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(And yes the audience had to wear 3D glasses!)

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April: Possibly named for Aphrodite, the Greek goddess of love or from the Latin verb meaning 'to open' or the Greek word meaning 'the opening'. Greeks called the season of Spring 'the opening'.

Flower: Sweetpea & Daisy

Winter's done, and April's in the skies,  
Earth, look up with laughter in your eyes!

Charles G.D. Roberts - 'An April Adoration' 1896

**DALKEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL LTD ANNUAL COLLECTION**

This issue should contain an envelope for the Annual Collection. We need to collect as much as possible to continue to serve the community of Dalkey by providing the Newsletter, the Lighting of the Christmas Tree, Tidy Towns & Tidy Districts Competitions, representations to the County Council, liaising with various public bodies, etc all in the interest of Dalkey. The Annual Collection is a vital part of our income to enable us to engage in these activities so your contribution is very important and much appreciated. Please place it in the enclosed envelope and give it to your Road Representative or simply drop it into the Community Council Postbox in Our Lady's Hall, Castle Street.



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**DALKEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL LIMITED**  
**ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING**

The Annual Public meeting of the Council will take place at  
**8.00p.m. on Monday, 28th April, 2008,**  
**in the Heritage Centre, Castle Street, Dalkey.**

All residents of Dalkey are welcome to attend and participate.

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❖ **DALKEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL LIMITED A.G.M.** ❖

**SUMMARY OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Dalkey Community Council Ltd. AGM was held on Monday 3rd March in OLH at 8pm. The secretary read the minutes from last years AGM. The meeting received and adopted the accounts for the year-ended 2007 and re-elected the Council Members who retired in accordance with the Articles and who offered themselves for re-election. Six new members were elected and Mr. Ken Dixon was elected Chairman. The position of Secretary and Treasurer will be appointed when the new Executive hold their first meeting later in March.

**The Monthly Meeting for DCC was held immediately after the AGM.**

**Tidy Towns:** Dog fouling remains a huge problem in Dalkey. See letter and TT report inside this issue.

**Planning:** An application for a taxi rank at the square about has been lodged with DLRCC and DCC will check it out further.

**AOB:** As part of Tree Planting Week DCC planted a tree on Dalkey Hill in memory of the late Tom Keating our past Chairman and Chairman of DTT. His name was also engraved on the granite column. Maureen Keating expressed her thanks and appreciation on behalf of herself and her family for this fitting tribute to Tom.

As there was no further business the meeting ended.

❖ **IN PRAISE OF DALKEY** ❖

At the start of the 20th century Dalkey was far more compact in area than it currently is and mainly rural in character away from the main centre of population as the vast housing developments of future decades which increased the population density and concreted over many of the green fields in the area had yet to take place.

Dalkey appears to have been an idyllic place to live in or visit around 1900/01 given the following item which appeared in a February 1901 edition of The Wicklow People which read as follows -

“Being upset and wearied in body and mind though overwork, my medical advisor ordered me to Dalkey and on arrival I was delighted with the abundance of nature’s floral displays. The air was perfumed with the scents of the most beautiful flowers, also the fields, hedges and rocks. The flowering shrubs are most gorgeous and may be seen in the various well-laid gardens to the cottages and mansions in each side of the road. Particularly lovely is the rivetting white “Periwinkle” Lauristines , jessamine (white and yellow); also the charming variety of tinted shrubs especially the Cubas and other varieties too numerous to name. Owing to the benefit I have derived from the sweet and mild ‘ozone’ of Dalkey, I pronounce it to be the loveliest place that I have ever witnessed, and I have seen many, but nothing to equal Dalkey.”

High praise indeed - no author’s name was provided other than “a correspondent writes” being quoted as the originator of the above item which focussed on his or perhaps her experience of Dalkey in 1900 and its possible that it may have been an early attempt to encourage people to holiday in Dalkey in the Spring and Summer or to enjoy it as place of recuperation from illness.

A genuine letter or subtle form of early marketing for Dalkey as an excellent place to holiday or unwind from the stresses and strains of life? - who knows??

**James Scannell**

❖ **FORTHCOMING EVENTS** ❖

- Sorting of April Newsletter .....Fri. 28 Mar
- April Community Council Meeting .....Mon. 31 Mar
- Dalkey Dashers - commencement of training for DCG .....Wed. 02 Apr
- DLR Poetry Now 08.....Thurs.3rd - Sun 6th Apr  
[www.poetrynow.ie](http://www.poetrynow.ie)
- DARA Art & Floral Exhibition in OLH from 10am-5.30pm.....Sat.- Sun. 5&6 Apr
- Ballybrack & Killiney Historical Society- lecture @ 8.00pm
- “Irish Maritime History” by Pat Sweeney .....Wed. 09 Apr
- AGM of the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society .....Wed. 16 Apr  
in Kingston Hotel @ 8pm. Meeting will conclude with a slide show.
- Annual Booterstown Nature Reserve Clean up meet DART car park @ 2pm  
(tea afterwards) .....Sun. 13 Apr
- NW AGM in Foxrock Parochial Hall @ 8pm. All welcome .....Tues. 15 Apr
- Sorting of May Newsletter.....Fri. 25 Apr
- DCC Annual Public Meeting @8pm in the Heritage Centre.....Mon. 28 Apr

**EVENTS THROUGH THE MONTH**

- Karate sessions** - Contact Wayne Deegan 086 857 2546      Tuesdays & Thursdays  
    Juveniles from 6.00-7.00pm & Adults 7.00-9.00pm
- Dalkey Players Drama Group** (HC) 7.30-10.30pm      Tuesdays & Thursdays

**AN TAI SCE**

National Spring Clean is a yearly event that runs through the month of April. This year is the 10th anniversary of the Spring Clean and we are aiming to make it an even bigger event than last year! Anyone can get involved in NSC or join in the local clean ups organised by DTT. Just choose an area nearby to clean up, and get together with family, friends or colleagues to make your event fun.

