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# RST Newsletter

Rathfeigh • Skryne • Tara

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## Active First Responders Dunshaughlin/ Skryne/ Moynalvey December 2017 to train over 1000 people in 2018

The AFR is a voluntary organisation which is linked to the National Ambulance Service (NAS). When the Ambulance Service receive a 999 call relating to conditions which are/or may lead to a Cardiac/ Respiratory Arrest, the AFRs in the area are notified and dispatched when available. These life threatening conditions are time critical and local responders can potentially get to the patient quicker than an ambulance.



Members of the scheme receiving an AED kindly donated to them by the Meath Public Participation Network

The scheme is running for 4 years now. Over 200 people have been trained to do CPR and operate Automated External Defibrillators. Good quality CPR and fast delivery of a shock when needed will increase somebodies chance of survival considerably, which is the reason the scheme has been set up. To date, we have attended over 300 calls across the scheme.

Across the 3 areas we have well over 50 Responders in place. The Active First Responders are having an information/ recruitment evening on Thursday 14th December 2017. It is happening in Kiltale National School and the Skryne GAA clubhouse at 2000. The Moynalvey arm of the Group is having their launch night as they have just become a part of the group.

This Group is totally self-funded through fundraising, by both themselves and through community groups. To date, we have put in place 5 public access AEDs in Dunshaughlin, Skryne, Rathfeigh and Culmullen, with plans to increase this to 10 and to include Moynalvey and its surrounding hinterland

The goal for 2018 is to train 1000 people in the communities, free of charge, in basic CPR, AED use and on the locations of these public access AEDs and how to get them if needed. We will also be training 6 new instructors in CPR and AED use to roll out this training

For Information on these please follow us on our Facebook page 'Active First Responders' or contact Derek Cribbin on 087 9837 458



The Meath ICA held a sponsored walk which raised over €1000 for the AFR group.

*Get into the Spirit of Christmas*

**RATHFEIGH CHOIR**

*invite you to their Annual*

**CAROL SERVICE**

RATHFEIGH CHURCH

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December

7.00PM - 8.00PM

ALL WELCOME

ADMISSION IS FREE

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL:**The local St Vincent de Paul annual church gate collection takes place in Skryne & Rathfeigh on 9th & 10th December 2017. We thank you in anticipation of your generous support for this very worthy cause. JD.

**SKRYNE COMMUNITY ALERT GROUP AGM:** The AGM of the Skryne Community Alert group will take place at 8pm on Monday 4th December in the parish hall. We would be grateful if all members could attend, and new members will be made very welcome on the night.

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# Notices



**FOR SALE:** Dog kennel almost new. Phone 0868434820

**CLEANING UP AFTER OUR PETS:** As in previous editions of RST we have asked dog owners to please carry a plastic bag and pick up after their dog on the footpath between Swan's and Ross Cross. In fairness to the children walking to school and to the many others using this wonderful amenity it is a health hazard and most unpleasant to walk in. Please be considerate. You love your dog enough to walk him but please don't leave it to others to tolerate the mess they leave. Thank you

**SKRYNE GOLF SOCIETY:** Skryne Golf Society is holding its final outing today Saturday. It's a turkey outing to Corballis in Donabate. There are lots of turkeys to be won. Our outings in 2017 included Black Bush, Knightsbrook, Moyvalley (twice), St Margaret's, Royal Tara, and Ardee. There will be a similar range of excursions in 2018. Any potential new members can contact Luke Bowden, Liz Rogan, Willie Rogan or any member. You'll find a few of them in Swan's, The Yankee's or Fox's now and again.

**CRIME PREVENTION EVENING:** A Crime Prevention Evening organised by the Meath Crime Prevention Officer, Sgt Dean Kerins, took place recently in the Ashbourne House Hotel and was very well received by all that attended. Guest speakers were Peter Moran from Moran CCTV, Des from Helplink South, Mick Finnegan Meath Road Safety Officer and Scott Barry from Francis E Barron solicitor. A number of Social media safety and informative videos for children, and videos on sextortion were shown to the large crowd that attended. A similar evening will be organised in Dunshaughlin early in the new year.

**SKRYNE TARA AFC:** Skryne Tara AFC have a sign at the track at Ross Cross stating that no warm up or training take place on the pitch during the winter months. Unfortunately this is being completely ignored by people who should know better. To think that anybody could organise a training session on the pitch this week, after all the rain that fell, is beyond belief. As a result our League match on Sunday will now have to be postponed because of the state of the pitch. Skryne Tara do not train or warm up (even on match days) on the pitch so why should somebody else come in and use it without permission. Please be vigilant and report any such activity to a member of the Committee.

