

# CONDOLENCES

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# **Phil Marry loved Skryne**



When asked to put from Ballybrack, Co.Dublin at the foot of the husbandry. about Phil. The readers of the RST newsletter

knew him as well as our family, because the people of Skryne were his extended family also.

Phil Marry loved Skryne, its landscape, its parishioners, its football team, its hall, its school and most of all its Church. Skryne was the centre and the whole of his world. The following words are some facts the people of Skryne may not know.

Philip Enda Marry was born on the 15th December 1924 in Ballymagarvey just north of Balrath Cross in the house now occupied by my father Ollie. His parents Austin and mother Bridie had purchased the Cooney farm following their marriage in 1922. Austin came from Kellystown House north of Slane and Bridie nee Lenehan from Gilltown, Rossnaree. Phil was the second son of the family his other siblings were his elder brother Gerry (RIP), Duleek, Mickey (RIP) Navan, Sister Concepta Manchester, Ollie, Sister Gabrielle, Arizona.

From a young age Phil's permanent residence was his Grandfather Larry Lenehan's house. Larry was one of two brothers who came



intend making it the best yet.

in 1997.

Now in its 9th year the Tara Dawn Run has become a fixture in many peoples calendars and an item on many others bucket lists. James speaks passionately about the atmosphere that is created on the hill, "Some people talk about the craic and banter with the infamous Wildman of Tara who will be back with us again. Others say it's the sense of belonging that makes it such a unique event. Fathers run with sons, mothers with daughters, brothers and sisters. All ages, runners and walkers. It really is a run for all. Of course, everyone gets the famous sausage sambo at the end but probably more valuable is the lasting memories that people make" Runners and revellers can look forward to dancing under the stars as the music resounds over the hills of Meath. Over 1300 people of all ages took to the hill last year and Shay told us that "Last year we raised 20,000 Euros for Crumlin Children's Hospital thanks to our loyal Tara Dawn Runners. We are always amazed at the great spirit and generosity that people display each year" The best way to book your place at the best family fun run of the summer is to log on to www.taradawnrun.ie - see you on the hill!

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Wicklow Mountains. His wife Jane and son died in 1924 and Phil was Larry's companion for fifteen years until Larry's death in 1939. The Lenehans were sheep farmers on the Wicklow Mountains and soon Phil would gain the skills of shearing sheep and animal

Phil returned to Ballymagarvey and for the next fifteen years he worked on the farm. He supplemented his income by shearing, ploughing for neighbours and rearing some cattle on God's acre. The postman would arrive each morning with news about where he could find the herd, Polwattie, Timoole or Gaulstown Gate. Phils was an excellent ploughman guiding a pair of horses with great skills as recalled by his sisters in the Prayers of the Faithful at his requiem mass. For recreation Phil loved to cycle for the Kentstown and Bohermeen Cycling Club and he won the Waller Cup in the 40's with the latter. He also reared end trained grevhounds for coursing and racing an interest he maintained until he left Cabragh

In the early fifties he started "courting" (as he would say himself) Margaret Leyden of Abbeytown, Boyle, Co. Roscommon. Margaret was a ladies companion to Mrs Toler of "The Grove" House, Balrath.

Phil and Margaret were married in the Church of the Assumption, Kentstown on the 2nd June 1955, their witnesses were Oliver Marry and Katty Leydon. Afterwards Phil and Margaret moved to Cabragh and



Phil, the Mass Server circa 1932 with his grandad Laurence Lenehan

spent the next forty years dairy and sheep farming. For leisure they both enjoyed Bingo and the rearing of greyhounds for racing and coursing and later Ballroom dancing.

In 1997 they moved to Collierstown, they attended daily mass and were very happy and content in their new home. Unfortunately, Margaret got ill in 2002 and from 2004 until her death in April 2009 Margaret was a resident of Hillview Nursing Home, Rathfeigh. Phil and Margaret were a very devoted couple and in the five years Margaret stayed in Rathfeigh Phil only missed one day visiting her due to adverse weather conditions.

