

OUR VERY OWN GAY BYRNE

Gay Byrne was born in Dun Laoghaire. He was educated at Christian Brothers, Monkstown and at University College Dublin. His career has always been in accounting and when not working Gay likes to play golf. Although he keeps his handicap private, he was proud to be one of the prize winners at last year's Fr. Arthur Memorial Golf Classic, in Beech Park, Rathcoole. He also enjoys reading and walking.

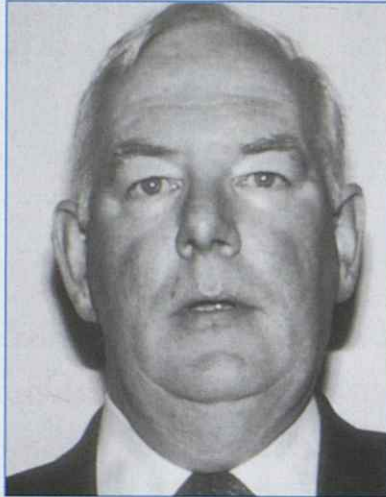
Following his marriage to Olive, they went to live in Bray, Co. Wicklow, and in 1976 they came to Knocklyon.

Gay has three children, Mark, Edel and Fergal and sadly lost his youngest, Orla, two years ago. During her short life, Orla achieved much, in caring for the sick, as a nurse in Tallaght Hospital and in Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children, Crumlin. She is greatly missed by Gay and his family.

When his children were young, Gay became involved in the Youth Club in the Knocklyon Community Centre. He served as Treasurer and Chairman for a number of years. The club catered for 10 to 12-year-olds, and much enjoyment was derived from weekend activities, discos and an annual trip away. Many friendships were formed, which remain to this day. Regrettably the club no longer exists.

Gay has been a Church envelope collector for the past 20 years. He is involved in the Ministry of the Word and joined the newly formed Parish Team at the start of last year. He brings with him well proven organisational skills, and serves as first chairman of the team. The team consists of three priests and seven laity (Fr. David, Fr. Miceál, Fr. Martin, Catherine Collins, Brid O'Connell, Colm O'Kelly, Joan Cummins, Ed Kellett, Ruth Kelly and Gay). It works in conjunction with the Parish Forum, also formed at the start of last year.

The Parish Team, meeting weekly, has become well established and participates in decision making and shared responsibility in matters concerning the welfare of the parish, including liaison with the various groups operating in the parish. The Parish Forum meets monthly, and discusses parish issues on a broader base.



Amongst the many matters being pursued by the team, is the issue of youth initiatives, always a topic of keen interest for Gay. Greater involvement in parish affairs by young people is a prime objective.

Gay points out how satisfying it is to be involved with very dedicated people whose efforts are always aimed at making Knocklyon a happy parish – one of which we can all be proud.

We thank all the members of the Parish team and Forum for their willingness to give of their time and energies.

– Eileen Casey

Ode to Children

As I end each day, after day
And look at my children in that special way
Sleeping soundly, not a care
Of worldly fears – troubles out there.

So much fun in the course of your day
Schools, friends, sports, come into play
You grow so fast, so much to do,
And come back for a cuddle, and an 'I love you.'

Independent beings in your own right
Deep souls inside, far from sight
Bursting with enthusiasm, eager to grow
Peace and encouragement – just two seeds to sow.

What's in there? so deep – what lies ahead
Your future, your life, your growth
Instead, today's cares – homework and scouts
And 'What's in the fridge for dinner' one shouts.

Children of today, so tender and pure
Not much in your world a hug cannot cure
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CLUTTER!

This morning, at last, I made a start. A real start, that is, as distinct from the numerous false starts I've made over the years! I'd been reading a reflection entitled 'The prison of want', which opened with the question: "Do you feel better when you have more and worse when you have less?" There was no need for me to pause. My answer was an immediate and emphatic "No!" Of course less is better. To me, it's a patent law of life, endorsed by experience. Cluttered surroundings seep into the mind, and make it equally cluttered. I thought guiltily of my own situation. . . .

My room! Packed bookshelves with an overflow of books in untidy piles on the bottom ledge; so many tapes and CDs – quite a few with cellophane cover still intact – that I often can't put my hand on the one I want; accumulated papers and documents – most of them obsolete – too much for the available filing space to accommodate; gadgets and goods that "some day might come in handy", packed so tightly into presses that I couldn't hope to unearth the one I wanted should the need for it arise! (Thank God for the annual St. Vincent de Paul clothing collection; without it the wardrobes would outlive the bookshelves and presses!)

And so, straight I went to my bookcase – where my attachment is probably greatest! – and proceeded to attack the first shelf. I denuded it of half its contents. On I went to a second and a third

shelf, again with significant success, I was on a roll, afraid to stop in case I'd break the magic spell! Did I imagine it or was my head really beginning to clear already?! However, duty eventually called me elsewhere and I had to pull myself away.

(Then in the afternoon, as I was about to resume my task, I suddenly remembered: I have to write a reflection before tomorrow's deadline for the Knocklyon News. What if I try to put my thoughts on "clutter" on paper!? Am I on a solo run, or will others identify? To heck! – I'll risk it.)

I began to think back on earlier experiences, when I first became aware of this connection between cluttered surroundings and cluttered minds. For instance, I have always found that no matter what the time pressure, I just cannot settle to write anything of even moderate importance if my desk is cluttered. Put the desk in order and the mind follows suit! Again, I have noticed in others – and shared myself – a sense of uplift when one has completed a clean-out of superfluous goods or watched a skip depart with a load of rubbish from the house.

I have long appreciated the Godly wisdom enunciated by the Lord: "Happy are the poor in spirit"; one of the many truths of faith that experience endorses.

Surely what is spoken of here is just one of its many corollaries.
– Fr. David



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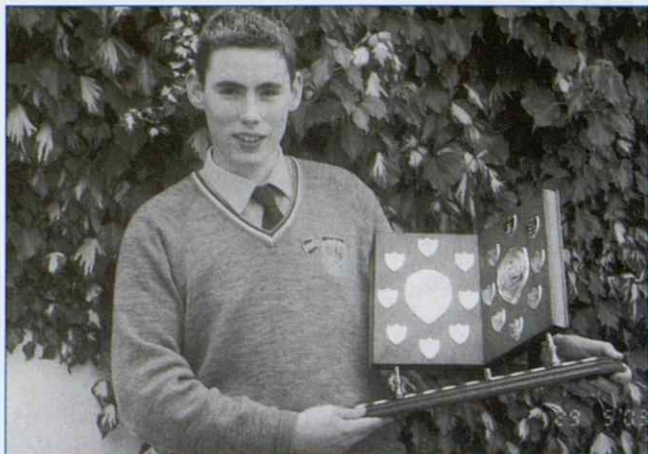


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Congratulations to Owen Douglas, Templeroan Avenue (pictured above), who has received the Outstanding Student of the Year Award in St. MacDara's Community College. Owen who is a past pupil of St. Colmcille's Primary Schools was presented with his award by Dr. Mary Upton T.D. at the Graduation Awards Ceremony in the school recently. Well done Owen and we wish you continued success for the future.

