RST Newsletter

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COMMUNITY ALERT NEWS

I am glad to report that your Community Alert Group has been active and busy since its' reformation last year. Thanks to the unstinting work of our Visitor volunteers, contact has been made with senior residents throughout the parish to determine if any assistance from the group is appropriate. This can range from no more than a friendly chat to the provision of socially monitored alarms or other home security items. To date 12 personal alarms have either been supplied or are in the process of. Some are accompanied by monitored smoke alarms and monitored carbon monoxide detectors. Thankfully, where appropriate, grant support from the Department of Community, Equality and Gaeltacht Affairs has been forthcoming. Fingers crossed that it will continue under the new government!

We sent four representatives to a Crime Consultation Process held in Dublin on 3 November 2010. This was initiated by the Department of Justice and Law Reform and provided an opportunity for us to represent the concerns of Skryne/Rathfeigh residents at the increase of crime in our area, especially burglaries and robberies from vehicles. In addition, I wrote to the Ashbourne Garda Superintendent on this topic and he responded that he would endeavour to have a greater Garda presence in the area. Senator Dominic Hannigan also submitted a written Dail Question on our behalf. Many of you will have seen previous articles in the RST urging you all to be alert and report anything suspicious to the Gardai. Remember that our eyes and ears are the best weapon against the criminals in our midst. The 24 hour manned number at Ashbourne is 01 8351515 – please use it! The Gardai are doing a lot to help us and need our determined support. The recent morning of information for senior citizens held in the Ardboyne Hotel, Navan, and sponsored by the Gardai Crime Prevention Officer, was very well attended and covered many topics of interest.

On a more pleasant note, we are arranging for a number of our senior residents to attend a lunch and afternoon dance on 29th March which has been organised by Summerhill Third Age Foundation. Visitor volunteers will be in contact about this. Finally, despite our best efforts we may have missed someone in the parish that we can help. If you know of such a person, please contact me by any of the means given below. Remember our Motto:

BE ALERT, BE AWARE, SHOW YOU CARE

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COMMUNITY ALERT MEETING

The next meeting of the Community Alert Group will be held at in the Parish Hall at 8pm on Monday 7th March. All group members are requested to attend and any newcomers who would like to join will be most welcome.

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SCRAP SATURDAY

If you intend hiring a skip and doing some spring cleaning - **DON'T!** At least wait and Skryne G.F.C. can save you the price of the skip. If you can wait until Saturday 9th April you can bring your scrap to the football pitch in Skryne and dump it in the relevant skips for free. In that way you can help the Club and save yourself some money in the process. If you have items too big for a car boot - we can have it collected for you. If you have a scrap car, tractor, combine etc. it can also be taken away for you (by arrangement).

Further information available closer to the date and from Michael Mulvaney on (087) 2525586. Note: No tyres or fridges accepted.

Skryne GFC Golf Classic

Our Golf Classic this year is on **Friday 20th May in Knightsbrook, Trim**. Keep this date available for a good day's golf on an excellent championship course. Contact Michael on (087) 2525586 or Dermot on (086) 8760336 or any committee member for more details.

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SKRYNE LADIES G.F.C.

Under 19 – Division 3 Ladies Final – 2010

Skryne v Dee Rangers

SKRYNE U19 LADIES CLAIM DIVISION 3 TITLE

Captain Orla Craigie with cup

This Div 3 – U19 Ladies Final was played in Bellewstown on Saturday 5th February 2011 even though this was the Div 3 final for 2010... This final was postponed on two occasions prior to Christmas due to snow covered pitches refixed for 5th February 2011.

Again on the day the game was switched from Seneschalstown to Bellewstown and Skryne played with the aid of a strong breeze in the first half and took little time in settling to their task when Skryne corner forward Eimear Clarke pointed from play in the fourth minute from around the 14 yard line. This was followed up with a point from Skryne half forward Melanie Kirwan again from play in the 6th minute. Ruth Moore was next up when she split the posts again from play a minute later.

