

Local High Jumpers Continue to Impress at Leinster and All-Ireland level.

Three local athletes competed and came away with medals at the recent Leinster indoor championships held in Nenagh. Katie Moore won a bronze medal in the girls U16 high jump, Shane Crawley won a silver medal in the U16 high jump and Paul Bannon took gold in the U15 High Jump . (Pictured above)

The three were back in action at last weekend's All-Ireland indoor event in Nenagh. All three put in good performances with Shane Crawley taking a bronze medal in a very competitive u16 competition. Training under the guidance of their coach Dessie Gough over the winter months has paid dividend & all three can look forward to the outdoor season and hopefully some more exciting competitions.

THE LATE PADDY NIXON

The sudden death of Paddy Nixon, Berrillstown, on Holy Thursday evening caused widespread shock in Skryne and the surrounding areas. In his late 50's Paddy was a keen motorbike fanatic and was the proud possessor of a Honda Goldwing.

In a poignant sight, members of the Leinster branch of the Honda Goldwing society escorted the remains from his home to the Church of St Colmcille, for the funeral Mass on Easter Sunday. In his homily Fr Joe Gleeson referred to Paddy as a man who was always willing to do a good deed for anybody in need, and who helped him out on many occasions. Paddy will be sadly missed by many.

SUCCESS FOR LOCAL SYNDICATE

Dodder Walk gave the "Eight that Scone" syndicate their maiden success when winning the Charleville Handicap in Cork on Saturday 7th April. The syndicate has eight members, they are: Alan Egan from Dunshaughlin, Ciaran Murphy, Cyrile CArty, David Rogan, Willie Rogan, Owen Greally, Felim O'Rourke and Gavin Cromwell who also trains Dodder Walk at his stables in Danestown, Balrath. Dodder Walk was having his 5th run for the Syndicate since they bought him in April 06. A great night was had by all in Cork on the evening of the race and hopefully there will be a few more days like that over the coming months.



Pictured after the race from left: Kevin Morley, Ronan O'Rourke, Andy Curry, Felim O'Rourke, Andrew Lynch (Jockey), Cian Byrne, Cyril Carty, Gavin Cromwell and Ciaran Murphy

RATHFEIGH HISTORICAL SOCIETY Photographic Exhibition July 8th



Can you name them

Our recent photographic exhibition was a great success and thanks to all those who came to view it. We will show it again after the Ceremonies on Cemetery Sunday which is **Sunday 8th July at 11am**, and we have been given lots more lovely old photos.

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 15th May at 8.30pm** in Skryne Hall. New Members welcome



Skryne G.F.C.

Senior Football Championship - Sunday 15th April

Skryne 1-12, Kilmainhamwood 0-7

Skryne opened the scoring in their first senior championship match this year with a point fisted over the bar by David Lynch and the Tara men didn't fall behind for the rest of the game. Felim O'Rourke notched up another three points, one from play and two frees, before the rest of Skrynes forwards managed to score a point each from play including substitute Jamie Jordan, scoring a point from play after being on the pitch only a minute.

Skryne led by three points at half-time, 0-9 to 0-6, and dominated the second half, Kilmainhamwood only managed to score one point after the interval. Brian Byrne scored Skrynes goal after 37 mins of play and Aidan Tuite had a shot on goal blocked three mins later after an notable run through the Kilmainhamwood defense. Brian Smith and mid-fielder Kevin Mulvany finished off the scoring for Skryne with a point apiece, bringing the impressive tally of scorers to nine. Best for Skryne on the day were Goalkeeper Patrick O'Rourke, Vinny O'Reilly, Trevor Giles, Mick O'Dowd and Feilm O'Rourke.

Skryne: Patrick O'Rourke, James Looby, Mark Harrington, David Rogan, James Gibbons, Johnny Quinn, Vinny O'Reilly, Aidan Tuite, Kevin Mulvany (0-1), Brian Byrne (1-1), Trevor Giles (0-1), David McGoldrick (0-1), Mick O'Dowd (0-1), David Lynch (0-1), Felim O'Rourke (0-4, 3f) Subs: Jamie Jordan (0-1) for David McGoldrick 28mins, Andrew Curry for James Looby 36mins, Brian Smith (0-1) for David Lynch 44mins.

