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Irish Heritage Town

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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



**Cásc Shona díbh ár léitheoirí go léir!  
Happy Easter to all our readers**

## DALKEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### ANNUAL COLLECTION APPEAL

We appreciate that times are difficult for many at present but we really would welcome your contribution to the Council’s efforts to continue to maintain Dalkey’s uniqueness. We support lots of activities in the town every year, such as the Lighting of the Christmas Tree and Santa’s Arrival, Dalkey Dashers, Community Games, Planning issues, the Dalkey Newsletter, Art Exhibition, Prizegiving Medals and Cups, etc.

The Newsletter alone costs in the region of €35,000 to run every year. Without your contribution - and the continued loyalty of our regular advertisers - we cannot guarantee that it will continue in existence. We are reliably informed that it is the longest published voluntary free community-based publication in Ireland having been published continuously for almost forty years.

In this issue of the Newsletter you will find our Annual Collection Envelope. We would greatly appreciate if you would place your contribution in it and your Road Representative or Representative from the Community Council will collect it in the coming weeks.

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## SUMMARY OF THE DCC MEETING HELD IN MARCH 2012



The DCC AGM was held on Monday 5th March in OLH. The Chairman's, Secretary's and the Financial Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2011 were adopted by the members.

**AOB:** The publication costs for the DCC Newsletter is approximately €35,000 and it was agreed that to ensure its future continuity the Road Reps will make an extra effort to encourage residents who enjoy this free magazine to subscribe to this year's annual collection.

The DCC Monthly meeting followed the AGM.

**Correspondence:** An Cathaoirleach Councillor John Bailey had sent copies of letters he had received from the Minister Alan Shatter and Chief Superintendent Mangan P A to the Commissioner in response to the closure of the Dalkey Garda Station. Both letters gave assurance of the commitment of An Garda Síochána to provide full and effective policing service to the Dalkey community.

**Please Note:** DCC Public Meeting in Town Hall @ 8pm on Mon 30 April (All residents of Dalkey are welcome)



## DALKEY CASTLE & HERITAGE CENTRE



*An Cathaoirleach Councillor John Bailey with Harold Glashule at Dalkey Castle "*

**Living History Schools' programme** for national schools in the immediate and wider area has just drawn to a close, with fantastic feedback from teachers and students alike. An Cathaoirleach, Councillor John Bailey attended and assisted the King of Dalkey in awarding scrolls making the students serfs and vassals of Dalkey for the day!

There has been a huge increase in both adult and secondary school students from France, Spain and Italy for this time of year. Dalkey Castle is the only tourist attraction offering colourful and memorable living history tours in Dublin which greatly helps these visitors' understanding of the language as well as the history of the area. A Scottish piper led a kilted group, over for the Scottish match, who sang and danced their way around the town and the castle and pronounced it the top attraction they visited!

**Literary Heritage 'Dubliners in Dalkey'** had to re-locate to the Fitzpatrick Castle hotel due to large numbers attending. Feedback from participants was very appreciative. Patrons were delighted to become acquainted or re-acquainted with Joyce's work through the popular collection of short stories. The final session will be in FitzPatrick's on April 17th at 7.30pm. Admission is free but booking completely necessary.

**Lunchtime Readings/Theatre** from 14th May to 23rd June on Mondays, Thursdays and

Saturdays. (Lunch deals available in local restaurants before and after performances: 10% reduction for lunch on the day in Ouzos and Magpie Inn with token from Dalkey Castle) Full programme available in April. We will have a Maeve Binchy week, Hugh Leonard week, James Joyce week, Flann O'Brien week etc. Admission €8 will include Free Guided Literary Walk later in Dalkey.

**Art Exhibitions:** Award winning artist **Padraig McCaul's exhibition** of new work *Still Lives* will be on public view from 18th -22nd April. The West of Ireland and Achill once again feature strongly in this new collection, but also a more intimate, close up view of McCaul's windowless and doorless houses, captured as though they were 'Still Lives'. The exhibition will be opened on Tuesday, April 17th by award winning broadcaster and journalist Olivia O'Leary.

Local Dalkey artist, **Diana Kingston's exhibition** '*Consider the Lobster*' will be on view from 25th - 29th. This new work from local sources is a series of paintings and drawings of lobster and mackerel. The works are mainly in oil, but many are in mixed media. Both Exhibitions are open from 11.00-4.30 daily. Admission is free.

**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, (Closed on Tuesdays). Check in advance to avoid tours being full due to group bookings.

#### **Classes continue with:**

**Pilates:** on Mondays in Heritage Centre: three classes at 6.15pm, 7.15pm and 8.15pm. Contact Lizanne Barry 087 8572408

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



## **Dalkey Community Council ANNUAL DINNER 2012**

The Annual Dinner will take place on Saturday, 28th April, 2012  
in Our Lady's Hall, Castle Street, Dalkey at 8.00 p.m.

*A Special Guest-of-Honour will attend on the Night*

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..... Well, how different things have been this year when you think of how delayed our Dalkey gardens were last year by weeks of freezing temperatures.

I feel the month of April is generally a reliable month. Pace quickens as our daylight intensifies, though frost is still possible even in coastal areas. Plants are now responding with rapid growth. Our gardens are resonating with new life, so it's our perfect time to spring into action. Our rock gardens here in scenic Dalkey have one of their best months in



*Purple sensations is the most decorative of all the onions. It's a deep purple ball of flowers on a three foot stem. It's sensational*

April because many alpine plants are naturally spring flowering. Vigorous rock garden plants such as Aubrieta and mossy Saxifrage are excellent at the front of our borders. As daffodils peak in March, April sort of belongs to Tulips and their bulbs; they are very long lived if they are given well-drained soil in a sunny position. Remember they mostly originate from Turkey and neighbouring countries so they will die out pretty quickly in heavy wet soil as has, only too well, happened to me, in the past.

"We love April for putting a spirit of youth in everything, to steal from Shakespeare, yet again, the Bard (who knew a thing or two about words) has hit the nail on the head for this is the month when everything springs to life, bright eyed, bushy tailed and brimming with the joys of spring." Words by James Alexander-Sinclair. If this month of April is warm and damp, slugs and snails will come out of hibernation and begin to feed in preparation for egg laying. This heavy feeding coincides with the growth of soft new shoots and, believe you me, great damage can be done in the space of a few days.

