

Getting revved up for Skryne Tractor Run 2016



After a break of 3 years the Skryne Tractor Run is back. This year it is a major attraction of the Tara Festival 2016. We will be keeping our fingers crossed for a fine weekend on the June Bank holiday 3rd to 5th June. All drivers are asked to be at the venue by 12 noon on Sunday 5th June to allow time for registration and briefing before departing for the Run at 12.30 pm. We would like to thank the Committee of the Local G.A.A for providing their fabulous grounds as a starting point for the vehicles which will be taking part. A sincere thank you to The O Connell family as we took some gorgeous photos with the quaint location of Mrs O's as a backdrop recently. Our tractor run this year will be somewhat shorter as some of the little vintage gems may have found the longer journeys of past runs a bit challenging. Some of these vehicles have had endless loving hours of restoration so possible mechanical issues on the day need to be avoided. We welcome all vehicles on the day, i.e. vintage Lorrie's cars. We are continuing with Meath River Rescue as our charity partner this year. This team of dedicated local volunteers provide an immensely vital service whenever called upon on the waterways of Ireland. The fee for entry in the Tractor Run is €20 with all proceeds from the Run going directly to M.R.R. We look forward to a good turnout on the day and hope we are bathed in glorious sunshine as these magnificent machines both older gems and more modern beasts ramble around the picturesque countryside. There will be a BBQ in Fox's on Sunday evening with music. As organisers of the Skryne Tractor Run we thank the committee of the Tara Festival for this invitation and are sure that it will add spectacle to the weekend's attractions and events. We look forward as always to the continued support of the local community participation for the duration of the event.





Please support this worthy Charity. The Fun starts at 2pm with face painting, etc..., for the children.

St. Patricks Stamullen 0-16 Skryne 2-6.

The 6th game for the Skryne club in ten days (which keeps the PRO busy) ended in defeat away to St. Patricks, tonight Monday, in the B League Division 1. Some players are eligible to play in all six matches which makes the fixture list more difficult for them than for the overworked backroom teams that attended all six, five of which were away from home. The fact that there was only four points between the teams at the end of this game does not do justice to St. Pats who were by far the better team throughout. Skryne had a very promising start to the game and actually hit the crossbar twice in the first two minutes. But from then on the Stamullen lads were very comfortable and were never behind on the scoreboard for the rest of the match after notching their first point after three minutes of play. They led by ten points to one after twenty nine minutes until Niall Morley and Timmy Lennon scored two late points to leave the half time score at St. Pats 0-10 Skryne 0-3. Pats began the second half as they finished the first by scoring the first four points to lead by eleven points and the game seemed as good as over at that stage. Skryne seemed to be lacking

in ideas and their passing in the opposition half was abysmal. Add to that their scoring attempts were awful with too many wides kicked from promising positions. Lucky for the Blues that at least their defence were on their game. All six did well with with Mark Harrington, Dermot Brennan and Timmy Lennon particularly impressive. Considering they were up against seasoned St. Pats campaigners like Cormac Sullivan, Daithi Whyte, Niall Whearty and Shane Landy the Blues rearguard fared quite well. To their credit Skryne fought back late in the game with two goals from substitute Kevin O'Reilly and John Morley. An unlikely draw was on the cards as Skryne attacked bravely for an equalising goal and it took an injury time free from Daithi Whyte to give Pats their insurance score and a four point win.

Skryne - Felim O'Rourke. Timmy Lennon (0-1), Mark Harrington, Eoghan Greene. Darren Fox, Ronan McCabe, Dermot Brennan. John Morley (1-1), Paddy Fox. Jason Fox, Niall Morley (0-3), Declan Mulvey. Des McAvinney, Brian Smyth, Sean Cassidy.

Subs used - Kevin O'Reilly (1-1), Vinny O'Reilly, John Quinn, Jack Conroy and Shane McEnroy.