## Condolences

*The Parish and Skryne GFC passed votes of sympathy with the following:*

- The Murphy family, Trevet Grange on the death of Michael
- To Angela Clarke, Oberstown on the death of her sister
- Geraldine Clarke, Rathfeigh on the death of her mother
- Marie Pentony, Rathfeigh on the death of her sister



## U13 Final Skryne 3-13 V St.Colmcilles 3-6

Wednesday 15th November saw the Skryne U13s wrap up their season in style with a hard fought but well deserved victory over the St.Colmcilles in the final of the U13 Autumn league. This group of lads are undefeated having won all of the nine matches they played which included the seven group matches, semi-final and final. Beginning back in August the lads were in a group with Colmcilles, Ratoath, St.Pats, Navan O'Mahonys, Trim, Gael Colmcilles and Donaghmore Ashbourne. The opening game of the campaign set the tone for the competition with the lads playing away to Colmcilles and earning a 3-point victory. This win was followed with home wins against Trim, Gael Colmcilles and Donaghmore Ashbourne while victories on the road against Ratoath, Navan O'Mahonys and St.Pats saw the lads finish top of the table when the group games were completed. The semi-final was a home game V St.Pats and following a very tight first half the Skryne boys upped their performance in the 2nd half and ran out 4-11 to 1-9 winners.

Killian Manning started in goal as regular goalkeeper Mikey Daly had fractured his wrist just a few days before the final. Skryne started the game really well and some early scores got the lads up and running. Ben Armstrong and Robert Gallagher were doing really well and won a lot of possession in the middle of the field. The inside forwards of Josh Grendon and Charlie Swan were causing the Cilles defenders a lot of problems and both lads kicked some wonderful scores. As expected Colmcilles were always going to be tough opponents and some quick scores saw them keep in the match. Mid way through the first-half wing back Stephen Corry kicked an excellent long range point, then Andrew Canavan who had gained possession around the middle of the park ran at the Colmcilles defence and playing a lovely give and go with Josh Grendon, Andrew was though on goal and kicking low hard to the net gave the Colmcilles keeper no chance. Almost on half time Colmcilles added a point and a goal to leave just a single point between the sides. The 2nd half did not disappoint with both teams playing some great football, good movement, accurate hand and kick passing and some excellent score taking. Gradually the Skryne backs, led by Darragh O'Dowd and team Captain Matthew Ryan, got on top of the Colmcilles forwards. Up front with excellent movement from Billy Smith, Kevin Cooney and Dylan Murphy the scores kept coming. James Reeves and Ciaran Quinn were pushing forward and kept the Colmcilles lads pegged into their own half. Skryne subs played a big part, with Ben Mooney coming into the backline and blocking and breaking up a number of attacks. Up front Zak Farrell and Ciaran Fox kept the pressure on the Cilles backline. With a few mins left Skryne were ahead by nine points but a Colmcilles goal gave us an exciting last few minutes. With Killian Manning making a couple of excellent saves and Matthew Ryan dominating at full back Skryne held out and emerged victorious on a scoreline of 3-12 to 3-6. It was a really entertaining game, showcasing all that is good about juvenile football. Afterward Ciaran Flynn, Coiste Na nOg when presented the trophy to Skryne captain Matthew Ryan complemented both sides in the attitude, skills and discipline.

Skryne Panel Killian Manning, Darragh O'Dowd, Matthew Ryan, Stephen Corry, Ciaran Quinn, James Reeves, Ben Armstrong, Robert Gallagher, Billy Smyth, Andrew Canavan, Kevin Cooney, Charlie Swan, Josh Grendon, Ciaran Fox, Zak Farrell, Dylan Murphy, Ben Mooney, Mikey Daly

## RATHFEIGH N.S.

Rathfeigh National School are Boys' Rounders' Champions. They defeated Cortown under floodlights after a marathon 135 minute game. The game was played in wet and cold conditions with both teams playing to their potential in a very sporting manner. The victory was celebrated in style by Rathfeigh as it had been twenty five years since their previous victory in the competition. A big congratulations to Josh (Captain) and all the Rathfeigh team.



The Rathfeigh Girls' Rounders' team also had a brilliant year. They won four games on the way to the Meath final. They lost a close and exciting finish to Oristown. Their sportsmanship, even in defeat, shone through once again. Well done to Emily (Captain) and all the team

## Skryne Under 13s - Meath LGFA Division 2 Champions 2017

The Skryne U13 girls were crowned division 2 champions on Sunday 5th November, beating Donoghmore/Ashbourne in the final. As always, great support from the parish who braved the chilly conditions in Dunganny to cheer the girls on to victory. And then back to the RST for an end of season celebration.