### **MIGHT DO / MAYBE APRIL JOBS:**

1. Maybe, do your precious self, a big favour - make a point of dealing with weeds, right now. Growth is underway and weeds grow very quickly. Any delay now just makes it more difficult in a few weeks time. Remove perennial weeds such as Scrutch Grass, Ground Elder and Bindweed from areas of ground cover planting.
2. Old perennials can still be lifted, divided and replanted in order to rejuvenate old congested and tired plants.
3. An arch makes such a dramatic garden feature. We have replaced our old, falling down one, with a new one, it cost €40.00. An arch creates such a special entrance into your garden or a transition within the garden, from one area to another.
4. There are many packets of seeds that can be sown directly into your ground. The main reason for sowing seeds directly into the open soil outdoors is that all their needs are met - nutrients and moisture from the soil, light and warmth from the sun and air. Nigella, ('love in a mist') Calendula, Godietas, Clarkia, Nasturtiums, poppies, night scented stock, Candytuft, etc. can all be sown directly into you soil. Thyme, Lemon Scented Thyme or a clump of Chives can be grown from a purchased supermarket plant but both can be grown so easily from seed. You know sometimes, by sowing seeds in strength of numbers, they manage to succeed. Remember the range of species that can be grown



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from seeds sown outdoors, is more limited than the range that can be sown under a protective structure, simply because tender plants will not germinate at outdoor temperatures. Maybe - get going - try seeds of annual herbs, such as Parsley, Dill, Summer Savoury, Coriander or Marjoram, sow directly into a sunny bed.



*Sunflowers are incredibly easy and inexpensive to grow. There are tall, dwarf and more compact varieties some been developed specifically for patio containers. Check out 'Little Leo', 'Choc Chip', 'Iris Eyes' and 'Teddy Bear'.*

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**Angelica:** is grown mainly for it's young stalks to be candied, again its leaves can be used with fruit salads of fish dishes.

**Sweet Cicely:** its roots can be eaten as a vegetable.

## ❖ GARDEN EVENTS – APRIL ❖

### SOUTH COUNTY DUBLIN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Spring Show: Kill O'The Grange School

#### BOTANIC GARDENS

**Saturday, 14th April & Sunday, 15th April**

Welcoming the Bees back to the Botanic Gardens  
10a.m. - 5.00 p.m. daily

**Saturday, 21st April - Sunday 22nd April** – Dublin  
Orchid Fair

#### FOXROCK & DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB

**24th April** - Laura de Baden talk on *'The Glory of Colour'*.



*Sorry folks, we don't have any  
fresh ideas for cartoons these days  
(suggestions welcome)*

## ❖ DALKEY – END OF THE WORLD ❖

If you talk to old Dubliners about Dalkey they will often remark something like this: *"Dalkey, for God's sake, sure that's the end of the world, sure that's the end of the line, sure it must have been the last place God made and He left His tools behind Him there."* Of course, there is a reason for this. Up to 1876 there was no road round the coast linking Killiney Bay with Dalkey, and going back further through the centuries there were successive plagues in the old walled city of Dublin when they had cholera, typhus, typhoid and all sorts of problems. The citizens of the old walled city of Dublin and would come out by road - or indeed by boat - to Dalkey Island and Dalkey Stone Commons and live in tents for months on end in summertime to escape the ravages of disease in the ancient city of Dublin.

Another thing too is the No. 8 tram which ran from Nelson's Pillar in Dublin, and Dalkey was the end of the line. This was used quite a lot, especially in the early part of the century before the advent of the popular motor car.



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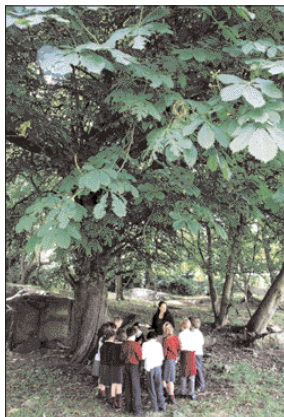
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*Horse Chestnut tree in School grounds*

### GREENWAVE

With the arrival of Spring all pupils in the School have been actively taking part in the national Greenwave survey. We have been searching, both at home and in the School grounds, for six designated species - frogspawn, primrose, horse chestnut, swallows, hawthorn and ash and logging any sightings made. By early March we had already spotted the first three on the list and were eagerly looking out for the next three. Further information on this exciting initiative for primary schools can be found at [www.greenwave.ie](http://www.greenwave.ie).



### WORLD BOOK DAY ACTIVITIES, 1st MARCH

Over the last few weeks we have created a "Best Book Chain". The children filled out details of their favourite book and why they recommended it on slips of paper. All the slips were then linked together into one long paper chain. Ms Kingston, Librarian in our Parker Library, then invited the children to guess how many links

were in the chain. Joe McKeever, Form IV, was the winner with the closest guess.

**BASKETBALL** – We were delighted to host two basketball tournaments recently on behalf of the Association of Independent Junior Schools, one for girls and one for boys. On each occasion we had 12 teams competing in the league stage and then four teams progressing onto the knock out medal position matches. It was great to see our Sports Hall so busy and also to see the high standard of basketball being played. Well done to Terenure College who won the Boys' Tournament this year and to Teresians for winning the Girls' competition. Congratulations to our two "A" teams, our boys for coming third and our girls for coming second.

**UNICEF** – As a follow up to our fundraising activities before Christmas, Ms Eleanor Flew from UNICEF came to speak to the children during Assembly. She thanked them for raising over €6500 for their East African Appeal, and told the children that this had been the single largest donation received from any School in Ireland during 2011 and it was sufficient to buy: 218,592 sachets of plumpy nut - a therapeutic food that comes in a ready-to-use sachet or 33,120 doses of measles vaccine - everyday measles kills more than 600 children worldwide or 1,523,520 sachets of water purification tablets enabling children to wash and drink safely



**SAM MAGUIRE VISITS CASTLE PARK** – We were delighted to welcome the Sam Maguire



*The Sam Maguire Cup visits our school*

Cup, accompanied by Dublin County midfielder Eamon Fennell, to School. Eamon spoke to the children at Assembly telling them how hard the team had worked to achieve their momentous win last year. He reminded them that you do not always have to be the best player or the most talented, but if you are dedicated and determined you can achieve just as much. We would like to extend a big thank you to Cuala GAA Club for organising the visit.



