



## Skryne Cycle Club Beginner Group Zero to 50K

continues Thursday evenings at 7pm from Swan's Carpark. This is a beginner's group and the pace will be slow for the next few weeks – no fancy bike or gear needed but a helmet and Hi-Viz is encouraged. Meet in Swan's Car Park at 7 sharp. Contact **Pat McGovern** (087) 258 6315

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# **Club Training**

Will continue through the Spring as follows: Wednesday 7.00 pm from Foxs. Sunday 9:15 from Rathfeigh School. Contact James Brady (085) 710 6524 or Pat McGovern (087) 258 6315



### A SUMMER PART TIME KENNEL ASSISTANT POSITION IS AVAILABLE FROM JUNE - SEPTEMBER TO HELP IN LOCAL DOG BOARDING KENNELS.

Duties include washing down, cleaning up, getting dogs ready to leave and come in. May also include general cleaning duties with resident donkeys and poultry

Person must be physically fit, enjoy being around animals, mature, be very reliable, show initiative, trustworthiness and a have a happy disposition.

Hours available from 9 am - 12 noon, seven mornings a week. Email kay@happyhounds.ie with C.V. and hobbies or phone on 087-238 4496 if interested.



Thursday May 4th 9.30 am - 7 pm RST Centre (Grounds of Skryne GFC)

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# Skryne GFC

### Victory for Skryne over Castletown.

#### Skryne 2-15 Castletown 1-15

An excellent game of football played on a perfect pitch in ideal conditions resulted in victory for Skryne by 3 points in this A League Division 2 encounter. Castletown began the match much brighter than Skryne and had a goal and a point on the board in the first few minutes. Paddy Carpenter got the home team off the mark with a very well taken point and two more from Brian Davis seemed to settle Skryne but Castltown regrouped and their forwards had the Blues defence in all sorts of trouble all through this first half. They were never headed in this period and fully deserved their half time lead of 1-8 to 0-9 having played into the road end goals with little or no breeze to contend with.

The second half proved to be the opposite with Skryne on top right from the start and scored two goals and a point before Castletown had their first point eight minutes in. Mark Battersby and Patrick O'Rourke getting the Blues goals after some great work out the field with a number of players involved in both moves. Batts added three pointed frees before Castletown got back into the game and had the Skryne's lead back to two points with a minute of normal time left. Again the Blues finished strongly and Darragh Campion scored the last point of the game to seal victory for the home team.

This was a good team performance from Skryne with some very good individual displays particularly from Ian Gillett in goals - two brilliant saves kept his side in front in that helter skelter second half. Mark Jordan was back to his best and Mark Harrington got to grips with the dangerous Castletown full forward in the second half. The midfielders broke even while upfront Brian Davis and Patrick O'Rourke stood out, but overall every player played their part in an important victory which keeps Skryne in the top half of the League table.

Skryne - Ian Gillett. Eoghan Greene, Mark Harrington, Mark Jordan. Paddy Carpenter (0-1), Niall Lenehan, Adam O'Sullivan. Aidan Tuite, Ciaran Lenehan. Eoin Smyth, Brian Davis (0-5), Patrick O'Rourke (1-2). Jason Fox (0-1), Mark Battersby (1-5), Darragh Campion (0-1). Subs used - Declan Morley and Paddy Fox.

### Kells too strong for Skryne.

#### Skryne 2-11 Colmchille Gaels Kells 4-8.

'Goals win games' has been said so often that most people now are convinced it's true. So it proved once again in this match and when you add in the fact that Skryne kicked too many wides they were lucky to get to within three points of the visitors at the finish. On a bitterly cold but dry evening in McManus Park the concession of three goals in the first half put 'paid' to Skryne's chances of winning this B League Division 1 clash. It took a goal from Felim O'Rourke late in the half to give Skryne some sort of chance to peg back the Kells men's half time lead of 7 points - 3-4 to 1-3. The Gaels forwards had the Skryne defence in trouble right from the start and they had the ball in the net for the opening score of the game in the first minute. Skryne struggled in front of goal and a number of bad wides added to the problems at the other end of the field.

Kells began the second half as they had the first and they scored an early forty five to increase their lead to eight points. To be fair to the Skryne men they never gave up and gradually clawed their way back into the match despite the fact that they conceded another goal midway through this period. The Blues outscored the Gaels by 1-8 to 1-4 in this half but unfortunately their goal from substitute Sean Cassidy came with only a few minutes to go. They did have two more chances to level up the match but Kells had packed their defence and deservedly held out for a three point win.

In a difficult match for Skryne most players put in an enormous effort and no blame can be attached for the defeat to Des McAvinney in goals, or Mark Jordan, David Lynch and Michael Doherty further out the field.

They did score 13 times to the oppositions 12 but as said already 'goals win games'.

