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The Green

Sometime

ago I recorded the 64 houses on the Green and those that I could remember and find out that lived in what house since the early 50's. I am now looking for photographs from the families that lived there from the start right up to the present day. If you can email them to me joea@iol.ie or drop into the shop with them where I will scan them and return them immediately. If you did not live on The Green and know people that did can you tell them I am looking for photographs. If there are school class photos from the national schools' girls and boys, Ballyleague Secondary, Convent of Mercy and the different guises of Lanesboro Technical School/Vocational School/Community College. Thanking you in advance, Joe.

Next Blood Clinic

The next local Blood Donation Clinic will take place on Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th, and Thursday 17th

January in the Abbey Hotel, Roscommon. The clinics will take place each day from 5pm to 8.30pm.

Did you know that only 3% of the eligible population gives blood? 3000 donors are needed in Ireland each week can you be one of them?

What's ahead

A few months ago, Bord na Mona announced a number of changes in their company working structure that will include job losses. While, at the time, the Mount Dillon works was not mentioned, in the intervening time, we have learned that it will be affected. The common comment is that the age profile of the workers is such that most will be coming to retirement, but we must remember that there are a big number that have monetary commitments and retirement is not an option such is their age profile.

The announcement of alternative work that has been mentioned as replacements for the current jobs does not seem to add up as the mentioned projects only employs a small number of people once they are up and running. For us this is a big disappointment as it does not seem to create any new jobs or work for the current staff. There is a huge tract of land throughout the midlands going to be left void of employment and that this happening on Bord na Mona's watch is disappointing as they have been the main leaders of jobs in our community since the 1950's. It will be shocking to see the demise of Bord na Mona and as sure as night follows day once the volume of peat is not coming into the station then the future of the Power Station is then brought into question.

Lanesboro Ballyleague and all surrounding communities will be at a great loss if this happens.

Bord na Mona is a company that was always conscious of the communities it was placed within and were always proactive in the creation of work for many of our people and it is my hope that what they have already announced as new ventures is only the tip of the iceberg and that there will be further major projects maintaining the current workforce and adding greatly to it.

Sympathy

We would like to record the death of Patrick Walsh formerly of Cloontuskert who died suddenly at Naas General Hospital on Wednesday 2nd January. Patrick was predeceased by his father Paddy. He is survived by his mother Bridget, sisters Maryann and Bridget, aunt Ann, niece Jen, relatives and friends to whom we extend our sincere sympathy. Patrick was laid to rest in Cloontuskert Cemetery.

Birth

Many

congratulations to Josephine Donlon and her husband Rob Behan, Dublin on the recent birth of a baby boy.

Table Quiz

Ballyleague Christmas lights committee are holding a fundraising table quiz in Rosie's at The Lifebelt Bar on Friday next 11th January at 9.30 pm. Tables of four €40. Prizes for best Community, sporting, best bar team, business and nonaligned teams on the night, in addition to prize for the winning team. A great social occasion to shake off those post-Christmas blues. Please support the lights committees efforts by supporting this event.

New Year Draw

The Rathcline club will hold its New Year Fundraising draw in the Yacht Bar on Saturday week 12th January. This is an annual draw and the proceeds helps towards the paying of club affiliation and insurance for the coming year. The club asks your support by buying your ticket and selling a book of tickets. If everyone took a book of 5 tickets and sold them it would make a huge difference and mean that as we enter senior league and championship, we do so with a sound backing behind us.

Tickets cost €20 each and the prizes are 1st €3000, 2nd €1000, 3rd €500, 4th €250, 5th €250, 6th €200 and 7th €200.

You can now buy your tickets for the club draw. If you go into the club's Facebook page you will find the link alternatively if you Google, the name Klubfunder and type in Rathcline it will also lead you to the purchase page.

Still collecting memories

Nurse

Donlon's time in Lanesboro was legendary for all of those that remember her time as the district nurse and her shop at the bottom end of Main Street beside Paddy Kenny's garage. What are your memories of Nurse Donlon and can you put them to paper or on computer? If you have any memories, then Stella in the library would love to hear from you. It is hoped that the older generation amongst us that have so many wonderful memories and it would be great to put them to paper and send them to Stella as soon as you can.