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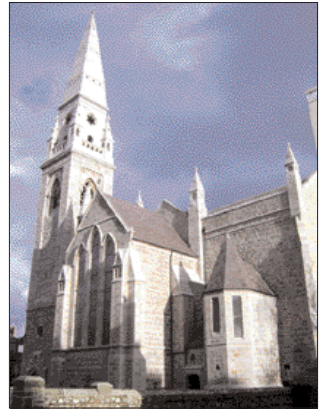
April 3rd sees the much-awaited reopening of the Maritime Institute of Ireland's (M.I.I.) maritime museum in the renovated former Old Mariners Church in Dun Laoghaire. One of the most prominent members of the M.I.I. which was established in 1941, was the late Dr. John de Courcy Ireland of Dalkey (where a binocular-scope in his memory is at Coliemore Harbour).

The museum has undergone extensive renovation work, to include the virtual replacement of the roof. Initially the reopened museum will only use the ground floor. Having said that, a new layout is presented with several 'stories' centred around exhibits. In addition children will be entertained by a Knot Station and there is to be a souvenir shop and coffee dock.

One of several exhibited stories is about the RNLI where there are lifeboat models. For



*RNLB Anna Livia at high speed*



*Maritime Museum*

more than 25 years Dr. Ireland was honorary secretary of the Dun Laoghaire lifeboat station. From there on Monday evenings the RNLB Anna Livia goes on practice exercises through Dalkey Sound. On occasions joined by the smaller RNLB Realt na Mara, named last April by Pat and Kathy Kenny.

In addition other key exhibits include a model of the mail boat RMS Leinster, presented by a survivor of the torpedoed vessel that sank off the Kish Bank in 1918, which resulted in the

greatest loss of life ever in the Irish Sea, and affected more Irish people than did the sinking of the Titanic 100 years.

Also due to go on display is an original Water Wag dating from the 1890's. These small yet endearing craft are the world's first one-design sailing dinghy and this summer they celebrate their 125th anniversary. Another new exhibit is an optic from the harbour's East Pier Lighthouse.

The museum's largest exhibit, an optic from Howth's Baily Lighthouse, stands prominently at the altar in the former Kingstown Episcopalian Mariners Church consecrated in 1843. Dwindling parish numbers led to the closure on Easter Day 1972 and yet four decades later, though the role of the building has changed, the memory of seafarers remains strong.

The importance of the museum to the nation in highlighting Irish seafarers and maritime





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heritage will be recognised when President Michael D. Higgins officially reopens the museum in early June.

In reference to the Baily Lighthouse and the other lighthouses in Dublin Bay at the Kish Bank and The Muglins, they are maintained by the Commissioners of Irish Lights (CIL). Their Romanian built tender ILV Granuaile, is fitted with Dynamic Positioning (DP) which enables her to maintain a fixed position using satellite technology without requiring an anchor.



*The ILV Granuaile*

The 'beacon' on The Muglins was built in 1880, following pleas from Kingstown Harbour Master Captain William Hutchison to establish a light on these 'siren rocks' due to the many vessels that foundered there. It was not until 1906 that it was first lit as a 'beacon lighthouse' but by 1979 was re-designated to 'lighthouse'. In 1997 it converted to solar powered electric light (range of 11 nautical miles) and in recent years the flashing light was changed from white to red.

N.B. After a notable absence of over half a year, we can also look forward this month in welcoming the resumption of Dun Laoghaire-Holyhead sailings operated by the HSS Stena Explorer (see Oct. issue)

**Addendum** – Just to say that Dr. Ireland's binocular-scope is to return within a week to its Coliemore Harbour site after undergoing repair to its swivel base which will limit its 360 swing as people were not ship-spotting!...but instead looking into houses across the road!

**Words & Photos: Jehan Ashmore**



### **DAFFODIL DAY FUNDRAISER**

A big thank you from Rosemary and Maura to all who helped and joined us for a cuppa and Daffodil in Our Lady's Hall.  
We raised €1747

## **THE WELL TRAVELLED ROAD**

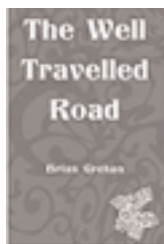
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## TIDY TOWNS UPDATE



Dalkey Tidy Towns held a Coffee Morning for volunteers and supporters in February to keep everyone involved with Tidy Towns up-to-date with our aims and plans for the year.

Tidy Towns is not all about litter but just has a broader view of the improvement of the town both visually and environmentally.

We are now the proud owners of a shed to house all our equipment. We would like to thank Dave Coulson on the Tramyard for providing a secure venue for the shed.

We are in negotiations with South Side Partnership to obtain the services of one of their employees to help Tidy Towns over the next twelve months.

In conjunction with the National Spring Clean Day, Dalkey is marking Saturday, 28th April for the annual Dalkey Spring Clean Day.....put it in your diary. It will start at 10.00 a.m. and we would welcome input from any Residents' Associations especially. Contact us at [committee@dalkeytidytowns.com](mailto:committee@dalkeytidytowns.com).

Otherwise, we are making progress with the Bulloch Harbour improvements and signposting for the town, but these projects are long term.

As ever, DOG POO is everywhere, please clean up after your dog!!



*Tidy Towns Volunteers*

**Blaithín O'Brien**



## DALKEY BUSINESS GROUP UPDATE



*Katherine Irwin  
Dalkey Business Group  
new Chairwoman*

"The Dalkey Business Group held their AGM meeting on 7th March and elected the new committee for next twelve months:

**Chairperson:** Katherine Irwin (Irwin Solicitors),

**Vice Chairperson:** Blaithin O'Brien (Dalkey Pharmacy),

**Treasurer:** Margaret Dunne (Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre),

**Secretary:** Caitriona Fogarty (Parish Office),

**PRO:** Oliver McCabe (Select Stores)

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## SCHOOL IN NEW ZEALAND



Going to school in New Zealand is extremely different to going to school in Ireland or the U.K.. For one thing, the system is longer and children start school at age five rather than age four. Primary is followed by Intermediate which is then followed by College. You go to Primary for New Entrants, then Years 1,2,3,4,5 and 6. Intermediate is for two years, 7 and 8. College is the last school before university and has five years. Year 9 to Year 13 is optional.