The 21st minute saw an excellently worked and executed point with Skryne half backs Melanie Kirwan and Ruth Moore linking up for Ruth's third point of the game. A dropping ball into the Dee Rangers goal line a minute later saw Eimear Clarke the Skryne corner forward do what she does best. She took advantage of a rebounding ball off the opposition goalpost to toe tap the ball to the back of the Dee Rangers net. Ruth Moore the Skryne half forward was now proving to be unstoppable when she took her fourth point from play in the 23rd minute. This now left Skryne six points to the good. This margin was maintained a minute later when the custodian of the Skryne goal Rosin Gryson pulled off a diving save worthy of any premiership goalie to stop what looks liked a certain Dee Rangers goal.

Skryne again got their shooting boots on in the 27th minute when Melanie Kirwan chalked up her second point of the half. Halftime Score: **Skryne 1-7. Dee Rangers 0-3.**

In the second half Skryne made changes to their forward line with Katrina Keogan and Emma Fitzpatrick replacing Una Brennan and Anita O'Sullivan who had given their all for the cause.

Skryne's Alisha Jordan broke through from centerfield beating all in front of her to bury the ball in the back of the Dee Rangers net. This score put Skryne back in front by a goal on the 53rd minute. This was no more than Alisha deserved as she was putting in a trojan effort throughout the field. Rosin Gryson again came to the rescue a minute later when she pulled off another fine save to deny Dee Rangers finding the back of the Skryne net.

Dee Rangers now sensed the urgency of their situation and hit back in the 55th minute with a point and a goal followed some minutes later. With the game almost up Dee Rangers found themselves ahead by a point. Skryne were down but certainly not out and the next Skryne move showed losing was not part of their agenda on this particular day. In what arguably was the move of the game saw Kayleigh Farrell breaks out from the Skryne half back line and go on a solo run up through the middle of the Bellewstown Park. Having run for about 40 mtrs and beating a number of players in the process she found Ruth Moore with a well aimed and well timed pass. Ruth saw a gap in the opposition defence and let a rasper of a shot from 25mtrs go towards the Dee Rangers goal.

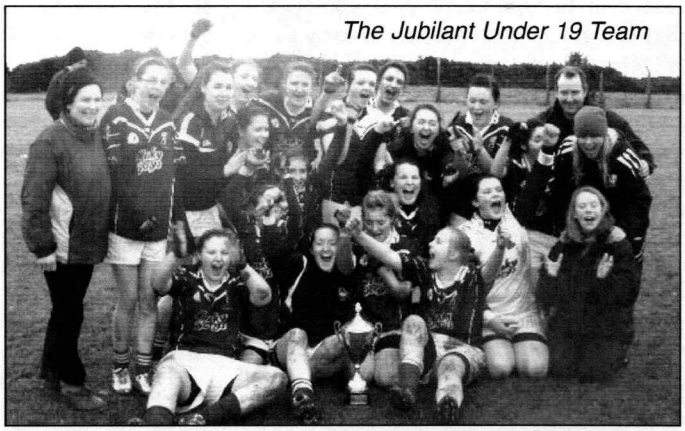
The cheers and jubilation of the Skryne supporters and mentors told its own story as the Dee Rangers goalkeeper was left to take the ball out of the back of her net in injury time. The next couple of minutes saw the Skryne defence standing up fortress like to a number of Dee Rangers assaults. Referee Martin Mannering finally brought the game to an end when he blew the final whistle which must have sounded like sweet music to the ears of Skryne ladies, mentors and supporters alike.

The final score stood at: **Skryne 3-7. Dee Rangers 2-8.**

The contribution of some key players such as Annie Ryan who is abroad as part of her college studies and Saoirse McGrath who was sidelined due to an illness cannot be forgotten in getting the team to this final.

The trophy was presented to team captain Orla Cragie by a County Board Official. Alisha Jordan was selected Skryne player of the match at a reception held in Fox's lounge after the game.

Team: Rosin Gryson, Una Morley, Rachel Whelan, Rachel Hanley, Sophie Halpin, Orla Cragie, Deirdre Kennedy, Katie Moore, Alisha Jordan {1-0}; Kayleigh Farrell, Ruth Moore {1-4}, Melanie Kirwan {0-2}; Anita O'Sullivan, Una Brennan, Emer Clarke {1-1}; Subs - Catriona Keogan for Una Brennan, Emma Fitzpatrick for Anita O'Sullivan.