Skryne V's Wolfe Tones - 4th April 2007 – A league Skryne 1-9, Wolfe Tones 2-5

Skryne recorded their third win from 4 starts in the A league competition against county champions Wolfe Tones on a sunny evening in Kilberry. Wolfe tones opened the scoring with a point from play after 7 minutes and Skryne promptly replied with a goal from Mick O'Dowd and two quick points. Wolfe Tones brought the score back to the minimum with a Darren McGrath goal on 11 minutes but Skryne pulled away again, with James Gibbons, Kevin Mulvany, Mick O'Dowd and David Lynch all scoring from play to leave the Tara Men leading by three points going in at half time. Good marking by Vinny O'Reilly kept Wolfe Tones David O'Neill from getting a shot on goals at the end of the first half.

Half time score Skryne 1-6, Wolfe Tones 1-3

Skryne Full forward Felim O'Rourke started off the second half with a point after 2 minutes before Niall McLoughlin replied for the home team. Brian Byrne and O'Rourke added 2 additional points and Skryne managed to hold on to their lead even though Alan Fox scored a goal in the 58th minute to bring the teams back to within a point of each other at the full time whistle. Skryne were unlucky not to have won this game by a greater margin after missing several scoring chances during the game, but it was encouraging to see all of Skryne's scores coming from play. Best for Skryne were James Looby, Vinny O'Reilly, Midfielder Kevin Mulvany and the two corner forwards, Mick O'Dowd and David Lynch.

Team: Brian Smith, James Looby, Vinny O'Reilly, David Rogan, James Gibbons (0-1), Trevor Giles, Dwyane Beaton, Aidan Tuite, Kevin Mulvany (0-1), Brian Byrne, David McGoldrick, James Hegarty (0-1), Mick O'Dowd (1-2), Felim O'Rourke (0-2), David Lynch (0-2). Subs: Jamie Jordan for James Hegarty 38mins

Mark Jordan for Brian Byrne 48mins

Junior Football Championship - Sunday 15th April

Skryne 1-9, Slane 2-7

Skryne went in at half time only a goal down after three Allan Carty points, two from play and one free and Two point from play from David Ryan. Skryne made a comeback in the last 15mins of play, after going 7 points down, slane having scored a goal after 5mins of play in the second half, Cyril Carty scored a goal and a point and also two frees scored by Allan Carty, but Slane, who hadn't scored since the 9th minute of the second half, managed to hang on to their lead and win by the narrowest of margins. David Ryan, James Hegarty and Mark Jordan were the best for Skryne.

Skryne: Eddie Dunne, Micky Reilly, Cillian McManus, Louis Gilsenan, Des McIvinny, Dwayne Beaton, Tommy Farnan, Mark Jordan, David Harrington, David Ryan (0-2), Cyril Carty (1-1), Ciaran Finnerty, James Hegarty, Allan Carty (0-6,3f), Ronan McCabe. Subs: Johnny Jordan for Tommy Farnan 48mins, Anthony Donnelly for Ciaran Finnerty 57mins.

SKRYNE GFC - ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

Knightsbrook Golf Club Trim Friday May 4th 2007

€500.00 per team • €150.00 to sponsor a Tee Box Limited spaces available Contact John Burke 086 2215803 Oliver Harrington 086 8177978

Skryne GFC - MEITHEAL

(WORK DAY)

At Skryne GFC grounds on Saturday 28th April from 10am – 1pm Please come along and help out

CONDOLENCES:

The club passed votes of sympathy with the Nixon family on the death of Paddy and Seamus Sheridan on the death of his brother.