Another draw for Skryne. A League Division 1 Wolfe Tones 0-11 Skryne 0-11

Pairc Mhic Eoin in Kilberry was the venue for yesterday evening's A League Division 1 Round 7 match between Skryne and Wolfe Tones. The groundsmen had obviously been busy over the weekend as the pitch was in fantastic shape having been freshly mowed. Yesterday was a showery day, but the rain stayed away for the entire match and conditions were good with little or no wind. Skryne were very short on numbers yesterday and had only about 17 players to choose from. With the Meath minors playing in Navan yesterday, the Skryne contingent were not available, along with the Meath Senior lads Paddy, Harry and Batts, while about half a dozen others were laid off through injury.

Wolfe Tones kicked off the scoring with a pointed free after 2 minutes, but the most noteable feature of the first 15 minutes was the wide count. There were 11 wides in the first fifteen minutes with both teams seemingly leaving the shooting boots in the dressing room. Skryne finally got on the scoresheet after 17 minutes with a point from the lively Niall Morley. Ian Gillett came to the rescue of Skryne early on when he made a point-blank save which kept the Skryne goal intact. John Morley bagged 2 more points for Skryne before Wolfe Tones bagged a brace to level things up. Ciaran Lenehan knocked over a 45 which was quickly followed by a point from Paddy Fox on the stroke of half time. The half-time score was Skryne 0-05, Wolfe Tones 0-03.

Wolfe Tones benefited from an early free immediately after the restart. Cian Ward stepped up to slot the ball over the black spot and reduce the deficit to 1. John Morley bagged his third of the game, a free to put the lead back to 2 points. Cian Ward and Ciaran Lenehan swapped scores both from placed balls before the Tones hit 3 points without reply to snatch the lead midway through the half. During this period Skryne had 2 gilt edged goal chances. The first a rasper of a shot from

Donie Ryan on the edge of the penalty area which was parried away by the impressive Wolfe Tones keeper. He came to the rescue of the Tones again when the ball was deflected over the Tones full-back line where Jayo Fox and Niall Morley were lurking with intent. Foxy helped the deflected ball along it's way to Spud who took a shot from close range, but found the Tones keeper in fine form as he made himself big and blocked the ball away. Skryne would rue these missed opportunities as the match neared an end. Spud got Skryne back on terms when he fired over a fine point from the right hand side. Cousin John put Skryne back in the lead with a pointed free. Cian Ward's golden boot levelled things up again from another free. Skryne added to their wide count with 3 wides in a row, which had they been converted might have killed off the Tones challenge. John Morley and Cian Ward again swapped scores with a pointed free each before Stephen O'Brien put Skryne ahead with a little over 3 minutes remaining. Tones pressed for an equaliser, but like Skryne they too were racking up wides. Alas, just when it looked like Skryne would get away with the win, they conceded another free with time almost up. Wardie stepped up and split the posts to level the game. The final whistle sounded with the scoreline 0-11 each.

Skryne will have been disappointed to leave without the victory. They had their chances to win this game and will face tougher challenges in their remaining games. To be fair, they were missing some of their key players. On the plus side, there were some good performances from Niall Lenehan in particular who played at centre-back yesterday and looked right at home. Ronan Mc Cabe, Mark Jordan and Niall Morley also shone for Skryne.

Skryne: Ian Gillett; Declan Morley, Mark Harrington, Mark Jordan, Ronan Mc Cabe, Niall Lenehan, Stephen O'Brien; Donie Ryan, Ciarán Lenehan; Neil Burke, Patrick Fox, Bryan Davis; Jason Fox, John Morley, Niall Morley. Subs used: Dermot Brennan



The late Joe McDonagh, former President of the GAA, on a visit to Skryne School in 1999. Back row I-r: Maurice Daly, Fr. Joe Gleeson P.P., Eamonn Giles, Paddy Mulvany. Front row I-r: Seamus Clarke, Peter Coakley (School Principal), Joe McDonagh, Mickey Ryan.

CONDOLENCES

Skryne G.F.C. passed votes of sympathy with the following on their recent bereavements:

Martin Gillett

on the death of his brother Gerry and

Ailish McDonagh

Scoil Cholmcille on the death of her brother Joe.

