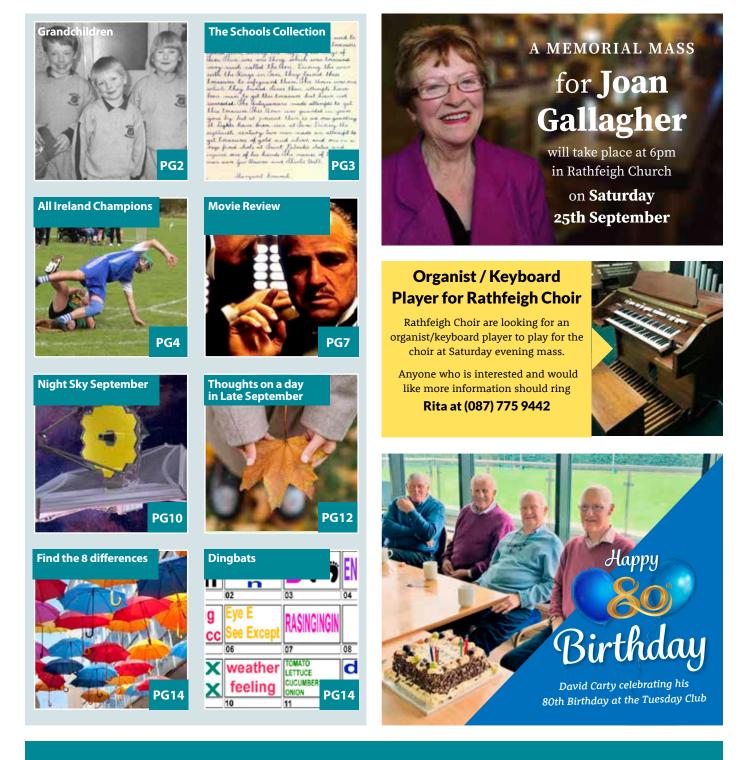


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# Grandchildren

### Joan Gallagher

In 1983, when he was only 21, my Son Noel married Ann-Marie and "moved out", all of fifty yards, to the top of the garden where they lived in a mobile home while they were building their house, and exactly a year later, on their first anniversary, their first child and my first Grandchild was born, (he was named George, after his late Granddad).

They had Hazel three years later in 1987, and Brian in 1988. and those three are the pride of my life.

I also kept a diary for many years. I started it on the day that Brian (my third Grandchild was born). I kept that diary fairly constantly for twelve years, and I find it is a great source of useful family information, as to when and where



something happened, etc. etc..I think everyone should definitely keep a diary, as it is only in later years you will appreciate the value of it, like keeping old photographs.

In 1991 Mother died (aged 81) after a short illness, surviving my Father by thirteen years, she was very chuffed indeed about the fact that she lived to see her Great-Grandchildren. The family home was sold after that which is always a wrench.

an extract from Joan Gallagher's book "Milestones along the Journey of Life"

## The Schools Collection, 1937-1939

National Folklore Collection

Hidden Treasure Jara is an ancient place where Kings used to live long ago. There were some ancient treasures buried there, during the reign of the Kings of Taxa. There was one thing which was treasured very much called the Um. During the war with the Kings in Java they buried these treasures to safeguard them. The Uran was one which they buried. Since then attempts have been made to get this treasure but have not succeeded. The antiquarians made attempts to get this treasure. This Uran was guarded in years gone by but at present there is no one guarding it. Lights have been seen at Java. During the eighteenth century two men made an attempt to get treasures of gold and silver, and one in a rage fired shots at Saint Patrick's statue and injured one of his hands. The names of these two men were yus Briscoe and Sherlie Ball.

Margaret brocock.

#### This month's Dúchas article, "Hidden Treasure",

was written by Margaret Crocock from Skryne School.Image and data © National Folklore Collection, UCD

## **Skryne Rounders**

**Deborah Mangan** 



In the 80s rounders was at the pinnacle of the Skryne Community. Winning All Irelands, playing in Croke Park, Community games and traveling to the USA, were some of the many highlights and achievements of the club over 30 years ago.

When the adult club reformed in 2018, having the 3 adult teams in the finals on ALI Ireland day was very much a dream. But since 2018, the teams with some experienced players that had played rounders back in the 80s and 90s along with newcomers, have grown from strength to strength.