SKRYNE JUVENILES & LADIES

Skryne Under 10 girls team has started this year's championship with a bang, after recording two fine victories over Moynalvey and Blackhall Gaels with a scoreline of Skryne 6-9 Blackhall Gaels 0-0 and against Moynalvey they had to up their game but battled like a team that had been playing together for years. I think any parent there to see them were as happy as the players themselves, so here is hoping they have some more good results. Their panel is as follows: Ann Cowan, Siann Lennon, Aoife Swan, Karen Russell, Roisin Brennan, Eimear O'Brien, Aisling Kellegher, Ciara Tobin, Rachel Irwin, Sarah Halpin, Ailish Green, Joesifa Fox, Sophie Rooney, Muireann Coyle.

Under 12 girls started their championship on wednesday 18th April against Bective with a panel of 20 players and we managed to give them all a game. They recorded a good win after all their training but as was seen theree is nothing like a match to get them moving and trying to play together as some of the players looked rusty but like last year they have a great heart and keep battling for the ball and got a final result of Skryne 2-11 Bective 0-2. But as we know we will have a lot tougher opponents to come. Sorry we can not name the panel as its too large to print.

P.S. To all parents out there with girls from 8 years on, get them out to training on Saturday from 12 to 10 clock and also parents are welcome along to help or just to see the enjoyment their children get out of the sport.

BLOTTO RESULTS

SUNDAY 11th MARCH

Jackpot not won - €40 each to:

John Wilkinson, Frank Moran, Mia McCarty, Kevin Tobin

SUNDAY 18th MARCH

Jackpot not won - €40 each to:

Cathy Rock, John O'Rourke, Sean Whyte, Frank Moran

SUNDAY 25th MARCH

Jackpot not won - €40 each to:

Christy Dorman, Vincent Ludlow, Fergal Barry, Ursula McCabe

SUNDAY 1st APRIL

Jackpot not won - €40 each to:

O'Kane Family, Patrick Battersby, Anthony Mulvany Shelly Shields

Next week's jackpot: €3,000

Thank-you for your support.

M3 Goes Ahead

By now it should be obvious to anyone passing by that work on the new M3 is rapidly increasing. Archaeological work is intensifying, preliminary site clearance work is progressing and large exvcavators are beginning to appear. The high court's dismissal of An Taisce's appeal against the motorway would seem to mark the end of attempts to halt the controversial project. Whether we think it is a good project or a deplorable and unnecessary destruction of a valuable landscape – the Skryne/Tara valley – the M3 is going ahead.

The NRA has set up a comprehensive website www.m3motorway.ie, which provides information and copies of the archaeological reports. The NRA has identified the ICON consortium as providing the most economically advantageous tender and have entered discussions with ICON. The M3 will be a tolled road. more information can be found on the NRA's website www.nra.ie.

THANK YOU.....

On behalf of Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind and through your newsletter I would like to thank the people who supported so generously the Easter Raffle held in Tara P.O. The wonderful sum of €1,300 was raised which as a guide dog owner I am thrilled with as are the Association I represent. A very special thanks must go to Mary Clark in the p.o. and her friends Kathleen, Joan and Gerry who are tireless supporters of ours. Thank you everybody who bought a ticket or in any other way supported the raffle on behalf of guide dogs.

Tom O'Neill Guide Dog Owner.

Margaret Hayes would like to thank the people of Skryne and Rathfeigh for their generosity to the Church gate collection in aid of Autism. 900 euro was donated.

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"Midway" the association of parents and friends of people with intellectual disability sent a letter of thanks to Denis Farrell following the annual church gate collection which this year raised the sum of 809 euro 18 cent.

Fiona Cromwell wishes to thank all who supported her coffee morning in aid of Meath branch M.S. Society held in Maguire's Hill of Tara. A special thanks to Michael Maguire who sponsored the Coffee and scones.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Josie Snowdon on receiving a Long Service Award medal for her services to Riding for the disabled. Riding takes place every Wednesday afternoon at Pelletstown Riding Centre and new volunteers would be very welcome. For further information ring Liz 086-8416619.



