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A big thank you to Deputy Padraig O Sullivan TD for bringing Minister Michael McGrath down to Glanmire to meet residents and business owners affected by flooding, I feel the flood prevention works will commence soon. More traffic calming measures have been applied for to slow down traffic approaching Coppervalley Vue from the New Line direction, motorists need to slow down.

I've asked City Council and Inland Fisheries to remove the accumulation of trees in the Glashaboy River underneath the Glanmire Bridge.

Cork City Council are undertaking to close off the road approaching River Grove from the Sars GAA pavilion direction to vehicles, public consultation is underway and the deadline for submissions is the 27th of October, please contact me if you need further information.

Much much more to be done and ongoing.

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If you're suffering from nerve problems in the arms and legs, you'll want to read....

## How Patients Are Living Without Numbness, Tingling, or Sharp Pains

Numbness, tingling, and pain is an extremely annoying problem. It may come and go...interrupts your sleep...and even makes your arm or legs feel weak at times. Maybe you've even been to other doctors and they claim all the tests indicate you should feel fine.

#### If You Do Nothing Else, Read This:

More than 20 million people suffer from peripheral neuropathy, a problem caused by damage to the nerves that supply your arms and legs.

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Why not get help by those trained to correct the major cause of peripheral neuropathy. Read the full facts on this page.

#### **More Pills Are Not The Solution**

A common treatment for many nerve problems is the 'take some pills and wait and see' method.

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By using gentle techniques, I'm able to release the pressure that has built up on the nerve. This allows the nerve to heal and the symptoms to go away.

Numerous people who suffer with numbness, tingling or sharp pains have chosen chiropractic's effectiveness in helping nerve conditions.

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#### **Could This Be Your Solution?**

It's time for you to find out if chiropractic will be your neuropathy solution.

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Sincerely, Dr Eric Kelly, D.C.

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#### "NÍL AON GLEANNTÁN MAR DO GLEANNTÁN FÉIN" GLOUNTHAUNE NEWS BY "THE FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT"

## EASTGATE, LITTLE ISLAND

The Retail and Business Park comprises a total of one hundred and twenty acres of commercial and retail accommodation. It was master planned and developed by the O' Flynn Group over the past twenty years and the last remaining commercial site will house an office development called "Park Place". Its location at the Eastgate entrance will upon delivery comprise of three independent office buildings extending to one hundred and thirty thousand square feet and will have the potential to link and create an overall campus.



Eastgate Drive

Amenities include three hundred and seventy eight parking spaces, thirty eight motorcycle spaces, seventy two bicycle spaces and landscaped public realms. Eastgate Park is very well maintained and its varied occupancy has much to offer. It is interesting to recall that a shopping centre with a three thousand sq.ft. supermarket, eleven retail units, a restaurant, a cinema, a filling station, a pub and a crèche were originally included in the plans. A pedestrian overpass from the train station was also considered as was a shuttle bus providing a park and ride facility. Cork County Council refused permission in July 1997 and in April 1998 the Council rezoned part of the site for retail development. In February 1999 An Bord Pleanála refused planning permission following an oral hearing, and on foot of an O' Flynn Group application the High Court rejected the decision in March 2000. A further oral hearing was held at County Hall in April 2001 and the Little Island Community Association was represented on the final day; April 27th. The chairman, Michael Delargey, said that there are almost two thousand people in the community and "they want to be able to walk ten or fifteen minutes down the road to go shopping. It's a basic right to have that choice," he said. The Irish Examiner reported that the only objection heard on the final day was that from Midleton Urban District Council which claimed that the development was too large. The Council believed it would take business away from the town despite the reduction of proposed floor space in the supermarket to three thousand square feet. Midleton UDC architect Desmond Heffernan said; "our only objection is the scale of the retail dévelopment as it will divert trade from Midleton, Youghal and Fermoy. I don't think it is the right scale for that area". But Little Island residents pointed out that there were no objections from Youghal or Fermoy. Community association member Álicia Mc Donald said; "their objection is selfish. None of the other towns have made an objection and shops in Midleton have been over-trading for years, so they have nothing to lose. Try shopping in Midleton on a Friday evening and you'll see how busy it is". The residents of Little Island, according to Mr. Delargey, are anxious to diversify employment in the area in order to cushion the effects of any US economy slow down; "recently sixty workers at an Americanowned company took voluntary redundancy.

Little Island is heavily dependent on American pharmachem companies therefore, the American and. economy. We want to avoid this by having alternative employment nearby and the Eastgate proposal is also a welcome change from manufacturing industry". However Midleton UDC insisted that the project would damage nearby towns; "it will corrode the fabric of existing towns and diminish the range of services and facilities. The choice in neighbouring towns will diminish and people with no car will have less choice", Mr. Heffernan said. Former Attorney General Dermot Gleeson SC, representing the O' Flynn Group, said there could be no defensible refusal of the application by An Bord Pleanála and that it would be common sense to approve it. Well, permission was refused as it was considered that the proposal did not take sufficient account of the 1998 ministerial policy directive on shopping and public policy on sustainable development and also its likely adverse impact on N25 traffic. The fact that An Bord Pleanála granted permission for the Mahon Point shopping centre just two years later is thought-provoking and this was made against the advice of the planning inspector who dealt with the case. Indeed the reasons for the

Eastgate refusal were similar to its inspector's recommendation on the Mahon Point project!

#### COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The original Glounthaune Community Association was formed on Tuesday October 15th.1968 when twenty nine people attended a public meeting. Minutes of a subsequent committee meeting held on June 9th.1970 gives a flavour of community activities back then. The following were present at this meeting: Chairman P. Mullally, Miss M. Horgan, Mrs. G. King, Miss M. Verden, Mrs. E. Murphy, Messrs. G. Ryng, T. Beattie, D. Saunders, D. O' Connell, G. Savage, and M. Gallagher. An apology for non-attendance was received from Mrs. J. Corry.

Barbecue: It was suggested that as Mrs. Hayes of Johnstown Park had considerable experience of barbecues; the Ladies Committee should discuss details with her. Mrs. E. Murphy reported that Mr. Ryan was prepared to provide chicken suppers at a cost of ten shillings each but following discussion it was felt that this would be getting away somewhat from the idea of a barbecue. It was then agreed that it might be better if the Ladies Committee set fires and cooked the food themselves. In order to obviate gate crashing it was suggested that tickets should be printed and that half of each ticket be given up at the entrance and the other half presented when a meal was being provided. The chairman intimated that it might be possible to obtain a deer from Sean O' Connell and while this was considered to be acceptable; the secretary pointed out that a difficulty might arise in regard to the cooking as venison would take a considerable time to be ready for eating. It was also intimated that it was intended to hold a dance that evening and the chairman undertook to see about suitable flooring.

