



Knocklyon News

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September 2006



Community Games 2006

Art: Wren Fernandes from Knocklyon South won the U/12 boys competition in the Dublin finals and went on to represent Dublin in the National Finals in Mosney in August.

Athletics: Knocklyon were again very successful at the Dublin Community Games in Santry. Overall we had 7 Gold medal winners.-Five individuals and two relay teams to represent Dublin in the National Finals in Mosney.

Gold medals were won by-Rory Knight BoysU/10 100m-Oisín Pennycook BoysU/10 60mH. Shauna Cannon Girls U/16 100m., Rachel Dunne Girls U/8 80m Joseph Dowling -Boys U/14 100m. Boys U/14 relay -Karl Byrne ,Simon Whelan, Mark Boyle, Joseph Dowling and the U/16 Girls relay team of Eilish Knight, Rebecca Tyson, Natalia Hyland, Shauna Cannon.

Bronze medals were won by Sinead Crowley Girls U/12 600m and Ben McEntee Boys U/12 BallThrow, Ciaran O'Brien won Bronze in Boys U/10 100m and Roisin Basquel won Bronze in Girls U/14 80mH. Fourth place certificates were awarded to Keith Robinson Boys U/12 Long Puck, Dylan Cannon Boys U/14 800m and to the Boys U/12 relay team-Keith Robinson, Eoghan Morgan, Philip McCormack and Ben McEntee. Darragh McConville Boys U/10 100m and Brian Kirwan,Boys U/10 200m.

A special thanks to those athletes, who stepped in at very short notice to fill gaps on relays Jade Cannon, Laura Basquel, Philip McCormack, Aoife Skelly ,Dylan Cannon and Shane McCormack.

At the National Finals in Mosney at the end of August our competitors represented Dublin admirably. Knocklyon competitors won Gold, Silver and Bronze medals. Rachel Dunne ran well in U/8 80m as did the Boys U/14 relay team of Karl Byrne, Simon Whelan, Mark Boyle, Joseph Dowling and Jack Dooney, but were unlucky not to advance. Both Rory Knight U/10m and Oisín Pennycook U/10 H reached the semi finals of their events. Shauna Cannon won Bronze in the U/16 100m and Joseph Dowling won Silver in the U/14 100m. In their last year of Community Games, the Girls U/16 relay team of Lisa Barnwell, Rebecca Tyson, Natalia Hyland, Shauna Cannon and Eilish Knight won Gold beating Roscommon and Limerick in a thrilling final. This was a fitting finale as they had previously won Silver and Bronze in previous years.

Swimming: Knocklyon South won the Best Area for the second year in a row at the Dublin Finals held in Balrothery in June. Gold medal winners were Roisin Hyland, Ciara Robinson, Fionnuala Ni Theimheain, Alison O Driscoll, Brendan Hyland, Cormac O'Toole, Aidan Ward, Eoin Small and Eoin O'Donnell. Silver medals went to Katelyn Field, Elizabeth Murphy, Sarah Trainor, Niamh Murray, Karen Murray, Cathal Dunne and Lorcan O'Toole.

Bronze medals were awarded to Ashling Field, Suzanne Grey, Julie Rowan, and Jack Higgins. Fourth place certificates went to Clodagh Flood and Killian Keane.

At the National Finals, held in the National Aquatic Centre in August, Brendan Hyland won Gold in the U/12 Boys Freestyle. Eoin O'Donnell won Bronze in U/16 Boys Butterfly and Cathal Dunne was awarded Fourth place cert in the U/12 Backstroke. Well done to all our competitors who represented Knocklyon in these competitions.

Soccer: The Knocklyon South Boys U/12 team represented Dublin in the Leinster finals. They had good wins against Wicklow and Kildare, before losing in the semi finals in Carlow. Andrew Doyle and Peter Fullerton managed the team. Thanks to Knocklyon Utd for their support.

Our congratulations and thanks to all competitors, managers, mentors, supporters and parents who participated in this years activities. We look forward to your continued support.



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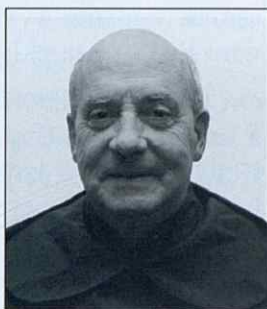
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CARMELITE COMMUNITY

The following friars were appointed to Knocklyon following the Provincial Chapter, June 2006:

Fr. Martin Farragher, O.Carm., Prior.

A native of Co. Mayo, Fr. Martin is no stranger to Knocklyon having lived and ministered here from 1988 - 1991. During those years he also served as the National Director of Vocations. Since that time, Martin has ministered in Whitefriar Street, Moate and Zimbabwe, and since the Summer of 2005 he has been helping with the weekend masses here in the parish. We are delighted to welcome him back as a full member of the Parish Team and we wish him well in his new role as Prior of the Knocklyon Carmelite Community.