Anne Gray makes her acceptance speech having captained the Stackallen Tennis team to victory in the Dublin Winter League beating Newtown Park in the final at Sutton Tennis club.
Watching is the President of the Dublins Lawn Tennis Council.

MEATH PEACE GROUP PUBLIC TALKS APRIL/MAY2007

Monday, 23rd April (Public talk no. 66). 'Making peace with the past – options for truth recovery'

Venue: St Columban's College, Dalgan Park, Navan, Co. Meath (8pm)

Speakers from various groups including: Healing Through Remembering (Belfast), Justice for the Forgotten (Dublin/Monaghan), West Tyrone Voice and others (names to be confirmed). Chair: Dr. Richard Clarke, Bishop of Meath and Kildare

Note: the title for this talk is taken from the recent report of the Healing Through Remembering Truth Recovery and Acknowledgment Sub-Group: 'Making Peace with the past-options for truth recovery regarding the conflict in and about Northern Ireland'.

The report identified and assessed 5 options with regard to truth recovery which the group offers for discussion: 1) 'Drawing a line under the past', 2) Internal organisational investigations, 3) Community-based 'bottom-up' truth recovery, 4) A truth recovery commission, and, 5) A commission of historical clarification. The report may be obtained from the HTR office, 17a Ormeau Ave, Belfast, tel 04890238844; info@healingthroughremembering.org.

Copies may also be downloaded from www.healingthroughremembering.org

Monday 21st May (public talk no. 67): 'A Shared Future: Ballymena'

Venue: Newgrange Hotel, Navan, Co. Meath (8pm)

SPEAKERS: Jackie Patton (Community Relations Officer, Ballymena Borough Council), Delia Close (Vice-Chair, District Policing Partnership, Ballymena), and others (names to be confirmed).

This is the third talk in our series on the 'Shared Future' document and its implementation at local and regional levels.

Transcripts of the previous talks on this theme (63 and 65) and most of our previous talks are available in the archives section of our website www.meathpeacegroup.org

ROADSIDE SPRINGCLEAN

A cleanup of the Oberstown, Macetown, Edoxtown and Ross Cross to Swans roadsides will take place next Saturday April 28th All residents who wish to participate should assemble at Dr. Clarke's car park at 11 a.m. For further details contact Brigid. Phone no.: 046-9025284 or Patricia 046-9025771

RATHFEIGH & RIVERSTOWN RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Congratulations and thanks to all who gave time and effort to the recent road cleanup. A full skipload was collected in this great community operation. T Doyle: Sec, D Geary: Chairman

CONDOLONCES

To the Nixon family on the death of Paddy.
The Sheridan and McIntyre families on the
death of Seamus and Kitty's brother, Bart, and
Elizabeth Hickey O'Donoghue on the death of
her mother.

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RATHFEIGH PARENTS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION GOLF CLASSIC

Friday 18th May 2007, Ashbourne Golf Club

The committee is busy with final preparations for our first annual golf classic which will take place on Friday 18th May 2007, at Ashbourne Golf Club, any teams wishing to take part can obtain the timesheet by phoning 087 2655523. If you are unable to take part on the day but would still like to make a contribution you can sponsor a tee, please contact the committee for details. The day's events will conclude with a social evening at the Snailbox public house, Kilmoon from 9.00pm onwards, entry will be free and there will be D.J.s and a raffle during the course of the evening as well as the prize giving for the tournament, so please come along and join us, we look forward to seeing you all, then.

SKRYNE TARA AFC

As everybody knows by now Skryne Tara was formed this season by the amalgamation of the tow local clubs Skryne Rangers and Tara F.C. The aim was to make one much strong club both on and off the field and while we are certainly stronger and close to promotion on the field, other aspects of running the club can still be difficult. Manpower and finance being the two biggest headaches - so help on both fronts would be very much appreciated.