Skryne had a challenging U13 group consisting of Ballivor, Trim, Na Fianna, Clan na nGael, Ratoath, Donaghmore/Ashbourne and Wolfe Tones. Skryne managed to win all of their matches to finish in first place and earn the right to play the final against a very strong team from Donaghmore/Ashbourne.

The final was played on a reduced size pitch in Dunganny, which constricted both sides ability to create and find space. Skryne played with the wind in the first half and built a 3 point lead. Score at the halfway point was 1-3 to 0-3 although Skryne should have been further ahead. Skryne stretched their lead in the 3rd quarter. But in the final quarter Donaghmore got the break-through they needed, scoring a suburb goal quickly followed by a point, reducing Skryne's lead to a single point. Both sides then kicked a number of wides, leaving the game



in the balance as it entered the final minutes. The character of the Skryne girls then shone through. Having ridden their luck a little bit, their composure, skills and fitness saw them over the line, as they extended their lead back to 3 points. The match was still in the balance and Don/Ash was very capable of levelling things if the opportunity arose. But to the relief and joy of Skryne the referee blew for full time and the title was secured. Final score 1-9 to 1-6.

2018 is a year to look forward to for this squad who will move up to U14 level in the new season. This victory earns them promotion to division 1, where this group of young athletes will be competitive. Skryne has been selected as a host club for the 2018 Feile competition, which is a national event held each year for U14 teams

from around the country. Skryne's U14 teams (boys and girls) will have the opportunity to play against some of the best U14 teams from all over Ireland – a great privilege for them, the club and the parish to look forward to.

Skryne U13 2017 Squad: Naoise Smyth, Ava Purcell, Aine Moss, Caragh Conway, Lisa Browne, Ellen Clarke, Samantha Clarke, Steffi Finnegan, Emma Loftus, Roisin McManus, Caoimhe Govern, Katie Ryan, Sasha Guirey, Ailbhe O'Regan, Ciara Cowley, Ciara Smyth, Aoife McLoughlin, Aisling O'Connor, Rachel Carolan, Grainne Hanly, Niamh Cahill, Molly Fitzpatrick & Ellie Murphy.

U13 Coaching Team: Declan Smyth, Madonna Purcell, Terrie Cahill, Ollie McLoughlin, Elizabeth Morland, Ciaran Cahill, Brenda Govern & Brendan Canavan.

## Under 8 Football Report RST Yersion

A very enjoyable year was had by Under 8 mentors Nicky Hamill, Mark Harrington, Ciaran O'Dwyer and Trevor Giles in 2017. Every Wednesday evening from mid-February to mid-October between 30 and 40 boys and girls turned up to football practice on our astro pitch. They took part in 15 Go Games blitz's throughout the year, always turning out in very good numbers. The kids had a great week at the Cul Camp in early July and played great football to reach the final of the Bohermeen tournament and winning the An Riocht, Co. Down tournament during the summer.

The kids made great progress with their skills. Many thanks to the parents for their commitment in all weathers and for the hospitality they showed to visiting clubs.



## Skryne GFC AGM

### Executive Committee Elected

<b>Chairman</b>	Senan McGrath
<b>Vice Chairman</b>	Dermot Carty
<b>Secretary</b>	Nicky Hamill
<b>Assistant Secretary</b>	TBC
<b>Treasurer</b>	Ross Phillips
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<b>Children's / Schools Liaison Officer</b>	TBC
<b>Committee Members</b>	Dolores Tobin
	Norbert Coyle
	Dan O'Leary

### Skryne Tara u14 Team & Management who competed in the NECSL this Season.

Val Finegan, Katie Ryan, Molly Fitzpatrick, Sasha Guirey, Katie Cullen, Ashling Cullen, Samantha Clarke, Caragh Conway, Roisin O'Dowd, Lucy Wilkinson, Mark Pentony, Isabella Pentony, Steffi Finegan, Kate Thorpe, Amy O'Dowd, Anna Caldwell, Ella Mc Cartan, Rea Pender. Missing Rebecca Clarke, Sarah Clinton, Sarah Pentony, Elizabeth Fitzpatrick plus Lisa O'Dowd & Mary Clarke.

## Scoil Cholmcille



Scoil Cholmcille was buzzing last week after a hectic week of successful activities.