Skryne - Des McAvinney. Barry Clarke, Michael Doherty, David Carroll. Paddy Carpenter, Declan Morley (0-1), Mark Jordan. David Lynch, Paddy Doherty. Frank Carty, Jason Fox (0-3), Andrew Moore. Felim O'Rourke (1-1), Allan Carty (0-3), Niall Morley (0-1). Subs used - Kevin O'Reilly (0-2), Dermot Brennan, Sean Cassidy (1-0), John Quinn, Jack Conroy and Paul Bannon.

### Third Win for Skryne's 3rds.

#### Skryne 2-14 Clanna Gael 3-7.

Skryne's third team made it three wins from three games when they defeated Clanna Gael in Skryne this evening.

In ideal conditions for football Clanna Gael began the match at a hectic pace and had Skryne in trouble very early on. They led by 2-1 to no score after six and a half minutes. But that was as good as it got for the men from Athboy in this half and the Blues reeled off ten points without reply. This left the score at half time Skryne 0-10 Clanna Gael 2-1.

Dermot Brennan opened the scoring for Skryne in the second period but then it was Clanna Gaels turn to take over and score 1-2 very quickly to go from four points behind to lead by one point. It was nip and tuck from then to the final whistle and it took a fine goal from midfielder David McGoldrick to sway the tide in Skryne's favour.

This was a closely fought game where both teams made mistakes but also had some very good passages of play. Overall Skryne just about deserved the win which keeps their unbeaten run going.

Skryne - Des McAvinney. James Conroy, Michael Doherty, Enda Byrne (0-2). Frank Carty, Martin Mulvaney, David Carroll. David McGoldrick (1-2), Dermot Brennan (0-1). Paul Bannon, Jason Fox (0-3), John Quinn (0-2). Sean Cassidy (1-0), Brian Smyth (0-3), Paul McGoldrick.

Subs - David Lynch (0-1), Kieran O'Rourke, David Burke, Colm McLoughlin and Oisin Coyle.

### SKRYNE GOLF SOCIETY

Skryne Golf Society's next outing is on Saturday 29th April to Knightsbrook. New members are welcome. If anyone is interested in joining the society contact Luke Bowden at 087 2388155 or talk with any member (You'll find a few of them frequent Swan's and Fox's).

Our recent outing to Black Bush on 25th March was quite enjoyable. Winners were Gerry Browne in category 1 and Christie Browne in category 2. Second were Mick Rogan and Fred Gilsenan in categories 1 and 2 respectively.

#### **RST CENTRE NOTICES (087** 130 6985

#### Our Digital Skills course

(Smartphone, Tablet, iPad, iPhone) commences for Beginners on Tuesday May 9th from 10am - 12noon for 5 weeks. (Free of charge)

Laptop course will start on Thursday May 11th from 7.30 – 9.30 pm for 5 weeks. (Free of charge)

At the moment Meath Partnership have funding for Beginners courses only, this may change in the coming weeks. We'll try our best to get the Advanced classes running again as soon as possible. Anyone interested, please call the above number.

**Flower Arranging:** There are still a couple of places free, starts on Monday 24th April from 10.30 am – 12.30pm. Please contact Elizabeth on 087-4169269 or call Susan on the RST number above.

#### Skryne Community Alert - RST 19th April

#### **Text Alert**

Thanks to all that renewed your text alert subscriptions to date. We get regular crime updates from our Community Garda and he assures us that the operation of Text Alert in our area is playing a significant part in deterring criminals. We have now refreshed the Text Alert database with our service provider so if you have not renewed by now you will no longer receive alerts until you do. Don't worry – you can still renew at Tara PO, and Mary has some spare forms there. The cost to sign up or renew is just  $\in 10$  for one phone,  $\in 20$  for two etc. Don't forget to make a note of your eircode before completing the form – it can help us identify what areas are covered in the future.

#### **Suspicious Activity**

While Text Alert plays a significant role in deterring criminals, it is only one tool available to us. It is essential that each of us take responsibility as members of our community for reporting all suspicious activity in the area. We cannot all assume that somebody else will. We are part of the Ashbourne Garda District, and the number we should use to report suspicious activity is 01 801 0600. The Gardaí acknowledge that on occasion it may take more than one attempt to get through during busy periods, but please do persevere. Important details to report are type and colour of any vehicle involved, as well as the registration number and number of passengers. If you only get a glance at a registration plate, the most important part to remember is the county and number. Due to limited resources at the Garda stations, it is not possible for them to report back on the outcome of your call, but this is not an indication that the information has not been useful in preventing a crime or an aid to apprehending a criminal. The Gardaí may or may not generate a text alert based on your call. This decision is made on a case-by-case basis, depending on how useful a text would prove to the general community in that instance.

#### **Raising a Cuppa at The RST Centre for Alzheimers**

For the past 25 years, families of Alzheimers patients in Meath have been able to care for their loved ones at home for longer because of the excellent Day Care Centre at Whistlemount, Navan. This precious facility which means so much to so many families has to raise 40 per cent of it's operation costs each year through local fundraising. The main fundraiser is the Alzheimer's Tea Day which this year takes place nationally on Thursday May 4th.

