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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,
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CHARLES G.D. ROBERTS - ‘AN APRIL ADORATION’ 1896

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Happy Easter to all our readers**



DALKEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL LIMITED

ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING

The Annual Public Meeting of the Community Council

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MONDAY, 4th APRIL, 2011 at 8.p.m. in

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We rely on your contributions to carry out the many activities we engage in such as making Representations to the County Council on all matters involving Dalkey, the Lighting of the Christmas Tree, Planning matters, sponsorship of local causes e.g. Sports, Athletes, Garden Competition, Garden Outing, Art Exhibition, Cups etc.

Many thanks for your contribution.

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SUMMARY OF DCC MARCH MEETING



DCC AGM took place on Monday 28th February in the Harold Boys School. The minutes from the 2010 AGM were read and agreed. The Chairman and Secretary delivered their reports to the members and the Treasurer gave a detailed account of the finances. The reports were adopted by the meeting. The retiring members of the Executive were thanked for their hard work and commitment during their term of office. Richard Mooney, Lena Feely and Eileen White have agreed to join the new Executive for 2011/2013. Susan McDonnell was re-elected as Chairman and Ann Perry is to continue as Secretary. After the agreement to re-appoint the Auditors the AGM concluded.

There followed a short Monthly Meeting.

AOB: The schedule for the No.59 bus will be cut down from running every forty minutes to one hour twenty. As this will have a severe impact on a lot of residents, particularly on the more senior residents DCC will follow this issue further.

As there was no further business the meeting ended.



TIDY TOWNS REPORT – MARCH 2011



Resident Associations should enter the DLRCC **Tidy Districts Competition**. If you keep your area well maintained, with or without outside help, you can enter. Any prizes would contribute to your expenses. Entry forms are available from County Hall and should include photographs.

Committee members had meetings with –

- a) CIE Dart personnel regarding the station and surrounds.
- b) A Bord Failte rep. on how to make more of our town.

Dell volunteers had an enthusiastic afternoon session in Sorrento Park. We are grateful for their support. Photographs on notice board.

DLRCC held two **public information** meetings at County Hall in March.



Dell volunteers clearing up

- a) Residents Association and Tidy Towns Information Evening.
- b) A seminar on Food Waste Management Regulations that affect a wide range of premises that prepare and/or serve food. They inform us that premises that produce **less than 50 kgs of food waste per week** may apply to their local authority for an exemption from the regulations, until the **1st July 2011**.

LITTER PATROLS note that dog fouling and cigarette butt littering is worsening and unpleasant to deal with.

NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN details will be advertised and we welcome volunteers. We also encourage residents in individual areas to take part and will assist with arrangements if necessary.

LITTER PATROLS – **Tuesday 5th April**, and **Saturday 16th April** meeting **10.30 at Castle Street**. **Thursday 14th April** meeting **11am at Dillon's Park**.



Working hard at Dillon's Park



LORETO GIRLS CLEANING UP



GREEN HOME TIP – Grow your own herbs - in pots if you don't have a garden.



Thank you.

June Barnett, DTT

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR – Re: No.59 BUS

Concern has been expressed about the reduction in this excellent service. I have been in contact with Dublin Bus and they say changes were discussed but no decision has yet been made. As it is a very useful service to all in the Dalkey, Killiney, etc. areas, especially for the elderly, comments would be welcomed from local commuters.

Finola Fidler –Dalkey



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We Welcome: **Dalkey Business Group Central Committee 2011**
Chairperson: Jason McChesney/Action Coach Dalkey;
Assistant Chairperson: Blaitheín O'Brien/Dalkey Pharmacy;
Secretary: Caitríona Fogarty/Dalkey Parish Council;
Treasurer: Brendan McNestry/AIB Dalkey;
Public Relations Officer: Dave Buckley/The Bedroom Studio;



Congratulations to all

The outgoing Central Committee chaired by Oliver McCabe will assist with the new DBG CC over next few months until settled in as the incoming 2nd Dalkey Book Festival will take place from Thursday 16th June to Sunday 19th June 2011. David McWilliams and his wife Sian Smyth are the patrons of the DBF and will be organising events with the assistance of the DBG. A lot of writers are returning from last year with the appearance of new local writers. Not much can be said at this time but do expect a wonderful literary weekend which should be marked in your diary now. What we can tell you is that there will be an official opening for the new 'Literary Corner' at St. Patrick's Avenue/Railway Rd. Some other names mentioned for this area are 'Hugh Leonard Corner' or 'Writer's Corner'. All quite appropriate. If you can think of other suitable names for this location please contact us at dalkeybusinessgroup@gmail.com

Another exciting festival in pre production at the moment is the 1st Dalkey Comedy Festival scheduled for September 2011. The organiser here is Frank from 'The Dalkey Comedy Club' which entertains crowds at The Queens in Dalkey each month with comedians like Jason Byrne and Deirdre O'Kane so you can imagine who may be coming to make you laugh out loud for this festival.

Dalkey Business Group would like to thank our outgoing Treasurers Noelle Scanlon and Paul Buckley who collected this years Dalkey Christmas Lights Donations. They raised over 9,600. We would also like to thank the following businesses who donated when times are difficult for everyone. The Lights as always were exquisite and always make our town of Dalkey a very special place during the festive season.

THANK YOU TO: Dalkey Digital Photo Ltd; The Heritage Centre; J.D. Jewellers; Dalkey News; Head Hair Therapy; Ragazzi's; The Club; Select Stores; Toil & Glitter; Dalkey Credit Union; James Gallery; Dalkey Flowers; Senso Studio; Rhona's Hairdressing; Finnegan's (Sorrento Lounge); The Guinea Pig; O'Briens; Paddy Power; A.I.B.; Dr. Lavelle; The Bedroom Studio; Glynis Robins; 20 Railway Road; Ouzos; Eurospar; Tramyard Gallery; Silk; Jaipur; P.Borza; Nosh; Photogenic; Dalkey Pharmacy; Benito's; Exchange Bookshop; Handworks; Doyle's Butchers; Golden Apple; Kelly Design; Crisp Cleaners; On The Grapevine; Hick's; The Post Office; Maxwell's Chemist; Bolero; Clegg; Country Bake; Unique; Kerin's Pharmacy; New To You; Dalkey Pet Stop; Dalkey Clinic; Moll's Paraphernalia; Design House; Irwin Solicitors.