Verden Mvsterv Tour: Miss submitted the list of names of senior citizens who wished to attend the tour and it was anticipated that there would be about fifty. In view of the fact that the bus only carried forty five; it was considered necessary that one or two cars might have to take a few passengers. The cost for bus hire would be fifteen pounds. It was arranged that the cars should meet at "The Tree" at two thirty in order to collect the senior citizens and that the bus would leave at three p.m. It was hoped that the bus would return to Rockgrove about five thirty when tea would be provided for the passengers.

Youth: Dermot O' Connell reported that a debate would be held on June 12th. and that tea would be

provided afterwards. He also stated that a dance would be held on June 13th. The youth hoped to organise a charity walk in the parish, also a mountain climbing outing and a visit to the seaside. The next issue of the magazine was expected to be out in August and it was agreed that Gerry Ryng should continue as Editor. **Church Choir:** Miss M. Verden reported that Mrs. Cashman had spoken to Mrs. Coughlan regarding improving the church choir and as a result she had agreed to hold a choir practice after the late mass.

**Garden Fete:** The secretary reported that while a list of possible stallholders had been compiled at a previous meeting of all committees; there was still a considerable amount of detail to be organised, especially regarding field-work.

Parish Priest's House: The chairman reported on his and the secretary's visit to Bishop Lucey and stated that generally speaking it was not very satisfactory. He went on to say that it was the Bishop's intention to do nothing about the Parish Priest's house until a final decision had been made about the proposed smelter for Little Island. The secretary intimated that Bishop Lucey had shown no interest whatever in the Community Association and it was quite obvious that he hoped the house might eventually be sold to some high executive of the Smelter Corporation. It was agreed that the chairman should write to the Bishop confirming the visit there and reaffirming the Association's interest in the house. **END.** The foregoing gives an insight on happenings in the Glounthaune of fifty years ago.

**Pubs:** The wag in the corner at the local was in mighty form following the re-opening of the pubs. He got great mileage from that brilliant Erins Own win over "The Lilywhites" from the other side of the meandering border, and he mischievously remarked that the Sars crowd will be self-isolating for at least a month. He bemoaned the fact that the match was not played at Glanthane as he and a few long-time fanatics had no problem with entry to watch the Newtown game, and they duly complied with instructions to get lost inside! He boasted that the achievement will probably be featured in the next updated edition of the club's history! His tippling buddy was fascinated with all of this and offered his tuppenceworth; "isn't it great that the church is open again". The terse response was; "c'mere boy, I dunno did it ever close". Ouch!

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#### HIDDEN GARDENS

The mood of autumn reflects the ebb and flow of life. In the main, it is a time to remember that all things are passing. But in every passing, there is beauty and wonderment, not least that found in the allure of hidden gardens. These never stale! The wonders and creativity of a secret creation fleetingly glimpsed from the top of a bus never fail to arouse my curiosity. How it feasts the imagination. Mostly, I am used to visiting and viewing domestic gardens (by invitation) so those behind high walls or curtained with evergreen screens must, I feel, be places of indescribable wonder and serenity which unfortunately, I cannot access.

Secure in the knowledge that entry to these may only be gained through a door in the wall (but not by you or me) the scene I suspect is far from the mundane contemporary. Were it possible, I would delight in grabbing you by the wrist and leading you through that door, down the pathways and along terraces, which, more than likely, have few equals!

In early October they must certainly be rich with red and blue and purple: Caryopteris, Michaelmas daisies, Sedums, and Dahlias. In dappled shade hostas probably cool the scene alongside neighbouring Tricyrtis formosana boasting its petite, orchid-like blooms, and mysterious purple spotted growths.

All these charming plants flatter and comply, and bees in their droves are drawn to feast on voluminous groupings most especially I think on mounds of scarlet Monarda, an old fashioned, richly scented perennial in the mint family. Also called Bergamot, Bee balm or Oswego tea, the plants have aromatic leaves which some like to use in the brewing of tea.

Native to the North Carolina mountains it flowers in late summer holding



Monarda comes in various shades of pink, red and purple, atop stems which are square along their entire length. Pinching the top of these during early summer will encourage multi-branched plants and generous blooms.

scarlet blooms atop stems which rise to a metre or so. Highly attractive to bees and butterflies (and in its natural mountainous home, hummingbirds) it can flower on its square stems, for up to eight weeks.

Monardas prefer well-drained ground and a rich soil in full sun but in partial shade they tend to spread readily. Once established however, it is trouble free requiring little or no maintenance. Deadheading the spent blooms will prevent seeds from self-sowing and it also encourages the plants to continue to flower into October. As to its perfume, there is no mistaking it.

another case for the alliums called

#### **Charlie Wilkins**

Simply crush or rub the leaves and a wonderful scent of oregano with hints of mint and thyme will rise to greet vou.

Short, multi-branched plants are encouraged by pinching out the lengthening stems when they appear in spring. The process is the same as that undertaken with fuchsias. Monarda can spread rapidly via underground stems or stolons when grown as outlined in shade so keep the clumps in open situations. These clumps can also die out within a few years so to prevent this, their ultimate spread, and encourage rejuvenation it is usually necessary to dig and divide the plants every three years or SO.

#### THE WAITING GAME.

Gardeners seem to be forever waiting! They wait in anguish or jubilation for rain, for sun, relief from high winds or the burning effects of frost and ice. They wait for spring, for the first snowdrops, and for species tulips which follow in April. By May, their camellias may be slow, so they worry and wait to see the expected pools of brilliant red and pink arrive. in the garden. Suddenly it's June, and weeds which have been neglected are suddenly everywhere. A wilderness of growth is still controllable even in July. Following their removal efforts are made to tidy whilst awaiting the arrival of autumn and glorious leaf tints. You surely get my drift. Do I really have to continue?

