

A little prayer to Jesus say.

Remembered always by Helena, Stephen, Alan Louise, Ellie, Hannah, Alfie and Frankie



DEVINE (MARIE)

3rd Anniversary – 24th October

In loving memory

You will always be forever special

Sadly missed and never forgotten.

Willie, Caroleanne, Lisa and Rachel

McCAHILL (JOE and BRIDGET)

Joe: 13th Anniversary - 30th September

Bridget: 3rd Anniversary – 23rd October

Late of Arthur Griffith Park, Lucan.

There is always something missing

No matter what we do

A constant longing in our hearts

What's missing is Dad and Mam

A light was taken from us

When you had to say goodbye

Silent thoughts of times together

Hold memories that last forever.

Always loved, always missed, never ever forgotten.

From your heartbroken family, daughters Patricia, Mary and Laura, sons-in-law Enda and Barry and adored grandchildren Jordan, Stephen, Leah, Arthur, Ruby and baby Annie.

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MURRAY (ANN)

1st Anniversary – 20th October

The leaves may fall,

The sun may set

But those we love

We never forget.

Deeply loved, sadly missed and always remembered by

Susan, Rachel, Ruth, Rona, June, and Paul. Also, her

sons-in-law, grandchildren, great grandchildren and extended family



O'BRIEN (JOYCE)

7th Anniversary – 22nd October

A daughter.

To some you may be forgotten

To others a part of the past

But to us who loved and lost you

Your memory will always last

Each of us in our own way

Have special memories of you today.

Also remembering our dear father and husband.

Love and miss you very much.

May you rest in peace.

From all the family xxxxx



O'HARA (JIM)

10th Anniversary – 19th October

We think of you every day

And wish you were still here.

Sadly, missed by your loving wife Chrissie, daughters, grandchildren and great grandchildren



Rest in Peace

We were saddened to learn this week of the death of

Sr Immaculata back on the 2nd May 2022 peacefully in the care of the staff of Shalom Nursing Home, Kilcock.

Sr. Immaculata was very popular here in St Mary's as she

took on the role of Sacristan when she arrived in Lucan. She had a joy about her as she went about her work and was a regular visitor to us here on a Thursday. After she moved she would always visit us if she happened to be in Lucan on Newsletter day. We received a Christmas card each year until her health failed some years ago.

To Sr. Immaculata's family and the Presentation Sisters we extend our heartfelt sympathies.

Lucan Newsletter Team.

Death of two Presentation Sisters in 2022

Sr. Immaculata Ryan was born in Tipperary and spent many years in Presentation Convent Maynooth before being transferred to Lucan. Her main ministry in the convent was caring for sick and elderly sisters. She also settled down to being the sacristan in St Mary's parish. She was patient and very much liked and all benefitted from her kindness. When the convent became the Mission House she was transferred to Mountmellick and later Kilcock where she continued her caring ministry until she herself became a patient within the Presentation Shalom Nursing Home. Her friends in Lucan still kept in touch and Sr Immaculata passed away in May of this year.

Sr Mairead (Margaret Mary) Galvin was born in Co Cork and joined the North Presentation Convent where she taught many generations of young people. She came to serve in the Presentation Mission House in Lucan for six years giving hospitality to visiting missionary sisters. She actively mixed with parishioners and used to come over to the Parish Centre. In preparation for the Jubilee Year 2000 she organised a Jubilee Year choir from which some of the members subsequently graduated into the Chorale when it was founded. The church choir in Lucan at the time had become somewhat 'in the doldrums' when Sr. Rosario went to the Presentation Mission in Africa. Sr Mairead went back to Cork and lived in Ballyphehane Presentation community. Her sister is still a member of North Presentation Convent.

May they both rest in peace.

Ar Dheis De go raibh a n anamacha

Sr Josephine Murphy, Bagnelstown

Lucan Local History Presents Lucan Spas and Hotels



Part three of Lucan Historian Joe Byrne's series of heritage talks on the fascinating history of Lucan Spas and Hotels will be in Lucan Library on Tuesday 25th October at 6.30p. This will be the penultimate talk on this theme covering the 19th century onwards, so don't miss out on the opportunity to attend.

You can book a place through Eventbrite at lucanlibrarydublineventbrite.ie

Winter Wellness - A free Online Talk

Organised by Lucan Library Oct 24th 7pm

Winter Wellness with Colette O'Flynn: Online Zoom Talk at 7pm Monday October 24. Book your ticket through Lucan Library Eventbrite. This is an online talk, organised by Lucan Library and delivered by Colette O'Flynn, Chief Physiotherapist with PhysioNow.