This will be my last report of the monthly goings on of the Dalkey Business Group as I will be handing over to Jason McChesney. I would like to thank everyone at Dalkey Community Council for their support especially Gerard Coakley and Susan McDonnell. I hope the readers and residents have enjoyed the voluntary work and commitment from the DBG and central committee over the last year. May the DBG flourish from here as it has been an amazing experience setting it up over the last 12 months working with all the local business people of Dalkey.

Addition to February DBG Update: Election candidates who were present at the February DBG meeting were Richard Boyd Barrett and Victor Boyhan.

So just remember to keep it local and shop local. IloveDalkey.com

Thank You.

Oliver McCabe – Outgoing Chairperson

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Chairman Howard Kilroy, Minister Mary Hanofin and Margaret Dunne, Manager of Heritage Centre

Directors of Dalkey Irish Heritage Town Co paid glowing tributes at its meeting on Feb 24th to Chairman Mr Howard Kilroy who resigned after 10 years as Chairman of the company. A former Governor of the Bank of Ireland and Dalkey resident, Mr Kilroy had been very effectively involved in fundraising when the Heritage Centre was built in 1997/8 and had joined the board as Chairman in 2002. Members of the board were fulsome in their praise and gratitude to Mr Kilroy for the invaluable experience and unstinting support he brought to the board as Chairman. Dominic Dowling, Company Secretary, echoed the universal praise and thanks of all board members for the voluntary commitment, time, energy and good guidance Howard had brought to the company's affairs and consequently to the town of Dalkey. Proper procedures and accountable governance were hallmarks of his input.

Margaret Dunne, Heritage Centre Manager, spoke of the constant support he was to her in her work at the Centre. He was/is a valued mentor and advisor. All members wished Howard well in his retirement.

Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre has extended an invitation to **Queen Elizabeth 11** to visit her loyal Tudor ancestors in Dalkey when she comes to Dublin this year. The Living History Live Theatre performance as part of the guided tour will be in full swing from May 1st. We await a reply from Buckingham Palace.

Meanwhile back on terra firma the final session of The Flann O'Brien Reading Group **Know your Flann from your Cruiskeen Lawn** will be held on April 4th at 7.30pm. Admission is free but advance booking is necessary. A large number from the group



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attended 'At Swim -Two-Birds' in the Project Arts Centre and had a post show discussion with Blue Raincoat Director Niall Henry afterwards. Members of the group are well primed for the many exciting events to celebrate the centenary of the birth of Flann O'Brien in the Dalkey Book Festival from 16th -19th June. Details in next issue.

Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre is open for visitors with Living History Guided Tours from 10.00am Mon-Fri and 11.00am Sat Sun until 5.00pm, except Tuesdays. Check in advance to avoid tours being full due to group bookings.

Vinyasa Flow Yoga classes continue at Dalkey Castle and Heritage Centre on Mondays from 6.15-9.00pm.

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Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre is part funded by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Co Co, Dept SP (Pobal) & FÁS

DOUBLE THE SUCCESS FOR DALKEY PLAYERS AT BRAY FESTIVAL!



DALKEY PLAYERS enjoyed great success at the 2011 **Bray One Act Drama Festival** which was held in the Mermaid Theatre in January. Their entry, **"Afterplay"** by Brian Friel, was the Overall Winner in the festival and longstanding member John Walsh won the award for Best Director. In addition, Ber O'Hara and

Mary Rigney were awarded certificates for Acting and Costumes respectively. Philip Murphy was nominated for Best Actor.

Our picture shows John Walsh (left) with his awards and Peter Harrison, Director of the Bray One act Drama Festival at the awards ceremony.

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Snowy Mourne – April 2010

Photo: M. Ryan

APRIL SNOW SHOWERS

Looking at photographs I'd taken last year in April I came upon a sequence of photos I'd taken of the Mountains of Mourne looming up behind the hill of Howth. Nothing unusual there, the mountains are often visible from any reasonable elevation and more times than not are visible from Dalkey Hill. What was unusual though was that on the 9th April 2010 they were covered in snow, late enough in the year and hopefully not to be repeated this year.

WATER WONDER

Many years ago, before I used to actively go out looking at birds, I used to think that of all European species Great Crested Grebes were one of the most beautiful. With its dagger sharp bill, long thin pale neck and head surrounded with a ruff of brown feathers and topped with a black crest, which it raises for display at mating time, they looked the personification of elegance. I'd seen film of them when a pair of birds would approach each other on a pond or lake and perform an elaborate courtship display which included diving underwater to grab a beakful of weeds from the lake bottom. Back on the surface it would swim to its potential partner and present it with this gift, the grebe equivalent of a box of chocolates or a bunch of flowers. Another aspect of the display would have them stand almost upright in the water and paddle rapidly towards each other or throw their heads back, pointing their bills at the sky.

I'd always considered these birds very exotic and never even hoped I'd ever see one. When I got more involved in birdwatching I realised they were quite common in Ireland, found on many inland lakes and waterways.

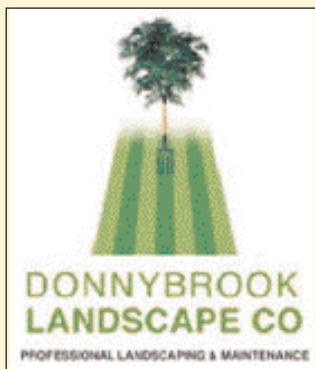
I can't remember the first time I saw one in the flesh but there's every chance it was from the back of the West Pier in Dun Laoghaire. It was a revelation to me that they spent time on the sea and were commonly found in Dublin Bay in winter, up to 50 sometimes I was told.

Since then I've seen them many times and was often lucky enough to witness the wonderful mating display, birds presenting each other with gifts of tasty wet weed and all manner of ornate posing. We'd often see them in the bay in winter, a long line of birds bobbing up and down between the waves.