First Defeat for Skryne's Third team

Skryne 3-9 Donaghamore Ashbourne 3-15

For the second time in as many days Donaghamore Ashbourne defeated Skryne - this time it was both clubs third teams in action. In an entertaining game played in ideal conditions Don/Ash were strongest overall and fully deserved their six points win. Skryne had their moments and could have been closer at the finish if they had taken more of their opportunities and were more accurate with their passing. For 3rd team football this was an entertaining game and both teams deserve great credit for the manner in which it was played and the standard of the fare on view. The Blues had good performances from Timmy Lennon, Darren Fox and Michael Doherty in defence, John Morley in midfield, while up front Brian Smyth, Cian Lynch and Declan Mulvey kept the Don/Ash rearguard on their toes for most of the match. This was Skryne's first defeat in the competition and it was encouraging to see them fielding a full team and management had nine substitutes to pick from. With some more players still to return the future of football in Skryne looks bright.

Skryne- Adrian Doyle. Barry Clarke, Timmy Lennon, Shane McEnroy. Paddy Carpenter, Michael Doherty (0-1), Darren Fox. John Morley (1-4), Niall Morley (0-1). Declan Mulvey, John Quinn, Cian Lynch (0-1). Des McAvinney, Brian Smyth (2-1), Nicky Hamill (0-1). Subs. - Pauric Murphy, James Conroy, Paul McGoldrick, Paddy O'Leary, Ross McGovern and Colm Booth.

Pats too good for Skryne.

What have the Scouts been doing recently?

We have had a very active few weeks recently as usual. Our beavers have been out and about with evening at Balrath Woods and The Hill of Tara. They also took part in the Beaver Scout Co Challenge in Dunshaughlin a few weeks ago. It was an ideal opportunity to meet other beavers and try their hand at lots of different scouting skills eg erecting small tents, pioneering, and lots of games as well. The evening at Balrath Woods with the theme of leave no trace i.e. leave anything but footprints take nothing but memories. The playground amid the trees proved a huge attraction when they had finished a small exercise on orienteering. The evening on the Hill Of Tara had some very inquisitive beavers asking the relevance of the hills and tombs. The Lia Fáil was of interest too, these beavers are into their heritage! Next week our new beavers will be invested into the group and they have a bake-off organised too ... there may even be refreshments afterwards...

Our cubs had their annual 3 night camp in Lilliput Adventure Centre recently. Our theme for the weekend was medieval times with fabulous fancy dress costumes in the rucksacks .They had an absolute blast with a seemingly endless the list of activities for the whole weekend. Bog hopping, Kayaking, Capture the Flag were among the huge hits. Even the mixture of sunshine and showers had no effect on their enthusiasm throughout. We had our brand new tents and everyone gave a hand under the guidance of our brilliant sixers. On the last night we had a super campfire with campfire leaders Cia, Rachel, Kayleigh and Ciara leading us with a variety of traditional scouting songs . They wore their costumes and some fab campfire blankets discussed what life was like in medieval times. On Tuesday our pack went to see a wind turbine at McAuleys Farm, thanks Dave. They got the opportunity to see how it generated electricity, where it came from, how long it took to build and what happens in a thunderstorm. They also saw a working bee hive in the middle of a beautiful crop of oil seed rape. Dave explained the importance of the bees in the production of food; pollination is responsible for so much ... fruit and veg

Our Scouts had a brilliant fundraising bag pack in Dunshaughlin a few weeks ago. They spent an enjoyable 6 hours meeting local people and assisting with shopping bags. They raised considerable funds which will go to providing vital resource material. Many shoppers commented on their excellent manner and natural willingness to help. Well done everyone. They had a day in Donedea where they worked on Geocaching compass work with technology. Laser tagging was great fun with a much younger group giving our guys a run for their money. They have also had evenings practicing Backwoods Cooking and other Camping Skills. We are in urgent need of a female scout Leader if the troop is to continue in September, so if you have a skill you can share or you like the sound of what we do, we would love to have you join us.

Thanks for taking time to read this.