If you have memories of the Nurse you are invited to write them down and hand them into Stella in the library or you can email Stella at lanesborolibrary@longfordcoco.ie alternatively you can drop them into O'Brien's for delivery to Stella.

Defibrillator Course in January

A new Defibrillator course will take place in January and the organisers are urgently seeking many new people to take the opportunity of getting trained in the use of defibrillators. As this is a down time it is important that all clubs and organisations on both sides of the bridge encourage their members to attend and get trained up.

Rarely a day goes by in a workplace,

sporting events or in public places that a person's knowledge in the use of the defibrillator is not required hence the great need to have all areas and events covered with people with the required knowledge.

Contact Martina O'Brien

with your name and phone number, she can be contacted at the shop, phone 3321108, 0863858934 or email martinaclayne1@gmail.com

Thank You

The Lanesboro Community

Games committee would like to thank the people of the parish and elsewhere, for their generous contributions to the Church gate collection, held last weekend. This is very much appreciated and helps us in a big way, to keep running as a club.

Community Celebrations

The club will host a Dinner Dance on Saturday night 16th

February where the club will celebrate its community links and honour the panel of 2018 that retained the Intermediate Championship. The Celebrations will take place in the Longford Arms Hotel.

The Dinner Dance is always a wonderful community celebration night out and it should also bring back for the night the many ex-players and supporters of the club for a great night of reminiscence and revelry. Music on the night will be supplied by the hugely popular Rhythm & Sticks who will add greatly to our celebrations.

The club looks forward to a huge number attending on the night and create a great parish and community night out.

On Monday night last, the draw took place for the weekly 50/50 draw. This week our winner was Cian O'Brien which was a great the 50/50 for the first time. The winning envelope was worth €312. Thanks to Cian for his continued support of the draw and maybe next week it will be you.

The club thanks everyone for their continued support and encourage everyone to persist in your support as your name will surely be drawn out soon. Tickets are on sale in local shops and businesses throughout the town at €2 each or 3 tickets for €5. Alternatively, you can buy the pink ticket for the year for just €100 and have 2 free weeks. The club would like to thank everyone that continues to support the draw on a weekly basis and the many people that buy the one-year ticket.

€15,000 Tidy Towns

The Lanesboro Tidy Towns Lottery draw took place on Tuesday morning last on the Co-Op office. There was no winner of the €15,000, jackpot and the jackpot for this week, will now rise to reach and the jackpot has now reached its maximum of €15,000. The numbers drawn were 2, 10, 27 and 27. The winner of the €50 prize was Stella O c/o Mags, and the three €20 winners were Alan Hanley Corrigeen, Mrs Ping, Main St., and Emma, Saoirse and Freya Feeney, Tullyvrane

The committee thanks everyone for tremendous and loyal support support.

Please note that winners can collect their winning cheques in the Co-Op office only and will be available from Monday to Friday from 9am to 2pm.

Combo

Fitness Classes with Regina

The Combo fitness classes with Regina

will reopen at St. Mary's Hall on this Thursday

10th Jan at 7.30pm

New members are most welcome

This week in our library

Knitting & Crochet Group

The Knitting & Crochet group continues every Monday 2pm to 4pm. New members always welcome!

Poetry & Music Group

The Poetry & Music group continues on Monday 14th January 2019 – 4.15-5.30pm. All welcome to come along and join in with this very vibrant group!

ESOL Class

The ESOL (English for speakers of other languages) continues on Tuesday evenings at 7pm.

Babble & Books Parent & Toddler Group

Babble & Books Parent & Toddler Group continues every Wednesday morning at 10.30am. Parents are welcome to bring their babies/toddlers along to socialise with other children, read books and play with the toys, jigsaws & Lego table.

Art Course for adults

A six-week Art Course for adults with Stephanie Hanlon will start on Monday 14th January 6.30-7.30pm. Cost is €60 for the course. Places are limited, so contact Stella on 0433321291 or email lanesborolibrary@longfordcoco.ie to book your place.