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It's that time of year again when sleepy runners and walkers from all across the North East and beyond shuffle to the start line across the Hill of Tara's dewy grass. Yes, the Tara Dawn Run is upon us again. This unique 4km fun run takes place at 4am as the dawn rises over on the historic Hill of Tara on Saturday the 13th of June. Organisers, Shay Sheridan and James Gibbons,

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After Margaret's death Phil immer sed himself in community life and especially the activities of the church. In June of 2013 Phil became ill and he could no longer look after himself. He moved to the wonderful care of the Hillview Nursing home. Following his 90th birthday I could see a gradual decline in Phil on my weekly visits. As children, Phil and Margaret would always bring us chocolate on their Sunday night visit to Ballymagarvey. I reciprocated the gift on my visits but in the last few weeks there was no interest in the chocolate. Worst of all the love of Skryne football was waning and the last time we spoke he could not raise the interest to chastise me about the recent victory of Skryne over Seneschalstown. A week later on Sunday 10th May 2015 Phil passed away. As a family we would like to thank all the wonderful Staff of Hillview Nursing Home, Fr. Thomas, Fr. Joe and Phil's neighbours and friends for attending and helping at the removal and the requiem mass.

As a legacy to Phil, I would ask the people of Skryne to remember him by keeping Skryne neat and tidy. Encourage children to pick up litter etc. because Phil Marry would have done so and Phil Marry loved Skryne.

Paschal Marry

# The Alzheimer Society of **Ireland Meath Branch**

On behalf of the Meath Branch of the Alzheimer Society of Ireland I would like to convey our sincere thanks to the people of Rathfeigh, Skryne & Tara who organised and hosted the recent Alzheimer's Tea Day in your lovely community centre which raised a total of €1,500 in aid of our Day Centre at Whislemount, Kells Road Navan. Thanks to the local business people who donated raffle prizes and to all who attended and so generously contributed on the day. Your contribution will greatly assist us in maintaining the high standards of care we strive to maintain for our clients. Donations and fundraising have become vital for the successful operation of the Day Centre and your support in this regard is greatly appreciated.

Once again many thanks for your generosity and support.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely Mary Smyth Branch Secretary Meath Branch A.S. I.

# First Ever NECSL Cup for Skryne Tara Club.

Semi Final: Skryne Tara 7 – 3 Trim Celtic aet



Desmond Manning's u14 Girls Team finally made a milestone breakthrough for the Club by advancing to contest the Club's first ever NECSL Cup Final. The long famine since the Girls Club started in 2008 is over. Skryne Tara did it the hard way and after conceding an early goal, had to come from behind 3 times in order to secure a draw at full time. The Girls showed grit and determination with formidable resolve and resilience as time after time Trim edged out in front. The character in the team was amazing as they absorbed everything that Trim threw at them and rebounded with 3 glorious goals to force the tie into extra time. A dramatic turnaround was to unfold. Skryne Tara grabbed the game by the scruff of the neck and pounced on 4 goal scoring opportunities to earn their privileged position in the Cup Final. There awaiting them in the long grass is a plum tie v the hotly fancied Oriel Girls from Dundalk. Goalscorers : Ciara Gorman 4, Marie McCarthy, Sophie Ryan & Suzy O'Rourke.

### Cup Final: Skryne Tara 5 – 4 Dundalk aet

Skryne Tara won the cup final in dramatic fashion on a bitterly cold, blustery and wet day at the MDL in Navan. Cup final fever was evident in the first half when a tentative Skryne team went in 2-0 down at half time. After the pep talk at the break the team responded with a goal within a minute. Ciara Gorman went off on a long run on the left and curled in a brilliant shot over the keeper. 10 minutes later Suzi o'Rourke was brought down for a penalty which Ciara Gorman despatched firmly into the left corner to draw level 2-2. Dundalk regained the lead 3-2 with only 10 minutes to play. With time running out Caitlin Doherty hit a wonderful strike from the right edge of the penalty box: The stiffening breeze made the ball hover over the despairing goalie's head and eventually nest in the back of the net. It was another astonishing recovery and the ref soon blew the whistle and sent the game into extra time. Skryne were elated and took contol of the game in the first period of extra time. After 5 mins of sustained pressure on the Dundalk goal Kate Reilly scored from inside the box in a crowded goalmouth and sent Skryne into the lead for the first time in the game 4-3. Another goalmouth tussle saw Suzi o Rourke prod the ball over the line to leave it 5-3 at the break. Dundalk scored a late consolation goal 90 secs from the end. The shrill of the ref's final whistle was warmly greeted by the large Skryne contingent and Katie Manning received the cup as captain of this heroic team.