Golden Wedding Anniversary

Harry and Anne Dowling pictured on their wedding day 50 years ago!! The ceremony took place in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Rathfeigh and the reception was in the Russell Hotel (now the Newgrange), Navan. Congratulations Harry and Anne.





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U12 CUP FINAL - SKRYNE TARA TRIUMPH

Q/f Balrath 1 -3 Skryne Tara @ Knockharley Cricket Club

Balrath scored after 15 mins from a free kick out on the left touch line 30m from goal. Leanna's kick for the Kentstown side sailed over the wall and sneaked in under the crossbar deflecting off the inner right post. It was a gem! 1-0 for Balrath. On 25 mins Eabha Clarke first timed a long clearance from defence, Katie Cullen timed her run to beat the off side trap, held off a challenge and slotted home past the advancing keeper. The whole team were uplifted going in at half time. Skryne dominated the 2nd half. On 15 mins Niamh Cahill floated a corner in from the right, Ciara Smyth brilliantly took it down and fired Skryne ahead 2-1. Megan Clarke was doing Trojan work and broke up a midfield tussle with 5 mins to play and sent Ciara on a run down the right. Ciara dribbled it into the box and unleashed a cruise missile into the net for the insurance goal 3-1.



S/f Johnstown 0 - 6 Skryne Tara @ Fifa Astro in MDL

Johnstown young guns came out with all guns blaizing and almost scored with a swift counter attack early in the game. The game settled down and they played park the bus in front of their goal and held Skryne scoreless for the first half. Skryne went out on a mission in the 2nd half and Megan Clarke sliced right through their defence and netted 1-0. Ciara Smyth added a brace in quick succession and then Megan got her second of the morning. Kate Thorpe and Ava Purcell put the icing on the cake and wrapped it all up.

CUP FINAL Skryne Tara 9 -8 Parkvilla (1-1 after extra time 8 - 7 on penalties) @ MDL

The Morning of the final each player received a text. "All year We have waited for this day. A day where we have a full Team & play Parkvilla in the Cup Final. This is that day, This is the hour. This is the moment to show we are the best team in Meath. Carpe diem – seize the day". Skryne started in glowing fashion and dominated the early exchanges. Soon The Villa settled and Steffi in the Skryne goal had to parry a dangerous long range swerving shot which Ciara Smyth (playing with a fractured wrist) had to pluck the ball off the striker's toes and and boot it out for a corner. Both defences were dominating this very tight game. It continued nip and tuck to the end of the first half and both sides went in 0-0 at half time.

5 minutes into the second half Skryne introduced their 5th sub of the day Lucy Wilkinson thus ensuring the whole squad got to play in the cup final. Lucy is one of the nouvelle belles who joined the squad this season. She was asked like all the other subs to play at right corner forward today totally out of her normal defending role. It was frantic end to end drama and then after 10 mins Skryne worked the ball down the left flank and swirled in a low cross into the goalmouth. The Villa defender got a touch and seemed to be in possession of the ball when the tight marking Lucy as quick as a flash, pounced up and rifled in a rocket. It set off on a low trajectory which scorched the grass with the sizzling heat and whistled past the startled keeper rattling the embracing net before tucking itself snugly safe and sound in the bottom left corner. It was a precious, priceless goal! The instantaneous roar was deafening!

Villa continued to be threathening especially from set play, short corners, free kicks from the powerful boot of Sarah Power who had attempts on goal even from kick offs and kick outs. Parkvilla laid siege on the Skryne goal and smacked the outside of the post nearly searing off the keepers glove en route. Their pressure was finally rewarded with 10 mins to play. Power let rip another missile from a free out on the right into the mobbed penalty area. The ball bobbled around and Amber Cosgrave from Villa reacted first and steered the ball home. The Navan fans went delirious. The sides were level 1-1. Both teams fought it out until the ref blew the full time whistle and sent the tie into extra time.