All 3 teams had easy paths to the All Ireland final, with the mixed team being undefeated and the Men & Ladies teams only having one defeat along the way, who happened to be their opponents on Final day.

The men started the final day against their opponents Michael GLaveys of Roscommon, who had previously defeated them in the preliminary rounds. However, the Skryne men started off really well and took the lead with some outstanding displays from Sean Keogh, Lee Mulligan & Nicky Horan. In the fifth inning the Roscommon team came within one run of the SKryne team who held their nerve to come out comfortable winners on the day and take the Intermediate ALI Ireland Mens title back to SKryne. Cormac McMahon accepted the cup as captain.



Now the men will compete in the senior division next year . FInal Score Skryne 25 Michael Glaveys 19

Next up was the mixed team, who were playing Athenry of Galway who they had beat comfortably in the preliminary rounds. However, the Galway outfit seemed to be in much better form on final day. With the teams initially within a run of each other, this was a really tight game, but then in the end SKryne pulled away to take the win. THere were some great performances from Cormac McMahon, Louis Pentony, Eoin Finnegan & Mary Ellen Sheridan to name a few. Louis Pentony - captain of the mixed team accepted the cup on behalf of the team. FInal Score Skryne 19 Athenry 7 FInally, the ladies were up against Barntown Gaels of Wexford. THis team had come down from senior ranks the year previous, so the Skryne ladies knew they had a battle in hand. THey battled well and kept the Wexford team within reach until the 5th innings and then Barntown took a bigger lead and it looked out of reach for the Skryne ladies team on the day. However, there was some great displays from Kayleigh Crinnion, Deborah Mangan & Claire Brennan and the ladies will lift their heads & keep their sights set on reaching & winning that INtermediate All Ireland next year.. FInal Score Skryne 12 Barntown Gaels 24



## Scoil Cholmcille, Skryne

**Tom Brennan** 

### **Farewell to Mr. Kennedy**

For the first time in 19 years the pupils of Scoil Cholmcille arrived back to school after the Summer holidays without Principal, Mr. Kennedy to greet them. Mr. Kennedy is now basking in the warm glow of retirement after years of sterling service and dedication to Scoil Cholmcille and its pupils. We wish him a long and happy retirement and we know he will come back to say hello from time to time.

### Enrolment

Scoil Cholmcille will be accepting applications for Junior Infants for the 2022/23 school year from Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup> 2021. Application forms can be accessed at skryneschool. blogspot.com or by emailing the school at <u>skryne.n.s@gmail.</u> <u>com</u>

### **Green Schools**

Our Coiste Glas is swinging back in action since our return to school. We have noticed a huge uptake in our 'Walk on Wednesday' initiative with more and more pupils walking and cycling to school. While helping our environment is even more important than ever, we need to encourage our children to be safe and to be seen as they make their way to school. A huge thank you to the children for their efforts as they arrive in school warmed up and ready for action. Míle buíochas also to Ms Girard and Ms Reilly who coordinate our Coiste Glas.

### **Thank You**

A huge thank you to our fabulous Parents Association for organising book rental, uniforms, outdoor refreshments for new parents and much more besides. Scoil Cholmcille is looking extra dapper with lots of trimming, cutting, tidying, scrubbing and sweeping carried out recently. A special word of thanks to all the merry men and women who gave their time so generously. We truly have a marvellous school community here in Skryne.

#### **First Communion and First Penance**

First Penance for the Second Class of 2021/22 will be held on Wednesday, September  $22^{nd}$  at 7.30pm. The same children will receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday, October  $2^{nd}$  at 11.00am. We hope the boys and girls, along with their families, have a safe, enjoyable and spiritual day.

# **Skryne Community Alert**

There have been a number of incidents around the county of crimes involving the impersonation of Gardai. The most recent incident occurred in Dunboyne on Tuesday September 14th at 9.20am. Two men, carrying what looked like a Garda badge, called to the home of an elderly gentleman under the pretence of showing him 50 euro notes which they claimed belonged to him. Thankfully the gentleman became suspicious, and the males left empty handed.

Don't open your door to anyone before you have confirmed who it is and what they want. Ring your local Garda Station immediately to report any of these callers to your home.

We ask you to be vigilant and keep an eye on your neighbours, particularly the elderly and vulnerable. Report suspicious persons/vehicles to Gardaí immediately on o1 801 0600.

Please pass this advice on to those in our community who may not read this newsletter.