To register or for more information check: [www.nationalspringclean.org](http://www.nationalspringclean.org)

**Dalkey Library** – Digital Workshops with Robbie Hunt

- Thursday, 10th April at 6.30pm      Thursday, 17th April at 6.30pm
- Thursday, 24th April at 6.30pm      **All welcome/booking is essential**

**Nature Corner: Birdwatch Ireland**

**Tuesday, 1st April** “Waders and Waterbirds in Southern Africa” a presentation by Tom Molyneux in the Kingston Hotel, Dun Laoghaire at 8pm

**Sunday, 13th April** Outing to Kilcoole for early summer migrants. Meet at Kilcoole railway station at 10.30am.

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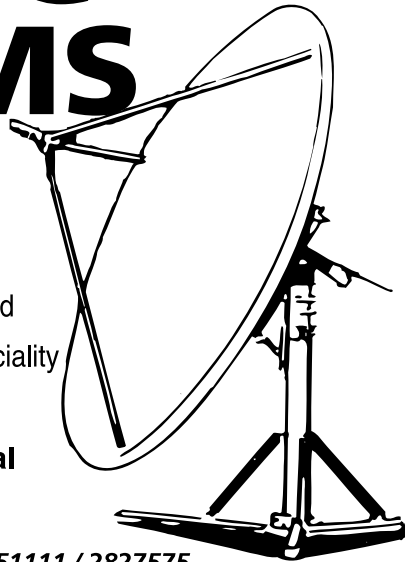
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## MARKETS IN DALKEY *from Medieval Times to Today*

The tradition of holding a market in Dalkey goes back to 1482 when Dalkey was granted a licence to hold an Annual Fair on the feast of St Begnet (12th Nov) and a Weekly Market on Tuesdays. The Market Place was at end of what is now called Castle Street around the AIB bank. Merchants from Chester and Bristol and further afield came to trade goods such as cloth, spices, salt and wine. Fish was very plentiful. Shopkeepers were obliged to trade on the streets at the time of the Market and the money gained was used for 'murage and pavage that is for walls and paths or tracks.



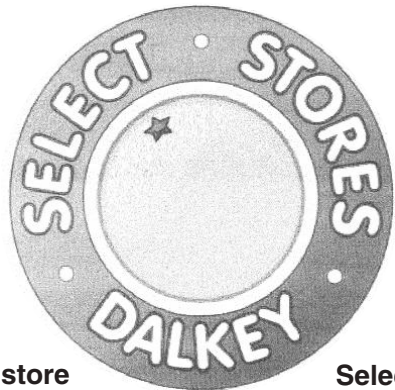
Nowadays, the tradition is kept alive by the CoCo Market held every Friday under cover in Dalkey Town Hall from 10.00am - 3.00pm. A renewed interest in the integrity of food and its provenance has awakened our innate urge to seek out the very best, and the healthiest, by avoiding the mass-

produced aura of supermarkets, and dealing directly with food producers.

Dalkey Farmers Market, a Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown Co. Co. initiative, directly supports the Dalkey Heritage Centre. Each week, local producers bring their goods to the town hall and you will find the very best that this country has to offer. Fresh fish and shellfish from Out Of The Blue will spoil you for evermore, as many Dalkey customers can attest to. Organic fruit and vegetables from the Dominican Convent in Wicklow town are also worth going out of your way to find. If locally grown and in season are important sentiments to you, then you cannot go wrong by supporting this grass-roots initiative.

A host of other artisan producers congregate each Friday from 10AM - 3PM in Dalkey Town Hall.





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## SEA SCOUTS

This is a re-publication of the photograph we published in the August 2007 issue and we are still awaiting some missing names.

The names to date include the following – not in any particular order:

Ted Byrne; Christy Conaty; Mickey Fanning (d.2006); Wally Farrell; Jack Fidgeon; Noel Frazer; Norman Frazer; Tony Frazer; Paddy 'Boxer' Keyes (d.1937/8); Wally Knowles; Ned Richardson. If you can add any names to the list it would be most appreciated.



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❖ **D.C.C. HERITAGE REPORT – AGM 3rd MARCH** ❖

**DLRCoCo Grant:**

We are delighted to report that we received an annual operational grant from DLRCoCo again this year in the Estimates for 2008. This makes a great difference to the running of the Centre as it covers some part-time Front of House Supervisory and Admin staff for the Community Employment workers at the Centre. Support from the FAS Community Employment programme is a great resource both to the Centre and in turn to the participants themselves.

