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**NEXT
SUPER
DRAW**
Sat 28th Jan
@ 9.30pm
Abbey Bar

COMMUNITY SUPERDRAW - SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

The 2nd Super Draw took place on Saturday 17th December at the Community Centre Bar, where there was a great turn out and lovely refreshments were served. Seamus Geary and Patsy Collins oversaw the draw and the following are the full list of winners:

€1000 - Noel Shinnick, Ballyhooley	€500 - "The Desperate Housewives", Castlelyons
€100 - Triona O'Connor, Ballyhooley	€100 - Kevin O'Leary, Main Street, Castlelyons
€100 - Reinder & Siobhán Kouwenberg, Coole, Castlelyons	€100 - Eileen O'Doherty, Abbeylands, Castlelyons
€100 - Castlelyons Juvenile GAA Club	



The January draw takes place on **Sat January 27th** at the Abbey Bar. Lines are €10/month and available from any Community Centre representative. Thank you again for your continued support and we wish you all a very Happy Christmas and 2012.

Next draw takes place in the Community Centre on **Saturday Dec. 17th** If you're not in - you can't win but any member of the Community Council will be only too willing to sign you up !!! Many thanks for your continued support.

Community Council December Meeting

A small attendance turned up at last night's (Dec.7th) monthly meeting. The issue of trimming the trees at the picnic park again came up and the chairman informed the meeting that he was awaiting clarification from Cork Co.Council before this could go ahead. •The staging of a "Cork Makes It" exhibition or similar event is to be looked into for the coming year. •With regard to the formation of a youth club, adult volunteers coming on board as supervisors is a big issue with only one person putting their name forward from the November newsletter report. It was then suggested that maybe a few bus outings a year to a cinema, Mahon Point, etc. could be arranged rather than going down the formal route of forming a youth club and organising meetings. In any case it was felt that providing a social outlet for our teenagers was a good idea and if there are any interested youth or adults who would like to get involved in the formation of a youth group please contact any member of the Community Council or e-mail admin@castlelyonsparish.com and hopefully something positive will come out of the venture. •The Trout Angling club were thanked for the riverside clean-up which they undertook over the last couple of weeks thus lessening any flood risk. •Lines for the Superdraw can still be bought with 10 monthly draws still remaining. •For the new year all sub-committees will be asked for a report at each monthly meeting to inform people of what is happening in their various groups and also a treasurers report once a year. It was pointed out that the Community Council being the governing body would be liable for any debts incurred by sub-committees unable to pay these. •The parish website is continuing to increase in popularity with both YouTube and Facebook also being used more and more. The chairman commented that the success of the website will depend on news items continually being sent in on a regular basis and this was now happening with clubs and groups using the facility more and more. He also asked all groups to send in meeting/event cancellations (not just bookings) as the website is now becoming a one-stop shop for all parish information. Sinéad Hickey was thanked for her input into the website along with our sponsors East Cork Oil and McDonnell Bros. •The issue of the Housing for the Elderly project was raised as a few parishioners had brought it up during the door to door ticket selling campaign. It was felt that this needed to be discussed in the new year and a final decision taken on the future plans and uses for the field. All associated costs need to be finalised and the issue put to bed.

Tidy Towns & Heritage Group

On behalf of Castlelyons Tidy Towns & Heritage Group we would like to thank all patrons for their contributions over the year - those who made a financial contribution and those who specially came out to give of their time and effort in maintaining our community. We would like also to thank all the people on the Community Employment Scheme for their commitment to the community throughout the past year. To all those who helped to get the Christmas Tree in into its position in the Abbey grounds many thanks also. Finally we wish you all a joyous and peaceful Christmas and a happy new year.



Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve - Castlelyons 7.30pm, Coolagown 8pm
Christmas Day - Coolagown 10am, Castlelyons 11.30am

Confessions

Christmas Eve - Castlelyons 11 - 11.30am, Coolagown 12 - 12.30pm



Juvenile GAA (Main Sponsors Riordan's Super Valu Fermoy)

- Puc Fad - St Stephens Day - It's all systems go for our annual Puc Fada competition which is due to be held on Monday next St Stephens Day. Hopefully, this year the weather will not freeze us out and plans are well advanced at this stage. The format this year is simple enough with teams of four competing. Our handicapping committee will be on hand to ensure that all team formations get an equal chance of winning. The course will run from Galvin's Cross to Kenney's Cross with kick off timed for 11 am with an expected finishing time of 1 pm. The Community Bar will be open for all early finishers. There will be prizes for the first three teams and with all monies going to charity everyone young and old are encouraged to come out and support this event and at the same time work off the excesses of Christmas Day. Con Lawlor is leading the organising committee for the Puc Fada and will answer any queries.
- Christmas Greetings - We would like to wish all our players, mentors and supporters a very happy Christmas. Enjoy the break and we hope to see you all back on the playing field in 2012.
- Sympathy - The Club would like to offer its condolences to Liz Daly and family, Barrack St., Castlelyons on the recent death of her mother. Ar dheis De go raibh a anam dilis.

Anniversary: We remember Frank Cummins, Kent Tce., Castlelyons, who died on 30th December 2009 and whose 2nd Anniversary occurs at this time. Rest in peace.

Pipeband Lotto 23/11/11

Numbers drawn : 1, 16, 19, 22. No winner. €15 to Ita Meade c/o Post Office, Emily Feeny c/o Mary O'Brien, Marion O'Keefe c/o Eilis O'Brien, Pat Cashman, Seamus Forde both c/o Maura O'Sullivan. Next weeks jackpot €8,350. Draw in Abbey Bar.
We would like to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

Coolagown Development Group

2011 was a very successful year for Coolagown.

- We started the year by winning the Green Community Award 2011. This was a National award organised by and we won it for our work in waste minimisation.
 - In May we were invited to represent Ireland in the village category of the Entente Florale, a European competition among eleven competing countries. We were delighted to accept and on the 30th July eleven jurors from the competing countries visited Coolagown and spent six hours in the village. The results were announced in Slovenia on 16th of Sept and we were one of two villages awarded Gold.
 - In the Tidy Towns competition we won gold for the fourth consecutive year, achieving 306 marks 4 behind the overall winner. We also won a special award of €1000, the Can-it award for the Green Dragon.
 - In the Pride in our Community organised by Cork Co Council and Muintir na Tire we won Best New Entry.
- Our year was completed by being accorded a civic reception by the Mayor of Cork County Cllr Tim Lombard. This was held in the County Hall and the Mayor presented our chairman John Feeney with a crystal vase inscribed with the Cork coat of arms. The county manager as well as local councillors were present for the occasion. Due to our outstanding year we have decided to make available a souvenir DVD showing the video shown to the Entente Florale jurors plus a selection of photographs taken on the day and also photographs showing the years activities presented in movie format. This can be purchased for €10 from Florence Waters or John Feeney or phone 086 1623312.
- We wish to thank Breda and Assumpta and the CES workers for all their work during the year. We would also like to thank everyone who helped during the year and supported us in any way.
 - We wish everyone a Holy Christmas and a Happy New year.
 - We invite you to visit www.mycoolagown.com

Intermediate GAA Club (Main Sponsor – South Coast Transport)

- The officers and Committee of the Castlelyons GAA Club wish all the players, members and supporters a very Happy Christmas and also best wishes for the New year.
- Puc Fada - The Castlelyons Juvenile Club is again holding a Puc Fada on St Stephen's day, 26th December. It will start at Kenny's Cross. Teams of four (2 juveniles and 2 adults). Entry fee €20. All are welcome.
- Junior Football team Photograph - There will be photograph of the League winning Junior Football team taken at the Community Centre after the Puc Fada on St Stephen's Day. All players are asked to bring their gear.
- Lotto - The Lotto numbers drawn this week were 13, 19, 23, and 24. There was no jackpot winner.

The following each won €20 each:

Paudí Breathnach, c/o H Mackesy, Bill Kelleher, c/o N Fitzgerald, Kelly Lee, c/o S Barry, Tom Hegarty, c/o T Hegarty, Tom Draper, c/o Farrier's Bar, Coolagown, Angela O'Regan, Ardra, c/o A O'Regan, Ann O'Connor, c/o Pat Collins, Caroline Healy, c/o B O'Sullivan