**REMEMBER IF IN DOUBT KEEP THEM OUT.** 

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# **Movie Review**

### Darragh O'Dowd

Why is it that the worst people are often the most entertaining? This time we're going to look at a genre full of crime, violence and greed - the gangster genre. Here is my top three, must-see gangster movies;



## Goodfellas (1990)

Martin Scorsese's (arguably) greatest film in his illustrious career, *Goodfellas* is also (arguably) the greatest mob movie ever made. Funny, thrilling and dramatic, the film takes us through the rise of Henry Hill (thrillingly portrayed by Ray Liotta) as a powerful mob associate, and the fall as he becomes a paranoid, cocaine-dealing FBI informant. Robert De Niro is excellent as the charming Irish gangster who becomes gradually more sinister as the movie progresses, Lorraine Bracco gives a complex and interesting performance as Henry's wife who becomes entwined in the mob life, but the greatest performance is of Joe Pesci, who steals the show as a psychotic and mentally unhinged gangster. Expertly directed (the long tracking-shot through the Copacabana night club is a highlight) and superbly acted, *Goodfellas* a gangster classic.

## Pulp Fiction (1994)

It is hard to dedicate *Pulp Fiction's* greatness to one thing. It's standout performances? It's extreme violence? If I had to guess, I would say Quentin Tarantino's Oscar-winning movie is driven by it's subtle, articulate and pop-culture-heavy dialogue. The nonlinear plot follows an interwoven group of colourful characters in intricate detail, with such dark humour you'll laugh in spite of yourself. If I were to list just some of the excellent performances, it features perfect comebacks from John Travolta and Bruce Willis, a seductive and articulate Uma Thurman, and a magnetic and scene stealing Samuel L. Jackson. With a soundtrack that punctuates the mood and lines you'll be quoting for years, *Pulp Fiction* has everything necessary to make you watch it over and over.





## The Godfather (1972)

Often cited as the greatest movie ever made, *The Godfather* is a masterfully executed look at mob life. Directed excellently by Francis Ford Coppola, the film stars Al Pacino, in one of his most understated roles, James Caan, who gives a volatile performance as the eldest son of the Corleone family, Robert Duvall, who brilliantly portrays their almost brother but who will always be an outsider of the family, and a scene-stealing performance from Marlon Brando as Don Vito Corleone, which revitalised his career after fading in the 60s. With iconic scenes and dialogue that have become staples of pop culture, *The Godfather* gave a look at mob life the way no film had before and remains one of the most revolutionary and impactful films in the history of cinema.

If you're looking for more gangster movies, check out Fargo, The Godfather Part II, The Departed, City of God, No Country for Old Men, Léon and In Bruges.

# **Rathfeigh National School**

### Seamus Tansley

The weeks have flown by since returning to school after the summer holidays. The children and teachers alike have settled back into a routine and it now feels like we were never away! We are particularly proud of our new Junior Infants who have settled into their new surroundings exceptionally well. We hope everyone has an enjoyable, happy and safe term.

### **Enrolments for September 2022**

We will be starting to accept applications for the 2022/23 school on October 1st. We will be ceasing accepting applications on March 1st. Our Admission Policy and Annual Admission Notice are on the school website. If you would like to enrol your child please log onto the school website (rathfeighns.org) to download a form. If you would like to make an appointment please contact Helen in the office (0419825156).

### **Open Day**

On Saturday October 16th from 11am to 3pm we are having an Open Day to give prospective parents/guardians of children an opportunity to visit the school to see the excellent facilities we have to offer and to talk to the principal and teachers. If you are free to call to the school on this date please call at any time from 11am to 3pm Rathfeigh National School is an excellent school with excellent teachers and we have a huge amount to offer any child that comes to our school - Literacy Lift Off Reading Programme, Sensory Room, Computer Room, Gaelic Football and Rounders' coaching, Orienteering in Balrath Wood, Swimming in Navan Swimming Pool, Book Fairs, Halloween Fancy Dress/Pumpkin, competition, Talent Shows, Jumble Sales, Friendship Weeks, Jersey Days, School Tours, Field Trips to Newgrange, Hill of Tara etc, Defibrilator, Tin Whistle, Easter Egg hunt, Football Pitch just to mention a few! We look forward to hearing from you. If you are unable to attend please contact the school to make an appointment to view the school.