KNOCKLYON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The Knocklyon Community Council would like to appeal to all residents associations and all other interested parties who have not been in contact with the council recently to call either myself, David Hickey, 493 7731 or Jimmy Healy (Secretary), 087-647 9104.

The council has also helped to organise a meeting with a member of Foróige – the youth scheme with a view to reviving organised youth activity in the community. The problem with keeping a youth scheme running has always been a lack of adult volunteers so I would urge anyone who would like to see a scheme up and running and who would be in a position to help out, to attend the meeting on Wednesday 25th June 2003 at 8 p.m. in the Community Centre. It is essential that we have as many people present as possible if we want to get this scheme off the ground.

If you require any further information please don't hesitate to make contact at the above numbers.

Yours sincerely, David Hickey, Chairperson.

Knocklyon — A Place to Remember

We have lived in Knocklyon for almost 14 years and soon we will be heading off to start a new life in Canada. During our life here we have seen Knocklyon grow into a caring and thriving community. In every community there is a base from which it grows, St. Colmcille's, a wonderful parish, the heartbeat of Knocklyon, we have really enjoyed being a part of it and we will be taking a lot of very happy memories with us. We would like to take this opportunity to say a special "Thank You" to the community of Knocklyon and the people we have met, our friends and neighbours, you have made a difference to our lives. Both our children have enjoyed attending St. Colmcille's Primary and Community Schools, thank you to the principals and all the teachers for their help, guidance, support and endless activities organised, which our children enjoyed. Thank you to the leaders of the Knocklyon Scouts Unit 112 for the very happy times our children spent as "Beavers" and "Cubs". To the Knocklyon Concert Band for the wonderful opportunity our son experienced learning music. To Knocklyon United for the skills and enjoyment our daughter experienced playing soccer. To AKTS, thanks Adele, you made a difference. A very special "Thank You" to Fr. David and all the priests and committees for organising the great events of Parish Week, the Christmas Fair, the very moving and uplifting ceremonies throughout the year, particularly at Christmas and Easter. Not forgetting, the little peaceful haven situated in the middle of this thriving and very busy community that offers all who enter it a chance to take time out from the busy day-to-day happenings of life. Whether it is for a cup of tea and a chat or an opportunity to learn how to make a difference to your life, the Iona Centre, a place well worth a visit, thanks Bernie, I have really enjoyed mine! Finally, we would like to wish you all a very happy, healthy and peaceful future, keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

- The Alwell Family.

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Special Olympics 2003 – Good Luck to All

Driving around the country in the last few months it has been really exciting to see the signs for so many cities and towns who will act as “host towns” for this event. As we go to press the Olympic flame has been lit in Athens in Greece and the Flame Torch is being carried from there to Ireland.

Last minute preparations for this truly all-Ireland event are reaching fever pitch as the excitement mounts. The arrival of the athletes and their supporters on 14th June will kick-off the largest sporting event to be held anywhere in the world this year.

We all know how the games have developed from very small beginnings over forty years ago to the huge event of 7,000 athletes from nearly 160 countries participating in the games this year. About 20,000 supporters are expected to travel as well. To help with the organisation 30,000 volunteers have been recruited from all over Ireland and Knocklyon has played its part in providing volunteers and sponsorship for the games.

So to all involved in Special Olympics 2003 we send our good wishes for a very happy and successful event that will bring joy, fun and personal growth to all. We appreciate that Ireland is privileged to host this truly special event.

Be at the Heart of it!

“Be at the heart of it!” This is the motto of the Special Olympics Volunteers and that is exactly what the Our Lady’s girls had in mind as their mission to raise funds for the ‘Sponsor an Athlete Programme’. Following a major brain-storming session the committee finally decided on two events that would take place in the school. First up was our themed colour day. Great fun was had by all, every class put in a huge effort to make the day a great success. Well done to all involved! The second event organised by the Our Lady’s girls was a Monster Easter Raffle. Students, parents and staff contributed generously and we raised the incredible sum of €4,305.

Pictured below are members of the student council, Our Lady’s School, Templeogue, who presented the cheque on behalf of the students.



Back: Mairead Murnane, Deborah Hilliard, Naomi Duggan, Emer Farrell. Front: Evelyn Larkin, Celine (Special Olympic’s Representative), Ciara Lucey. Photograph: Laura Copeland.

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CHEEVERSTOWN NEWS

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Cheeverstown House stands on the road between Templeogue Bridge and the Spawell Roundabout. It is approximately 2 miles as the crow flies from the Parish Church of Knocklyon and is a wonderful place where the Christian message of love, caring, sharing take place every day.

The 21st of June will see the start of the long-awaited Special Olympics World Games and many of their friends will be taking part in the Games.

It will be a proud moment for people with an intellectual disability from around the world, but in particular for Ireland, the first country to host the Games outside of the United States of America.

I know you will join with me in wishing everyone the best of luck with the Games.

I also have a request for the people of Knocklyon when the Games are over and everyone has returned home. I would like you to remember your friends in Cheeverstown houses in Ireland for the intellectually disabled who in so many cases cannot communicate for themselves.

I would ask you to raise your voice on their behalf to bring pressure on the Government to meet the shortfall on funding and a rights-based Disability Bill. I wish to thank you, I know they will appreciate it.

- Tom Byrne

KENWOOD/NCAD AWARDS

Congratulations to Therese Walker, Cremorne, who won first prize in the Kenwood/NCAD competition. Therese, who is a second year student in Metal Design, designed and made a miniature teaset in silver which was intended as a birthday present for her Mum.

However, when the presentation of prizes was made in the Museum in Collins Barracks and Therese was declared the winner, a request was made that her creation should go on display in the museum. We are delighted for you, Therese, but your mum still has to get a birthday present!

FIRST COMMUNION DAY



Included are Sam Byers, Sam Gifney, Dylan Drein, David Neylon, Luke Byrne, Nathaon Misischi and Ben Richardson.



DUBLIN SCHOOL OF YOUNG SINGERS - BOYS AND GIRLS

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Enrolling now for September 2003.

For further details please contact:
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PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Welcome to our last item for this school year and we would like to thank all parents for their continued support without which our efforts would be worthless! Congratulations to Helena McGinn who won first prize in our raffle held at the 'Can't Cook Won't Cook' night in May last. She won a fantastic Dyson Hoover (donated by Neff) and there's no excuse not to help Mummy with the hoovering now! We were pleased to see such a big turnout on the night and hope to have more events in that line next year!

Thanks to all those who supported the Art Competition for the Special Olympics and hope the winners enjoy their prizes.

We must also thank 'C&C' who very kindly donated the minerals to the recent Communion Receptions and also to parents who gave up their Sunday mornings to come along and give us a hand! It was much appreciated!

Congratulations goes to the two Camogie teams who were brilliant in Croke Park recently. There was great excitement around the school at that time and thanks must go to the teachers who are as always, so committed to the pupils.