With the changing of the clock fast approaching, less daylight, colder temperatures and wetter weather can all combine to make it harder to look after ourselves during the winter months.

Join Colette O' Flynn, Chief Physiotherapist with PhysioNow who will have some key advice on:

- Fitness, flexibility and mobility
- Eating Well and Essential Vitamins
- Good Sleep

This talk will be delivered online via Zoom.

Please note:

A valid email address is required to access the Zoom link.

Alternatively, please leave your name and email address at the Library Desk.

Storytime for Under 6s: Every Wednesday at 3pm. Special fancy dress Halloween Storytime on Wed. 26th Oct. at 3pm. All welcome!

Lucan Library Book Clubs Monthly meetings:

Wednesday Evening: 26th October, 7pm

Monday Lunchtime: 24th October, 12noon

TTRS at Lucan Library: Touch-Type-Read-Spell is available from Lucan Library from September. Contact us to learn more about this learning support, and how you can avail of a TTRS course free of charge. Phone us at 01-6216422 or email lucan@sdblincoco.ie for more information.

Exhibition:

Sharon Casey, local artist, 8th – 28th Oct.

Part 8 Drawings for the M4 Bus Priority

Measures - on display from 14th Oct- 11th Nov.

Palmerstown Camera Club

At Palmerstown Camera Club we hold a weekly meeting in person, every Wed from 8 pm to 10 pm in the Palmerstown Parish Hall. People interested in joining the club or even attending one or two meetings FREE of charge to see how their photography could benefit from being a member can do so by contacting secpc@mail.com



Recently in Palmerstown Camera Club, we had the judging night for a themed competition "Nature", and above, we have one of the winning images *Fungi*, and below, another winning entry, *Long Tailed Tit*, both by Aoife Tierney.





What a Thunder Storm we had in Lucan on Wednesday! It's been a long time since we had something that intense in our area.

Chapel Hill will be closed to traffic this Saturday 22nd October, as Irish Water carry out works. I suppose there's no ideal time to close a road, but at least it's not during school times!

Junior Cert Results Date has at long last been announced – 23rd November. Hard to see how the results coming this late can be of any use to students trying to pick Leaving Cert subjects. Not everyone does the Transition Year.



Be warned! Halloween is approaching and is not for the faint hearted.

Lucan Library leaves us in no doubt with their scary exhibition.

Make sure to pay a visit this coming week and have your photo

taken with some new 'friends'!



And upstairs, you can find out about some of the haunted spots in Lucan!



CHOOL NEWS



Scoil Mhuire GNS Lucan Enrolment 2023

During the **month of October** Scoil Mhuire Girls National School are taking names of girls living in **St. Mary's Parish** for Junior Infants 2023.

Please email the school for an application form. The email address is application2023@smgnslucan.com

You will need to provide with the completed application form:

A scanned photocopy of your daughter's **Birth Certificate**

Your daughter's **PPS Number**

A **current household utility bill** (*proof of address*).



St. Mary's Boys' National School

are now accepting applications for
Junior Infants for September 2023

**The closing date for enrolment is
Friday 18th November 2022**

The enrolment form can be downloaded from the school website

www.stmarysbnslucan.com



Lucan Community College

Transition Year trip to Lilliput

TY students and the TY Year Team enjoyed a fantastic trip to Lilliput Adventure Centre in Mullingar last Thursday. Orienteering, bog diving, and abseiling, were enjoyed by students (and teachers!). Many thanks to TY Coordinator Ms Higgins for organising a great day out before TY's head off on Work Experience. We wish all Transition Year students the best of luck on their first two weeks of Work Experience and would like to thank local businesses and employers for giving our students an opportunity to engage in the world of work!



Think Languages

The TY Champion Languages Team are busy putting together a display of all the languages spoken in our school in preparation for the #ThinkLanguages event taking place on 17th November 2022. We look forward to celebrating culture and language over the coming weeks!



Lucan Community College welcome new Austrian Language Assistant!

Grüß Gott und Willkommen to our Austrian Language Assistant Katharina who will be working

with us for the year. A great opportunity for our students to practice their German with a native speaker and learn more about Austrian Culture.