Wednesday was a most busy day with athletes from Rang 3 & Rang 4 heading off to Bellewstown for the Cumann na mBunscol Cross Country Championships. Weather was good but performances were great. Our U11 Girls team put in a great effort with every member of the 8 strong team finishing the testing course.

Our U11 Boys were even better with a strong team of 8 managing to group strongly and won their section in convincing fashion. Great delight amongst all who travelled to support and comhghairdeas ar leith to Ruby Beggan and Conor Giles who led the team home. Maith sibh lads.

Our U13 squads couldn't travel because they had another engagement in Santry as they travelled to participate in Round 2 of the Leinster Primary Schools Orienteering League. We have a great record in these events over the past years and last Wednesday was no different. Katie Purcell, Molly Connolly and Shauna Hogan finished 1,2,3 in the Girls Rang 5 race. We had 1st and 3rd placings in the Rang 5 race with Noah Crawley and Declan O'Connor. Rang 6 Boys produced another 1st and 3rd placing through Dylan Murphy and Ciarán Quinn. There is a pattern emerging here as the

Rang 6 Girls also had a similar result, this time with Grainne Hanly filling 3rd spot and Roisín McManus producing the run of the day to win the event with a sub 20 minute time. Super effort from all who took part. We had 61 runners on the day and most improved significantly on their times from Round 1. Next event will be in February.

Some of the boys went on later that night to win their U13 Football League and we congratulate all who were part of a great team effort to beat Colmcilles by 5 points.

Thursday was another hectic day for football but this time the mighty Skryne Mimi-7's ladies took to a bitterly cold Dunganny to defend a title won for the first time last year. Tough sectional games saw the girls beat Dangan and Bacinstown before facing a daunting task in tackling G. na Cille from Ashbourne in the semi-final. They were everyone's favourites on the day but the Skryne ladies were never going to go down easily and in the performance of the day they emerged convincing winners as they nullified the immense threat posed by a talented forward line. Katie Keane in goal was heroic and inspired Lisa Browne and Aoife McLoughlin in front of her to new heights. Aly Clarke did most of the damage up front and Destiny Carty supplied great ball in to them. Aisling O'Connor was a tenacious defender and Ailbhe O'Regan was an effective team player as the girls tired. Shauna Hogan took constant watching up front and Katie Purcell was a like a fly you couldn't shake off as they chased down every ball. The only one missing from that name check is Ellie Murphy and for good reason. Ellie was our captain and played a real captains part in getting the very best out of each and every girl. She made a lovely speech when accepting the Shield after a comprehensive victory over Oristown in the Final. We are so proud of these wonderful girls who showed real TEAM work to fight for their win.

A special word of praise for our No. 1 supporter, Roisín McManus who cheered her friend from start to finish. It is a special group of girls who can complete this unique 2-in-a-row.

Monday saw more full on activity as a double decker bus of boys and girls set off for Gormanston for qualifying rounds of the Meath Olympic Handball Championships. We have another proud record to defend in this competition and all four teams we believe have progressed to the Meath Finals which will take place into the new year. Lots of training to take place before then with team positions still up for grabs.

Away from sport we had a very interesting visitor to school this week when astronomer Kevin Sweeney presented to all pupils on a variety of space related topics ranging from a trip to the moon, our neighbouring planets and finally the search for alien life. Really well received by all pupils. Don't be surprised if there are some requests for telescopes going into Santa's letters!! We also have a special surprise arranged for Dec. 5th but so far it is till a secret.



Congratulations to Allan Carty and Emer Monaghan who were married recently in St. Colmcille's Church, Skryne.

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## BLOTTO RESULTS

**October 29 2017**

**6 - 7 - 16 - 26**

No Winner - €40 each to: Anne Tuite, Tom Mulvany, Bernie Dardis and Pauline McSorley

**November 5 2017**

**1 - 13 - 25 - 28**

No Winner - €40 each to: Fiachra Leahy, Louise Maguire, Seamus and Collette Mullan and Tommy Callaghan

**November 12 2017**

**1 - 8 - 19 - 24**

No Winner - €40 each to: Ciara Reuter, Helen Browne, Bernie Daly and Robert Daly

**November 19 2017**

**5 - 8 - 11 - 19**

No Winner - €40 each to: Dolores Tobin, Noel Moran, Nano McGoldrick and Patrick Battersby

**Next week's jackpot**

**€6,000**

**Thank you for your support**

### Next Issue

**Saturday December 16th**

Submissions by Wednesday 13th December