Fr. Jimmy Murray, O.Carm., Parish Priest

Fr. Jimmy, as you know, suffered a serious health scare in June of last year, but thanks in no small measure to the tremendous outpouring of prayer for him by so many, he has made a full recovery. A true Shepherd, his visits to the sick at home and in hospital, combined with his gentle manner and Westmeath wit, has endeared him to us all. We feel very privileged that he has been reappointed as our Parish Priest for a further three years. We wish him the blessings of continued good health and happiness and thank him for his love and care.



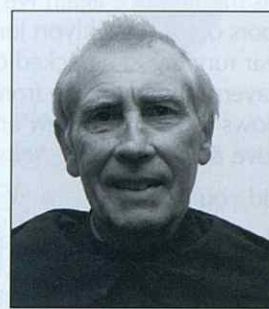
Fr. Philip Brennan, O.Carm.

Having had to balance the demands of parish and vocations ministry for the past six years, Fr. Philip feels a great sense of relief now that he can concentrate solely on the parish once again. Many of us remember when he first came to Knocklyon in the autumn of '95 as the then fresh-faced Brother Philip. Ordained to the priesthood here in 1997 by Bishop Eamonn Walsh, it is hard to believe that next June he will celebrate 10 years of priestly ministry! In addition to being full time on the Parish Team, Philip is now the Bursar in his community.



Fr. Michael Morrissey, O.Carm.

We warmly welcome Fr. Michael to our parish community! A native of Belfast, he is no stranger to parish ministry, having served as P.P. in the Carmelite-run parish of Ballyhale, Co. Kilkenny in the 1980s and in Whitefriar Street in the 1990s. He joined the Order at the same time as Fr. Jimmy and for many years they laboured together in Carmelite College, Moate. He was a member of the Terenure College community up to the time of his appointment here during the Summer. A man of considerable pastoral ability and many gifts, we very much look forward to getting to know Fr. Michael in the months and years ahead. We pray God's blessing on his ministry here and we wish him every happiness and joy among us.



Brother Pat Mullins, O.Carm.

Br. Pat is now the longest serving member of the Carmelite Community in Knocklyon, having come here first in 1994. For the past number of years he has served as Dean of Theology at the Milltown Institute of Philosophy and Theology in Ranelagh. A valued member of our community, it is good to have such a wise and gifted scholar in our midst.

Pat continues to lecture at Milltown and is now the Director of the newly-formed Carmelite Institute of Britain and Ireland ('CIBI' for short), the purpose of which is to diffuse the Carmelite charism, heritage and spirituality through part-time distance-learning. More information regarding CIBI is available on www.cibi.ie



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KNOCKLYON JUNIOR BADMINTON CLUB

Did you know ?

Badminton has been played in Ireland for 100 years!! And this month once again we were delighted to open the doors of the Knocklyon Junior Badminton Club for the 4th year running to a packed crowd of enthusiastic young players ranging in age from 9 to 18. See picture which shows some of our new and old recruits with coaches Steve & Sarah.

Did you know?

About 150,000 people play and enjoy Badminton in Ireland each year!! And we are proud to say that 70 of these people play for the Knocklyon Junior Club and indeed some of them have been selected to join the Leinster Squads. Unfortunately, we are restricted to a total of 70 in our club so anyone who is on the waiting list and hasn't heard from us this year is unlikely to do so at this stage. Apologies to anybody who is disappointed but there is really nothing we can do.

We are delighted to hear some of our older players have moved onto join the adult Badminton clubs in the parish and no doubt they have proved to be a great asset to these clubs.

Did you know?

Badminton is the largest racquet sport in Ireland with 25,000 more people playing Badminton than Tennis, twice as many people as Squash, three times as many people as Table Tennis!! On that note we wish all Badminton Players especially those in the Knocklyon Junior Badminton Club a thoroughly enjoyable Badminton Season getting fit, having fun and being active.

Breda Fitzharris PRO Knocklyon Junior Badminton Club.



Knocklyon Junior Badminton

Letter To The Editor

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am from the Knocklyon area, although I have been living in the England for 15 years. I return regularly to visit my mother and family who live in Knocklyon.

On Easter Sunday, 16th April 2006 we went to a Family Easter Day at Newby Hall near Ripon. Newby Hall is a large estate with fantastic landscape gardens, a lake, a large outdoor children's play area, a stately home and had special Easter events for Easter Sunday.

As we were walking near the car park I noticed a bus with Knocklyon Concert Band on it. I wondered to myself, if it was the Knocklyon in Dublin. A woman was disembarking the bus and I asked her if this bus was from Knocklyon Dublin. The lady (Mrs Cullen) told me "yes indeed, we're from Dublin." What a nice surprise to find a concert band in a small town in North Yorkshire. The Knocklyon Concert Band were playing at a School Music festival in Harrogate that weekend and came to Newby Hall as part of the Easter festivities. Also I knew Mrs Cullen as she was an ex-neighbour of my mother's (Greenacre Court), what a coincidence!

Later on that day the band played magnificently at Newby Hall and we enjoyed meeting and listening to my homeland School Concert Band.

It just goes to show whatever tiny corner of the earth you are in, you will find the Irish entertaining others with their musical skills!

We had a fantastic Easter Sunday and seeing the Knocklyon Concert Band made that day extra special.