First Year Admissions 2023

Following our hugely successful Open Day, we would like to remind the parents/guardians of 6th Class pupils that the closing date for applications for First Year 2023 is 12 noon Friday 28th October 2022. Application forms for 1st Year 2023/23 are available on our website: www.lucancc.ie

U19 Boys Soccer

Leinster under 19 Senior Boys Cup: Lucan CC 5-1 Marion College
Lucan CC had a resounding 5-1 victory against Marion College Dublin on Friday afternoon last. Lucan led 1-0 at half time thanks to a sublime individual goal by midfielder Leo Myers. Marion College had chances of their own and would have felt aggrieved to be 1-0 behind at half time. However, the second half was all one-way traffic. As Marion College pushed forward for an equaliser, they were repeatedly caught on the break by a disciplined, skilful Lucan side. Second half goals by Shane Broderick (x2), Joseph Kellett and Gareth McDonnell rounded off a 5-1 win. Lucan CC move on to play St Michael's College, Ailesbury Road in the next round of the cup. Many thanks to coach Mr Peter Callaghan for his hard work in coaching and training the u19 Boys Soccer team.



St. Joseph's College

Study Skills: This week our first years completed the study skills programme. This study skills programme shares with the students the awareness and skills which will help them to succeed at the early stages of their life in secondary school. The programme reflects the changes taking place at Junior Cycle, placing them at the centre of teaching and learning. The sooner a student settles in, the more successful their academic outcomes are in secondary school. The students attended the programme over two days and thoroughly enjoyed it.

6th Year Macbeth: 6th Year Students enjoyed the day at the dlr Mill Theatre in Dundrum where they enjoyed seeing Macbeth which is part of their Leaving Certificate course.

National Gallery: On Monday a group of 5th year students visited the National Gallery as part of their Visual Culture Leaving Cert course. This was a great experience and the students enjoyed it thoroughly.

Cinnire Team: A big thank you to the Cinnire team who organised a bake sale to raise funds for the upcoming 1st year Friday club. Many thanks to any student who helped bake.



TY: Rehearsals / Chocolate Factory: Transition Year musical rehearsals are in full swing now with the main cast announced last week and with the show less than five weeks away excitement is beginning to build. Ticket information will be released soon.

A group of Transition year students travelled to the Chocolate Garden of Ireland chocolate making workshop which was a real treat. The students learnt all about chocolate making and even made some of their own creations but of course the highlight was sampling the delicious treats.

A group of Transition Years have been working very hard so far this year as part of the Joeys Tidy Towns, you may see them picking up litter in the village on Friday evenings. The Transition Years are completing this task as part of their Gaisce Presidents award, keep up then good work.

LCVP Work Experience: Our 5th Year LCVP students and a number of our 6th year LCVP students went on

work experience this week as part of the requirement of their Leaving Certificate course. This is an invaluable experience for our student into the world of work and we thank all of the business and organisations who very warmly welcomed them.



Sport: Our Junior Camogie team are in action this week also when they travel to play Mount Sackville. We wish the team and management the best of Luck in this game.

Coláiste Phádraig CBS

1st yr enrolment: A final reminder that the closing date for applications for 1st yr 2023 is **Friday 28th October 2022**. Application forms are available from our school office and our website colaistephadraiglucan.ie. All applications received after this date will be considered as late applications.

Soccer: Our u19 team began their Dublin Metropolitan League campaign with a 4-1 victory in their 1st group match against Coláiste Pobail Setanta last Thursday. The opening goal arrived after 20mins via a stunning right-footed strike from the edge of the box from Tyler Doherty. With his back to goal, Tyler controlled the ball superbly before spinning his marker and unleashing a powerful and precise drive into the bottom left hand corner of the net. Lucan doubled their lead soon after when Kian Clements headed home at the near post following an exquisite delivery from Luke O' Brien. Lucan's 3rd goal arrived late in the 2nd half when Tyler Doherty took possession of the ball just inside the box, dipped his shoulder and shifted the ball onto his favoured right foot before drilling in a crisp, low strike across the unsuspected keeper into the far corner. Setanta pulled a goal back soon after but Tyler completed his hat-trick late on with another clinical finish from inside a crowded penalty box to seal a deserved win for the team.