Before we finish up, the Parents' Association would like to draw parents attention to the NPC (National Parents Council) which is a very active body working towards the rights of you, the parent. The NPC would like to hear from any parents if they have had any experience, good or not so good arising from the Education Welfare Board (NEWB). The NEWB has responsibility for ensuring that every child aged 6-16 attends a recognised school or otherwise receives an appropriate minimum education. The NEWB is required to advise and assist parents who are experiencing difficulty in ensuring that their children attend school regularly and must also assist schools in meeting their legal obligations. You can get full information on www.newb.ie. You can contact the NPC via e-mail on 'info@npc.ie' if you would like to share your experience.

The Mini Marathon was held on Monday, 2nd June, thanks to all who sponsored a parent (and the walkers themselves!), all proceeds are going towards purchasing new computer equipment for the senior school.

On behalf of the Parents' Association we would like to wish all pupils, parents and parishioners of Knocklyon a very enjoyable summer break and we look forward to being even more active next year! Our best wishes also go to all the sixth years who are leaving us and we wish them well in their new schools.

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KNOCKLYON COMMUNITY GAMES



The Community Games competitions are now well underway. The local competition for the Athletics and Swimming have already taken place.

Athletics

These trials took place on Monday 12th May in Cherryfield. Despite it being a cold and showery evening there was a great turnout – and all the local children were given the opportunity to compete. A big thank you to all the people who helped out on the evening. Approximately 50 children will now go on to represent Knocklyon in the Dublin Community Games which will be held in Santry, 4th-6th July. Training has been organised for these children on Wednesday evenings at 6.30 p.m. in Cherryfield. Thanks to Áine Kelly, Bros Pearse, for all her hard work. Good luck to all who compete.

Badminton

This year Knocklyon entered 4 teams in the Under 15 Boys and Girls. There was great enthusiasm with this group of young people and they enjoyed the competition.

Gaelic Football

The Under 10 mixed Gaelic Football team managed by John Keegan came 4th in Dublin. These children all played so well and had good fun throughout the competition. Well done to John and all the parents who helped out. Gerry Basquel has entered an Under 12 Girls team for Knocklyon North. The play-off in this competition has yet to take place. Good luck to Gerry and his team.

Soccer

This year Knocklyon South has entered an Under 13 Indoor Soccer team. So far this team has done extremely well and have won gold, being the Dublin Champions. They will now go on to play in the Leinster section of the competition. We wish Aidan Leonard and his team the best of luck.

Swimming

There was a great turnout for the swimming trials which were held in Templeogue pool on April 13th. From that competition 36 children will go on to represent Knocklyon in the Dublin Finals which will be held on June 29th in Balrothery Swimming Pool. Good luck to all the swimmers.

Tennis

Ann McCranne once again entered teams in this competi-

BASKETBALL WINNERS



Under 16 Boys Knocklyon North (Dublin Cup winners).

tion which was played off in Bushy Park on May 18th. They were successful in obtaining bronze medals. Well done to Ann and her team on this achievement.

Table Tennis

On Sunday, May 25th, Trish Walsh entered 2 teams in the Under 16 Boys Table Tennis which was held in the IWA Clontarf. These boys did extremely well with Knocklyon South coming away with the silver medal and the Knocklyon North team gaining bronze. Well done to Trish Walsh and Des Murphy, St. Colmcille's Community School and their teams on this achievement.

Basketball

During the Easter holidays over 100 children from Knocklyon arrived in the Community Centre for the 2003 Community Games Basketball trials. All players were divided into the respective ages and areas. Training for all 8 teams took place every Wednesday and Thursday evenings for the following 4 weeks. Due to the amazing amount of hopeful players, team selections had to be made. Matches in the National Basketball Arena began at the end of April. All teams played exceptionally well and represented Knocklyon in an excellent sporting manner. Three out of the 8 teams were left chasing 'gold' on the final day. For the first time ever both Under 16 boys teams met each other in the final. Knocklyon North were victorious with South picking up 'silver'. Well done also to the Under 13 Boys North players who received certificates after fighting hard against a superb Clondalkin team. Congratulations to all participants and supporters. Hope to see everyone back next year and more. Thank you to Alan Moody, Brian Gartland and Mary Pat Prendergast for all their time, effort and enthusiasm.

*– Mary Hyland,
Knocklyon Community Games*

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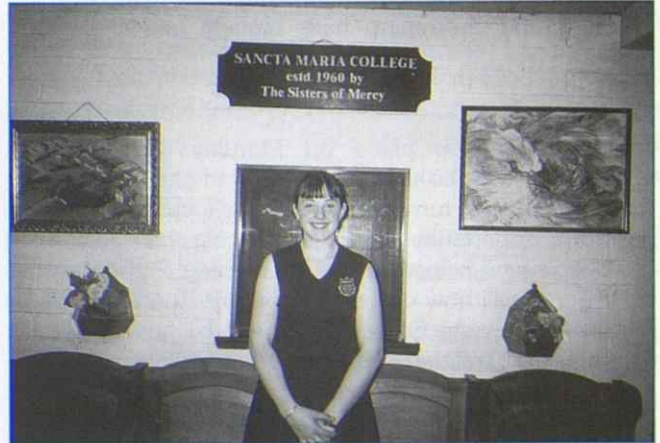
Medals won - 10 gold, 4 silver, 4 bronze.

1. Niamh Cummins, gold in Inter 300 meters, gold in Inter Relay.
2. Carrie Murphy, gold in Inter 300 Hurdle, gold in Inter Relay.
3. Laura Scanlon, gold in Inter 800 meters, gold in Inter Relay, silver in Inter 1500 meters.
4. Rioghna Moggan, gold in Inter Relay, bronze in Inter 200 meters.
5. Gráinne Moggan, gold in Minor High Jump, bronze in Minor Shot Putt.
6. Shona Doyle, gold in Minor 80 meters.
7. Jennifer Kelly, gold in Junior Shot Putt.
8. Margaret Sadlier, silver in Inter 3000 Walk.
9. Aideen O'Doherty, silver in Under 16 Long Jump.
10. Sinead Brannick, silver in Junior Triple Jump.
11. Orla Clarke, bronze in Minor Discus.
12. Charlene McKenna, bronze in Under 16 Shot Putt.

Sancta Maria Inter Team were cup winners in the Under 17 event out of 18 schools. First time they won.

Teacher: Ms Dunleavy, Sancta Maria College, Ballyroan, Rathfarnham, Dublin.

Photographs underneath include qualifiers at Santry. They went on to the All-Ireland Athletics Championships, Tullamore, Saturday, 31st May, 2003.



Jennifer Kelly, Junior Shot Putt.



Niamh Cummins, Inter 300 metre Relay.



Shona Doyle, gold at Minor 80m in the Leinster Championships.