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Martin Cuniffe (green wig) from Knockcullen, a member of our Ichthys Gospel Choir, with friends from CYC taken at World Youth Day 2005 in Cologne. In July 2008, the World Youth Day festival with Pope Benedict will take place in Sydney, Australia. If you are aged between 17 and 30 and want to be part of the journey, talk to Fr. Philip, start saving NOW, and check out the brilliant website: www.wyd2008.com



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Pre-Natal Blessing

Tuesday 10th Oct 8pm



An opportunity for us to celebrate the expected arrival of a new member to our community.

We gather to pray for the health of the mother and baby during the months of pregnancy and for a safe delivery.

Tea and coffee will be served at the back of the Church afterwards.

DID YOU KNOW?

St. Colmcille's church is teeming with young adults on the **LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH** at the 7pm Mass. Knocklyon's very own Ichthys Young People's Gospel Choir (average age: 17) sing at that Mass. In some ways it's Knocklyon's best kept secret! So make sure to put the date in your diary: **SUNDAY OCTOBER 29th at 7pm.**

A reminder too that on the **FIRST Sunday** of every month, the 7pm Mass is celebrated in the style of Taize - using music that is simple, chants that touch the heart, and subdued lighting (candlelight for the most part) - all of which helps to lead us into prayer and contemplation.

Knocklyon Parish Rainbows Programme 2006/2007

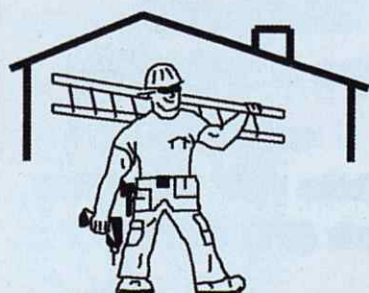


Following on from the successful programmes of the past number of years, a parish based Rainbows programme for school going children aged between 5 and 12 years old for 2006/2007 will commence on Tuesday 7 November 2006. It will run for six consecutive Tuesdays before Christmas and for a further six Tuesdays after Christmas. The "final act" of this programme will be the "Celebrate Me Day" which will be held on completion of the programme.

Rainbows is described as "peer support programme to assist children, adolescents and adults who are grieving a death, separation or other painful transitions in their family."

There will be a meeting in the Iona Centre for parents and guardians of children who wish to attend before the programme starts so they can see the books and journals the children will use and familiarise themselves with the programme.

For further information please contact the Rainbows Co-ordinator c/o The Presbytery, Idrone Avenue. Phone: 4941204.



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Woodstown Village Residents Day

The 6th annual Woodstown Village Residents Day took place on Saturday 2nd September and was attended by 260 residents big and small. As usual the go-karts, big slide, face painting and bouncy castles were a big hit but the bouncy obstacle course had the longest queue and was never empty from 2pm to 6pm. The races were keenly contested especially the "Dads race". Everyone got a prize for taking part and some children got medals. We had a penalty shoot out after the races and by then the bar-be-cue was in full swing.

We would like to thank **Spar Woodstown** for sponsoring the bar-be-cue and also Donnybrook Fair for their contribution. Thanks also to everyone who helped raise 250 euro for **Barretstown** from our book sale. Thanks to Tom Kitt TD and Olivia Mitchell TD and Garda Pat Tarrant for dropping in to say hello. On behalf of all the residents I would like to thank the committee for their hard work on the day and through out the year.

Paul Moran WVRA



Pat Tarrant (community Garda), Paul Moran and a couple of helpers



KNOCKLYON HISTORY SOCIETY

The society resumed its activities on the 20th of September. As the society now approaches its 10th anniversary the committee has arranged an attractive and interesting programme for the coming months.

Wednesday October 11th

Going Wild in South Dublin Speaker: Eanna Ní Lamhna

Wednesday November 8th

Lady Lavery on her Fare-well Tour A dramatised presentation by Nora Connolly

Knocklyon History Society has just published another booklet - a compilation of the synopses of talks given at the society during the past two years and printed in the Knocklyon News.

KNOCKLYON HISTORY SOCIETY

On the 2nd of October 1996 the first meeting to found a History Society in Knocklyon took place and on November 3rd 1996 it held its first outing - to the Massy Woods.

(see photo below)



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Week 2: Difficulties in Prayer:

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Week 3: The Poetry of St. Therese: In the last years of her life, Therese wrote over sixty poems containing many insights into her spirituality. This evening, we dip in at random and savour their beauty.

Presenter: Fr. Brian Mc Kay O.Carm
Commencing: Tuesday October 3rd for 3 weeks
Time: 8.00 - 9.00 p.m.
Course Fee: €20.00



COURSE 3

Contemporary Culture and the Questions of Faith

Week 1 "The Challenge of Contemporary Culture": Will look at the changing context within which we live our faith and the way in which new dimensions of faith have emerged in response to the many changes that have taken place in Ireland over the last fifty years or so.

Week 2 "Seasoning the faithful Heart": Will look at the way our faith develops and matures during the course of our lives, enabling us to respond to new challenges as we get older and to become more attuned to God and the needs of those around us.

Week 3 "Responding to the Signs of the Times": Will look at the ways in which the gift of hope will help us to recognise in our lives and contemporary events God's providence and care for us thus enabling us to put our trust in Him.