Our u15 team also enjoyed a winning start their campaign as they advanced to the 1st round of the Leinster Minor Cup after an impressive 3-0 win against a talented Marian College in their preliminary round encounter last week. John Donoghue converted from the spot early in the 2nd half to give Lucan the lead their overall play merited. Soon after John played a superb 30 yrd half volley over the shoulder pass from the centre circle out to Sean Connell on the left wing. Sean, 1st yr player of the season last yr, controlled the ball brilliantly with an exquisite first touch before unleashing an unstoppable shot with the outside of his left foot into the top right corner of the Marian net. Cillian Murphy completed the scoring with a superb free-kick from the edge of the box.

LCVP: Our 6th yr LCVP students visited Croke Park on Tuesday with their teachers Ms. Peel and Mr. Murtagh. The tour started in the interactive play area where students tested their sporting abilities with a number of GAA related challenges. Then it was into the theatre for a short film detailing the hustle and bustle of a match day at Croke Park. Students toured the stadium and visited the players' lounge, dressing rooms and

media centre. They then went out to the press box to view the pitch from the best seats in the house. During their time at Croke Park, students learned about the history of the stadium, notable sporting events and the most valuable item in the GAA museum, Muhammad Ali's boxing gloves from his 1972 fight against Al "Blue" Lewis. Students have been working hard on their LCVP portfolios since 5th year. They will use the information gathered on their trip to Croke Park to finish the final component of their portfolio.

Golf: The CBS Golf team were in action on Monday, October 3rd, when the Irish School's Senior Championship qualifier was staged in Ashbourne Golf Club. A team of 5 featuring Conor Martin, Jack Henry, Rory Clarke, Aidan Doyle and Harry O'Connor were in action on the day. Although the players all tried the best, the final scores weren't quite good enough to qualify for the next round of the competition. A difficult format (singles strokes), combined with players' lack of familiarity with the venue as well as a brisk wind which picked up noticeably in the afternoon, meant that qualifying for the next stage was always going to be a tall order. Ultimately, qualification proved elusive as our golfers fell a few strokes short of the necessary totals. Nonetheless, all players played some excellent stroke shots throughout the day while they were also some incredible putts on the back 9 especially.

Our u16 golf team were in action last Friday as they tried to qualify for the second leg of the Golf Ireland Junior School's Leinster Championship held at Lucan Golf Club. Aidan Doyle and Conor Martin were back in action but both got off to difficult starts and qualification hopes were pretty much dashed after the front 9. They picked up on the back 9 with some excellent approach shots but their putting wasn't to their usual standard and they finished too far behind to trouble the leaders.

Unfortunately, owing to the nature of winter golf



and the limited number of events that Golf Ireland are capable of hosting, this event sees an end to the golfing season for the school.

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Sarsfield Park – New Road Signage: Following a recent door knock in Sarsfield Park, some residents highlighted the need for ‘no through / cul de sac road sign to be placed at the final section of road leading up to the health centre. This was approved last week following a representation made – this will assist motorists unfamiliar with the area from driving up to the bollards only to have to reverse or turn on a tight street.

Castlegate/Adamstown: Both myself and the local Sinn Féin team have spent last weekend conducting a courtesy canvas with residents and listening to issues both from within Adamstown and indeed Lucan more generally. We expect to complete the remainder of Adamstown up as far as Stratton this weekend. If I can be of any assistance to you on matters important to you locally, please get in touch.

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Lucan Schools: I have been campaigning for new school buildings in Lucan since I was elected. St Joseph’s is under way and Stewarts is complete but we need more action. I arranged for a debate with the Minister for Education last week to discuss the progress. She confirmed that the new 24-classroom primary school buildings being provided for Scoil Aine Naofa and St. Thomas’s National School, are now under the Department of Education’s accelerated building programme and the process to appoint a design team is imminent. An extension for Lucan Community College was recently authorised to proceed to tender.

Know Where You Stand - Budget Leaflet:

I will soon be delivering my annual Guide To Your Entitlements around Lucan. If you would like to receive a copy in the post please contact my office by email or phone

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Pedestrian Crossing on Chapel Hill: People Before Profit welcomes the provision of additional pedestrian crossings in Lucan. However, it has come to our attention that the proposed pedestrian crossing on Chapel Hill might cause danger to pedestrians because of the location of an existing property entrance there. We have suggested in our submission that the crossing would be further west down Chapel Hill.