### **Sensory Room**

We are delighted to have our Sensory Room up and running. A huge amount of effort, time and fundraising went into the establishment of the Sensory Room. The room will be very beneficial and will be used by the children if they feel stressed or anxious. We hope the sensory room will promote socialisation, improve focus, stimulate the senses and help children de-stress. We will be delighted to show our new Sensory Room to parents/guardians when visiting the school on our Open Day. We hope to have an official opening of the Sensory Room before Halloween.

### **First Communion/First Confession**

The First Communion/First Confession which was due to be held in May is now due to happen on Saturday October 9th in Rathfeigh Church at 11am. Of course nothing is certain in life, particularly with Covid-19 never too far from the news, but we hope the sacraments can go ahead this time. I know the children and their parents/guardians have been frustrated by the cancellations so hopefully nothing will happen in the next few weeks to prevent it going ahead. We look forward to this special day and we hope the children and their families enjoy their spiritual day.

### **Roald Dahl Day**

We celebrated Roald Dahl Day in the school on Monday 13th September. Roald Dahl is one of the best known children's authors of all time. He has written Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, The BFG, Matilda, The Twits just to mention a few. The children came to school on Monday dressed up as their favourite characters from their favourite Roald Dahl books. Their knowledge of the books and its characters was extensive. Various fun activities were enjoyed during the course of the day – words-searches, story writing and art. The children went home with smiles on their faces particularly when they heard they had no homework. Some pictures of the day can be seen below.

### Jersey Day. Jersey Day. Jersey Day!!!

We had our first Jersey Day of the year to celebrate the Meath Minors winning the All-Ireland for the first time since 1992. Our second Jersey Day resulted from the Meath Ladies winning the All-Ireland for the first time. Their victory came as a surprise to many which made their achievement worth celebrating even more. We had our third Jersey Day on the Friday prior to the All-Ireland between Mayo and Tyrone. Mayo jerseys outnumbered the Tyrone jerseys but the day was thoroughly enjoyed by all. We had a few fun activities including Gaelic Football matches, crossbar challenges and penalty shoot-outs. Pictures of Jersey Day can be viewed on the school website (rathffeighns.org).

### The "Great Rathfeigh Bake Off"

The children in 1st and 2nd class had great fun making buns in school last week. They made Queen cakes which were expertly decorated to a very high standard. They looked the part in their aprons and not being afraid to get their hands dirty. I wouldn't be surprised if we have a few future bakers in our midst. Pictures can be viewed below.

### **After-School Activities**

Unfortunately, Covid-19 impacted negatively on after-school activities over the last few years. I'm delighted to say that our after-school activities will be up and running next week. The activities are fantastic for the social and personal development of the children and we hope parents/guardians will avail of this great opportunity for their children. The following are the list of activities. Kelvin may also be returning on one of the days for basketball. We welcome children outside of Rathfeigh NS also for these activities. If you would like more information about these activities or if you would like to run an activity please contact the school

TUESDAY	Speech and Drama
WEDNESDAY	Irish Dancing
FRIDAY	Gymnastics

### **Transition Year Pupils**

We are always welcoming of Transition Year pupils returning to our school to complete part of their work experience. It's great to see these students eager to return to us and we are always delighted to see their maturity and confidence and also their desire and enthusiasm to help the class teachers with their activities in the school. Josh is with us at the moment on Fridays and he is doing a superb job. Well done Josh. Please contact the school if your child would like to do some work experience with us. We can only accommodate a certain amount due to Covid so please e-mail the school as soon as possible and we will try our best to accommodate you.

### **Gaelic Football/Rugby Coaching**

We are hoping to have Damien back to the school in the next few weeks to do Gaelic Football coaching with the children in all classes. In the meantime Gaelic Football training has started for the pupils in 3rd to 6th. Myself and Ms Reynolds will be training our school football teams this year. The Cumann na mBunscol competitions won't be starting until after Halloween at the earliest.

Our rugby coach Kevin (Ashbourne Rugby Club) is no longer in his role at Ashbourne but he's promised to send someone in his place in his absence later in the school year.



