Week 4 "Learning to Love in a Cold Climate": Will look at the way in which the Gospels challenge us to become sources, and not merely receivers of love, and the importance of lighting candles of light and hope during dark times.

Presenter: Br. Pat Mullins O.Carm.
Commencing: Wednesday November 8th for 4 weeks
Time: 8.30 - 9.30 p.m.
Course Fee: €25.00



COURSE 4

Early Years Parenting Programme

This new programme is targeted at the needs of young children from twelve months to six years old. The programme forms the basis of a seven week early intervention that uniquely combines group teaching sessions with parents. It is suitable for parents of children within the normal range of development, as well as children with special needs. The teaching tape illustrates parenting skills using snippets of actual parent-child interactions, input from professionals and comments from parents who have completed the programme. The programme focus is positive, aiming to build on parents' strengths and help them not only to solve discipline problems but also to have more enjoyable and satisfying relationships with their children.

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Presenter: Patricia Power,
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NEWSFLASH

Bridge Club in Knocklyon

A group of people get together to play Bridge on Monday mornings. This is a group of inexperienced novice players and people who have returned to Bridge after a lapse of some time.

They would welcome anyone who is at a similar or slightly more advanced level to come along and play with them on Mondays. The group is supervised by Lily Garvey.

Time: 10.30 - 1.00 p.m.

Cost: €4.00 each morning

Venue: Iona Centre Idrone Avenue
Knocklyon Dublin 16



Wednesday 18th October October Lecture

"The Wonder of God in His love for us"

An introduction to the Revelations
of Julian of Norwich.

Speaker: Fr. David Weakliam O.Carm
Time: 10.45 a.m.
Adm: €5.00 (including cuppa)



KNOCKLYON UNITED



The new boy's season has just kicked off and the committee and all involved with Knocklyon United would like to welcome back existing players and in particular welcome all new players to the club.

The club continues to grow at a very fast pace and it is becoming increasingly difficult to cater for all the players who want to play for Knocklyon United. This season the club has 34 boy's teams, 1 senior team and 2 girls' teams. In addition the soccer nursery for players aged 6 (must be born in 2000) will commence at the beginning of October. Even at this level the number of teams is not quite sufficient to cater for all the children interested in playing. However given our fairly limited facilities this is the maximum number of teams we can cater for this season. The club has the use of 3 eleven a side pitches, Knocklyon Park, Cherryfield and Tymon Park, together with 2 seven a side pitches at Delaford Park. We are sure that you can appreciate the difficulties that this can cause and the level of co-ordination and organization involved.

Girls Football

Congratulations to our u12 girl's team (see photo) who came second in the Dublin Women's Soccer League, played over the summer. The team, sponsored by E-Travel and captained by Emma Doyle, entertained us with some great passing and scored numerous goals. Next season the girl's football season will begin again in May and training will be organized for early next year. All details will be on our web site.

GolfOuting

The club held its fourth golf outing at Edmonstown Golf club and once again the demand for teams was great. The club was well supported by local business, banks and many representatives from the construction sector. We are once again grateful to the Deane Brothers who were the main sponsors for the day.

Liam Deane and Andrew Doyle were the main organizers of the event and once again they received plenty of support from everyone at the club.

Aims This Season

1) **Coaching courses:** The club will organize coaching courses for all managers for the coming season. It is

hoped that all managers will have passed the FAI coaching course before the end of the season.

2) **First Aid Course:** All managers will be required to obtain basic first aid.

3) **Monthly draw:** The expansion of our monthly draw is an important part of fund-raising for the club. The draw will be fundamental to the success of the club going forward and all managers and players are expected to participate.

4) **Knocklyon Park:** We plan to upgrade the dressing-room facilities at the pavilion at Knocklyon Park.

5) **Web-Site:** Our web site is continually updated. All information on the club, committee members, managers, fixtures and current news will appear on this web site. The web site is www.knocklyonfc.com

6) **Pitches:** We hope to have two new pitches available for our 11-a-side teams ready for next season. One will be a second pitch at Knocklyon Park and the other a pitch available at the Knocklyon Community School.

We would also ask all managers and parents to respect the referees and to refrain from shouting any abuse. It is difficult enough to get referees as many have given up as a direct result of the abuse from the side of the pitch. Best of luck to all the teams for the coming season and please give them your support.

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Our Prefects 2006 - 2007

A wonderful group of 6th Year students were assigned prefects in June 2005 (see photo below). They are going to help with break and lunchtime supervision/clean up and have already set up a rota, which is working very well. Each junior class has a Prefect assigned to them. This person will be the liaison between the students and the school staff. They will be able to guide them with their experience of school life up until now. They will be the person that a junior student can come to if they are having problems of any sort and find it difficult to approach a staff member.

In April all prefects attended a leadership programme where they discussed leadership skills, working with people, ideas and plans for the year.

Our team this year are an excellent group of dedicated young men and women and are great ambassadors for our school. They are very enthusiastic and have great ideas. They are already showing great initiative and work very well together. We are looking forward to a great year with them.

