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# **Fr Ferris Field**

A meeting was held last week at the community centre to discuss our recent successful grant application for funding to further develop the field. We have been allocated €5000 by Cork County Council Community Grant scheme to post and rail fence part of the perimeter of the playing area and also to further landscape the area around the lime kiln, perhaps the construction of a community/sensory garden. Costings are being put together to stretch the funding as far as possible and the project should begin within the next month.

Car Park Extension - Because of the increased number of children going to the local national school, the problem of parking on the road has again become a problem. The issue was mentioned by parents and the meeting felt that a section of ground at the lower side of the car park would be made available if extra car spaces were needed. An approximate cost of between €1,000 and €2000 would provide enough spaces to cater for the overflow. We will await feedback from all stakeholders before a decision will be made on whether to proceed with this or not.

Playground Litter - The members of the Community Employment Scheme have been maintaining the playground very well but unfortunately the litter bin has been abused quite often in recent months and our community workers are left to clean up the mess. Nappies are regularly disposed of in the litter bin with the result that it overflows with litter onto the playground. The litter bin will now be removed and we would kindly ask children and Fr. Ferris Park users to please bring their litter home with them. Flooding Problem - Since the opening of the car park a small amount of water has flown from the car park down to the school pathway thus causing the children to walk through a puddle on wet mornings. Thanks to Assumpta and her Community Employment workers, this has now been rectified with a new drain so no more cold/wet feet for our school children - thank you.

# Cúpla Focal

Céad Míle fáilte to Caisleán Uí Liatháin folk to join our 'expanding' Irish Conversation Group (fortnightly) in Fermoy's Grand Hotel. This past Wednesday being our regular seisiúin, we will be 'le chéile arís' on Wed. October 3rd at 8pm so a céad míle fáilte agus cupán tae do ghach éinne.

Ni neart go cur le chéile....agus an cupán!

# **Castlelyons Community Council Superdraw**

The Superdraw has only two more draws to reach its completion. We are at present considering retaining it for another year, it has had absolutely great support locally, for which we are very thankful, it's a great way of having a regular income to help pay off the debt on Fr. Ferris Community Park. In the coming weeks you will be asked if you would like to continue supporting this great amenity either by annual, monthly, or direct debit subscription. Either way your contribution will be most welcome. Should you not have had the opportunity to be a draw member last time, well you can become on now. Hopefully we can rely on your support again, and remember it confined to 400 members.

# Youth Club

A number of attempts have been made by Castlelyons Community Council to set up a Youth Club in Castlelyons, unfortunately to no avail. We have researched how other clubs work and it would seem that affiliating to Foroige is the way to go. A Youth Club is dependent on adult or parent involvement from a supervisory aspect, the Youth Club members decide what activities or outings they wish to pursue, within Foroige rules, and with adult assistance these objectives can be achieved. Basically a Youth Club meets weekly, usually Friday nights, for approx two and a half hours. There would be no leaving the hall on any account, and there is a list of other rules that have to be adhered to. There would be a Governing committee of parent/adults who would facilitate what events the youth club members wish to have. This would include tours, trips to cinema, bowling alley, quazer as well as home based activities. WE WISH TO INVITE ALL INTERESTED YOUTH FROM 1st YEAR STUDENTS TO 18 YEARS OF AGE, TO COME AND DISCUSS SETTING UP A YOUTH CLUB. WE ALSO EXTEND THIS INVITATION TO PARENTS, WOULD BE YOUTH LEADERS, (18 PLUS) AND INTERESTED PARTIES TO COME ALONG TO CASTLELYONS COMMUNITY CENTRE FRIDAY NEXT SEPTEMBER 28th AT 8.00.PM. OUR YOUTH DESERVE A CHANCE, SO LET'S MAKE IT HAPPEN.....THEY ARE OUR NEXT COMMUNITY LEADERS!!!!!

# **Castlelyons Home & Garden**

- •A very successful night was held on 13th Sept with Sarah Evans from the Secret Garden, Kanturk who spoke on how best to tidy up the Garden for the Winter. She gave very good\_information and plenty of tips for the planting of veg etc. This was a great night and a very large crowd attended.
- •On Thursday 11th October there will be an In House Talk "Health for Winter the Alternative\_Way" by Horans Health Store. Non-members very welcome.
- Our Charity Gala Fundraiser will be held on 1st November @ 8pm. "All Things Festive, Yourself and Your Home." This year the Gala takes on a new format to include Fashion, Hair and Beauty Makeovers also Art, Floral and Jewellery Demonstrations. The proceeds of our Fundraiser are in aid of a) Liam's Lifts b) Cystic Fibrosis (Aoife Charity)

Tickets will be on sale for these worthy causes over the next few weeks which we hope you will all support and a great night will be had to enjoy and remember.

#### **Community Care Group**

- •Some of our group went on a wonderful trip to Belfast recently. The trip included a visit to "The Titanic Experience". All found this most enjoyable.
- •We are going on a fun tour on Monday next September 24<sup>th</sup>. An evening meal is also included. Bus leaving the Community Centre at 1.30pm. Cost of trip is €30.
- We are planning an overnight visit to Killarney in mid-October. We will also be starting back to our "Open House" soon.

#### <u>Castlelyons National School – Parents Association</u>

- •Clothes Collection Another clothes collection is being organised for Thurs 18th October 2012 at the Community Centre from 9am to 4pm. All new/old clothes ant condition once clean, shoes, bags, belts, towels, linens, curtains, stuffed toys etc. also mobile phones.
- •We are holding a Flag Day on Thurs 27th Oct. Volunteers are needed to collect in Fermoy from 10am 6pm. If you have an hour or two to spare please contact Margaret Doran on 087-9646443.
- We would like to thank all those parents who helped out with the book covering at the school recently. Your help and co-operation was very much appreciated.