**Schools Programme** is in full swing with the actors from Deilg Inis Living History Theatre Co bringing the history to colourful life! It runs for 10 weeks to middle of April. It is made possible by the support of Mr Tim Carey, Heritage Officer of DLRCoCo. The young people spend 2½ hours in the Centre and the presentation covers all of the main eras: early Christian with St Begnet; Viking when the slaves were kept on Dalkey island; medieval when Dalkey acted as the port for Dublin and the seven fortified town houses were built here in Dalkey; Victorian with a story based on an actual incident from research on the Quarry. Finally the King of Dalkey in all his majesties presents each child with a scroll as a memento of his/her visit.

**St Begnet's:** Three new wall panels have been installed inside in the Heritage Centre which you can view at the public meeting at end of April. There is now one full panel on St Begnet's Church and graveyard. Following the survey of the Graveyard we now have the graves marked on a grid system on one of the panels which makes each known grave easy to find. The type of stone used in the headstone is also identified. There is some genuine Dalkey granite in these. The footpaths kindly subscribed to by the Community Council are still in great shape and make a walk in the graveyard for those visiting graves and visitors a safer exercise.

**Building works:** An application went into central government in January to request funding under an accessibility banner to carry out part of the improvements to the Centre suggested in the Howley Hayes report. The New Entrance and a ramp into the Graveyard was part of this proposal.

Apart from this application, we just received word last week that Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre is one of 20 sites in the country which can apply for funding for Heritage Centres under the National Development Plan and administered by Failte Ireland for the 'enhancement of existing facilities'. So the quest goes on to find the funding to carry out the works which include new entrance, the provision of offices and some conservation measures on the Town House.

**Dalkey Town Hall:** DLRCoCo has undertaken to carry out some long overdue maintenance to Dalkey Town Hall, which the Centre manages on behalf of DLRCoCo. We have just had the front doors stripped and re-varnished ourselves.

**Tourism:** The Manager has been on steering committee of tourism interests in the county who have commissioned A Tourism Masterplan for the County. It was carried out by Tourism Development International Consultancy firm in tourism based in Dun Laoghaire. The finished plan is a cohesive Road Map on the best way to organise tourism / product development and marketing for the entire county for the next five years. Dalkey features very strongly in the proposal as part of heritage cluster for the county. The Masterplan will have its public a launch on April 8th at Fitzpatrick Castle Hotel.

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## CEREMONY ON KILLINEY HILL

Members of the family of the late Tom Keating, former Chairman of Dalkey Community Council and members of the Community Council at the planting of an oak tree in his memory on Killiney Hill.



## NEW CHAIRMAN ELECTED

The new Chairman of Dalkey Community Council Limited is Mr. Ken Dixon. He replaces Dr. Susan McDonnell who retires after serving her term of office. We warmly welcome Ken to his new role and look forward to much success during his chairmanship.

## DALKEY COMMUNITY GAMES

**Dalkey Dashers will commence training for the 2008 season on Wednesday 2nd April at 7pm in Loreto Secondary School. All ages from 6 - 16 are very welcome.**



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*Heritage Report continued/*

**Marketing and promotion:** The Goat Map is being revised with most of the traders in the town partaking. We continue to distribute our Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre brochure to all hotels, Dart stations, B/Bs etc.

The Manager will be interviewed for US radio as part of programme being made in Fitzpatrick Castle Hotel in two weeks time which goes out to over 5 million listeners in the States. We hope for an avid listenership who will visit Dalkey despite the poor showing of the dollar!

**LAMA awards:** (Local Authority Members Association). The fourth award in recent times: The Centre was short listed recently for the 'Best Heritage Project Award' nationally. The restoration of Castletown House took the trophy, but we were very pleased to be short-listed on the national stage.

**Dominic Dowling**

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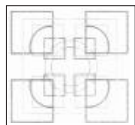


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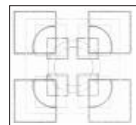
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### *Carnival in Brazil continued*

usually from a working class community. They come together on a regular basis for 'ensaios' (rehearsals) in preparation for their great day in the Sambodrome. Each school has its own theme and they try to illustrate this on the night in question. Over the weekend in Rio 70,000 from the top 18 Samba schools will have danced down the Sambodrome watched by millions. For example schools highlighted in 2000 the country's 500th anniversary with different themes. The schools are judged by a panel of experts on Ash Wednesday and the tension is just electric.

Street Carnival is very different and this belongs to the people. Most large cities run their own event music and dancing in the streets. These events gather millions of people together like in Recife where the Trios Electricos play to the massed crowd - this is a large articulated truck with total surround sound and a band on the top of it singing and dancing to the crowds below. Thousands of people will stay with that particular trio and there could be one hundred of them in a city like Recife. This is people coming together at its best, costumes, joy and plenty of fun. You buy a t-shirt (specially designed) and this gives you access to that particular Trio. At the Street Carnival you can get wet, flour will be thrown at you, you will not be recognizable anymore and this is part of the Spirit of Carnival. You can dress as you like, make as much noise as can, sleep by day and dance by night.

