

Lanesboro Ballyleague Monday 3rd December 2018

Lanesboro Ballyleague Notes

Annual and great events

The next two notes, below, are seeking your participation. Both are annual and events that raise great money for local causes. Please do consider taking part in either and help make it as big an event

as possible for both organisations running the events. Take part, encourage your friend and families to take part and make this Christmas day very special for so many.

Christmas Day Run

The organisers of the Christmas Day Run from Newtowncashel to Lanesborough along with Longford MS Society would like to thank everyone for their continued support with the run. The event will take place again this year for the 28th time and we hope that we continue to have such great participation and raise much needed funds for the Longford MS Society. Should anyone wish to take part and have not already received a sponsorship card, cards are available from O'Brien's Corner Shop or Brigid Mullooly Tel: 086 8807596. In Newtowncashel card are available from The Local or Michael Flood. Thanks to Peter Hanley Motors who have again for the 28th time sponsored these top-class Technical T-Shirts and there is one for every participant. Walkers start from the Hill in Newtowncashel at 11:45am while Runners start at 12:15pm. Refreshments will be available enroute and also at the Hall in Lanesborough after the event. Best of luck with the training!

Christmas

Day Swim

The annual Christmas Day Swim will take place following 11.30am Mass in Lanesboro on Christmas morning. This year the Lough Ree Sub Aqua Club is seeking as many people as possible to brave the elements and join them for this annual swim. Sponsorship cards are available from any member of the club or from O'Brien's.

Lanesboro Community Games AGM:

On behalf of the Committee and myself, we would like to thank all of the participants whom took part in different Community Games events throughout 2018 and also to all of the people who helped in any way. We would also like to thank the people of the parish for their contributions to the Church Gate collection in August 2018. This was very much appreciated and helps us in a big way, to keep running as a club.

Lanesborough Community Games is having their AGM at 8.30pm on this Wednesday 5th December, in the upstairs room, in St Mary's Parish Hall.

The committee would welcome and encourage everyone, especially the parents of children living in the town and hinterland of Lanesboro to attend and support Community Games in Lanesboro. Community Games covers a broad range of activities and it gives parents a chance, to allow their children to participate, socialize and display their talents. Over 100 children from the parish participated in Community Games events during 2018. You are urged to help continue to progress Community Games in the parish during 2019.'

Go

along and play your part in the continuation of the Community Games in Lanesboro and help youngsters in our community to express themselves as best they can in all the various activities that is the Community Games.

Sympathy

We

would like to extend our deepest sympathy to Carole Ryan Manning and her

husband Michael Manning, Curreen, Rathcline Road on the death of Carole's father Harry Ryan, Teffia Park, last weekend.

To

all of us that played hurling through the 70's Harry was an active member of the Longford Slashers Hurling club and always a true gentleman. He will be sadly missed.

Christmas

Festive Cake Fare

The

Rathcline GAA Annual 'Festive Cake Fare' that will take place on Sunday next 9th December in St. Marys Parish Hall from 2pm to 5pm.

Let's hope you have all your cakes baked for the Festive Cake Fare. There will also be an Icing competition featuring three local celebrities – not to be missed. Included on the day will be Santa's Grotto, Chocolate Fountains, Fresh Scones, Face Painting and a Festive Stall. Your support will be greatly appreciated, and the club would welcome cakes on the day.

Lough Ree AC

Lough Ree Athletic Club

sincerely thanks all those who contributed to our church gate collection on Saturday and Sunday last, a total of €521.03 was collected. Your support is much appreciated. Thanks also to the collectors for your help. Next event in our calendar is the Christmas Day run from the track to St Mary's Parish Hall in conjunction with the Annual MS Run from Newtowncashel to Lanesboro, now in its 28th year. For the first time this year we had to cancel out Sunday morning run due to the bad weather, but road run will continue at 12.30 in Clonbonny next Sunday. All welcome!

Ballyleague Christmas

Lights

We're nearly ready to switch on the Christmas lights in Ballyleague. We will do it at a ceremony on Saturday night next December 8th after 7pm mass with a very special guest this year. A reminder that the church gate collection is on Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th at all masses in Ballyleague so please keep us in mind as the costs have gone up again this year due to replacement lights that were needed. To help sponsor the lights call Noel Moran please on 086 2936180.....as soon as you can.... thanks again to all the helpers...our fabulous tree will be glowing again next weekend.....

