



Blotto cheque presentation €10,000 to Valerie Clarke by Chairman Senan McGrath in Fox's.

### **BLOTTO RESULTS**

SUNDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER
Numbers drawn: 1 - 6 - 12 - 28
Jackpot not won - Lucky dip winners
Aidan Tuite, Sheila O'Grady, Caitrin O'Rourke, Ben Donnelly

SUNDAY 30th SEPTEMBER
Numbers drawn: 5 - 10 - 17 - 22
Jackpot not won - Lucky dip winners
Oliver Harrington, Paddy Mulvany, Noel Moran, Ita Swan

SUNDAY 7th OCTOBER Numbers drawn: 5 - 6 - 12 - 22 Jackpot not won - Lucky dip winners

John O'Brien, Nuala Phillips, Colum Hanley, Seamus & Colette Mullan

SUNDAY 14th OCTOBER Numbers drawn: 4 - 11 - 12 - 20 Jackpot not won

This week and for next 2 weeks, there will be 2 prizes worth €100, a ticket into the Meath County Board House Draw
This week's 2 winners are: Mary Phillips, Paudi Dardis

Next week's Jackpot: €2,000

Thank you for your support

Next Issue: Saturday 24th November Submissions by Wednesday 21st November Contact: Jim Conroy Phone: 046 902 57 71 Email: jimkconroy@hotmail.com

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# All-Ireland Title for Sophie Farnan



Sophie Farnan, a member of the Skryne Pitch and Putt club, bridged a 38 year gap for Meath Pitch and Putt with her win in the girls National Juvenile Strokeplay Championships in Fermoy. Sophie's victory was a first national juvenile title for the Skryne club. The Skryne club member had 4 shots to spare over Leinster Girls Strokeplay winner Eimear Ahern of the Lucan Pitch and Putt club, Dublin. Skryne Pitch and Putt club was formed in 1962, and has had great success throughout the years, particularly in All-Ireland's, with Oliver Duane winning in gents and Kathleen Geraghty winning in the ladies competition 2 years ago. We have a wonderful facility in our parish. Everyone is welcome, may it be young, old, beginner or experienced. If you are interested in joining call John - 0863971672.

Sophie Farnan is pictured above with PPUI President - Mervyn Cooney.

#### SKRYNE GOLF SOCIETY

Our next outing is to Black Bush on Saturday 27th October. The first tee time is 12.00 noon. The golf will be followed by dinner and prizegiving in the cludhouse. Prospective new members and visitors are welcome to join us. Contact Luke Bowden at 087 2388155 before Monday 22nd.



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# IRISH AMPUTEE FOOTBALL

We wish James (Jack) Conroy, Captain and goalie of the Irish Amputee Football Team all the best as they travel to Mexico to compete in the Amputee Football World Cup.

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#### **SKRYNE COMMUNITY ALERT GROUP**

#### **Road Safety**

Those on social media will no doubt come across videos published by the Road Safety Authority with regard to road safety for drivers, cyclists and pedestrians. The RSA are tasked with reducing road deaths and serious injuries, but we all need to do our part to reduce this figure. We have an alarming rate of road deaths in this country. Did you know that most road deaths happen not in densely populated towns and cities, but in rural areas like ours? Last year there were 157 fatalities - 92 in cars, 30 pedestrians, 20 on motorbikes, and 15 pedal cyclists. As drivers we need to take due care on the roads, but also as pedestrians and cyclists it is our responsibility to make sure we are seen. If we walk or cycle on a dark morning or evening, unless we have lights and high visibility clothing, it is almost impossible for a motorist to spot us against the lights of oncoming traffic. It doesn't matter if we are 5km from home or 20m from home. As drivers, we also need to use our proper lights and need to leave room to safely overtake pedestrians and cyclists – they may need to move out to avoid a pothole or puddle, or they could slip on ice as we are passing. Let's all take responsibility for road safety and ensure that we all get home safely to our families this winter.

#### **Skryne Community Alert Meeting**

Our next meeting in on Monday 22nd Oct at 8pm in Skryne Hall. Many of us in the RST area have have been victims of crime, and unfortunately the crime rate had increased in the last few months. Why not come along to our meeting and become part of the solution in helping prevent crime, and looking out for those who may need assistance in our community? Being part of the Skryne Community Alert group is not a big commitment - we meet for 1 hour on a Monday evening every 4-6 weeks, with a break over the summer.

#### SKRYNE CYCLE CLUB

Skryne Cycle Club had their annual Hill Challenge time trial on Saturday 6th October to finish off a busy year of cycling for the club. Stephen 'Princess Peaches' Kelly retained the title of 'King of the Hill' this year with Val 'the favourite' Clarke second and Tony 'peaked too soon' Morland third. It's going to be a long year to the rematch in 2019! Jessica Magnier was the first woman over the line.

A few large chilled cappuccinos were had in Mrs O's afterwards! Training will continue through the winter. Ask any club member for details.



#### RATHFEIGH SCHOOL

#### **Gaelic Football**

The Rathfeigh Girls' football team have reached the semifinals again this year. They have been very impressive so far, winning all their games. They are only one win away from reaching the final in Páirc Tailteann. We wish them the best of luck.

The Boys' football team have also done well this year despite playing in a division higher this year after last year's memorable final victory. We are waiting to see if they have reached a place in the semi-final.