The two periods of extra time were played and it was still stalemate, Steffi Finegan played a blinder in goals, Samantha Clarke, Caragh Conway & Tara Traynor were assiduous and diligent in defence, Ciara Smyth, Megan Clarke & Niamh Cahill were dynamoes in midfield & put in a superb shift, Katie Cullen Ava Purcell, Sasha Guirey, Isabella Pentony, Kate Thorpe, Katie Ryan, Lucy Wilkinson were fantastic in the forwards. The 9 players left on the field had to face the daunting task of a penalty shoot out.

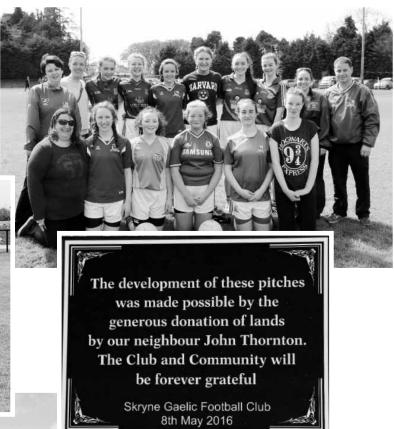
Parkvilla scored their first 7 penalties which added to the pressure for each of the Skryne Tara girls & their supporters. The 7 Skryne girls replied with goals to match the Villa pace setters. Tara took the first spot kick followed by Ciara, Megan rocked the roof of the net, then Niamh Cahill captain for the day made it 4-4. After the 4th peno it was sudden death, now there was no lifelines nor back doors as Caragh scored no 5, then Isabella hit 6 & Katie Ryan converted to leave it 7-7. Steffi got down low on her right and saved Villas 8th . Now a golden opportunity fell to Samantha Clark to seal the deal. Sam was rock steady all day long and played the game of her life. She stepped up and coolly slotted the ball into the left corner of the net.

Skryne had just won the cup and the Best u12 Soccer Team in Meath Accolade and they earned it! Captain Niamh Cahill accepted the Necsl Cup on behalf of the entire 25 strong u12 Squad from Peter Glynn. She thanked the Team managers: Val Finegan, Richie Clarke & Ashling Cullen. It was an emotional rollercoaster ending in ecstasy, euphoria and unbridled joy. Everyone made a special contribution in all 3 Cup Games. We had a Roy of the Rovers moment with Lucy's Stunning Goal, the legendary penalty shoot out all of which will enter folklore in time. The pressure on each of the heroic peno takers & especially their parents was strenuous. Steffi's saves, the lucky goalpost, jubiliant joy when Samantha scored the last peno. – a precocious group, a Vintage crop - Legands.

Lá na gClub



















Skryne Strictly 2016



Tattersalls Country House, built in 1776 is a beautiful elegant old country mansion which exudes grandeur from its refined pores, a place which pays homage to past legends from the horseracing world, legends such as the great Dawn Run whose name is now associated with the main bar in the heart of the house. On Saturday, 09th April 2016, it was to host legends of a different genre. 26 brave souls(13 Couples) would be set loose on the stage in the main function room to showcase the dancing skills that they had been fine-tuning over a period of 10 weeks prior to the main event... Strictly Skryne!!

And they didn't disappoint!! The doors opened at 7pm and the crowd began to stream in, slowly at the start but by 8pm the auditorium was full and the crowd waited with baited breath to see the dancers take to the stage. The atmosphere was electric and MC extraordinaire Stephen Naughton, who opted for a charcoal grey suit and white shirt decorated with a pink tie(pink ties are the in thing you know) made a welcome return as host this year and took to the stage along with the beautiful Laura Campion who swapped her dancing costume from last year for a splendid sparkling sophisticated long cream coloured dress which exuded elegance and class as she embraced her new role as co-host in this year's Strictly. Stephen and Laura set about skilfully warming the crowd up for the big event.

A little past 8pm, the sound of the James Bond theme tune filled the room and the crowd clapped as all 26 of our dancers made their way to the stage! All the lads were decked out in white shirts, slacks and royal blue dickie bows representing the Skryne colours, while the girls were beautifully clad in navy blue knee-length flowy dresses. The nerves were jangling but the dancers were ready to rock and roll and the 19 dance lessons that they had attended under the brilliant tuition of choregraphers Thomas

Spratt and Linda Guthrie, were to pay off in spade loads as they strutted their stuff to the sound of Fleur East's racy tune 'Play that Sax'.