School Musical 2006

We are off again! This year we are staging Oklahoma. The Transition Year students along with Ms. Burke are already looking at scenery and props and will have their sewing needles out! The musical will be staged in the school on the week beginning Monday 23rd October. See you there!

HEAD BOY



Ross Maguire

HEAD GIRL



Sinead Walsh

Adult Education Programme Autumn 2006 St Colmcilles Community School

St. Colmcilles C.S. expanding Adult Education Programme is in full swing again. The autumn term began on September 25th and classes are held each Monday and Tuesday evening up to 5 December. This term the courses include: Ceramics & Pottery, Drawing Skills, Acrylic Painting, Beginners & Intermediate Computers, Web Design, Pilates, Ballet Fitness, Yoga, Guitar, First Aid, Personal Development, Irish, Spanish, French and Italian. If you haven't already enrolled in a course you have a second chance in January when our new spring programme will commence. Find out more at

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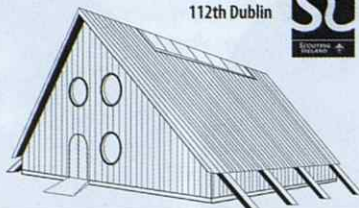
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Scouting in Knocklyon

Our year started last week with a full attendance at each section meeting. We had a large intake of new Beavers this year, as other scouts moved on upwards into Cubs, Scouts and Venturers. 112th Dublin (Knocklyon) is still one of the largest Scout Groups in the country, with over 300 young people involved in the Group. All of our Leaders are Volunteers, and give up their valuable personal time to run these programs. We currently have nearly 50 Leaders, but with 300 kids there's always a need for more! If you wish to volunteer about 2 hours per week, you can be guaranteed to get as much enjoyment out of scouting as the young people do.

What is Scouting?

Scouting is an outdoor-based, educational-based youth movement which seeks to develop young people in every way possible. Through activities such as hiking, camping, team-based games and learning new skills, our young people are encouraged to become more self-sufficient, outgoing and confident, and to become more aware of the natural environment in which we live.

The Links Ceremony

(Progression from each Section upwards)

We held our Links Ceremony in June where all Beavers who were to progress to Cubs, and Cubs to Scouts, and Scouts to Venturers were welcomed into their new sections. The ceremony was held in Beverly Park with parents and families attending. The Cubs & Beavers were then treated to an afternoon in the Model Railway Club based behind the Scout-Den.



Boot Camp !! see page 11

Beavers News

Our Beavers finished the year with many outdoor activities, including visits to local woodlands to view flora and fauna, where they learned all about the various trees and forestation which surrounds Knocklyon.



Above: Beavers Exploring Local Woodlands

Cubs News

The older Cubs participated in *The Elements Challenge* in Larch Hill in late May. They competed in camping activities with other scouting groups in Mountpelier Scout County. They had to pitch their own tents, cook their own dinners outdoors and perform a campfire sketch with the help of their adult mentors. The Monday night Six Pack came Third overall in the competition. Other Sixes from Knocklyon also achieved good merits.



Above: Cubs earning their Bicycle Badges

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SCOUTS NEWS CONTINUED

The Summer Camp (for Cubs, Scouts and Venturers)

This year the Scouts and Cubs decided to have a joint Summer Camp in Crawfordsburn Scout Centre near Bangor in Northern Ireland. The Scouts camped for eleven days and the Cubs joined them for the final four days. The weather was fantastic and ensured everyone had a great time. Both groups did on-site activities such as climbing, abseiling, archery and rafting (and yes, they built their own rafts!). A few trips were made to Bangor, the Ulster Folk and Transport Museum, the Waterpark in Portrush, the Giants Causeway and the Carrickaread Rope Bridge (not for the faint-hearted). The Venturers had an interesting outing to catch Mackerel, some of which provided the sustenance for their dinner the following day!



Enjoying The Sun



Cooking Dinner (oops I lost the mackerel)



The Gaints Causeway



Carrickaread Rope Bridge

The 300 Club Draw

For those of you who are wondering what the "Scout's Draw Results" announced each month are, you might like to know that it is a monthly member's draw. Each member of the 300 Club contributes €5 per month by way of Bankers Standing Order, and each month a draw is held with prizes of €300 per month. If you wish to join the 300 Club and help support scouting in Knocklyon please contact our Treasurer Olga Curran on 01-4941281. Recent Results see page 19.

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Nuacht on Scoil Shinsearach: Senior School News

Welcome back to all to a new school year. A particular word of welcome to the new pupils and their parents who have entered St. Colmcilles Senior School.

Over the holiday period a substantial amount of work was carried out on the school buildings. In addition to the usual painting and general refurbishment, a significant portion of the main school was re-roofed. A grant of €60,000 was received from the Department of Education and Science for this purpose.

St. Colmcilles Day was celebrated on 9 June and our featured photos in this edition of the Knocklyon News focus on the events held on St. Colmcilles Day and other end of term activities.



L/R: Ms. Lynn Corcoran (6th class Year Head), Fr. Jimmy Murray P.P. and Ms. Mary Clifford photographed at the athletics events held in conjunction with St. Colmcilles Day on 9 June. Mary Clifford was the Guest of Honour at the day's events in recognition of her many years of service to the Knocklyon News and to the general community life of Knocklyon. Go raibh mile maith agat Mary.