# **Coolagown Development Group**

Coolagown received 309 points in the 2012 Tidy Towns competition. We are now within 3 points of the overall winners. We won a gold medal for the 5th consecutive year and won the Cork(North) county award. We were also in the last five of Ireland's tidiest village. A summary of the judge's comments were:

It was a pleasure for this adjudicator to visit Coolagown for the first time. I get the impression that all the residents have serious pride in where you live and so you should. One of the main strengths of the community is the high level of your residential areas. So well done to everyone for all the efforts involved to reach the standards seen on the day. It is heartening that Coolagown has not been over prettified by the Tidy Towns experience. Your ethos to be a sustainable community in every way is to be commended. You are constantly coming up with new initiatives to improve the village while tackling them in a planned and structured manner.

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

■ U13 'A' Grade Hurling County Final - Castlelyons 1-1 Inniscarra 0-7

Panel: John Paul Murphy, Thomas Gunther Quinn, Jack Roynane, Connor McCarthy, James Kearney, Seamus Moroney, Redmond Walsh, Barry Murphy, Ian Riordan, James McCarthy, Pearse Varner, Oran O Flynn, Mark Spillane, Michael Buckley (Capt), Shane Cotter, Brian O Mahony, Kevin McCarthy, David Morrison.

■ Balloon Race Results - When over 500 balloons were released into the skies over Castlelyons over three weeks ago on Sunday the 26th August, no one could anticipate that they would travel to the heights or distances that they did. But within three days of their release news of their travels began to make its way back to the committee. Nine balloons in total were found and sent back home. So congratulations to the nine winners and thanks to the finders of the balloons for sending them back. A big thank you to everyone who sold or bought balloons and for helping to make this year's Balloon Race such a success.

The results are as follows:-

1st Place: Tom & Norrie Quinlan, The Spinning Wheel, Castletownroche. This balloon was sold by Joshua O'Leary, Corrin and travelled 468km to Rugby, Birmingham.

2nd Place: T. Kouwenberg, Coole, Castlelyons. Balloon sold by her grandson Cees Kouwenberg and travelled 435km to Warstock, Birmingham.

3rd Place: Luke McCarthy, Deerpark, Castlelyons. Balloon sold by McCarthy Family and this balloon travelled 149km to Knockina, Gorey, Co Wexford. Found by Pat Owley, Chairman Gorey GAA.

4th Place: Peggy Fitzgerald, Coole, Castlelyons. Balloon sold by Cullinane Family. Travelled 146km to Annagh, Gorey, Co Wexford and found on Annagh Hill.

5th Place: Emmet Riordan, Terrmount, Rathcormac. Balloon sold by Riordan Family and travelled 141km to Craanford, Gorey, Co Wexford and found in a field of cows by Thomas Byrne.

6th Place: Matt O'Sullivan, Kent Terrace, Castlelyons. Balloon sold by Bryan Family and it travelled 138km to Camolin, Co Wexford. 7th Place: Anna Rosner. Balloon travelled 102km to Castlewarren, Co Kilkenny and found on Ollie Brennan's farm.

Joint 8th and 9th Place: Louise Fitzgibbon, Rathcormac and Con Lawlor, Coolagown. Both of these balloons travelled 100km to Gowran, Co Kilkenny.

All distances were calculated using Google maps.

■ Church Gate Collection - The Annual Church gate collection was taken up last weekend after all masses in the parish. Your support as always is much appreciated.

The Gathering 2013 -- Many of you may have heard about this government initiative which has been publicised nationally on all media over the last couple of months. The idea behind the venture is to encourage the Irish diaspora abroad to return to Ireland during 2013. This would boost tourism both at local and national level and give the country a much needed boost. No funding is available but all communities are encouraged to get behind the project and come up with their own ideas for their own area to attract Irish people and people with Irish connections from all over the world back to their place of origin. It will be discussed at the next Community Council meeting so if you have any ideas or would like to get involved in this, please contact the parish website -admin@castlelyonsparish.com, or contact any member of Castlelyons Community Council.

<u>First Aid Course</u> - The Order of Malta Ambulance Corps are holding an enrolment night for First Aid Course at the Pipe Band Hall, Bridesbridge, Castlelyons on Monday 1st October at 8pm. This course will run for 10 weeks and all participants will receive a certificate on successful completion of the course. More info from Maureen O'Brien on 086-8111288

# **Castlelyons GAA**

The Lotto numbers drawn this week were 1, 8, 9, and 12. There was no jackpot winner. The following each won €20 each.

Matt Sheehan, , Ballydorgan, c/o Farrier's Bar Mary O'Sullivan, 4 Main St, c/o Castlelyons P.O. Phil Dahill, c/o Blondie

Paddy Noonan, c/o Farrier's Bar Terry and Síle Smith, Deerpark, c/o MS Michael O'Connell, c/o D O'Connell

Ann Tobin, c/o Pat Collins Declan Martin, c/o J Martin

Next draw on Monday night next will be at the Community Centre, Castlelyons. The jackpot will be €13,400

12 Week Weight Loss Challenge. Starts next Tuesday 25th September at 7.30pm in Castlelyons hall. 15min Weigh in and Measurements followed by nutrition talk explaining every day foods, no supplements, bars or shakes. Followed by 45min kettle bell class. Over the 12 wks we will change exercise to Toning, Stability Ball, Boot Camp and we will even try a little Pilates.Cost €48 week 1 and €48 week 6. or €90 week 1. So dust of that LBD and get it ready for the Christmas Party. Check out Hells Bells on Face book for more info or call Susan Power NCEHS on 086 8938798.