With the group dance doing it's job of settling the nerves of the dancers and warming the crowd up, it was time for the real competition to begin. The couples, 13 in all were divided into 6 groups, each set to perform one of 4 dance styles, the Jive, the Charleston, the Waltz and the Pasodoble.

After a quick costume change, the first couples up were Couple 1 Niall Morley and Elizabeth Morland and Couple 2 Cian Lynch and Sinead Carty who were dancing the Jive to the sound of Candyman by Christina Aguilera. The 2 couples sparkled on stage with a lively routine that was to set the bar high for the remaining couples.

Next up were Couple 3 Niall Lenehan (Skryne's most tenacious defender) and Garda Laura Caffrey, Couple 4 Joe Kelly and Michelle Griffin (couple both onstage and off) and Couple 5 husband and wife team Gavin and Ann-Marie Lynch. All 3 couples were decked out in 30's gear and could have been plucked from a scene from a Fred Astaire movie. Another fantastic performance wowed the crowd who were thirsty for more.

Couple 6 Paddy O' Dowd and Margaret Mc Keown and Couple 7 late entries John Allen and Michelle Coogan were to prove popular with the fans as they performed a beautiful elegant waltz to the sound of the dulcet tones of Dean Martin's 'That's Amore'. Despite only joining 3 weeks before the event, John and Michelle didn't miss a beat and put on a superb performance. Well done to them all for such a wonderful performance.

Couple 8 Simon Cawte and Mary O'Rourke, Couple 9 Gordon Dardis (who looked like the mad professor from Back to the Future with his white wig) and his partner Gail Kinsella and Couple 9 Skryne legend Dessie Finnerty and Muriel Hoban all arrived on stage dressed in Spanish attire and danced the dramatic Pasodoble much to the delight of the crowd.

Couple 11 Sinn Féin Councillors Darren O' Rourke and Maria O'Kane stunned the crowd with an explosive Jive which was so energetic, it could have powered the lights in Tattersalls. Despite Darren narrowly missing out on a Dail seat in the recent General Election, there was little doubt that this couple would attract a lot of votes following this performance.

The final group with Couple 12 Stephen O'Brien and Sophie Rooney and Couple 13 John Morley and Hannah Doherty got the biggest roar of all when they set the place alight with another fantastically lively Charleston.

The judges James Gibbons, Jane Swan, Trevor Giles and last year's champion Eva Tuite were all suitably impressed by what they had witnessed. The judges and the crowd cast their vote and the finalists were selected. A further dance-off between the 6 finalists provided further entertainment for the crowd and a chance to select a winner. Crowd favourites Stephen and Sophie were to prove the most popular and they were crowned champions for 2016 ensuring that the trophy remains the property of the Rooney family for another year after Harry's victory last year.

Strictly Skryne proved to be a big success again this year, The Committee and Skryne GFC would like to thank all of those who sponsored the dancers or bought tickets for this event. We would also like to that Ratoath Musical Society and Fiona Carroll's School of Irish Dancing who provided brilliant entertainment to the crowd during our interval. A big thank you also to Thomas Spratt and Linda Guthrie who did such a great job on the choreography, our judges, James, Jane, Trevor and Eva, Keith Whelan and all at Tattersalls for providing such a wonderful venue, Darren McGoldrick and MG Audio, Anne Gray and all at AJ Print, Rosie Clarke from the Salon and Pamela Matthews Makeup for doing such a brilliant job with hair and makeup for the dancers, Senan McGrath for the video, Susan McGrath for the use of the RST Centre, Martin Kennedy for the use of Fr. Gleeson Hall and last but not least, a huge thanks to all of our dancers!! Hopefully I haven't forgotten anybody!! Just in case...thanks to everybody who contributed to the running of this event.