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#### THE GARDEN IN OCTOBER

Miscanthus is a tall grass worth sourcing. It makes an attractive arching clump with leaves that are rough to the feel underneath, yet beautifully banded in rich cream every few inches along their length. It is especially striking during hot summers but even now in mid-autumn it looks superb as it produces generous quantities of greyish flowering plumes. You can greatly enhance the effect by growing this hardy perennial where it can be seen against the now slanting sunlight. Its lovely flowers keep opening for three successive months, and for this time, its thin stems sway gracefully in the wind. More value here I reckon than in any verbena bonariensis though I must admit that the purple of the latter is exceptional even now.

BULBS. Continue to plant out bulbs of every kind. May I be permitted to make

'christophii", "purple sensation" and their taller cousin, allium "gigantium'? All are the showiest of the ornamental onions and planting can continue for the next six to eight weeks. Reliable performers, they thrive in any decently drained soil in full sun. In the case of allium "christophii", great footballsized blooms appear during April and May on stems which rise to about 24" or so. The seed-heads which follow the electric blue flowers are equally impressive and can be dried for use in the house.

PERENNIALS. October is the optimum time for planting hardy perennials. Garden centres and nurseries often sell off surplus stock to lighten their workload during winter and to make way for new stock, and although the top growth on these may be shabby and ragged looking, it's the roots that count, not tired-looking shoots and leaves. For this reason, it is possible to pick up bargains over the next few

weeks and to get any purchases into the ground whilst it is still warm. WILDLIFE. When tidying up the borders this month and next, leave some of the debris in a neat heap in some area hidden from view. These will provide shelter for ladybirds, lacewings, and other insects during winter. When they emerge in spring, they'll be ready to join you in the battle against pests TAKE CUTTINGS. The propagation of tender bedding plants such as pelargoniums, fuchsias, osteospermums and argyranthemum 'Jamaica Primrose' should be completed before the onset of early frosts which damages the tip growths. Cuttings are prepared from any of the firm, non-flowering shoots, and root easily in a warm propagating frame. Failing one of these, use a small pot for the cuttings and cover this with a soft drink plastic bottle from which the base has been removed. In other words, make yourself a miniature greenhouse with one of these bottles. Stand on a warm windowsill.



October 2020

## **ST. PATRICK'S COLLEGE**

Leaving Cert Results 2020 St Patrick's College was very happy with the results achieved by it's students through the calculated grades process. 93% of LC students have secured a college place with many going on to CIT and UCC Science, Technology and Business based courses are very popular with St Patrick's girls this year. We are also very proud of our students going to the Colleges of Further Education such as St John's College and The College of Commerce to pursue a range of courses in Business, Science, Design and Childcare.



Virtual Mini Marathon

the number of places is limited as the school wishes to preserve the personal and friendly atmosphere.

## Virtual Mini Marathon & Development Pamoja

32 students and many staff took up the challenge of walking or running 6k as part of the Echo Virtual Mini Marathon. This year the school chose to raise



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#### Aspire2 Third Level Scholarships

Since 2017, the school has offered Aspire2 scholarships funded DPS Engineering. hv This year we have four scholarship winners - two for students going on to a level 7 or 8 courses in university and two for students going to a level 5 course in the Colleges of Further Education. The scholarships are awarded on the basis of points scored in the Leaving Cert.

#### St Patrick's College Open Night 2020

The Open Night for 2020 will be an online virtual event to take place on Thursday 1st October at 7 pm. Enrolment forms are on the school website www.stpatrickscork.org and can be submitted to the school by Thursday 22nd October. As always, money for an education charity based in Kenya "Development Pamoja". So far, the school has raised €600 for this valuable charity. Well done to all who took part.

#### **Trip to West Cork Secret**

TY's went on a 1 day trip to the West Cork Secret in Kilbrittain as part of a bonding trip in September.



West Cork secret group eating



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Well done to the teachers who went with them. 1st Years had a bonding trip to Airtastic in Little Island.

#### **Gradam Awards**

Our first set of our Gradam Cholaiste Phadraig were given out in September having been delayed from March. These awards are given to students



West Cork Secret students at table



West Cork Secret Katelyn and Kaci

who demonstrate hard work, confidence and determination in their attitude to school and will be given twice per term this year. Well done to the girls involved.



TY Garden project



TY Garden project

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## Christy Ring, 1920-2020



Christy Ring i mbun imeartha

Tá páirt lárnach ag an spórt i saol na hÉireann. Is fíor a rá nach bhfuil spórt ar bith a bhfuil stair chomh hársa ag baint leis in Eirinn ná an iománaíocht. Léimid faoi i laoch-scéalta na Rúraíochta. Bhí Setanta ag imirt iománaíochta agus é ar a shlí go hEamhain Mhacha. Bhí ar a chumas an liathróid a bhualadh agus greim a bhreith air sula dtitfeadh sé chun talún. Tá an iománaíocht luaite i Reachtanna Chill Chainnigh sna meánaoiseanna, nuair a rinneadh iarracht cosc a chur le nósanna Gaelacha. Sular bunaíodh Cumanna Lúthchleas Gael in 1884, bhí sé coitianta ao mbíodh cluichí ar siúl idir paróistí agus idir tionóntaí na n-eastát éagsúil. D'insítí scéalta faoi na laochra spóirt, nuair a bhíodh an bhothántaíocht ar siúl cois tine sna hoícheanta. Tá draíocht de chineál áirithe ag baint leis an iománaíocht agus bíonn imreoirí áirithe, a mbíonn acmhainn thar an ngnáthach ag baint leo, a théann i bhfeidhm ar an bpobal mar laochra.

Duine de na laochra iománaíochta is ea Christy Ring. Bhí go leor laochra iománaíochta i ré Christy. Bhí John Doyle agus Jimmy Doyle ó Thiobraid Árann, bhí na deartháireacha Rackard ó Loch Garman agus daoine eile. Is é an tuairim choitianta atá ann, áfach, ná gurb é Christy Ring an t-iománaí is fearr a bhí ann ó bunaíodh CLG breis is céad bliain ó shin.

Saolaíodh Christy céad bliain ó shin, i nDeireadh Fómhair 1920, i gCluain Uamha. D'fhreastail sé ar an mbunscoil áitiúil agus deir sé gur spreag na múinteoirí sa scoil é chun páirt a ghlacadh san iománaíocht go hiomaíoch, nuair a chonaiceadar go raibh acmhainn ar leith ag baint leis. Deirtí go gcaithfeadh sé uaireanta an chloig ag cleachtadh scileanna iománaíochta mar shaor-phocanna, ruathair aonair agus mar sin de.