I go to Macleans College in Howick, forty minutes east of Auckland on the North Island. I'm in Year 10, about to move to Year 11. My school is very typical of New Zealand schools with wide open spaces and open plan classrooms. There are no concrete playgrounds; instead, we have a huge main field and several other fields nearby. The main field is used at breaks for all kinds of things. Mainly, it is used by boys with holes in their socks, playing rugby! Macleans is set in a reserve, looking out to the Hauraki Gulf and Waiheke Island. On a clear day, you can see the Coromandel Peninsula behind Waiheke. Most of the classrooms face towards the sea so that we can always see the ocean.

Like a lot of schools, Maclean works on a house system. There are eight houses, each named after a famous Kiwi (New Zealander). Mansfield, Batten, Rutherford, Kupe (pronounced Koo-pay), Hillary, Te Kanawa, Snell and Upham. Each house has different colours and mascots. For example, my house, Upham, is light blue and our mascot is a lion. Our P.E. uniform is in our house colours. There is extremely fierce rivalry between the houses and all eight have special talents. Snell was named after Peter Snell, who set world records in running and they always win sporting events. Te Kanawa was named after Dame

Kiri Te Kanawa who is a famous opera singer and, surprise, surprise, TK normally win the house choir competition. House mascots usually relate to the house in some way.



*Dalkey Fans in NZ*

Unlike Ireland, school children in New Zealand eat outside all year round. Schools don't have halls or canteens. Most kids will bring their own lunch and then sit outside on the various benches and seats, even in winter. If there are no seats free, then the ground is always available.

Tuckshops provide snacks like packets of chips (crisps), lollies and ice blocks in summer. It's normally a race to the benches at lunch time and the seniors get first pick, seeing as they are the oldest and there is usually more of them than there are of us. When they are off school for exam leave, the juniors get the run of the place. School in New Zealand is great fun and a big change from grey, dull school grounds and boring classrooms all encircled with railings. Classes are taught hands on and P.E. is always held outside. I love school because of the friendly, homely atmosphere Macleans works hard to create and the fact that I know each school day will be extremely different from the last.

**Alix McKee (Dixon) Age 15**

*(Granddaughter of Josie & Ken Dixon, Dalkey)*

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**Reg. Ref:** D07A/1030/E

**Application Rec'd Date:** 9-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Peter Monaghan, Old Tramyard, 15, Castle Street, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for development on this site of c. 460sqm subsequent to grant of permission as per Reg Ref D06A/0910; PL06D.220098. This permission relates to site which includes the tramlines which are PROTECTED STRUCTURES. Permission is sought for the provision of 2 no. retail units (1 no. unit c. 86sqm GFA, and 1 no. unit c. 100sqm) and 1 no. café unit (c. 35sqm GFA) at ground floor level in compliance with Condition 2(a) of Grant of Permission Reg Ref D06A/0910; PL06D.220098. This application also seeks revisions to elevations associated with the proposed commercial/ café uses at ground floor level. The total gross floor area relating to the application is c. 221sqm. **Application Type:** Extension of Duration of Permission

**Reg. Ref:** D12A/0047

**Application Rec'd Date:** 09-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Donald Hoey, 24, Church Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for the provision of off-street car parking by providing a new vehicular entrance and water-permeable surface within the front curtilage.

**Reg. Ref.** D12B/0044

**Application Rec'd Date:** 10-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** David and Maria Bourke, 1, Ardburgh Close, Ardburgh Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for minor revisions to the existing permission D11B/0353: 1) Addition of glazed door to new small balcony at first floor level on south west corner of previously approved enlarged bay on front (south) elevation. 2) Minor increase in height and width of kitchen window on west elevation at first floor level.

**Reg. Ref.** D12A/0055

**Application Rec'd Date:** 15-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Tom and Helen Dunphy, 5, Barnhill Avenue, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for: 1. Demolition of side garage and shed and construction of two storey extension to side with roof-light, first floor side window and ground floor side door. 2. Construction of single storey extension to rear and single storey extension to front including front porch. 3. Widen vehicular access, solar panels to side roof and associated internal alterations.

**Reg. Ref.** D12B/0049

**Application Rec'd Date:** 16-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Joe and Theresa Byrne, 14, Saint Begnet's Villas, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission for retention is sought for works to date, which consist of alterations to D11A/0029, which includes alterations to roof height and design and for the change in position of first floor window and for permission to complete the development.

**Reg. Ref.** D06B/1009/E:

**Application Rec'd Date:** 24-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Killiney Towers Management Co., Gate Lodge at Killiney Towers, Killiney Road.

**Proposal:** For the construction of a first floor level to the existing gate lodge.

**Application Type:** Extension of Duration of Permission

**Reg. Ref.** D12A/0063

**Application Rec'd Date:** 21-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** T. Bennett, 15, Springhill Park, Killiney.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for development which will consist of; 1 Demolition of single storey detached garage structure to the side of existing property and construction of, 2. Two storey pitched roof extension to the side with bay window. 3. New pitched roof single storey porch to the front. 4. Two storey pitched roof extension to the rear. 5. Conversion of attic with new rear dormer window. 6. New Velux roof lights in main roof to the side. 7. Elevation alterations including external insulation rendered with smooth finish. 8. New landscaping and driveway to the front including widening of vehicular entrance and ancillary site works.

**Reg. Ref.** D12A/0064

**Application Rec'd Date:** 22-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Kevin Nowlan and Kirsty Foynes, 26, Castle Park, Sandycove.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for a single storey granny flat to the side of permitted development (Reg. Ref. D11A/0553) together with modifications to the configuration of the previously approved single storey extension to the rear of the property.

**Reg. Ref.** D12A/0071

**Application Rec'd Date:** 27-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** David Coulson, The Old Tramyard, 15, Castle Street, Dalkey.



**Proposal:** Retention permission is sought for development at a site of c. 0.1 ha located within the former Tramyard, 15, Castle Street, Dalkey. The application site is located within an Architectural Conservation Area and includes the tram lines, gates and entrance piers which are protected structures (Refs. 1463 & 1471). Retention permission is sought of a 3 year period for a number of structures/uses on site as follows: Art Studio (c. 21.3 sq.m); Retail/Showroom & Art Gallery (c. 62.16 sq.m); Landscape Studio (c. 3.81 sq.m); Garden Centre (c. 6.65 sq.m); Coffee Shop with ancillary areas (c. 141.8 sq.m); 2 wall murals totalling c.22.6 sq.m; signage (including freestanding sign and shop signs) totalling c. 8.87 sq.m. All associated site development and landscaping works including timber decking areas. The total gross area of development to be retained is c. 235.72 sq.m.