Great

Win

Congratulations to the Rathcline and Grattan's combination who won their U20 championship final when they had an outstanding victory over CarrickSarsfields 2.13 to 1.14 on Friday night last. This combination had a total of 14 Rathcline and 6 Grattan's players on the panel and the management was Anthony Farrell and Cathal Chapman from Rathcline and Gerry Victory and Jim Ruske from Grattan's.

This victory concluded a great year for Rathcline having won the Intermediate Championship, winning the playoff to regain Division 1 status and now the U20 20 title. Well done to the club and we look forward to a bright future for all the players.

Lough

Ree Sub Aqua Club

The AGM of the Lough Ree Sub Aqua and Search and Rescue club took place.

The meeting began with a with a special word of thanks to all that took part in the successful search in Clondra last week. The club extended their deepest sympathy to the family and friends of the deceased man.

The election of officers took place and the following were elected to office for the coming year: Chairman – Michéal Farrell, Secretary – Tracy Gray, Treasurer – Paula Carberry, Diving Officer – Kevin Connor, PRO -Brian Farrell, Safety officer- Fergal Mc Elgunn and Child Protection Officer – Herbert Farrell.

The club would like to welcome anyone with an interest in all aspects of the Sub Aqua Club and also the Search and Rescue.

Pool training is going very well, and it is great to see the new trainees doing so.

Nurse Donlon's memories

Memories

of Nurse Donlon continue to arrive at Stella's desk in the library and it is hoped that the older generation amongst us that have so many vivid 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.

Lanesboro Social Service Whist

We

are at a time where there is a great pull on the finances of Lanesboro Social Services.

This is the time that untold work is being done with locals to make sure that they have a good Christmas and don't feel left out of the family events over Christmastime.

We encourage all the card players in the community and their friends to St. Mary's Hall on Friday night next 7th December for a 8.30pm start time of the monthly Whist Drive. If you are not a Whist player or cannot attend, you are encouraged to make a donation to any of the Lanesboro Social Services committee or leave in a marked envelope 'Lanesboro Social Services' in O'Brien's. If you wish to be acknowledged please put your name inside the envelope,

December for St. John's Congregation

The Services in St. John's Church during December and Christmas are: Sunday 9th December; Carol Service at 11.30am. Sunday 23rd Holy Communion with Sunday school involvement at 11.30am

At St Coman's Roscommon: Carol Service Thursday 13th December at 8pm. Christmas Day, Holy Communion Service at 11.30am.

King and Queen of St. Faithleach's

Please support Caroline Connaughton's 70's disco party night in Clarke's Bar Saturday night 8th December #dancingqueen. Fancy dress optional. Your support will be greatly appreciated

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 martinaclynel@gmail.com

Table Quiz

There will be a Table Quiz in aid of St Coman's in Cattigan's Bar Castle Street at 9pm on Friday next 7th December. Everyone is invited to go along and support.

50/50

On Monday night last, the draw took place for the weekly 50/50 draw. This week our winner was Ann Kelly, Cullentra. The winning envelope was worth €303. Amazingly there was a family connection to the previous week's winner as Murell Fallon is an aunt of Ann Kelly. The club is very appreciative to Ann and her extended family for their weekly support of the 50/50

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.

€14,700 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 €14,600, jackpot and the jackpot for this week, will now rise to reach and the really worthwhile winning amount of €14,700. The numbers drawn were 2, 23, 28 and 29. The winner of the €50 prize was Barbara Ferguson, Knock, and the three €20 prizes were won by Teresa Ryan c/o

Mags, Fiona c/o Mags and and Bernie Hanley c/o Mags.

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.

Lanesboro Bridge Club

The

results of the competition held on Wednesday 26th November: N/S 1st

Gemma Douglas and Elish Gray 2nd Phil

Chalmers and Cyril Hussey, 3rd Maureen Hynes and Mona O'Flaherty.

E/W 1st Brid McDermott and Una Lawlor, 2nd

Mairead Gill and Maura Hanley, 3rd Katherine Harrison and Philomena Walsh.

Coffee

Morning

Cllr Micheál Carrigy would like to invite you to attend a Coffee Morning in aid of Longford Hospice Homecare that he will be hosting on Friday week 14th December from 10am to 1pm at his Constituency Office at 2 Dublin Street, Longford. Go along and join Micheál for a cuppa and a chat. All donations going to this great cause. All Welcome.

Table Quiz

A Table Quiz will take place this Friday night 7th December in St. Faithleach's clubhouse in aid of Helen O'Donnell who is a contestant in the Queen of St. Faithleach's. There will be an auction and raffle on the night and a table of 4 will cost €40 or €10 for an individual. The quizmaster will be Michael Cleary. Go along and enjoy this fun quiz.