The Jubilant Under 19 Team

SKRYNE LADIES GET OFF TO WINNING START

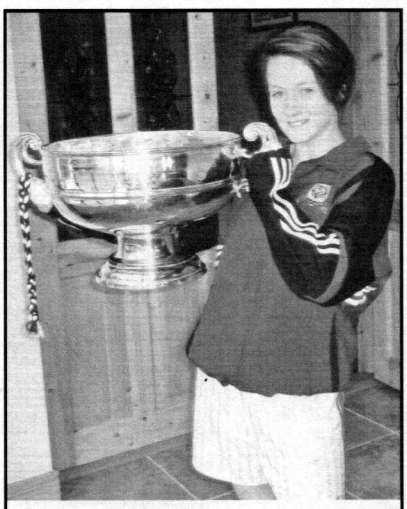
Skryne v Kilcock

Skryne Ladies got their 2011 campaign off to a winning start when they took on Kildare side Kilcock under lights in Father McManus Park on Friday evening 25th February. Even though this was a challenge game it was strongly contested throughout with the result in doubt right up to the final whistle. Kilcock had the better of the first half and led at half time on a scoreline: Kilcock 1-6, Skryne 1-2 with all of the Skryne scores coming from the boot of Coleen Jordan.

The second half saw Skryne go back out on the pitch in a very determined mood and the first five minutes saw Skryne register two points without reply coming from Coleen Jordan and Sinead Daly. Kilcock responded with two points of their own again leaving four points between the sides. Skryne now hit a purple patch and the next ten minutes saw them add 2-2 to their tally without response. The Skryne goals coming from Coleen Jordan and Aoife Murphy and the points from Sinead Daly and Coleen Jordan. Kilcock were next up with a point from a free kick, however, the unstoppable Coleen Jordan hit back for Skryne in the form of a goal from play to put Kilcock now firmly against the ropes.

We were now in the closing stages and it looked like the game was up for Skryne. However, the final minutes saw a Skryne onslaught when they scored 1-3 to close out the game. These scores came from Catriona Keoghan in the form of a point and the remaining 1-2 from Coleen Jordan to leave the scores at he end: **Skryne 5-9, Kilcock 3 -12.**

Skryne scores: Coleen Jordan{4-6}, Sinead Daly{0-2}, Aoife Murphy{1-0}, Catriona Keoghan{0-1}.



Congratulations to Skryne player Niamh Monaghan who has been selected to play on the Meath Under 14 Ladies team.

SKRYNE G.F.C.

Our Clubhouse is progressing satisfactorily and the next stage is installing the windows and doors etc. After that the internal work begins and we hope to complete the building by early summer.

In order to complete the new building and continue to run the Club successfully, ongoing fundraising is necessary. With that in mind, we thank our weekly Blotto supporters and we aim to increase our sales in this area. Therefore, people who are not already included can expect a call from committee members over the next two weeks or so. Our jackpot at the moment is at €8,300, so there is the added incentive of a substantial win and you will be supporting the youth of our parish from Under 6 to adult.

The Club passed a vote of sympathy with the following on their recent bereavements: the Curry family, the O'Brien family, the Tormey family, the Keelan & Gallagher families, the O'Reilly family and the McAuley family.

Skryne Ladies return to Training

The Skryne senior Ladies have returned to training under the watchful eye of manager Mick Whelan assisted by Senan McGrath. Declan Moore who is currently abroad due to work commitments will join the management team when he returns home. To date approximately thirty ladies have declared their intention to join up with the 20111 squad. At a recent team meeting targets were set out for the year and the primary target is to win the Junior B title this year and return to Junior A football for the 2012 season. Mick will be hoping to build on the success of the U19 squad who recently won their Div 3 Final all who are all part of the ladies panel.

The team will be without the services of two key players this year Annie Ryan who is abroad as part of her college studies and Alisha Jordan who is in the United States. However, as they say in show business the show must go on and the management team will be expecting the younger members of the squad to step forward as leaders this season. This team of course comprises a number of more experienced and seasoned players who have given sterling service to Skryne ladies football over the past number of years. This blend of youth and experience should pay dividends this season.