**Reg. Ref.** D12B/0063

**Application Rec'd Date:** 27-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Mrs. Teresa Meghen, Livorno, Sorrento Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for a new timber pitched roof to existing single storey flat roofed house with Velux windows to front and rear and with gable end walls and extended chimney.

Application Type: Permission

**Reg. Ref.** D12B/0066

**Application Rec'd Date:** 29-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Ciara Byrne, Alcove, Barnhill Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for relocation of existing window to a new position at first floor level on the front elevation facing public road, at the existing part single, part double storey semi-detached dwelling.

Application Type: Permission

**Reg. Ref.** D12B/0069

**Application Rec'd Date:** 5-Mar-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Richard & Corinna Moore, Prince Patrick House & cottage, Knocknacree Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Retention permission is sought for the full demolition of the roof and external walls of the rear annex/rear return (total floor area - 62 sq.m). Permission is also sought for the retention and the completion of the re-construction of a portion of the demolished rear annex/rear return on ground & first floor in a flat roof construction (total floor area 42 sq.m). **Application Type:** Permission for Retention

## PLANNING DECISIONS FOR Weeks 6-10 6/02/2012 to 9/03/2012

**Reg. Ref.** D11A/0568

**Decision:** GRANT PERMISSION

**Date:** 8-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Castlepark School Ltd., Castlepark Road, Dalkey. (A Protected structure)

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for the change of use as an existing caretaker's apartment on the first floor of the new Castle Park School building to an educational use (a music room). The application site is within the curtilage of a protected structure. Application Type: Permission

**Reg. Ref.** D11A/0570

**Decision:** GRANT PERMISSION

**Date:** 9-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Castlepark School Ltd., Castlepark Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for the installation of new entrance gates and signage to the vehicular and pedestrian entrance to Castle Park School. Permission is also sought for the refurbishment of the adjacent gate lodge including internal modifications, the installation of new windows, the enlargement of the bathroom and the demolition of a shed and associated works. The application relates to a protected structure.

**Reg. Ref.** D11A/0578

**Decision:** REQUEST ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Date:** 17-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Board of Management, Loreto Abbey Secondary School, Loreto Avenue, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for development consisting of the construction of a new stand alone, detached PE Sports Hall building with rooflight windows, part 1 and part 2 storey, total area 1760m2 approx, with external viewing terrace of sports pitch, existing boundary wall screening to prevent overlooking of adjacent properties, 12 new car-parking spaces, bicycle parking area and associated landscaping works all on the land on the West side of Loreto Avenue. The sports hall will be accessed from existing access road, Loreto Avenue. The site is adjacent to but outside the curtilage of Loreto Abbey which is a protected structure, RPS 1445. A Natura Appropriate Assessment Screening Report has been carried out and is attached to the application.

**Reg. Ref.** D11A/0579

**Decision:** REFUSE PERMISSION

**Date:** 17-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Mrs Iris O'Malley, 21, Dalkey Avenue, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for modifications to approved plans, Reg. Ref. D11A/0193, D11A/0389 & D11A/0454 to convert the attic space of house C to provide an additional bedroom (16 sq.m) with a raising of the lower roof ridge and new dormer window to the front elevation.

**Reg. Ref.** D11A/0585

**Decision:** GRANT PERMISSION FOR RETENTION

**Date:** 20-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Enda & Paula Roche, 29, Hyde Park, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Retention permission is sought for modifications to previously granted planning permission ref: D11A/0027 to include: 1. Construction of new first floor clear-glass corner window to side/east elevation and rear/north elevation. 2. The non-demolition of existing single storey semi-detached garage building to side/east of site and non-removal and replacement of pitched roof to garage of adjoining property No. 30 Hyde Park. 3. Variations to overall size of extension, reduction in size from 42m<sup>2</sup> granted ground floor extension to 21.5m<sup>2</sup> constructed. 4. Minor alterations to design including relocation of chimney along West boundary, amendments to rear elevation windows at first floor; decrease in size of recreational room to rear/south of site from 50m<sup>2</sup> floor area granted to 45m<sup>2</sup> floor area constructed, new windows to ground floor east elevation, all to existing two storey dwelling house. **Application Type:** Permission for Retention.

**Reg. Ref.** D11B/0416

**Decision:** GRANT PERMISSION

**Date:** 20-Feb-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Justina Proctor, 16, Corrig Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for development which will consist of a single storey extension of 4 sq.m to the front of her two storey house and the addition of a rooflight to front of main existing roof.

**Reg. Ref.** D12B/0010

**Decision:** GRANT PERMISSION

**Date:** 2-Mar-2012

**Applicant Name & Location:** Emer Wilson, Bradda, 1, Monte Vella, Barnhill Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for the proposed works consisting of the demolition of existing single storey dining room, kitchen, bathroom and shed and the construction of a single storey extension comprising of bedroom, bathroom, dressing room, utility room, kitchen and dining room to rear and side of existing house of 90 sq.m. with a pitched roof to match existing and 4 no. 1200x900 new roof lights and ancillary site works.

## APPEALS NOTIFIED by An Bord Pleanala Wks. 6-10 6/2/2012 to 9/3/2012

**Reg Ref:** D11A/0539

**Registration Date:** 29-Nov-2011

**Location:** Castlepark Gardens Residence, Castlepark Road, Dalkey (former Mackey's garden centre site)

**Development:** Retention permission is sought for development which consists of the retention of an automated vehicular entrance gate (6.150m wide x 1.9m high) positioned between 2 No. pedestrian access gates and piers at the development access at Castlepark Road and relief from planning conditioning No. 4 of An Bord Pleanala planning permission PL06D.224130 (Reg. Ref.:D06A/1808). **Council Decision:** Refuse Permission for Retention. **Appeal Lodged:** 23-Feb-2012. **Nature of Appeal:** Appeal against Refusal of Permission.