After all of the expenses were paid, Skryne GFC were left with €27,000 which will go towards paying for the brilliant new all weather facilty at Fr. McManus Park. We are eternally grateful to all in Skryne parish for supporting our events.

The Tuesday Club at Arigna Mining Experience.

Arigna Coal Mine overlooks the peaceful and panoramic Lough Allen in north Roscommon. The beautiful scenery outside is in deep contrast to the rugged and dangerous caverns of Arigna coal mine where for almost 400 years, brawny coal miners from Leitrim, Sligo and Roscommon, slaved in harsh and cramped conditions extracting coal from low depth coal seams. According to our very entertaining and articulate guide – an ex-miner- the workmen often had to lie on their sides in pools of water to dig out the "black gold". How those men tolerated 6 to 8 hours per day in such conditions is fascinating. The coal was generally of poor quality and the business was precarious but the men from these regions are made of tough stuff. Despite the risks and the many mining relating illnesses suffered by the miners, Arigna coal mine functioned up to 1990. Today, Arigna Mining Experience is a unique underground tour enjoyed by thousands since 2003. The visitors' centre has a museum, a souvenir shop and a modern coffee shop with dozens of historic mining photographs adorning the building.

The temperature underground is a constant 10 degrees Celsius- cold and damp – but not cold enough to deter one intrepid visitor who was wearing only sandals and tee-shirt. Frankstown always produced hardy men! It was a great day and thoroughly enjoyed by the Tuesday Club. The Tuesday Club's next outing will be the Croke Park Tour and the Skyline Tour on Tuesday 14th June. Early booking is essential to secure the best group rate and guarantee of a tour on that day. Details elsewhere in this RST Newsletter.



Tuesday Club

Next outing to Croke Park on Tuesday 14th June, 2016.

We are asking that people assemble at Croke Park (Cusack Stand side) in the cafeteria no later than 10.45. This will allow time for a quick coffee.

There are three options available on the trip:

OPTION 1: Skywalk Tour **and** Stadium Tour, commences at 11 a.m. sharp and takes 2.5 hours at a cost of €19.50 for Seniors.

OPTION 2: Skywalk Tour, commences at 11 a.m. sharp and takes 1.5 hours, at a cost of €18 for seniors.

OPTION 3: Stadium Tour only. Commences at 11.30 a.m. and takes 1.5 hours at a cost of €10 for seniors.

Each of the above includes admission to the Museum which has recently been upgraded to include an exhibition of our Olympic medals and highlights of our Olympians.

As this is the busiest time of the year for Croke Park tours, we must make a reservation and it must be confirmed by 4 p.m. on Tuesday 31st May (only a few days away). It is imperative that if you are travelling to Croke Park on 14th June, that you contact immediately either Dermot at 086-8760336 or Michael at 087-2525586 or Maurice at 087-9543222 and confirm which tour you wish to go on.

There is an excellent cafeteria for lunch and ample car parking in front of the museum. Alternatively, for those who wish to use Public Transport, we are confident that you all know your way to Croke Park.

P.S. 1: You are very welcome to come along to the RST centre on Tuesday 31st May (only a few days away!) at 11 a.m. to join the "Regulars" for tea and further details about the Croke Park tours.

P.S. 2: After this tour we propose going to Birr Castle on Tuesday 19th July. Further details in next RST newsletter.





Alzheimer's Tea Day Thank You

On behalf of the Meath Branch of the Alzheimer Society of Ireland I would like to thank the people of Skryne & Rathfeigh for your very kind donation of €2630.00 which was raised at Tea Day. Your generous contributions go solely towards the day to day running of Day Centre and care of our clients. Once again many thanks, your continued support is greatly appreciated. Yours sincerely Cathy O'Rafferty Nurse Manager

Skryne Cycle Club

Summer training continues:

Wednesday evening from Foxs at 7.00pm – beginners welcome.

Sunday 9.00 am from Swans car park; 9:15 Rathfeigh School.

Contact Pat McGovern 087 2586315 or James Brady 085 710 6524

THE RST CENTRE AGM

Tuesday 14th June at 8.30 p.m.