Chuir sé barr feabhais ar scileanna uile an chluiche. Bhí ar a chumas an sliotar a bhualadh ón dá thaobh. Bhí sé an-láidir, an-tapaidh. Bhí ar a chumas an cluiche a 'léamh' go foirfe agus ba mhinic a thapaigh sé an deis ba lú chun cúrsa an chluiche a athrú. Bhí a fhios ag imreoirí a bhí á mharcáil nach raibh ach leath-sheans uaidh chun cúl a aimsiú agus, dá bhrí sin, bhídís á mharcáil go dlúth. Thugadh sé seo seans d'imreoir eile scór a aimsiú go minic. Nuair a bhí an chuma ar an scéal go raibh gach rud caillte, dhéanfadh sé gaisce éigin a thug misneach agus dóchas dá chomh-imreoirí. Níor ghlac sé riamh leis go raibh cluiche caillte. Dar le Seán Ó Tuama:

'Nuair thug gan coinne aon ráig ghlan fiain trí bhulc na bhfear 's gur phléasc an sliotar faoi smidiriríní solais sa líontán, do liúigh an laoch san uile dhuine.'

Deirtí i dtaobh Chúchulainn go dtagadh cuma dhifriúil air nuair a bhíodh sé i lár an troda. Nuair a chas Christy cluiche timpeall ar ócáid amháin le trí chúl as a chéile, shamhlaigh daoine é mar Chúchulainn:

Micheál Ó Súilleabháin

'is é Cuchulainn bhí 'na ionad ar an bpáirc: d'at a chabhail i radharc na sluaite, do bholgaigh súil 's do rinc ar mire. Is nuair rop trí cúil isteach bhí seandéithe Éireann uile ag stiúrú a chamáin.'

Dhá bhliain déag d'aois a bhí Christy nuair a d'imir sé leis na mionúir i gCluain Uamha. Nuair a tháinig sé go Cathair Chorcaí ag obair, thug Jack Lynch cuireadh dó imirt le Fánuithe an Ghleanna in 1941. Chaith sé 26 bliain ag imirt leis an gclub agus, sna blianta sin, bhuaigh an Club 14 Chraobh an Chontae. Bhuaigh sé Craobh an Chontae, chomh maith, le foireann peile an Ghleanna, San Nioclás. Bhíodh na sluaite ag freastal ar chluichí ina mbíodh Christy ag imirt agus mórán den slua nach raibh ag tacú le ceachtar den dá fhoireann ach a bhí ann chun é a fheiceáil.



Christy Ring i ndiaidh Chraobh na Mumhan in 1952

Bhí an-rath ar fhoirne iománaíochta Chorcaí i dtús na ndaichidí, nuair a bhuadar ceithre chraobh Uile Éireann as a chéile. Ansin, idir 1952 agus 1954, bhuaigh Corcaigh trí chraobh na hÉireann as a chéile. Bhí páirt mhór ag Christy sna buanna sin. Faoi 1954, bhí ocht mbonn uile Éireann buaite ag Christy. In 1956, bhí Corcaigh i gCraobh na hÉireann arís agus Christy ar thóir an naoú bonn. Bhí Corcaigh ag imirt in aghaidh Loch Garman. I dtreo dheireadh an chluiche, bhuail Christy buille láidir i dtreo an chúil. Dá n-aimseodh sé cúl, bheadh an bua ag Corcaigh. Ach, ar chuma éigin, sháraigh an cúl baire, Art Foley an sliotar. Bhí an lá ag Loch Garman agus theip ar Christy an naoú bonn Uile Éireann a fháil.

Ceann de na comórtais ba rathúla sna blianta seo ba ea Corn an Bhóthair Iarainn. Comórtas san iománaíocht agus sa pheil Ghaelach a bhí ann agus roghnaíodh na himreoirí ab fhearr ó gach contae chun imirt le foireann an Chúige. Thosaigh an Great Southern Railway ag déanamh urraíochta ar an gcomórtas seo agus lean Córas Iompair Éireann leis. Bhíodh na craobhchlucií ar siúl i bPáirc an Chrócaigh ar Lá 'le Pádraig. Bhíodh slua ollmhór i láthair i gcónaí agus bhí an-cháil ag baint leis an gcomórtas. Bhuaigh Christy ocht mbonn déag sa chomórtas seo mar bhall d'fhoireann na Mumhan.

Nuair a d'éirigh Christy as an imirt, bhí sé sna daichidí. Chabhraigh sé le Fearann Phiarais i gComórtas an Artaigh agus, faoina thionchar bhuaigh an scoil Craobh na hÉireann. Bhí sé ina roghnóir le foireann iománaíochta Chorcaí a bhuaigh trí chraobh uile Éireann as a chéile idir 1976-78.

D'imir Christy ar son an chluiche amháin. Imreoir amaitéarach amach is amach ba ea é. Níor theastaigh uaidh riamh a cháil a úsáid chun é féin a shaibhriú. Bhí deiseanna aige chun airgead a dhéanamh ach dhiúltaigh sé a ainm a úsáid chun nuachtáin nó earraí a dhíol. A mhalairt atá fíor inniu, is baolach. I ndiaidh a bháis, ainmníodh Páirc Uí Rinn as agus Droichead Chríostóra Uí Rinn trasna na Laoi as. Ina bhaile dúchais, Cluain Uamha tógadh dealbh ina onóir.

Baineadh an-gheit as mórán, nuair a chuala siad go raibh Christy tar éis bháis go hanabaí i Márta 1979. Bhí sluaite ollmhóra i láthair ag a shochraid. Líonadar na sráideanna de réir mar a bhí an tsochraid ar a bhealach go dtí an reilig. Labhair an Taoiseach, Jack Lynch, ag an uaigh agus is mar seo a chriochnaigh sé a óráid:

'Chomh fada is a bheidh fir óga ag úsáid a gcuid scileanna iománaíochta ar pháirceanna na hÉireann, chomh fada is a úsáidfidh siad a gcuid camán chun sliotar a bhualadh, chomh fada is a imreofar iománaíocht, inseofar scéal Christy Ring, riamh is choíche.'



