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Community Council

- **Castlelyons Cemetery Clean-up** - The clean up organised by Castlelyons Community Council continues next Saturday at 10.30.am. We are delighted with the turn out last Saturday and quiet an amount of clearing was completed. There are still a lot of briar's, bushes, ivy and low hanging limbs to be cleared, so if at all possible and weather permitting come along and bring a shovel, or pike or loppers with you or just bring yourself. The work completed so far has made a huge difference to the appearance of the place. We went around the old cemetery before we finished last Saturday and the amount of rubbish we picked up was staggering, especially plastic and most of it had been caught up in the ditches for years. We would encourage people visiting both cemeteries to place their rubbish in the skip provided. We hope to see you next Saturday at 10.30.am
- Castlelyons Community Council members met with Paddy O' Keffe from **Glanbia** Estates regarding the proposed development of the Glanbia site. The Community Council were disappointed when the most recent plan showed the development being placed to the northern end of the site. Castlelyons Community Council had met with and requested fifty yards of this area as a good will gesture from Glanbia to the Community at the time of the first planning application. This would have ensured we could develop the pitch in Fr. Ferris Park to a full size pitch, thus making it available for competitive matches, and especially with so much demand for pitch space from Castlelyons Senior and Junior GAA, Castlelyons Camogie Club, Castlebridge Celtic plus we could extend the all weather walkway and the track for St. Nick's Athletic Club. Though our meeting was relatively positive we may have missed the boat as the planning date had passed, we live in hope, as this would be the crowning glory of Fr. Ferris Community Park for all the Community. It will be a great disappointment if we will find ourselves in the position of never being able to develop the park to its full potential, for the sake of fifty yards.
- The Community Council wish to advise clubs to book the use of **Fr. Ferris Park** on line in the events calendar, this way no one will be disappointed and there will be no clash of interest, so book your slot on Castlelyonsparish.com. Shortly the committee will set the fee for the use of the Park.

On Saturday last an eviction took place in Castlelyons..... I thought I would never experience such an event in my life, but I was wrong. Some individuals who took up residence adjacent to the Village Park had, since arriving there, not been model citizens and kept the peace. They became loud and boisterous every night, upsetting the neighbours, then with the dent of noise the village canine community began to object by barking at their distaste to the racket, only to be joined soon after by two members of the equidae family (donkeys) joining in the chorus. All in all an unbelievable chorus of the most off key melody began thus ensuring that neighbours were kept awake to be the audio audience of this ear splitting rendition!! Well the situation could no longer be tolerated, this unruly family had to be got rid of.....but how? Residents made a complaint to the Community Council - that not alone was the noise upsetting but some of the family were stalking and harassing people trying to enjoy the park, and they went so far as to prevent people from leaving their cars. It was felt that it might be a matter for the Gardai, who on hearing the full story said it was not their responsibility, and that the onus was on the Community to sort things out. It was discussed at three Community Council meeting and one residents meeting with the Community Council Chairman and eventually all reached the same consensus, **THE WOULD HAVE TO BE REMOVED BY FORCE!** So Saturday last was the chosen date, and with feelings of sorrow from some and glee & relief from more **THE GEESE WERE TO BE MOVED ON.** When the geese and gander arrived, the gander marked his patch from day one. At the same time it was the commencement of the mating season, and the gander saw anything and anyone that moved as a threat, plus the avaricious side of him was that he was not sharing his lady friends with anyone, hard to blame him I suppose. When it came to actually moving them only four persons were left for this frouthsome task. A task that was much tougher than it appeared..... two geese, and a gander who was over protective from the very start on the bank of the Shanabhann, well we approached from one side with the chairman having a great idea to put a coat over the ganders head, and he could be lifted out of the area, well the gander was having none of it... he wasn't going to wait to be hood winked by any one. All three geese went from one side of the stream to the other, and when in danger of being captured went back to the middle of the stream.....and I swear an actual smile appeared on their faces....they were having great fun. Well their would be captors, Seamus Geary, Patsi Collins and James Ronayne, three highly fit men, were being worn down by the geese, and a lot of puffing and panting and working up quite a sweat ensued !!!! This show lasted for an hour and fifteen minutesand I still believe the geese were smiling....just when it looked as if all was lost Henry Daly came to the fore....he took a run along the bank of the Shanabhann dived in like an Olympian in training.....surfaced for air, went down again and came up just under one of the geese and grabbed her....well what a sight, and an act of bravery....the goose wrapped in Henry's arms with her head resting in his palm, like two old friend's ...was in a state of shock, and because of her anxiety deposited the contents of her stomach, without opening her beak, down the front of Henry! But he was not to be perturbed and started walking towards the village with the goose, and would you believe the way was being led by " **THE GANDER**" Well what a sight.... the gander followed by Henry and goose, followed by the three fit men made their way to the village, where the Gander crossed the road and faced for Abbeylane as if she had been told where to go. Well he made a few attempts to get off the road at Mahony's again at the Abbey ruin, then to Donal O'Briens, where he made a quick retreat as Donal and his two Rottweilers were at the gate, next he tried Bridie Milward's but she didn't like goose meat and eventually over the road and at last to his new abode.....what peace as they entered a lush green field to begin a new existence, they were for all the world like a family on "a wittiness protection programme" beginning a new life. Henry returned to the Shanabhann where the second goose opened her wings and surrendered to him, she was then taken to join the rest of her family. Well as I write serenity and peace has descended on the village of Castlelyons, things are back to "normal" we can live on in our lovely village with the safety and security of inhabitants and visitors restored to its fullest. Strange that the geese have not been heard making any sounds good or bad since they moved from the village, I wonder did the Monks of the Abbey of long ago realise the plight of the people and bestow the vow of silence on the geese??? Anything is possible, never underestimate a greater power....excuse me phone ringing..... Fx\$£%&*! .. just had a call a Gander and two geese have just crossed Main St. Castlelyons and down Church Lane heading for the Shanabhann.....well I never....next time this should be filmed.....might get a golden globe award?