A group of parents who accompanied pupils and teachers on the pilgrimage to St. Colmcilles Well on 9 June.



Fr. Jimmy presenting the trophy for the inter-class pupils relay race to the house captains, Darragh Byrne and Amy Murphy.



The boys and girls from Mr. Ruddy's 6th class who competed in the inter-class relay races.



Mr. Ruddy's and Ms. Ni Reachtabhra's 6th classes on their three day trip to Achill Island Adventure Centre in mid June.

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Trip to Dublin Castle



Ms. Maher's 5th class accompanied by our local history guide Tomas Maher, on their trip to Dublin Castle

On 24 May 2006 our class went on a school trip to Christchurch Cathedral, Dublin Castle and City Hall. We set off, full of excitement and anticipation, at 9.30 a.m. and we arrived in town shortly after 10.00 a.m., accompanied by Tomas Maher.

First we visited Christchurch Cathedral. Many of us had never been in this landmark before. We went downstairs to the crypt. It was dark, gloomy and musty. There were lots of tombstones of people who have been buried there for hundreds of years. We also watched a documentary about the history of the Cathedral.

Then we continued on to Dublin Castle where we saw St. Patrick's Hall. This is where the Presidents of Ireland are inaugurated. It was very impressive and opulent. A throne that Queen Elizabeth I sat on was also on display. Under the castle flows the River Poddle. We had lunch in Dubh Linn Park and we played take-down chasing.

After that we moved on to City Hall and saw some statues, which included Daniel O'Connell and Thomas Davis. We also saw

bullet holes in the walls dating from the 1916 Rising. The Dublin City emblem was also on display. Mr. Maher had an amazing amount of information to tell about each location. We really enjoyed our tour and learned a lot about our own city of Dublin.

By Eimear Duffy and Conor O'Brien, Room 1.

DISCOVERY SCIENCE PROGRAMME

In June, our school received 'The Award of Science Excellence' in the Discover Primary Science Programme run by FORFAS.

We had to undertake a huge variety of science experiments, visit some of the Discover Science Centres, invite scientists into our school to talk to the children and participate in National Science Week.



Children from Room 5 and Room 6, with Mr. Ruddy, accepting the award.



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JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

All twenty four classes, their teachers and classroom assistants have settled into the new school year well refreshed after the lovely summer. Together with 168 new Junior Infants we have ten new staff members: teachers Aoife Doyle, Martina Jones, Aine Lynch and Kate Divilly, and classroom assistants Maureen Coffey, Niamh Roche, Mary Heron, Barbara Greene and Kathy Quinn Healey. All are very welcome as they begin life at St. Colmcille's.

Improvement Works

The Board of Management and Dept. of Education and Science funded the insulation and re-coating of our school roof and the resurfacing of our Junior Infant/3rd Class playground. As usual everyone in the school community is very grateful to the parish whose local contribution has enabled us to carry out improvement works to our grounds and buildings during the last five summers. We now await with expectation the Department of Education and Science's decision to proceed with the modernisation of our campus. We are hopeful that the decision to redevelop our school buildings will be made in the coming months.

'Extra-Curriculum'

Our middle management team has been busy organising curriculum workshops and field trips which will be enjoyed by pupils later in the term. Ms. Harty has held a very successful Healthy Eating week and Mr. Carney is looking forward to our annual Heritage Week in early October. Many teachers have established after-school activities in the area

of Arts Education and Physical Education. Some pupils will travel to Croke Park on October 1st to support First Class teacher Ms. Sinead Brennan who will play for Leitrim in the All-Ireland Ladies Football Final.

Enrolment

Parents and Guardians are reminded to complete enrolment application forms in the school office at the earliest opportunity. Places in next year's Junior Infant classes will be offered in late November. If you are unsure as to whether you have completed a form for your child please check that we have one on file.

More Community Games News



**Knocklyon North - Under 14 -
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 For a word of encouragement, and you praised me;
 For a word of appreciation, and you thanked me. I was thirsty for a word of recognition, and you took notice of me;
 For a sign of friendship, and you wrote me a letter;
 Thirsty for a little companionship, and you stopped to chat.
 I was a stranger and you made me feel welcome;
 Socially inferior to you, but your acceptance built me up;
 I was naked for want of self-worth and you covered me with esteem.
 I was sick with doubt and worry and with your cheerful attitude you lightened my burden.
 I was wounded by failure and disappointment and you healed me by your supportive attitude.
 I was in a pit of depression and by your patient attitude you gave me hope.
 I was in a prison of nerves and through your attitude of calm you set me free.
 I was in a prison of loneliness and through your friendship you released me.

* H.H. The Dalai Lama, Spiritual Advice for Buddhists and Christians, New York: Continuum, 1998, p. 99.

ST COLMCILLES PARISH

Our new parish logo



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The depiction of the dove with the olive branch in its beak represents St. Colmcille, known as the "Dove of the Church". It also reminds us of Colmcille's last recorded words to his community which have universal and timeless application: "ut inter vos mutuam fictam habeatis cum pace" - "that you may have among yourselves mutual charity and peace".