Great Crested Grebe Photo: Dick Coombes

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At our last Iwebs (Irish Wetland Birds Survey) count of the winter in March this year we had a motionless sea which merged seamlessly into the sky. After we'd counted the birds on the strand we looked seawards. It was a dull morning but wonderfully calm and we could see little flotillas of grebes sharply silhouetted, some asleep on the water their heads tucked back into their wings. Counted them twice since there was every chance some of them would be below the surface fishing. At least 257 grebes! There could be that many there on other days but very difficult to count on choppy water. And although I've got used to seeing them I've never got tired of looking at them, they're still as lovely as the first time I saw them on the TV.

Incidentally grebes play a very important part in the history of wildlife conservation. In the 19th century their feathers, skin and the soft under-pelt of their breast feathers were being used in the millinery trade to decorate hats and in the fashion trade as a substitute for fur. The birds were killed in the wild in huge numbers and were rapidly facing extinction in Britain and Ireland until a number of ladies, concerned for the birds fate formed an organisation and lobbied parliament to bring in protection for them. Their efforts combined with the vagaries of fashion resulted in the trade becoming unpopular and their organisation eventually went on to become the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, one of the pioneering conservation organisations.

SUMMER SINGERS

If you were asked what's the commonest summer migrant to come to Ireland you might be inclined to think its the swallow.

The beginning of April has a lot of our summer migrant birds arriving and beginning to sing. Maybe because it's often milder on that side of the hill I'd often hear my first Chiffchaffs and Blackcaps singing in the trees above the Vico Road. They do often appear in gardens as well, maybe feeding up after a long flight over the sea. Last April we spent an awful long time trying to identify a little warbler that hung around the garden pond for a few days. I knew it was either a chiffchaff or a Willow Warbler but couldn't decide which. These two birds are notoriously difficult to tell apart and if it's identity is in doubt a individual may be referred to as a 'Willow Chiff' or a 'Wiffwaff'. Chiffchaffs usually, but not always, have much darker legs and a prominent lower eye ring. They're a bit duller than the Willow Warbler but that's not a great diagnostic when the light is very bright. One good tip is the chiffchaff flicks its tail more often but often it barely flicks it at all. Even professional researchers who catch birds to put rings on them can find it difficult to separate them except for one foolproof method. The primary wing feathers on willow warbler are longer than those of the chiffchaff possibly because they actually spend winter much further south and thus have to fly farther distances to return, needing longer wings.

They were at one time considered to be the same species and it was the famous naturalist and writer Gilbert White author of *The Natural History and Antiquities of Selborne* who separated them by observing that they had dramatically different song.

The chiffchaff, which is named after its song, has a repetitive almost monotonous two note sound, common in any woodland in summer while the willow warblers song is a longer burst of descending notes trailing away wistfully. A few years ago while staying near Portumna I got up early one morning and went for a ramble over the bog and the scrubby hillside. In places the tallest vegetation was little clumps of willow and in almost every one, and there were dozens, there was a willow warbler singing. With over a million pairs breeding the willow warbler is Ireland's most numerous migrant and indeed one of its commonest breeding birds.



Mating Display Great Crested Grebe
Photo: Dick Coombes

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The playgroup is open from 9am till 1 every weekday for 39 weeks of the year (in line with the national schools) and children are accepted from age 2 years and 8 months.

The aim of the playgroup is to provide a safe and stimulating environment for children to develop through the medium of play. The playgroup is based around 2 rooms and the children are free to wander between rooms and play with whatever arouses their curiosity. The choice is enormous and varied and ranges from sand, water, playdough, paint, puzzles, computer, dress up and keyboard, to name but a few.

Everyday there is a group activity which is usually something topical and could be anything from art projects, story time, to dancing and singing.

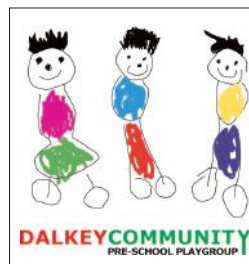
The playgroup has superb outside facilities, which include a slide on a safe surface with bikes and scooters and balls and a 'scribble' wall. The children go outside twice daily weather permitting.

As a community facility parental involvement is encouraged and parents are invited to come and help at the playgroup, get involved with fundraising and helping with general chores from time to time

The playgroup is participating in the free childcare year scheme and because the playgroup is a non-profit charity organisation, we are able to offer a tiered fee system depending on a family's circumstance. Provided applicants satisfy the eligibility criteria, they can avail of lower rates.

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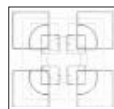


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GARDEN TALKS – APRIL 2011



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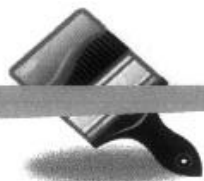
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Cub Troop presenting a cheque for €500 to Billy Scully for the R.N.L.I.

The spirit of kindness is alive and well with the Cubs from 41st Dublin 3rd Port Dalkey. The Cubs have been busy over the past few months raising funds for various well-deserving good causes. The first was a Bag Pack in Eurospar Dalkey where the Cubs raised €900.00 for the troop. The Troop donated €500 to the R.N.L.I.

A few of our winter meetings in the Den were filled with making various crafts to sell at our stall

outside the Church of the Assumption, Dalkey, on a very chilly Saturday, 19th December. The Cubs made reindeer food, Yule logs and eco-friendly firelighters and baked cakes and biscuits. They raised €400.73 which was donated to the Dublin Simon Community.

A third good deed was done by Athena, Aaron, Ali and Alannah, who noticed a stray dog wandering through the main street of Dalkey. The quick-thinking Cubs recognised the dog, whose photograph was posted on various lampposts around the town. They called the dog's owner who was delighted to get their beloved collie, Adam, home again safe and sound.

Kathleen Macdonald

41st Dublin 3rd Port Dalkey



Members of the Dalkey Cub Troop presenting a cheque for €400.73 to Rachel Macanery for the Dublin Simon Community



Stephen Flood, 41st Dublin 3rd Port Dalkey Leader presenting a 'Good Samaritan' badge to Aaron, Athena and Ali.

The material in the Planning Section of the Newsletter is based entirely on data taken from Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council's website. If you are concerned about a particular item it is strongly recommended that you examine the relevant file in the Council's offices.