**Type of Appeal:** 1st Party Appeal

**Reg Ref:** D11A/0551

**Registration Date:** 2-Dec-2011

**Location:** Atlanta, 37, Coliemore Road, Dalkey.

**Development:** Permission is sought for (a) two-storey extension of area 48 sq.m at the rear of the house with 32 sq.m roof deck and 8 sq.m top floor balcony; (b) shed of area 8 sq.m on part of the site of the existing garage (area 18 sq.m) which is to be demolished; (c) ancillary works including reconstruction of existing external steps to rear of house. **Council Decision:** Grant Permission. **Appeal Lodged:** 27-Feb-2012. **Nature of Appeal:** Appeal against Grant of Permission. **Type of Appeal:** 3rd Party Appeal.

## APPEAL DECISIONS OF AN BORD PLEANALA FOR WEEKS 6-10

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir,

Good to read in newsletter of plans for Dublin Port and Docks board to upgrade the harbour. The footpath beside it, which is their responsibility, is in an awful state and is a danger to walkers and has been like that for years now. Its a miracle that no one has broken a leg in the pot holes, then maybe they have.

Please ask the Council to draw it to their attention.

Thank you.

Oliver Kavanagh, Dalkey



### SINÉAD'S WINE CORNER

by Sinéad Tyrrell



Hungary is an amazing country and it is one that is slowly making a name for itself in the world of wine. It is producing some amazing white wines and the reds are not far behind. It was unusual a few years back to find Hungarian wines to buy and now they are getting a full shelf to themselves.

Furmint is the main grape that you will find coming from Hungary. It is a high quality white grape that is coming into its own after its poor handling in Hungary's Tokaj region under communism. This grape has masses of flavour and high acidity. Perfect with salads and fish dishes. The dominant flavours here are lime, apricots and pears. It also has a long lasting finish. The best producers to look out for are Chateau Megyer and Chateau Pajzos.

A few years ago I visited Budapest and did some wine tasting in "Domus Vinorum Hungarorum" in the old part of the city. It was an amazing experience. We each got a glass and had free reign of the cellar for an hour where over 200 bottles were open to taste. Everything from Sweet to sparkling. The whites were full of fruit with a long lasting finish. The reds were packed full of blackcurrant fruit.

So the next time you are picking up some wine...why not give Hungary a thought?



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## **'THE DROWSY CHAPERONE'**

Dun Laoghaire Musical and Dramatic Society will present the Dublin Premiere of the hit US show *'The Drowsy Chaperone'* at the Pavilion Theatre from Tuesday 17th to Saturday 21st April 2012. The US production of this hilarious, heart-warming love-story was an instant sensation on its debut on Broadway in 2006, winning 5 Tony Awards. This presentation will be in the hands of Dun Laoghaire Musical and Dramatic Society (DMDS)

which last year celebrated its 50th anniversary. Their award-winning cast looks forward to leading you through the twists and turns of this hilarious plot.

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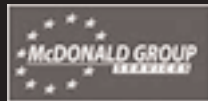
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**MAKING A GOOD IMPRESSION** – I had heard about the odd occurrence when birds have flown into windows and left a very detailed imprint, a ghostly impression on the glass showing the bird's body and outstretched wings as they were at the second of impact. It seems to happen to owls quite often, one impression of a Tawny Owl that had hit a window in England even making it on to the BBC TV news.

We don't have tawny owls in Ireland so we never hear the 'Too Whit Too Hoo' calls which are actually a male tawny making the too whit call and a female instantly answering with the too hoo call.

But we do have the Long Eared Owl, our most common owl and on a few rare occasions over the years I've seen one gliding silently over the garden soon after darkness. One night one flew up right outside the kitchen window possibly to perch on the edge of the roof.

So when a next door neighbour told me recently a long eared owl had hit one of their back windows leaving that ghostly impression I'd heard about I was very keen to go and have a look.

Sure enough when we went round the outline of the bird's body was still visible on the glass with outspread wings displaying splayed primary feathers. Although it was nearly three weeks after the bird had hit the window its outline was still preserved on the glass before us.

Our neighbours had taken photos of the window the day after the collision showing the bird at the moment of impact. The image then was much more detailed and you could even see the 'ear' tufts on its head which are in fact not ears but feathers.

There had been no signs of any remains on the ground or signs of injury so hopefully the bird had got away ok with nothing worse than a sore head. Owls have very dense feathers which render their wingbeats silent so they can swoop unawares on prey and maybe the thickness of its plumage, combined with the fact they fly slowly at night when hunting, might have prevented serious injury.

**TAKING A DIVE** – We were on the Killiney side of the hill near the pumping station when we heard the sharp call of a bird of prey and saw a female sparrowhawk gliding just above the trees. Then my companion saw there was another sparrowhawk circling much higher above the first one. Kestrels are usually the only birds of prey that hover but sparrowhawks are often seen wings outstretched rising in slow circles. The higher one was a female as well and we speculated that they might be doing territorial flights letting each other know this was their hunting area where they'd be nesting.



*Sparrowhawk*

We saw one of them later drifting over the trees and then it suddenly swooped, diving almost vertically before suddenly pulling out of the flight and soaring back up into the sky in a loop that would make a fighter pilot proud. I'd seen this behaviour before when I'd seen two females sparrowhawks circling each other and one had done a identical dive and loop. I have a very good book about birds of prey and when I looked it up I found this was a characteristic piece of behaviour for females who are sending what

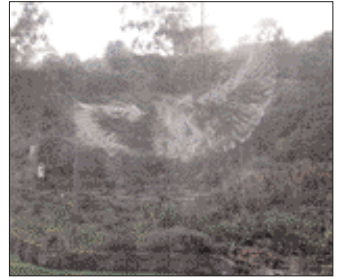
is basically a 'get lost this is my patch' signal to the other female.

In the past the woods on Killiney and Dalkey have had two pairs of sparrowhawks nesting within three hundred yards of each other it's evidently prime property for them. Although feeding only on birds sparrowhawks never make any discernible impact on any species population and in fact are a good indication of a healthy environment their numbers being reliant on numbers of prey species.