The depiction of the water represents St. Colmcille's Well on the Ballycullen Road - the reason our parish is named after Colmcille. It also suggests the Springs of Carmel and the water of life.

Carmelite Friars have been serving Knocklyon Parish since its establishment in 1974, so the colour brown (the colour of the Carmelite habit) and the depiction of the Mountain and the Stars reflects this as well as the fact that as parishioners we are members of the wider Carmelite family. The Mountain in every Carmelite crest represents Mount Carmel in Israel, home of the prophets Elijah and Elisha, where the Carmelite story began in the dawning years of the 13th Century.

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KNOCKLYON GOLF SOCIETY

Our two major competitions namely the Captains prize and the Presidents prize have been completed at Kileen Golf Club and South County Golf Club respectively.

The results from Kileen are as follows:

Overall winner: Ken Ellis (15) 32 points
Second James Drinan (22) 36 points

Class I:

1st Gary Davitt (12) 33 points
2nd John Grier (6) 30 points
3rd Philip Nolan (14) 29 points

Class II:

1st Julien Winters (18) 32 points
2nd Fred Lane (18) 31 points
3rd Brian Barry (15) 31 points

Class III:

1st Frank McLoughlin (24) 34 points
2nd John Delaney (25) 32 points
3rd Des Ryan (26) 29 points

Back nine Gerry Daly (13) 16 points
Front nine Bill Gorman (18) 19 points
Nearest the pin Gary Davitt
Longest Drive Jimmy Fitzsimons

Congratulations to all our prize winners. Many thanks to Brendan Vaughan who kindly sponsored the outing.

The results from South County are as follows :

Overall winner: Eamonn Kiely (12) 42 points
Second Gary Davitt (12) 38 points

Class I:

1st Phil Nolan (14) 37 points
2nd Dave Torrans (10) 35 points
3rd Brian Barry (15) 35 points

Class II:

1st Martin Rafferty (16) 34 points
2nd Michael Flanagan (19) 30 points
3rd Julien Winters (18) 29 points

Class III:

1st Des Ryan (25) 32 points
2nd Frank McLoughlin (24) 32 points
3rd Alan Greene (25) 29 points

Back nine Kevin McDonald (10) 18 points
Front nine Jimmy Fitzsimons (14) 19 points
Nearest the pin Vincent Traynor
Longest Drive Julien Winters

Again congratulations to all. Many thanks to Gerry Diggins of Roankabin who kindly sponsored the outing.

After the first four outings the golfer of the year leaderboard is really hotting up. The top six positions are as follows:

Name	Points
Kevin McDonald	139
Jimmy Fitzsimons	133
Gary Davitt	125
Philip Nolan	123
John Grier	121
Des Ryan	119

All of the above have played four rounds and with four out of six rounds to count the contest is far from over.

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Fáilte romhaibh

Ní hiad na Naíonáin Shóisearacha an t-aon ghrúpa nua sa scoil i mbliana...tá go leor aghaidheanna nua le feiceáil sa seomra fóirne freisin. Thosaigh ceathrar nua linn an mhí seo. Tógfaidh Laura Ní Mháille Rang a Cúig; Críona Ní Shé Rang a Trí; Áine Ní Mhaonaigh Rang a hAon agus Cherrie Ní Bhroin Naíonáin Shóisearacha. It is always a pleasure to welcome new members to the staff as they invariably bring with them fresh ideas and new approaches and methodologies. Guímid gach rath orthu i nGaelcoil Chnoc Liamhna!

Two other people have 'started school' this term. Tá aithne againn ar Bhríd Ní Chonnaile agus ar Ann-Marie Ní Cholmáin mar thuismitheoirí le blianta beaga anuas agus táid anois ag obair sa scoil mar Chabhrathoirí Ranga. Fearaimid fáilte rompu siúd beirt!

Sin mar a bhíonn saol na scoile....tagann daoine agus imíonn daoine eile. Ach tá daoine eile a fhaigheann deacair é slán iomlán a fhágáil againn. Daithi has taken a 'sos gairme' to pursue further study but, thankfully, isn't leaving us altogether! He will continue to take cór na scoile occasionally and generally keep an eye on musical affairs sa scoil!



Gníomhaíochtaí breise

Mar is gnáth, tá clár gnóthach d'imeachtaí againn an Fómhair seo.

Clár agus Eoin are already putting the footballers through their paces on Tuesday afternoons agus beidh dhá chluiche sa tseachtain acu...ar an gCéadaoin do na cailíní agus ar an Déardaoin dos na buachaillí. Tá na cluichí seo mar chuid den chomórtas a eagraíonn Cumann na mBunscoil.

No less eager to get started is Dante Farrina, atá ag múineadh lodáilise i Ranganna a 5 agus a 6. He has recovered from celebrating Italy's victory in The World Cup. Ós rud é go leanann sé foireann iomána Chill Chainnigh freisin, bhí tús maith ag an scoilbhliain aige!

Beidh Clár ag tabhairt aire do cheolteoirí na feadóige arís i mbliana. 8 rang a bheidh ann an ráithe seo agus beidh rang faoi leith do thosaitheoirí aici.