Reg. Ref. D11A/0057 **Application Rec'd Date:** 8-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Simona Doyle, 9, Saval Park Crescent, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Planning permission is sought for the retention of the following variations to previously approved (D08A/0773) works: 1) Widening of the front door opening. 2) Raising the height of the rear/side boundary wall with No.10. 3) Provision of additional roof lights to rear. 4) Removal of chimney to side adjacent No. 10. 5) Retention of chimney to living room. 6) Omission of glazed ridge to side roof. 7) Alterations to rear fenestration and roof-lights. 8) Provision of replacement gates to front vehicular entrance, to detached bungalow. **Application Type:** Permission for Retention.

Reg. Ref. D11A/0076 **Application Rec'd Date:** 18-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Mr. Dominic Galvin, Alongside 66, Ulverton Road, Dalkey.

Proposal Planning permission is sought for development which will consist of material alteration to front elevation to replace timber cladding infill with treated copper finish, to previous approved planning permission (D08A/1392) for new five bedroom, three storey split level detached dwelling with balcony to rear; existing vehicle entrance extended to accommodate 2 No. car parking spaces. To include all hard & soft landscaping & associated site works. **Application Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref. D06B/0287/E **Application Rec'd Date:** 15-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Mrs. Philippa Thomas, 16, Village Gate, Dalkey.

Proposal First floor extension and alterations to house.

Application Type: Extension of Duration of Permission.

Reg. Ref. D11B/0051 **Application Rec'd Date:** 17-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Aoife & Tony Randles, 3, Dalkey Grove, Dalkey.

Proposal Planning permission is sought for the demolition of a single storey garage to the side & sunroom to the rear, and the construction of a new domestic extension (part single storey, part two storey) to the side and rear of the existing house to accommodate new hallway, wc, kitchen & living accommodation at ground floor, and stairway, en-suite, bathroom & bedrooms at first floor. **Application Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref. D11B/0054 **Application Rec'd Date:** 21-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Mr. Paschal Byrne, 6, Ulverton Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Permission is sought for development which will consist of; the conversion from a bedroom to its original use as a garage, minor internal alterations and alterations to front boundary to include railings to match existing. **Application Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D11B/0058 **Application Rec'd Date:** 23-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Tara & Conor Nolan, 97 & 98, Coliemore Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Planning permission is sought for alterations and first floor extensions including replacing the roofs to the front of Nos. 97 & 98, increasing the roof pitches and ridge heights and incorporating roof windows. First floor extensions to Nos. 97 & 98, behind new front roofs with roof windows and a mansard type roof to No.97. Modifications and relocation of windows and entrance to No. 97 and lowering of existing front window sill.

Application Type: Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D11B/0063 Application Rec'd Date: 25-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: J. Elder & J. Crotty, 2, Anastasia Lane, Sorrento Rd., Dalkey.

Proposal: Permission is sought for alterations including the extension of existing ground floor storage area to the front and the construction of a first floor extension over part (South East) of existing single storey dwelling to accommodate bedroom and bathroom.

Reg. Ref. D11B/0068 Application Rec'd Date: 03-Mar-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Mr. Gerard McEvoy, 115, Hillside, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal Planning permission is sought for conversion of attic space to store room, with new dormer window to side and new velux rooflights to front and rear with internal alterations to house and for all ancillary site and drainage works.

PLANNING DECISIONS for Weeks 6-9 7/2/11 to 25/2/2011

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0450 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 8-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Monzio Ltd. Eurospar, 36-38, Castle Street, Dalkey.

Proposal: Permission is sought for; (1) The demolition of the existing two-storey building to the rear of nos. 36-37 Castle Street, (2) Demolition of 2 no. lean to buildings to rear of no. 38 Castle St, (3) Excavation of rear areas of nos. 36-38 Castle Street to make all level with Castle St, (4) The erection of a new two-storey extension building to the rear of 36-38 Castle St, Dalkey to include: new customer and service entrances, ramp access to main shop floor below, a goods lift and stairs and a new refuse compound all at ground floor with staff facilities, offices, a canteen, IT room, a goods store and plant room all at first floor, (5) The extension of the existing main shop area to include ground floor area of no.38, (6) Alterations to shop fronts of no. 38. (7) Extension and alterations to first floor 2 bedroom apartment at 38 Castle St, to provide a one bedroom apartment with rear first floor deck area, (8) Ancillary site works including improved boundary treatment generally all at nos. 36-38 Castle St. This development includes a protected structure and is in an architectural conservation zone.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0679 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 9-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Otranto Properties Ltd., Castlepark Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin. (Former Mackey's Garden Centre)

Proposal: Permission is sought for development at the site Mackey's Garden Centre, Castlepark Road, Sandycove, Co. Dublin, Byrne's Garden Centre, Castlepark Road, Sandycove, Co. Dublin and Part of No. 1 Castle Close, Sandycove, Co. Dublin. Modifications to approved plans reg. ref. D06A/1808 (PL06D.224130) and D09A/0919 (PL06D.236838) being the addition of screended private terraced open space to 2 no. penthouse apartments at third floor, Block B.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0680 **Decision:** Refuse Outline Permission **Date:** 9-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Aidan McCormack & Mary Rockett, The garden to the side and rear of Mineholm, 39A, Barnhill Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Outline planning permission is being sought for the removal of two existing sheds and the construction of a two storey house in the garden to the side and rear.

Application Type: Outline Permission

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0674 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 9-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Martin Whelan & Richard Murphy, Linden Lodge, Castlepark Road, Sandycove, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Planning permission is sought for development on a site of 0.2468ha. The development will consist of; (1) The demolition of the front porch, the extensions to the southern elevation and part of the rear extensions at ground and first floor of 'Linden Lodge', (2) The replacement of the existing south facing side door of 'Linden Lodge' with

a window, and the revision of the front door to 'Linden Lodge', (3) Construction of a new 2-storey extension along the southern elevation and rear of 'Linden Lodge', 62 sq.m, (4) Renovation of the existing 'Lodge' to convert it and the new extensions into office space, 209 sq.m, (5) Construction of 5 No., 4-bed 2.5 storey terraced dwelling houses, 211 sq.m each, (6) Vehicle and pedestrian access to the development will be through the existing vehicular and pedestrian entrance along Castlepark Road. (7) An additional pedestrian access will also be provided to the south of the existing vehicular entrance along Castlepark Road. The development will include all associated site works including hard and soft landscaping and associated parking and bicycle provision, surface water connection and water mains connection.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0682 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 9-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Tim & Collette McNichols, 8, Castle Close, Sandycove.