Carnival is for all ages and it represents the spirit of the Brazilians. Anyone who has participated in the Carnival in Rio or at the Street Carnivals anywhere in Brazil will, I'm sure, never forget the experience. Brazil has a huge young population full of energy and Carnival is their way of reaching out to others, celebrating life, and showing others their capacity to let go.

**Fr. Alan Glynn**

*(Father Glynn is a native of Dalkey living and working as a missionary priest in Teresina, Brazil for many years)*

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**RE: DOG FOULING**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I live in Dalkey and love the beautiful walks it has to offer. I have long noticed that many of those who walk their dogs in the area are not very considerate when it comes to cleaning up after their pets. Some thoughtful dog owners do scoop and I would like to sincerely thank them for their efforts.

Until recently I found it was annoying to find that no matter what route was chosen there was the inevitable dog fouling every 50 metres.

However, now my annoyance has turned to concern. Since my child became a toddler I wanted him to get fresh air and exercise. However, there is such a genuine health danger for him that I am continually picking him up, steri-wiping his hands and bringing spare shoes for the hits. So my request is that walkers with dogs spare a thought for us walkers with children. I would not drop my child's nappies in the verges on Killiney Hill, or along Coliemore Road. It is not acceptable for those with pooping pouches to play Russian roulette with health and particularly the eyesight of the local children.

Just to point out the reality for those not already in the know. Children who come in contact with soil or faeces contaminated with the round worm that reside on the intestines of dogs with toxicariasis can inadvertently touch their mouths and infect these children with the worm eggs. The resulting larvae can travel to the liver, lungs, brain and eyes. Asthma and loss of vision may result.

To those of you non-scoopers; please think of children who are being put at risk by dog fouling.

Regards,  
**Dalkey Resident**

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*The Old Rectory, Ayot St. Peter, Welwyn, Herts AL6 9BG, England.*

February 2008

Dear Editor,

I read with interest a letter from Brian Doran (Dec/Jan) issue of your magazine for Dalkey Community Council.

As you can see from our address, I live in the village of Ayot St. Peter just a couple of miles from Ayot St. Lawrence. I think Mr. Doran may be referring to the new town of Welwyn Garden City where there is a department store.

Indeed, after the War, I understand from friends who live in Ayot Green, George Bernard Shaw did have a brown Rolls Royce, which he drove around the lanes. He took tea regularly with the Rector in residence at this address at that time.

I enclose a citing from a local paper regarding Shaw's house at Ayot St. Lawrence.

When I took my late mother and aunt to visit GBH's house we spoke some 'Gaeilge' and had a ride on his Static Exercise Bike in the hall!! That would have been in the 80s.

My husband had a Jesuit education at Stamford Hill; I note Mr. Doran states that his education was at various 'make do locations'.

I would be happy to hear from Mr. Doran as I regularly visit my sisters in Dublin (Killiney).

*Faithfully,*  
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**CARNIVAL IN BRAZIL 2008**

The first records of Carnival festivities in Rio de Janeiro date back to 1723. The idea was basically getting wet. People would go out into the streets with buckets of water and limes and everybody would be a potential victim. It was all fun. That was many years ago today it has a very different style. The word Carnival can mean "to do without meat" as the tradition of the Festival is on the days leading up to Ash



Wednesday. It also has another meaning "the Value of the Body". Carnival begins on Friday and lasts until Tuesday evening.

African slaves were not only imported to the United States but also too many parts of the new world especially Brazil. These slaves and their descendants adapted to the local music and consequently changed the music profoundly. Evidently the Samba music tradition originates from Africa. Since Africans have an ancient tradition of parading and moving in circles through villages wearing masks and costumes. It was believed to heal problems and chill out angry relatives who died and bring good fortune. Feathers were often used on masks that would symbolize a human ability to rise above illness, pains, and heartbreaks. Each object or combination of objects like masks and head-dresses etc were to represent a certain idea or spiritual force.

In many parts of the world where catholic Europeans set up colonies and began trading slaves the European carnival traditions and the ancient African traditions began to interact giving root to the Carnival as we know it today. Brazil colonized by the Portuguese is most famous for Carnival, like the Mardi Gras is in Louisiana USA where African -Americans mixed with French settlers and Native Americans.

There are two types of Carnival in Brazil: the Samba Parade in Rio de Janeiro and the Street Carnival. Firstly we look at the Samba Parade in Rio. Carnival is Rio's main event the Samba Parade at the Sambodrome. It is no doubt the greatest show on earth. This is where the different Samba schools of the favelas of Rio dance, sing and after a year of preparation parade in front of thousands of spectators, watched by millions on television and millions more around the world. Each school has 90 minutes to complete their show in the Sambodrome, which is divided into different parts like floats, flag carrier, reception committee, band, and lots more ..... It is a spectacular event, the colour, the music, the costumes and the floats. Each school has between 3500 and 6000 members and it will take a year's preparation to be ready for their show. The experience is so intense, that the memories last a lifetime. A Samba school is not a teaching Institution; it is basically an association of people from the same neighborhood,

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## ❖ MY GARDEN . . . . . by Philippa Thomas ❖

Some people believe that it is only when April comes that Spring has truly sprung, so with, hopefully, a spring in my own step, I hope to spring into positive and constructive action!