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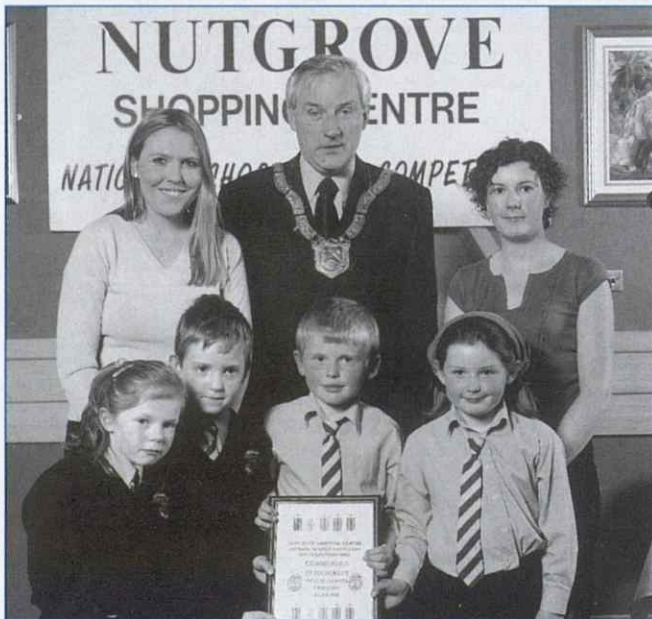
As the Summer term draws to a close, we look back on a very memorable school year. Teachers and pupils have taken great strides, as we have become accustomed to five subjects of the Revised Primary Curriculum. Parents have been to the fore as the home-school partnership has developed through our Shared Reading Scheme and policy formation workshops. Children of different cultures and those with special educational needs have benefited from additional teaching and resources. The Board of Management has received great credit for the improved traffic management, car-parking and playground provided last Summer. The board's three year term will soon end. The eight voluntary members can look back with pride on their achievements since 2000. Elections for parents' and teachers' representatives on the new board will be held in September.

Arts Education

Three of our classes were commended for their entries to the Nutgrove Shopping Centre's Easter Egg Designfest. Ms. Mulqueen's Junior Infants and Ms. O'Rourke/Ms. Lawless's Senior Infant joint entry received their prizes at a special ceremony in Nutgrove (see photograph below). Tom, our caretaker, has been busy erecting framed prints of the work of Irish and international artists. Classes will visit the mini-galleries which will hopefully inspire any budding artists among our pupils.

Sports

Many thanks to all of the parishioners who assisted with the parish sports for children in junior primary school classes.



Ms Pamela O'Rourke and Ms Amanda Lawless with some of their senior infant pupils whose giant Easter egg was commended by judges at Nutgrove Shopping Centre.

Mr. Sweeney organised four fun-filled "Sports For All" Days for our pupils in June. Gaelic games were to the fore since Easter with second class pupils learning Hurling and Camogie skills on the green after school, while first classes participated in football coaching clinics organised by Enda Mc Nulty and Brian O'Regan from Ballyboden St. Endas.

Special Olympics

The Parents' Association held a very successful Art competition with the proceeds going towards the Special Olympics. One of the Irish team, Bríd Lynch, presented the twelve winning prizes in the school hall. The school community's generosity enabled us to sponsor Randall Rushdie, a Jamaican soccer player. Pupils in second class, will travel to one of Jamaica's matches to lend their support. We also raised enough to purchase six limited edition Irish Wildlife prints with the Special Olympics benefiting in full. These Pauline Bewick designed prints will be displayed permanently in the school. They will be useful resources for nature lessons and a lasting reminder of the 2003 Special Olympics.

Enrolment

All of the places in September's twenty-four classes have now been filled. Parents hoping to enrol children in St. Colmcille's National Schools are advised to apply early, as demand usually exceeds places. Priority is given to Parishioners and to siblings of pupils already attending the junior or senior schools.

First Holy Communions

One-hundred-and-eighty second class pupils received the Sacrament of the Eucharist on three May Sundays. Our dedicated team of eight teachers, headed by Ms. Una Johnston put huge effort into preparations for the special days. Fr. Tony excelled as chief celebrant and story-teller extraordinaire. Fr. David and Fr. Miceál concelebrated. Ruth Kelly and the children's choir provided musical accompaniment for all six Masses. Many parents and visitors to the parish lauded the simple ceremonies. The hard-working Parents' Association under chairperson Patricia Fagan, organised receptions in the school halls for all of the First Communicants and their families (see photographs pages 12 and 13).

Summer Holidays

The school closes for Summer holidays on Friday June 27th at twelve noon. Senior Infants, First and Second Classes will return at 8.50 a.m. on Monday September 1st. Our new Junior Infant classes will begin school at 10.00 a.m. on September 1st. Over a hundred new families will join the school community next year. In the meantime we hope all our pupils and their families have a safe and enjoyable July and August vacation. If everything goes according to plan we will have a new school administrative office/reception area after the Summer. This should make the school even more welcoming and easier to manage.

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SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Camogie Successes

The month of May is a big sports month in our school and this May was no exception. The highlight of the month was the success of our two U-13 Camogie teams in qualifying for the Cumann na mBunscol finals in Croke Park. To reach a Croke Park final is a great achievement. For two teams to qualify in the same age group is absolutely unique. On the 19th of May over 600 of our supporters travelled to Croke Park and saw our girls take the U-13 Division title (Corn Bhean Uí Phuirséil) to become undisputedly the top Primary Schools Camogie team in Dublin. Our Corn Nuri team performed equally well on the day and showed great determination and commitment to take the trophy in a closely contested final.

Great credit is due to the girls, their coaches Ms. Ni Reachtabhra, Ms. Roche and Ms Martin for all their hard work during the year. For many of the girls their victory in the Camogie final adds another medal to the U-13 Division 1 Football medal they won last November. Comhghairdeachas leo go léir.



St. Colmcille's Camogie Team – top Primary School Team in Dublin – celebrate in Croke Park after winning the Corn Bhean Uí Phuirséil trophy (U-13 Division 1).



Croke Park winners also – the Corn Nuri team.

Athletics

Our schools athletics squad, coached by Mr. A. Byrne, travelled to Santry Stadium on 20th May to participate in the Dublin Primary School's Sports. All of our 25 athletes performed well but pride of place must go to two of our 6th class pupils, Rebecca Tyson and Seán Gibbons.

Rebecca Tyson won gold in the Girls U-13 Division 1 100 metres final and can be described therefore as the quickest girl sprinter in Dublin Primary Schools. Seán Gibbons took the silver medal in the Boys U-13 Division 1 100 metres final – a tremendous achievement. Well done to Rebecca and Seán.



U-13 Div 1 gold medallist 100 meters – Rebecca Tyson.



U-13 Div 1 silver medallist 100 meters – Seán Gibbons.

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He is pictured making a presentation of a native tapestry to Mr. B. McGowan and pupils Ailbhe Ní Mhaoldomhnaigh, Jessica Jermyn, Rachel Gray and Paula McGrath.



Quiz Winners

42 teams from local Primary Schools competed in the recent inter-school quiz competition. The winning team representing St. Colmcille's S.N.S. is photographed below.



Left to right: Ronan O'Reilly, Sean Gibbons, Ian Gobl and Cian Fitzgerald.

Computers

Mr. J. Brennan, our I.T. teacher, has supervised the installation of a new set of high quality computers into our I.T. room. We have also transferred 18 Computers from the I.T. room into various classrooms in order that our pupils will be able to utilise computers on an in-class basis.



Working on the new computers, Catherine Reilly and Robert Young.

BROS PEARSE

The outdoor season is in full swing. May saw the conclusion of the Dublin Leagues. Well done to all our athletes who competed. Congratulations to Aoife Dalton who won the under 16 Girls title and to Richard Whyte who won the under 15 Boys title. Let's hope this augurs well for the rest of the season. The Dublin Championships will take place in ALSAA this year due to unavailability of Santry Stadium.