### **FIRST AID FOR BUMBLEBEES**

Often finding bumblebees in a torpid state in the garden I try and put them somewhere safe, in the sunshine if possible. I've sometimes brought them a small dollop of honey which they will often feed on usually then recovering and flying off. I wasn't sure if I was doing the right thing so looked it up and found the following information on [www.bumblebee.org/helpbees.htm#fly](http://www.bumblebee.org/helpbees.htm#fly)

It's full of fascinating information and good advice. I mentioned before how insects that appear dead can often



*Owl 'strike' imprint*



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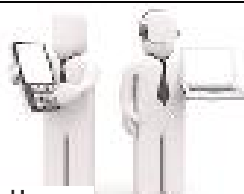
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revive after you breathe gently on them but had no idea that apparently bees find human breath very unpleasant so in my attempts to revive them I wasn't doing them much of a favour after all.

Anyway the following is some very worthwhile information off that website.

What to do if you find a bumblebee that cannot fly?

The bumblebee is either sick, too old or too cold to fly. If it is sick or infected with a parasite then I'm afraid there is not much that can be done. However if you find a grounded bumblebee early in the year, just at the start of the first warmer days, then it is probably a queen. She may have been caught out in a sudden shower or a cold spell. If the temperature of the thorax falls below 30°C the bumblebee cannot take off. The best thing you can do is pick her up using a piece of paper or card, put her somewhere warmer, and feed her. When she has warmed and fed she will most likely fly off. You can feed her using a 30/70 mixture of honey and water in a pipette or eye dropper, or just a drop of this on a suitable surface within her reach, but be careful not to wet her hair or get her sticky. By saving a queen you may have saved an entire nest. If the weather is really unsuitable for letting her go, or if it is getting dark, you can keep her for a day or so if you are willing to feed her.

A grounded bee found at the height or end of summer is another matter. Look at the wings. If they are ragged round the edges then you have either an old queen or an old worker. There is little you can do as really it is their time to die, however you could take them in and feed them if you wish, but let them go if they start to fly. If the wings are fairly intact then you have probably got a male that is either cold or has been so busy patrolling that he forgot to drink. As above you can take him somewhere warm and feed him, then let him go.

In cold weather a bumblebee feeling threatened may fall to the ground to avoid you, as it hasn't built up enough heat to fly off. It is said that bumblebees don't like human breath, so if you want to observe one closely then don't breathe on it.



*Bumble bee and honey*

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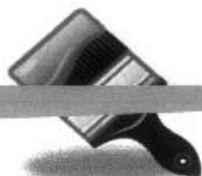
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**SPORTING NEWS** – The A and B teams have both played very well this year. Both teams are now through to the semi-finals in their divisions. If we win we will go on to play in the Leinster Junior and Primary School Girls Hockey League! Our semi-final matches will be played on Wednesday 14th March. The rest of the school will come out and support us and our classmates will lead the school in cheers. Well done girls!

Tara Gaw in sixth class took part in the Special Olympics. She did extremely well and got two gold medals and a bronze medal! She demonstrated her skill on the vault, on the beam and in floor exercises. We are very proud of her! Well done Tara!

Lily Lloyd in sixth class won the Leinster under-13 squash tournament. She won first prize and brought in her cup to show us.



*Lily and Tara with their prizes*

**Alannah Byrne**

**ARKLOW CHORAL COMPETITION** – In January and February girls from fourth, fifth and sixth class auditioned for the Arklow Choir. Our teachers very kindly gave up their lunchtimes three days a week and we all practised hard! On Sunday the 4th March, dressed in our school uniforms, we boarded a bus for Arklow. At the competition we sang the two songs we had spent so long preparing - “Memories” from the musical Cats and “Remember When” by the Heathers. We were so pleased when the two judges announced that Loreto Primary School Dalkey had won First Prize for the second year in a row!

**Alice De Leeuw**

**GREEN SCHOOLS** – We have already been awarded two green flags and are now working towards our third. This third flag will be awarded for saving water. Last year we were awarded a green schools flag for electricity, we will continue to work on that. As a school, we feel that it is important to work on electricity and litter as well as water.



*6th Class preparing for Confirmation*

Well done to Aislinn Pantony in fourth class who won the INTO National Handwriting Competition that we entered in February. This is the second year in a row that a pupil from Loreto Primary School Dalkey has won this competition!

Our 6th class clothes drive was very successful. Thanks so much to everyone who donated clothes to help us raise funds for our school, and for the ISPPC.

**Liliana Borza**

**SCIENTISTS OF THE FUTURE** – 6th class had an amazing trip to the interactive science centre at the W5 in Belfast. We learned about Sir Isaac Newton and we tested out his theory on angular momentum and it worked!!! We got the chance to fly an aeroplane and to see how wind speed and air pressure affect take-off and landing. We spent some time in the chemistry laboratory. We wore white coats and protective glasses just like real scientists, when we were studying the properties of liquid Nitrogen and H<sub>2</sub>O(water).

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Our class favourite was the musical stairs. All we had to do was walk up and down on different steps of the stairs to compose a unique piece of music as each step played a different note. We would love to have a musical stairs at school.

We all discovered that science is really great fun. It helps explain lots of ordinary things that go on around us every day. I certainly want to be a scientist in the future.

Ella Doran



*There's a Rumble in the Jungle in Senior Infants!*

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LOCAL CHARITY FUNDRAISER

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The Ash Wednesday Soup Lunch in Our Lady’s Hall, Dalkey is a charity event which is organized by a small group of friends from the Church of the Assumption and St. Patrick’s Church.



We would like to thank everyone who came and supported the event so generously, with the total amount raised coming to €4,743. A thank you letter from Brother Kevin Crowley of the Capuchin Day Centre is on display in Our Lady’s Hall.

**From the “Soup Ladies”**

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UPDATE ON DALKEY LIBRARY REFURBISHMENT

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*(Courtesy of Councillor Stephen Fitzpatrick)*

Dear Councillor

I thought that you should be aware of the following works that we are preparing for over the coming months. Should you have any concerns or queries in this regard please do not hesitate to contact me. These improvements are part of a rolling programme to upgrade the libraries for the people of dlr and are transforming the way we deliver the service.

From next week we will publicise the disruption to the public both in the branches and on the web.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

**Mairead Owens,**

*Chief Librarian, Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council*

**DALKEY LIBRARY**

Major redevelopment to Dalkey Library will start during April 2012. Pamela O’Connor (architect) is currently working on some exciting new initiatives for the branch. Accessibility is a key issue being addressed, an opening from the library will be made to the adjoining garden, which will now be landscaped. The internal features will be upgraded: new windows, stairs, public toilet, staff office, librarians office and access to an outdoor space. The branch will be closed for a number of weeks (about 10 weeks) from about 9th April and stock will go to Sandyford for storage. Self service will be introduced.