All Rathfeigh/Skryne/Tara residents are cordially invited to attend.

CONDOLENCES

Sympathy is extended to the following:

The Moran family, Macetown on the death of Patricia

Amanda Callaghan, Rathfeigh on the death of her mother

Eilish McDonagh Deputy Principal Scoil Cholmcille on the death of her brother Joe. Martin Gillett, Greenpark on the death of his brother Gerry.

CHILDMINDER WANTED for September in The Riggins/Macetown area for 2 preschool siblings. All terms flexible. At home or outside home. Please ring/text Maria 0879045916



Skryne/Tara football club would like to congratulate
Katie Manning on representing the club as part of the NECSL U-14 Gaynor cup squad @ the University of Limerick
In June. Best of luck!!

TARA SUMMER FESTIVAL

3RD - 5TH JUNE 2016

Tara Summer Festival 2016 will take place from 3rd June to 5th June under the auspices of Comhaltas Ceoltori Eireann. The following is a brief synopsis of the events in this year's festival.



FRIDAY 3RD JUNE

Historical Talk To open the festival on 3 June an historical talk will be given by Yolande O'Brien (Irish Research Council Doctoral Scholar) in Fox's pub. The title of the talk is "The Five Roads of Tara" and will be followed by a music session by Agnes Fox with Fiona & Roisin Gryson on Harp and Guitar

SATURDAY 4TH JUNE

On Saturday morning there will be music workshops held in Skryne national school for Bodhran, Flute, Harp, Fiddle & Setdancing. There will also be craft workshops held on willow weaving breadmaking, Spinning from sheep's fleece to wool. These will be held in the RST centre. In the afternoon there will be a gala concert in the RST centre. At 8:00 there will be a ceili held in Skryne school hall. Traditional music sessions will be held in Swans bar and O'Connell's pub.

SUNDAY 5TH JUNE

Hill to Hill Walk A walk will take place on Sunday Morning from the Hill of Skryne to Hill of Tara with refreshments being provided on the Hill of Tara and some traditional music.

Skryne Fair This is the first year of this re-organised fair and as such it will be quite small. It will be located in the Skryne Gaelic Football grounds including rented premises. It is intended to have pens erected to cater for small animals only. These include: Commercial calves, Highland cattle, Sheep & Lambs, pigs, donkies and goats. There will also be some hens with chicks and ducks on show. Some stands with knit wear and plants for sale will be set up. It is intended to ask both Dunderry fair and Scurlogstown Olympiad for a loan of their thatched cottages which are mounted on trailers. There will be a small forge showing forging skills with an old fashioned blacksmith. Some vintage cars and tractors will be on display. Refreshments will be provided by the RST centre and tea and coffee will also be provided in the main display area.

Tractor run A tractor run is being organised as part of the Skryne Fair but by a separate organising committee and will set off at 1:30 pm from Skryne Gaelic Football park. They have informed Dunshaughlin, Gardai of this event and have their own Health and Safety Statement. They will provide motorcycle outriders and will brief all drivers in advance of leaving the park of the rules and their obligations in relation to public safety.

Gala Concert The Tara Summer Festival will end with a Gala Concert with the RTE Con Tempo Quartet (Ireland's National Television and Radio Broadcaster's Quartet in residence). Guest artists: Aimée Farrell Courtney (bodhrán) Fiona Gryson (Harp) & Katie Hyland (Flute).





BLOTTO RESULTS

01-May-2016 1-3-4-17

No Winner - €40 each to: Ronan O'Rourke, Eamon Giles, Ashley O'Brien and Amy McQuaid

> 08-May-2016 2-9-20-23

No Winner - €40 each to: Ray Mooney, Christy O'Connor,
Oisin Kieran Coyle and Mary O Growney

15-May-2016 7-9-11-18

No Winner - €40 each to: Martin Kennedy, Jim and Pauline McManus, Johnny Brennan and Seamus and Colette Mullan

22-May-2016 11-14-16-18

No Winner - €40 each to: Dolores Tobin, D abd D, Tilly O'Brien and Nigel Fox

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