Most of our treasured trees, shrubs, herbaceous clumps, etc, are in bud now and their leaves are sprouting. All our growth is beginning to accelerate. April is blossom time. Isn't it so nice to feel the warmth in the sun especially under glass and then to know that we have time to catch up with our various tasks. This is the perfect time for dividing congested clumps of snowdrops (while they are still in leaf) and we can move other bulbs if we so wish: sometimes they need a more open, desirable and deserving spot.

Just before my husband left yesterday, all preened for the Irish/Welsh International, I spotted, as I was saying goodbye to him (and yes, in my dressing gown!) four Goldfinches, yes, four, all relishing in our black niger seed which is, as I told you before, suspended in bird feeders on our two standard Portuguese Laurel trees. These trees are located, literally, two feet or so from our kitchen window. I dashed back into the house, found my camera and managed to snap three of these quite magnificent, exotic-looking birds. Quite honestly, it made my day seeing such a sight because seven or eight weeks ago, we didn't have one of these oriental-like little beauties to admire.

Last night, as I was putting some refuse into our Oxigen bin, I noticed our very first camellia in bud: - 'Debbie'. Debbie is as elegant and beautiful as she has been every previous year. Debbie is a double, almost 'peony' form, belonging to the Williams' collection originally raised in Cornwall and it seems to be very well suited to our Irish conditions unlike some of the Japanese varieties that require more summer sunlight. So, Debbie grows well in semi-shade, has glossy dark green shiny leaves, excellent lively, bright pink flowers that last well. If you are considering splashing out on a plant this spring, why not go for Debbie (my first choice) or Donation or Celebration? All are pink forms and easy to grow: they like moist but free-draining acidic soil and will grow amazingly well in a container too.

In the next few weeks, I hope to get going and repot some of our house plants that, obviously, have become pot bound and 'house bound'! It really is worthwhile to cut off their dead roots and renew some of the compost and then, perhaps, pot up in a slightly larger pot. Now is such a good time too to sow seeds and tubers/rhizomes, such as Morning Glory and Gloriosa (Climbing Lily). If you're feeling more enthusiastic, you could pot up and keep in your cool greenhouse or sheltered spot some lily bulbs. Feed them occasionally and then in the summer when you feel you want to fill in some gaping spot in your herbaceous border, either drop them out of their pots or plunge them whole into the soil. If you decide, on the other hand, to treat yourself to some new herbaceous perennial, remember to buy only plants with strong firm green promising shoots. Dry, yellow, shrivelled and wizened shoots will do nothing for you this



*My very own 'Nepalese Lily'!  
Lime green tepals, recurved  
with purplish black splotch in  
its centre, Woodland habitat,  
and flowers mid July.  
Photo taken August 2007*



*"Full of Beans!"*

coming season. So these very precious moments, hours and days of preparing will soon be gone, cast aside for yet another year. So, if possible, enjoy getting out there, scatter your seeds and dig in your perennials and semi-established cuttings. I'm presently thinking of sowing some chilli seeds, as last year we enjoyed scrunchy, fresh and fleshy red, orange and green chillies, roasted and in our salads right through until late November. Ours did well in 10" pots in our glass room.



*"Chillies,  
sown from  
seed  
in April/  
early May"*

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### APPEAL DECISIONS OF An Bord Pleanala Wks. 7-10 4/2/08 - 7/3/08

**Reg. Ref.:** D07A/0715 **Appeal Decision:** Refuse Permission **Decision Confirmed By** ABP

**Appeal Decided:** 5-Feb-2008 **Council's Decision:** Refuse Permission

**Location:** 2, Rocklands, Harbour Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

**Proposed Development:** For a new detached two storey residential dwelling located to the rear of existing detached house consisting at ground floor 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms disabled WC with living dining and kitchen areas to first floor including site boundary treatment, car parking for two vehicles with new vehicular entrance and gate to Harbour Road and all associated site works including diverting existing public sewer. **Applicant:** Oliver Kavanagh

**Reg. Ref.:** D06A/1808 **Appeal Decision:** Grant Permission **Decision Confirmed**

**By** ABP 12-Feb-2008. **Appeal Decided:** 12-Feb-2008. **Council's Decision:** Grant Permission.

**Location:** Mackeys Garden Centre, Castlepark Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

**Proposed Development:** Demolition of a single storey dwelling (196 sq.m) and the construction of 56 no. apartments (total gross residential floor area 5,040 sq.m) in two no. four storey buildings comprising 18 no. one beds (61 sq.m to 71 sq.m), 32 no. two beds (82 sq.m to 91 sq.m) and 6 no. three beds (97 to 135 sq.m), a single storey health facilities building (402 sq.m) including a gym, wc's and a janitor's office, a basement level, 16 metres long swimming pool with changing areas, shower and a wc, an ESB-station, plant room, recycling bin store, and storage at basement level, underground car parking for 86 cars and 70 no. bicycle spaces with access from Castlepark Road via electronic gates, surface level (residents only) bottle bank, new boundaries, landscaping and ancillary site development works including an underground attenuation tank all on a 0.58 hectares site. The existing non-residential buildings on the site will be demolished as exempted development. Development on this site : Mackey's Garden Centre, Castlepark Road, Sandycove, and Harry Byrne's, Castlepark Road, Sandycove, and part of no. 1 Castle Court, Sandycove. Co. Dublin.