**Positivity Quote "IF I CANNOT DO GREAT THINGS, I CAN DO SMALL THINGS IN A GREAT WAY"** (Martin Luther King Jr)

# Night Sky September 2021

#### by Tony Canavan

Sunrise: 07:30 am

**Moon:** October 6th – New Moon (no moon visible)

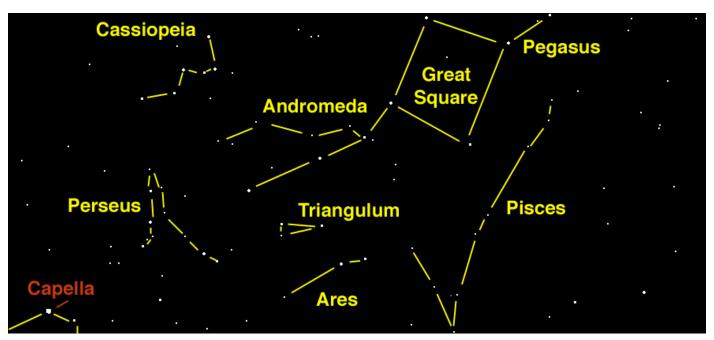
October 13th - First Quarter (half-moon visible)

### October 20th – Full Moon

**Sunset**: 7:10 pm

**October 28th** – Last Quarter (half-moon visible)

Night sky looking East In October



You can see the W of **Cassiopeia** pointing towards the **Andromeda galaxy**. Under Andromeda is the Triangulum galaxy in the constellation **Triangulum**. Under that is Aries and then rising under Aries the **Pleiades** and under that again is the V shape of the horns of **Taurus**. To the left is a chain of stars running south making **Perseus** and it is all dominated by the very bright star of Capella.

Try and find the star **Polaris** further to the left which is always stationery in the sky as everything else rotates around it. Follow the end of the 'bucket' of the Big Dipper (star Dubhe) and it leads you to Polaris.

**Throughout October** you can continue to view **Jupiter and Saturn.** Anyone with a small telescope should see at least four moons around Jupiter and the rings of Saturn. The latter was spectacular in the September sky.

### October 5th:

Uranus is under constellation Aries

Neptune is under the constellation Pegasus

Jupiter is under constellation Aquarius

Saturn is in Capricornus

### **October 10th:**

In the West after sunset there is a close approach of **Crescent Moon , Venus and** between them the star Antares all in Scorpio.

### October 14th:

**Jupiter and Saturn** make a close approach to the Moon in Capricornus

### **October 20th:**

Full Moon called the Sanguine Moon or **Hunter Moon** bringing positivity in hard and difficult times. It is a great time for us to admire the beauty of our moon with naked eye, binoculars or telescope.

### October 21st:

The **Orionid Meteor shower** is the best meteor shower of the month. Caused by the debris of the famous Haley's comet. The peak is on 21st October with meteors falling at a rate of 15 -20 meteors per hour Look towards the constellation of Orion the radiant point of the shower between 1130 pm to 530 am.

### October 25th:

This is the best morning to see Mercury. It reaches its greatest western elongation of  $18^{\circ}$  on 25th October. Mornings within about a week of this time will be you best opportunities to view the magnitude -0.6 planet in the predawn sky. At 0624 Mercury will rise in the East and reach an altitude of  $15^{\circ}$  above the horizon before sunrise.

### Mars perseverance Rover:

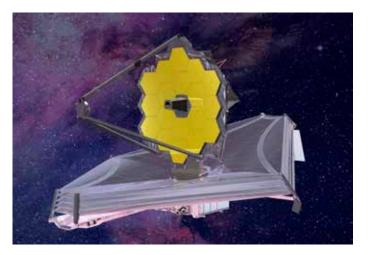
The rover took some samples of rocks in September. The scientist in charge of the mission stated that "it looks like our first samples reveal a potentially sustained environment". It is believed now that water was on Mars for a very long period of time. These samples need to be returned to earth for full analysis.

### Launch of 'The James Webb Telescope":

The Webb Telescope will be launched from Arianespace's launch site in **French Guiana on 18th December 2021**. It is an advantage to launch close to the equator as the spin of the earth is greatest and gives the rocket an addition push.

Webb will be able to see high redshift objects. As electromagnetic radiation (light) travels through an expanding space its wavelength is stretched and so there are somethings which are too old and too distant for Hubble to observe. Webb will be able to look further back into the history of the universe so that much of what scientists believe about the beginnings of the universe can actually be observed.

The telescope is designed to fold like a complex piece of origami. The primary mirror is 21 feet across but has been manufactured in segments so the assembly can be collapsed down to fit into the rocket. The amazing stages and deployment of this telescope can be seen on YouTube. This has been a very complex and very expensive project so everything crossed for a successful deployment. Failure is definitely not an option.