Well done also to all our athletes who competed for their various schools this year.

The club also recently hosted the Jimmy Hughes Memorial 5K race in Marley Park which was won by Don Carroll.

The club also assisted at the recent soccer tournament, run by Knocklyon Utd along with the Downs Syndrome Association at Ballyboden St. Endas grounds. Unfortunately the athletics programme had to be abandoned due to weather conditions, but a good day was had by all who took part. Training is on Tuesdays and Thursdays 7 p.m.-8p.m. and Sunday mornings 11 a.m.-12 noon.

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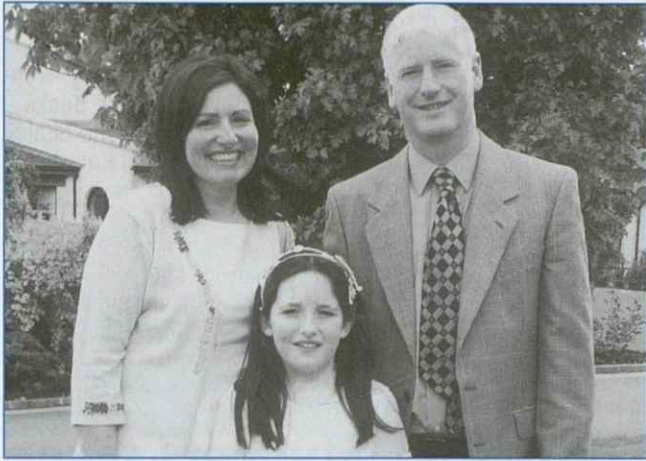
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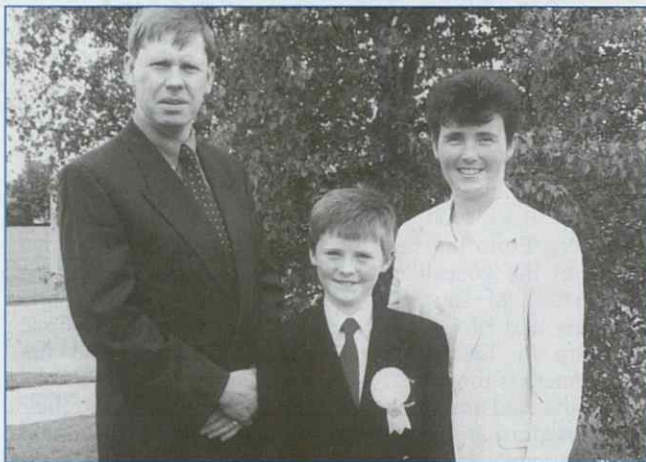
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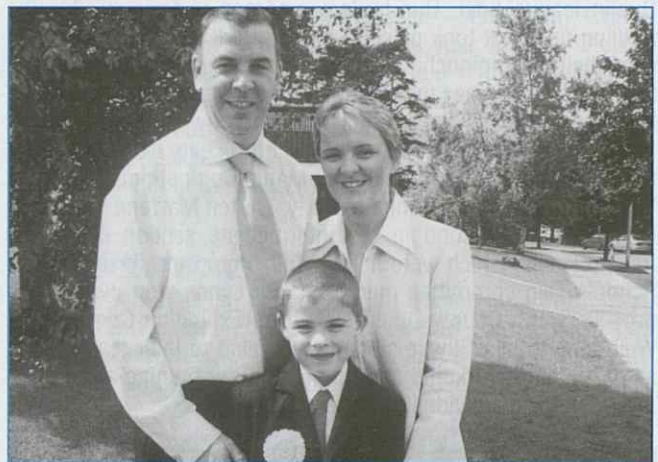
Anna Kearney, Coolamber, with parents Catherine and William.



Aoibheann Giblin, Orlagh Way, with parents Eileen and Michael.



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JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS – The completion of our First Junior Cert Programme was marked in a very special way with a night of celebration and awards on Tuesday 27th May when parents, students and teachers assembled together to mark this milestone. In many ways the school is coming of age by presenting this group of students for public examinations for the first time. These students will at this stage have completed their exams and we are confident that they will have performed to the highest standard of their individual capabilities and we look forward to celebrating their successes in September when the exam results arrive.

EXTRA CURRICULAR UPDATE – In the last issue of the Knocklyon News our school was preparing for several finals in different Extra Curricular areas. We are delighted to say that all of the teams that were preparing for these finals were all successful in their outcomes. Our Junior Girls basketball team won their Dublin league final. Our hurlers emerged victorious after the thrilling final that took place in Parnell Park. Our Camogie team won their championship. Our boy's table tennis team won the Leinster League, they then went on to represent Knocklyon at the Dublin Community Games final and came away with silver and bronze medals. First year student Orlagh O'Leary came second in the Dublin final of the Irish Junior Maths Competition. Our three Young Entrepreneurs Donna Murphy, Lauren Martone and Sarah Fleming came second in the intermediate section of the All Ireland Finals, which were held in Tullamore. And finally Greens Schools Flag committee member Ciara Lynch won overall first prize in South County Dublin's Cartoon Exhibition Competition. Well done to all of these students and also to their teachers for all of the hard work and commitment in the training and preparation of these individuals and teams.



Tennis team, back row: Fergal Nally, Brendan Treacy, Andrew McCutcheon, Fionn Prendergast. Front row: Alan O'Driscoll, Paul Whelan, Robert Rooney.

SCHOOL CREST – Our school crest has now been finalised and is illustrated on the front cover. The symbols represented on the crest are: **The Well** – representing St. Colmcille's Well; **Ivy** – representing growth; **The dove** – representing spirituality; **Books** – representing learning and knowledge. Our school motto is also shown. "Foinse Léinn is Feasa" meaning "A Source of Knowledge and Wisdom".

VARIETY CONCERT – On the evening of Thursday 29th of May we were treated to an astounding variety of talents at a talent show put on by our music teacher Miss Kelly accompanied by Mr. Murphy. The songs and music from our musicians astounded the audience. Well done to all involved!

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All the students at Encore! are eagerly anticipating their stage performances. Each pupil will take part in a scripted play or scenes from musicals, a number of dance routines and will be singing many popular numbers that will have the audience dancing in their seats. There are many familiar pieces to look forward to "A trip to Nursery Rhyme Land" with the tiny tots to a fantastic jazzy version of "The Wiz". There will be a few "Ahhhhh"s when the juniors dance on stage carrying their little teddy bears to dance to "The Teddy Bears picnic" and possibly a tear shed at the 7 and 8 year olds rendition of "Castle on a Cloud". The shows this year step into many eras with dances from "Stayin' Alive" to the familiarly modern "One Step Closer to Heaven Baby". We know everyone will be thoroughly entertained and the students as always will have the time of their lives.

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MAIDIN OSCAILTE

Bhí maidin an-ghnóthach againn le déanaí nuair a tháinig páistí na bliana seo chugainn isteach chun bualadh linn. Next year's Naíonáin Shóisearacha, with their parents, came to school on a recent Saturday morning to meet Múinteoir Eibhlín and see the classroom. They all seemed to view the prospect of school with equal equanimity . . . omens for September are good. Those who are in the Naíonra will pay another visit to the classroom in June. Táimid ag súil le gach duine a fheiceáil arís go luath.