Proposal: Planning permission sought for the conversion of an existing garage to the side and construction of first floor extension to side set back from the front with internal alterations, rooflights to side, re-location of entrance gates, alterations to existing windows and addition of stone cladding to front elevation with new render and ancillary site works.

Reg. Ref.: D11A/0043 **Decision:** Declare Applic. Invalid **Date:** 8-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Vodafone Ireland Ltd., 27, Castle Street, Dalkey.

Proposal: Permission is sought for the mounting of 3 No. panel antennas and 1 No. link dish, to be placed behind existing front facade of the building at roof level for the purpose of mobile telecommunications with associated equipment located in the rear yard. The development will form part of Vodafone Ireland Ltd's existing GSM and 3G Broadband telecommunications network. Application Type: Permission.

Reg. Ref. D10A/0703 **Decision:** Request Add. Info. **Date** 16-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Mr & Mrs James Lenehan, Altamont, Knocknacree Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Permission for retention of extension to existing house on two storeys, provision of car parking spaces and conversion of car port to garden room. **Application Type:** Permission for Retention

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0711 **Decision:** Refuse Permission **Date:** 23-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Martin Doran, Firmbank, Dalkey Avenue, Dalkey.

Proposal: Planning permission for the erection of a 2-storey dwelling and the provision of a new vehicular entrance off Dalkey Park to access same including all service connections and associated siteworks.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0717 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 24-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Mr. Timothy & Mrs. Sinead Bouchier-Hayes, 33, Castlepark Road, Sandycove, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Permission is sought for an extension to the front and side of the house comprising one storey plus basement; the demolition of existing one-storey extension and a detached shed; adjustments to the boundary wall; the installation of 5 sq.m solar panels on the roof of the existing house; widening of the existing gateway and replacement of the existing 3.13 metre wide entrance gate off Castlepark Road by a 3.5 metre wide new gate.

Reg. Ref.: D10B/0505 **Decision:** Grant Permission for Retention **Date:** 23-Feb-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Frank & Elly McCrea, 16, Mapas Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Planning permission to retain the following works: 1. The provision of a ground-floor, side, kitchen extension (5.0 sq.m). 2. The partial conversion of the integrated garage (10 sq.m) into (a) the extended kitchen, and (b) including the provision of a bathroom.

Application Type: Permission for Retention

Reg. Ref. D11B/0005 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date** 4-Mar-2011

Applicant Name & Location: John Rogers, Kwetu, Sorrento Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin
 Proposal Permission is sought for the following works: 1) Demolition of single storey garage, single storey shed and entrance porch attached to existing house and partial demolition of walls to rear. 2) Construction of new 2 storey pitched roof extension and new single storey flat roof entrance porch to front. 3) Construction of new 2 storey pitched roof extension to side. 4) Existing 2 No. chimneys to be rebuilt. 5) New solar panels to front roof. 6) New rooflight to existing roof. 7) Alterations to floor layouts of existing dwelling. 8) All associated landscaping works. Application Type Permission

APPEALS NOTIFIED by An Bord Pleanala Weeks 6-9 7/2/11 to 25/2/2011

Reg Ref: D10A/0674 **Date:** 7-Dec-2010

Location: Linden Lodge, Castlepark Road, Sandycove, Co. Dublin

Development: Planning permission is sought for development on a site of 0.2468ha.

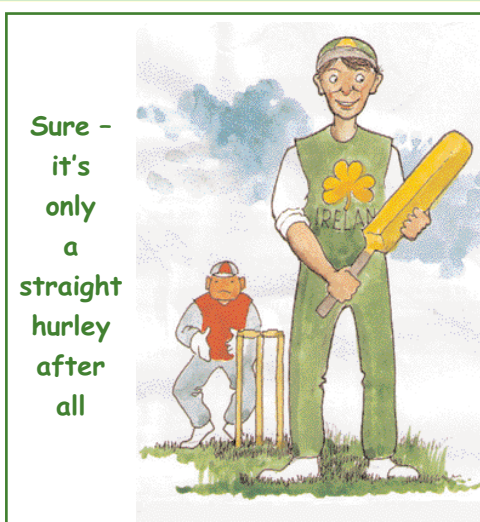
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Appeal Lodged: 18-Feb-2011. **Nature of Appeal:** Appeal against Grant of Permission.

Type of Appeal: 3rd Party Appeal.

APPEAL DECISIONS of An Bord Pleanala Weeks 6-9 31/1/11 to 25/2/11

None



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D.A.R.A. UPDATE

D.A.R.A. is going from strength to strength with 545 members and a waiting list to join. It is one of the most successful organisations in Dalkey. We do so many activities including: Aerobics; Art; Bowling; Bridge; Book Club; Creative Writing; French; Spanish and Irish classes; Garden Clubs; Hill Walking; Flat Walking; Sequence Dancing and Theatre Outings.

As you can see, there is something for everyone. So, for all you younger residents of Dalkey, you have plenty to look forward to when you retire.

Rosemary Pearson

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CHESS NEWS

Following Harold Boys great success last year, in winning the Leinster Schools Chess Championships 2010 (under 14's), the school entered two teams (each of 5 players) in this years Primary Schools section. The two teams have won all their games in their individual divisions so far and both teams are through to the semi-final games. All the boys would like to thank Mr. Michael Crowe for his excellent chess coaching. The School are very proud of the boy's dedication and achievements in chess.

HAROLD BOYS CHESS SQUAD OF TWO TEAMS ARE THROUGH TO THE SEMI- FINALS OF THE LEINSTER SCHOOLS CHESS ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS 2011



Team A

From left- Conor Thorne, Jamie Fagan, Conor O'Donnell (Capt) Eamonn Moroney and Harry Wall.



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Sixth class Harold Boys' N.S., Dalkey went to the Annual Swim for the Charity GOAL at Castlepark swimming pool on 27th January 2011. They swam for 45 minutes in a 25 metre pool. In total they swam 18.6 km and raised €523.