Pipeband Lotto – No.'s drawn 3, 18, 21, 24. No jackpot winner. €15 to Pat Cashman, Jack Cotter, Seán O'Sullivan all c/o Maura O'Sullivan, Eugene Hurley c/o Eilish O'Brien, Ann Cotter c/o Post Office. Next weeks jackpot - €10,600. Draw will take place in Peddlars Rock.

Cuidiu Bumps and Babes Breastfeeding Support Group is holding a free coffee morning on Saturday 5 May 2012 in Kill St Anne, Castlelyons 10.30 to 12.30. If you are pregnant or breastfeeding drop by for information or a chat. For further information please call Catherine on 087 694 4186.

Heritage & Tidy Towns Group

- Thanks to all who came out last Sunday for our Parish Roadside Clean-up as part of the National Spring Clean 2012. The group covered the Barrack Road to Spurree Cross, on to Kenny's Cross and up the hill to the Parish boundary. A trailer full of rubbish was collected. Other people went out collecting litter on roads adjacent to their home and we are very grateful for all the help. The National Spring Clean continues until the end of the Month. So you still have plenty of time to get out litter picking on a road near you and help make a difference. Please contact any member of the Tidy Towns Group and we will arrange to collect the bags.
- The Graveyard Clean-up is taking place again this Saturday, starting at 10am. Please feel free to come along and help.

Month of The Rosary - As usual the local group will gather at the Grotto in Castlelyons Churchyard for Rosary each evening at 9pm during month of May and hopefully we will have a few new people this year to make our gathering even more special round the Grotto on these lovely Summer evenings.

Castlebridge Celtic

• U16 Cup Final – Castlebridge Celtic 2, Clashmore Ramblers 0.

The final game of the schoolboy season was the Under 16 Cup Final in Tallow last Saturday when Castlebridge Celtic took on Clashmore Ramblers. The Celtic lads really wanted to make up for the disappointment of losing out to Brideview in the league and Joe Hartnett had very little to do to motivate the team before kick-off.

For the record the squad on Saturday was: W.Finnegan; T.Collins; D.Varner; S.Moroney; J.Buckley; D.Moore; T.O’Sullivan; C.Kearney; S.Fenton; J.Barry; C.O’Connor; J.Walsh; E.Corcoran; M.Geary; C.Donnellan; C.Galvin.

• After two great away wins last week the Youths had Youghal visit Bridesbridge during the week but unfortunately they came out the wrong side of a 2-1 scoreline. After this game Celtic received a walkover from Strand Utd and so now only have one game remaining with a trip to Ballincollig to play Lakewood in the final game of the season. A top three place is still a possibility and that would be a fantastic achievement for the team and for manager Paul McNulty and his assistants Joe Hartnett and Martin Duggan who put in a huge effort with this team. Well done to all and thanks again to all the supporters who have travelled all over Cork this season with the team.

• Small Sided Leagues - Last weekend our Under 10s and Under 9s were in action. Our Under 9s played Crosshaven and had a great win 5-4 after a really tough game. All the lads played really well. They have now had two wins and one draw so far. The Under 10s travelled to Carrigtwohill and won 3-2, again after a great game. There was a great turnout of parents and supporters for the games and I am sure we will see many more fantastic matches over the coming weeks.

• Lotto - Draw held in Abbey Bar on April 13th. Numbers drawn 24, 78, 85. Lucky Dips: Breda Cotter; Bridie Milward; Michael Hartnett; Ger Sice Next draw on Friday April 20th in Pedlars Rock. Jackpot €850. Tickets available from usual sellers.