CÉAD CHOMAOINEACH

The fates decided to be kind to us on May 24th as the only cloudburst occurred during the ceremony itself when everyone was sitting in the church. It was truly a celebration for the entire school community – the senior classes provided the choir while some parents formed a musical group to accompany the singing. The Mass was celebrated by An t-Athair Pádraig Mac Cochláin, who was joined on the altar by Fr. Weakliam and Fr. Miceál for Communion. The ceremony was followed by a very welcome 'cupán tae' at the school which was organised by the parents of Rang a hAon. The First Communicants were special guests! It would be impossible to thank everyone who made the day so memorable. Gura fada buan sibli go léir!

GOLF CLASSIC

Our annual Golf Classic was held on Monday 26th May in Killeen Golf Club, Chill Dara. This is one of our bigger fund-raising events and, as such, entails a lot of organisation. Tá ár mhuíochas ag dul go Aiden Brady, John Corcoran agus Liam Mac Réamonn a chaitheann an-chuid ama ag cinntiú go mbíonn gach rud i gceart ar an lá. Thirty-two teams supported the event. Arís, táimid an-bhuíoch dóibh siúd a ghlac páirt agus do na daoine eile a thug

tacaíocht dúinn trí urraíocht a dhéanamh nó duaiseanna a bhronnadh. To coincide with the Golf Classic, An Coiste Airgeadais held a monster raffle which was very successful. Again, we have to thank all our parents who so generously support us an t-am ar fad.

LÍNTE SA CHLÓS

Tá clós na scoile ag féachaint go h-álainn na laethanta seo! Fuarthas comhlacht le línte a phéinteáil ar an gelós le cluichí a imirt. A basketball court has been laid out on the yard to facilitate Clíona's training sessions. The yard is also covered in different number grids to make clós na scoile a more interesting place to be. Am súgartha sa chlós is full of possibilities.

TURAS SCOILE

Bhí an t-ádh linn ar ár la turais i mbliana, Bhí an ghriain ag scoilteadh na gloch agus muid thuas i gCo. na Mí. As usual, the school travelled en masse – Gaelscoil Chnoc Liamhna on tour! Our destination this year was the Causey Experience in Athboy. Children worked with clay, partook in a treasure hunt, blew giant bubbles and, best of all, experienced the wonders of bogs and bogholes. We arrived home with sackfuls of dirty clothes and muddy children who insisted that they had just been ar an turas ab fhearr aríamh.

EOLAS ÓN SCOIL

Ná déan dearmad gur féidir bualadh isteach am ar bith chun eolas a fháil uainn. The school is on Old Knocklyon Road agus bíonn Treasa, an Príomhoide, ann ó 9.00 a.m. go dtí 3.00 p.m. nó is féidir glaoch ar 493 9262.



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Drama Awards for Knocklyon

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First place, Feis Maitiu, Summit Cup, Creative Drama Section, Under 12, Section A. Title – 'What World Of Wonder Are Our Books'. Top l-r: Gavin Dudley, Knocklyon Green, Emma Lowrie, Rathdown Drive, Eoin Small, Woodstown Road. Bottom l-r: Aoife Gannon, Templeroan Way, Michelle Bobbett, Orlagh Park, Roisin Basquel, Woodfield, Susan Palmer, Woodfield.



First place, Feis Maitiu, Summit Cup, Creative Drama Section, Under 12, Section B. Title – 'Is It An Alien'. Top l-r: Julie Fitzgerald, Idrone Park, Eysar Mulahmteovac, Castlefield Way, Sean Basquel, Templeroan Park, Conor Bobbett, Orlagh Park. Bottom l-r: Colette Moran, Castlefield Manor, Laura Nealon, Beverly Lawns, Cathy Basquel, Templeroan Avenue, Lorraine Stephens, Knocklyon Park.

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VISIT TO BALLITORE

Knocklyon History Society visited the Quaker village of Ballitore (Co. Kildare) on its way to Carlow on Saturday 10th of May. The group were met by the gracious librarian, Mary Malone at Mary Leadbeater's house which now has a folk museum and library and was beautifully refurbished just a few years ago. Mary gave a splendid talk about the founding of the village, its meeting house, its eminent school and of course its eminent personages especially the Shackletons and Leadbeaters. Well known names received their early education here such as Edmund Burke, Cardinal Cullen, Napper Tandy and earlier generations of Bewleys.

Today Ballitore is best remembered as the home of Mary Shackleton (1756-1826) who married a teacher in the school named William Leadbeater. Mary was gifted with the pen and kept diaries (The Annals of Ballitore) all her life, wrote poetry and many letters. Her writings are one of the best records in Ireland speaking about the daily lives of ordinary people. 1798 was a traumatic year for this quiet peaceful village of Ballitore of which Mary gives heart-rending accounts. She like all the Quaker community were very caring of all the villagers and neighbours. Mary Leadbeater's garden has also been refurbished and is a beautiful haven of peace and tranquillity with a lovely full-sized bronze sculpture of Mary at its centre.

No Quakers remain in Ballitore today but the meeting house is still in use and the village is still often referred to as Ballitore Quaker Village.

Knocklyon History Society will resume its lecture series on Wednesday, September 10th.



'Elevenses' in Mary Leadbeater's garden.

A SPECIAL PRESENTATION

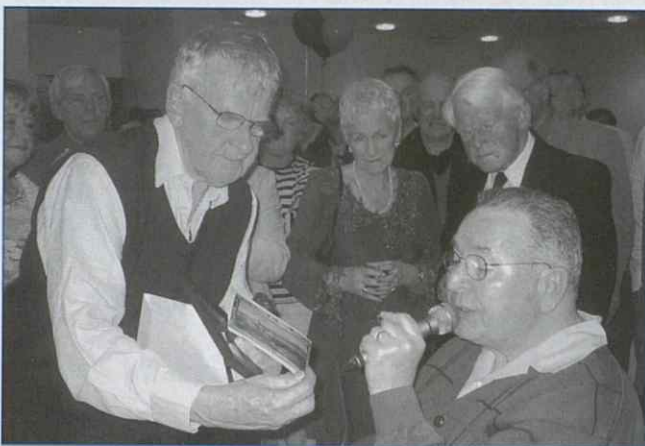
A lovely event took place recently when Maurice O'Boyle presented his beautiful painting (of St. Colmcille's Monastery on the island of Iona) to the Iona Centre.

The painting is all the more special as Maurice completed the work after he suffered a stroke and a heart attack – followed by an eighteen month stay in hospital.

Maurice, surrounded by family and friends presented the painting in memory of his good friend, the late Fr. Arthur Fitzpatrick.

The painting now hangs in the foyer of the Iona Centre and we know it will be admired and appreciated by all who pass through.

We thank Maurice for sharing his talent with the community and wish him continued good health, to enjoy life, Barlycove and his painting.



Maurice presenting a framed photo of his painting to Fr. David while his wife Carmel and friends look on.