Fireside Tales

The annual publication Fireside Tales by Jude Flynn has been launched for the 16 year. This yearly publication is anxiously waited on each year. It makes for excellent reading with many brilliant stories and tales from around Longford Town and County. The book includes contributions from locals Loretto Cooney and Michael Casey. The book is on sale for just €20 in O'Brien's.

This week in our library

Knitting & Crochet Group

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

Poetry

& Music Group

Poetry & Music group continues at the library on Monday 10th December 4.15-5.30pm. All welcome to come along and join in with this very vibrant group!

ESOL

Class

ESOL (English for speakers of other languages)
continues every Tuesday evening
at 7pm at the library.

Minding

Yourself Programme with Paul Marsden

'Minding Yourself' with Paul Marsden – a 2 week programme of Mindfulness and Wellbeing will take place in Lanesboro Library on Monday 26th November and Monday 3rd December at 7pm. Week 1 – Mindfulness and Resilience, Week 2 – Mindfulness and Sleep. All are welcome to this FREE event and no booking is required.

Christmas

Flower Arranging Demonstration

We will have a Christmas Flower Arranging Demonstration with Mary Holmes on Monday 10th December at 6.30pm. All arrangements will be raffled on the night! This is a FREE event, but you must book your place.

Call Stella on 0433321291 or email

lanesborolibrary@longfordcoco.ie<mailto:lanesborolibrary@longfordcoco.ie>
to book!

Babble

& Books Parent & Toddler Group

This group will continue every Wednesday morning at 10.30am. All welcome to come along and interact with other children ages 0-4 yrs., play with our Lego table/building blocks, toy box, and colouring tables. At the group on Wednesday 12th December, there will be a special Christmas Story Time with Penny! Mark it in your diaries now! All welcome!

Family

Time at Your Library

Family Time at your Library takes place on Saturday morning 15th December 11am to 12 noon.

There will be Christmas Storytime with Penny who will be giving lots of tips & ideas on reading to supporting language and literacy development.

We will also have Lego, board games& Christmas colouring!

This is a FREE event and all are welcome!

Opening

Hours

Monday 2pm – 8pm, Tuesday 2pm – 6pm, Wed &

Fri 10am – 1pm & 2pm – 5pm,

Sat 10am – 1pm.

Foreign

Currency & Used Stamps

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

We also collect used stamps in aid of ISPC. 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.

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Ballyboro

Not a brilliant weekend in terms of results. The under 11 team played extremely well against Ardagh, taking into account that five of the team of seven are eligible for the under 10 grades. A well taken goal by Rian Shanley saw the Ballyboro lads in front at the interval, but the team understandably tired in the second half and Ardagh took advantage with three late goals. Team: Michael Sorohan, Eoin Beattie, Ethan Slattery, Dan Casey, Rian Hogan, Ryan Mimmagh, Rian Hogan.

The under 14 team did well in the first half against a highly rated Stonepark team, but the Longford side had the better of the second half exchanges, to win well 6-1. Jack Flynn got the Ballyboro goal. Team: Briain Farrell, Luke Dowd, Paul Byrne, Rian Byrne, Bryan Mullooly, Jimmy Farrell, Shane Ross, Jack Flynn, Cormac O'Dowd, Christy Burke, Matthew Heneghan. Subs: Ciaran O'Dowd, Jack McGloin.

The under 13 team played Newtown in a closely contested friendly game.

The under 16 team coped well with the difficult underfoot conditions for long periods in their game against Newtown, but the Newtownforbes lads finished the stronger team to win 3-0. Ballyboro: Jack Madigan, Conor Casey, Shane Killian, Chris O'Loughlin, Kevin McDonagh, Oisin Kenny, Kevin Tansey, Niall Fisher, Owen Farrell, Jack Murray, Rian Murphy. The Last Man Standing fundraiser is generating a lot of interest and Mark Tarmey is kept busy keeping track of all the entries. As we face into round 3 there are still 240 last men/women still standing. Approx. 260 have bitten the dust.

Fixtures: The under 8s will be participating on a Blitz in Drumlish on Saturday, starting at 11am. Other teams involved are Gaels United and Melview. The under 14 team are away to Ballymahon on Sunday with a 12.30 kick off. Ballymahon also provide the opposition for the under 16 team who are at home on Sunday with a 2pm start.