Dessie's team is indicative of the success of Girls football in the Club and like the other Skryne Tara teams have attracted big numbers of players moving to the Club from surrounding areas and towns. This new influx of players allied with our superb local talent are now producing teams that are competiting at the highest level. Team: Gwen Carpenter, Sarah Hanley, Allana Cooney, Susie O'Rourke, Eve Cullen, Sophie Ryan, Hannah Quinn, Hannah Brady, Katie Manning, Marie Mc Carthy, Eabha McLoughlin, Kate Reilly, Ciara Gorman, Shauna Clarke, Liaddan O' Neill, Petra Reilly, Steffi Finegan, Lauren Ryan, Caitlin Doherty.

# Skryne GFC

Since our last RST Skryne GFC have lost one of our Club Presidents Michael NEW LINE DANCING Class O'Brien, a former player Fergus O'Rourke and one of our staunchest and longest serving supporters Phil Marry.

Phill Marry There is an article elsewhere in this edition on Phil so suffice to say Skryne GFC will miss all his interesting match analysis and points of view on every game we played. Phil was entitled to make his point and to give advise because he never missed a match or a training session. He was fondly known as the fifth selector for Skryne and his VW was parked in the same prominent position every Tuesday and Thursday night in good time to keep a watchful eye on proceedings on the training field. He always managed to find out the team even before the players were informed and had information on the opposition to help our manager no matter who that was. Phil supported the Club all his life in all their endeavours - his Blotto envelope was ready every Sunday night. If he was not at home the envelope was left on the doorstep ready for collection. It was fitting that the club honoured Phil with a Guard of Honour as his coffin, draped in the blue and white club colours, was carried into Skryne Church on his final journey. May he rest in peace.

Fergus O'Rourke who passed away in Dunshaughlin recently was a star of Skryne's team from 1968 until 1972. During that time Skryne reached the SFC semi final in each of the five years and the final in 1969 and 1971 only to be defeated by Kilbride in both. Although unlucky in Meath Fergus won Championship medals in Cavan, Cork and obviously in his native Leitrim. He won SFC medals with Augavas in 1963 and 1966 and as a student with UCC in 1963 and 1964. He won a JFC medal in Cavan before that, also as a student. As a footballer Fergus reached the very top in the game and had the honour of representing his Province, Connaught, in the Railway Cup which at that time was the Pinicle of success and the aim of every player who played the game. All of Fergus's brothers played for Skryne and he was very proud of the fact that the family made a little bit of history when five of them played together in the 1971 Meath Senior Final against their then big rivals Kilbride. A feat that may never be equalled.

Not to be outdone his sons won Championship medals while playing for Dunshaughlin and Tiernan finished his career playing for Skryne.

Fergus was a family man and a gentleman who wanted to help everyone who crossed his path. He never failed to enquire how people were doing whether it was in sport or life in general - being particularly helpful to young people starting out on the road to employment. All this was borne out by the fact that so many people turned out to pay their respects at his funeral. Dunshaughlin came to a complete standstill as the funeral cortège made its way, firstly from his house to the Chapel and secondly from the Church to the Graveyard. His coffin was draped with Club and County colours - Skryne, Dunshaughlin, Aughavas, Leitrim - and the Guard of Honour from all three clubs stretched all the way from Church to grave. A fitting honour to a gentleman and a sportstar. May he rest in peace.

Michéal O'Brien - the sporting life of our President Michéal, has been well documented numerous times over the years but we cannot let his sad passing go without briefly showing our appreciation of the family man and the sports star. To record Michéal's lifetime achievements would take up most of this edition of the RST so we will condense the most important aspects of the man regarded as one of the best players ever to wear the famous blue jersey into this short paragraph. He holds at least two records that will most probably never be surpassed - firstly he played in 17 Senior Football Championship Finals (including 3 replays) with Skryne, unfortunately winning just 6. Having said that there are only a handful of Skryne players with 6 senior medals. The second record Michéal holds is - he is the only Meath man to win four Railway Cup medals in a row 1952, 53, 54 and 55. This in a time when the Railway Cup was regarded third in line only to the All Ireland and League Titles and attracted full houses to Croke Park on St Patrick's day every year. It was the aim for every player at that time to represent his Province in that competition. Michéal was also selected to play for Ireland in 1952 and 1953 against the Combined Universities. Apart from his football achievements of winning 2 All Ireland SFC, 2 National League, 5 Leinster and 6 Meath SFC medals he also played hurling and won 1 All Ireland Junior Hurling and 1 Meath Senior Hurling Championship medals. We could go on with 5 Feis Cup and numerous Tournament medals but I think you get the message.