Castlelyons Juvenile GAA Main - Sponsors: Riordan’s Super Valu Fermoy

■ Under 14 A Grade Féile Hurling 3rd Round - Carrigaline 4-9 Castlelyons 2-8

Last Saturday our U14 Hurlers played in the 3rd Round of the Féile A competition when they travelled to Carrigaline to take on the home side. This was the first Castlelyons team to play in the A Grade Féile competition and unfortunately last Sat our lads came up just short after a tremendous game.

■ Under 16 Eastern A Grade Hurling League - Castlelyons 0-8 St Catherines 0-5

On Monday night Castlelyons U16 hurlers took on near neighbours St. Catherine’s in the Eastern A Hurling League. Despite the poor conditions and the low scoring this was a good game of hurling as both teams battled for every ball.

■ Under 13 Eastern Region ‘A’ Grade Football League - Castlelyons 6-11, Passage 2-6

Last Wednesday night Castlelyons U13 Footballers took on Passage at home in the Eastern Region A Grade Football League. Both teams were missing several players but this still proved an entertaining game of football with Castlelyons always holding the upper hand.

■ U12 Football League - Glenville v Castlelyons

Castlelyons travelled to Glenville last Saturday afternoon for this league encounter. All in all this was an entertaining game of football and was much more competitive than the final score would suggest.

■ U10 - Last Thursday night our U10 panel travelled to Ballynoe for a 15 a-side hurling match. U10 hurling Blitz this Saturday the 21st of April in Rathcormac with time to be advised later.

■ On Saturday morning last our U9 boys played two 8 a-side games against Fermoy in Castlelyons.

■ Dates for your Diary - This year’s Cúl Camp will be held on Monday the 2nd of July and will run to Friday the 6th July. The Family Fun Day will be held on Sunday the 8th of July.

■ U21 Footballers - Best of luck to the Club’s U21 Footballers who take on Fr. O’Neill’s in the U21 East Cork Football Final this Saturday the 21st with venue yet to be verified

Intermediate GAA Club (Main Sponsor – South Coast Logistics)

• Intermediate Hurling League, D2. - Castlelyons 1-14 v Ballyhea 1-14

The Castlelyons Intermediate hurling team played Ballyhea in Division 2 league game at home. The game ended in a draw even though Castlelyons led for the full hour of normal play.

• Minor Hurling League - Castlelyons 2-21 v Shandrom 4-14 - The minor team had a good win at home against Shandrom in the Minor Hurling league on Thursday 12th April. The game was played in excellent conditions.

• Golf Classic Launch and Medal Presentations. - A social gathering will take place at the Community Centre on Friday 20th April at 9pm. The Golf Classic to take place on Friday 20th May will be launched at this event. So far the response to the golf Classic has been very good and anyone wishing to participate in it, either as a sponsor or as a participant, will be more than welcome to come along. Junior and Minor Football league medals will also be presented on the night.

• Lotto – Numbers drawn 6, 8, 16, and 29. No jackpot winner. The following each won €20 each:

Michelle Barry, c/o S Barry, Kieran Hegarty, c/o T Hegarty Ann Mason, c/o Peddlar’s Rock Bar
 Claire Barry, c/o S Barry Tony Dillon, c/o Peddlar’s Rock John Barrett, Castlelyons, c/o J Barrett.
 Tracey Cotter, c/o Castlelyons P.O. Christy Daly, Ballyhamshire, c/o M O’Sullivan.

Next draw on Monday night will be at the Abbey Bar, Castlelyons, The jackpot will be €9,000

SPORTS FIXTURES

MATCH	DATE & TIME	VERSUS	VENUE	MORE INFO
Hurling – U12 League	Sat Apr 21 st - 3pm	Fr O’Neills	Home	
Hurling – U14 Prem 2 League	Sat Apr 21 st – 12 noon		Home	
Hurling - Prem 2 Minor League	Thurs Apr 26 th - 7pm	Fr. O’Neills	Ballymacoda	
Hurling – U16	Tues Apr 26 th	Nemo	Away	
Football - U13 Eastern A Grd Chmp	Mon Apr 25 th – 7pm	Mayfield	Home	
Football - Jnr League	Tues Apr 24 th – 7.30pm	Fr O’Neills	Home	
Football – U21 B Chmpshp Final	Sat Apr 21 st – 3pm	Fr. O’Neills	Dungourney	
Soccer – Youths League	Fri Apr 20 th – K.O. 7pm	Lakewood	Ballincollig	
Soccer - SSL U9’s	Sat Apr 21 st	Carrigaline Albion	Carrigaline	K.O. TBC
Soccer – WVEC Jnr League	Sat Apr 22 nd – K.O. 11.30am	Kilworth	Kilworth	Cars leaving 11.30am
Soccer – SSL U10’s	Sat Apr 22 nd – K.O. 5pm	Youghal	Home	
Soccer – SSL U8’s	Sat Apr 22 nd	Ballinhassig	Home	K.O. TBC