Dealbh de Christy Ring i gCluain Uamha

#### **Gluais:**

chomh hársa= as ancient as acmhainn = ability go hiomaíoch= competitively ruathair aonair= solo runs thapaigh sé an deis= he seized the opportunity ag déanamh urraíochta= sponsoring a mhalairt = the opposite



# **EFFECTIVE GOAL SETTING**

Personal or work goals are often the difference between progress or staying stuck in the same place. Without something to aim for in life, work, or business, we tend to stagnate. As a species, we are designed to evolve and improve our circumstances, and having a goal, or a series of goals, is a great way to achieve this.

So what is a goal? For some their goal might be to run a 5K race. For someone else it might be a marathon. Perhaps starting your own business or getting a new job is your goal. Goals can relate to anything from weight loss to a once off project or major a lifetime achievement.

Many of us experience disappointment after we set a goal for ourselves but find that somehow it doesn't work out. Sometimes circumstances change and it's out of our control. But frequently, the reason for not succeeding is because we haven't really thought through our goal. Often people set goals yet struggle to reach them because the goal is to vague. If I want to lose weight, but don't clearly know how much I want to lose, or by when, then I'll never know when I've reached my goal.

Likewise, if I make an unrealistic goal, like losing a lot of weight in 2 weeks, then the chances are I wont achieve that goal, and even if I do, the weight will come back! Or if I decide my goal is to get a pay rise, but my boss hates me. Then reaching this goal may be outside my control and perhaps there is a better goal I could set, like finding a better place to work!

If you're interested in setting a goal for yourself, then perhaps the acronym **SMART** might help you. Smart goals are often used in business but can easily be adapted to use in our own personal lives as well.

SMART stands for: Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, Timebound. So lets see what each of these mean, and lets use a running goal as an example.

**Specific**. In order to set a goal, you need to get really specific about what you want. To "become a runner" is not a goal. But running a 5K or a marathon is far more specific. Lets say you want to run your first marathon. Then first of all check online to find out the date of a race you want to run. Commit to it by registering for it. Now you have a very specific goal!

**Measurable:** So by the time the race comes around, you'll want to be able to run 42KM. While that is indeed a long distance, remember this is a goal and the idea is to work towards this. Lets say your marathon is in 6 months' time. In that case, in 5 months, you might aim to be able to run 32KM and in 4 months 25KM, in 3 months, 18KM, in 2 months, 12KM, and a month from now you goal might be to run 8KM. You'll see that all of a sudden, the marathon can be broken down in to far more achievable minigoals. There are lots of training plans available for free on-line. Get one that aligns with your timeline between now and your race.

Attainable: if your goal isn't actually attainable, then it isn't a goal. Make sure your goal is something that's within your control to achieve.

**Realistic:** Using this example, it is realistic for most people to train for a marathon in 6 months.

#### However, if you've never run before, it's unlikely you can run a marathon next week. Be realistic with your goals. A goal should stretch you, but it shouldn't break you!

**Timebound:** In this case, writing a training schedule will give the runner a whole series of mini goals to work towards. This will generally consist of a series of moderate runs midweek, with one "long" run on the weekend. These "Long" runs will start quite short but build up most weeks to eventually somewhere around 30-35KM.

Each week then becomes a mini goal to run 1-2 KM further than the longest run the week before. If you are following a training plan, this is a really good way of knowing that you're on target to be able to run the full marathon in the time you've allowed yourself. While we used running in

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this example, it's possible to use the SMART method of goal setting in countless other situations.

Remember, setting goals in work or in your personal life are an excellent way to improve your circumstances and to feel like you have momentum in your life. In setting a goal and going out and achieving it is very rewarding. In fact, the bigger the goal, the better you'll feel about yourself once you achieve it. There is no better feeling life than achieving in something that you once thought was impossible for you.

Question: How do you eat an elephant? Answer: One bite at a time!

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## Glanmire Area Community Association

### GOOD NEWS FOR GLASHABOY FLOOD SCHEME FUNDING ... FINALLY RING FENCED

In our July edition of the Glanmire Area Community News the Community Association raised necessity for the immediate commencement of the Glashaboy River (Glanmire Sallybrook Drainage scheme).



This has been pushed for by many local residents and public representatives and we are delighted that local TD Padraig O Sullivan also a Director of the **Community Association requested** Minister for Public Service Michael McGrath to visit the effected areas to see first hand and the difficulties and trauma caused to the Residents, Local Business, and Sporting facilities on an ongoing basis, and in particular the devastation caused by the flooding in 2012. (Videos on You Tube, images above)

Minister McGrath stated new legislation introduced by the European Union meant a new environment Impact assessment Report had to be compiled on the Project prepared by the office of Public works and Cork City Council.

Minister Mc Grath told householders and business people that the money for the project Is

" **Ring Fenced**" and will not be pulled to make up for any budgetary shortfalls as a result of Covid 19 pandemic.

After all those years of waiting this is excellent news.



Minister McGrath also stated that while some information was awaited under the terms of the EU Environmental Impact assessment Report, which he expected to be completed next month and then he would proceed "as soon as possible" to allow the project to go to tender.

Minister McGrath informed Householders and Business people this would mean construction will start next year.

Construction will take approximately 18 months to complete . Minister McGrath stated " The OPW is confident that when plans are implemented, they will be effective in protecting 78 residential gacacork@gmail.com

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properties and 25 Commercial properties.

The work will include the Construction of flood defence walls, earthen embankments, the provision of new pumping stations along the sections of the river from Sallybrook, in the North, down to Glashaboy estuary. It will also include raising the Bridge between Hazelwood and Crestfield shopping centres.



We believe this has been driven on with the persistence and determination of so many local representatives and residents of our community. Padraig O Sullivan deserves credit for bringing the Minister to Glanmire and organising meetings with the local residents, and businesses in the effected areas.

We would like to acknowledge the consistent sterling work of City Counsellor Ger Keohane, also a Director Of Glanmire Area Community Association over the past eight years in relation to this project, and who organised a major petition to get Government to sign off on the Project.



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We would like to compliment the Meadow Brook Residents Association who consistently

campaigned for the completion of this Project and kept it to the forefront for over the past eight years, dealing with Politicians, Government Depts etc.

Thank you also to Lord Mayor Cllr Joe Kavanagh for lending his support on our recent grant applications, and Cllr John Maher who also keeps local issues to the forefront.

Our belief as always is that the key to achieving goals within our community is down to the focus and commitment of teamwork.