A great treat at this time of year for the Junior pupils in the school is the series of Stretch and Grow sessions – nó Síneadh agus Fás mar a ghlaoidimid air sa scoil. Baineann gach duine sásamh agus taitneamh astu seo agus cuirfear tús leo go luath.

Tá gach sort ceoil le cloisteáil sa scoil faoi láthair, ó thosaigh an clár 'Draíocht an Cheoil'. We enjoy this programme every Tuesday and it will run for 7 weeks. The temptation to dance, rather than walk, around the school, is almost irresistible!

Táimid an-bhuíoch do Chiara Ní Theimhneáin arís i mbliana atá sásta dul i mbun an ghrúpa cheoil. We are indebted to all our parents who are willing to give of their time and talent and molaimid iad ar fad.

Ranganna Ghaeilge do Thuistí

Mar is gnáth ag an tráth seo den bhliain, beidh ranganna Gaeilge ar fáil do thuismitheoirí agus a gairde. Beidh dhá rang ann...ceann dóibh siúd gur mhaith leo snas a chur ar an nGaeilge atá acu cheana féin agus ceann for those who have very little Gaeilge and would like to take those first steps..Tar chugainn!

Faoin am seo, taimid faoi lánseoil. Tionólfar an Chruinniú Cinn Bliana ar an Déardaoin, an 5ú Deireadh Fómhair. This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher and hear what lies ahead academically in the next few months. It's also a chance to inform yourself as to what is happening in the school. Glac an deis seo le castáil ar thuismitheoirí eile agus tú féin a chur ar an eolas maidir le cúrsaí scoile.

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Ultan Mac Mathuna (left), Chair of the Hurling Committee with Shane Kenny of Massey Bros who sponsored the Kilmashogue Fun Run.

As the Gaelic Games season enters the final quarter of the year, the club is in the happy position that senior teams remain in contention for hurling, football and camogie county titles having already claimed the ladies football double - senior (Paul Coffey, Mick Maher, Martin Masterson) and junior championships (Marie Denvir, Kevin Cahill, Robbie Murphy, Mick Hunt, Madelaine McAuliffe) during the Summer.

The double success in Ladies football was accomplished for the first time in the club's history with victories over Na Fianna and St. Peregrines respectively. The senior win was the seventh in succession.

The club was represented by Ciara Lucey, Anne Griffin and Sile nic Coitir on the Dublin Junior Camogie team that successfully defended its All-Ireland title.

The Senior Football team would like to thank Cement Roadstone, Qualvecom, Champion Sports, Buglers and George King - Victuallers for sponsorship support.

There was underage success for the Under 11 hurling team in the Camaint competition and for the Under 12 camogie team in the inaugural Bray Emmets Mini All-Ireland.

140 girls under the age of 12 took part in the 4th Annual Mini All-Ireland camogie blitz.

Gerry O'Sullivan Captions



The Junior A football team has been generously sponsored by Arann Developments and Keane Mortgages. At the launch were (1-r) Brendan Young, Pat Keane (Keane Mortgages), Stephen Coughlan, Paddy Bates, Aaron O'Reilly (Arann Developments), Gareth Heraty.

News from the Parish Forum

After the Summer break the Forum reconvened on 11th September to review Parish matters and plan for the year ahead.

Future meetings of the Forum for 2006/2007 will be as follows:

23rd October, 2006; 4th December, 2006; 22nd January, 2007;
5th March, 2007; 16th April, 2007; 21st May, 2007;

Some new members have joined and these were welcomed, as were the new members of the Carmelite Order, Fr. Martin and Fr Michael, who have come to the Parish over the Summer.

The Forum had a short discussion on the operation of the changed Sunday Mass times over the Summer. With the Parish Team the Forum will keep the question of Sunday Mass times under review over the coming months. **It was mentioned that it would benefit all Mass-goers if cars were parked in the School Car Park on Sunday mornings, rather than on the road outside the Church, as this is hindering the flow of traffic to and from Masses.**

Donations from Parish funds have been made to the Zimbabwe Parish and to local youth and athletic clubs, etc.

Mr Gay Byrne has resigned from the Parish Team and Mr Eoin Garrett has become a new member. The enormous contribution made by Gay as the first Chairperson of the Parish Team was acknowledged. New initiatives from the Team for the coming year are:

- a Parish Mass on Sunday, 24th September, 2006;
- a Penitential Service on the first Friday of each month at 10.00 a.m. Mass;
- a Training Course for new Eucharistic Ministers in October, 2006;
- information booklets to assist parishioners with marriage requirements and funeral services are being prepared;
- a new Parish Logo has been designed.

Many groups in the Parish are looking for new members and the Parish Website organisers would like information to be updated regularly.

Finally, the great success of the Knocklyon Youth Gospel Choir was highlighted and a general invitation to all to attend their Mass on the last Sunday of each month at 7.00 p.m. was extended.

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Fostering Information Evening. We need people to
care for children aged 0-18 years old who cannot
live at home.

Next Meeting: Monday 13th November at 8pm

Venue: Parliament Hotel, 16 Lord Edward St, Dublin 2.

**Contact any of the Fostering Team
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