Michéal was very proud that his Grandsons, Nieces and Nephews continue the Family tradition and before he passed away was happy to see his Grandsons - Stephen (O'Brien) for Skryne and Donal and Shane (Landy) for St. Patrick's Stamullen oppose one another in the first round of the Meath SFC. We may never see his like again. Michéal Rest in Peace.

Skryne GFC passed votes of sympathy with the following on their recent bereavements: O'Brien family on the death of Michéal, Marry family on the death of Phil, Tobin family on the death of Caroline, Margaret Hayes on the death of her sister-in-law, and Oliver Harrington on the death of his mother (omitted in error from last issue).



in the RST Centre Skryne Mondays from 8 - 9pm Next Class will be on Monday 15th June Cost: 8 Euro Everyone is Welcome Queries to Linda 087 - 941 4470 or RST/ Susan 087 - 130 6985

#### TÚS worker

TÚS worker required by Skryne GFC and RST Community Centre.

General duties. 19.5 hours per week. If you are eligible and interested, please contact either Eamon Giles at 087-4161732 or Oliver Harrington at 086-8177978.

#### **RST AGM**

The AGM of the RST Community Centre will be held on Wednesday 24th June at 8.30pm. All welcome.

Further information in the next RST Newsletter.

**Skryne Tara Underage Presentation Night** will take place on Friday 19th June in the school Hall. Underage AGM will take place on Monday 22nd June in the RST Centre.

#### Childminder needed,

in Ardcath/ Rathfeigh/Skyrne area, contact Aisling on 0860616081 if interested!

**"Summer Fitness Classes and Circuit Training** will be held twice a week outside during the summer months, morning session every Monday at 10am and evening session every Wednesday 7.30pm. All fitness levels catered for. Pay as you go. Tel Lisa O'Dowd 0851416041 for more details."

The AGM of Rathfeigh & District Historical Society will take place on Tuesday 9th June at 8:30pm in Swan's function room. All welcome.

#### **Time To Party**

Skryne Community Alert Group like to promote a spirit of neighbourliness and community in our parish where young and old, new and established can come together socially.

We invite individuals and other groups in our parish to work with us organising this project.

If you have any ideas for a suitable event, time on your hands or would simply like to be involved please contact one of the following :

Patricia Conroy	0469025771
Liz Hickey	0469025056
Jim Gibbons.	0469025320

# Skryne Minors reach Div 2 final on June 29th with an outstanding second half performance against Trim in the Semi Final in Skryne.

Well done to the Minors who are now in a Div 2 Final against Simonstown. With Trim shooting into the scoreboard end and a very low bright sun it was tough on defenders and the goalie. The start of the game didn't go to script as Trim hit two guick goals. One that hit the roof of the net and another



that was slotted in low. Skryne were in trouble and found it hard to get to the opposite end. The lads battled hard as Trim had come to Skryne with all intentions. Half time couldn't come guick enough and the lads went into the dressing rooms.

#### Half time score Skryne 0-3, Trim 2-3

Skryne started off the second half well with a higher tempo to the game. Some fantastic movement and great play kept them in it. Skryne's first score was a fantastic point that seemed to lift them even more. A game of two halves always comes to mind and this certainly didn't disappoint. Skryne's next score was a sublime move and finished with the ball buried deep in the back of the Trim net. Game on !!!! Skryne followed this goal with attack after attack. The people in Father Mc Manus park were treated to a fantastic second half performance. It took all 15 men plus subs to put in one of the best performances ever seen in a Skryne jersey. The never give up attitude was there from the beginning of the second half. Great credit to all the players who dug deep. Trim only managed to score one point in the second half and with Skryne scoring 3-07 in the second half they ran out as Div 2 Minor Finalists for 2015.

Final Score Skryne 3-10, Trim 2-05

#### Skrvne U16's

Skryne U16's piped by Simonstown in Div 1 League match at Father McManus Park

Hard Luck to the U16's who were beaten by Simonstown in the Div 1 League match.. Skryne led for the majority of the game and with poor conditions a Simonstown ball came in from a 45 only to rest in the back of the Skryne goal. The lads all dug deep



and came back to within one point of Simonstown but at this stage it was too late. It was a great effort by all the players who showed the true skryne spirit and never gave up. Its tough at the top and all the lads gave great grit and determination and were unfortunate. There were some fantastic performances by all the Skryne players on the day. A lot of positives has to be taken out of the Spring League and Skryne might ponder on two results that they had just been beaten by that single point that would have earned them a semi final position for the Spring League.