## Famous Astronomers: The Reverend Monsignor Georges Lemaitre (1894-1966)

He was a priest, mathematician and astronomer. He was the first to theorize about the expawnding universe, later observed by Edwin Hubble, even though it became known as Hubble's Law. He published the first estimation of the Hubble Constant (the amount of expansion) two years before Hubble. He also proposed the 'Big Bang Theory' for the origin of the universe. He served as an artillery officer during World War I and received the Belgian War Cross. Later at Cambridge he worked with Arthur Eddington who introduced him to cosmology.



Einstein had refused to accept that the universe was expanding relying on the static universe model. Einstein remarked to Lamaitre that 'Your mathematics is correct, but your physics is atrocious'. Einstein of course came to accept the expanding universe because Hubble actually observed it. To me the greatest compliment that could be bestowed on Lemaitre is that most scientists believe that he was actually a better mathematician than Einstein. Praise indeed! Although he was a devout Catholic all his life, receiving many religious honours from Catholic Universities, Cardinals and Popes, he remained opposed to the mixing of science with religion.

He died on 20th June 1966 having learned of the discovery of **The Cosmic Microwave Background Radiation**, which provided evidence of his proposal about the birth of the universe. Today that stretched out microwave radiation, a key prediction of the Big Bang Theory, has been observed and mapped by modern satellites.

#### **China:**

China has become a major player when it comes to spacecraft.



The latest proposal from China is to build a space station 'kilometres' long.

An ultra large spacecraft with a low earth orbit would allow China to have long duration missions and the ultilization of space resourses. The spacecraft elements would be built on earth and would be assembled in space.

But it may prove to be too costly. The International Space Station (ISS) has required 232 missions to assemble and maintain it costing so far a total of \$150 billion . Annual cost of operation is \$4 billion. The ISS is only 109 metres long.

# Thoughts on a day in Late September

Another summer over and another year almost gone. Now autumn is upon us, in a hurry to show off its new colours of russet and brown like the princes of the rag trade eager to tempt us away from the pastel colours of summer. For those among us who have lived over half a century, we see intimations of our mortality everywhere. The swallows departing for sunnier climes. Will they even make the return journey next April?

This year the number of young swallows has been greatly decreased by three sparrowhawks who seemed to hang over our fields with alarming alacrity.

The last rose of summer with faded yellow petals, is a poignant sight as it clings to its thorny branch following a night of showers. Is it mimicking us humans I wonder as I gaze out the window?

The old, gnarled apple trees have barely managed to hold onto a dozen apples this year, the remainder were swept away by strong gusts before they had a chance to mature. Not so, the two proud youngsters who are heavy with fruit in varying shades of green and yellow. Even the Deora De (God`s Tears) or fuschia bushes are displaying their last magnificent flash of colour while a half -dazed wasp hovers nearby.

Speaking of insects, only last week, my friend a proud city dweller for her entire life took a stroll with me along an old laneway, rarely used now by anyone apart from the farmer who owns the beautiful Connemara ponies in a nearby field. Further on we stopped to stroke the friendly bay horse who neighed at us as he extended his long neck over the gate.

Some minutes later, we moved on but suddenly my friend gave a little cry of pain. She explained that it seemed like a sharp needle had pierced her upper left arm and when she removed her sleeve a small angry patch appeared on her skin. I guessed immediately that she had been bitten by a horsefly as I had been bitten many times by horseflies when I was a child, so I knew all the symptoms. In the end we cut our walk short and returned home where fortunately I had some antiseptic cream to apply to the swollen area. I told her how an elderly veterinarian had informed me some years ago that a horsefly when placed under a microscope has mandibles which resemble jagged saws. And they use these to rip and slice the flesh apart to ingest blood from their victim.

However, only females of the species feed on the blood of mammals as males literally stick to nectar and pollen. The good news is that horseflies only live a few days, but they certainly make the most of their time on this earth!

And to finish, the first verse from one of Patrick Kavanagh`s magnificent poems. Who among you cannot taste and smell those scrumptious apples? Or experience a sense of otherworldliness?

### **Threshing Morning**

On an apple -ripe September morning Through the mist -chill fields I went With a pitchfork on my shoulder Less for use than for devilment.