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KNOCKLYON UNITED



SPECIAL EVENT

Knocklyon United's season closed with a bang on the June Bank Holiday weekend as the club together with local G.A.A. club Ballyboden St. Enda's, Bros Pearse Athletic Club and the Dublin Down Syndrome Association organised a mini world cup tournament. The event was again a great success and extremely well attended with up to 70 players from the Down Syndrome Association, and 90 players from Knocklyon United, Ballyboden and Bros Pearse. All the clubs were thrilled with the amount of support we received.

The tournament itself began on Sunday where all the managers and players assembled behind the national flag of the country they were representing. There were twelve teams in total with up to 160 players participating. The teams were led by 'Bob the Builder' and 'Barney' with help from the Knocklyon Concert Band.

The games began at 11 a.m. and were ably refereed by officials from the club. While the players were not participating in matches there was plenty of entertainment provided, i.e. jumping castles, face-painting, penalty competitions, basketball games, etc. Refreshments were also provided throughout the day. The burgers must have been popular as up to 600 burgers were consumed during the day.

The tournament finished off with a presentation to the players of medals, torches, pens, CDs and cuddly toys. This was followed by a disco in Ballyboden St. Enda's clubhouse where all the children had a ball. It lasted from 3.30 to 6.30. The children loved it and so too did the adults, judging by their dancing moves.

The clubs would like to thank Fr. Weakliam for his help and support towards the event.

All clubs are extremely grateful to the following for their sponsorship: Sherry Fitzgerald Kennedy Lowe, First Active, Davy Stockbrokers, Wilson Brothers from Rathfarnham Shopping Centre for the burgers, Brennans Bakery on the Greenhills Road for the burger buns, Zenith Entertainment for the disco, Hugh McEvoy and Kevin Geoghan for their spot prizes, the Gardai and St. John's ambulance. We would also like to thank Councillor John Lahart who organised sponsorship from the Community Office of South Dublin County Council and for attending on the day.

We would further like to thank the Down Syndrome Association, all the managers and players. Our thanks to the ladies committee for organising the food and to all the volunteers who gave up their free weekend to make a lot of children very happy.

I would also especially like to thank John Archbold and Rita Archbold from Ballyboden St. Enda's for working closely with me, Noel Gaughran, Jimmy Pacenham and Bill Leckley from Knocklyon United, and Rory O'Connor from the Down Syndrome Association for making this a special event.

The only one disappointment on the day was the weather. The rain held off until the afternoon but unfortunately we had to abandon the Special Event for the athletics as the rain proved too much. Bros Pearse put in a lot of effort to have the track ready and spent all day Saturday cleaning and marking the pitches. Thanks to Aine Kelly and Kevin Barnwell for their time and effort and hopefully we can do it again next year with them.

FOOTBALL

On the football side, congratulations to the following:

- U14 Managers Kevin Maguire and Pat White whose team were successful in winning their league in the DDSL after a play-off against Rangers.
- U8 Managers Aidan Leonard and Peter White did a fantastic job bringing their team to a cup final against St. Kevin's Boys where they were narrowly beaten 2-0.
- Our first year in having a senior team and they won their league on their first outing. The club would like to thank managers Paul Carberry and Pat Byrne for doing a great job.

**Any comments please contact me at the details below:
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K.A.R.A. News

At the recent A.G.M. of K.A.R.A. the following officers were elected:

President: Terry Erdpohl, Tel: 494 5500.

Vice-President: Lyla Kennedy, Tel: 494 2830.

Treasurer: John Davis, Tel: 451 2222.

Secretary: Noel Morduant, Tel: 269 5188.

The group have arrived back from a very worthwhile holiday in the Station House Hotel, Clifden. They toured the West and enjoyed days out in Cong, the Aran Islands, Ballinahinch Castle and Roundstone. All were very pleased with the facilities in the hotel and enjoyed the leisure centre at every opportunity.

A delightful afternoon was spent in the National Concert Hall for the 75th anniversary of the R&R.

A small group joined the Ballyroan Care Centre on a trip to Newry and the Silent Valley. Many thanks to Ballyroan for inviting us.

Our meetings continue every Tuesday morning at 10.30 a.m. in the Community Centre and bowls are played on Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. We have recently acquired the equipment for Curling and we will be starting to learn to play in the coming weeks.



All set for the Aran Islands!

THANK YOU - AND HELP!

We are grateful to our readers who responded to our appeal for back issues of the Newsletter. However, a number of copies are still outstanding in order to complete our collection. So maybe someone would have these much-needed Knocklyon News issues tucked away in a drawer or on a shelf! So here's hoping. . . .

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NOISE IN THE CHURCH

Dear Editor, Perhaps I am getting grumpy in my old age, but is it too much to ask the parents of small children to exercise a modicum of control over them while attending Mass? On two occasions that I witnessed during the past month out-of-control toddlers have treated Mass-goers to unseemly spectacles, while their parents were totally unconcerned and made not the slightest effort to exercise control over their little darlings.

On one occasion two toddlers were airily playing chasing while running up and down the aisles shouting at each other at the top of their voices while the celebrant struggled to get on with the service. On a second occasion a screaming toddler in his parent's arms actually brought the sermon to a halt, as the priest could not be heard above the din. The parent did not even have the gumption to take the child outside and actually had to be asked by the priest to do so.

Let me be accused of having no understanding of children I am a parent of now grown-up children myself and fully appreciate how difficult small children can be. Church is no place for a small child however and my advice to parents of such children is to leave them at home. Where this is not an option the simple solution (which my wife and I used successfully for several years) was for one parent to attend one Mass on his/her own while the second parent went to a later Mass. This should not be too difficult to organise with the wide range of Mass times available on Sunday morning not to mention Saturday and Sunday evenings. When the children got big enough to understand that they should be quiet at Mass we resumed going to Mass together again.

If for some reason this is not practicable a second effective option (which we also successfully used) is to bring the children to one of the busier Masses and to sit with them in the middle of a pew. When the outside seats fill up the children will not be readily able to ramble around and are more likely to behave when surrounded by strangers. Of course this will not solve the crying child or the child having a tantrum. Parents know that one must then bring the child outside until he/she calms down. It usually doesn't take long.

Hark! What is that I hear? Yes, it's the howls of protest of the politically correct "modern" parents ringing in my ear. "Children must be able to express themselves" I hear them say. Spare me this. Anyone who thinks it is acceptable to let small children run wild in a church while Mass is in progress is not fit, in my opinion, to be left in charge of small children.

— An Fear Ciúin (name and address with Editor)

St Colmcille's Way

Dear Editor, The ancient site of St Colmcille's Well on the Ballycullen Road is familiar to many people in Knocklyon who traditionally make it the focus of their annual walking pilgrimage each June. For those who aren't familiar with developments in the area I would encourage you to reflect on the current developments underway almost directly opposite this historic Well. Six hundred and fifty five units (apartments), including one thousand one hundred and eighty car park spaces, under construction. Now I know that you, like I, are sensitive to the need for increased social housing, but is this really the way we want to see our area developed? Do you honestly believe that this type of development is conducive to a good quality of life for either local residents or for the owners of these "units"? That is of course without even mentioning social, environmental or infrastructural issues? Indeed the developer actually includes the foothills of the Dublin mountains as "amenity space" in his development plan!