Engineering Project

Sixth class are doing an "Xperience

Engineering" project with the help of two parents, Simone

Stephenson and Nawel Kouadri. The aim of the project is to design and demonstrate the theme

of "Engineering for a Greener Cleaner World". In December they boys went to Dun Laoghaire/Rathdown County Council to a PowerPoint presentation of the council's project, very kindly given especially for them, by Chief Engineer Rory O Sullivan. They saw a model of the latest scheme and lodged their submissions. All the boys would like to see a good sized swimming pool not the proposed paddling pool. Since then the boys have re-designed their own new swimming pool project for Dun Laoghaire Baths and are working on making the project eco-friendly in every way. Watch this space!!

Trinity College Trip

On Wednesday 19th of January, my class and I went to Trinity College as part of our research for our "Xperience Engineering project". First we went to a lecture theatre in the Museum building and Professor Laurence Gill talked to us about different types of engineers and what they do. Then he showed us diagrams and told us about how swimming pools are constructed and how they work. He told us that you had to keep recycling the water through filters and pumps. Also, you have to make the pool a bit heavier when constructing it because it might collapse and needs the water in it to have the right force. We went to five labs and were given demonstrations in all of them. We also visited their pool and were given a talk. We were told that the air temperature needs to be 1 degree higher outside the pool. It was very informative and enjoyable. Thank you to Mr Gill for such a great opportunity.



Team B

From left- Killian O'Donnell, Declan Thorne, Conor O'Sullivan, Ross McCann (vice-Capt) and Ralph Swords

Brian Barry 6th Class



Junior Choir Success – The members of Castle Park School Junior Choir are celebrating their recent win in the Primary School category of the Lyric FM Carols for Christmas competition.

The Choir rehearse under the guidance of Ms Edel McKiernan, Director of Music, every week and had recorded the much loved Solfege Santa on a snowy day in December. The recording was sent off to Lyric FM and was entered in the Primary School section along with entries from 10 other schools. On announcing the winner, Liz Nolan of Lyric FM described the Castle Park choir as “magnificent”.

Athletics Ireland - School Mile – All pupils in the Prep Department of the School (Form I - Form VI) were encouraged to participate in the Athletics Ireland School Mile. The emphasis of this initiative was participation and there was a great buzz in the School as pupils geared up for the event. The challenge took place at the end of January and over 180 pupils enthusiastically ran their individual miles during lunch hour. All pupils' times were recorded and different coloured wrist bands were awarded for the various times achieved. It is hoped to repeat this initiative on an annual basis.

The Trampolining Club – Castle Park School has just launched a Friday afternoon Trampolining Club - open to all children in the area aged 6 - 15 years. It will take place on Fridays from 3.30 - 4.30pm. More information is available from the Castle Park Swim Academy and Sports Centre Office on 2712936.

Fundraising for Zambia – A non-uniform day was held just before the February mid-term break and pupils raised an impressive sum in excess of 800 in aid of the Zambian Immersion Project. All money raised is used to support children who have been orphaned due to AIDS by providing them with food and education. Some of the money raised will also support the Home Based Care Ladies of N’Gombe who visit families and support children within their home environments.

Aijs Photographic Competition – Congratulations to Naomi Tilles who has won first place in the AIJS (Association of Independent Junior Schools) inaugural photographic competition for 5th and 6th class pupils. Oscar Woods came second in the 1st and 2nd class category. The competition was coordinated and hosted by Scoil Mhuire in Cork and we are delighted to have achieved success in two of the three categories entered. Well done Naomi and Oscar!

Looking ahead The pupils of Form V and Form VI are busy rehearsing for the School’s annual musical, to be performed on 13th and 14th April. This year’s production is Honk! Jr, a contemporary musical retelling of the classic Hans Christian Anderson tale “*The Ugly Duckling*”. Not only do the pupils spending hours rehearsing and coordinating their singing and dancing routines but they are also involved in making props, scenery and costumes, so they have an extremely busy run up to what will be the well-deserved Easter holidays.



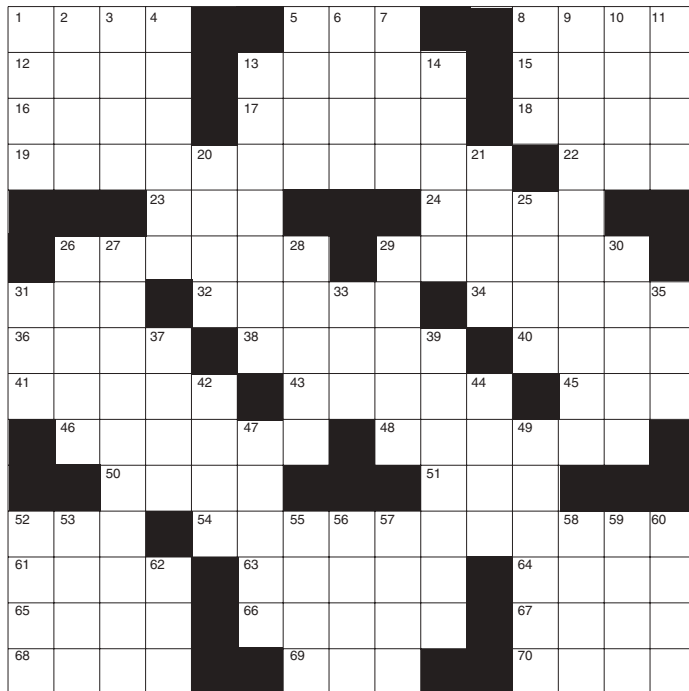
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Dalkey girls
Jessica Timlin
and her friend,
Anna Lee
at the
Fencing
Championships
in Paris
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1. Not under
5. Back
8. Inquires
12. Maori club
13. Apportion
15. Strip of wood
16. Excretory opening
17. The end of life
18. Heap
19. Informal clothing
22. Get-up-and-go
23. Before
24. Pesters
26. Excursion
29. Passes around or avoids
31. Container
32. Moses' brother
34. Direction of the Pole Star
36. Seaweed
38. Muted green (Scottish)
40. "The Way We ___"
41. Any habitation at a high altitude
43. Merchandise
45. Draw a bead on
46. A young unmarried woman
48. Bivouac
50. Russian emperor
51. Unhappy
52. Dined
54. Not wanted
61. A type of volcanic rock
63. Artist's workstand
64. Objective
65. Obligation
66. Subsequently
67. Bit
68. Shopping centre
69. Collection
70. Portent