**Applicant:** Otranto Properties Ltd.

**Reg. Ref.:** D07A/0572 **Appeal Decision:** Refuse Permission. **Decision Confirmed by** ABP 11-Feb-2008

**Appeal Decided:** 11-Feb-2008

**Council's Decision:** Refuse Permission

**Location:** Montpelier, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey, Co Dublin

**Proposed Development:** Permission is sought for development comprising the refurbishment of, and extension to the existing house. The development of an additional total floor area of 60.5sqm, will consist of the construction of a two and three storey extension to the existing return, both to the side (west) and the rear (south) where the ridge and eaves height are to match those of the existing front roof. The new works will also incorporate modifications to the east elevation of the return, the construction of a single storey extension to the west of the new return, the conservation and repositioning of the existing brick screen wall to the side of the house, the widening of the existing vehicular entrance and the reinstatement of the existing pedestrian entrance way fronting onto Ardeevin Road, the demolition of outbuildings to the rear yard, the formation of terraced gardens, general landscaping works and associated site development works on a site of approximately 0.24 hectares. **Applicant:** Mr Justin MacInnes

**Reg. Ref.:** D07A/0106 **Appeal Decision:** Grant Permission. **Decision Confirmed by** ABP 20-Feb-2008.

**Appeal Decided:** 20-Feb-2008. **Council's Decision:** Grant Permission for Retention.

**Location:** 30, Carysfort Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

**Proposed Development:** Permission is sought for the retention of as-built amendments to previously approved single storey kitchen/ living room extension to side and rear & first floor bedroom extension to rear of subject dwelling (Reg. Ref. D05A/0364), to include for the following; a) Amendments to footprint and height of extended elements & b) The erection of a hipped roof structure to first floor extension in lieu of previously approved gabled structure together with all associated elevation alterations and site development works. **Applicant:** Mr Declan White.

**Reg. Ref.:** D07B/0552. **Appeal Decision:** Withdrawal of Appeal. **Appeal Decided:** 25-Feb-2008

**Council's Decision:** Grant Permission.

**Location:** Villa Maria, Sorrento Heights, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.

**Proposed Development:** Permission is sought for development consisting of an addition to the currently permitted domestic extension (Reg Ref D05B/0379) of a study at second floor level, with associated alterations to the front and rear elevations, and the raising of the second floor parapets and party wall to match the level of the adjoining property. **Applicant:** Oliver & Josephine Tierney.

retail units; and from a bar and restaurant at first level to 1 no. one bedroom and 1 no. two bedroom apartment. Planning permission is sought to extend existing building (two storey) by a single storey to accommodate 2 no two bedroom apartments with independent access by way of a two storey extension to eastern elevation (off Tubbermore Road) and a three storey extension to rear/northern elevation. The application includes interior modifications and changes to fenestration at ground and first floor levels, re-roofing of part of ground floor level and the inclusion of roof gardens at first floor level (to rear of property); the re-location of access to yard, and all ancillary works and services. This property is in a designated Conservation Area.

**Reg. Ref.:** D07A/1735 **Decision:** Refuse Permission **Date:** 20-Feb-2008

**Applicant Name & Location:** Mr J Hefferon, 20/21, Saint Patricks Road, Dalkey, Co Dublin.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for an extension of the development including an additional floor with office use with mansard roof over existing 2 storey, 2 block office building with 7 no. dormers to front, with windows facing courtyard and roof lights. New roof lights to rear elevation of building at first floor roof level. Extend existing staircase to new second floor enclosed with glass and metal roof. New roof terrace on top of existing ground floor roof connected to staircase.

**Reg. Ref.:** D08B/0050 **Decision:** Declare Applic. Invalid **Date:** 19-Feb-2008

**Applicant Name & Location:** Gerard Gasparro, 104a, Coliemoire Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

**Proposal:** Proposed further alterations to existing 3-storey semi-detached dormer family dwelling to include conversion of existing first floor window to rear elevation and new first floor window with obscure glazing to side/gable elevation.

**Reg. Ref.:** D07A/1462 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 28-Feb-2008

**Applicant Name & Location:** Mr. Vincent Finnegan, 2, Ard Mhuire Park, Dalkey, Co Dublin.

**Proposal:** Demolition of single storey garage and the construction of a two storey over garden level 4 bedroom detached house comprising three levels of accommodation (177.5 sq.m) the widening of the existing access to 3.5 m, new entrance gates and new boundary walls to both sides at the proposed house, new 3.5 m wide access at the existing house and all associated works.

**Reg. Ref.:** D07B/1038 **Decision:** Grant Permission for Retention **Date:** 25-Feb-2008

**Applicant Name & Location:** Greg & Aoife McDowell, 42, Hillside, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.

**Proposal:** (a) W.C. room (toilet and sink) in the attic. (b) A small window on ground floor to the dining area on the east facing elevation. (c) The most easterly window at first floor level on the south facing elevation, (d) The glazing to the single storey flat roof extension on ground floor level, (e) The omission of 2 no. roof lights to a single storey flat roof extension to rear.