Liffey Valley Staff Car Parking Protest:

Workers at Liffey Valley Shopping Centre have been protesting in regards to the introduction of car parking charges for workers. Workers have been staging a daily protest to highlight their opposition to the charges. Workers should not be charged and penalised in going to work. The car parking charges were on the basis that all the infrastructure of the BusConnects would be finalised and cycling/walking provision would be completed.

Cllr. Paul Gogarty - Independent

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Canal Route Cycle project: The timescale for submissions has closed. Although I will be voting on this project as a Councillor, I felt it was important to also make a detailed submission and this is available on the consultation portal. There are many good aspects to the plan, but several areas on the village side of the N4 especially need tweaking.

Bonfire materials: While some areas have traditionally been used for small, managed bonfires in Lucan, other areas are unsuitable and the Council offers residents associations incentives under its “Bulbs Not Bonfires” scheme, details available on SDCC website. I’ve been contacted about a number of potentially dangerous collections and have reported to litter warden.

C2 Route: Good to see the C2 heading down Adamstown Boulevard. The NTA are planning the route past Lidl Shackleton now. Still no leeway being given on old Dodsboro route.

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Local allotments/Community gardens: I have been engaging with locals regarding the removal of an allotment in the Rathcoole area which has been serving a number of residents from the Lucan area. I requested the council to examine ways in which allotments can be incorporated into community gardens. Council management have agreed to work with anyone looking to set up a community garden. Anyone interested can contact me for further details.

Teen space/Boules area: New amenities have been added into the teen space along the Newcastle road, Griffeen Park. As part of the plans a coffee dock will be installed. Also, a new and extended ‘boules’ area has been constructed in the park, anyone interested in getting involved in the sport can get in touch for further details.

Road resurface: I requested resurfacing along the Newcastle road due to potholes etc.

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Cumann na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin



Adult Football Report

This week-end started with an All-county Football semi-final for our Intermediate football team. They lost the toss and battled a strong wind conceding 12 points in the first half to a Boden side who took advantage of the wind and took their chances. This lead was unfortunately too much for the Lucan side to come back from. Final score was 0-5 to 0-18. Although the result did not go our way the lads can be proud that they progressed this year while introducing a lot of younger talent who gained valuable experience through this campaign.

Junior County Football Final, Lucan Sarsfields 0-07 St Judes 2-10. 12th Lock, 16th October 2022 Sunday.

Lucan played host to Judes in a Junior 5 All County Final. The match was well contested in the first half leaving the contest open with 4pts each and all to play for. In the second half Judes made some decisive changes to the midfield that brought a 4 minute spell of disruption for Lucan who unfortunately conceded 2 goals during this period. The match was played in good spirit and well contested and the team was really appreciative of the great turnout by the home fans. This was a strong season for the Junior 5s progressing to a final with a mix of Lucan legends and future stars. We were also entertained by some Lucan mini's who delighted the fans at half time.

Senior Hurling and Football Management

Selection Process now open for internal applicants to manage our Senior Football & Hurling teams. Anyone interested in being considered or wishing to nominate someone, please contact:

Directors of Adult Hurling, Vincent O'Connor (087 207 5835) or Paul Stapleton (087 205 8572)
Closing date is 7th November 2022

or Director of Football, David Herlihy (087 341 6702),

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Closing date is 31st October 2022

All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.



U12 Camogie: Over the last two rounds of camogie matches, our U12 girls took on St Judes away on 1st Oct, and Castleknock at home on 15th Oct.

Against St Judes, Sarsfields put up a very strong performance in all matches. Match 1 was a strong physical encounter with Lucan winning a few frees leading to Lucan going ahead by a score of 3 pts to 2. Unfortunately a defensive mistake allowed a very soft Judes goal roll over the line to give Judes the victory. Match 2 went the way of Judes, whilst Lucan took a good win in match 3. Against Castleknock, once again the elements were against us with some terrible weather conditions to contend with. We were adamant that this would not stand in our way of ending the season of go games on a high. In Match 1, the Lucan girls dug the heels in after Castleknock got off to a strong start scoring 3 goals. Lucan turned the tables, and came away with a 5-2 to 3 goals win. This resulted from some very strong performances and scores from Lucan. Team 2 pulled off a very strong win scoring 8 goals, whilst team 3 unfortunately lost, despite some good scores.

The camogie go games have now come to an end but we look forward to a couple of challenges matches after Halloween.



Lucan Referees: Our Club is delighted to acknowledge some of our referees who are now working hard to support the game at home and abroad. Mark Hanley from Lucan Sarsfields and now London GAA took charge of Lancashire Senior Hurling Championship Final on Saturday (15th October).