### **MAYFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL LEAVING CERTS**



bail Ghort Alainn

Mayfield Community School, Cork

Pictures of some of our Leaving certs that will be attending UCC, CIT, CSN AND CCOC. Well done























## White's Cross GAA News whitescrossgaa.ie



Micheál Murphy and Aidan Docherty the victorious under 14 hurling co-captains

#### **Underage Success!**

Our Under 14 hurlers have the proud distinction of being the first team to for the win silverware Colmcille's reformed St. club after beating Og (Castlemartyr Kiltha Dungourney) and on Saturday September 5th Castlemartyr. in Those in attendance would not have predicted this scoreline- early on with Kiltha Óg much faster out of the traps, and knocking over some impressive points early on.

A goal, perfectly timed before the first water-break, really changed the outcome of the game and from that moment Colmcilles were a different beast altogether. Two quickfire points followed and all of a sudden they found themselves leading - 1-5 to 0-5. Then four minutes before the interval a well saved penalty saw the ball scrambled to the net as the Comcilles forwards were faster to the rebound. With Sean Whelan and Billy Ryan firing over two further points the score was 2-7 to 0-6 at the short-whistle. They continued to dominate in the third quarter and managed to extend their lead 11 points at the end of the third quarter. The scoreline read 3-11 to 0-09. Kiltha Óg rallied in the final quarter.

They got two goals in quick succession to reduce the deficit. However, any fears of a collapse were dispelled when some fine late points put some gloss back on the final score-line- 3-15 to 2-9. Credit to the 34 players togged out on the day and to the management team of Aidan Bowen, Will Ryan, Pat the high of beating Whitechurch in the quarter final. Alas, it was not to be. The defeat also brought to an end, the tenure of hurling coach Seamus Kennefick. Seamus is a native of Ballycotton and has been with our club for four years. During his time we won our first ever county title and made some progress at Junior A level. We would like to thank him for his huge effort over these last few years. His coaching has been superb and all the players benefitted playing under his from tutelage. We would like to wish him all the best for the future. For now, we turn our attention to recruiting a hurling coach for 2021 as we seek to build upon the progress we had made.

## Congratulations Richie and

Aisling! The club would like to congratulate junior hurler and footballer Richie Sherlock as he married his fiancée Aisling Moore on Saturday last. Richie is a player who has given great commitment to the club as a player, underage coach



White's Cross hurler being given a guard of honour by his team-mates in the club grounds prior to his wedding ceremony

and committee member. He recently captained the junior B football team and togged out for the hurlers in their championship clash versus Brian Dillons only three days before his wedding day. The club wishes Richie and Aisling a happy, healthy and prosperous future together.



Stephen Whooley in action for St Colmcilles minor footballers during their championship semi-final victory over St Vincents

Casey George Healy and Darren Bowen for guiding the team success.

Next month we hope to be able to report on more silverware as the minors, under 12s and aforementioned under 14s all won their football championship semi-finals in the past month. For now, the under 14 hurlers can have pride of place!

#### **Seamus Kennefick Departs**

Unfortunately, our junior A hurling team has been knocked out of the championship following a heavy defeat at the hands of Brian Dillons. Hopes were high of an upset following

## **MINI MARATHON FOR PIETA HOUSE**

The Coppervalley Rockets completed a mini marathon on Sunday 20 September in aid of Pieta House.









#### Intermediate county final

Our intermediate Ladies team done us extremely proud by reaching the intermediate county final which was played in September 5th, Unfortunately we came out the wrong side and lost to Clonakilty . But this does not take away the effort, skill and time that these players have put in over the very difficult few months and indeed years. We know they will come back bigger, better and stronger. They are a inspiration for all the younger players in Glanmire. Well <u>done and thanks to Philip, Jamie, Adam</u>

John, Nicole and Mark, we looked forward

to every game. The effort, knowledge and

expertise that you have between you is

phenomenal. thanks to Eileen and Deirdre

for been the team covid officers. Also thank

you so so much to Michelle our physio for

all the strapping and advise provided to the

girls. Also a big thanks to the media team

Kevin Walsh, Dave Marah, Ioannis O' Connell

on commentary and camera, and Dave Carey

on twitter, who showcased a number of

#### Intermediate team

games when people were unable to attend. Thanks to the hard working committee, supporters and parents who have been so supportive.

#### **Best wishes to Brian Lotty**

We would like to extend our best wishes to our club president Brian Lotty, who has retired from secondary school teaching. Brian has been a corner stone of our club since founding the club in 2000. We have a feeling that Brian will have much more time for us now



Junior B team

#### Games/news

Junior B

Well done to our junior team who played a league game V Ballinora. Coming out winners. Also playing passage in a championship game coming out winners in that also.

#### U16A

Our u16s played away to Fermoy and had a aood win.



#### U14B team



U15/16B team

#### 15/16B

Our u15/16B team headed off on an adventure to Ballyhass lake, a great time had by all, well done and thanks to all the coaches and the moms who went down, no doubt they had a great time too. U14B

Well done to the U14Bs who won V Bride Rovers and fermoy and cobh this month

they have now Finished off their league

program for the year. Well done to all the

girls and to the coaches who did a great job

Hard luck to the u14 team who had a loss to Rockban earlier on in the month. They have also finished up their league. Best wishes to the Glanmire U14 girls who will play with cork in early October good luck Nevaeh, Nessa, Orlaith, Ava and Sinead. Well done

to all the girls and to the coaches who did a

over the very short season.

U14A



U12

1110

played.

mid September. U11/U12B

#### U12A team 119

Lots of action with the younger groups this month our Gold u9 group played Inch rovers. Lots of impressive football with these young ladies

great job over the very short season.

Well done to our U12 team who had a good wins over Inch, Rockban and Bridrovers in

Hard luck to the u12B team who lost out

to Youghal, but had a win v St Nicks. Some

good football coming from this young group

Our u10team who played Watergrasshill and

fermoy in their first league game, lots of

effort put in and getting some good football



#### U9 team

#### New players

New players always welcome, contact club development officer Mark on (086) 868 5489 for club info and times of training for you or your daughter. Also check out our Facebook



U10 team

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#### **ERIN'S OWN LADIES CLUB**

U13 Camogie Team Our U13 Camogie team won their first match against Castlemartyr in the U13 Imokilly league on the 19th of September. Upcoming games to be played against Killeagh and St Catherines.



U13 Camogie Team

#### **U12 Football and Camogie** Team

Our U12 Football team secured a win ac Carrigtwohill, while against the Camogie team U12 lost to Dungourney and Castlemartyr recently.