**Application Type:** Permission for Retention

**Reg. Ref.:** D08A/0019 **Decision:** Request Add. Information **Date:** 6-Mar-2008

**Applicant Name & Location:** Barry Devlin, Summerfield Cottage, Summerfield Close, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** The demolition of the existing single-storey buildings, and the construction of a new two-storey residence containing three bedrooms, and associated living quarters, with two gardens at ground level and one off street parking space. The existing boundary wall to Dalkey Avenue is to be retained and extended in an identical rendered finish along the Summerfield Close, edge of the site, and to incorporate new sliding timber gates to the existing vehicle access.

**Reg. Ref.:** D08A/0034 **Decision:** Request Add. Information **Date:** 7-Mar-2008

**Applicant Name & Location:** Barnhill Limited Partnership, Carn,31, Barnhill Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** The development will consist of demolition of existing two storey dwelling and attached single storey apartment and to construct two semi-detached two storey three bedroom dwellings with off street car parking for 4 vehicles at front and additional vehicular entrance off Barnhill Road and all associated site works.

### APPEALS NOTIFIED by An Bord Pleanala Wks 7 -10 11/2/08 to 7/3/08

**Reg Ref:** D07A/1345 **Registration Date:** 24-Sep-2007

**Location:** 4, Harbour Crescent, Harbour Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

**Development:** For the construction of a two storey dwelling house and auxiliary works drainage and landscaping in the side garden of 4 Harbour Crescent. **Council Decision:** Grant Permission.

**Appeal Lodged:** 5-Mar-2008. Nature of Appeal: Appeal against Grant of Permission. Type of Appeal: 3rd Party Appeal.

### My Garden continued

meadows, woodlands, river banks, rocks, deserts, aquatic, and so on. Most of us, I think, seem to buy our beautiful plant and then go home to our beloved garden and try to find its perfect spot. I think, really, we would be far better off checking out our specific soil type, acid, limey, heavy, waterlogged, sandy, gritty, dry etc. and then, make our appropriate choice.

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The play has a large cast. Joan Gregg, Carmel McCrea and Hilda Grace play the three female characters while the male characters are played by Michael Stokes, Roy Beatty, Tony Perrem, Marcus Thompson, Vincent Morley, Rory Glynn, Frank Lonergan, Terry O'Neill, and Colm Harte.

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**PLANNING APPLICATIONS - Wks 7-10 11/2'08 to 7/3'08**

- Reg. Ref.:** D08A/0170 **Application Rec'd Date:** 13-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Mrs. Betty Kane, 6/ 6A, Railway Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.  
**Proposal:** Permission is sought for a new single storey entrance porch to rear with new stairs to replace existing stairs serving existing apartment at first floor level, replacement of pebble dash render to rear wall with new render to match existing facade and interior alterations to two shop units at ground floor level at this main location situated within An Architectural Conservation Area.
- Reg. Ref.:** D08B/0079 **Application Rec'd Date:** 11-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Brian & Karen O' Kelly, 2 Ardeevin Terrace, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey.  
**Proposal:** Planning permission is sought for the demolition of single storey extension, construction of a first floor extension to the rear and a single storey covered passage to the side.
- Reg. Ref.:** D08B/0082 **Application Rec'd Date:** 11-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Eileen O'Connor, Dalkey Cottage, Barnhill Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.  
**Proposal:** Single storey, ground floor, side extension of 13 square metres.
- Reg. Ref.:** D08B/0087 **Application Rec'd Date:** 13-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** A. Gethings, 24, Mapas Avenue, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.  
**Proposal:** Alterations & extensions to existing part two storey/part single storey 3 bedroom semi-detached dwelling resulting in an increase of habitable floor area from 122.0 sq.m. to 162.0 sq.m comprising, a) Construction of a 40 sq.m single storey extension to the rear, b) Conversion of existing attic space to non-habitable accommodation & the construction of a new flat roof dormer style structure to side at main roof level & c) all associated site works. **Applic. Type:** Permission for Retention.
- Reg. Ref.:** D08B/0088 **Application Rec'd Date:** 13-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Shane O' Mara, 30, Mapas Avenue, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.  
**Proposal:** Complete and retain indefinitely a flat roofed single storey extension to first floor bathroom affecting the north and eastern elevations, including internal reconfigurations and changes to external elevations.
- Reg. Ref.:** D08A/0243 **Application Rec'd Date:** 29-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Board of Management of Castlepark School, Castlepark School, Castlepark Road, Dalkey, Co Dublin  
**Proposal:** Modifications to the redevelopment of Castlepark School as granted Planning Permission under Planning Permission Ref. D05A/0762, Decision Ref. PL06D.215520. The alterations comprise: A) New external lift (7sq.m) from ground floor to basement level to facilitate disabled access to the basement on the north-east elevation of the castle building; B) Minor alterations to internal dividing walls within the basement of the castle building; all at Castlepark School which is a protected structure.
- Reg. Ref.:** D08B/0145 **Application Rec'd Date:** 27-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Gerard Gasparro, 104a, Coliemoire Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.  
**Proposal:** Further alterations to existing 3-storey semi-detached dormer family dwelling to include conversion of existing first floor bathroom to fourth bedroom and enlargement of existing first floor window to rear elevation and new first floor window with obscure glazing to side/gable.
- Reg. Ref.:** D08B/0153 **Application Rec'd Date:** 29-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Christopher Davison, Tempe Villa, Rockfort Avenue, Dalkey.  
**Proposal:** Alterations and single storey extensions to front and side of existing single storey detached family dwelling comprising additional living / sleeping accommodation.
- Reg. Ref.:** D08A/0270 **Application Rec'd Date:** 06-Mar-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Jennie and Andrew Power, Ardeevin Terrace, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey.  
**Proposal:** Construction of three bedroom two-storey over semi-basement detached house, associated vehicular access, carparking and ancillary site works.
- Reg. Ref.:** D08B/0167 **Application Rec'd Date:** 06-Mar-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** R. & S. Vernon, 2, Ullard Mor, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin  
**Proposal:** Demolition of existing lean-to extension to side of existing dwelling and the construction of single storey extension to side of existing dwelling.