Rathcline GAA – ‘Be with us Be a part of Us’.

Minor AGM

Last

Sunday evening the Minor AGM took place before a dismal attendance. It is such a shame that so few people bothered to turn up and discuss the past years successes and plan a route forward for the year ahead. If people did not want a job, then this was the meeting to be at as all the executive had expressed a determination

to stay for another year prior to the meeting. The executive elected for the coming year was Chairman – Alan Fayne, Vice Chairman – Sean Kenny, Secretary – Seadna Ryan, Treasurer – Mary T Mc Grath, Ass Secretary – Vinny Farrell.

The

club tanks the executive for all their work and success over the past 12 months and wish them the best of luck and every success in 2019.

Defibrillator

The

club is seeking names of people that are interested in helping out the club by completing the defibrillator course to take place in January. 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.

Successful Final Game

On

Friday night last our U20 players travelled to Kenagh along with the Grattan's U20 players for the final against CarrickSarsfields in our final game of the season. Having recently lost to Carrickedmond and CarrickSarsfields we were pinning our hopes on this being third time lucky for our players. They did not disappoint and after a titanic struggle they emerged victors by two points. The scoreline alone tells of the number of scores and tightness of the game – the half time score of the Rathcline Grattan's combination winning the first half by one point 1.6 to 0.8 and winning the second half by a similar margin with the final score being 2.13 to 1.14. This was a thrilling game made all the more famous when you consider the loss of Oran Kenny after just 15 mins due to injury. Considering we were underdogs going into the game the lads really stood up and were counted. They gave a wonderful performance with a number of players taking hold of the game and spurring everyone on to this famous victory. A game to be savoured, a game that showed the quality of the big numbers of lads now stepping into the senior ranks.

We

congratulate all the lads from Rathcline and Grattan's who have put in a great effort in what was a long season for the U20 panel. The mentors of Anthony Farrell and Cathal Chapman from Rathcline and Gerry Victory and Jim Ruske have to be complimented for a fantastic job well done.

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Rathcline lads on the panel were Cian Gilmore, Owen Murray, Daniel Curran, Cillian Flood, Cronan Flood, Iarla O'Sullivan, Dylan Glancy, Padraig Sorohan,

Niall Keane, Oran Kenny Bryn Peters, Éanna Mc Grath, James Gavigan and Mark Lyons and they were complimented by 6 players from Grattan's. We say a heartiest congratulations to this historic team.

Festive Cake Fare This Sunday

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Good Luck

The club would like to wish Mullinalaghta the very best of luck in the Leinster Final in Tullamore on Sunday at 1.30pm. The club would encourage all of its supporters that can go to Tullamore to travel and support Mullinalaghta and hopefully be there for a historic victory for the club and county.

50/50

The 50/50 drive for Christmas has started.

On Monday night last, the draw took place for the weekly 50/50 draw. This week our winner was Ann Kelly, Cullentra. The winning envelope was worth €304. Amazingly there was a family connection to the previous week's winner as Murell Fallon is an aunt of Ann Kelly. The club is very appreciative to Ann and her extended family for their weekly support of the weekly 50/50

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St. Faithleach's GAA

A.G.M: St. Faithleach's GAA AGM will take place on Sunday next 9th at 5pm in the clubhouse, all members are invited to attend.

Minor Club AGM: The rescheduled Minor Club AGM takes place on Thursday 6th at 8:30pm in the clubhouse, all parents and members are invited to attend. "Your Club, Your Say".

King and Queen of St. Faithleach's : The quest to find our King and Queen continues this coming weekend with Helen O' Donnell hosting a Table Quiz on Friday 7th at 9:30 in the clubhouse, Michelle Byrne hosts a 25 Card Drive on Saturday at 8:30pm in the clubhouse and Caroline Connaughton will host an Abba tribute night in Clarkes Bar on Saturday 8th. Your support for all our contestants is very much appreciated.

Cards: Take place every Tuesday evening in the clubhouse. Last week's winners; P.J and Bridie, James and Frank, last game Pat Joe and Tim.

Get Out Get Active: Congratulations to all our participants in the Get Out Get Active

programme which concluded on Saturday. These fantastic people have walked, ran, squatted, lunged, danced and laughed their way through six weeks with Raymond and Qona Cox. Many thanks to everyone who took part and we hope the programme has inspired you to continue your fitness journey.

Win a House: Tickets for Roscommon GAA and Club

Rossie "Win a house in Dublin " are available through the club, please contact Nicola Byrne on (086)2242294.