U12 Football Team

#### **Eimear Norton**

Well done to Eimear Norton on finishing in 1st place in our skills competition helded recently in Caheralg. Eimear will now go on to represent Erins Own in the



Eimear Norton

Feile Divisionsal Skills Blitz. Best of Luck to Eimear we are super proud of her.

Junior Ladies Football Our Junior football team played Fermoy on the 20th of September and secured a win. The girls have three more games left to play in the league.



Junior Football Team

#### U16 Ladies Football and Camogie Our U16

football team played league matches agáinst Lisgoold and Carrigtwohill recently and won both games well, upcoming league match to be played against Rockban. Our U16 Camogie team beat Millstreet and Mallow in the 2nd and 3rd rounds of the county championship. The girls are now through to the quarter final stage of the County Plate of the County Plate Championship. Best of luck to our girls.



U16 Ladies Football & Camogie

#### U10 Football

Our U10 Football team played league a number of games recently. The played Aghada on the 6th of September and St Colemans on the 13th of September winning both games. The lost their game against Inch on the 17th of

September. All games were very competitive and the girls did really well.



1110 Football Team

#### U9 Football

Ū9 Football team Our secured a win against Glanmire in their recent football match. All the football match. Girls played really well.



**U9** Football Team

#### Minor Football and

Camogie Our Minor football team played matches against Fermoy and Inch recently. The giŕls had a win againśt Fermoy but unfortunately lost to Inch. They have remaining match one against Aghada. Our Minor



Camogie team beat Banteer recently and topped their group and are now through ťo the knockout stages of the County Championship.

#### U6/U7/U8 Training

We wish the girls and management teams very best of the luck thev continue ลร with championship and league matches.



U6/U7/U8 Training



U6/U7/U8 Training



U6/U7/U8 Training



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#### Sarsfields Camogie Notes

Well done girls, very proud of you all! Also a big thank you to Donal Mulkerrins & his mentors for all the work put into this team.

Panel: Lucy Murray, Abbie Humphreys, Jasmine Furlong, Saoirse Howley, Aoife Soden, Leah Walsh (Capt), Keeley Goggin, Eve Kelleher, Lily Carroll, Una McCarthy, Aoife Treacy,





U14 Captain

#### U14 County Champions (For 2nd Teams)

Congrats to our Sars(3) team who had a good win over Clonakilty recently in the County Final 2nd Team Championship. The win was all the more notable as the Sars team consisted entirely of 12 & 13 year olds. Clonakilty started the game at a very high tempo but the Sars defence held firm and some hard earned scores in the 2nd quarter saw Sars lead by 5 points at the break.

Although facing into the breeze in the 2nd half the girls workrate throughout the team and ability to convert their chances saw them pull away for a well earned victory in the end. All 21 girls on the panel contributed to this success over the course of the campaign.

U14 Team

Jennifer O'Keeffe, Ella Cotter, Katie Walsh, Alison Buckley, Leah Condon, Lucy Daly, Emer Leahy, Ali Nolan. •U14 Premiers have qualified for County Semi Final v Newcestown & 14A's are awaiting a Plate quarter final. Best of luck in both games girls.

U16 Premiers have had a strong campaign finishing top of their section and now awaiting a County Semi Final pairing with Clonakilty.
Minors had a good win over Ballinora and now await a County Semi Final against Eire Og.

## Cork U14 Development Squad:

Most of the Cork Development squads have recommenced training & working around club championship fixtures as much as possible. Ava Fitzgerald, Lucy Lynch, Kate Fennessy, Laura Dunlea, Sinead Hurley, Ciara Rice and Nessa Treacy are representing us on the Cork U14s.



Cork U14 Team







U8 Team



U9 Team



U10 Team



U10 Team



U11 Team

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## **Knockraha History Society**

#### ...continued from September Politics

Politics was taken very serious in the mid-20th century and what side the family took during the Civil War of 1922/1923 would nearly decide what party they supported. The Knockraha Company played a large part in the War of Independence and between the Volunteers and the Cumann na mBan amounting to over 110 people. They did some very important work which is now recognised nationally. Their principle activities were operating Sing-Sing Prison in Knockraha and making hand grenades in two underground factories. These are now well-known and have been on radio, television and in many historical publications.

Elections were very exciting times and people would go to great extremes to get a vote. On one occasion a die-hard Fianna Fáil supporter in Watergrasshill, whose wife was equally as strong a Fine Gael supporter, went out early in the morning to vote and on his way back home he knocked down a tree on his tree-lined avenue so that his wife could not get out to vote.

#### Agriculture

During the Second World War, Ireland was a thinly populated country with very good agricultural land but we were so primitive we could not produce enough food to feed ourselves. Indeed in order to try to feed the population, compulsory tillage came in where a farmer would have to use so much of his land for grain-growing and this would be checked by inspectors. In order to produce more food the following advice was given: 'one more sow, one more cow, one more acre under the plough'.

With the shortage of food during the Second World War, rationing was brought in where coupons were issued, particularly for things like tea, sugar and flour which were in short supply. You would take your coupons to the shop and get what that would allow you. That went on until 1948. In our household we had a sugar jar and you would add into it whatever you got from the shop and that would do you for the rest of the month. And you would do the same with the rest of the commodities. There was no obesity at that time! It must be said that even during the rationing, Barry's Brothers shop of Glanmire had all the tea you required at black-market prices. Where the tea came from no one knows! Contrast that with today where we are producing enough food in

this country to feed 40 million people. There was a basic lack of agricultural education with the farming community following the same methods of farming that their forefathers did. There was no widespread use of lime or fertilisers and you could see fields with briers coming out well into the field.

The price of agricultural products in the middle of the 20th century:

- Barley: 20 pounds a tonne
- Wheat: 24 pounds a tonne
- Oats: 22 pounds a tonne
- Milk: 1 shilling and 6 pence a gallon
- Eggs: 2 shillings a dozen
- A pint of porter: 1 shillings and 6 pence
- 20 cigarette: 1 shilling and 8 pence
- Admission to dances: 5 shillings
- Admission to pictures: 2 shillings
- A new suit: 6-8 pounds
- A quality 2 year old bullock would make 30 pounds
- A fat pig: 14 pounds
- A sheep: 12 pounds
- To combine an acre of corn: 3 pounds 10 shillings

• A return bus ticket to Cork from Knockraha: 5 shillings

- Petrol: 5 shillings a gallon
- A new car: 350 pounds
- A new tractor: 400 pounds
- Wages:

Tradesmen: 10 pounds for a 40 hour week

Teachers salary: 500 pounds a year And at this time most fowl used for Christmas were geese. It was only in the 50's that the change came to turkeys.