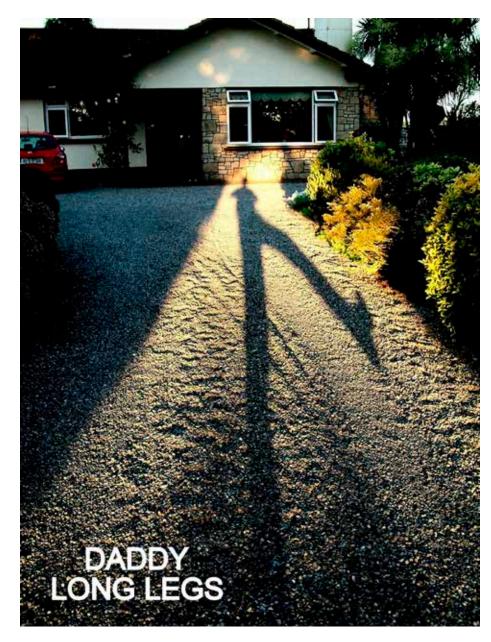


### **TUESDAY CLUB**

The Tuesday Club's next trip on Wednesday 20th October is to the Irish Military War Museum in Collon, Co.Meath. It has exhibits from 1916, WW 1 & 2; Vietnam and the Gulf War. Not to be missed. If you intend to travel, please book with Dermot, Michael or Maurice NO LATER than the 10th of October .



Isobel Quinlan singing Amhrán na bhFiann in McManus Park, Skryne



### **Points To Ponder** Anxious neighbour?

If you have elderly neighbours who are on their own, it is worth bearing in mind that many of them will have been hit by pandemic anxiety. They may feel frightened to leave their homes. Such is the finding of a recent study by the University of Cambridge and Imperial College London into the effects of the pandemic on the elderly. So, any act of neighbourly kindness on your part may be most welcome. Helpful jobs such as tidying the garden, doing some shopping, running errands, and simply sitting outside with them over a cup of tea might be greatly appreciated.

### **KNITTING GROUP**

Our knitting group will resume on Thursday September 30th in RST Community Centre at 11am.

Resumption of our group has been eagerly awaited. If you are interested in knitting or crafting you are very welcome to come along and check us out. Our gatherings are informal where we exchange ideas while we knit and catch up on local chitchat. We finish off with a cuppa & homemade goodies.

Everybody attending needs to adhere to current COVID guidelines. For further information call Patricia 086 838 8017





Find the 8 differences hidden in these two seemingly identical pictures



Can you solve this Dingbats challenge? Answers to the wingdings are directly below the quiz



1 Bulldozer, 2 Condescending, 3 Defeat, 4 Making Ends Meet, 5 Sailing On The Seven Seas, 6 I Before E Except After C, 7 Singing In The Rain, 8 Captain Hook, 9 Paradox, 10 Feeling Under The Weather, 11 Side Salad, 12 Paradise

Answers to Dingbats challenge



### **Some Awfull Jokes**



**Fox** I called the ISPCA today to report I had just found a suitcase in the woods containing a fox and four cubs. "That's terrible," she said. "Are they moving?"

"I'm not sure, to be honest," I replied, "But that would explain the suitcase."



### Flying bishop

The new Bishop wanted a bird's eye view of his new diocese, so he had an idea. He rang his local airfield to charter a flight, and was told that a twin-engine plane would be waiting for him. Arriving at the airfield, the bishop spotted a plane warming up outside a hangar. He jumped in, slammed the door shut, and shouted, "Let's go!"

At once the pilot taxied out, swung the plane into the wind and took off. Once in the air, the bishop spent several minutes enjoying the views, and looking for local landmarks.

Finally, he instructed the pilot, "Fly down the valley now and make low passes so I can take pictures of some of the best of the old parish churches." "Why?" asked the pilot.

"Because I'm the new bishop," he replied happily, adjusting his camera, "and I want some good aerial views of my diocese."

The pilot was silent for a moment. Finally he stammered, "So, what you're telling me, is, you're NOT my instructor?"





## Candlehill, Oberstown, Tara, Co. Meath, C15 RK54.



## Condolences

We extend our sympathy to the

- Rita Critchley, Cabragh on the death of her sister in law Mary Bebbington, Clondalkin.
- To Martin Gillett Greenpark, on the death of his mother Pauline, Artane
- To Kathleen Smyth, on the death of her sister Marie O'Keefe, Clonsilla

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