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**Tuesday April 3rd at 8.30 p.m.** Rob Goodbody will present his lecture '*Old Roads to Kilmacanogue and Beyond*' to the Kilmacanogue History Society in the Glenview Hotel, Glen of the Down, Delgany, Co. Wicklow. All welcome - admission €3.

**Wednesday April 4th at 6.30 p.m.** Brian MacAongusa will present his lecture '*Hidden Streams of South County Dublin*' in Deansgrange Library, Deansgrange, Co. Dublin. Admission free - all welcome.

**At 8 p.m.** Dr. Barbara Walsh will present her lecture '*Woolworths in Ireland*' to the Rathmichael Historical Society in the Burton Hall, Rathmichael National School, Stonebridge Road, (Dublin Road end), Shankill, Co. Dublin - all welcome.

**Tuesday April 10th at 8 p.m.** Ronnie Walsh will speak to the Genealogical Society of Ireland on '*St. Bride's Church of Ireland Parish Records*' in Dun Laoghaire College of Further Education, Cumberland Street, Dun Laoghaire - all welcome, contribution €3.

**Wednesday April 11th at 8 p.m.** Pdraig Laffan will present his lecture '*The finding of the Great Deer at Ballybetta Bog, Glencullen*' to the Killiney-Ballybrack Historical Society in The Graduate Lounge (Upstairs), Rochestown Avenue, Killiney, Co. Dublin. Admission €3 - Students / Unwaged €2.

**Thursday April 12th at 8 p.m.** Eamonn Ceannt and Mary Gallagher will speak on '*1916 Remembered*' to the Kilmacud-Stillorgan Local History Society in the Function Room, Glenalbyn, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin. All welcome - admission €3.

**At 8.15 p.m.** Dr. Martin Holland will present his lecture '*The History of Clonskeagh*' to the Mount Merrion Historical Society in the Mount Merrion Community Centre, North Avenue, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin. All welcome - admission €4.

**At 8.30 p.m.** John Lennon will present his lecture '*St. Naithi's Church, Dundrum*' to the Enniskerry History Society in the Powerscourt Arms Hotel, Enniskerry Village, Co. Wicklow - admission €3.

**Tuesday April 17th at 8 p.m.** Willie Nolan will present his lecture '*Townlands*' to the Foxrock Local History Club in Foxrock Parish Centre, rere Foxrock R.C. Church, Foxrock Co. Dublin. All welcome - admission €4.

**Wednesday April 18th at 8 p.m.** the AGM of the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society takes place in the Kingston Hotel, Adelaide Street, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, and all members are requested to attend. Anna Scudds will give the post AGM talk on '*Woolworths – Dun Laoghaire.*'

**Thursday April 19th at 8 p.m.** RTE Cameraman Geoffrey Graham will present his lecture '*40 Years Behind the Lens*' to the Bray Cualann Historical Society in the Bray Chamber of Commerce House, 10 Prince of Wales Tce., Quinsboro Road, Bray, Co. Wicklow. All welcome - admission €4.

**At 8 p.m.** Michael O Flaherty will present his lecture '*RMS Titanic - Locked in History*' to the Maritime Institute of Ireland in the Stella Maris Seafarers Club, Beresford Place, Dublin 1. All welcome - voluntary donation at the door.

### A BOOK TO READ

**"Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society Journal 2012, No.21",**

published by Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society.

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'U-Boat in Dun Laoghaire Harbour' by S. Kenna

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*'Dun Laoghaire Carnegie Library Centenary, 1912 - 2012' by Brian Smith*

*'Dun Laoghaire - Prelude to the Emergency' by James Scannell*

*'What the Humpels Did Next' by Mary Grogan*

Copies of this excellent journal, €6, are available from several outlets in Dun Laoghaire, at meetings of the Society when it meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 8 p.m. in the Kingston Hotel, Adelaide Street, Dun Laoghaire, or by phone from 2806213.



## HAROLD BOYS SCHOOL NEWS



### HAROLD BOYS GO RIDING!

On Wednesday 7th March 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th were invited to Kilronan Equestrian Centre. We enjoyed it because we learned how to groom, tack, lead and ride. Each group was doing different activities at different times. The grooming was a good experience. We learned how to scrape the mud out of the horses' hooves and we brushed the horses as well. There were three types of brushes, soft, bristle and mane comb. The soft was for horses with short hair, the bristle was for horses with long hair and the mane comb was for combing the mane and tail. The most important thing is to never stand behind a horse!

They talked to us a lot about the tacking of the horse. That's the saddle, the bridle and the bit that goes between the teeth. You always lead on the left side of the horse. When I was leading the horse he looked very big from my perspective. The riding was the best part for us. Vinnie's horse was Bobby and Darragh's horse was Stan. After all of the activities we got to see a demonstration of show jumping. The horse's name was Sculptured and the rider was Johnny. The names of the horses were Rolo, Hightower, Bobby, Toffee, Sculptured, Simba, Rory, Molly, Crackers, Smog, Stan, Glen, Jazz, Buddy, Max, Ben, Tammy and Louis. It was a bit wobbly on the horse but it was a good fieldtrip. We would recommend it to lots of people.

**By Darragh Cunningham and Vinnie MacMahon - Harold Boys' National School.**



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Sorting of DCC May Newsletter in OLH (1-2pm)	Thurs 26 April
Local Spring Clean Day	Sat 28 April
<b>DCC Public Meeting in Town Hall @8pm</b> (All residents of Dalkey are welcome)	<b>Mon 30 April</b>

## EVENTS THROUGH THE MONTH

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**St. Patrick's Dramatic Society** Dalkey Northover Hall at 8pm Mondays & Thursdays Contact Deirdre 087 956 6460 or check [www.stpatsdramoc.com](http://www.stpatsdramoc.com) for further information.

**The Irish Vintage Radio and Sound Society** meets monthly in Dalkey. Call 086 839 1839

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### AN TAISE NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN 1st-30th APRIL

The 14th annual National Spring Clean campaign gets underway this April. An Taisce would like to thank everyone who has participated in this anti-litter initiative that has grown in scope and size over the years. This years local clean up is taking place on **Saturday 28th April meeting at 10am** in the Eurospar car park. Come along and get involved!

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