#### Electricity

When electricity came to Knockraha it had to be operated by the local postmaster Dan Long. One funny incident in that regard was where a girl in the village was 'doing a line' (i.e. in a relationship) with a boy from Cork City. On this night they had a lover's tiff and broke up. She came home to Knockraha on the bus but her lover had second thoughts. He couldn't wait for the morning to make contact. He rang the Knockraha exchange at 3 o' clock in the morning and he asked the Post Master if he would go down to the girl's house and bring her up to the phone so that they could talk things over. You can imagine the answer he got!

#### Ghosts

In my young days, ghosts were a very important part of our culture and we used to sit wide-eyed listening to our parents telling ghost stories around the fireside. And of course after the stories we would be scared of our lives and would be afraid to go out after dark. So supernatural events such as ghosts were very much part of our culture. These ghosts would come under a number of headings.

First of all there was the supernatural events and would often manifest themselves in times of deaths in families. The best-known supernatural event would be the banshee which could be heard crying around the house where a person was dying and foretold the death. The banshee was particularly noted to follow the families with the 'O's' and the 'Mac's' in the family name and I would have known many people who claimed they heard the banshee before a family death.

#### **Christmas Holidays**

In my young days the Christmas period was a very exciting period of our lives and a trip to see Santa Clause in Cork was one of the most looked-forward to events of the year. The only way we would go to Cork was on the 10 o' clock bus from Knockraha.

At that time there would be 6-7 big shops in Cork who would have Santa on display so we'd go before Christmas and come home with a big lot of toys. Normally we would get school holidays 3-4 days before Christmas and our mothers would then take us to see Santa in Cork. But on this particular occasion, Christmas Day was falling on a Saturday and, whereas we'd expect to get the holidays on Wednesday, we got a shock when the Master told us that we weren't going to get our holidays until Thursday evening. There would be no way we'd get to Cork on the Friday as there was no bus to Cork on a Friday so there would be no trip to see Santa which would be a disaster. So something had to be done about this. I hatched the plan and told all those on the same road as I was living on, that is the Hurley's, the Finn's and Johnny Madden, that we'd go home on Wednesday evening and tell our mothers that we were after getting the holidays that day, which of course wasn't true. They all agreed with the plan-home we came, told our mothers about it, and my mother said 'grand, we can go off now to see Santa tomorrow'. We'd be going to Cork on the 10 o' clock bus from Ballinagoul so we walked up to Ballinagoul Cross and just as we came to the cross who was also standing waiting for the bus but Mrs. Jim Long and Mrs. John McCarthy, both of whom had sons who would be in Knockraha school that day. I can tell you that was worrying but I had to face the music. When all the women met and after all the usual niceties

my mother said to Mrs. Long "are you going taking your children to Cork to see Santa at all?". "I'm not", she said, "as they're all in school". "No", my mother said, "they got holidays last night". "That's funny so", Mrs. Long said, "mine mustn't be listening to what the teacher said. Wouldn't you think now they'd be after coming home from school when there's no school on". At this my face was getting redder and redder and I didn't know what was going to happen next. But as luck should have it the bus stopped and we all got on the bus before there was any further discussion about school. So I made sure we got into a seat as far as possible from the other two women and my mother never suspected anything. So we got to Cork, got our presents and I made sure coming home that evening on the bus that we were many seats away from Mrs. Long and Mrs. McCarthy. So my mother never found out the truth.

#### **Pigeon Hill Races**

In the life of the parish, one of the big events of the year was the Pigeon Hill Races which was very important for us schoolchildren because firstly we'd get a holiday from school and then the races themselves were exciting events. All of us in the class would meet at the events and we'd have apples, oranges and chocolate and there'd be amusements such as chair-o-planes and swings. At the time I was going to school the Pigeon Hill Races were held in Ballywatta on the land of the Fitzgeralds and the McCarthys. There would be 5 races on the calendar and the races would be 3.5 miles in length. They would start in the stands and run in the direction towards Knockraha. On the way to the finish line the horses would have to run down a long slope behind what is now Leary's house. And this well-known horse, whose name was The Bishop, was running away with the race down the hill. But unfortunately he tripped over something, stumbled, fell and broke his leg and when that happened he had to be destroyed. The next day one of the pupils put up his hand to the Master in the class in school asking did he know that The Bishop was killed the day before on Pigeon Hill. The Master got a great shock as he thought it was the actual Bishop.

These are just a small collection of some of the stories in the book, plus photographs. And the book can be purchased for  $\notin S$  at Glenmore Stores.

## **Upper Glanmire IC**

Update on Guild activities:

- We have now completed 14 Summer walks, Blarney walk, Crosshaven- in 2 stages Bal.Reg. Park, the Lough, Rathcooney ring, Glanmire Ring, Móin bán forest, Passage, the Estuary, Lee Fields, Old Rail line- B.rock, and the Marina ×2
- We hope to continue our walks now on Monday afternoons for the foreseeable future.
- We have had a pop up picnic every week after our walks, and members have really enjoyed this.
- Our Guild meetings have been put on hold until at least February, so we really hope to keep the social aspect of ICA going by continuing to meet up outdoors once a week.



Taking shelter near Hop Island after our walk to Passage



A knitted baby cardigan and hat set done by one of our members



Enjoying a cuppa near the Hawthorn after a few rounds of the Lough



Don't forget to slip your succulents and cacti, they make lovely gifts



A sample of some felt work, again from one of our members

## **October recipe: Cream cakes**

#### (Eileen Walsh) Ingredients

- 2 eggs
- Self-raising flour
- Caster sugar
- Stork margarine
- Raspberry jam
- Whipped cream

#### Method

- Weigh your 2 eggs, in their shells.
- Now weigh the marg, sugar and flour to the same weight as the eggs.

- (Eg: if 2 eggs=140grms, then weigh 140gr of all the ingredients)
- Blend all together until very smooth and light in colour, spoon into muffin cases in muffin tins, and bake until golden brown (approx 15- 20 min)
- When cool, cut out a cone and fill with jam and whipped cream. Replace cap and sprinkle with icing sugar.



Some cream cakes by Eileen Walsh

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