### U17's

In the boys under 17 final played in Kells on a terrible evening for football the lads had a brilliant 9-2 win over a fancied Johnstown team. In the League section of this competition the clubs had one win each, ironically on 3-2 scorelines in each game with the home team leading 2-0 in both matches. So the scene was set for a winner takes all showdown in the final.

Unfortunately the weather spoiled the expectation of a close game with Skryne Tara having the benefit of a hurricane in the first half. To say they used it well would be an understatement as they scored 3 excellent goals in the first ten minutes and the Johnstown lads heads dropped almost immediately and they never recovered. Skryne Tara led 5-1 at the break with the Johnstown goal coming very late in the half. This goal proved to be a warning to the leaders and complacency afterwards was never an issue as they defended very well against the elements and scored a further 4 goals in the process. The whole team and the one substitute played superbly with the scores coming from Paddy Carpenter 3, Darragh Campion 2, Cathal Murphy 2 and 1 each from Frank Carty and a fine individual effort from Jack Byrne. In goals Michael Carolan made 3 great saves in the second half and the defending of Luke Thorpe, Shane Dowling, Michael Long, Darren Fox and Michael Doherty ensured that the result was never in doubt. Colm McLoughlan proved to be an able substitute when introduced to help out as Johnstown improved in the second period when assisted by the gale force wind.

# **Community Games**

### Swimming

Well done to Shauna Hogan and Ashling O'Conor who took part in the community Games Swimming which was held in Kells on 17th May.

Ashling got a medal for her Backstroke. Thank you to everyone who supported the Skryne Rathfeigh Community Games Church Gate Collection. Your generosity is very much appreciated.



Invite you to **Come Orienteering at Battle of Boyne Park**,

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June 14<sup>th</sup> And

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### **RST 300 Club Winners** for May 2015.

- €250 Pat McGoldrick, Macetown.
- €100 Breda Monaghan, Macetown.
- €50 Tom Bannon, Macetown €50 Tommy & Sadie Doyle, Rathfeigh
- **€50** Mary O'Growney, Ross Cross.

#### **Tuesday Club**

We are currently planning a trip to the Giants Causeway for the 23rd, 24th or 25th June 2015 and hopefully to the Black Bush Distillery which is adjacent. In order to arrive at a date which will suit the biggest number of people we would want a reply back by the latest the 12th June with your preferred date and also if not your preferred date whether you could travel on alternate dates. We need numbers to ascertain the costs and also to book the coach and make arrangements. Please reply to either Dermot Carty 0868760336, Maurice Daly 087 9543222 or Michael Mulvaney 0872525586.

If we do not hear from you we will assume you are not interested.

#### Skryne Tara U12's

Skryne Tara Under 12 Team who won The NECSL Shield in Navan on the 13/5/2015 beating Navan Town 3-0 in the final in the MDL. Proudly sponsored by Dortek. Back Row, Arron Clarke, Arron Murray,



Killian Cahill, Nathan Chawke, Oisin Keogh, Mark Swan, Billy Reilly, Alex O Reilly, Mike Leddy, Jack Tunnah, Cain Flanagan,

Front Row, Daniel O'Keane, Sean McCarthy, Andrew Whyte, Luke Crawley, Jack Swan, Conor McLoughlin, Kian Reddy,

Managers and Mentors, Declan Lennon, Peter McLoughlin and Ron Chawke Skryne Tara Youths have just finished their most successful season to date. Between NECSL (North Eastern Counties Schoolboys/girls League) and Community Games the club has contested 8 Finals - the boys winning at under 12 and 17 and the girls at under 14 in NECSL. While in Community Games the under 10 and 12 girls were successful and progress to Leinster Finals in Longford next month.

# Double for Skryne in Kells.

#### Skryne 3-9 St. Bridget's 2-11.

Skryne made the motorway journey to Kells old pitch for a double header in the Senior and Junior football championship matches yesterday.

First up was the Junior match against a much fancied St. Bridget's team on a sunny day with a light breeze which had little effect on the games.

Both teams started well and shared four points early on until Brian Smyth sparked the game into life when he finished to the net after a Neal Burke free had dropped short. This seemed to awaken the Bridget's who may have underestimated the blues and they went on to score 1-5 to Skryne's 0-2 for the rest of this half. That left the score at half time St. Bridget's 1-7 Skryne 1-4. The second half was nip and tuck all through and further goals from substitute Declan Mulvey and Brian Smyth again gave Skryne the edge. It still required two late frees, the first from Allan Carty and the winner almost on full time from Neal Burke to settle the tie.