DOWN

1. October
2. Windmill blade
3. Decorative case
4. A reddish brown
5. Sheltered, nautically
6. Imperfection
7. Carry
8. Egyptian cobra
9. Backwash
10. Curly cabbage
11. Stair
13. Near the kidneys
14. Express gratitude to
20. Murres
21. Precipitation
25. Cultivate
26. Lubricated
27. Thankless
28. A dog's warning
29. Trap
30. Take off
31. Sheep sound
33. Egg cells
35. Fold over and sew together
37. Objectives
39. Malleable
42. Jacob's brother
44. Cicatrix
47. Cousins of ospreys
49. Slowly, to a conductor
52. "Smallest particle"
53. Albacore or bluefin
55. Speaker's platform
56. Slave
57. Religious offshoot
58. Make a deep hollow sound
59. Tardy
60. Flair
62. American Sign Language

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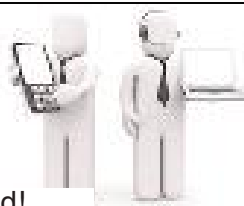
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News from 6th Class – Last month we promised to let you know our school's mock election results. We were delighted when we discovered that we had picked three of the four Dún Laoghaire TDs correctly. In our election, Mary Hanafin won the first seat but in the real election Richard Boyd-

Barrett was elected on the 11th count.

We thought a mock election would be boring but it turned out to be very exciting. We started by printing ballot papers with the names of the fourteen candidates and their parties on them. For a few days we went around the yard in the morning with the papers and ballot boxes and we asked parents if they would like to cast their votes. No one refused and we had great fun listening to the things the parents said. We also asked the girls in third, fourth and fifth classes to vote and the teachers took part too. In the end we had over 250 ballot papers in the boxes. The count was in our own classroom and we had a table for every candidate's votes. Two girls represented each candidate and you'd feel really sad when your candidate was eliminated or didn't reach the quota. It must be awful for the real candidates when they realise that they haven't got enough votes to be elected and that they have lost their jobs.

The election itself took place during mid-term break and we were amazed at the number of people who went out to vote with their Mums and Dads on February 25th. We also had an election quiz to do at home during the weekend and a prize of ten euro was raffled among the girls who had a go at it. Everyone else got a consolation prize!

When we came back after the break, we decided to do a survey to see what everyone had remembered about our project. They had to finish the sentence, *"I learned that....."*, and we got replies from a hundred and forty girls. Here are a few of the answers in their own words:



Loreto Ballot Box



DPS choir winners at Arklow Music Festival

"I learned that you have to be eighteen to vote . . . that women weren't always allowed to vote . . . that it's very silly to spoil your vote . . . that there are 23 women TDs in the new Dáil and Fine Gael has more women TDs than any other party . . . that if you live in Dalkey, you vote in the Town Hall which is nicer than going to a school....that there are 166 TDs in the Dáil . . . that anyone can be a candidate - even a teacher . . . that you shouldn't vote for someone just because they are pretty . . . that the leaflets they give out are called propaganda but you don't have to believe it all . . . that if people come asking for your vote, you should ask them what they are going to do for the country . . . that the count can take a very long time and sometimes there can be a re-count . . . that it's very exciting and I can't wait till I'm able to vote!"

When it was all over, three girls in our class wrote a great acrostic poem called Election Fever.

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ELECTION FEVER

Every candidate is nervously waiting
Lots of people are debating
Everyone has their own opinions
Candidates are looking for their minions
Together we're voting in the hall
In the hope of electing a better Dáil
Open season on everyone
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In other news: Lots of classes are busy gardening now that Spring is here. First and second classes have been growing flowers from seeds. Fifth class are making a wildflower meadow outside their classroom window. Sixth class will create and plant a sensory garden in the school and we will join with fourth class to make another sensory garden which can be enjoyed by our local community in Dalkey village. Third class planted a tree in the school grounds to mark National Tree Week and the infant classes continue to grow their Incredible Edibles. This month they will plant potatoes, lettuce, carrots and strawberries. They told us they'll invite everyone to a feast when the vegetables are ready but we're not sure who "everyone" is or if there will be enough to go around!

The best news of all is that our school choir won the cup in a singing competition at Arklow Music Festival. Congrats. to all who worked so hard to win this fantastic prize.

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EXPLORING NATURE – Biodiversity Events in April

Sunday 10th April 10 a.m.- 11.30 a.m.

RISE OF THE GIANTS – Killiney Hill. Meet in the main car parK. Booking required: Contact Andrew Fleming (Mouse), ‘OWLS’ The Children’s Nature Club.
Contact Andrew at 087 3299936 or info@owls.ie



Sunday 23rd April 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

EASTER EGG HUNT – Ballawley Park; meet next to the playground, adjacent to Wesley Heights. Booking required: Contact Andrew Fleming (Mouse), ‘OWLS’ The Children’s Nature Club.

**SOLUTIONS TO
CROSSWORD NO. 7**
(page 31)

- ACROSS** – 1. Over; 5. Aft; 8. Asks;
12. Patu; 13. Allot; 15. Slat; 16. Anus;
17. Death; 18. Pile; 19. Leisurewear;
22. Pep; 23. Ere; 24. Nags; 26. Outing;
29. Skirts; 31. Bin; 32. Aaron; 34. North;
36. Alga; 38. Lovat; 40. Were; 41. Aerie;
43. Wares; 45. Aim; 46. Damsel;
48. Encamp; 50. Tsar; 51. Sad; 52. Ate;
54. Undesirable; 61. Tufa; 63. Easel;
64. Goal; 65. Onus; 66. Since; 67. Iota;
68. Mall; 69. Set; 70. Omen.
- DOWN** – 1. Opal; 2. Vane; 3. Etui;
4. Russet; 5. Alee; 6. Flaw; 7. Tote; 8. Asp;
9. Slipstream; 10. Kale; 11. Step;
13. Adrenal; 14. Thank; 20. Uria; 21. Rain;
25. Grow; 26. Oiled; 27. Ungrateful;
28. Growl; 29. Snare; 30. Strip; 31. Baa;
33. Ova; 35. Hem; 37. Aims; 39. Tensile;
42. Esau; 44. Scar; 47. Ernes; 49. Adagio;
52. Atom; 53. Tuna; 55. Dais; 56. Esne;
57. Sect; 58. Boom; 59. Late; 60. Elan;
62. ASL.