Foreign Currency & Used Stamps

We are still collecting unwanted foreign currency and old coins/notes in aid of ISPCC. The smallest donation can make a huge difference.

We also collect used stamps in aid of ISPCC. Thank you.

Membership

Library membership is free for everyone and provides you with complimentary access to books and p.c.'s in the library as well as a range of digital services.

Download free eBooks, eAudiobooks, magazines and newspapers with your library card and pin. Renew or request books on our website

<http://www.longfordlibrary.ie>

Learn a new language online with Mango (over 71 languages available) or learn a new skill with Universal Class which offers over 400 free online courses.

Call to the library for your free library card & pin or further information.

Ballyboro

League action resumed after the Christmas break with the under 12s and under 14 teams in action.

The under 12s played old rivals Newtown on Sunday. Games between these teams are invariably closely contested and this game was no exception. Though both teams had chances, defences were generally on top and the game finished scoreless. Ballyboro: Ronan Cox, Anthony Cox, Jack Casey, David Cox, Luke Johnston, Euan Cullen, Aidan Kelly, Ben Murphy, Billy Murray. Subs: Daniel Hogan, Ethan Slattery, Conn Maxwell, Tom Gilmore, Jack Beattie, Jack Brogan.

The under 14 team were defeated 3-2 by Kenagh United. Though the team performed well, a defensive error in the closing stages was to prove costly. Both Ballyboro goals were scored by Matthew Heneghan.

Though league action was curtailed over the Christmas and the New Year, there was plenty of activity off the field of play.

The club in conjunction with St. Faithleach's staged the Shannonside Challenge Classic Blitz in Ballyleague on St. Stephens Day. The event was a great success and proceeds were shared out: the players and referees; all who made contributions; the ladies who looked after

the catering; SuperValu Lanesboro who sponsored the rolls; and St Faithleach's who hosted the event.

Thanks are due to all who helped out with the Bag Pack at Dunnes Stores Longford, which generated much needed funds for the AstroTurf Football Pitch.

Members of the committee had a very worthwhile and informative meeting with Walter Holleran, FAI Facilities Development Manager, in relation to the technical details of the AstroTurf Project.

Fixtures: The under 8s will be participating in a blitz on Saturday at home starting at 11am. Other teams involved are Stonepark and Newtown. The under 10s are away to Kenagh Eagles on Saturday with the kick off at 12 noon.

Also,

on Saturday the under 13s play Inny FC at home 1pm start. On Sunday the under 16 team are away to Ballymahon, kick off 12 noon.

A date for your diary is Saturday 15th June. On that day the club will be staging a major OSKARS night in the Longford Arms.

Auditions will be held in the next few weeks, so all you budding George Clooney's and Meryl Streep's get ready!

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Defibrillator

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club needs people that are interested in helping out the club by completing the defibrillator course to take place in January. The need for people to have training done in the use of the defibrillator is essential at all grades especially with all the games and training in Clonbonny. We look forward to a good number of parents of the underage club and supporters and officials from all our clubs to give their names and phone numbers to the minor (Seadna) or senior (Cathal) secretaries or to Martina O'Brien at the corner shop.

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St. Faithleach's

Ireland Lights Up: As part
of operation transformation St. Faithleach's is delighted to take part in
Ireland Lights Up which encourages community members to get together and take
part in walks at their GAA club. Walks will take place every Thursday evening at
7pm on club grounds from Thursday
17th January 2019. Please contact Eamon Gallagher on (086)8261700 for more
information.

LGFA – Indoor U10 &
U12 Girls Training:

Indoor football training
for girls U10 & U12 (girls born 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010) will commence Tues
8th in Ballyleague hall for six weeks. This will be all fun based activity. If
your child is in this age group and would like to come along, please contact
Qona Cox 0862260309 or Sean Cox 0860641461.

Cards: Cards continue
every Tuesday evening in the clubhouse, all welcome.

Lotto: Jackpot stands at €12,000. Next draw takes place on Tuesday 8th. Envelopes are €2 and available in all local retail outlets, bingo and the clubhouse.