In the past Skryne Rangers have been helped by Blacktop Tarmacadam, Frank Swan, the Doyle brothers (Oliver and the late Paddy) and Kevin McManus, while Tara relied on Sean Fox, Mick Fitzsimons, Michael Maguire, Tara and Sean Curry of Homeloans. As one club Skryne Tara are grateful to all these people for their help, also to A & J Print for supply of tickets, posters etc. when necessary. Continued support from all these people is very much appreciate.

Picture shows Irma Fox, Tony Carolan, Chairman, Declan Fox, Sponsor and Dermot Carty, Secretary.

The Skryne Tara under 8s, 9s and 10s have just completed the season of 7-a-side games at the MDL complex in Navan. To say they were successful would be putting it mildly as all three age groups reached either final or semi finals of their respective competitions. Full report and pictures in next issue of RST. The club sends best wishes Tony Crocock, in Beaumont Hospital, for a speedy recovery.



PROMOTIONIAL DECIDER:

Skryne Tara v Termonfeckin at Tara A.C. Grounds, Ross Cross on Sunday 22nd April at 11.15am. Please come out and support the local team. Admission free.

SKRYNE TARA UNDERAGE SOCCER AGM

The Skryne Tara Underage Soccer Club Annual General Meeting will take place on Thursday 17th May in Skryne Hall at 9pm sharp.

Items to consider:

The possibility of boys Under 11 soccer next year.

The possibility of starting girls soccer at u.8 and u.11.

We will also need help coaching new teams and existing teams. Please come along. Your attendance will be very much appreciated. *Geraldine Clarke*, *Secretary*.



NEXT ISSUE

SATURDAY 19TH MAY

All articles etc. to be submitted before

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RATHFEIGH PITCH & PUTT CLUB

The following officers were elected at the 2007 AGM: Presidents: Molly Pigott, Kevin Lynch, Joe Tobin; Chairman: Des Caffrey; Vice Chairman: Anto Grendon; Secretary: Kathleen Grendon; Assistant Secretary: Dee Mills, Treasurer: Billy Cleary; Assistant Treasurer: Molly Pigott; Competition Secretaries: Eugene Morgan and Joan Caffrey; Lady Captain: Dee Mills; Gents Captain: Dick Walsh; PRO: Joan Caffrey; Coach & Juvenile Officers: Bill Mills and Stephen Lynch; Delegates to County Board: Anto Grendon and Des Caffrey.

Committee: Maisie Reilly, Katty McGrane, Nicko Lynch, Colm Lynch and above officers.

Why not come and join in some great exercise. Membership fees as follows:

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Family			€115
Husband and Wife:			€100
Ladies/Gents			€60
Senior Citizens			€45
Students			€35
Juveniles			€20
Green Fees			€5
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We play every Sunday at 2.15 pm.

We also have a card game every Tuesday night in the Clubhouse at 9pnm (**Three Fifteens**). Tea and biscuits served. Everybody welcome.

Results of Skryne/Rathfeigh Community Games Art Competition

1st and 2nd will go on to Meath County Competition in Dunshaughlin on Saturday 28th April at 9.30am

U.8 Girls: 1. Niamh McGovern; 2. Evie Cunnian; 3. Tara Leonard.

U.8 Boys: 1. David Hawe; 2. Colm Doherty; 3. Eoghan Ouinn.

U.10 Girls: 1. Anne Cowan; 2. Lisa O'Brien; 3. Roisin Brennan;

U.10 Boys: 1. Colm McLoughlin; 2. Jamie Cunnian Murphy,3. Matthew Rattigan.

U.12 Girls: 1. Niamh O'Brien; 2. Chloe Foley; 3. Samantha Byrne.

U. 12 Boys: 1. Cian Weldon; 2. Jason Fox; 3. Kevin Canavan.
U.14 Girls: 1. Hannah Doherty; 2. Amy McLoughlin. 3.
Hannah Phelan.

U.14 Boys: 1. Rory Booth; 2. Alan Mullen; 3. Brian Clarke.



Let them know who you are Have your company or club name and logo embroidered on your uniforms or kit.

You name it – We do it You do it – We name it Contact Patricia Kelly (01)835 4690 or (086)1652978