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Saturday April 2nd at 10am – The 7th Annual Local History Group Day will take place in the Conference Room of the Dublin City Library and Archive, 138 -144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2 - programme details available from 01-674 4806 / 01-674 4873.

Wednesday April 6th at 8 p.m. – John Gillis will present his lecture ‘*The Faddan More Psalter*’ to the Rathmichael Historical Society in The Burton Hall, Rathmichael National School, Stonebridge Road (Dublin Road end), Shankill, Co. Dublin.

Thursday April 7th at 8.15 p.m. – Rob Goodbody will present his lecture ‘*The Metals, Dun Laoghaire*’ to the Mount Merrion Historical Society in the Mount Merrion Community Centre, North Avenue, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin. Admission €4.

Tuesday April 12th at 8 p.m. – Ms. Jane Ohlmeyer will speak to the Genealogical Society of Ireland on ‘The 1641 Depositions as an aid to the genealogist’ in Dun Laoghaire College of Further Education, Cumberland Street, Dun Laoghaire - all welcome, contribution €3.

Wednesday April 13th at 8 p.m. – Seamus O’Connor will present his lecture ‘*The History of Dun Laoghaire*’ to the Ballybrack-Killiney History Society in the Parochial Hall, St. Alphonsus & Columba Church, Church Avenue, Ballybrack - enter from Killiney Hill Road. Admission €3 includes refreshments.

Thursday April 14th at 8 p.m. – Anne O’Connor will speak to the Kilmacud-Stillorgan Local History Society on ‘Beaufield and its People’ in the Function Room, The Glenalbyn Sports Club, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin - admission €3.

At 8.30 p.m. Pdraig Laffan will present his lecture ‘*Forges, Farriers and Smiths*’ to the Enniskerry History Society in The Powerscourt Arms Hotel, Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow - all welcome, admission €3.

Wednesday April 20th at 8 p.m. the AGM of the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society in the Kingston Hotel, Adelaide Street, Dun Laoghaire and all members are requested to attend. The meeting will conclude with a talk by May Moran on ‘*Executed for Ireland - The Tom Moran Story*’ – all welcome.

A BOOK TO READ

JOURNAL OF THE BRAY CUALANN HISTORICAL SOCIETY No 6

Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh Centenary Issue,

Published by the Bray Cualann Historical Society, €9.99.

This special journal was launched in Bray Town Council Civil Offices by Liam Ó hAmhláin, a nephew of Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh, on 8th February 2011, at which President McAleese was the Guest of Honour. This journal was issued to mark the centenary of his birth in Bray on 8th February 1911 and is divided in to 4 Parts. Part 1 focuses on ‘Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh 1911 - 1978’ consisting of 15 essays looking at his life and his career; Part 2 covers ‘Bray Stories 1788 - 2011’, Part 3 commemorates ‘Bray Public Library 1911 - 2011’ while Part 4 honours ‘Remarkable Women’ looking at 5 women, past and present, associated with Bray.

This journal is really 4 journals in one and is a thoroughly excellent publication given the variety of material contained within its 168 pages with the articles on Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh reminding the reader that he was a complex individual with this complexity reflected in the selection of articles dealing with his personal, linguistic, legal and political dimensions. Part 2 brings readers on a tour of Bray through the years from 1788 to the present time, Part 3 is an engrossing history of Bray Public Library, ‘A Nice Little Place’ in a solitary essay, while the final Part 4 recalls particular women whose achievements ranged from helping to

change the U.S. Constitution, to transforming young lives in India, to boxing for Ireland. Excellently illustrated this publication is an essential acquisition for collectors of local history publications and those interested in local history. Copies can be ordered by phone from 2860987.

James Scannell

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DCC Public Meeting in OLH All residents of Dalkey are welcome	Mon. 4 April
DARA Art & Flower Arranging Exhibition in OLH	Sat.09-Sun.10 April
Easter Sunday	Sun. 24 April
Sorting of May Newsletter	Fri. 29 April
May DCC Monthly Meeting	Mon. 3 May
Dalkey Parish Pastoral Council presents a series of Lenten Talks by Frances Hogan. Details nearer the time.	

EVENTS THROUGH THE MONTH

Karate Sessions for all age groups @ 6.00-9.00pm Tuesdays & Thursdays Contact Wayne Deegan at 086 857 2546.

Dalkey Players, The Carry Hall Killiney from 7.30-10.30pm Tuesdays & Thursdays. Contact Caroline Hickey 086-8092850 or check www.dalkeyplayers.ie for details.

St. Patrick's Dramatic Society Dalkey Northover Hall at 8pm Mondays & Thursdays Contact Deirdre 087-9566460 or check www.stpatsdramsoc.com for further information.

The Irish Vintage Radio and Sound Society meets monthly in Dalkey.

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APRIL NATURE NOTES

Tuesday 5th April 2011 – The Natural History of Bull Island – a talk by Pat Corrigan. Kingston Hotel, 9-12 Haddington Terrace, Dun Laoghaire, 8.00pm.

Sunday 10th April 2011 – Outing to Kilcoole for migrants. Meet at the Kilcoole railway station car park at 10.30am.

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Oh! How Television (and Radio) has changed over the years.....

RTE has officially announced they intend to launch their new digital television service this spring. Known as "SAORVIEW" the service will be available to most viewers with a suitable digital television, or stand-alone receiver. RTE is proposing a number of new channels: RTE 2 HD Select, RTE News Now, RTE Junior, RTE Plus, as well as RTE1, Network 2, TV3, TG4 and 3e.

The majority of viewers will need to upgrade their existing aerial system, and in some cases will need to invest in a satellite system to receive the service (although according to RTE those in rural areas and in the western half of the country, from Munster to Ulster, are likely to be most affected). It is still unclear what satellite system RTE propose using. . . more about that next month, hopefully!

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