RST Community Group and Project

At an AGM in Skryne Parochial Hall on Thurs 3rd Feb, 2011, the following Rathfeigh/Skryne/Tara(RST) Community Group was elected: Chairperson: Clare Rogan, Vice-Chairperson: Rose Rogan, Secretary: Maurice Daly, Assistant Secretary & PRO: Nicholas Hamill, Treasurer: Jim Gibbons, Assistant Treasuree: Linda Carolan.

***RST Project:** A very exciting and welcome community project is happening in Skryne. The community project building will be located in the grounds of Skryne GFC at Oberstown and will be open to all parishioners who wish to avail of its facilities.*

***RST Questionnaire:** To help us develop a comprehensive action plan that reflects the needs of our community, we are inviting all households and voluntary groups in the RST area to participate in a questionnaire. The plan will provide a platform for future local and community development in the area. We ask you to take a few minutes to complete the questionnaire on behalf of your household. It will be delivered to your house in March and the completed questionnaire will be collected by a committee member. Your opinion is crucial. Your views, your ideas, your suggestions will influence the future development of our RST community.*

*Further information from any committee member or email us at **rstcommunitygroup@gmail.com**. You may also check us out on Facebook.*

SKRYNE/TARA SOCCER

Underage Secretary Karen Dardis, Colette Monahan, Underage Chairman Val Finnegan, receiving a set of jerseys from Majella O'Rourke (O'Rourke Transport). Also included is Charles Carolan.

BLOTTO RESULTS

SUNDAY 27th February
Numbers drawn: 12 - 14 - 19 - 4
Jackpot not won - Lucky dip winners
Patricia Scanlon, Margaret Lynch, Bridie Farnan and Johnny Gilsenan

SUNDAY 20th February
Numbers drawn: 13 - 14 - 16 - 20
Jackpot not won - Lucky dip winners
Alan Murphy, Jason/Darren Fox, Nano McGoldrick, David Harrington

SUNDAY 13th February
Numbers drawn: 15 - 20 - 21 - 27
Jackpot not won - Lucky dip winners
Brid Leahy, Michael and Helen Pettigrew, Gerry O'Connor, Shelly Shiels

SUNDAY 6th February
Numbers drawn: 7 - 23 - 24 - 27
Jackpot not won - Lucky dip winners
Audrey Mooney, Francis Macken, John Farnan, Jimmy Swan

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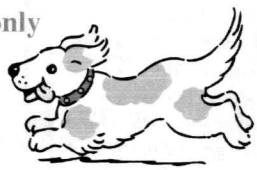

please contact Brenda on **085 121 3324**

for more details and appointments

THANK YOU

A church gate collection was held recently for Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Ireland and a total of €535 was collected. Many thanks to those who contributed and helped us with the collection. *Des & Grace Finnerty*

Condolences

Sympathy is extended to the families of the following who have had recent bereavements:

The Tormey family on the death of Joe
The Reilly family on the death of Noreen
The McAuley family on the death of Lola
Joan Gallagher on the death of her brother
The Curry family on the death of John
The Geddes family on the death of Diana

SKRYNE / RATHFEIGH COMMUNITY GAMES ART COMPETITION

SKRYNE / RATHFEIGH COMMUNITY GAMES held their annual ART COMPETITION in Rathfeigh school a very good turn out and the results were as follows:

GIRLS U6:	ISOBELLA PENTONY
	SEINE SMYTH, LISA BROWNE
U8:	SOPHIE FARNAN, UNA DOYLE
	EABHA CLARKE
U10:	CIARA COONEY, ROBYN EVERARD
U12:	LEAH CRAIGE, ALANA COONEY
	HEATHER COLLINS
U14:	AMY RATHBORNE, LAURA
	BRADY, SAOIRSE O'REAGAN
BOYS U8:	MATTEW BYRNE, SEAN
	McCARTHY, AARON MURRAY
U10:	PAUL CLINTON, ALEX CURRAN
	OISIN McCONNELL
U12:	SHANE McCAULEY, LUKE MAHON
U14:	DYLAN BISSETT,
	FIACHRA FINEGAN

Winners of the Community Games Art Competition. Congratulations to all the children who took part and to those who went on to the county final, especially to Shane McCauley who came second.

NEXT ISSUE

SATURDAY 26TH MARCH

All articles etc. to be submitted before

Wednesday 23rd March

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