**PLANNING DECISIONS - WEEKS 7-10 11/2'08 to 7/3/2008**

- Reg. Ref.:** D07A/1345 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 15-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** M. Leahy & B. Breen, 4, Harbour Crescent, Harbour Road, Dalkey.  
**Proposal:** For the construction of a two storey dwelling house and auxiliary works drainage and landscaping in the side garden of 4 Harbour Crescent.
- Reg. Ref.:** D07A/1505 **Decision:** Grant Permission for Retention **Date:** 13-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** M Wright, D Kelly & J Kelly, 31, Castle Street, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.  
**Proposal:** Retention of works to 31 Castle Street, Dalkey (a protected structure) including 1. provision of basement 42.5m.sq incl. patrons toilets & ancillary staff facilities, 2. retention of existing roof to 31 Castle Street facing laneway, 3. omission of 1 no. double door to laneway at Ground Floor level, 4. retention of hip and parapet to main roof to southern boundary at First Floor level, 5. retention of as built external wall at first floor to south elevation to provide 3m separation from first floor to southern boundary, 6. retention of 3 no. velux roof lights to first floor roof, 7. retention of kitchen 29.5m.sq to First Floor and minor internal alterations to approved plans Ref D03A/1163 and An Bord Pleanala decision PL 06D.207051. **Application Type:** Permission for Retention.
- Reg. Ref.:** D07A/1683 **Decision:** Refuse Permission **Date:** 11-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Clarity Developments, 9, Mapas Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.  
**Proposal:** (a) Demolition of 1 No. existing 2 storey habitable 5-bed house (approx. 232 sq.m); (b) Construction of 2 no. 3 storey semi detached houses of 140 sq.m each and 1 no. 3 storey detached house of 174 sq.m, all of them with 1 No. velux window to the front elevation roof and associated garage to ground floor level and off street parking, (c) With individual vehicular access onto Mapas Road; and (d) Landscaping and all other ancillary site works. The proposed development is on a 605 sq.m site.
- Reg. Ref.:** D07A/1702 **Decision:** Request Add. Information **Date:** 13-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** P.J. Gallagher, Old Rock, Ardbrugh Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.  
**Proposal:** Demolition of existing single & two storey 4 bedroom detached dwelling and the construction of a replacement two storey 5 bedroom detached dwelling with 2 no. balconies to the north elevation at first floor level and the widening and minor relocation of the existing vehicular access in an easterly direction (circa 1 m).
- Reg. Ref.:** D07A/1725 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 13-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Gerard Gasparro, 104a, Coliemoire Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin  
**Proposal:** Alterations and extensions to front of existing 3-storey semi-detached dormer family dwelling to include new bay window/entrance canopy and 3-storey living/bathroom/dormer attic bedroom roof extension and widening of existing vehicular access.
- Reg. Ref.:** D07B/0986 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 11-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Teresa and Damian Coleman, 13, Hyde Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.  
**Proposal:** First floor level extension to the rear to provide for one bedroom with en-suite and all associated site development works. To include internal amendments to ground and first floor level and 5 no. new Velux windows.
- Reg. Ref.:** D07B/0999 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 15-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** John & Elizabeth Simington, Forthill, Nerano Road, Dalkey.  
**Proposal:** The development will consist of the erection of railings on the wall to the boundary with Nerano Road.
- Reg. Ref.:** D07A/1499 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 22-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Amanda and Donal Coyle, 3, Marley House, Saval Park Road, Dalkey.  
**Proposal:** Retention and completion of development to previously approved scheme Reg. Ref. D06A/1690. The proposed works for retention and completion are generally in response to Condition 3 of Reg. Ref. D06A/1690 imposed by Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, which required alterations to the design of the house. The proposed development is in accordance with the intentions of condition 3, however minor modifications are now proposed to be retained and completed to the previously permitted scheme, to provide a change of (two-storey detached) house type to incorporate internal reconfiguration of rooms and minor alterations to all elevations including new windows and 1 no. balcony over entrance to North / West facing elevation. Provision of all associated site development works. All on a site measuring 0.06 ha.
- Reg. Ref.:** D07A/1726 **Decision:** Refuse Permission **Date:** 19-Feb-2008  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Foghlu Ltd, 115-116, Coliemoire Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin  
**Proposal:** Change of use at ground and first floor levels from a bar and restaurant at ground floor level to 2 no.