Adam Kelly, also from Lucan, recently took charge of the Dublin Senior Camogie 2 Championship Final Replay on 9th Oct, so it's great to see our members achieving such recognition as refs now.

Lotto: No Winner of last week's Lotto Prize of €7,000. The Numbers were **3, 7, 11, 21.**

Lucky Dip prizes go to: Noel Flynn, The Dardis Family, Sharon Hickey, Yvonne McCarney and Cathy McCarthy. Next week's Lotto will be for a jackpot of €7,400.



Na Gaeil Óga CLG

Buachaillí F14 - Iomáint

Bhí lá stairiúil ann Dé
Sathairn nuair a thug
foireann faoi aois Na

Gaeil Óga faoi chluiche cáilithe craoibhe den
chéad uair.

Is ag tabhairt aghaidh ar na Géanna Fiáine a
bhíomar i gcluiche leathcheannais F14.

Cluiche den chéad scoth a bhí ann a
chríochnaigh mar chomhscór tar éis am breise.

Le breis is 200 de lucht tacaíochta ann do
bhuaachaillí an iarthair is cluiche é a mhairfidh i
bhfad i gcuimhne na ndaoine a bhí ann.

Thosaigh na Géanna Fiáine go láidir le dhá cúilín
tapaigh ach de réir mar a fuair Jake Nesbitt agus
Dara de Búrca an lámh in uachtar i lár na páirce
chuir NGÓ smacht ar an gcluiche.

Le Ríoghnáin Ó Briain i mbarr a réime ón imirt
agus ar na pocanna saora, bhí Na Gaeil Óga ag
dul ó neart go neart. D'ardaigh gaoth láidir inár
gcoinne sa dara leath agus bhí teacht aniar láidir
ann ó na Géanna Fiáine. Arís agus arís eile sheas
an líne lántaca agus an cúl báire, Brian Ó
Meadhra, Matthew Ó Dúinn, Rory Ahearne agus
Seán Anderson an fód. Nuair a séideadh an
fheadóg tar éis 60 nóiméad is 1-8 go 1-8 a bhí
ann.

Thosaigh na Géanna Fiáine leis an ngaoth sa dara
leath agus chuaigh siad trí chúilín chun tosaigh.
Bhí Tadhg Ó Breacáin go leanúnach ag cruthú
dúshlán don fhreasúra. Ní raibh an port seinnte
faraor. Tar éis obair na gcapall fuair Shannon
Reilly cúl a chuir Gaeil BhÁC cúilín chun tosaigh
ach fuair na Géanna Fiáine an scór deireanach le
cinntiú go mbeadh lá eile ann.

Táimid ar fad ag súil leis an gcéad lá eile cheana
féin.

Saturday was a historic day
for the club, as we had an
underage team in a playoff
for the first time ever! The
under 14 hurlers took on
Wild Geese in St.
Catherines Park. After an
epic battle, the teams
finished level after extra
time.

With over 200 spectators
present, this game will live
long in the memory of all
who attended. Wild Geese
started well with 2 early
points, but with Jake Nesbitt



and Dara de Búrca then gaining the upper hand in
midfield, Na Gaeil Óga took control of the game.
With Ríoghnáin Ó Briain excelling from play and
frees, Na Gaeil Óga grew into the game. With the
aid of a strong breeze, the opposition came back
strongly in the second half. The goalie and full
back line Brian Ó Meadhra, Matthew Ó Dúinn,
Rory Ahearne and Seán Anderson were under a

lot of pressure but stood their ground. At the
end of normal time, the score was 1-8 each.
Wild Geese started extra time strongly and
went three points ahead, although Tadhg Ó
Breacáin was creating a lot of problems for
them. The game wasn't over yet though and after
a massive effort, Shannon Reilly scored a goal for
the Lucan lads. Wild Geese got the final point to
ensure a draw after extra time.
We're all eagerly awaiting next game!

Cailíní F13 - Camogie

Bhí an chéad chluiche cáilithe riamh ag foireann
faoi aois na gcailíní maidin Dé Domhnaigh nuair
a thug siad aghaidh ar Bhaile an Tirialaigh.

Fuair siad an lámh in uachtar sa chluiche agus
sár-bhua ar deireadh. Farasbarr de 2 chúilín a bhí
ann ag an deireadh, 3-2 go 2-3.