This was a good game of Junior football and both sides deserve great credit for the intensity of the play and closeness of the match overall.

In a great team performance from the Blues it seems almost unfair to name individual players but some deserve special mention starting with Felim O'Rourke in goals who made two excellent saves when we were under severe pressure in the first half. In front of him Martin Mulvaney showed all the experience necessary to control his area. In midfield David McGoldrick was ably assisted by Paddy Doherty who came of age in this match. Up front the old staggers came to the fore with Smythy taking the scoring honours.

Skryne - Felim O'Rourke. Dermot Brennan, Martin Mulvaney, James Looby. Cian Lynch, Mark Harrington, David Lynch. David McGoldrick, Paddy Doherty (0-2). Allan Carty (0-4) Neal Burke (0-1), Jamie Jordan. Jason Fox, Brian Smyth (2-1), Conor Keogh (0-1).

Subs. - Declan Mulvey (1-0), Des McAvinney, Pauric Murphy, John Quinn, Niall Morley.

#### Skryne 0-14 Ballinlough 2-4.

In the second game the Seniors made it a double for the Blues as they ran out winners by 4 points in a game which was never as close as the first match. In fact Skryne won more easily than the score suggests and apart from the concession of two goals were in control of the game from start to finish. As a result of the first goal Skryne went in at half time behind by a point on a score line of Ballinlough 1-3 Skryne 0-5.

The second half proved similar to the first with the last score for Ballinlough being their second goal which put some respectability on the scoreboard from their point of view. Their only other score in this half being a point in answer to Skryne's nine which left four between the sides at the end. Skryne were short the services of the injured Patrick O'Rourke and played the first half without the influential Harry Rooney but still managed to control the game for most of the hour. The winners had excellent displays in defence from the classy Ciaran Lenehan, and the half back line of the tight marking Ronan McCabe and the attacking Adam O'Sullivan and Mark Jordan (in the first half). At midfield both Donie Ryan and Aidan Tuite got through a tremendous amount of work and defended well when necessary. In attack Paddy Fox caused panic in the Ballinlough ranks every time he got possession and John Morley and Mark Battersby came into their own in the second half when the introduction of Harry had settled the ship.

Skryne - Ian Gillette. Niall Lenehan, Ciaran Lenehan, Vinny O'Reilly. Ronan McCabe, Mark Jordan, Adam O'Sullivan (0-2). Aidan Tuite, Donie Ryan. Thomas McKeown, Conor O, Brien (0-1), Paddy Fox (0-1). John Morley (0-1), Brian Davis (0-3), Mark Battersby (0-5). Subs. Harry Rooney and Stephen O'Brien (0-1).

# **DCU Meath Student** wins first ever Intel **Galileo** Technology Competition



DCU Computer Applications student, Laura Browne, from Tara, Meath has carried off top prize at the final of the Intel Galileo 3rd Level Technology

Competition which took place in the Science Gallery in Dublin. The competition, running since the beginning of February, was open to all 3rd level undergraduate students on the island of Ireland.

The competition invited students to create projects based on the Irish designed Intel Galileo board. The Intel Galileo board is the first in a family of Arduino\*- certified development and prototyping boards based on Intel architecture and specifically designed for makers, students, educators, and DIY electronics enthusiasts.

Laura developed a Power Scout Energy Monitor using Intel Galileo, GROVE base shield and GROVE energy sensors to monitor the energy usage of various electrical appliances in the home. This energy data, collected every 30 seconds and stored in a MySQL database hosted on Amazon Web Services is displayed on a separate graphs by querying the database using plot.ly and python.

# **Community Text Alert**

With the summer holiday season approaching it is time to be more vigilant regarding the Skryne Text Alert system. With a lot of households going away on holidays it is imperative that the Text Alert operates to its full capacity and the Gardai are notified of any suspicious activity or vehicles in the area.

For advice on holiday security simply visit the Garda website, click into crime prevention and then click into holiday security. This will advise you on how to keep your property safe over your holidays.

If you are not a member of the Skryne Text Alert and are interested in joining you can do so by contacting Michael on 046-9026060 or drop into Tara P.O. at Ross Cross.

Please remember for the Skryne Text Alert to continue working as successfully in the future the public have to be vigilant and report and suspicious activity or vehicles to Ashbourne Garda on 01-8010600. Please save this number in your phone and be ready to use it.