The ladies of Skryne & Rathfeigh will host their **Annual Tea Day in the RST Centre** in the grounds of Skryne G.F.C. all day on Thursday May 4th from 9.30 am to 7pm and will also include garden plant sale by Brid Conroy which proved very popular last year. All money raised will go directly to the Navan Centre.

The Meath branch also runs an Alzheimers' Cafe once a month in the Dunshaughlin Pastoral Centre for patients and their families - it caters for patients in the earlier stages of the disease. The cafe hosts talks by occupational therapists and on legal matters and other issues of concern to patients. There are 55,000 people living with dementia in Ireland today so there are 55,000 good reasons to support your local Alzheimer's Tea Day on Thursday May 4th. Spread the word & bring a friend.

See you all there. P. C.

Dermot Carty Vice Chairperson Skryne GFC presents Keiran O'Brien with his cheque for €7000.

Kieran was the most recent Jackpot winner of the clubs Blotto draw which takes place every weekend alternatively in either Swans or Foxs. Envelopes available in both premises and the Post Office at Ross Cross or from any Committee member for €2. Direct debits or annual subscriptions also available.

Please support this club fundraiser as it goes towards keeping the very high standards the club has set in looking after the sporting needs of the youth and particularly the children of our Parish.

The Club would like to thank all those who already contribute and everybody who helps out in any way.

Your support is gratefully appreciated. Skryne GFC



**NIAMH FOX:** would like to thank everyone for their support and generosity for her recent coffee morning fundraiser. Hopefully your money will make a difference to the lives of the children in Ghana when Niamh and 11 other pupils travel there in June a total of €3,345 was raised on the morning. Many Thanks.

**<u>CAG MEETING:</u>** The next meeting of Skryne Community Alert Group is Monday 29th May 2017 at 8 pm in the Parish Hall.

HOUSE TO RENT: looking for house to rent from August 1st 2017 in Skryne/Rathfeigh/Tara area. Minimum 3 bedrooms, modern or recently renovated. Fully furnished. Contact 0469025320 or susan@nokwi.co.za

**COMMUNITY GAMES ANNUAL CHURCH GATE COLLECTION:** this coming Weekend. 22nd & 23rd of April. Thank you for your continued support.

TUESDAY CLUB: Due to a number of factors our earlier planned trips had to be cancelled at relatively short notice. However we have started with a trip to one of our best known landmarks in Co Meath, Trim Castle.For the rest of the year we are planning on a trip to Clonmacnoise and the Shannon region, a trip to Johnstown Castle and Kennedy Park, The Ploughing Championship again as it proved to be popular last year and in between we hope to do the Dail and Battle of the Boyne. The only request that we have to make is for all our travellers to get back to Dermot, Maurice or Michael to register their interest in travelling as we must have numbers to book the coach, ascertain the cost and book guides plus meals. We cannot do this at the last minute and we do need a several weeks notice. We will hopefully publish the dates of our upcoming trips in the next edition of the RST. Thanks to all for their support and looking forward to seeing you all on our future trips.



Kieran O'Brien





Congratulations to the girls from the Carr school of Irish dancing who recently took part in the Dublin championship's in the pillo hotel Ashbourne and were all very successful. Dancing classes are held every Monday & Thursday in Rathfeigh National School & RST Community Centre Skryne. For more details please contact Audrey Carr TCRG on 0860712175

# Condolences

The Parish and Skryne GFC passed votes of sympathy with the following: Francie O'Halloran, Cabragh on the death of his sister



Photo caption: Team which represented Skryne GFC at the quiz held by An Coiste Culturtha, Meath GAA, in Navan O'Mahony's centre are Darren O'Rourke, Joseph O' Brien, Maria O'Kane and Joe Canning.

Next Issue Saturday 22nd April 2017 Submissions by Wednesday 19th April Contact: Jim Conroy phone: 046 902 5771 email: jimkconroy@hotmail.com

# **BLOTTO RESULTS**

**19th March 2017 3-4-20-23** No Winner - €40 each to: Anne Mulvany,

Kieran O'Flynn, Telsey Crocock and Maureen O'Kane.

26th March 2017

**19-22-23-25** No Winner - €40 each to: Andy Curry, Sheila and Fergal, Sarah Lynch and Mel O'Rourke

#### 02nd April 2017

**5-15-24-28** No Winner - €40 each to: Albert Hamill, Sheila and Fergal (again), Michael Looby and Orla Rafter

#### 09th April 2017

**10-21-24-26** No Winner - €40 each to: Rowan Dardis, Rosaleen Conroy, Andrew Curry and Niamh Finnerty

16th April 2017

**2-6-10-25** No Winner - €40 each to: Brid O'Kane, Kieram O'Brien, D and D and Laura Caffrey

Next week's jackpot €2,900

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Dunshaughlin Community College Transition Year Fund Raising Event. In aid of The Ghana Project

We invite you to COME TRY ORIENTEERING AND JOIN IN THE FUN

at Rathbeggan Lakes Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2017 Starts between11am -1pm,



Registration from 10.30am

Entry fee €4 / Special rate for families Spot Prizes

**"EGG HUNT"** For the Under 10's For further information Call:



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