Bhí Caoimhe de Búrca an-slachtmhar sa chúl,
thug líne leath-chúil NGÓ ardán láidir do chailíní
Leamhcáin le Sophie Bennett, Aoibhe Ní
Léanacháin agus Éabha de Búrca sár-mhaith ó
thús go deireadh.

Bhí Ruby Foley agus Caitlín Ní Fhearghail an-
tórthúil timpeall lár na páirce. Le cúilín an lae ag
Foley ón imirt.

Bhí Sadhbh Ní Mháirtín an-bhrabhsach ó thús
agus is í a fuair an cúl a chinntigh an bua. Ach
laoch na imeartha ar an lá ná Noreen Igobeta a
fuair cúl cinniúnach ina céad cluiche riamh agus a
bhí an-éifeachtach sa líne leath-thosaigh.
Tosnóidh na hullmhúcháin anois don chluiche
ceannais.



SPORTS

LUCAN HARRIERS A.C.

A number of Harriers made the trip to Donadea for the Donadea Running Club annual 10K. Taking in 2 x 5k loops in the grounds of the beautiful Forest in Co Kildare, Lorraine Heffernan 45.50 2nd Lady home in category. Claire Joyce 45.52, Emmet Quinn 46.21, Edith Coakley 51.07, Sile Mc Intyre 52.19, Sorcha Dineen 54.18, Aine Maguire 62.15. Well done everyone, never easy on the uneven surface.



Sorcha Dineen, Aine Maguire, and Sile Mc Intyre at Donadea on Saturday

Pearse Carberry made the long journey to Ballinrobe Co. Mayo today to Lake District Athletic club for the javelin training camp. He said he really enjoyed the day and learned so much to take back to Lucan. The weather was pretty much as bad as it could have been, which makes it all the more impressive.

Great expert tuition, one of the expert throwers was Oisín Joyce - who finished 4th in the U18 European championships this year.

Fair play to Pearse, it is great to have people in the club who are prepared to take on these training camps and share the knowledge

Remember our jumping and throwing training is still happening each Saturday morning for anyone who may be interested in looking at these events for the 2023 indoor and outdoor season. The indoors will come around quickly after Christmas. Our throwing cage is going up in the next few weeks and it will give a whole new look to the infield. Watch this space over the next few weeks for this and other developments. Lucan Harriers more than just a running club.



Pearse Carberry showing us all how to throw a javelin

Great day of Cross country racing at Abbotstown for the Autumn Open International Cross Country Festival 2022 on Sunday 16th Oct. We had approx. 80 Juveniles running in the even age championships. There were also uneven age relays. They all represented the club with distinction. Many medals in many different age groups. A special mention to our U15 boys who are National XC Relay Champions (4x1k). Well done absolutely brilliant lads and congratulations to their coaches too.

The senior and masters events took place after the juveniles. These act as a trial for the masters National team to compete in the Home Nations Cross country.

Pat O Dwyer, Will Byrne, Dylan Wright, Breda Smyth, Orla Mc Weeney, Eileen O'Brien and Mary Browne were all racing. There was fantastic racing by everyone.



Congratulations to Josie Dignam who completed her 50th Parkrun on Saturday, this is despite Josie breaking her collar bone in the summer, Congratulations young Lady!

St. Mary's Camera Soirée

To begin with the Soiree would like to compliment Hanna and her team on the spectacular Harvest flower display in St. Mary's recently. It was by general agreement the best ever.

The camera soiree did not meet last Friday as Michael G was in Belfast. This Friday the final selections are being made for the group's 2023 calendar and for the Exhibition which is scheduled to take place in the Parish Centre on Sunday 13th November.

Because of these preparations the number of photographs shared on our WhatsApp was a little down this week.



However, Conor continued to submit terrific shots of animals and of the Heron (Irish name *Corr Réisc*) in flight on the Liffey. While the Heron is associated with water it is essentially a non-swimming water bird. I always get confused between a Heron and Crane but Conor tells me that there are no Cranes in Ireland except on building sites!

Donal was on a Society for Old Lucan night-time event in St. Finian's graveyard a while back and submitted some photos taken then. The church there, colloquially known as "Esker church", dates from the 11th century but has been in ruins since the 17th century. The Heritage Council website states that the Society for Old Lucan has adopted this monument wanting to learn more about the site, raise local awareness and ensure its protection.



Until next week stay safe!