The following won Christmas prizes: Cathal, Caoimhe, Daniel, of Conna, c/o Ned Fitzgerald, Liam Martin Castlelyons, c/o D Hegarty, Michael Creed, Boolabwee, c/o Castlelyons P.O., Oliver O'Brien, Crough c/o O O'Brien, Mary Leigh, c/o Ned Fitzgerald, Paul Quinn, c/o Abbey Bar Castlelyons, Kal Moroney, Conna, c/o J Moroney, Padraigh, Fenton, Deerpark, c/o Pat Fenton

The Following promoters won Christmas prizes: Breda McCarthy, Seanie Barry, Castlelyons P.O., Ned Fitzgerald, Dave Hoare, Farrier's Bar, Clem Carroll, Mac's Shop. Next draw will be on Tuesday 3rd January at the Abbey Bar, Castlelyons, The jackpot will be €5,800. Please make sure that all Lotto tickets are at the Venue each week by 9.30pm.

Senior Citizens Group: • We wish all our senior citizens, group members, sponsors and supporters a Happy Christmas and a Happy and healthy New Year. • Our NEW YEARS PARTY will take place on Sun Jan 21st at 1.30pm in the Community Centre.

Castlebridge Celtic Notes

- League Leaders are 'Robbied' in Bridesbridge - After a long wait our Juniors finally ended their winless streak with a massive victory over league leaders Pinewood on Sunday last in Bridesbridge. This was a game few outside of Castlebridge Celtic would have believed would be anything other than an away win. The final score at 3 - 1. Next up will be a home game on New Years Eve against Blackwater. Well done to all the lads involved, hopefully this could be turning point for this team and this season.
- Our Under 17 youths turned in another great performance on Saturday night in Blarney when they defeated the home side on a scoreline of 4 - 3. Another great team performance from a very good football team and it really shows how much our lads have improved this year playing at a higher standard. Coming up over the holidays will be two very good games with an away game to Midleton on 27th December and a top of the table clash with Ringmahon at home on 2nd January. If you want to see a good football game get down to see these lads playing soon!
- On Saturday last our under 11 team travelled to Ballymac and again cruised to a well deserved victory. Thanks to all the parents who travelled last Saturday and to Dermot, John and Noe for all the help with this team so far this season • A very understrength under 14 side had to travel to Ballymac also last Saturday but unfortunately came away with no points. Our lads never quit during this game and continued to attack and play football all throughout but could not keep the Ballymac lads at bay. Thanks again to those who travelled and helped with the transport.
- No soccer academy until January 7th. We will be back at 3pm for the Under 6s and 7s and 4pm for Under 8s.
- Castlebridge Celtic Annual Married vs Singles - This year the game will be played on the astro pitch with KO at 4pm. All players, past and present, young and old are invited to play. Contact Mike Hegarty or Killian Smith if you are available.
- Lotto - Draw held in the Abbey Bar on Friday December 16th. Numbers drawn 4, 11, 92. No winner. Match 2s: Ann Mason; Megan McNulty; Dave Cremin; Peggy Broderick, Pat Granville. Next draw on Friday 23rd Dec. in Peddlars Rock. Jackpot €11,750. Weekly Lotto members should note that if the jackpot is not won this week then a €1000 will be divided equally between ten lucky winners either match 2s or lucky dips! So make sure to get your ticket from the usual sellers, or at the Post Office, McNamaras shop, Peddlars Rock and Abbey Bar, or Spar Rathcormac.
- Astro Pitch - Over the holidays most groups will be taking a break but as a reminder for January there will be slots available and anyone wishing to book a slot or make an enquiry are asked to contact Gene O'Sullivan on 086 3754178.
- Castlebridge Celtic wishes to thank all our Weekly Lotto members for their ongoing support Seasons greetings to all our players, supporters, friends and families. We hope for a better year for all in 2012 and hopefully some silverware to keep us going too!!



Meals on Wheels: We are looking for a volunteer around the Learys Cross / Firmount / Kilcor area to help with our rota. This involves supplying a dinner once a month. Please contact Margaret on 025-36392 if you can help. Thank you.



SPORTS FIXTURES

MATCH	DATE & TIME	VERSUS	VENUE	MORE INFO
Soccer - Married V Singles	Mon Dec 26 th 4pm		Home	Contact - Mike Hegarty or Killian Smith
Soccer - U17 Youths Lgue	Tues Dec 27 th 11am	Midleton	Midleton	
Soccer - WWEC Prem Lgue	Sun Dec 11 th 2pm	Blackwater	Home	