I know that we are all caught up in the busyness of our modern living, however surely being part of this community places an obligation on all of us to become informed and to become involved in matters like this which will have far-reaching implications beyond our lifetime. Apathy can often be the deadliest sin of all! I would encourage all of us to support the Knocklyon Community Council in continuing to monitor such local developments to ensure compliance with planning laws.

On a related matter, can I ask through this Newsletter for your support in naming the new road which links the Ballycullen Road to the Scholarstown Road (the one going over the motorway, and known as the Scholarstown Interchange) to be called "St Colmcille's Way". For historic as well as practical reasons, this name would be entirely appropriate, linking as it does the new St. Colmcille's Community School to the Colmcille's Well on the Ballycullen Road. If you think that this is a good idea, why don't you phone or write to your local public representative or to officials of South Dublin County Council. Go on – it only takes a minute, and you could make a difference!

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The following are the results of our first two outings for 2003.

Killeen Golf Club 26 April

Winner: Justin Lynch (18) 37 Points.

Class 1: 1st Gavin Fleet (5) 34 Points; 2nd Brian Fleet (14) 33 Points.

Class 2: 1st Ciaran Daly (16) 34 points; 2nd Conor Daly (16) 32 Points.

Class 3: 1st Peter O'Dowd (23) 33 Points; 2nd Eamon Flynn (20) 33 Points.

Front nine: Tom Donovan 18 Points; Back nine: Jim Holland 18 Points.

Visitor: Ian Madden (11) 32 Points.

Millicent Golf Club 17 May

Winner: Ciaran Daly (16) 37 Points.

Class 1: 1st Joe Winters (13) 37 Points; 2nd John Murphy (13) 35 Points.

Class 2: 1st: Julian Winters (17) 31 Points; 2nd Ronan Fleet (18) 31 Points.

Class 3: 1st Ronan Cox (19) 33 Points; 2nd John Beatty (20) 32 Points.

Front nine: Jim Farrell 19 Points; Back nine Gavin Fleet (5) 16 Points.

Visitor: John Keating 25 Points

Our Captain Joe Winters prize will be played at the Grange Golf Club on 22nd August, tee time 1.30- 3.30 p.m. We are lucky to have secured such an excellent course for our Captains Day and further details will be issued nearer the date. Make a note of this date in your diary. A full time sheet is anticipated.

– Martin Rafferty PRO

– Phone 4936713 Mobile 086-858 5795



Ballyboden St. Endas



The Maycock Cup held to commemorate the memory of David Maycock will take place on Saturday 28th June at Pairc Uí Mhurchú. The competition which is run in conjunction with Scoil Treasa, Firhouse caters for hurlers under the age of 10. Well over 100 coaches attended two seminars organised by Coaching Director Enda McNulty on the themes of psychology in sport and a code of sports ethics in association with the Irish Sports Council.

Congratulations to St. Colmcille's Community School on their historic breakthroughs in colleges hurling and camogie and to Senior Camogie player Triona Ní Reachtabhra NT on her double Cumann na mBunscol success at St. Colmcille's NS.

The Rathfarnham and District Credit Union sponsored Summer Camps will commence on Monday 30 June and will continue for seven weeks (excluding period from 28 July to 8 August).

The camps will cater for boys and girls from 5 to 13 years of age and in addition to Gaelic Games there will be a variety of other fun activities, trips and loads of free goodies. All for only €50 per week.

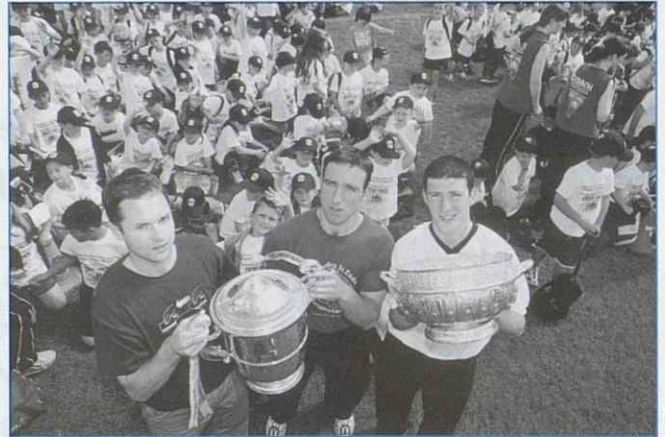
This year for the first time Schools of Excellence will be held in hurling/camogie and football/ladies football for those in the 13-16 age group with a number of guest inter-county coaches and players featuring. Full details can be obtained from PJ at 493 1991/087-662 3589 or Brian 087-699 8649.

A helicopter flying lesson; a signed Armagh Football jersey and two tickets to an English Premiership soccer match at Old Trafford are among the special items for auction as part of the club's Fund-raising Golf Classic on Monday, 30 June. The items will go under the hammer of guest "Auctioneer" Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh of RTE. A number of celebrity guests will make appearances at the Social Function that night in the clubhouse.

The main event of the day will go ahead at Stackstown Golf Club and teams of four can be entered by contacting Ned Slattery, Golf Classic, Ballyboden St. Endas at 087-997 8365.

On the playing front the Senior A Hurlers made a winning start to the championship beating Crumlin; the Senior footballers have a date with Garda in June and the senior ladies football team are through to the semi-final.

– Gerry O'Sullivan



Enda McNulty (centre), Director of Coaching, with Colin Moran and Andrew McCann of Armagh at the Rathfarnham and District Credit Union sponsored Ballyboden St. Endas Summer Camps. The trophies on show are the Leinster and Ulster Senior Football Championship Cups.

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WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

The Newsletter Team is introducing a 'Letters To The Editor' page (see Page 21). If anyone would like to air views on any particular subject, we would be glad to hear from you.

LOOKING AHEAD TO SEPTEMBER

K.A.I.E.S.

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FOR THE ATTENTION OF YOUNG READERS

In this issue of the Newsletter we enclose a questionnaire form which has been prepared by the Parish Forum. This is an opportunity for the young people of Knocklyon to express ideas and suggestions on what they would like to have in their community. We encourage young people from 12 upwards to complete this questionnaire and return it to the Iona Centre for attention of the Parish Forum.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS/CONTRIBUTORS

The Newsletter team will take a break now until September. We would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to all our advertisers and contributors over the last season for their support. Our thanks also to the pupils of St. Colmcille's Senior School who have delivered the Newsletter since last September, and best wishes to those pupils who are moving on to second level in the new academic year. Special thanks to Andy Farren for his photographic work over the season. Final thanks to Sheila Hughes of Lantz Printers for her continued support.

We wish all our readers "Happy Holidays" and safe travelling wherever you go.

Deadline for September issue is Sunday 14th September. Delivery will be 1st October.

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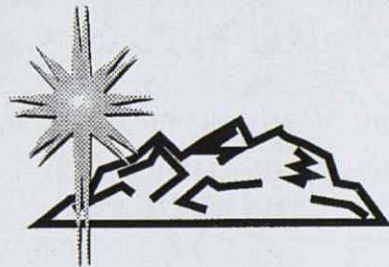
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