The children in Third to Sixth classes have just completed six weeks of tag rugby coaching in the school with Kevin from Ashbourne Rugby Club. Fifth and Sixth class competed in a blitz in Ashbourne yesterday. Their improvement since the start of coaching was clearly visible. We thank Kevin for his great work with the pupils since the start of term.

#### **Computer Room**

We are hoping to have our new computer room up and running after Halloween. It will be a great addition to the school. In this technological era it is essential for children to keep up to date with the advances in technology. By Christmas we hope the children will be more competent in power point presentations, sending e-mails, drafting letters etc.

#### 'Feel Good' Week

Next week is 'Feel Good' week. The children will be taking part in a variety of 'feel good' activities e.g. making Friendship Cards, Pumpkin Design Competition and Halloween Fancy Dress.

#### **Determined for Dylan**

Before the summer holidays a number of parents contacted me about fundraising for Dylan. Dylan had to leave the school last year due to serious medical issues. We hope you can support the following fundraising event which will be happening on November 3rd. The Doyle Family are getting their daughter's hair cut for the first time. Katie is in Senior Infants and her hair is 17 inches long. The hair will be donated to the Rapunzel Foundation. All money raised will be donated to the Determined for Dylan fund. Anybody who wishes to donate can send money in an envelope into the school or through www.gofundme.com/katie-doyle-hair-cut.

#### CONDOLONCES

The parish & Skryne GFC pass votes of sympathy with the following on their recent bereavements:

Olive Farrelly, Borrowaddy Road on the death of her

Jackie O'Reilly, Ross on the death of her mother Fionnuala Forde, Greenpark on the death of her father Johanne Allen, Oberstown on the death of her sister

#### SKRYNE BOW OUT OF FEIS CUP AT SEMI FINAL STAGE

Skryne 0-13 • Gaeil Colmcille 2-12

Skryne bowed out of the Feis Cup after a next six points without a reply from spirited second half performance against Gaeil Colmcille in Walterstown saw them fall just short. The match had been switched twice before finally finding a home in Walterstown where the pitch held up very well despite the after effects of Storm Callum and torrential overnight rain which continued throughout the day before the game which made for slippery underfoot conditions.

Skryne were without talisman Paddy O'Rourke and a number of first team players. They found scores hard to come by in the first half and seemed to be struggling to find their range with a number of shots dropping short into the hands of the Gaeil Colmcille keeper. Gaeil Colmcille opened the scoring with a point inside the opening minute of the game. Mark Battersby replied with his first point a minute later before Gaeil Colmcille scored their first goal with only 3 minutes on the clock after a sweeping move was finished with aplomb to the back of the Skryne net. They followed it with a point to extend their lead before Darragh Campion slotted over Skryne's second point. Gaeil Colmcille scored the

Skryne as the game seemed to be slipping away. An Ian Davis shot at goal with five minutes remaining in the half, slid agonizingly wide of the post. Darragh Campion and Conor O'Brien added two points for Skryne to reduce the gap before the referee blew the halftime whistle. Half-time: Gaeil Colmcille 1-08 Skryne 0-04.

Skryne had a half-time deficit of seven points to chase down and a much better second half performance saw them display excellent battling qualities as they set about reducing this deficit. The midfield pairing of Darragh Campion and Harry Rooney were excellent throughout and Skryne's opening score came from a marauding run by Rooney through the heart of the Gaeil Colmcille defence, before he laid off to Campion who cooly converted. Mark Battersby and Harry Rooney added a brace for Skryne and the gap was down to four. Campion (0-3), Harry Rooney (0-1). Gaeil Colmcille pointed a free to steady the ship for the Kells men. Jason Reddy and Mark Battersby struck two more points for Skryne leaving only a goal between the teams. Disaster hit a minute later when Gaeil Colmcille

grabbed a fortuitous second goal when the slippery conditions saw the ball rebound to a Kellsman in front of the goals and he made no mistake. Skryne had a mountain to climb but a trio of Mark Battersby points reduced the deficit to three points again. The clock was against the Skrynemen and despite their best efforts, they could not bridge the gap. Gaeil Colmcille added two late points in injury time to put a gloss on the scoreboard, but this game was a lot closer than the scoreline suggests. Fulltime: Skryne 0-13, Gaeil Colmcille 2-10 And so the season ends for the Seniors who have earned a well deserved break after a long season where they added the Division 1 League title to the trophy

Skryne – Ian Gillett. Robbie Clarke, Niall Lenehan, David Carroll. Eoin Smyth, Mark Harrington, Darren Fox. Darragh Conor O'Brien (0-1), Mark Battersby (0-7, 4fs), Paddy Fox. Ronan McCabe, Ian Davis, Jason Reddy(0-01).

Subs used – Jason Fox, Colm Craigie



The Tuesday Club on a very enjoyable visit to The National Stud and Japanese Gardens recently.

### **YOGA CLASSES**

Beginning November 5th at the RST centre for 6 weeks

Monday evenings 7.30 to 8.15 - suitable for beginners

Tuesday mornings 10 to 11.15 - suitable for beginners

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REMEMBRANCE MASS: The annual Remembrance Mass takes place on Friday 16th November in Rathfeigh Church at 7.30pm. A lovely way to remember the

RATHFEIGH CHOIR: Still looking for new members. Practice takes place every Tuesday evening from 8-9.15pm. Sing at Mass every Saturday evening at 6pm. You don't need to read music. Contact Rita on (046)9025700